Youngstown, Ohio, and Newton Falls, Ohio, would be practically worthless. Had this policy been followed by the Post Office Department, the result would have been to practically nullify the usefulness of the surveillances then being maintained by Bureau Agents.

On the afternoon of April 29, 1936, Special Agent T. M. Birch and Post Office Inspector H. W. Tavener, having been out on official business, returned to Youngstown, Ohio, at which time Inspector Tavener purchased a carton of cigarettes and a Saturday Evening Post and advised Agent Birch that he was going to the County Jail, evidently to take the cigarettes and magazine to John Brock, and advised that if Agent Birch would proceed to his, Tavener's, office he would meet him in a few moments. Agent Birch proceeded to Room 202, Post Office Building, Youngstown, Ohio, and entered the washroom and remained for a few minutes, during which interim Post Office Inspector Tavener returned and called Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick, then in Cleveland, on the telephone. Agent Birch at that time was able to hear only one side of the conversation, which indicated that it was the plan of Post Office Inspector Hettrick to leave Cleveland on the morning of April 30, 1936, and proceed to Youngstown, Ohio, accompanied by four Cleveland, Ohio, policemen, armed with machine guns, several newspaper photographers, the United States Attorney at Cleveland, and his Assistant, the idea in mind being to return Brock to Cleveland, with stops at Warren and Garrettsville, Ohio, to reenact the robbery of the mail-truck at Warren and the robbery of the mail-train at Garrettsville, for the benefit of the United States Attorney, the pictures being taken by the newspaper photographers.

The conversation likewise indicated that the newspaper photographers would be furnished with the addresses of the plants being maintained by Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors, jointly, at the home of Clayton Hall, Youngstown, and the farm home of Clyde Rochat, near Newton Falls, Ohio. Upon the conclusion of the telephone call, Post Office

Inspector Albert White came into the office and Inspector Tavener advised him of the conversation that he had just had with Post Office Inspector Hettrick. Thus Agent Birch at this time was able to obtain complete details relative to the telephone conversation.

On the morning of April 30, 1936, Inspector S. J. Hettrick appeared at the Post Office in Youngstown, Ohio, accompanied by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Wiedemann, two newspapermen from Cleveland, Post Office Inspector Cordrey and several Cleveland policemen, all of these persons being observed by Agent Birch. Hettrick inquired of Agent Birch at this time the reason for continuing the plants in that vicinity, stating, "It's very funny that you people continue these plans in view of the publicity that has been given them". It appeared therefore that the publicity had been given these plants by Post Office Inspectors in an effort to have them discontinued. This fact was subsequently verified by Special Agent Birch in a conversation with Post Office Inspector P. J. McNeil who was on detail at the home of Clayton Hall with Agent Birch, At that time, McNeil stated to Agent Birch that the Postal Inspectors did not have the men to continue these plants and they were no good now and it was the intention of the Post Office Department to bring such publicity as would make them worthless.

In connection with this matter, Special Agent Birch, who had been working with Post Office Inspector Frank W. Tavener at Youngstown, Ohio, was informed by Tavener that Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick instructed Tavener to furnish to the newspapers at Youngstown, Ohio, information concerning various surveillances being maintained in Youngstown and vicinity so as to render certain surveillances worthless, inasmuch as the Post Office Department did not have sufficient men to man these plants. Inspector Tavener indicated to Agent Birch that he did not agree with this policy but that he had to follow it, the reason being that some of the Post Office Inspectors are jealous of the Bureau and resent the action taken by the Bureau in issuing wanted circulars for Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell in

which a greater reward is offered than that posted by the Post Office Department. Special Agent Birch late on the afternoon of April 28, 1936, observed Post Office Inspector McNeil in company with two newspaper reporters. It appeared that Inspector McNeil and the two reporters, together with Ohio State Patrolman Mark Mock, mentioned hereinbefore, were cruising in an automobile past the residence of Clayton Hall, the informant in this matter, where a plant was then being maintained.

With further reference to this matter, there are submitted to you herewith photostatic copies of the following newspaper clippings indicating that newspapers have obtained information with reference to the Bureau's activities in the vicinity of Toledo and Youngstown, Ohio, and its efforts to apprehend Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell:

Clipping from the Cleveland News,
Cleveland, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936

Clipping from the Youngstown Telegram,
Youngstown, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936

Clipping from the Youngstown Vindicator,
Youngstown, Ohio, dated April 27, 1936

Clipping from the Warren Tribune Chronicle,
Warren, Ohio, dated April 27, 1936

Clipping from the Warren Tribune Chronicle,
Warren, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936

Clipping from the Youngstown Vindicator,
Youngstown, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936

It would appear from the information contained in the above clippings that any person whose apprehension was sought by this Bureau would be apt to proceed to one of these places who would be sufficiently warned by the newspaper publicity to avoid them.

With reference to this same situation, Special Agent Birch has been in the office of the Postal Inspectors on several occasions when newspapermen would call and make the inquiry, "Anything for us today?" On such occasions, the Postal Inspectors would go into the hall, confer with the newspapermen, and upon returning to the room would advise that they had just contacted a confidential informant who had given them some information and, in the event that this information would prove to be of any value, they would disclose it to Bureau Agents. Two of these newspaper reporters Special Agent Birch subsequently identified as being employed by the Youngstown Vindicator and the Youngstown Press, Youngstown, Ohio newspapers. Special Agent Birch likewise observed that immediately after copies of the Youngstown papers were placed on the streets, the Postal Inspectors, especially Hettrick, Tavener and Claggett, would immediately and hurriedly purchase copies of these papers and scan them for any indication of any release giving them credit for any part in this investigation. The extreme importance of these surveillances maintained at the homes of Clyde Rochat and [redacted] cannot be controverted. It has been shown that those responsible for the Garrettsville mail robbery congregated at Clyde Rochat's home immediately preceding the said robbery and that there was every reason to believe that they would return to that point. Investigation has likewise disclosed that [redacted] was an exceedingly important contact for Karpis and Campbell and that there was strong reason for believing that they would again communicate with him in the future.

Postal Inspector P. J. McNeil advised Special Agent Birch confidentially that in the event Alvin Karpis or Fred Hunter should be apprehended at the home of [redacted], Youngstown, Ohio, it was the intention of the Postal Inspectors to ask the aid of the Ohio State Highway Patrol and the Youngstown Police in taking them from the custody of Bureau Agents, to the end that they might be retained in Youngstown to stand trial for the Garrettsville mail robbery,

the Post Office Inspectors being motivated in this regard by the fact that no warrants were outstanding in that district for either Karpis or Hunter.

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While Special Agent T. M. Birch was on duty at the [redacted] Youngstown, Ohio, his personal mail was being forwarded to him in care of the Postal Inspectors at Youngstown, Ohio, and in this connection, on April 5, 1936, a letter addressed to Agent Birch in care of the Postal Inspectors was received at the Post Office and was brought from the box to the office of Postal Inspector H. W. Tavener. When this letter was received by Agent Birch, it was evident that it had been opened and resealed, and Post Office Inspector Tavener advised that upon taking this letter from the Post Office box downstairs there was no evidence of it having been opened and resealed. Agent Birch took this as a personal matter and expressed himself in no uncertain terms for this action on the part of the Post Office Inspectors, who neither denied or admitted opening this letter. Because of the fact that Agent Birch considered this as a personal matter, he did not keep the envelope in which this letter was mailed.

Indicative of the attitude of the Post Office Inspectors toward the Bureau is an interview had by them with one Vivian Mantooth in the Kansas City District, at which time Inspector Cordrey was accompanied by Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. These men were making efforts to ascertain the location of Milton Lett. On this occasion, Inspector Cordrey told Vivian Mantooth that Lett was wanted for mail robbery and that they wanted to catch Lett before the Department of Justice or anyone else got him.

During interviews conducted with [redacted] by Agents of this Bureau, he furnished information as to the location of the place to which he had driven Alvin Karpis in Toledo, Ohio, on or about January 15, 1936. He was therefore taken to Toledo, Ohio, by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley for the purpose of pointing out this location. [redacted] at that time pointed out a building located on Adams Street in Toledo, Ohio, Post Office Inspector Casey accompanying Mr. E. J. Connelley and [redacted] Previous to this time, Post Office Inspectors had

learned from John Brock that members of the gang responsible for the Garrettsville mail robbery had lived in a furnished apartment at 1805 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, during the time they were planning the Garrettsville mail robbery. It is noted, however, that when [redacted] was pointing out a building on Adams Street in Toledo, Ohio, where he believed Karpis and others had been living, Inspector Casey made no mention of the information in his possession to the effect that the gang had lived at 1805 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, although this information had been in the possession of the Postal Inspectors for a considerable period of time. It is desired to point out that Post Office Inspectors at all times, until this Bureau had definitely identified the parties participating in the Garrettsville mail robbery, endeavored to confuse the situation by refraining from disclosing the fact that they had definite and conclusive identifications as to Karpis and Campbell as being actual partidpants in the said robbery. It is felt that the refusal of Post Office Inspectors to permit an Agent of this Bureau to interview John Brock seriously handicapped the efficiency and impeded the progress of the Bureau in apprehending Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

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Reference is made to that portion of this memorandum in which Inspector Claggett advised Special Agent Madala that they had given to this Bureau all the information they had received from Brock which might lead to the location of Karpis and Campbell. In this connection, our investigation discloses that the Post Office Inspectors furnished this Bureau with practically no information which had been furnished to them by Brock and that such Postal Inspectors assisted only by verifying certain information which Agents of this Bureau had obtained through other sources. There was only one other way open to this Bureau to obtain information from Postal Inspectors which they had secured from John Brock. This was accomplished by virtue of the friendly relations between certain Special Agents and certain Post Office Inspectors, the latter

furnishing some information because they had become somewhat disgruntled over the conditions existing among the Post Office Inspectors themselves. The disgruntled attitude of the various Post Office Inspectors is abundantly illustrated by virtue of information already set out in this memorandum. It is to be observed, however, that on the numerous occasions when Post Office Inspectors Briggs and Hettrick were given an opportunity to interview Special Agents in Charge J. P. MacFarland and E. J. Connelley, who were supervising the investigation in Ohio, they furnished no information which had been disclosed to them by John Brock.

During the course of the investigation of the Garrettsville mail robbery, the Post Office Inspectors availed themselves of the services of Windt Smith, head of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, and Joe Anderson, an officer of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. On March 28, 1936, [redacted] furnished information to Postal Inspectors and Special Agents as to the location of Karpis and Campbell in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas. At that conference, Joe Anderson was present. Immediately thereafter, Postal Inspectors and Bureau Agents, in company with Joe Anderson, proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they met Windt Smith. In conducting the above mentioned raid, the fact that Karpis was sought was not disclosed. It is noted, however, that press dispatches carried statements made by Windt Smith to the effect that he and his men had participated in this raid and that the man sought was Alvin Karpis. This resulted in unfavorable publicity and materially interfered with the subsequent search for Alvin Karpis.

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Subsequent to the above mentioned raid near Hot Springs, Arkansas, and through the mutual efforts of Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors, the home of the two brothers of Grace Goldstein, the paramour of Alvin Karpis, was located in the vicinity of Paris, Texas. Investigation by Bureau Agents disclosed that Karpis had left at that point a black Great Dane dog of which he was very fond, and a Ford coupe automobile to be used for purposes of flight by him. These details were confidentially disclosed to Post Office Inspector Cordrey and Joe Anderson of the Kansas State

Highway Patrol by Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley in order that they might have this information and to avoid the possibility of the Post Office Inspectors making open inquiry in the vicinity of Paris, Texas, which would materially interfere with our investigation at that point. Both Inspector Cordrey and Officer Anderson promised to treat this information as strictly confidential. Notwithstanding this definite understanding and agreement, Anderson, upon his return to Hot Springs, Arkansas, on April 24, 1936, proceeded to advise "Dutch" Akers, Chief of Detectives at Hot Springs, of the full details of the situation at Paris, Texas, and thereafter he, together with "Dutch" Akers, proceeded to the house of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein as the Hatterie Hotel, where a search was made of the place and where Inspector Cordrey and "Dutch" Akers vigorously interviewed all of the girl inmates, including the one who was left in charge during the absence of Grace Goldstein, threatening them with arrest and endeavoring to obtain from them the location of Grace Goldstein or information as to when she would return. This conduct on the part of Inspector Cordrey can be considered as nothing less than an intentional and wilful breech of trust. The Bureau a few days prior thereto had engaged the services of [redacted] as a confidential informant and there was every reason to believe that through his friendship with Grace Goldstein he would be able to ascertain definitely the location of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. In consequence of the disclosure by Cordrey and his subsequent conduct in raiding the Hatterie Hotel and questioning the inmates thereof, it was necessary for [redacted] to immediately suspend his operations and return to his home, having been able to accomplish nothing.

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As a result of the information conveyed by Postal Inspector Charles Cordrey to "Dutch" Akers, the latter was able to and did, within a few days thereafter, advise Grace Goldstein that the Bureau had located her family at Paris, Texas, furnishing her with full details as to the automobile, the dog, and other items of interest which had been developed,

through investigation by Special Agent W. L. Buchanan and Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley.

This will further inform you that on April 18, 1936, Special Agent E. J. Dowd held a conversation with Post Office Inspector F. R. Casey, at which time Casey advised Agent Dowd that with the exception of himself and two or three other of the Post Office Inspectors assigned to the Cincinnati Division, his Department, particularly those then in charge, were exceedingly jealous of this Bureau, and notwithstanding the apparent spirit of cooperation, if the opportunity presented itself it was their intention, without notifying this Bureau, to bring about the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell, preferably alive. Inspector Casey further confided that a movement was then afoot to abandon the surveillances in which the Post Office Inspectors and Bureau Agents were mutually interested; that it was the intention of Post Office Inspectors to go back to the policy of inviting all peace officers, through rewards and payments from a confidential fund, to join with Post Office Inspectors in an effort to locate Karpis and Campbell and cause their apprehension. Fortunately, this proved to be only an expressed intention and was not actually put into effect prior to the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell by Bureau Agents. Had this policy become effective, however, it would have seriously impaired the work which this Bureau was then performing.

Your attention is now invited to the fact that the location of Sam Coker, who was a known associate of Harry Campbell, became of extreme importance to this Bureau to the end of locating Harry Campbell. Investigation had disclosed that for a short period, prior to and subsequent to the Garrettsville mail robbery which occurred on November 7, 1935, Sam Coker had been confined in the Mercy Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. On the afternoon of May 6, 1936 Special Agents J. M. Jones and E. J. Wynn called at the Mercy Hospital in Toledo, Ohio, for the purpose of checking the hospitalization records in the hope of obtaining further information as to the location of Sam Coker. Upon entering the waiting room of the said hospital, the Agents observed Post Office Inspectors Claggett, Cordrey and Hettrick. A brief conversation was held between the Agents and the Inspectors, whereupon the Sister Superior called upon Inspector Hettrick to come into her office where the Agents

observed Inspector Hettrick examining certain registration cards. In the belief that Inspector Hettrick had obtained the information which was desired by the Agents, Special Agent E. J. Wynn, in the presence of Special Agent J. M. Jones, asked Inspector Hettrick if he desired to furnish to the said Agents the information which he had obtained from the Sister Superior. Thereupon Inspector Hettrick stated to Agent Wynn: "You had better go in and get it yourself". The Postal Inspectors.then left the hospital.

You will appreciate the embarrassment which was suffered by Agents Jones and Wynn in being refused certain information which had already been obtained by another Federal investigative agency. You will also appreciate the embarrassment which the Bureau suffers when it is necessary for Bureau Agents to duplicate an investigation already conducted by another Federal investigative agency, merely because that agency has declined to submit such information to the investigating Agents. At this time Agents Jones and Wynn understood that Coker had been registered at the Mercy Hospital under the name of either Tommy Coleman or Sam Coker. The registration cards of the Hospital failed to disclose any registration under these names. After considerable inquiry and discussion on the part of the Agents the Sister Superior appreciated that inquiry was being made by the Agents with reference to the same individual about whom the Post Office Inspectors had inquired, whereupon she informed that the person in whom the Post Office Inspectors were interested was one Robert Pratt, and she exhibited the entrance card of this individual reflecting that Robert Pratt entered the hospital on October 30, 1935 and was discharged on November 25, 1935.

It is to be noted particularly that as a result of this investigation the Agents continued their inquiries at the said hospital, examining clinical records, the list of attending physicians and nurses, which resulted eventually in locating the name of Miss Bobbie Robbleto, who furnished information which led directly to the location and apprehension of Sam Coker and Harry Campbell on May 7, 1936.

On the morning of May 7, 1936 Special Agent E. J. Wynn was having breakfast in the coffee shop of the Hillcrest Hotel in Toledo and was jointed by Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick.

Inspector Hettrick stated that he desired to know whether the meeting in the reception room of the Mercy Hospital, as above described, was a mere coincidence and if it were such a meeting, it was indeed a fortunate one for the Special Agents. Inspector Hettrick then informed Agent Wynn that he was confident, when the Agents made their inquiries at the Mercy Hospital, they did not know the name which Sam Coker used during the period of his hospitalization. Inspector Hettrick then indicated that had it not been for the inquiries which he made immediately preceding those of the Agents, it would have been impossible for the Agents to have located the records of Sam Coker. It would appear that this misconduct on the part of the Postal Inspectors was motivated by a deliberate and intentional desire not only to embarrass the investigating Agents, but to seriously impede the progress of their investigation.

In connection with this same matter this will advise you that on May 6, 1936 Special Agent E. J. Dowd held a conversation with Post Office Inspector Claggett at Toledo, Ohio, the latter inquiring the reason for Agent's presence in Toledo. When Inspector Claggett was advised that the Agent was there in the hope of ascertaining the whereabouts of Harry Campbell, Inspector Claggett appeared to become very bitter toward Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick, in charge of the Post Office Inspectors who were assigned to locate Harry Campbell. Inspector Claggett then confided in Agent Dowd that Harry Campbell was undoubtedly in Toledo and was probably residing there. At that time the Post Office Inspectors had obtained information from John Brock to the effect that prior to the Garrettsville mail robbery on November 7, 1935 Sam Coker had been confined in the Mercy Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. It is noted, however, that Inspector Claggett did not advise Agent Dowd of the full name used by Coker while hospitalized. He further confided that Brock advised the Postal Inspectors that since Coker's discharge from the hospital the latter was visiting and keeping company with one of the nurses attached to the said hospital, of whom Coker had become considerably enamored. Inspector Claggett also advised that Brock had informed the Postal Inspectors that Coker's hospital bill was paid by Harry Campbell, who lived with his wife or a woman in an apartment in the vicinity of the hospital and that if the Postal Inspectors ascertained the identity of the nurse who was keeping company with Coker and

maintained a surveillance of her, such surveillance would probably lead to the apprehension of Harry Campbell.

It is pointed out that it was the desire to obtain information identical to that set out above that the Special Agents earnestly insisted upon the right to interview John Brock. As has been noted hereinbefore, a disgruntled attitude prevailed among numerous Postal Inspectors working on this case and it was only as a result of such a disgruntled attitude that the Special Agents were able to obtain from such Postal Inspectors information which had been furnished them by John Brock. The importance of the information thus confided to Agent Dowd by Inspector Claggett cannot be overemphasized and the Bureau is entirely safe in concluding that this information would not have been disclosed to Agent Dowd had it not been for the disgruntled attitude on the part of Inspector Claggett. You will recall that it was as the result of this information that a complete investigation was made by the Agents at the Mercy Hospital, which subsequently resulted in the apprehension of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker.

Please be further informed that on the evening of May 4, 1936 Special Agents E. J. Dowd and T. M. Birch held a conversation with Postal Inspectors Claggett and Casey at Toledo, Ohio, at which time Inspector Casey in his conversation with Agent Birch became very critical of the lack of cooperation displayed by the Post Office Inspectors toward the Bureau Agents who were mutually interested in this investigation and Inspector Casey was very outspoken in this matter. Inspector Casey inquired of Agent Birch as to whether an investigation had been made by the Agents at the Mercy Hospital relative to the length of time Sam Coker was hospitalized there. On the afternoon of May 6, 1936 Special Agent Birch had occasion to be in the office of Postal Inspector Hettrick where Inspector Hettrick was in company with Inspectors Claggett and Cordrey. While Inspector Hettrick was completing a telephonic conversation, Inspector Claggett advised Agent Birch that Inspectors Cordrey, Hettrick and himself had just returned from an investigation at the Mercy Hospital in Toledo, relative to the hospitalization of Sam Coker. At this time Inspector Hettrick, having completed his telephonic conversation, addressed Agent Birch advising that he and the above-mentioned Postal Inspectors had just returned from the Mercy Hospital and on leaving the said hospital had encountered Special Agent E. J. Wynn, who was then entering the

hospital. Inspector Hettrick made the following statement to Agent Birch: "Wynn asked me what I found out about Coker. I told him there it is go and get it for yourself". Inspector Hettrick then asked Agent Birch the following question: "Say, are we cooperating or not?" Agent Birch replied: "As far as I know, we are". At this time Inspector Cordrey attempted to engage Agent Birch in a dispute relative to the activities of Special Agents and Postal Inspectors during the course of the raid conducted on the home of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas. Agent Birch courteously declined to enter into any conversation along this line, advising Inspector Cordrey that he had no knowledge of this raid and was, therefore, not in a position to discuss it.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I am submitting to you the following information reflecting the obvious lack of desire on the part of certain members of the Post Office Inspection Staff to cooperate with Special Agents of this Bureau.

KIDNAPING OF EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Edward George Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, was kidnaped by members of the Karpis-Barker gang at St. Paul on January 17, 1934. The fact that the apprehension of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell was sought by this Bureau in connection with this kidnaping was extensively publicized throughout the country. Identification orders relative to these individuals were issued, requesting the assistance of law enforcement officials and the public in procuring information which would lead to the apprehension of these criminals. There could not, therefore, exist any doubt on the part of any law enforcement officers as to the desire of this Bureau to effect the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell.

Raid on premises of Mrs. Maggie Lett, mother of Milton Lett, an associate of Harry Campbell, without advising the representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

During the fall of 1935 investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Oklahoma disclosed that one of Harry Campbell's contacts was one Milton Lett, whose mother, Maggie Lett, resides at Wann, Oklahoma. Efforts were, therefore, made to locate Milton Lett, in the belief that his location might lead to the apprehension of Harry Campbell. Investigation disclosed that Maggie Lett was receiving registered mail at Wann, Oklahoma from an individual in Cleveland, Ohio, thought to be either Milton Lett or Harry Campbell. On November 27, 1935 a surveillance was commenced in the registry section of the Cleveland, Ohio post office, which was continued until January 20, 1936, in order to identify the

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person sending mail matter to Maggie Lett. It should be specifically noted that this surveillance was maintained with the knowledge of Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick of Cleveland, Ohio.

The Garrettsville mail robbery occurred on November 7, 1935. The Bureau at that time had no evidence that any persons sought by it were involved in that offense. Shortly after November 27, 1935, on which date the surveillance of the registry section of the Cleveland Post Office was commenced, Post Office Inspector Hettrick of Cleveland, Ohio interviewed a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, advising him that through their investigation they had positively identified the photograph of one Thomas J. Shaw as the purchaser of a Plymouth sedan automobile used in the Garrettsville mail robbery. Subsequently the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation identified Shaw as Milton Lett. At the time of the interview between Inspector Hettrick and an Agent of the Bureau, Hettrick expressed the opinion that the Garrettsville mail robbery had been effected by Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and others, but stated that at that time they had not effected positive identifications.

Despite the fact that Post Office Inspector Hettrick knew of the surveillance by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at the Cleveland post office and that the Bureau, therefore, was interested in Maggie Lett of Wann, Oklahoma, the Post Office Inspectors, without notifying any Bureau office or official, proceeded to Wann, Oklahoma during January, 1935, where, with the assistance of the Kansas State Highway Patrol and Deputy Sheriffs, they conducted a raid on the premises of Mrs. Maggie Lett, mother of Milton Lett.

Failure of Post Office Inspectors to advise representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to positive identifications of Karpis and Campbell in the Garrettsville mail robbery.

No information was obtained from Post Office Inspectors by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to the identification of Karpis and Campbell as participants in the Garrettsville mail robbery. It, therefore, became necessary for the Bureau to conduct an independent investigation through interviews with various witnesses to the robbery, and it was thereby ascertained that numerous witnesses positively identified Karpis and Campbell as participants in said robbery.

The failure of Post Office Inspectors to notify representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to the identification of Karpis and Campbell as participants in the Garrettsville mail robbery is considered a specific instance of a lack of cooperation on their part.

Misleading statement by Post Office Inspector to effect that George H. Keady had not been taken into custody by or for the Post Office Inspectors.

During an interview between a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Post Office Inspector Hettrick, Inspector Hettrick advised the Special Agent that George H. (Burrhead) Keady had not been picked up by or for the Post Office Inspectors and that his whereabouts were at that time unknown to him, Hettrick. Investigation by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation disclosed that the Post Office Inspectors had obtained information to the effect that Keady was involved in the Garrettsville mail robbery and Keady was apprehended by Joe Anderson, an officer of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, who was employed by the Post Office Inspectors to assist in the investigation of the Garrettsville mail robbery, and that Keady, upon his apprehension, was brought to Cleveland, Ohio, where he was secretly confined by the Post Office Inspectors.

This attempt on the part of Inspector Hettrick to mislead Special Agents of the Bureau as to the status of George H. Keady is believed to be an obvious instance of lack of cooperation, inasmuch as the identity and location of any and all participants in the Garrettsville robbery was important, inasmuch as this information might lead to clues as to the location of Karpis and Campbell.

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Taking into custody [redacted] known Bureau informant, without first consulting representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

[redacted] who was considered a confidential informant of the Cleveland Bureau Office, was interviewed by two Special Agents of the Bureau on March 25, 1936 at Youngstown, Ohio. After obtaining considerable information from him arrangements were made for [redacted] to proceed to the Cleveland Office of the Bureau on the following day,

March 26, 1936, where he was to be interrogated further. [redacted] was given b 7C
a $5 bill by one of the Special Agents of the Bureau and also a piece of paper on which were written the name of the Agent and the address of the Cleveland Bureau Office. Much concern was naturally felt by the personnel of the Cleveland Office when [redacted] failed to appear on March 26th, as agreed. [redacted] had previously furnished that office with much important information concerning the location of Alvin Karpis. Upon the failure of [redacted] to appear, two Special Agents proceeded to Youngstown, Ohio to the residence of [redacted] on March 27, 1936. Efforts to locate him were unsuccessful. A surveillance of [redacted] home was initiated by the Agents.

At about 5 p.m. the same day, March 27th, Post Office Inspector Hettrick telephoned the Special Agent in Charge of the Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation from Youngstown, Ohio, advising that the Post Office Inspectors had taken [redacted] into custody and that they were aware that two of the Bureau Agents were conducting investigation at Youngstown, having [redacted] home under surveillance. Thereafter, two Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Youngstown met Post Office Inspectors S. J. Hettrick, E. D. Claggett, H. W. Tavener, and Jess Cordrey, and Post Office Inspector in Charge W. R. Briggs, of the Cincinnati Division. There were also present at this conference Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, and Mark Mock and William Sowers of the Ohio State Highway Police. At this conference Mr. Briggs advised his men had taken [redacted] into custody the day before, March 26th, and were holding him for questioning. [redacted] had indicated that he could furnish information as to the whereabouts of Alvin Karpis, but before doing so he desired to have representatives of this Bureau present. At this time one of the Bureau Agents inquired as to the whereabouts of [redacted] whereupon Post Office Inspector in Charge Briggs replied "He is not under arrest, but we have him in tow and at the proper time we will produce him."

Thereafter Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation were permitted to interview [redacted] and they inquired of him as to why he failed to appear at the Cleveland Office, as agreed. [redacted] replied that he left his home in Youngstown, Ohio on March 26, 1936, and while on his way to Cleveland he was picked up by about twelve men, taken to the police station, where on three different occasions he was placed in a show-up and viewed by witnesses. He stated he protested to the men who had him in custody that he was on his way to the Bureau Office at Cleveland, exhibiting to them the piece of paper bearing the name of the Special Agent and the address of the Cleveland Office, together with the $5 bill given him by a Special Agent to cover his transportation expenses.

March 26, 1936, where he was to be interrogated further. Hall was given a $5 bill by one of the Special Agents of the Bureau and also a piece of paper on which were written the name of the Agent and the address of the Cleveland Bureau Office. Much concern was naturally felt by the personnel of the Cleveland Office when Hall failed to appear on March 26th, as agreed. Hall had previously furnished that office with much important information concerning the location of Alvin Karpis. Upon the failure of Hall to appear, two Special Agents proceeded to Youngstown, Ohio to the residence of Hall, on March 27, 1936. Efforts to locate him were unsuccessful. A surveillance of Hall's home was initiated by the Agents.

At about 5 p.m. the same day, March 27th, Post Office Inspector Hettrick telephoned the Special Agent in Charge of the Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation from Youngstown, Ohio, advising that the Post Office Inspectors had taken Hall into custody and that they were aware that two of the Bureau Agents were conducting investigation at Youngstown, having Hall's home under surveillance. Thereafter, two Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Youngstown met Post Office Inspectors S. J. Hettrick, E. D. Claggett, H. W. Tavener, and Jess Cordrey, and Post Office Inspector in Charge W. R. Briggs, of the Cincinnati Division. There were also present at this conference Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, and Mark Mock and William Sowers of the Ohio State Highway Police. At this conference Mr. Briggs advised his men had taken Clayton Hall into custody the day before, March 26th, and were holding him for questioning. Clayton Hall had indicated that he could furnish information as to the whereabouts of Alvin Karpis, but before doing so he desired to have representatives of this Bureau present. At this time one of the Bureau Agents inquired as to the whereabouts of Hall, whereupon Post Office Inspector in Charge Briggs replied "He is not under arrest, but we have him in tow and at the proper time we will produce him."

Thereafter Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation were permitted to interview Hall and they inquired of him as to why he failed to appear at the Cleveland Office, as agreed. Hall replied that he left his home in Youngstown, Ohio on March 26, 1936, and while on his way to Cleveland he was picked up by about twelve men, taken to the police station, where on three different occasions he was placed in a show-up and viewed by witnesses. He stated he protested to the men who had him in custody that he was on his way to the Bureau Office at Cleveland, exhibiting to them the piece of paper bearing the name of the Special Agent and the address of the Cleveland Office, together with the $5 bill given him by a Special Agent to cover his transportation expenses.

It is believed that the taking into custody by a Governmental investigative agency of a known special informant of another agency, without advising the agency primarily interested, reflects an obvious lack of cooperation.

Refusal of Post Office Inspectors to permit Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to interview John Brock, participant in Garrettsville mail robbery.

John Brock, a Tulsa, Oklahoma hoodlum, was identified as a participant, with Karpis, Campbell and others, in the Garrettsville mail robbery. Brock was apprehended by Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, Oklahoma and was removed to Youngstown, Ohio, where he was held incommunicado. In view of the fact that Karpis and Campbell had been positively identified in the said robbery, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation expressed a positive desire to Post Office Inspectors to interview Brock, in the hope of obtaining information which might lead to the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell. On April 2, 1936 a Special Agent of this Bureau was advised by Post Office Inspector in Charge W. R. Briggs that he, Briggs, would allow an Agent to interview John Brock, who was then held by Post Office Inspectors on the third floor of the Post Office Building in Youngstown, Ohio. On April 3, 1936 a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation received authorization to interview John Brock in accordance with the permission granted by Inspector Briggs. Prior to this interview, however, he discussed the matter with Post Office Inspector Claggett, at which time Claggett advised said Agent that it would be impossible to interview Brock, inasmuch as Post Office Inspector in Charge Briggs had specifically instructed him, Claggett, that no person outside of the Post Office Inspectors, was to talk to Brock. The excuse was made that an interview by a Special Agent of this Bureau might result in Brock's refusal to testify against the other participants in the Garrettsville mail robbery case. Another Agent of the Bureau then conferred with Inspector Tavener relative to the refusal of Inspector in Charge Briggs to allow an Agent to interview Brock, and Inspector Tavener called the matter to the attention of Inspector Briggs by long distance telephone, whereupon Briggs advised Tavener that, in view of the fact that Inspector Claggett probably had a more definite line on Brock's attitude, he would be governed by Claggett's view and would, therefore, decline to allow an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to interview Brock.

It may be of possible interest to note that on one occasion a Special Agent of this Bureau received information from a Post Office Inspector, whose name must be maintained in strict confidence, to the effect that the primary reason for the refusal of the Post Office Inspectors to permit Brock to be interviewed by Bureau Agents was the fact that Brock had apparently confessed to Post Office Inspectors that two innocent men had been convicted for the mail robbery at Warren, Ohio on April 19, 1935, it appearing that Brock implicated Karpis and Campbell in the Warren, Ohio mail robbery.

It is believed that the refusal on the part of a Governmental agency to permit qualified representatives of another agency to interview an individual involved in the same crime in which much sought fugitives are wanted, reflects a decided lack of appropriate cooperative spirit.

Furnishing by representatives of the Post Office Department of information to newspapers relative to places under surveillance by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

During the course of the investigation leading to the apprehension of the remaining fugitives in the case involving the kidnaping of Edward Bremer, representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation conducted surveillances at the homes of [redacted] Youngstown, Ohio, and Clyde Rochat, Newton Falls, Ohio, in addition to other surveillances in Toledo, Ohio. Surveillances of [redacted] were maintained jointly with the assistance of Post Office Inspectors. b7c

On one occasion Post Office Inspector Hettrick advised the Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that the Post Office Department contemplated issuing circulars on the participants in the Garrettsville train robbery, the result of which would be to practically nullify the usefulness of the surveillances then being maintained by the Bureau Agents.

On another occasion on the same date an Agent proceeded to the washroom adjacent to Room 202 of the Post Office Building, Youngstown, Ohio, and while in the washroom he overheard Post Office Inspector Tavener telephonically communicate with Post Office Inspector Hettrick, then in Cleveland. It became evident through overhearing this conversation that it was the plan of the Post Office Inspectors to leave Cleveland on the

morning of April 30th and proceed to Youngstown, Ohio, accompanied by four Cleveland, Ohio police officers, armed with machine guns, several newspaper photographers, and the United States Attorney at Cleveland, as well as his Assistant, the object being to return John Brock to Cleveland, with stops at Warren and Garrettsville, Ohio to re-enact the robbery of the mail truck at Warren and the robbery of the mail train at Garrettsville, for the benefit of the United States Attorney, pictures to be taken by the newspaper photographers. The conversation indicated that the newspaper photographers would be furnished with the address of the home of [redacted] under surveillance by Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors, and the location of the farm of Clyde Rochat, Newton Falls, Ohio, under surveillance by Bureau Agents. b7c

Upon the conclusion of the telephonic conversation, Post Office Inspector Albert White came into the office and Inspector Tavener advised him of the conversation he had had with Inspector Hettrick, and through this means the Agent was able to secure complete details concerning the telephonic conversation.

On the morning of April 30, 1936 Post Office Inspector Hettrick appeared at the post office, Youngstown, Ohio, accompanied by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Wiedeman, two newspaper men from Cleveland, Post Office Inspector Cordrey and several police officers. Inspector Hettrick at this time inquired of an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation the reason for continuing the surveillance in that vicinity, stating "It is funny of you people to continue these plants, in view of the publicity that has been given to them."

In connection with this matter, a Post Office Inspector confidentially informed an Agent of this Bureau that Post Office Inspector Hettrick had instructed that the information concerning these various surveillances being maintained at Youngstown be given to the newspapers at Youngstown and vicinity, in order to render said surveillances worthless, inasmuch as the Post Office Department did not have sufficient men to maintain these plants. From the same confidential

source the view was expressed that some of the Post Office Inspectors were jealous of the Bureau and resanted the action taken by the Bureau in issuing reward circulars for Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell in which a greater reward was offered than that offered by the Post Office Department.

With further reference to this phase of this general matter, I am submitting to you herewith photostatic copies of the following newspaper clippings, indicating that newspapers had obtained information with reference to the Bureau's activities in the vicinity of Toledo and Youngstown, Ohio, in its efforts to apprehend Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell:

Clipping from the Cleveland News, Cleveland, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936.
Clipping from the Youngstown Telegram, Youngstown, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936.
Clipping from the Youngstown Vindicator, Youngstown, Ohio, dated April 27, 1936.
Clipping from the Warren Tribune Chronicle, Warren, Ohio, dated April 27, 1936.
Clipping from the Warren Tribune Chronicle, Warren, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936.
Clipping from the Youngstown Vindicator, Youngstown, Ohio, dated April 28, 1936.

From the foregoing it would appear that any person whose apprehension was being sought by this Bureau in connection with the maintenance of these plants would be sufficiently warned by the deliberate newspaper publicity to avoid them and thus defeat the purpose of the plants. It is also believed that this is not an indication of a proper cooperative spirit.

Statement to the effect that the assistance of the Ohio State Highway Patrol and Youngstown police, exclusively, was to be sought in taking Karpis and Fred Hunter from the custody of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

A Post Office Inspector advised an Agent of this Bureau confidentially that in the event Alvin Karpis or Fred Hunter (an associate of Alvin Karpis) was apprehended at the home of [redacted] at Youngstown, it was the intention of the Post Office Inspectors to seek the aid of the Ohio State Highway Patrol and the Youngstown Police

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in taking Karpis and Hunter from the custody of Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in order that these men might be returned to Youngstown to stand trial for the Garrettsville mail robbery.

The expressed intention of a Governmental agency to keep prisoners wanted by another Governmental agency out of the custody of said latter agency reflects an undesirable lack of cooperation.

Confidential information received from Post Office Inspector to effect that others of that Service intended to abandon the surveillances in which they and Bureau Agents were mutually interested, and to apprehend Karpis and Campbell without notifying the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In the month of April, 1936 a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in a confidential conversation with a Post Office Inspector, was advised by said Post Office Inspector that, with the exception of himself and a few others of said Inspection Staff, the members of his Department, particularly those now in charge, were jealous of the accomplishments of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and, notwithstanding the apparent spirit of cooperation, if the opportunity presented itself said Post Office Inspectors would, without notifying the Federal Bureau of Investigation, bring about the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell. Said Inspector further confided that a plan was then afoot to abandon the surveillances in which the Post Office Inspectors and the Bureau Agents were mutually interested, and that it was the intention of the Post Office Inspectors to return to the policy of inviting all peace officers, through rewards and payments from a confidential fund, to join with the Post Office Inspectors in an effort to locate Karpis and Campbell and cause their apprehension.

This reflection of a non-cooperative spirit is believed to clearly explain the undesirable actions of the Post Office Inspectors, referred to all through this memorandum. The information was received confidentially, however, and the character thereof must be maintained in confidence.

Allegation that Post Office Inspectors opened mail addressed to a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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While a Special Agent was on duty at the [redacted] home in Youngstown, Ohio, his personal mail was forwarded to him in care of

the Post Office Inspectors at Youngstown, Ohio. On April 5, 1936 a letter addressed to this Agent in care of the Post Office Inspectors was received at the post office and brought from the box to the office of Post Office Inspector H. W. Tavener. When this letter was received by the Agent it was evident that it had been opened and re-sealed. The Post Office Inspectors stated, in connection with this letter, that there was no evidence of it having been opened and re-sealed, and they neither denied nor admitted having opened it.

The opening of personal or official mail addressed to the members of other Governmental agencies is not considered a properly cooperative attitude.

Statement of Post Office Inspectors that they desired to capture Milton Lett before the "Department of Justice or anyone else could get him".

In an interview with one Vivian Mantooth, thought to possess information of value relative to the location of Milton Lett, by Post Office Inspector Cordrey, who was accompanied by Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, Inspector Cordrey told Vivian Mantooth that Lett was wanted for mail robbery and that they wanted to catch Lett before the Department of Justice or anyone else got him.

The reflection of a competitive, rather than a cooperative spirit, on the part of Government agencies, as indicated in the foregoing, is believed to be highly undesirable.

Failure of Post Office Inspectors to advise Bureau of information secured from John Brack to the effect that members of the gang responsible for the Garrettsville mail robbery had lived at 1805 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio.

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During interviews conducted wit[redacted] the Agents of this Bureau were advised by him of the location of the place to which he had driven Alvin Karpis in Toledo on or about January 15, 1936. He was subsequently taken to Toledo for the purpose of pointing out this location. He did point out a building located on Adams Street in Toledo, Ohio. Post Office Inspector Casey accompanied Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and [redacted]t that time. Previous thereto Post Office Inspectors had learned from John Brock that members of the

gang responsible for the Garrettsville mail robbery had lived in a furnished apartment at 1805 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, during the time they were planning the Garrettsville mail robbery. When [redacted] indicated the building on Adams Street in Toledo which he believed had been occupied by Karpis and others, Inspector Casey made no mention of the information previously received by Post Office Inspectors to the effect that the gang had lived at 1805 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio. b7C

The refusal of the Post Office Inspectors to afford Agents of this Bureau information received by them relative to the previous location of the members of this gang obviously reflected a lack of cooperation in the endeavor of the Bureau to locate Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

Publicity relative to efforts on the part of Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to apprehend Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

During the course of the investigation of the Garrettsville mail robbery, the Post Office Inspectors availed themselves of the services of Windt Smith, head of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, and Joe Anderson also of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. On March 28, 1936 [redacted] had furnished information to Postal Inspectors and Bureau Agents as to the location of Karpis in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas. At that conference Joe Anderson was present. Immediately thereafter Postal Inspectors and Bureau Agents proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they met Windt Smith. In conducting the above mentioned raid the fact that Karpis was sought was not disclosed. It was noted, however, that press dispatches carried statements of Windt Smith to the effect that he and his men had participated in this raid and that the man sought was Alvin Karpis.

The unfavorable consequentes of the publicity resulting from this loquacity with regard to the subsequent search for Alvin Karpis are obvious. The source of the publicity is not definitely known. Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol was working with the Post Office Inspectors and presumably acting under their control and direction. This publicity could have emanated from no other sources than the Post Office Inspectors and/or Joe Anderson.

Disclosure by Post Office Inspectors of highly important and confidential information relative to the connection of Grace Goldstein of Hot Springs, Arkansas with Alvin Karpis.

Subsequent to the above mentioned raid near Hot Springs, Arkansas, the home of the two brothers of Grace Goldstein, paramour of Alvin Karpis, was located in the vicinity of Paris, Texas. Investigation disclosed that Karpis had left at that point a black Great Dane dog of which he was very fond and a Ford coupe automobile, to be used for purposes of flight by him. These details were confidentially disclosed to Post Office Inspector Cordrey and Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, in order that they might have this information and to avoid the possibility of the Post Office Inspectors making open inquiry at Paris, Texas, which would materially interfere with the Bureau's investigation at that point. Cordrey and Anderson promised to treat this information as strictly confidential.

Notwithstanding this definite understanding and agreement, Cordrey, upon his return to Hot Springs, Arkansas on April 24, 1936, proceeded to advise "Dutch" Akers, Chief of Detectives, of the full details of the situation at Paris, Texas, and thereafter Cordrey and Akers proceeded to a house of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein, known as the Hatterie Hotel, where a search was made and where Cordrey and Akers vigorously interviewed all of the girl inmates, including the woman who was left in charge during the absence of Grace Goldstein, threatening them with arrest and endeavoring to ascertain the location of Grace Goldstein or information as to when she would return.

This apparently wilful breach of trust on the part of Inspector Cordrey was a marked indication of lack of proper cooperation or elementary investigative ability. It should be noted that the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a few days prior thereto, had arranged with [redacted] to endeavor to ascertain definitely the location of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell through [redacted] friendship with Grace Goldstein. In consequence of the disclosure by Cordrey of this information and the subsequent raiding of the Hatterie Hotel and questioning of the inmates, it was necessary for [redacted] to immediately suspend his efforts and return to his home without procuring the desired information. As a further result of this breach of trust, "Dutch" Akers, a few days thereafter, advised Grace Goldstein that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had located her family at Paris, Texas, furnishing her with full details as to the automobile, the dog and other valuable items of investigative interest which had been developed through activities of Special Agents of the Bureau.

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Failure of Post Office Inspectors to furnish Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation with information in their possession relative to Sam Coker.

The location of one Sam Coker became material to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in its efforts to locate and apprehend Harry Campbell. Investigation had disclosed that for a short period prior and subsequent to the Garrettsville mail robbery, on November 7, 1935, Coker had been confined in the Mercy Hospital, Toledo, Ohio. On the afternoon of May 6, 1936, the day prior to the apprehension of Harry Campbell, two Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation visited the Mercy Hospital with the intention of examining the hospitalization records to obtain information concerning the location of Sam Coker. Upon entering the waiting room of said hospital the Special Agents observed Post Office Inspectors Claggett, Cordrey and Hettrick seated there. Shortly thereafter the Sister Superior invited Post Office Inspector Hettrick into her office, where she permitted him to examine certain index cards. The Special Agents of the Bureau, feeling that Inspector Hettrick had obtained the information which they were also seeking, asked him if he desired to furnish to them the information he had received from the Sister Superior, whereupon Inspector Hettrick said "You had better go in and get it yourself". Immediately thereafter he and the other Post Office Inspectors left the hospital. The Agents were necessarily considerably embarrassed at being forced to seek the same information from the Sister Superior which had already been obtained by another agency of the Federal Government. The information secured by the Agents proved to be of great importance.

On the morning of May 7, 1936, the date on which Harry Campbell was captured, a Special Agent was having breakfast in the coffee shop of the Hillcrest Hotel in Toledo and was joined by Post Office Inspector Hettrick. At this time Inspector Hettrick inquired as to whether the meeting in the reception room of the Mercy Hospital, as noted above, was a mere coincidence, and advised the Agent that if it were, it was indeed a fortunate meeting for the Agents because he was confident that when the Agents made their investigation at the said hospital they did not know the name which Sam Coker had used when he was hospitalized at that point. Hettrick indicated that the Agents would not have been able to obtain the desired information had it not been for the fact that the Post Office Inspectors, knowing the name used by Coker at the said hospital, had sought

similar information concerning Coker immediately preceding the investigation by the Agents, and that necessarily the Agents' investigation would have to be predicated upon the fact that the Sister Superior would recall the name of the individual concerning whom the Post Office Inspectors inquired.

It is believed that when a Federal investigative agency has secured certain information, said information should be placed at the disposal of another Governmental agency requesting it, particularly when it relates to a case upon which both Governmental agencies are presumed to be working cooperatively. The undesirable effect upon executive officials of hospitals of being compelled to give the same information to two Governmental agencies needs no elaboration. The evident lack of desire on the part of Post Office Inspector Hettrick to afford the Agents of the Bureau material information, such as the name in which Coker had been hospitalized, would appear to be highly uncooperative.

Failure of Post Office Inspectors to afford Special Agents of Federal Bureau of Investigation specific information received by them from John Brock relative to Sam Coker, and the fact that Coker's hospital bill was paid by Harry Campbell.

On May 6, 1936 a Special Agent held a conversation with a Post Office Inspector, who confided to said Agent that Harry Campbell was undoubtedly in Toledo, Ohio, stating that information had been furnished to the Post Office Inspectors by John Brock to the effect that prior and subsequent to the Garrettsville mail robbery on November 7, 1935 Sam Coker had been confined in the Mercy Hospital in Toledo. The Post Office Inspector further confided that Brock had advised that since Coker's discharge from the hospital the latter was visiting one of the nurses, of whom he was enamored. The Inspector further confided that Brock had informed the Post Office Inspectors that Coker's hospital bill was paid by Harry Campbell, who lived with his wife in an apartment in the vicinity of the hospital, and that if the Post Office Inspectors investigated the nurse referred to such investigation would probably lead them to Harry Campbell.

The very great importance of the information furnished the Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation by the Post Office Inspector referred to in the foregoing may be inferred. The fact that these Post Office Inspectors were given numerous opportunities to furnish such information on previous occasions and failed to do so obviously delayed and seriously endangered the possibility of Campbell's apprehension. It will be recalled that a Post Office Inspector had previously declined to permit a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to interview Brock. Said Post Office Inspector stated he had previously furnished to Agents of this Bureau all the information which Brock had furnished them which might lead to the location of Karpis and Campbell.

FAILURE TO COOPERATE - MISCELLANEOUS

In addition to the foregoing instances, which specifically related to the investigation leading to the apprehension of those responsible for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, the following instances of a lack of cooperation are cited. It is understood that these constitute solely those cases which have been reported to the Bureau at Washington from time to time and that no effort has been made during the years past to collect data which might constitute a comprehensive survey.

Refusal of Postmaster at Goldsboro, North Carolina to afford information concerning a postal savings account in the name of a bankrupt.

In October, 1932, during the investigation of a bankruptcy case, the Postmaster at Goldsboro, North Carolina declined to give any information concerning a postal savings account which it was believed a bankrupt had in his name.

Information of this type is highly important in securing convictions in fraudulent bankruptcy cases and the withholding of such information seriously impairs investigative efforts.

Request of Post Office Inspectors that Bureau be not informed as to whereabouts of subjects sought in connection with John Factor kidnaping case. Refusal of Post Office Inspectors to give information to Agents of Bureau relative to subjects in this investigation.

During November, 1933, while investigation was being conducted into the kidnaping of John Factor, it developed that some of the subjects in this case were implicated in a mail robbery in Charlotte, North Carolina, which robbery was being investigated by the Post Office Inspectors. Information was confidentially given to representatives of the Bureau that the Post Office Inspectors had requested a certain ranking police official not to advise the Bureau as to the whereabouts of these subjects and not to invite the Bureau to join with the police and the Post Office Inspectors in any effort to cause their apprehension. During December of the same year investigation in this case by the Bureau was conducted at Washington, D. C. and the Post Office Inspectors refused to give any information relative to the subjects in this investigation who were also implicated in the mail truck robbery at Washington, D. C. on December 5, 1933 and instructed all witnesses to this robbery to furnish no information to anyone except Post Office Inspectors.

Information as to the identity of subjects implicated in violations of statutes coming under the investigative jurisdiction of more than one Governmental agency is, of course, of very great value if cooperatively exchanged to any and all Governmental investigative organizations actively engaged in attempting to solve these cases.

Refusal of Postmasters to place mail covers.

On April 24, 1934 the Postmaster at Oak Park, Illinois declined to place a mail cover for a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and referred to General Letter #501, issued April 16, 1934, in connection therewith. This General Letter was issued by the Post Office Department and contained instructions whereby Postmasters were prohibited from furnishing any information unless prior authorization had been secured from the Post Office Inspector in Charge of the district in which the post office was located. These instructions were issued despite the

fact that Section 702 of the Postal Laws and Regulations authorizes Postmasters to give to law enforcement officials, upon proper identification, aid in the apprehension of fugitives from justice, such as information relatife to the addresses, return cards or postmarks on mail matter.

On May 4, 1934 General Letter #501 was rescinded. However, from the geographical location of the various cases in which Postmasters have refused to place mail covers, occurring after the latter date, it would appear that General Letter #504, rescinding General Letter #501, did not have an effectively wide distribution, as in practically every instance where the fact that the previous instructions had been rescinded was brought to the attention of Postmasters they advised that the rescinding instructions had not been communicated to them. A considerable number of instances occurred in which mail covers were declined Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in various parts of the country from April 24, 1934 to January, 1936.

As time is the essential factor in cases of this kind, delay obviously jeopardizes the successful conduct of investigations of this type.

Instructions to Postmistress at Lake Villa, Illinois to remove from bulletin board identification orders issued by the Bureau.

On September 24, 1934 the Postmistress at Lake Villa, Illinois advised that she had been instructed by the Post Office Inspector to remove from the bulletin board at the post office the identification orders issued by the Bureau.

The Bureau endeavors to secure the widest possible distribution of its identification orders calling for the apprehension of wanted criminals.

Refusal to furnish information relative to lock boxes rented in post offices.

In July, 1935 the official in charge of the post office lock box section at Chattanooga, Tennessee declined to allow tracings to be made of the signature of an individual who had made application for a lock box in the post office, stating that prior authorization would have to be secured from the local Post Office Inspector.

On October 11, 1935 the Postmaster at Fairfield, Connecticut declined to furnish the identity of an individual renting a lock box, stating prior authorization must be secured from the Post Office Inspector in Charge at Boston, Massachusetts, who under date of September 23, 1935 advised the New York City Office of the Bureau that the Postmaster had no authority to disclose to officers of the law the names of renters of post office boxes.

On November 21, 1935 and January 15, 1936 the Bureau addressed letters to the Solicitor of the Post Office Department concerning the refusal of Postmasters to disclose to Special Agents of the Bureau the names of holders of lock boxes in post offices. Under date of March 16, 1936, First Assistant Postmaster General W. W. Howes advised the Bureau that he felt sure the Post Office Department had and would continue to cooperate with the Bureau in the investigation of crimes and offenses against the United States; that, however, he did not deem it advisable to modify the regulations prohibiting Postmasters from disclosing the names of the holders of lock boxes in post offices; that to do so would tend to cause confusion and might result in information being given to unauthorized persons by some Postmasters and further would be contrary to the long established policies of the Post Office Department. Mr. Howes did assure this Bureau that in any instances where information of this particular character was essential to the proper conduct of investigation, it might be secured by making a request direct to him, giving the facts concerning the matter.

The office of the Superintendent of Mails at Wichita, Kansas, recently refused to furnish this Bureau the name of a post office box holder where the post office box was shown on the return address on a letter designated to an address over which a mail cover had been placed. The refusal was based on a provision in the post office regulations which state that the names of post office box owners should be given only to Post Office Inspectors.

Information as to the identity of holders of lock boxes is of very great importance in the investigation of many Bureau cases.

Instructions of First Assistant Postmaster General that buzzer be disconnected which had been operated between the post office at St. Paul and the Bureau office in the same building.

On or about November 1, 1935 the First Assistant Postmaster General instructed the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota by letter to remove a buzzer which had been installed in the post office and connected

with the St. Paul Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Through the use of this buzzer it had been customary to notify the Bureau office in the same building in the event certain suspected individuals or wanted criminals called for mail.

The desirability of taking immediate action to question or apprehend individuals of this type is believed to be obvious.

Failure on the part of Post Office Inspector at Everett, Washington to advise the Bureau promptly of the receipt of extortion letters.

On January 7, 1936 ten extortion letters were mailed at Everett, Washington and were received by the addressees on January 8, 1936. The Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation were not notified of the receipt of these letters until January 13, 1936, although the Post Office Inspector had been conducting investigation relative to said letters since their receipt on January 8th. Information as to the letters in question was received by the Bureau from the Chief of Police at Everett, Washington, at which time the Special Agent in Charge of the Portland, Oregon office of the Bureau immediately communicated by telephone with Post Office Inspector in Charge C. E. Caine at Seattle, Washington, regarding the matter. Mr. Caine at that time gave no definite reason for his failure to refer the case to the Bureau and agreed to do so immediately. The letters involved were clearly of such a character as to bring them unquestionably within the investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau, as determined by agreement between the Post Office Department and the Department of Justice. The ten letters referred to were finally turned over by the Post Office Inspector to the Bureau Agent.

This instance was brought to the attention of the Post Office Department with the thought that certain Post Office Inspectors in Charge might not have been fully informed regarding the agreement entered into by Post Office Department and Department of Justice officials.

Report of confidential informant of antagonism on the part of Post Office Inspectors.

During March of this year reliable information was received from a confidential informant of the Oklahoma City Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the effect that at a conference between Joe

Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol and several Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, Oklahoma, the informant overheard certain conversation on the part of said Post Office Inspectors to the effect that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had been apprehending too many criminals and receiving too much credit from the newspapers. Reference was also made at this time by the Post Office Inspectors to the possibility that sometime in the near future all investigative and enforcement agencies of the Government would be combined in one unit and in that event the investigative personnel of Governmental organizations other than the Federal Bureau of Investigation would lose their positions. There were four Post Office Inspectors present at this conference. In order to maintain the name of the confidential informant in confidence, the names of the Post Office Inspectors are not recorded here.

The expression of antagonistic opinions on the part of members of a Governmental investigative unit, with regard to the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation does not, it is believed, reflect a properly cooperative spirit.

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It is believed that the foregoing instances of failure to cooperate with Special Agents of the Bureau indicate an undesirable attitude upon the part of certain Post Office Department officials which it is sincerely hoped may be corrected, in order that mutual law enforcement interests of both the Department of Justice and the Post Office Department may not be jeopardized thereby.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure 833558.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

HN:CSH

May 12, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

3:30 P.M.

I called SAC Magee at New Orleans on the telephone relative to the attached letter from Deputy Sheriff Ben Kratzberg, Bowie, Arizona, to Superintendent of Police Reyer at New Orleans. I told Magee to forward the requested information to the Bureau by air mail, special delivery. Magee said there was no telephone number 844 at New Orleans; that the numbers all contain four digits. After we get the information, and if it does not seem to amount to anything, the office covering Bowie, Arizona should inquire of the writer of the letter as to just what he had in mind.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
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Dear Sirs
5/3-1936

Chief Of Police
New Orleans La.

Dear Sir

Will you please supply me with a list of information:

Where was Alvin Karpis picked up. and at what address is Phone number 844. and who lives at Phone number 844.

What license number was on the Karpes car when Arrested and what make of Car:

Do you know of a Mrs D. J. Gallagher
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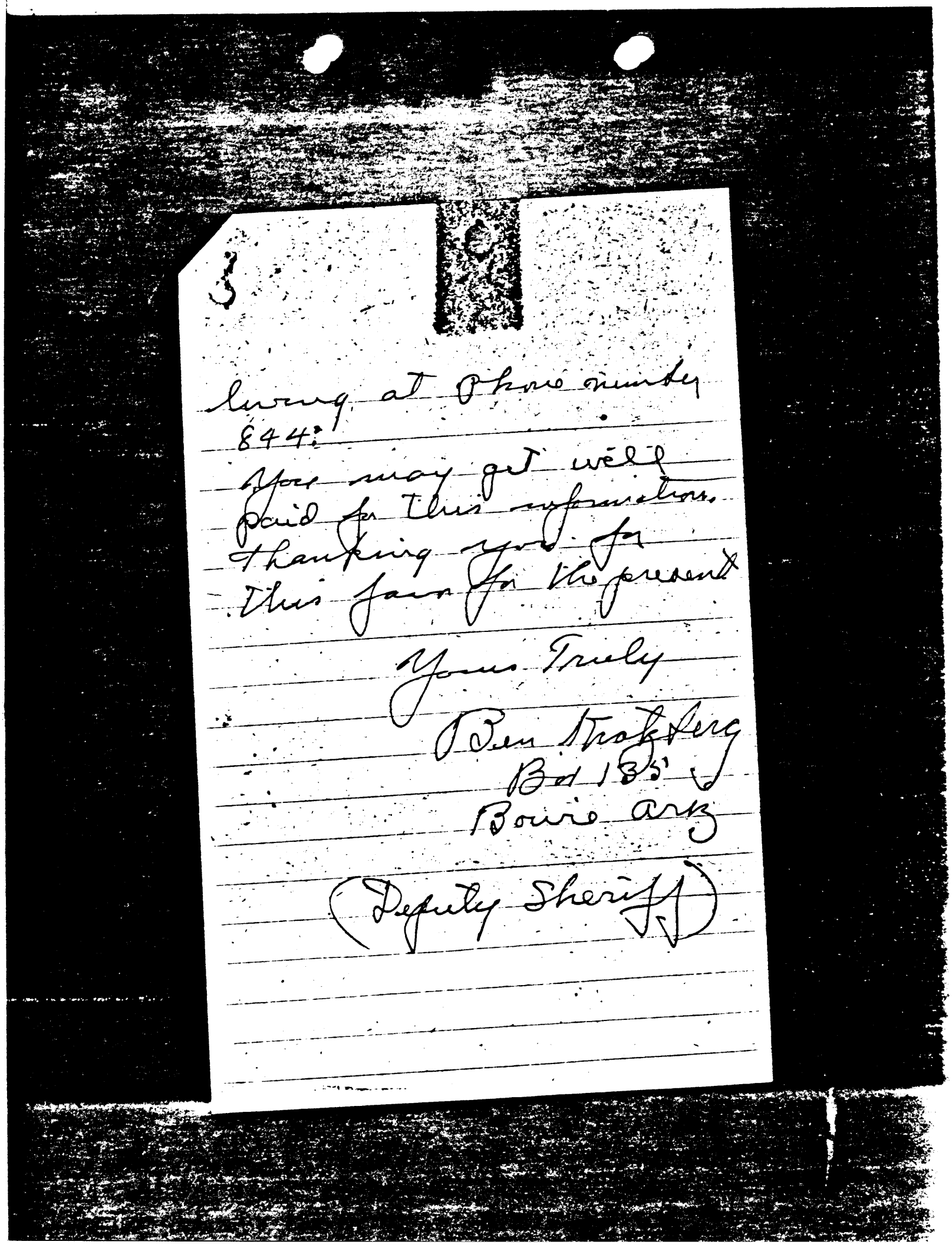

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844.
You may get well
paid for this information.
Thanking you for
this favor for the present
Yours Truly
Ben Trotter
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(Deputy Sheriff)

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
May 12, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID.

Reference is made to Bureau telephonic communication from Assistant Director Herold Nathan, on May 12, 1936, relative a letter received at the Bureau from Superintendent of Police George Reyer, of New Orleans, Louisiana, relating, in substance, that Ben Kratzburg, Deputy Sheriff, address Box 135, Bowie, Arizona, addressed communication to Superintendent Reyer relative New Orleans telephone number 844, and wanting to know, among other things, who resided at the address where the telephone was located, requesting advice as to the license that was on Karpis' car, requesting information on the make of car in Karpis' possession, also referring to a Mrs. T. J. Gallagher, and further indicating that "you may get well paid for this".

Kindly be informed that there is no such telephone number as 844 in New Orleans, as all numbers are prefixed by two letters followed by four numerals, and in some instances, if a party line, having a suffix letter designation. I have verified this information through the telephone company in a confidential manner.

The 1933 and 1935 New Orleans City Directories list a Mr. and Mrs. Thomas James Gallagher as residing at 623 Orange Street, New Orleans, La., telephone Raymond 6080. The current telephone directory also carries this telephone number and address on the above. There is also a Rose Gallagher and an Edward Gallagher, occupation laborer, listed in the aforementioned city directories as residing at 623 Orange Street. Thomas James Gallagher is listed as a laborer.

So far, there has been no prior indication of any connection of a T. J. Gallagher or a Thomas James Gallgher with the instant case.

For the information of the Bureau, Special Agent L. I. Bowman is presently conducting a thorough investigation relative the car recovered at New Orleans in the possession of Subject Alvin Karpis, as well as the car recovered from Subject Fred John Hunter.

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RECORDED & INDEXED

Subject Alvin Karpis, under the alias of E. F. Collins, purchased a new 1936 Terraplane Coupe, black in color, from the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., address 1330 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. This car was

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purchased on April 13, 1936, for the amount of $750.00, which was paid in full by cash payment. Invoice 4R29 indicates that W. H. Wilson was the salesman. Alvin Karpis, under the alias of E. F. Collins, gave his only address as 1330 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, which is the address of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.

The motor number of this 1936 Terraplane Coupe is 192081, serial number 6126228. The motor number is identical on the bill of sale, invoice and personal inspection made of the car by Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and T. W. Bain.

The Evans Motor Company of Louisiana, Inc., secured a 1936 Louisiana license, number 18-460, for this car on the date of purchase, April 13, 1936. It is to be noted, however, that the license certificate registers the motor number as 192061 instead of the correct number, 192081. The serial number on the license and the bill of sale, and the inspection made by the agents, is identical, #6126228.

Alvin Karpis had placed this car in the hands of the United Motors Service, Inc., 822 Howard Avenue, on May 1, 1936, for lubrication and inspection. This car was recovered by Special Agent J. V. Blake the morning of May 2, 1936, at the United Motors Service, Inc. The car was placed in custody of the New Orleans Bureau Office, at the Crescent City Garage, Inc., 618 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, at which time the mileage was 4,741 miles.

Subject Fred John Hunter, under the alias of Edward O'Hara, purchased a new 1936 model Plymouth Coupe, black in color, from the Quality Motors Company, 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 2, 1936. He paid in cash for the purchase, paying $748.00 for the car, $50.00 for radio, and $8.28 for license, a total of $806.28. The motor number of the Plymouth Coupe is P2-212244, serial number 9036812.

Under the alias of Edward O'Hara, Subject Hunter gave his address as Corpus Christi, Texas. The Quality Motors Company secured a 1936 Louisiana license, No. 136-288, for this car, on the date of purchase, April 2, 1936. The license certificate indicated that the car was licensed under the name of E. O'Hara, address 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, which is the address of the Quality Motors Company.

The motor and serial numbers are identical on the bill of sale, the Louisiana license certificate, and personal inspection of Agents Buchanan and Bain.

Mr. E. B. Hauch, Auditor for the Quality Motors Company, certified the bill of sale as paid in full.

Mr. Clarence Pucheu, who resides at 139 South Rendon Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, is the salesman for the Quality Motors Company on this purchase.

This Plymouth Coupe was recovered the night of May 1, 1936, at the time

of the raid on the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, and was removed to the Crescent City Garage, Inc., 618 Magazine Street, in custody of the New Orleans Bureau Office. At the time, the mileage read 3,026 miles.

None of the agents presently assigned to the New Orleans Bureau Office recall who brought the Plymouth car from the apartment to the Crescent City Garage, and undoubtedly Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley will recall the name of the visiting agent who recovered this car.

The above cars have been shook down thoroughly on several occasions by Special Agents J. V. Blake, W. L. Buchanan and T. W. Bain.

A discreet investigation will be conducted relative the identity of Thomas J. Gallagher, 623 Orange Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, which is located in a poor section of the town.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

cc-
2-Cincinnati (1-E.J.Connelley)

Krad:MC

May 21, 1936.

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RECORDED

Special Agent in Charge,
Phoenix, Arizona.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

The New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department, has forwarded to the Bureau a letter dated at Bowie, Arizona, May 3, 1936, directed to the Chief of Police, New Orleans, Louisiana, which is quoted herewith as follows:

"Dear Sir:

Will you please supply me with a bit of information?

Where was Alvin Karpis picked up, and at what address is phone number 844 and who lives at phone number 844.

What license number was on the Karpis car when arrested and what make of car?

Do you know of a Mrs. T. J. Gallegher living at phone number 844?

You may get well paid for this information. Thanking you for this favor for the present.

Yours truly

/s/ Ben Kritzberg
Box 135
Bowie, Ariz.
(Deputy Sheriff)"

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Ennis .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Edwards .....
Mr. Egan .....
Mr. Foxworth .....
Mr. Harbo .....
Mr. Joseph .....
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Mr. Lester .....
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Miss Gandy .....

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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MAY 22 1936
P. M.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

This will advise you that investigation conducted by the New Orleans Office fails to disclose that there is any such telephone number in New Orleans as #844; that all telephone numbers at that point are prefixed by two letters followed by four numerals.

The 1933 and 1935 New Orleans City Directories list a Mr. and Mrs. Thomas James Gallagher as residing at 623 Orange Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone, Raywood 6080. The current telephone directory also carries this telephone number and address as the above. There is also a Rose Gallagher and an Edward Gallagher, occupation Laborer, listed in the aforementioned city directories as residing at 623 Orange Street. Thomas James Gallagher is listed as a laborer.

The Bureau is not advised that either T. J. Gallagher or Thomas James Gallagher has been previously connected with this case.

For your information, Alvin Karpis was apprehended by Special Agents at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936. At the time of Karpis' apprehension he was driving a 1936 Terraplane Coupe automobile, which was purchased by Karpis in the name of E. F. Collins at the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Incorporated, New Orleans, Louisiana. At the time of his arrest, the said car was bearing 1936 Louisiana license plates #[illegible]-460.

It is not desired that you impart any of the information contained in this letter to Ben Kratzberg, but it is desired that you immediately cause him to be interviewed to ascertain the reason for his writing the above mentioned letter and the nature of the information in his possession concerning Alvin Karpis.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc St. Paul
Cleveland
Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
New Orleans

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
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FILE NO. 7-9

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TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, w.a., I.O.1218,FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases I.O. 1236, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232, FUGITIVE, et al. GEORGE BREMER, Victim

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Additional investigation conducted at Gary, East Chicago, and Cedar Lake, Indiana for the purpose of developing confidential informants. Sam Goldstein is presently in Indiana State Prison, Michigan City. Efforts being made to check activities of Arthur Stross, East Chicago, Indiana. Sergeant Walter Conroy, East Chicago P.D. Mentions name of Fred Branman as possible contact for Subjects in East Chicago. "Red" Farrar not located at Cedar Lake, Indiana. Emma Knesek, Postmaster at Cedar Lake, Indiana, identifies photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran as man who was in Cedar Lake, Indiana in January 1936 using name of Edward K. Wynn. This man received two special delivery letters from Milwaukee and had large quantity of travelers checks. Mother of Emma Knesek partially identifies Wynn as Dr. Moran. Harry E. Claar, former Monon Railroad Station Agent, Cedar Lake, Indiana, also identifies photograph of Ed K. Wynn as Dr. Moran. Additional investigation to be conducted. Harry Campbell reported to have been seen recently in vicinity of Petersburg, Indiana; appropriate investigation conducted there. Mineral wells and health resorts, Indianapolis district, requested by circular letter to aid in apprehension of Subject Campbell. Recent newspaper articles record apprehension of Subjects Karpis and Campbell.

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Reference: Report of Special Agent Robert L. Murphy, Indianapolis 4-9-36. Letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley dated at Chicago 4-15-36. Telegram from Indianapolis Office to Oklahoma City Office 4-30-36. Teletype from Oklahoma City Office dated 5-1-36.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Details:

In view of the fact that certain news articles appearing in newspapers recently have reported that Subject Karpis was apprehended in New Orleans, Louisiana and that Subject Harry Campbell was apprehended in Toledo, Ohio, certain of the investigation which has been conducted by this agent in connection with the above entitled case is being summarized in a minimum of space wherever possible. For that reason this report will not go into detail as to various investigations which have been conducted in the Indianapolis District in view of the fact that as apparently both Subject Karpis and Campbell have been apprehended a large part of the investigation which has been conducted will be of little benefit.

AT GARY, INDIANA

Agent again contacted Mrs. Cecilia Nealon, 369 Monroe Street, Gary, Indiana who is mentioned in the reference report of this Agent dated at Indianapolis, Indiana April 9, 1936. Mrs. Nealon had no further information of value to offer and stated that she had not seen Ruth Heidt since the occasion of Agent's last visit.

In view of the fact that considerable difficulty had been encountered in Gary, Indiana in an effort to develop confidential informants to determine whether or not Subjects had frequented numerous taverns in the city of Gary, Indiana without openly contacting the Gary Police Department in this matter, Agent interviewed Carl E. Huber, Assistant Postmaster and William Heinrich, Superintendent of mails at the Gary, Indiana Post Office, both of whom are personally known to Agent and who have been of material assistance in the past in investigations conducted by the Bureau. The purpose of contacting Mr. Huber and Mr. Heinrich was to ascertain who in their opinion on the Gary police force would be most reliable sources of contact in an effort to develop confidential informants. Mr. Huber and Mr. Heinrich stated that in their estimation Captain of Detectives William Forbis was considered reliable and they believed that Detectives George Harms and Herbert McConnachie who work under Captain Forbis were the two most reliable men on the force and they believed that it would be all right to approach them in a confidential matter.

Agent then contacted Detective Captain William Forbis of the Gary, Indiana, Police Department who advised that of all of the men whom he had working under him he considered Detective George Harms and Detective Herbert McConnachie the most reliable. Agent disclosed the purpose of his visit as being in an effort to establish contacts in the City of Gary, Indiana, who would furnish information to the Bureau in the event Subjects Karpis or Campbell appeared in the city of Gary. Captain Forbis stated that he was reasonably sure that Subject Karpis had not been in the city of Gary for some time at least, but stated that if Agent would confer with Detectives Harms and McConnachie that he was positive that they had contacts who would inform them if and when Subjects appeared in town.

Agent then contacted Detective Sergeants George Harms and Herbert McConnachie, Gary, Indiana, Police Department and had a general discussion with these two men of the instant case, but Agent did not disclose to them any of the more recent developments in this case with the exception of the fact that it had been rumored that Karpis had been seen in Gary, Indiana. Mr. Harms and Mr. McConnachie advised that Sam Goldstein who is mentioned in the letter of reference from Special Agent in Charge Connelley is now incarcerated in the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana and has a bad case of tuberculosis. They advised that it was their understanding that Goldstein had been sentenced in connection with a bank robbery at Hammond, Indiana and had been incarcerated in the Indiana State Prison, and that he had a considerable term to serve; that it was very unlikely that he would be released in the near future. They also advised that they were personally acquainted with George Morris who operates the Peoples Tavern at 1432 Jefferson Street, Gary, Indiana. Mr. Harms advised that Morris in the past has furnished him with valuable information and he believes that in the event either of Subjects appear in Gary, Indiana that Morris would furnish him with the information especially did he think this was true in view of the fact that there was a reward outstanding for Subjects as he believed that Morris was in need of money at the present time. They advised that they would discreetly attempt to ascertain from Morris whether or not Subject Karpis had ever contacted him recently or in the past and that in the event they gained any information they would furnish this information to the Indianapolis Office. Neither Mr. Harms nor Mr. McConnachie could offer any possible source of contact for the Subjects in the city of Gary, but advised that they would keep the matter in mind and would be willing to cooperate in causing the apprehension of Subject.

AT EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

In view of the fact that the letter of reference from Special Agent in Charge Connelley requests that a check be made on the recent activities of one Arthur Stross who resides on the Indiana Harbor side of East Chicago, Agent contacted Superintendent of Mails Edward Standish at the East Chicago, Indiana, Post Office, 901 East Chicago Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana. Mr. Standish advised that there are two or three Strosses located in East Chicago, Indiana and that Arthur Stross or Art Stross as he is commonly known operates an army store at 3320 Michigan Avenue on the Indiana Harbor side of East Chicago. He stated that it was commonly known that Arthur Stross is a fence; that he is considered as such in East Chicago and that he has been under suspicion a number of times in connection with various cases but as far as he knows he has never been convicted of any offense. Mr. Standish knew nothing about Stross' present activities but advised that Sergeant Lobidenski at the Indiana Harbor police station and Steve Vapasinski, stamp clerk at the Indiana Harbor branch of the East Chicago Post Office would

likely know something about Art Stross' activities at the present time. Mr. Standish also mentioned the name of Fred Branman as a man who had associated some with Arthur Stross and stated that it was his understanding that Branman had brought the Dillinger gang to East Chicago originally and had helped conceal them after they came to that place.

Agent then contacted Steven Vapasinski, stamp clerk at the Indiana Harbor sub-station, East Chicago Post Office, who advised that he was well acquainted with Arthur Stross but that as he seldom got outside of the Post Office during the day that he knew very little about what Stross was doing at the present time beyond the fact that he was operating an army store. He stated that his brother Mike Vapasinski who was a special delivery carrier at the Indiana Harbor Sub-station of the Post Office would likely know more about the present activities of Stross but that in the event he himself learned any more he would be glad to furnish this information to the Indianapolis Bureau Office.

Mike Vapasinski, 3824 Hemlock Street, East Chicago, Indiana, a special delivery carrier at the Indiana Harbor Sub-station of the East Chicago Post Office, advised that he sees Stross occasionally but has not heard much about him recently. He stated that Stross' formerly operated the Boston Hotel at 2311 Broadway in Indiana Harbor but does not appear to be connected there any more nor does Stross stay in the army store at 3318 Michigan Avenue which he owns much, but Stross' wife does apparently stay there most of the time. Mike Vapasinski likewise mentioned the name of Fred Branman as a contact of Arthur Stross and also mentioned the fact that Fred Branman has a sister who runs Alice's Delicatessen at 719 West Chicago Avenue in East Chicago, Indiana, and that it was commonly talked in East Chicago that Branman was the finger man in the robbery of the First National Bank in East Chicago by the Dillinger gang. In this connection it might be mentioned that this same matter was mentioned in the Jodil case in the report of Special Agent B. W. Peterson dated at Chicago, Illinois November 27, 1934 and which report is mentioned in the reference letter of Special Agent in Charge Connelley dated at Chicago, Illinois 4-15-36. Mike Vapasinski stated that he would attempt to learn more about the recent activities of Stross and in the event he learned anything further he would communicate this fact to the Indianapolis Bureau Office. Mike Vapaskinski stated that he was acquainted with Sergeant Lebidenski at the Indiana Harbor station of the East Chicago Police Department but was of the opinion that while he was a good officer that he could not be trusted to keep a matter confidential and advised against contacting him at the present time. In view of the recent apprehension of Subjects Campbell and Karpis no leads will be set out to reinterview Mike Vapasinski in connection with this matter.

Agent interviewed Sergeant Walter Conroy of the East Chicago, Indiana, Police Department and had a discussion with him concerning the possibility of Subjects Campbell or Karpis coming to East Chicago, Indiana, and who they would be likely to contact in the event they did come. Sergeant Conroy advised that Sam Goldstein who is mentioned in the letter of reference of Special Agent in Charge Connelley is now in the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City, having been sentenced to that institution from Hammond, Indiana on a holdup which

occurred in Hammond, Indiana. Sergeant Conroy advised that Goldstein was one of the members of the old Dillinger gang and that through a confidential informant whom he (Conroy) has, he was able to gain sufficient information to cause the arrest of Goldstein. In this connection Sergeant Conroy advised that there was a prostitute at East Chicago who was a confidential informant for him and who was well acquainted with the various members of the underworld operating in East Chicago and Hammond, Indiana. Sergeant Conroy did not care to disclose the identity of this informant but stated that in the event it was necessary to gain information through an underworld source that he was reasonably sure that he could obtain information through this source in the event either Subjects Karpis or Campbell came to East Chicago.

Conroy likewise mentioned the name of Fred Branman as a well known hoodlum in East Chicago and a possible contact for men of the type of Campbell and Karpis. He stated that he had been interested in the activities of Branman for a considerable period of time inasmuch as it was his belief that Branman helped plan the robbery of the First National Bank in East Chicago, in which one of the members of the East Chicago Police Department was killed, and also believed that Branman was a member of the gang who later killed two East Chicago, Indiana, Police in a squad car while they were patroling the streets one night shortly after the bank robbery. He stated that he saw Branman frequently and that Branman is apparently friendly with him and pretends to give him information; that sometime a short time previous to agent's interview with Mr. Conroy that he was talking to Branman about Subject Karpis and that Branman intimated that Karpis would be easy to get in the event he was wanted bad enough. Arrangements were made with Mr. Conroy to maintain contact with Branman in an effort to learn whether or not this was merely a stray remark or whether he really might have had some information with reference to the present whereabouts of Subject Karpis, but in view of the recent apprehension of Subject Karpis no effort will be made to continue this contact.

The names of various other hoodlums were mentioned by Mr. Conroy as being possible contacts for Subject Karpis in East Chicago but in view of the fact that Subject Karpis has been apprehended and so far it is not known that he has actually been in East Chicago recently, the names of these men are not being set out at this time but in the event additional investigation is desired it will be conducted later on on specific instructions to that effect.

AT CEDAR LAKE, INDIANA

Reference is again made to the reference letter of Special Agent in Charge Connelley dated at Chicago April 15, 1936 to the effect that one Edward Otis was released from the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas on December 31, 1935, and that he proceeded immediately to Chicago,

Illinois and then to Cedar Lake, Indiana where he contacted one "Red" Farrar, presumably for Elmer Farmer. The letter of reference requested that some investigation be conducted at Cedar Lake, Indiana to determine whether Farrar might be contacting Subject Karpis or Campbell. Conforming to the request in this letter Agent contacted Emma Knesek, Postmaster at Cedar Lake, Indiana who advised that a search of her records fails to reveal that there is anyone by the name of Farrar listed who receives mail through the Cedar Lake, Indiana Post Office. It might be mentioned here that Cedar Lake, Indiana is more or less of a summer resort town, it being located around Cedar Lake which is a lake approximately two and one-half miles long by one mile wide, and that there is a large number of cabins and cottages situated around this lake and a large part of the population is transient, being there only through the summer months. Miss Knesek stated that she only had one carrier carrying mail from the Cedar Lake, Indiana, Post Office whose name is Roy E. Wood, that he was presently out on the route and would not return for several hours. When questioned as to who were some reliable people in the vicinity whom Agent might contact in an effort to determine if there was such an individual at Cedar Lake as Red Farrar, she advised that there were very few people in that vicinity whom she would trust. She stated that there is a Deputy Sheriff of Lake County, Indiana living at the north end of Cedar Lake by the name of William J. Connelley, who was considered reasonably reliable, and that there was another Deputy Sheriff of Lake County by the name of Phil Ziegar who operates a bakery on the east side of the lake; that it might be all right to contact him. She also stated that Harry Clark who was in the lobby of the Post Office at that time was an honorary deputy sheriff of Lake County and personal friend of hers and believed that he was reliable. She advised that Mr. Clark was in the monument business at Lowell and Crown Point, Indiana, two towns situated a few miles on either side of Cedar Lake.

Miss Knesek advised that she had never heard of anyone in that vicinity by the name of Red Farrar but that it was possible that there might be someone there who was a transient. She advised that the only suspicious appearing person who had been in that community recently was a man who had been in Cedar Lake in January 1936. This man was using the name of Edward K. Wynn. She stated that this man received two special delivery letters from Milwaukee and that he had been in the post office two or three times, and that he appeared to have a large book full of American Express Traveler's Checks, and that he had attempted to get her to cash two $20.00 checks from this book, but that she had refused to do so; that he seemed to become very angry. She stated that he then went down to the Monon Railway station which is situated close by and had attempted to get the station agent there to cash the checks, and that when he refused that he was more angry than ever and made a number of more or less insulting remarks about not being able to get a check cashed in the town of Cedar Lake, Indiana.

In view of the fact that Agent thought it was advisable to show Miss Knesek some of the photographs of members of the Karpis mob, Agent permitted Miss Knesek to examine the first seven or eight pages of his pocket identification orders issued by the Bureau. Miss Knesek almost immediately pointed

out the photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran as greatly resembling the man Edward K. Wynn who had been in Cedar Lake for a time during January of 1936. Up to this time Agent had not attempted to obtain a description of Edward K. Wynn from Miss Knesek since it had not appeared that he would have any connection with the present case. However, after Miss Knesek made this identification of Dr. Moran as the man known to her as Edward K. Wynn Agent then attempted to secure more details concerning this man from her. Miss Knesek gave the following description of the man known to her as Edward K. Wynn:

Name:	EDWARD K. WYNN
Age:	35
Weight:	160
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Light brown
Eyes:	Uncertain
Complexion:	Appeared sandy

It should be borne in mind here that Miss Knesek did not have any opportunity to examine the description of Subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran previous to giving the above description nor did Agent divulge to her that the man whom she identified in the pocket identification order was Dr. Joseph P. Moran. At the time of this contact with Miss Knesek Agent did not have a larger photograph of Dr. Moran but had only the photograph which appears in the pocket identification order issued by the Bureau. It is noted that the description furnished by Miss Knesek agrees to a certain extent with the description of Dr. Joseph P. Moran and while it is commonly believed that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was murdered by members of the Barker-Karpis mob, files in the Indianapolis office fail to reveal that this is a positive fact and in view of the fact that the identification made by Miss Knesek was in such an unusual manner and the description given by her of the man known to her as Edward K. Wynn agrees to such a close extent with that of the description of Dr. Moran it is believed that there might possibly be some merit in this identification. Leads are being set out to exhibit a larger photograph of Dr. Moran which appears in the Indianapolis Office file to Miss Knesek for the purpose of determining whether or not she can definitely say that the man she saw was Dr. Moran. It might also be mentioned that Miss Knesek advised that the man she knows as Edward K. Wynn was wearing a hat very similar to the hat worn by Dr. Moran in the photograph as it appears in the pocket identification order. At Agent's request Miss Knesek examined her records and advised that two special delivery letters which were received by Edward K. Wynn came from Milwaukee, Wisconsin and were dated January 7 and January 11, 1936.

After Miss Knesek made the above identification Agent exhibited the photograph of Dr. Moran to Miss Knesek's mother who lives with her in the rear of the building in which the post office at Cedar Lake, Indiana is operated and Miss Knesek's mother stated that in her estimation the photograph of Dr. Moran in the pocket identification order appeared to resemble the man whom she knows as Edward K. Wynn very closely but in view of the fact that she did not pay so much attention to him that she would hesitate

to say positively that it was the man. Miss Knesek advised that the station agent at the Monon Railroad station whose name is Harry E. Claar, had been transferred to Rensselaer, Indiana, and that Agent could locate him at that place. She was reasonably sure that he would remember the man who had been to the station in January 1936.

In view of the fact from the nature of the inhabitants at Cedar Lake, Indiana any inquiries along this line would have to be made very discreetly and it appeared that reliable people were scarce in that community, Agent decided to defer further investigation as to the identity of Edward K. Wynn until he had an opportunity to exhibit a photograph of Dr. Moran to Harry E. Claar.

Agent later interviewed Roy E. Wood, Mail Carrier at Cedar Lake, Indiana, who advised that he has never heard of anyone by the name of Red Farrar living at Cedar Lake or vicinity and that he is reasonably well acquainted with that territory, having been a driver for a milk route previous to his being appointed mail carrier, but stated that he would make discreet inquiries and in the event he learned anything of value he would communicate this fact to the Indianapolis Bureau Office and Agent furnished him with the address and file number of this case with a request that he immediately transfer any information to the Indianapolis Office. Mr. Wood advised that he had delivered both of the special delivery letters received by Edward K. Wynn but that he had not delivered either one of them to Wynn personally and consequently he did not have any chance to see him. He advised that Frank Young who lives at Cedar Lake, Indiana on the east side of the lake had signed for one of the letters inasmuch as Wynn was staying at his house part of the time while he was in town, and that some one at the Kennedy Hotel in Cedar Lake had signed for the other letter but he did not know who this individual was. He stated that he knew very little about the reputation of Frank Young, but that the Kennedy Hotel which is located on the east side of Cedar Lake is known as a more or less notorious place and has been known to be a hangout for gangsters in the past. Mr. Wood was unable to identify photograph of Dr. Moran as anyone known to him , for as stated above, he did not have an opportunity to see Edward K. Wynn.

AT LOWELL, INDIANA

Agent interviewed Mr. Otto Childress, Postmaster at Lowell, Indiana inasmuch as Lowell is located only a few miles to the south of Cedar Lake and it was thought that possibly he might know something about whether or not there was an individual in that community by the name of Red Farrar. Mr. Childress checked his records back for the past four years and advised that he was unable to locate anyone by that name as receiving mail from the Lowell, Indiana Post Office and further advised that he was well acquainted in that community and was reasonably well acquainted at Cedar Lake and had never known of anyone by the name of Farrar having lived at either place.

AT CROWN POINT, INDIANA

Agent interviewed Mr. Oscar J. Sauerman, Postmaster at Crown Point, Indiana, Post Office; inasmuch as Crown Point is located only a few miles east of Cedar Lake it was thought probable that there might be some record of Red Farrar at this place. Mr. Sauerman checked his records back to the year 1933 and reported that he was unable to locate anyone by the name of Farrar. Mr. Sauerman advised that there was an Italian living at Crown Point by the name of Ferrero who was a cobbler but advised that this man has an exceptionally good reputation in that community and there was no reason to believe that he might have any connection with any gangsters. Mr. Sauerman further advised that the Crown Point Post Office serves the north half and the east side of Cedar Lake and if there was anyone by the name of Farrar receiving mail in that section his office would have a record of it.

AT RENSSELAER, INDIANA

Agent interviewed Mr. Henry E. Claar who advised that he was now night station agent at the Monon Railroad station, Rensselaer, and resides at 464 North Cullen Street, Rensselaer, Indiana. Mr. Claar advised that he was station agent at Cedar Lake, Indiana during the winter of 1935 and 1936 and upon Agent's inquiry as to whether or not he remembered a man coming to the Monon station in January of 1936 in order to cash some traveler's checks he stated that he had a faint recollection of some man coming there who wanted him to cash two $20.00 American Express Travelers Checks and gave the last name of Wynn, but he does not remember the first name. Mr. Claar stated that he did not remember for sure what this man's description was but believed that he was around 30 to 35 years of age or older; about 5' 9" or 10" in height; about 160 to 165 pounds in weight. He did not remember what the color of his eyes and hair was. Agent permitted Mr. Claar to examine the first few pages of his pocket identification order and asked him to pick out anyone whom he saw in those few pages if he saw anyone that resembled this man. After a short time Mr. Claar selected the picture of Dr. Joseph P. Moran which appears in the pocket identification order as a man who greatly resembled the man known to him as Wynn. He advised Agent that he thought that he had forgotten entirely what Wynn looked like but that after looking at the picture in the pocket identification order that he saw a very strong resemblance to this man and that in fact the resemblance was so strong that he would almost have to say that in his opinion it was the man insofar as he could tell from the photograph. It will be remembered that Agent up to this time had not made any mention of the fact that Miss Knesek had likewise identified the picture of Dr. Moran as appearing to be identical with Edward K. Wynn. Agent did not inform Mr. Claar at any time of the identity of the man whom he selected in the pocket identification order as resembling Wynn nor did Agent furnish him with any idea as to the description of this man. Mr. Claar stated that there was something about the picture of Dr. Moran which he could not explain but which recalled the man known to him as Wynn

very vividly and was very much surprized about this as due to the fact as previously stated that he thought he had completely forgotten what Wynn looked like. Mr. Claar stated that Wynn came in for the purpose of cashing some traveler's checks but that he did not have enough money on hand so he called up Paul Labutus at the Cedar Lake Beach Hotel in Cedar Lake for Wynn in order to see if this place would cash the traveler's checks for him and was informed by Mr. Labutus that they would cash the checks and that he sent Wynn to this place. He stated that John Sistitis is the manager of this hotel but did not believe that he was there at the time he sent Wynn up to the hotel. He further stated that Labutus is a machinist, is not located in Cedar Lake at the present time but is working somewhere in Chicago. He stated that both Sistitis and Labutus are Lithuanians and that it is very possible that John Sistitis would know the present address of Paul Labutus. When asked as to whether or not he thought these people were reliable he stated that ordinarily he thought they were but that he would hesitate to contact them with reference to a confidential matter. When asked as to whether or not there was anyone else in Cedar Lake, Indiana who had had an opportunity of seeing the man known as Edward K. Wynn Mr. Claar stated that L. Montebilsecker, a real estate man in Cedar Lake whose office is just north of the Monon station probably had an opportunity to see Wynn and that he considers Montebilsecker reliable and that it would be all right to approach him. Mr. Claar stated that he vaguely remembers hearing the name of Red Farrar mentioned somewhere but could not remember in what connection. He stated that it was probable that he might have worked for the railroad a short time when they were putting up ice in the past winter from Cedar Lake to be used for icing refrigerator cars, and that if Red Farrar had been employed by the railroad company that his name would be on the old pay roll records located in the Monon station at Cedar Lake. However, in view of the recent apprehension of Subjects Karpis and Campbell, no lead is being set out to further investigate into the activities of Red Farrar in the absence of instructions to the contrary. However, a lead is being set out to exhibit a better photograph of Dr. Moran to both Mr. Henry E. Claar at Rensselaer, Indiana and to Miss Emma Knesek, the Postmaster at Cedar Lake, Indiana, and her mother, in an effort to see if they will positively identify a better photograph of Dr. Moran as identical with Edward K. Wynn.

Mr. Claar also advised that some days later after Wynn was in the station in an attempt to get him to cash the traveler's checks that he saw him and Wynn stated that he had had a wreck with his car as it was during a time when the roads were icy. Mr. Claar stated that he did not know where Wynn stayed while he was in Cedar Lake but as noted above in the interview with Roy E. Wood, the mail carrier at Cedar Lake, it appears that Wynn stayed at the home of Frank Young and at the Kennedy Hotel while in Cedar Lake. It is believed that additional investigation should be conducted at these two places.

AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

On the morning of April 27, 1936 Special Agent in Charge John A. Dowd received a long distance telephone call from Oscar Westfall, Deputy Sheriff, Vincennes, Indiana to the effect that one Calvin Baldwin, Township Trustee residing eight miles from Petersburg, Indiana had reported that a man named Harry Campbell was residing in the vicinity of Petersburg who resembles Subject Harry Campbell, even to having a lame leg.

AT VINCENNES, INDIANA

Agent proceeded to Vincennes, Indiana and contacted Oscar Westfall, Deputy Sheriff at the Court House Vincennes, Indiana, who stated that the situation at Petersburg, Indiana with respect to law enforcement was in a terrible condition; that there had been a number of murders and other crimes committed in that vicinity; that from time to time his office had done some work in that county even though it was out of their jurisdiction. He advised the facts substantially as related in the telephone conversation with Special Agent in Charge John A. Dowd and stated that he knew absolutely nothing about what the above report was based on with the exception that Calvin Baldwin, a township trustee residing near Petersburg, Indiana had been in to see him and told him that one of his school teachers had seen a man resembling Harry Campbell in that vicinity.

Agent proceeded to Petersburg, Indiana and ascertained from Edward H. Scales, Postmaster that Calvin Baldwin lived in the country southwest of Petersburg, receiving his mail through the Glezen, Indiana Post Office.

Agent located Calvin Baldwin, Glezen, Indiana, R. R. 1, who advised that he was township trustee of Logan Township, Pike County, Indiana. Mr. Baldwin advised that a man by the name of Bert Goodwin who lives on a farm known as the Coats Spring farm where a health resort known as Coats Spring was located several years ago had received a circular letter from the Department of Justice at Indianapolis that they were seeking the apprehension of Harry Campbell, and that Goodwin had stated that this letter which he had received had indicated that Harry Campbell had a hideout in the vicinity of Coats Spring. For the purpose of understanding what later developed due to this information it might be mentioned here that the Indianapolis Office had recently circularized various health resorts in the State of Indiana in an effort to enlist their cooperation in the event Subject Harry Campbell came to any of their establishments for the purpose of treatment and that a letter was addressed to Coats Spring and had apparently been received by Bert Goodwin, a farmer and PWA worker who had circulated the above story. Mr. Baldwin advised that one of his school teachers by the name of Heber Gladish had recently told him that on Saturday April 25, 1936 he saw a man walking past his house dressed in overalls who appeared to be lame in one leg and who exactly fitted the description of Subject Harry Campbell. Mr.

Baldwin stated he did not know whether Gladish had had an opportunity of seeing a photograph of Campbell or not but stated that Gladish is a college graduate and is reliable but seems to imagine a number of things. Mr. Baldwin stated that it seemed improbable to him that a man like Harry Campbell would be likely to be in that community especially on foot, but he suggested that Agent contact Mr. Gladish for further information.

Agent made arrangements with Mr. Baldwin that in the event any further information was received to communicate this to the Indianapolis Office, and Mr. Baldwin stated that he was also township assessor and in that way he got over the community frequently; that he was making a trip the next day; and that if Agent would contact him after he came in he would ascertain whether or not any other person had observed this same individual.

Agent then contacted Heber Gladish, Glezen, Indiana, R. R. 1, who at first was very reluctant to give any information but upon persuasion stated that he saw a man on Thursday, April 27, 1936 walk by his house in the forenoon between 9 and 10 o'clock who appeared to be lame in his left leg and appeared to be acting rather suspiciously. Mr. Gladish gave a description of this man which substantially fits the description of Subject Harry Campbell but upon further questioning Agent ascertained that Gladish had talked to Bert Goodwin, the man who had received the circular letter from the Indianapolis Office and it appeared very likely that as this letter contained an identification order Gladish had memorized the description contained on this identification order. Gladish examined the photograph of Subject Harry Campbell which Agent exhibited to him and stated that in his opinion it was identical with the man Gladish saw. However, due to the fact that Agent knew the circumstances under which Gladish had begun to look for Harry Campbell it seemed improbable that it could be the man.

Mrs. Heber Gladish stated that she had likewise seen this man but had not paid enough attention to him to be able to identify him. Mr. Gladish stated that a truck driver for a lumberman who operates a mill in Petersburg, Indiana had also noticed this individual and Agent could ascertain this man's name from Marion Biggs, Petersburg, Indiana.

Agent contacted Marion Biggs at Petersburg, Indiana and ascertained that his truck driver's name was Francis Davis. Agent then interviewed Francis Davis who advised that he saw a man within the past few days who greatly resembled the photograph of Subject Harry Campbell and gave substantially the same description of this man. He stated, however, that this man was walking along the road and that he appeared to be a tramp more than anything else. Agent did not place a lot of faith in the identification. In view of the fact that Subject Campbell appears to have been apprehended recently, no further comment will be made as to the interview with Francis Davis.

Agent interviewed Bert Goodwin, Glezen, Indiana, R. R. 2, who presently lives on the farm where was formerly located Coats Spring health resort. Mr. Goodwin exhibited a circular letter which he had received from the Indianap

Bureau Office, being a letter addressed to the manager of Coats Spring, Littles, Pike County, Indiana, but had been forwarded to Glezen, Indiana and had been received by him. Mr. Goodwin denied making a statement that this letter had said that Harry Campbell had had a hideout near Coats Springs and further advised that there was not any hotel at Coats Springs any longer and admitted that he should have written the Indianapolis Office to advise them of this fact rather than showing the letter over the entire neighborhood but stated that he did not do so due to ignorance on his part. Mr. Goodwin voluntarily surrendered the letter which he had received from the Indianapolis Office to Agent and it is being retained in the file in this case and a correction is being made in the mailing list so that the error will not be repeated in the future. Mr. Goodwin said that he did not see anyone in that locality answering the description of Harry Campbell but that in the event he did he would immediately communicate this fact to the Indianapolis Office rather than talk about it to his neighbors. Mr. Goodwin stated that his mother-in-law Mrs. Phillips, told him that a few days previous a stranger had come by and inquired the way to Winslow, Indiana and appeared in some respects to resemble photograph of Subject Campbell.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Tennessee Phillips and her husband John M. Phillips, the mother-in-law and father-in-law of Bert Goodwin. Mrs. Phillips advised that on Friday April 24, 1936 about 10:30 A.M. a man came by from the north past her home and inquired the way to Winslow, Indiana, that this man was walking and was carrying a big suit case. Mrs. Phillips described this man in such a way that the description substantially fits the description of Subject Campbell but it is not being set out here in view of the recent apprehension of Subject Campbell as it appears impossible that it could be Subject Campbell. Mrs. Phillips without much hesitation picked out a photograph of Subject Campbell from among a group of photographs as resembling the man whom she saw on the date mentioned above. She stated that this individual went on to the south and she did not see him any more. She stated that Audine Burwick, a girl living in the neighborhood had likewise observed this individual when he came by her home and advised Agent to contact Miss Burwick.

Agent then interviewed Miss Audine Burwick, Glezen, Indiana, R. R. 2, who stated that she was visiting Mrs. Tennessee Phillips on April 24, 1936 and saw a man come by referred to above. She likewise described this man in a manner which could easily fit a description of Subject Campbell and tentatively identified a photograph of Campbell as resembling this man.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Maurice Burwick, step-mother of Audine Burwick, who advised she saw this man from a distance but was not close enough to tell what he looked like.

Agent then contacted Mr. Calvin Baldwin who is mentioned above, and he advised that he had received no additional information on his trip through the neighborhood on that day; that in the event he did get more information he would notify the Indianapolis Office.

In view of the fact that it appeared very improbable that the individual seen in that community could have been Subject Campbell and that the reason so many people thought they saw an individual of this description was because of the story which was started by Bert Goodwin who had received a circular letter from the Indianapolis Office which had been sent to the manager of Coats Springs, Agent did not conduct any further investigation in the neighborhood of Petersburg, Indiana, but returned to the Indianapolis Office and on the morning of April 29, 1936 Special Agent in Charge John A. Dowd received a telephone call from the Post Master at Fort Branch, Indiana to the effect that a man identified by him and others as resembling Harry Campbell was in that vicinity that morning selling watches. He further stated that this man was traveling in a 1936 Plymouth coach with another man and woman, and that the car carried Oklahoma license plates, numbers unknown.

Acting upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge Dowd, Agent communicated by long distance telephone with Captain Albert Felker of the Evansville, Indiana Police Department inasmuch as Fort Branch, Indiana, is only a short distance from Evansville, Indiana and requested Mr. Felker to instruct his men to be on the lookout for the above car. Mr. Felker advised that they would be glad to do this, and that in the event further information was gained they would communicate this fact to the Indianapolis Office.

Captain Felker evidently gave this information to the Indiana State Police inasmuch as the Indiana State Police radio bulletin for April 29, 1936 carried a broadcast of the above information to the effect that these persons were traveling in a car having Oklahoma license 123531.

The telegram of reference was dispatched to the Oklahoma City Office under date of April 30, 1936 requesting that a check be made of the above Oklahoma license number and the reference teletype was received from the Oklahoma City Office on May 1, 1936 to the effect that current Oklahoma automobile license 123531 on a Plymouth sedan was sold to F. Lee Edwards, 1121 East Rogers Street, El Reno, Oklahoma and that the police at El Reno advised that Edwards is a young man five feet ten inches tall, 160 pounds, is cock eyed and has been there two years, and that he travels over the country buying and selling bankrupt jewelry stock. In view of this it is believed that this is the same man seen by the Postmaster at Fort Branch, Indiana and others, and no further investigation will be conducted.

The Indianapolis Office received a letter under date of May 1, 1936 from Mr. Rex McVickar, Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank of Sumner, Sumner, Illinois to the effect that he had read in the paper about Subject Harry Campbell being seen in Fort Branch and that he believed that the man described in the paper was in his bank a few days previous to that time. Mr. McVickar advised that at the time this man was in his bank that he was trying to pawn an expensive looking Waltham Watch for $10.00. Mr. McVickar likewise advised that he had copied the license number of this car and that it was 123-531, and that it was a yellow tag but he could not tell what state it was issued by. It is probable that this was the same car as mentioned above and a letter was addressed to Mr. McVickar thanking him for his cooperation in this matter.

In view of the fact that although nothing official has been received from either the office of origin or the Bureau by the Indianapolis Office to indicate the apprehension of Subject Campbell and Karpis, inasmuch as this matter has been given wide publicity in the newspapers it seems that there is no doubt that these men have been apprehended. In view of this fact, all further leads in the Indianapolis District tending toward the apprehension of Subjects Campbell and Karpis will be held in abeyance pending further instructions to this effect. However, in view of the fact that there seems to be some merit in the identification of a photograph of Subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran by Emma Knesek and Henry E. Claar, leads are being set out to conduct additional investigation in this respect.

Under date of April 17, 1936 a circular letter was addressed to all mineral wells and health resorts in the State of Indiana with a request that in the event Subject Harry Campbell appeared at any of these places for treatment that the Indianapolis Office be notified. A copy of Identification Order No. 1236 was forwarded with each circular letter.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE at Rensselaer, Indiana

Will exhibit a photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran to Henry E. Claar, night station agent at the Monon Railway station. In this connection it might be mentioned that serial 7-9-22a of the Indianapolis file contains a large photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran giving both a full face view and a side view, in an effort to ascertain whether or not he can identify this photograph as identical with Edward K. Wynn who was in Cedar Lake in January 1936.

At Cedar Lake, Indiana

Will likewise exhibit the above photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran to Miss Emma Knesek, Postmaster, and to Miss Knesek's mother who lives with her, in an effort to ascertain whether or not they can identify this photograph as identical with Edward K. Wynn who was in Cedar Lake in January 1936.

Will contact L. Montebilsecker, a real estate dealer with office located just north of the Monon Station, Cedar Lake, and will exhibit to him the photograph of Dr. Moran in an effort to ascertain whether or not he noticed this individual in Cedar Lake during January 1936.

Will consider the advisability of approaching John Sistitis at the Cedar Beach Hotel in an effort to determine whether or not he saw the individual known as Edward K. Wynn in Cedar Lake in January 1936.

Will obtain the address of Paul Labutus from John Sistitis inasmuch as it appears that Paul Labutus was the clerk at the Cedar Beach Hotel in January 1936 who cashed travelers checks for Edward K. Wynn.

Will also consider the advisability of contacting Frank Young and the proprietors of the Kennedy Hotel in an effort to ascertain the identity of Edward K. Wynn who is reported to have stayed at these places in January 1936.

MILWAUKEE OFFICE at Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Will attempt to learn through the Post Office at Milwaukee whether or not there is such an individual in the city of Milwaukee as Edward K. Wynn.

Will also attempt to learn whether or not there is any record of two special delivery letters being sent from Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Edward K. Wynn at Cedar Lake, Indiana on January 9, 1936 and January 11, 1936 and if such a record is located, will attempt to ascertain the identity of the sender of these letters as well as the identity of Edward K. Wynn, and if located will definitely establish whether or not Edward K. Wynn is identical with Subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

May 10, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

For record purposes, this is to advise that the guns obtained from the apartments of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter at New Orleans were received in the Supply Room and in compliance with the Director's instructions were turned over to the Laboratory in order that the necessary work could be performed on these guns for further leads.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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May 11, 1936.
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Cincinnati and stated that he had been talking to the St. Paul office; that Campbell apparently is not going to come through very easily for us; that Campbell now wants an attorney. Mr. Connelley stated that he told the Agent at St. Paul to tell Campbell and Karpis if they do not come through, we will bring another indictment against them in Ohio for kidnaping the doctor. I told Mr. Connelley that McKee was in my office and that I would inform him of this as he would return to St. Paul this evening.

Mr. Connelley stated that Karpis wants to talk to Campbell for about five or ten minutes and get him to plead guilty to the Bremer case; that Karpis has in mind if Campbell pleads guilty to the Bremer case, we will not put Karpis and Campbell on trial. I told Mr. Connelley that we should get these men to plead guilty in the Bremer case and make no deal with them on the Hamm case; that if they will not go through with this we will indict them on the Ohio case.

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Mr. Connelley stated that Campbell received a letter from the girl last night which was read to him; that Campbell cried over the letter. Mr. Connelley stated that Campbell said that the only agreement he was to sign a waiver to go to St. Paul. I told Mr. Connelley that Campbell had already signed the waiver; that I told Campbell we would go easy on the girl if he would tell the truth and tell us where Coker was. Mr. Connelley stated that they could take Campbell and put him in a cell near Karpis for about thirty minutes. Mr. Connelley stated that he thinks Campbell wants to ask Karpis if he turned him in; that they may get together and agree to plead guilty to the Bremer case. I told Mr. Connelley that Agent McKee could make the necessary arrangements for this to be done when he returned to St. Paul tonight.

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Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1300 Liberty Trust Building
Philadelphia Pennsylvania

May 4, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Recently, we have had a number of circulars come to this office to be distributed to approximately fifty thousand persons on our mailing lists, etc. In no instance have these circulars been folded, and, while I appreciate the Bureau has been busy, yet, when the circulars have arrived, in order to fold the fifty thousand on each occasion, and so far there have been three occasions, it has taken the time of Agents, overtime, which they have voluntarily put in, when their efforts could have been used on active cases now pending at the Philadelphia Bureau Office.

Frankly, it has taken so much time that the Agents have voluntarily contributed from their own pockets to have the circulars folded by a private concern here, in order to get them out with as much speed and dispatch as possible for the Bureau. I frankly do not believe that the situation is a satisfactory one. I believe that either these circulars should be folded by the Bureau, or we should have authority to have them folded by a private concern locally at so much per thousand.

It is a waste of time and money to the Bureau to be placing Agents and clerical employees on this work of folding when it could be done by the Bureau or by private concerns much more cheaply than salary time used by employees to fold circulars. After they are folded, of course, we must stuff the envelopes. This in itself takes considerable time.

I would appreciate it, therefore, if we could come to some understanding with respect to this matter.

Very truly yours,

R. B. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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

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May 7, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. QUINN

Reference is made to the attached letter dated May 4, 1936, from the Philadelphia office relative to the folding of various wanted circulars and reward notices.

Wanted circulars on Robinson and Dainard have been sent to the field offices for a good many months and were not folded. A suggestion letter was received from the Cincinnati office suggesting that these circulars be folded so that they could be inserted in small No. 10 envelopes, and about the same time the New York office requested that the Government frank be placed on the back of these circulars. This procedure, both as to the frank and the folding, is being followed at the present time on all Dainard and Robinson circulars.

The New York office requested that this same procedure be followed on the reward circulars, but at the time we began printing these circulars on Karpis and Campbell it was decided to print them on a smaller sheet in view of the fact that we had more machines thatcould run this size sheet of paper. The field office addresses practically covered the reverse side of the reward circulars and the matter of placing the frank on them was discussed with you and Mr. Douglas by the writer and it was decided that if this was attempted it would lead to considerable confusion. The New York office was advised of this decision and was asked if it desired to have the circulars folded without the frank. Mr. Whitley advised that this was desired.

The first 10,000 reward circulars on both Karpis and Campbell which were sent to the Philadelphia office were not folded; however, 40,000 additional copies which were sent to Philadelphia were folded prior to transmittal.

Respectfully,

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Post Office Box 51a,
St. Paul, Minnesota
May 11, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Inasmuch as the Director has ordered that a twenty-four hour guard be maintained on KARPIS in the Ramsey County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota, and which necessitates the use of three agents in eight hour shifts, it is believed that the services of three additional agents arenecessary at this office in order to give the work appropriate attention.

Due to the emergency situation existing in this office because of the apprehension and questioning of both KARPIS and CAMPBELL, it has been necessary to utilize the services of Special Agent G. A. Paulson as a guard. As soon as conditions permit Agent Paulson will resume his accounting work.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Stein

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. C. W. Stein,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication dated May 11, 1936, relative to the maintenance of a twenty-four hour guard over Alvin Karpis.

This is to confirm Bureau telegraphic instructions of this date directing Special Agents D. A. Bryce and R. T. Hood from Aberdeen and Portland, respectively, to proceed to St. Paul for general assignment duties in connection with the above matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 13, 1936

Post Master
Elmhurst,
Illinois

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with a cover recently placed on mail delivered at 275 Geneva Avenue, Elmhurst, Illinois, tracings of mail delivered to that place have been received at this office.

Inasmuch as the necessity for this mail cover no longer exists, it is suggested that this mail cover be withdrawn.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 12, 1936

Post Master
Dixon,
Illinois

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Recently it was requested that a cover be placed on mail addressed to Scott Hall, 87 Galena Avenue, Dixon, Illinois.

Inasmuch as the necessity for such mail cover no longer exists, it is requested that same be terminated.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 14, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of a letter written to Wynona Burdette, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, to her sister, Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Route B, Hominy, Oklahoma.

The original letter is being returned to Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention Farm, to be forwarded as addressed.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Letter addressed:
Mrs. R. D. Wilson
Hominy, Oklahoma, R.B.

Milan, Mich.
May 6, 1936
Box 1000

Hello Darlings:-

How you was, am you? Fine! Well that's good. I'm going to answer your sweet letters right now - and maybe you'll get this one. I see by your letter that you must not be getting mine. I certainly can't understand why you aren't.

I am so glad you finally have your teeth out. I just know you will start feeling better. I hope so any way. It is good to hear all of you are feeling good. I was so worried about you as I did not hear at all last month you know. You have no idea how good your letters make me feel and I don't mean Per - vell, vell, nuff o' that - huh? I'm feeling like a two year old Purp, ha, ha, just washed my hair and the crazy stuff keeps falling down in my face. I get so mad at it - I could honestly eat fried chicken. Now that is good isn't it, boy, oh boy. Oh, say, that reminds me, I sure would love to have one of your fried biscuits. When you fry some, eat a big fat one and think about me, will ye? okay - guess I had better quit the funny stuff and get down to business. Yes, I hear from Art every month, but he hasn't decided as yet to write every week. Yes, honey, I know Aaron is in the hosp. He writes me quite often, bless his heart. I really enjoy reading his letters. Honey, if I remember right he has been in Wadsworth since Jan. the last letter I received from him he was going down to Mae's for a couple of days.

May 8.

Sorry, dear, that I didn't finish this and get it out, but I have been rather nervous the last couple of days and haven't felt like writing, as you no doubt have heard by now that they have H. C. in custody and I am very sorry for him and his wife as she was with him when he was picked up. I do not know who his wife is, or anything about her, but of course her being Harry's wife, I would like to help her. I hope she gets released, but if she comes here I will be glad to try and make her time as easy as possible for her, as she & I are in a rather peculiar position, if she loves him as I do, I am sure she will be willing to meet me half way.

Now about your house cleaning. Honey I may get my furniture yet. The fedral men are trying to get it for me and I certainly appre-

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ciate it very much and if they succeed in their efforts and Richard can get a truck to come and get it, you can have it. Esther, honey, it is lovely furniture, and it is not cheap, and I know you will like it. Essie I'm going to ask you to give Millie some of it, as I know she will love it too, you see, if R.D. can make the arrangements it won't cost much and it is worth it; as it would cost around $200.00 to ship it by train - I'm not for sure yet, but I hope I will get it. I am quite sure Mr. Matteny will notify you as he took your address when he was here to see me.

I would love to see Charles Roy, gee, he must be a fat little thing. How is Blanche & her family getting along?

Well, sis, I must close and drop a few lines to Gwen. I will try to write a better letter next month. Answer soon dear.

Gobs and loads of love from your loving baby sis,

Nona B.

P.S. Tell Richard Hello for me. Excuse this writing Keet. Please. Gwen's letter is on other side.

Milan, Mich.
May 8, 1936

Hello, My Darling:-

Well, how's things going by now? And how is my little girl feeling? I hope you are happy and well when this letter hits your precious little hand.

No, little one, I had not thought you had forgotten me, as much grief as I have caused all of you, I think that would be rather hard to do.

Honey, don't you let school get the best of you, because just think what it will mean when you graduate, gee, I hope I will get to be there for the big blow-off. I mean when you graduate.

I would sure love to see all of you. I know Jimmie looks good with her hair long. her face is a nice shape for it.

I am very sorry to hear about Lulu and her family being in such ill health. It really is terrible but if the Lord sees fit everything will turn out all right.

Yes, Gwen dear, your new boy friend really sounds interesting. I would love to meet him, honey girl. He must be a grand boy to be a friend of yours - and he sounds like he is real good looking. I do hope you don't fall in love with a dizzy blond. Ha Ha just tell me not to be prying into your business. No, little doll, I'm not trying to run your business. If I thought you would object I would not mention it, but Gwen, Aunty loves you so much it would break my heart to see you hurt.

Boy, oh boy, how well do I know Tulsa doesn't like Hominy or Pawhuska. As far as that goes I don't think she likes any other town but her own outside of Bixby and I can't see what there is there to be proud of. I will never understand how I won second place down there, with me being from Turley. Do they still have the contests at the same place? Honey, don't do as your Aunty did, and let a boy get ahead of you in singing. Ha, Ha, you know a boy from Bixby placed first and I placed second, that is really good, isn't it? I am so glad you are getting along so good in school and your singing. How is the dancing and piano lessons going?

No, dear, you <u>can not</u> believe anything a man tells you, at least I cannot (<u>No</u>)- if you have been reading the paper that's enough to tell you your Aunt Nonie will not believe anything a man tells her in the way of love, or being crazy about me. Your right when you say they all have the same line. Well, I have just come to the conclusion that they all get together and hatch up what they intend to say to the next girl they go with and I, for instance, was one to fall for their line - Ha, Ha - at least, they thought I did.

Little dear, your girl friend must be a darling. I think it's cute for you kids to dress alike. I would like to meet her.

Honey I have not the slightest idea when I will get to come home. I am praying it won't be very long tho'. My word, if you don't stop bragging on me, I'm liable to sprout wings and fly out of here. Ha, Ha, Ha. It's good to know you, your daddy and your mother thinks of me that way and I can return the compliment.

You are right dear. I think Millie's children should snap out of it. They must remember that their mother is flogging hard to make things go. Can't you get them all out and talk to them? Just explain to them in plain words, talk streight and try to show them what they ought to do. Will you do this for Aunty? Kiss little Ellen for me, God love her little heart. Well, dear, I'm out of paper so must ring off. Answer soon. Loads & Loads of Love from your

X O X O X O X O Aunt Nonie

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 14, 1936

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

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Enclosed herewith is letter written by Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institution, to her sister, Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Hominy, Oklahoma.

The contents of this letter have been carefully noted and I desire to extend to you my sincere thanks for your continued cooperation in this and other matters.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Beinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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503A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
May 12, 1936.

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Judge E.P. Carville,
United States Attorney,
Reno, Nevada.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of your letter of May 7, 1936, in connection with an individual known as Jack Vogel who is believed to reside at 405 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, and who has recently been in company with Frankie Foster at Reno. It is noticed that he is driving a Cadillac car with New York license N 91-46.

I have requested the New York office to make a thorough check of this matter, and I desire to thank you for calling it to my attention.

With kind personal regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

W.A. ROSER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 13, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the original and three copies of the photograph of John Zetzer with copies of this letter, and copy of the photograph of John Zetzer is likewise being forwarded to the Pittsburgh, Little Rock, SanAntonio, St. Paul, Oklahoma City, and Kansas City offices. Copy of Zetzer's photograph is also being transmitted to the Bureau herewith.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 6, 1936.

Time - 12:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned SAC Magee at the New Orleans Office with reference to your various inquiries concerning the angle of this matter down there, and pointed out to Mr. Magee the fact that Fred Hunter's signature does not appear on the fingerprint card, and we have no specimens of his handwriting. Mr. Magee said that at the time the fingerprints of this man were taken, he, Magee, was out at the apartment, and when he returned to the office, the process was over and the prints in an envelope ready to be sent to the Bureau, which was done immediately thereafter. Mr. Magee does not know at this time who supervised the taking of Hunter's fingerprints. I told Mr. Magee to get some specimens of Fred Hunter's handwriting.

I then mentioned to Mr. Magee that in the oral statement submitted by Fred Hunter, copies of which were forwarded to the Bureau, there is no mention made of the place where Fred Hunter was born. The statement says that he was born in a certain year, but the place of birth is not shown. Mr. Magee said he would get this information. He said that he told Agents Tollett and Buchanan to get the personal history of this man, and he does not know why they failed to ascertain this particular point. I told Mr. Magee to ask Mr. Tollett and Buchanan why they did not get this information, pointing out to him that this is a purely elementary point and should have been ascertained so that we can have this complete personal history of Hunter.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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DIRECTOR BREKID BUCHANAN INTERROGATED HUNTER NEGATIVE RESULTS HUNTER DENYING ACTUAL PARTICIPATION POSTAL ROBBERY BUT INTIMIDATION KNOWLEDGE HEARSAY PARTICIPANTS REFUSES TO DISCLOSE ADVISES WILL NEVER TELL POSTAL INSPECTORS BECAUSE OF TREATMENT OF RELATIVE OHIO SITUATION QUIET HERE

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 13, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cincinnati,
Ohio

RE: BRAID

Dear Sir:

It has been previously requested that each office place a stop notice in each State Motor Vehicle Bureau on 1936 Buick sedan, motor No. 63052198, serial No. 2895972. This car was recently located at Corpus Christy, Texas. A copy of this letter is being designated for each field office, and it is requested that the stop notices placed with the respective State Motor Vehicle Bureaus be withdrawn.

It is further suggested that in view of the recent apprehension of Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis that each field office revies its file, and advise this office of the number of stop notices still outstanding on automobiles believed to have been in the possession of subjects in this case. Several of these automobiles against which stop notices formerly were placed have been located, and this office can then advisewhich stop notices can be withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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827 Broad Street National Bank Building
Trenton New Jersey

May 14, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

A surveillance was recently maintained by Agents of this office at Atlantic City, N.J., in an effort to cause the apprehension of Harry Campbell based upon information that he had frequented a Whelan Drug Store located at the corner of the Boardwalk and Illinois Avenue in that city. The set-up of the surveillance included the installing of the sound power telephone in a secreted place in the drug store, extending to a garage 800 feet distant. At the garage Agents were on duty with the Bureau automobiles available to proceed as necessary to cause Campbell's apprehension.

In connection with the setup of the sound power telephone, it was deemed advisable to have a buzzer at the garage with a button at the drug store so that in the event Campbell entered the drug store, the Agent on duty there would press the button, calling the attention of the Agents at the garage and subsequently such instructions as were necessary would be issued to the Agents at the garage over the telephone. By this arrangement it was unnecessary for the men on duty at the garage to constantly have the telephone line open and the instrument at their ears. This arrangement proved to be quite satisfactory for the purpose intended. Of course, it was necessary to string separate wires along with the sound power telephone wire for the buzzer system.

Upon returning to the Field Office, Agents experimented and found that a buzzer could be employed by using only the wires of the sound power telephone line, that is, the push button batteries

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and buzzer were connected with the sound power telephone wires in such a way that the buzzer operated and yet did not affect the operation of the sound power instrument itself. However, no attempt was made to use the buzzer while the sound power receiving sets were attached to the line in order that no damage would be done to the instruments themselves.

It is therefore suggested that the Bureau consider the advisability of informing each Field Office that when surveillances of such a nature as occurred in this case take place in their districts, a buzzer may be used in connection with the sound power telephone lines. It is not known whether the buzzer would have any deleterious effect on the instruments themselves should they be connected to the line when the buzzer connection is made. However, there does not appear to be any necessity for having the jacks attached to the instruments plugged into the line except when actually being used and therefore when it will be necessary to use the buzzer the instruments themselves should be disconnected.

Very truly yours,

J. A. Murphy

J. A. MURPHY,
Special Agent.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
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May 21, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

There was considered at the Executives' Conference a suggestion made by Special Agent J. A. Murphy of the Trenton Office relative to the use of a buzzer in connection with the sound power telephone lines. Mr. Murphy in his letter of May 14 points out that while maintaining a surveillance at Atlantic City it was found that a buzzer arrangement of notifying the Agents who were using the telephone, in lieu of having the men on duty constantly keep the telephone line open, had been of practical benefit in connection with their surveillance duties. He is of the opinion that this might be brought to the attention of the other field offices in order that they might make use of such an arrangement in similar situations.

Mr. Edwards advised the Conference that the Laboratory had indicated that it would experiment along the line suggested by Special Agent Murphy by devising a jack for inserting a buzzer and a battery on the sound power telephone line, and if found to be practical, arrangements could be made to furnish the field offices with this equipment which would be rather inexpensive. The Laboratory feels that this should not be used at all times, as by so doing it relegates the sound power telephone into the class of an ordinary telephone. If the experiment is approved by you, arrangements will be made to have the Laboratory prepare this equipment and the Conference recommends if it is found to be of a practical nature that it be furnished the field offices for use in conjunction with the sound power telephone.

Those present at the Conference were Messrs. Tolson, Tamm and Edwards.

Respectfully,
For the Conference,

Clyde Tolson,
Chairman.

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T. D. Quinn,
Secretary.

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DIRECTOR

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

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May 29, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Re: Sound Telephone Equipment.

Reference is made to the Conference memorandum of May 21, 1936, in which the Conference recommends that if a practical way of supplementing the sound telephone equipment with a signalling device can be devised in the Laboratory the field be supplied with the same.

You are advised that I have assigned the study of this problem to Mr. Pfafman and a report will be submitted within thirty days concerning our efforts to design special plugs and jacks for this purpose.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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May 18, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: HAMAR

Mrs. Harry Sawyer, now operating a small grocery store in Omaha, Nebraska, has advised the Omaha Office that she has information which may be of value in disclosing the part played in the Hamm and Bremer cases by officials connected with the city government and the police department of St. Paul, Minnesota. She has now been interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee and has submitted a signed statement of all information which may prove material. This signed statement has not yet been received by the Bureau. She has also written a letter to be delivered by Agent McKee to Harry Sawyer at Alcatraz, encouraging him to furnish information in his possession to Agent McKee. Agent McKee is, therefore, proceeding to that point with the intention of interviewing Sawyer.

Belle Born sometime ago obtained the professional services of Mr. McMeekins, an attorney at St. Paul, in an effort to obtain possession of certain moneys which she left with her relatives, the Vioski family, at Waukegan, Illinois. It is to be remembered that a portion of this money, held in a safety deposit box, was the property of C. J. Fitzgerald, and the Hamm family has been advised of the location of this money so that they may take steps to recover the same if they deem it advisable. Mr. McMeekins has now informed Agents of the St. Paul Office that he is refusing to further represent Belle Born's interests because he brought her into the St. Paul Office during January, 1936, advising her to give Agents a full, complete and truthful statement of her association with C. J. Fitzgerald. He has informed that he is convinced and was convinced at that time that she did not furnish a full and truthful disclosure, and since he feels that she has betrayed him he does not care to be associated with her further.

Respectfully,

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K. R. McIntire.

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1236; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: William Elmer Mead examined August 23, 1931, at Burleson Sanitarium, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Communication mentioned in reference letter advised him of his former physician's death.

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REFERENCE: Letter of Special Agent D. M. Ladd, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 31, 1936.

DETAILS: Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry contacted C. S. Blake, Business Manager of the Burleson Sanitarium at Grand Rapids, Michigan, which is located on the Eleventh and Twelfth Floors of the Morton Hotel. Mr. Blake examined the records of the Sanitarium and advised that W. E. Mead came to the sanitarium on August 23, 1931, for examination, but was not kept for treatment, and that he again came to the sanitarium on June 4, 1932, for operation and treatment.

His records show that he was operated on for stricture and that he was discharged on June 19, 1932, and that Mead paid his bill at the time of entrance, giving no reference, but stating that his occupation was "mining and oil." Mead did not make any additional comments as to his dealings in mining and oil. His age at the time he came to the hospital in 1931, was given as fifty-five.

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Mr. Blake advised that Dr. Burleson died on September 8, 1935, and at that time they had sent out announcements of his death to all of their former customers, and that Mead was undoubtedly mailed one of these announcements.

Mr. Blake advised that after rechecking his records he found that their last mailing address to Mead was 1533 North Fargo Street, Chicago, Illinois, which compares with the address given in the letter mentioned in the reference letter from Special Agent D. M. Ladd, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 31, 1936.

Mr. Blake then made inquiry among the employees of the Sanitarium, but none were able to recall W. E. Mead. He also searched his correspondence file, but was unable to find any correspondence either to or from Mead since his discharge from the Sanitarium.

Mr. Blake assured Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry that should Mead contact the Sanitarium at any time, he will immediately notify the Detroit Bureau Office.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 13, 1936

Mr. Walter Johnson
Post Office Inspector in Charge
New Post Office Building
Chicago, Illinois

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Inasmuch as necessity no longer requires continuance of the following mail covers, it is suggested that they be discontinued at this time:

Robert Clair Venuta, 525 N. Wood Street, Chicago, Ill.
Phillip Newbold, 2840 N. Francisco Ave.,
3848 Filcox Street, Chicago, Ill.
John Karpaviez, 2842 N. Francisco Ave.,

It is noted that the 30 day cover on the mail addressed to 3750 W. Cermak Road required by this office on March 11, 1936 has terminated. It is requested that this mail cover be continued for a period of 30 days.

It is also requested that 30 day cover be placed on all first class mail addressed to Charles P. Kenning, 1436 W. Jarvis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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May 7, 1936.

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Time - 2:35 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harry Campbell.

SAC MacFarland telephoned Mr. Hood from the Cleveland to advise that they have interviewed Campbell's wife very thoroughly, and there is every indication that she did not have knowledge of the fact that Campbell was wanted by the Bureau, or of the fact that he was a fugitive from justice. She claims that she met him through a Clara McGraw in Toledo, Ohio. Clara introduced Campbell's wife to him before they were married, telling Mrs. Campbell that Campbell was her, Clara's, cousin. As a result of this introduction, they started going together, and she married him under the name of Clarence Charles Miller. Since it has been definitely ascertained she is absolutely innocent of anything in this matter, your suggestion that she be released is going to be placed into effect. She will be taken back to Toledo tonight and placed back in her apartment.

With regard to Sam Coker, Mr. MacFarland said he takes a "I don't know" attitude, denying that he has been involved in any criminal activities since his release from the penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. Mr. MacFarland said he just received word from Oklahoma City that the officials at the penitentiary at McAlester revoked Coker's parole in February of this year, and that they are willing to send officers to Cleveland to bring Coker back to Oklahoma and re-commit him to the penitentiary.

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Mr. MacFarland said that there is one item in the press dispatches which have come out concerning the apprehension of Karpis which he would want you to know about, the same reading as follows: "Karpis, former Public Enemy No. 1, was taken in New Orleans last week on information furnished by S. J. Hettrick, local Postal Inspector." No one is quoted as giving out this information, the same just being a little paragraph inserted in the release concerning the apprehension of Campbell.

Time - 3:45 P.M.

I telephoned Mr. MacFarland relative to the situation involving Sam Coker, and told him to obtain from Coker a waiver on removal, take him to Oklahoma and turn him over to the State authorities at the penitentiary. I told him to send this man under an adquate guard by train to Oklahoma.

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With reference to Mrs. Campbell, I told him that if he is convinced in his own mind that she is absolutely innocent of anything involved in this situation, she should be released. He said they would take her back to Toledo, place her in her apartment, and then withdraw from the picture entirely.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

C. W. DAVIDSON, Commissioner
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CITY OF WEST PLAINS

WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI

May 16 1936

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am herewith enclosing you a State warrant issued on January 23rd 1932 for Alvin Karpis, who killed our Sheriff here on December 19, 1931.

Mrs. C. N. Kelly was appointed by the court here to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Kelly and she is the one who made the complaint. We have an iron clad case against Karpis, and feel confident that if you will let Howell County have him, that justice will be dealt out to him very quickly.

So I would be very much pleased to your suggestions in this matter as we want him very badly and feel sure that we can enforce the death penalty on the culprit.

Yours very truly,

Albert Crider

Albert Crider,
Chief of Police
West Plains, Mo.

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STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
COUNTY OF Howell }

THE STATE OF MISSOURI, TO THE SHERIFF OR CONSTABLE OF SAID COUNTY, GREETING:

WHEREAS, complaint has been made before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County aforesaid, upon the oath of Mrs. C. R. Kelly, Sheriff, that one Alvin Karpis late of the county aforesaid, did, on or about the 19 day of December, 1931, at the county of Howell did then and there willfully and unlawfully and feloniously shoot and kill C. R. Kelly with a pistol loaded with lead and ball

against the peace and dignity of the State.

These are therefore to command you to take the said Alvin Karpis if he be found in your county, and to safely keep him, so that you have his body forthwith before me, to answer said complaint, and be further dealt with according to law.

Given Under My Hand This 26 day of January, A. D. 1932

Justice of the Peace.

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Mr. Albert Crider,
Chief of Police,
West Plains, Missouri.

My dear Chief:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 15, 1936, in which you enclosed a Missouri State Warrant, issued on January 23, 1932, calling for the arrest of Alvin Karpis, who is alleged to be responsible for the death of former Sheriff C. H. Kelly, of West Plains, Missouri.

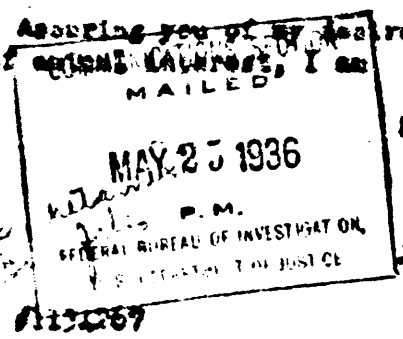
I must advise you that there is no power vested in this Bureau which would enable it to deliver Alvin Karpis to you for the purpose of prosecuting him for the death of former Sheriff Kelly. Matters of this nature must be determined by the United States Attorney in whose district Alvin Karpis will be prosecuted for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, of St. Paul, Minnesota. I am therefore taking the liberty of referring your communication to Mr. C. E. Stein, Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul, Minnesota, Office of this Bureau, who will bring the contents of your letter to the attention of Mr. George Sullivan, United States District Attorney.

It is suggested that any further request which you have in this matter be directed to Mr. Sullivan at St. Paul, Minnesota. You may reach Mr. Sullivan by directing your communication to Mr. George Sullivan, United States District Attorney, Uptown Station and Federal Courts Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

I am returning to you herewith the Missouri State Warrant which you transmitted with your letter.

Assuring you of my desire to cooperate with you in all matters of mutual interest, I am

Sincerely yours,



John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc Kansas City, St. Paul, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Mr. Connelley at Chicago
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May 9, 1936

Mr. H. H. Gallup,
Division Superintendent,
Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc.,
Newark Airport,
Newark, New Jersey.

Dear Mr. Gallup:

I have just returned to Washington and I wanted to write to you concerning the special chartered flight taken by representatives of this Bureau on May 6th, from Washington to Toledo, and on May 7th, from Toledo to St. Paul, Minnesota, in connection with the case of Harry Campbell who was wanted in connection with the Brenner kidnaping case.

I am pleased to commend the services of Pilot D. F. Burford and Pilot L. E. Browne relative to this flight. They were uniformly courteous and helpful, and I was most favorably impressed by the efficiency and ability displayed by them.

Thanking you again for your assistance in this matter and with kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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BRISKID

Dear Sir:

As per telephone conversation today Agents C. E. Smith, E. J. Wynn and B. M. Hirsh are preparing at Cleveland today a memorandum of conditions existing at Toledo, Ohio as have come to their attention while working there, particularly with reference to the above case. This will be forwarded airmail today.

To verify all such information assembled Agent D. P. Sullivan has covered our file here as to any such references and copies of memorandum covering same are attached, which may duplicate information from Cleveland.

Very truly yours,

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE E. J. CONNELLEY

RE: BRESKID

A review of the file reflects the following information indicating a connection between members of the Barker-Karpis gang and other hoodlums and law enforcement authorities at Toledo, Ohio:

The first mention found in the file of a possible lack of cooperation between the law enforcement authorities at Toledo, Ohio, and the Bureau in the investigation of instant case is shown in the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated July 30, 1934, where on page 4 is set out the result of investigation in an effort to identify [redacted] Mention is made that Detective George Stevenson of the Auto Squad of the Toledo Police Department was interviewed and the following is quoted from that report:

"He (Detective Stevenson) advised that Captain George Timmeney of the Hoodlum Squad, Toledo Police Department, was acquainted with this individual and might be able to throw further light on him."

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In the last paragraph the report goes on to state that Special Agent A. Dickstein interviewed Detective George Stevenson and Captain Timmeney relative to [redacted] and in an effort to identify him a photograph of C. D. Harris was exhibited. The following is quoted from the above mentioned report:

"At the time photograph was exhibited by Agent Dickstein, Captain Timmeney seemed to be very cool and did not supply Agent Dickstein with any information concerning [redacted]

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Charles Joseph Fitzgerald, who is presently in custody in connection with the Hanap case.

In the same report on page 8, there is set out an interview had with Prosecuting Attorney Fraser Reams of Toledo, Ohio, in an effort to obtain information concerning Theodore (Ted) Angus, and the following is quoted:

"Mr. Reams advised that Theodore Angus was a former vice graft collector for former Mayor Hatcher of Toledo; that Angus, during Mayor Hatcher's regime in Toledo collected all protection money from prostitutes and from the operators of houses of prostitution, and was aligned at that time with the Licavoli gang, headed by Yonnie Licavoli, who is at the present time incarcerated in the Lucas County Jail, Toledo, where a charge of murder is pending against him. Mr. Reams further stated that Angus is intimate with all crooks and criminals in Toledo and he stated that he would not place it beyond Angus to harbor a criminal."

Mayor Thatcher

The interview with Mr. Reams is continued on page 9, and paragraph 2 of that page is here quoted;

"Mr. Reams further advised that nothing had come to his attention that any of the subjects involved in this case were, or had been, in Toledo. However, he stated, concerning Captain Timmeney and the Toledo Police Department, that conditions there were rotten and he mentioned the fact that he believed Timmeney was quite friendly with Angus, probably getting a payoff from Angus; that he still believes Angus controls vice in Toledo and that Timmeney, along with his other duties in the Police Department, has charge of vice. Mr. Reams submitted the information concerning Timmeney voluntarily and also indicated that in cases where money was involved, officers of the Toledo Police Department, as a whole, could not be trusted."

In connection with Captain Timmeney, head of the hoodlum squad, Toledo Police Department, the file reflects further information indicating that Timmeney visited Ted Angus at his home on several occasions. The following is quoted from a statement made by Mr. B. B. Olds, 4207 North Lockwood Street,

Toledo, Ohio, who lives next door to Ted Angus whose residence is 4209 North Lockwood Street. This statement is contained in paragraph 1, page 5 of the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated August 22, 1934, wherein Mr. Olds in speaking of Ted Angus and his wife mentions the following:

"He stated that they have very few callers. He again mentioned the fact that he had seen Captain Timmeney of the Toledo Police Department call on Angus at this address. --------."

With further reference to Captain Timmeney, the following is likewise quoted from the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated August 22, 1934, wherein on page 11, is set out an interview had with Charles Hennessey:

"Captain Hennessey was interviewed at his home at 4109 Kingsbury Avenue, telephone Kingsbury 8369. He advised that he knows Theodore Angus and he considers him a first class racketeer. He advised that some eight or ten years ago it was thought by him and certain other members of the Police Department that Angus was engaged in bank robberies; however they never definitely established any connection. He stated that during the term of office of former Mayor Hatcher of Toledo it was commonly known that Angus was a graft collector and vice boss. He further advised that Angus owns the Casino Club and it was also felt that Captain George Timmeney, now in charge of the Vice Squad, had an interest in this club. He states that they are inseparable friends, that is, Timmeney and Angus, and that there is little doubt in his mind that they are working a protection game among the various vice operators in Toledo."

Captain Hennessey likewise provided additional information with regard to the general Police situation in Toledo, in which the opinion he expressed at that time was to the effect that none of the heads of the Toledo Police Department could be trusted.

Paragraph 3 of page 11 is herewith quoted:

"He further stated to this Agent, and the writer believes sincerely, that the writer should not contact any heads of the Toledo Police Department concerning Angus as he believes

Angus is closely allied with them and they would tip him off and would render no assistance of value concerning the various members of the Karpis-Barker gang, all of which were mentioned and photographs were exhibited to Captain Hennessey. He advised that none of them were ever known to his knowledge to reside in Toledo. However, he stated that it was commonly known, and he knows it to his own knowledge, that Toledo is a town where criminals who are hot can come into and cool off, and where if they have the proper connections, they will not be bothered."

Captain Hennessey provided further information that he had heard rumors that Theodore Angus had harbored criminals. Paragraph 4 of page 11 of the above mentioned report in connection with the above opinions of Captain Hennessey is herewith set out:

"Concerning Captain George Timmeney he added further that there was no question in his mind that Timmeney was crooked. The writer was impressed by Captain Hennessey's honesty and sincerity. He added further concerning Theodore Angus that it had been rumored in the past that he had harbored criminals in Toledo from other places who were cooling off. He stated that Angus is a very astute gentleman, and one from whom it would be very difficult to obtain any information."

Detective R. L. Peters of the Toledo Police Department, who at the date of the above mentioned report was assigned to the Vice Squad under Captain Timmeney, was interviewed. Paragraph 2 of page 12 of the above mentioned report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated August 22, 1934, which sets out the opinion of Detective Peters concerning Timmeney and the Police Department administration is herewith quoted:

"He accordingly took the writer to R. L. Peters' home at 1801 Monroe Street, phone Adams 5770, where Peters was interviewed. Peters supplied information concerning Angus and Captain George Timmeney practically identical to that supplied by Captain Hennessey. He stated that he was satisfied in his own mind beyond any question of a doubt that Timmeney was crooked; that the whole administration of the Police Department was wrong."

The following information is contained in paragraph 3, page 12, of the same report:

"He further stated that information had reached him from underworld sources that about three months ago Theodore Angus had been slated to become the racketeer boss of Toledo, but that he could not take charge because he had some other deal on."

There is some information in the file indicating that Captain Timmeney was not entirely satisfied to harbor criminals who visited Toledo, but took active steps to aid, abet and himself participate in the violation of the law.

Reference is here made to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan dated December 21, 1934. On page 8 of this report an interview had with Detective Frank J. Noonan, Noonan Detective Agency, Cleveland, Ohio is set out, and Noonan during the course of this interview is transmitting information which he stated he obtained from a confidential informant. The following is quoted from paragraph 2, page 8 of the above report:

"This man also informed Noonan that an individual whom Noonan referred to as a Captain Timothy of the Toledo Police Department, is a Toledo contact for the Barker-Karpis gang and that they also have a New York contact whom Captain Timothy is connected with. While talking to Noonan, he, Noonan, stated he believed the New York contact was a Morris or a Maurice and his informant had told him that Timothy had gone to New York and delivered some "hot" bonds to this New York contact for disposal, for the gang. Timothy at present, according to Noonan, is residing in Toledo with a woman by the name of Markus, who is the widow of a former Toledo racketeer who operated a night club in Toledo and who was killed by a gang who muscled in on him. Noonan further advised that the informant states before the gang came to Cleveland they were at Toledo and were entertained by Timothy, who spent quite a little time with them and also had them at an island located in Lake Erie."

Mention has been made on several occasions to the fact that members of the Barker-Karpis gang, during the summer of 1934 frequented the Casino Club and on occasions drank with Captain Timmeney. The following statement is quoted from paragraph 4, page 31, report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 16, 1935, setting out a conversation had between [redacted] whose name has previously been provided the Bureau, and Mildred Kuhlman, paramour of Arthur R. "Doc" Barker: b7c b7d

"During the course of the conversation had by Agent [redacted] stated that Mildred Kuhlman had remarked that she wondered if Capt. Timeny knew the identity of the boys, as she had in company drank with the boys on a couple of occasions [redacted] was unable to advise as to the identity of the boys or the time of the meeting."

During an interview had with Edna Murray on August 3, 1935 she made the following statement which is self-explanatory, and which is contained on page 40 of the report of Special Agent J.L.Madala, Chicago Illinois dated October 17, 1935:

> "Edna further stated that the Angus boys as well as Rene and Thelma Holst, Madeline Angus, who was Bert's wife, and George Timoney all referred to them by their common names and that the boys referred to Timoney as "Tim." She advised that shortly after they arrived in Toledo, Ohio, "Doc" Barker and Russell Gibson either purchased or rented Timoney's motor-boat; that during their entire stay in Toledo they had access to this launch and that the keys to it were kept at the Casino Club. She stated that both "Doc" Barker and Russell Gibson knew how to operate this boat and thar "Slim" Gibson, especially, was very adept in the operation of it."

In the same interview, Edna Murray provided the following information which is contained in paragraph 2, page 41 of the above mentioned report of Special Agent J.L.Madala:

> "Continuing, Edna adfised that it is her understanding that this boat had at one time been used as a rum runner; that through usage it became very dilapidated and every time it was taken out to the lake the boys had considerable bailing. She stated that on one occasion "Doc" Barker and "Slim" Gibson had the boat on shore and were doing some repair work on it; that someone apparently reported this fact to Mrs. George Timoney as she thereafter called the Casino Club and advised one of the Angus brothers that that boat belonged to her and that she had not given anyone permission to use it or do any work on it. Edna stated that the boys got quite a laugh out of that."

Edna Murray provided the following information indicating that the Toledo Police Department, especially Captain George Timoney provided information to members of the Barker-Karpis gang regarding law enforcement activities. The following is quoted from the last paragraph of page 41 of the above mentioned report:

> "Another occasion which indicated that the Angus boys made it safe for them to remain in Toledo without detection was on the night Harry Campbell was to have his fingers operated upon by "Doc" Moran. In this instance Campbell came up from the basement of his home very much excited and told the boys that he

believed someone was "casing" the place; that while they were discussing the possibility as to what to do, Fred Barker came in. When he was informed to Campbell's observations he said that he would go over to the Casino Club and find out whether there was any "heat" on the place. Edna advised that Fred returned that same night and said that "they" would find out. However, as a precautionary measure, everyone with the exception of Wynona Burdette and Harry Campbell temporarily moved out. Edna and Volney went to live with Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney at the Jarvis Apartments while Dr. Moran and Jimmie Wilson registered at the Fort Meigs Hotel. "Doc" Barker presumably stayed with his brother that night. On the next morning Fred Barker came to Karpis' apartment advising that Timoney said it was all right. Edna advised that the boys later conjectured that Campbell manufactured the story in order to avoid being operated upon that night.

Edna advised that on another occasion while at the Casino Club she was in a booth drinking with Rene Holst and Madeline Angus that George Timoney, who appeared to be drunk, came to their booth and asked Rene for a dance. Rene refused him and when Timoney walked away, Edna remarked to her, "What the hell does that ----- want?" According to Edna Rene laughed and said, "Oh, he's all right. You have nothing to worry about.'"

Close connection between Captain George Timoney and Bert and Ted Angus and his family was indicated by the following statement made by Edna Murray contained in paragraph 3, page 43 of the report of Special Agent J.L.Madala dated October 17, 1935:

> "At one time while some of the boys were preparing to go on a boat ride they apparently were very boisterous as on this occasion a uniform Police officer entered the Casino Club and mentioned to Bert Angus that he wondered who that drunken bunch on the lake was. Edna stated that she and Fred Barker were present in the Club when this Police officer entered and in response to his query, Bert informed him that they were a bunch of bootleegers from Chicago, and winked to her and Fred Barker."

The above mentioned information concerning the connection of George Timoney with Bert and Ted Angus and members of the Barker-Karpis gang, was verified by the statement made by Volney Davis, which is contained in paragraph 4 on page 4 of the report of Special Agent A.E.Farland, Kansas City, Missouri dated October 23, 1935, as follows:

"I wish to state that at the time Doc Moran disappeared Edna and I were living on the Lakes between Sandusky and Lorraine, Ohio. I stated at one time to Agent Farland that I believed that Doc Moran had been taken out in a motor boat by Doc Barker and Byron Bolton and that the motor boat was the property of a party named Ted Angus. However, I might be mistaken as to the ownership of this motor boat. I will state that a policeman whose name I cannot recall, but who was the boy friend of Bert Angus's wife's sister, her name being Irene, was well acquainted with the Barkers and the rest of the gang and on many occasions had drinks with them in Ted's Casino located on the Lake front in Toledo, O., and was the owner of a motor boat also and his boat might have been used when they took Doc Moran out. This police officer drives a red buick roadster about a 31 or 32 model. I do not know what occurred personally, my only knowledge of this Moran disappearance is what was told me by Elmer Gibson, now deceased."

The first known connection existing between members of the Toledo Police Department and members of the Barker-Karpis gang was apparently on or about January 23, 1934 during the time when Bremer was being held for ransom. In the report of Special Agent D.P. Sullivan dated Chicago, Illinois December 21, 1935, on page 8, is set out information obtained from Edna Murray to the effect that on or about that date Fred Barker came to her apartment in the vicinity of 63rd and University Avenue, Chicago, and stated he had gotten in touch with Willie Harrison and desired Harrison to go to Toledo to obtain a set of Ohio license plates. Edna Murray mentioned further that shortly thereafter she accompanied by Wynona Burdette drove with Willie Harrison to Toledo, Ohio, and arrived at the Casino Club the following morning in an enebriated condition; that arrangements were made with Coolie Monroe, a bartender at the Casino Club to obtain a set of license plates; that thereafter they proceeded to Algeo hotal in Toledo, O. Paragraph 2 and 3, page 9 of the above report of Special Agent D.P. Sullivan is herewith quoted:

"Edna Murray stated that on Thursday night, approximately January 23, 1934, Fred Barker came to the apartment and stated that he had gotten in touch with Willie Harrison and that he desired Harrison to go to Toledo, Ohio, to obtain a set of Ohio license plates. Harrison showed up at the apartment

shortly thereafter, and he, accompanied by Wynona Burdette and Edna, drove to Toledo, Ohio. On the way all three of them became intoxicated. She advised that they arrived in Toledo the following morning, all in an inebriated condition that they proceeded to the Casino Club, where Charles Becker and "Coolie" Monroe, bartenders, were present. Harrison asked "Coolie" to get him a set of tags, and gave "Coolie" the title to Fred Barker's car, which she feels certain was registered under the name of T.C. Blackburn. While they were there Bert Angus came in and engaged them in conversation. Wynona and Edna went to sleep in a back room until about noon. At that time she, Wynona, and Harrison proceeded to the Algeo Hotel in a cab, leaving the car in a shed in the rear of the club.

At the Algeo Hotel Wynona and Edna occupied one room, and Harrison occupied the adjoining room. They all three went to sleep and sometime thereafter she heard quite a commotion in Harrison's room but paid no great attention to it. She stated that when she awoke late in the afternoon Harrison was gone. She later ascertained from Harrison that while he was asleep Detective Timoney and another policeman named George, at the instigation of Bert Angus, made a fake raid on the Algeo Hotel, kicked in the door to Harrison's room, put Harrison under arrest, and proceeded to take him to the police station. Harrison, on the way, strenuously objected and stated that he was a friend of Bert and Ted Angus, whereupon Timoney took him to the Casino Club for the purpose of verifying Harrison's statements. At the Casino Club Bert and Ted Angus, "Coolie" Monroe, and Charles Becker were present, all three of whom denied knowing Harrison. Meanwhile they had planted a blackjack in the car Harrison had left there. All of those present, except Harrison, greatly enjoyed his discomfiture before they advised him it was all a joke. Harrison thereupon proceeded to become very intoxicated, and when he telephoned Edna at the hotel late in the afternoon she told him to immediately come to the hotel inasmuch as they had to return to Chicago. He returned to the hotel, and that evening at approximately 8 o'clock the three of them proceeded to the Casino Club, where they obtained a set of license tags from "Coolie" Monroe, and that night returned to Chicago.

The following further information obtained from Edna Murray is set out on page 15, last paragraph of the above report:

"During this time Volney and herself, Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, "Doc" Barker, and William Harrison all frequented the Casino Club almost nightly. Detective Timoney of the Toledo Police Department likewise visited the club almost nightly, and drank with the crowd. On one occasion she recalls that Timoney sat at a table with "Doc" Barker, drinking, and "Doc" Barker became angry at Volney Davis because he and Edna would not come over to the table to drink with them. Volney Davis at that time mentioned that in case "Doc" Barker was arrested, he would very likely want to know who was the party that double crossed him, intimating that he did not trust Timoney. She stated that members of the mob at that time had bandages on their faces and hands during the time they were frequenting the Casino Club; that they did not attempt to disguise their identity by using aliases, and called each other by names of "Doc" and Volney, etcetera. Likewise, during this time Timoney gave "Doc" Barker and Russell Gibson his boat, which he had tied up on the lake near the Casino Club. A few days afterwards Timoney's wife, hearing of it, demanded the return of the boat, and it was returned."

The file contains further verification of the fact that Ted Angus was connected with the Karpis Barker gang, and that Angus had been in the habit of harboring fugitives. The following is quoted from the report of Special Agent D.E.Hall, Detroit, Michigan dated February 25, 1935, page 26:

The information is in connection with an interview had by Special Agent A. Dickstein with Officer Kenneth Larson, a motorcycle police officer of the Toledo Police Department, residence 1361 Rollins Road, Toledo, Ohio. Larson had obtained the following information from Mabel Greene, a prostitute who was the sweetheart of one Charles Sweatman, a close acquaintance of Ted Angus: "Sweatman advised Mabel Greene that Ted Angus had put up the Karpis-Barker gang on Middle Island a few miles off of Pt. Clinton in the latter part of the summer of 1934. Mabel also advised that Angus had put up on his island majority of the convicts who had escaped from Michigan City, Indiana State Penitentiary on February 4, 1935."

On the same page is set out an interview had with Lt. Art Langendorf of the Toledo Police Department who was contacted at his home on Berkhead Road, Toledo, Ohio. Lt. Langendorf should not be mistaken with Detective Art Langdorff, who is not considered as being an honest and reliable police officer. The following information regarding Harry Jennings, former chief of police, Toledo, Ohio is contained in the last paragraph, page 18 of the report of Special Agent R.D.Brown dated September 12, 1935:

"..... Manson (Detective Harry Manson, Lucas County, Ohio prosecutor's office) gives as his reasons for believing the hideout (a possible hideout for the Barker-Karpis gang), may be located here the following:

He stated Harry Jennings was formerly chief of police at Toledo, Ohio and was considered strictly "racket", he having received payoffs from Nealy on houses of prostitution, saloons, and business houses; ..... He stated that John Joe Thompson and former Chief Jennings are very close friends of the Angus brothers. Manson advised that Jennings while chief of police purchased a beautiful cottage located on a private lake and having private grounds near Grayling, Michigan. He stated this cottage is a large house containing all modern conveniences and has a fence surrounding the property; that racketeers and politicians often visited this cottage as guests of Harry Jennings previous to this summer; that he has learned from various sources that Jennings has not permitted guests to go to his place at Grayling for some time indicating possibly that fugitives are being held there."

Respectfully submitted,

D.P.SULLIVAN
Special Agent

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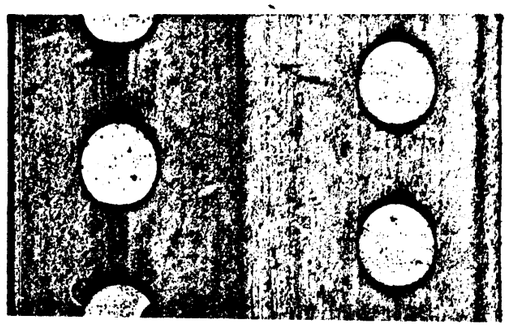

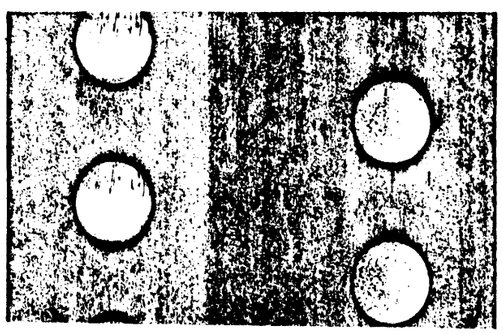

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 14, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

BRENKD

As requested in your letter of May 12, 1936, there are enclosed herewith several full length and bust photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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326½ Post Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 15, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith original cartoon appearing in The New Orleans States on May 14, 1936, entitled - "CHECK" - which cartoon portrays a matter of interest to the Bureau.

Mr. J. Walker Ross, address, 615 North Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, is the Editor of this newspaper.

Mr. Roy Aymond is the Cartoonist, bearing identical address.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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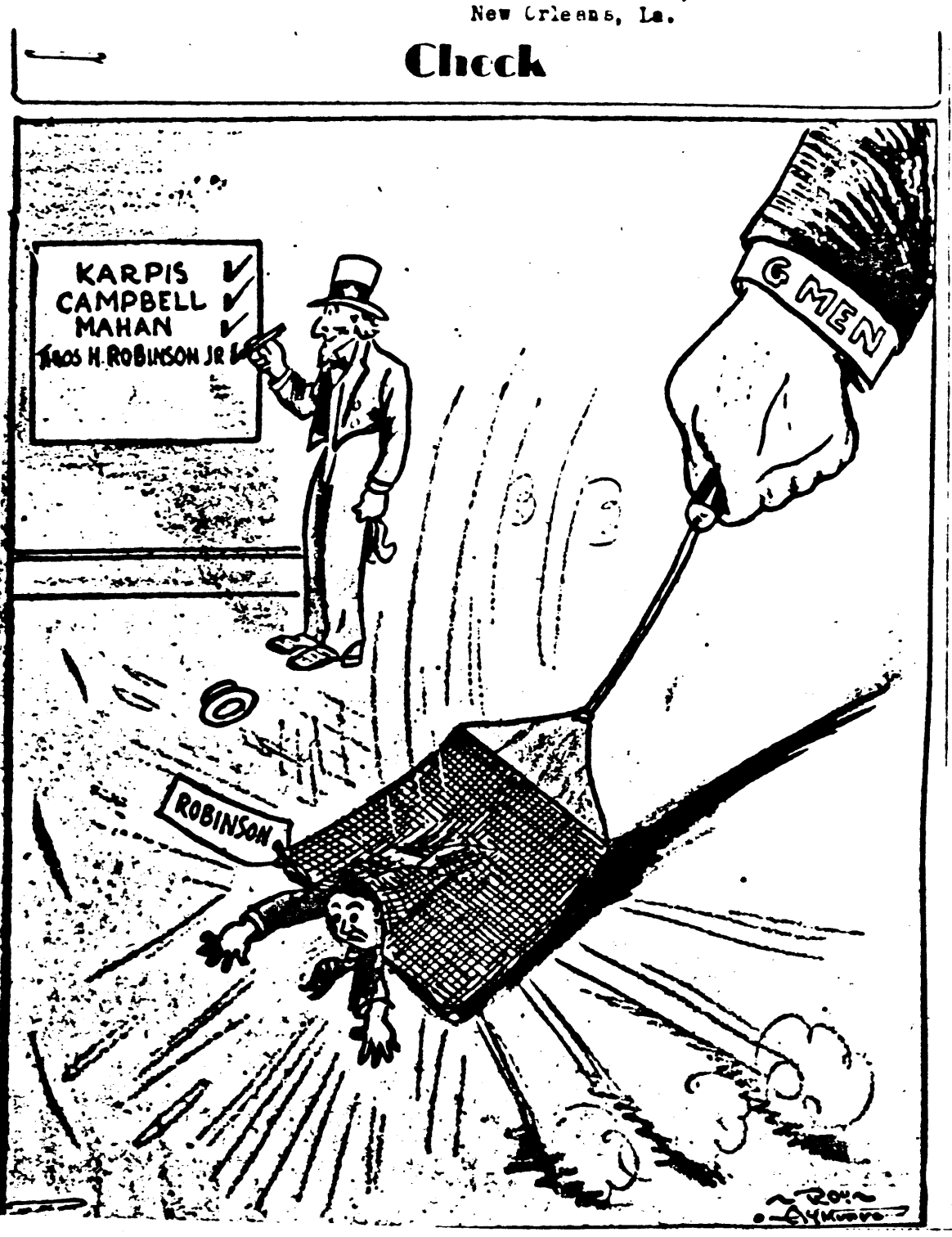
Roy Aymond, Cartoonist. [illegible],
615 North Street,
New Orleans, La.



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Mr. Roy Aymond,
The New Orleans States,
615 North Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Aymond:

Mr. D. M. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of this Bureau's New Orleans Office, has just forwarded me the original of your cartoon entitled "Cheek," which appeared in the May 14, 1936 issue of The New Orleans States.

I am certainly pleased to have this unusual cartoon for inclusion in the collection of outstanding cartoons which is maintained in my reception room. I want to thank you for this commendatory drawing concerning our recent success in apprehending some of the major criminals.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

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Post Office Box 315
Saint Paul, Minnesota

April 30, 1936.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: HAMAP

Dear Sir:

On the afternoon of April 30, 1936, William A. Hamm, Jr., was interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee in connection with the testimony he is to furnish in the trial of this case. During the course of this interview, Mr. Hamm informed that since the return of indictments by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, he has been visited at his office on two occasions by Walter "Seph" McKenna. On one of these visits, McKenna mentioned that he had come out to see W. W. Dunn and Mr. Hamm construed this remark to mean that McKenna had merely run into him accidentally. On this occasion, Hamm advises McKenna talked to great length with respect to his feeling that Jack Peifer is innocent with respect to this kidnaping. On the next visit McKenna informed Hamm that while he, McKenna, was working at the Hollyhocks Inn for Peifer, as manager of the place, that he delivered to W. W. Dunn, "pay-off" money which ultimately went to the St. Paul Police Department. It was Hamm's understanding that, from what McKenna told him, the "pay-off" in question was from the underworld through Peifer and that Dunn was the contact man between the underworld and the St. Paul Police Department.

Hamm advised that in the past he has known that Dunn did act in the capacity of pay-off man, as stated by McKenna, and that he has talked with Dunn with respect to this more or less recently, and Dunn has told him that he has not handled any pay-off for the past year and a half, or possibly more. It is to be stated that Hamm is greatly worried at this time

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because of the feeling that he has possibly been "sold out" by Dunn, with whom he has been very intimate in the past.

It is Hamm's feeling and it is my belief, as well as that of Special Agent S. K. McKee, that if the information originating from "Saph" McKenna is correct, that W. W. Dunn may have been the medium through which Jack Peifer delivered the $25,000.00 of converted ransom money to Tom Brown.

William A. Hamm, Jr., advised that W. W. Dunn is out of the city as the present time; that he is planning to attend the Kentucky Derby at Louisville, Kentucky, in the near future and is expected to return to St. Paul on or about May 10, 1936. Hamm stated he is anxious to talk to Dunn and upon his return plans to talk this matter over with him "straight from the shoulder". He stated he will advise either Special Agent S. K. McKee or myself of the results of his talk with Dunn. In this connection, Hamm also informed that he has a contact with an ex-official who may be able to furnish some information concerning this set-up, and who, in all probability, will be willing to do so if approached by Hamm. Hamm stated he is going to contact this man in the near future and will supply the results of his contact to this office.

As soon as Special Agent S. K. McKee returns from Washington, where he has been instructed to report for conference on May 4, 1936, it is planned to interrogate "Saph" McKenna thoroughly concerning his entire contacts and associations with Jack Peifer and the underworld characters while he was connected with the Hollyhocks Inn. It is to be stated that McKenna was recently interviewed in connection with this case, but it was not believed that he was furnishing all of the information which he possesses. It is contemplated in the event it becomes necessary to do so, that a material witness warrant as to McKenna may be secured from Federal Judge M. M. Joyce in order that he may be appropriately interviewed at length while in custody.

This is also to advise that during the interview today between Hamm and Agent McKee, Hamm informed that about a month or six weeks after his kidnaping, he received a telephone call from Herb Benz, in which Benz told him he wanted to talk with him, but that the contact could not take place at either his office or Hamm's office; that an arrangement was made to meet at the Somerset Golf Club in St. Paul, Minnesota; that the meeting was effected and after playing several holes of golf, they sat down and talked; that Benz advised some man whom he did not identify had come to him with a message from Jack Peifer to the effect that Hamm should "lay off" making any identifications with respect to the persons who had kidnaped him. It is to be stated that Hamm and Benz are related by blood, being first cousins, but because of business dealings have been on unfriendly relations for a number of years. It is also to be stated that the Benz' interests own the Hollyhocks Inn and rent same to Jack Peifer at the present time. It is known that Herb Benz is on friendly terms with practically every underworld character in the Twin Cities. Information in the Brekid file reflects that shortly after that kidnaping, Herb Benz made a contact with the St. Paul Office through former Special Agent O. G. Hall, and transmitted certain data which he stated came to him through "Saph" McKenna. This alleged information originated from Jack Peifer and had to do with the "lay off" warning, which Hamm today informed came to him through Herb Benz. It would appear that McKenna is undoubtedly the individual who delivered the "lay off" warning from Peifer to Benz in the first instance.

You are advised that immediate interview is being had with Herb Benz in order to ascertain from him the full details concerning the warning he delivered to Hamm shortly after the kidnaping, and the source from which he received same.

At the time Victim Hamm supplied this information to Special Agent McKee, he particularly requested that it be

treated in the strictest confidence as he felt that any leak at this time might seriously hamper investigation with respect to both McKenna and W. W. Dunn.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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His Honor
Attorney General Cummings,
Depart. of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

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No answer
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upon the Hospital
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Dear sir:

I'm ready to furnish you with
full informations about Karpis &
Campbell, without prejuiment, as
I don't want my good character
prejudiced.

Come or send your agent to see
me. Take along Sgt. Orvis, Mike
Fiaschetti, of the Kent County State Police, to
be sure to whom I'll speak.

Alvin Karpis
Harry Campbell

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Truly yours,
Dustin Hamano,
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U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

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May 8, 1936.

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

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID

Transmitted herewith are clippings with reference to comments made by Sheriff James O'Reilly of Toledo, Ohio, in regard to apprehension of subject Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

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May 10, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

On May 8th SAC Whitley of New York City telephoned and stated that he had approximately 75,000 wanted circulars on Karpis and Campbell and wanted to know what disposition should be made of them.

In view of the fact that these circulars are printed on both sides and can not be used for scrap paper, I informed Mr. Whitley that he should make the necessary arrangements to have them destroyed.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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Toledo, Ohio
May 11, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions received from Special Agent in Charge, J. P. MacFarland, there is enclosed herewith memorandum prepared by the writer containing information obtained during the course of several interviews which pertains to the Toledo Police Department.

As instructed, the original of this memorandum is being forwarded directly to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

B. M. Hirsh,
Special Agent.

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Toledo, Ohio.
Sun. May 10, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR SAC J. P. MACFARLAND

The following information is being furnished in response to your request that everything known about the activity of various members of the Toledo Police Department and their relationship with vice, gambling, and other illegal activities in the city of Toledo and their connections therewith. The information which follows has been obtained by the writer during the course of his presence at Toledo as resident agent and was obtained as a result of interviews with several officers of the Toledo Police Department and others at various times, the writer to his own knowledge not knowing whether these statements are true. It should also be stated that at the time this information was obtained most of the informants did not mention exact incidents which occurred but appeared to know by reason of being officers and probably because of some participation.

Detective Harry K. Manson, formerly attached to the office of County Prosecutor Frazier Reams has been very cooperative and valuable for information which he has furnished regarding persons in Toledo who appeared to have connections in Toledo with the Barker-Karpis gang. This officer who is now on the Special Investigation Squad, newly created squad, which was formed by Chief of Police Ray Allen with his partner has been assigned by the Chief to conduct an investigation to determine whether any of the Toledo Police Department had knowledge of, or were affiliated in any way with the presence of Harry Campbell in Toledo. This since the apprehension by the Bureau of this subject. Detective Manson has advised that the Chief really wants to know what if any connections there were so that he can take appropriate action. Detectve Manson has developed some information which indicated the presence of Sheriff O'Reilly and a Deputy at various times at Campbell's apartment which information he turned over confidentially to Agent L. H. Richmond and the writer and which information the Chief of Police has attempted to turn over officially to the writer. Detective Manson was interviewed at great length by Agent Richmond and the writer on the evening of May 9th, 1936 at which time he very willingly gain disclosed the names of persons who are "crooked" on the Toledo Police force. As to whether this officer in all instances can prove his statements are not known but the statements which he made it is believed, can pretty well be relied upon.

Regarding Chief Of Police Ray Allen, Detective Manson advised that as far as he knows he does not believe that anyone can point to anything really "crooked" during Allen's career. He stated that Allen at one time was in the "Traffic Bureau" and that as "fixing" traff c tickets which probably was done more for accomodation than anything else. Manson feels quite certain that there possibly he may have done such petty things

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can be no real question as to Allen's honesty. Manson advised that Allen has not had a lot of experience in the sense that he has been out on the "streets" for any length of time, and that he would rather judge that as a result he might not be the most able officer on the force, but he does not doubt that Allen's intentions for an honest Police Department are the best and that he fully intends to do whatever he is capable of doing. Manson stated that Allen was made Chief by City Manager John N. Edy and that another officerwas moved up in Allen's former place as Inspector, that evidently Edy meant to cut off Allen's bridges, he either had to make good as Chief or he would be out, as there was no Inspectorship for him to step back into.

Manson also advised that Allen is a very high Mason and that he has had the backing in the Police Department of the Masonic Order; that he has advanced in the Department not having spent a lot of time in the practical police work or in the Detective Bureau having been mostly in the uniformed division. Other than the Masonic organisation, Manson did not know the names of any particular individuals who have been Allenis backers in the Department.

Manson also advised that following the apprehension of Campbell and the disclosure by the Sheriff of Lucas County that he had associated with Karpis under the name of "Miller" and the publicity that resulted regarding the possibility of complicity of the Polie Department, Allen instructed him and his partner to make an investigation to determine whether or not there were any police officers of the Department who might have known of Campbell's presence in the City. Manson has developed certain information but desires to hold his investigation in abeyance so that it will not conflict with any investigation which may be conducted by the Bureau. He has the approval of the Chief to hold his investigation in abeyance for the time being. It is definitely felt that full cooperation will be received in respect to such an investigation. It might also be noted that newspaper items of Saturday May 9, 1936 in Toledo papers indicated that none of the photographs of major criminals were shown to the uniformed division of the Department.

Detective Mansonalso advised that he regards Detective George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department as about the biggest "crook" in the department and as being "wrong" in every way possible. Manson stated that it is common knowledge among all the members of the Police Department that for many years during prohibition times and possibly to date, "Ted" Angus who operates the "New Casino club and who formerly operated the "Casino Club" on Summit Street was the "collector" and that those in the racket paid off to him and that he in turn paid off to Timiney, from whom the money went to the various points of distribution. Timiney and "Ted" Angus have long been close friends, this having been corroborated by Bert Angus, who made such a statement at the time he was interviewed by Special

Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, the writer being present at the time.

Manson stated that Timiney has always been "in" with the "higher ups" either in the Police Department or in the City Hall and that as a result he had wielded tremendous influence in the Police Department. Manson described such a relationship as having existed in the past 2 or 3 years between Timiney and City Welfare Director Charles Mathews. In this regard Mayor Klotz became mayor some 3 or 4 years ago. Mathews was made WelfareDirector. He handled that job very satisfactorily but on the side and apparently not particularly known to the outside public, he engaged in the biggest "graft" in the Police Department; that the"pay-off" to the city officials from the Vice (houses of prostitution, of which there are a very large number in Toledo), gambling and other illegal activities in Toledo was made to Timiney who in turn paid off to Mathews who apparently handled the disposition to whomever else was taking. Other information seems to indicate that Mathews practically controlled Mayor Klotz who did not really know what was going on. Chief of Police Dan Wolfe (now deceased) was Chief in name only and had practically nothing to do with the Department. Safety Director John Price, although having some control over the Police Department would find himself blocked when Timiney went to Mathews who in turn went to the Mayor. Since the appointment of John Edy as City Manager, Mathews has resigned as has Price, and Wolfe retired following which he became fatally ill. Timiney too, has only 60 days ago been removed from in charge of the "Hoodlum Squad" and has been put back on regular duty in the Detective Bureau (apparently where it is felt that he can not do so much harm).

Timiney has also been close to former Inspector Louis J. Haas who retired at the end of March, 1936.

The writer understands from Sergeant Frank Baumgartner who is assistant to the Chief of Police that pressure was going to be used against Haas to force him to resign had he not taken such action voluntarily, or that charges of inefficiency, physical disability and other charges would have been filed against him with the Civil Service Commission to force his retirement.

Louis J. Haas served over 40 years on the Toledo Police Department. He was Chief of Police for two different terms (not consecutively). Manson advised that Haas is an inefficient officer, with hardly any ability, knew nothing about writing a police investigative report and was nothing but a"conniver" during most of his tenure in office. Haas, year in and year out, received through Timiney monies collected and in turn made payments to those higher up. Manson described Haas as being absolutely willing to "fix" any kind of a offense regardless of what it might be, for a price. Manson also stated that Haas was a "heavy" drinker and frequented "houses of ill repute" on the side.

During the summer of 1935, the writer noted from newspaper reports that the "gambling joint" operated by "Benny Aronoff" was being "knocked over" regularly by Timiney's Hoodlum Squad at which time the business of the place was disrupted and the gambling equipment wrecked. Newspaper stories indicated that there were several other gambling joints in town, none of which was being bothered. Aronoff asked for an injunction against Captain Timiney and his squad on the grounds that there was a conspiracy to put him out of business which was granted, the injunction not being obeyed. The court later publicly reporved Captain Timiney for his actions in not obeying the injunction. Another incident involving the arrest of this same person and individuals in his place of buisnedd resulted in a public censure by a Municipal Court Judge who was convinced that the arrests were being directed at the one place of business whereas the other places were being permitted to continue to operate.

In connection withthe above series of arrests Detective Manson and his former partner Merle Unkle (now Chief of Police at Mansfield, Ohio) advised the writer that Benny Aronoff approached them and offered them $1000.00 in cash merely for the purpose of having them make known within the Police Department that they were on his side as far as the Timiney raids were concerned. Manson and Unkle stated that they gained the impression that Aronoff was being raided because he was not paying off as Timiney desired and that Aronoff expected that by having Manson and Unkle on his sidem in the event Timiney continued to raid his place, Manson and Unkle in retribution would raid the other gambling places, as they were attached to the County Prosecutor's Office these latter places being protected by Timiney which would upset his protection. Manson and Unkle refused the offer.

These officers also advised that it was public knowledge and came out in"Licavoli" trials that Earl McBride, Detective, once Unkle's partner during the reign of the Licavolis in Toledo actually put Unkle on the spot to members of this gang Unkle who had a good record as an enforcement officer and who was interested in seeing the members of the Licavoli mob arrested was warned that if he showed up at a certain club in north Toledo he would be killed; that feeling that such a threat should not go unanswered he went to this club with his partner armed for trouble, not being sure what would happen; that he entered the club and bluffed his way practically daring anyone to harm him; that after leaving the club enroute back to Police Headquarters, he checked his gun and found that it was completely empty, every shell having been removed; that prior to leaving the station to go to the club, McBride, his partner had handled his gun under some pretext or other, apparently for the purpose of unloading it. These officers advised me that McBride is presently a Detective Lieutenant in the

Police Department; that his sister Mrs. L. Clarke, operates a "house of "ill fame" on the third floor of the premises at 723 Adams Street, where he spends a considerable amount of time; that he presently is living with some woman on 17th Street in the city of Toledo; that apparently as soon as it was learned that he was a "pimp" for his sisters place, he gained his promotion. These officers cannot very well understand how he gained his promotions on ability as he has done.

These officers also describe Detective James Ford who has very recently been unofficially demoted in that his partner Ed Meeker and he were separated and he (Ford) was sent to the East side Police Station as a detective. This assignment is considered as one of oblivion, the officer practically being out of circulation. Manson and Unkle stated that Ford is married to a former "prostitute"; that he and his wife visit socially at regular intervals at the residence of "Mother) H who operates a house of prostitution at this same address; that he is a no good person, is not very capable and is "yellow". In support of the latter they stated that during the summer of 1935, a "tip" was received that Koerber's Brewery was to be robbed. Meeker and Ford "planted" at the place each day. One day while Meeker was talking to one of the clerks on the first floor of the offices, Ford being upstairs, the robbers entered the place from the rear, and shot Meeker with a .45 calibre gun. Meeker shot it out but Ford was unable to get downstairs in time to help his partner, or to observe the robbers or their car or ever to fire his gun at them. He reportedly was very upset and took some time to regain his composure and to get assistance for his partner and help from the Police Department.

Manson and Unkle described Detective Arthur Langendorf on a plane with Timiney, Langendorf has been on the pickpocket squad and according to Manson has known of the presence of numerous underworld characters ncluding safe men, pickpockets, confidence men, race track touts, etc. and has made sure that their stay in town was safe. They describe him asbeing notheing but a "conniver" ever since he has been on the force. Detective Manson furnished as an example an incident which occurred only three or four days ago when he and his new partner arrested two known pickpockets who have not been arrested in Toledo in years. Manson stated that as soon as he got them in the "jug" Langendorf approached him a a rather indirect manner and wanted to know why they had been arrested, stating that he knew they were in Toledo but thatythey weren't doing anything in town. Manson stated that these pickpockets are still in jail, that one tried to buy his liberty from him for $50.00; that he told Langendorf that the fact that these men were in Toledo was enough reason for having them thrown in jail.

These officers also advised that former Detective John Hovey who was retired from the Police Department several weeks ago while under 60 days suspension for being drunk on duty was involved in several simi-

ler drunken escapades in the past several years. During these escapades he either was involved in automobile accidents or in a shooting scrape.

As a matter of information it might be stated that in addition to the retirement of Haas and Hovey, three or four patrolman also have been dismissed from the Police Department in the past two months as a result of neglect of duty, these being second, third or more offenses on these officers parts.

Detectives Manson and Unkle also advised that Detectives Chris Brennan and Frank DeLora were also petty grafters and could not be trusted. They also do not regard Detective Carl Hartung very highly.

Sergeant Frank Baumgartner advised that writer tht his experiences with many ofthe Detectives has not been particularly favorable and that while attached to the vice squad he had to ask for removal from the squad as his principled were not in accord with those exhibited by the other members of the squad. Baumgartner stated that while working on that squad he couldn't get himself around to accepting money and for this reason he requested removal from the squad. He also stated that he has worked under Captin Timiney as well as for Captain Hennessy and Inspector O'Reilly of the Traffic Division and that he would not disclose information which came to him while he was working for those men.

Baumgartner did advise that while assigned to the gambleing squad a year or so ago he was instructed by the Chief who apparently had been instructed by Welfare Director Mathews to close a certain gambling spot in town; that he closed the place even though the person was somewhat of a friend of his; that a few days later this party reopened and hw wasaagain instructed to close the place and keep it closed which he so advised the operator of the place; that a few days later he was approached by a prominent business man who owned the property in which the gambling place was located who asked him to lay off as the party would have to move out not being able to pay the rent without being permitted to operate the gambling; that he advised this business man that he could do nothing about it as he had been ordered to do what he had done; that he was then asked if it was all right for this party to talk to the Welfare Director; that apparently this was done but in order to cover up the first order to close the place, he was removed from the squad and put back on a beat and given no change to defent his actions.

Detective Owen Green advised that in the summer of 1934 information was reported to him by an individual in Toledo who was suspicious of several persons who were associating with Ted Angus and who were using the latter's motorboat; that the information indicated thatthis probably was the Barker mob who had a lot of money on their heads; that as soon as he began to get interested in the matter it was taken from him at the Police Station and turned over to others, at the same time the definite understanding being given to him that he was to "lay-off" the matter and forget about it, which he did for his won benefit and protection as far as his chanced on the Police Department were concerned.

He also remarked in considerable detail on another occasion regarding the general inefficiency and inability of most of the members of the Detective Bureau, remarking specifically that he was very friendly with Inspector Haas and Captain Rydman of the Detective Bureau; that both spend most of the time "sitting"; that neither one had any ability to speak of whatsoever; thatpolitics purely and simply had made Rydman a Captain undeservingly; that Haas was a good fellow but certainly did not have the ability to act as Detective Inspector; that he had no sense of responsibility passing it on to the Detectives, the Captins themselves sharing no responsibilities but also passing it on to the men. Green stated that Rydman was honest but that that was as much as he could say for him. As for Haas, Green advised that for years and years Haas has been on the "take", both when he was Chief of Police and otherwise; that this take ran into thousands of dollars; that he was on the take was admitted by Haas to him; that although he did not mention exact figures to the writer, Green gave the definite impression that Haas in the past had collected as high as $3000 to $4000 per month, the writer recalling that the annual figure came to approximately $50,000.

John Louy, Superintendent of the Bureau of Identification and Records has advised the writer on various occasions generally of the inefficiency of the majority of the members of the Detective Bureau and of the dishonesty of many. He described the latter by stating that he knew several of the Detectives who lived in very beautiful homes in the city who could not possibly have purchased such homes on the salaries each year which they earned as officers even if they had been able to save all of their salaries and had needed no money for living expenses or for clothes. There is not doubt in Louy's mind that these men have been "paid-off". He advised that he has been approached with money in order to remove the fingerpirnt cards and photos of individuals in his records but that he has no use for that kind of thing. Although he would not advise specifically as to those of the officers who were wrong, he did advise that the would "steer" agent clear of anyone who was wrong if the time came that Agent would require some contact with such officer.

Captain E. J. Erwin of the Traffic Bureau advised Agent generally of the crookedness which has existed in the Toledo Police Department for years past but agent never had an opportunity to discuss with him any personalities. It isnot really known whether this officer would go that far.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Gerald P. Openlander advised that he was Assistant City Law Director for three or four years priotrto two years ago in the City Hall during which time he became associated with and acquainted with several police officers in whom he has great confidence. He advised that he has had no personal contact with any "crookedness" in the Police Department insofar as he himself has never been approached. He did advise that through Captain Charles Hennessy and Motorcycle Officer Kenneth Larson he has received a lot of information indicating that all is not what it should be as far as the Toledo Police Department was concerned. He would not say that he thinks this is true at the present time but rather thinks that is not.

It might also be stated that Mr. Openlander advised that Colonel Ch E. Whitney, in charge of the Alcohol Tax Unit at Cleveland, Ohio was actively in charge of the federal investigation which was conducted in Toledo which resulted in the conviction of the "Licavoli" gang for violations of the prohibition law; that Colonel Whitney at the time prepared a highly confidential report concerning the Toledo Police Department and the members who had any connection with the liquor conspiracy; that his report sets forth incidents which took place; payments which were made; to whom; and those who were present.

It should also be stated that Mr. Openlander understands from Colonel Whitney that a copy of this report has been turned over to City Manager John Edy of Toledo.

Mr. Openlander also advised that 6 or 8 weeks ago Cap't Hennessy and Colonel Whitney had a session in his office at which time they discussed more or less individually those persons who could or could not be trusted in the Toledo Police Department. Mr. Openlander did not recall that Timiney or Haas were discussed, they all being in accord as to the crookedness of these two parties. They did discuss Arthur Langendorf and others whose names he could not recall.

Mr. Openlander stated that he had been informed by Kenneth Larson that when the latter was on the vice squad all of the members accepted $5.00 $10.00 and more from the various "madames" of the houses as they made their rounds; that he too accepted this money for the reason that hadhe not done so, the remainder of the squad either would have framed him, thinking that he was trying to advance himself at their expense or was going to squeal on them, or he would have been demoted and put back on the bricks. He stated that everyone on the squad was doing the same thing.

Mr. Openlander also stated with regard to Chief of Police Ray Allen that he learned from Capt. Hennessy that Allen was a high Mason and owed his advancement to the backing of the Masonic order; that he had not had a lot of actual police experience walking a beat or being on the street. Capt. Hennessy also advised him that he knew of nothing dishonest anywhere along innAllen's record.

Mr. Openlander stated that it was a known fact that Welfare Di ector Charles Mathews was th4 biggest grafter in the city hall during the last regime; that he had Mayor Klotz under his thumb; but that he does not think that Klotz really knew what was going on under his nose.

Very truly yours,

B. M. Hirsh,
Special Agent.

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

May 12, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum prepared by Special Agent B. M. Hirsh at Toledo, Ohio, relative to an interview had by him and Special Agent L. H. Richmond with Chief of Police Ray Allen of the Toledo Police Department.

There is also attached hereto copy of report of investigation conducted by Detectives Eckerman and Manson of the Special Investigation Squad of the Toledo Police Department, who were ordered by Inspector of Detectives J. Fruchey and Chief Allen to conduct an investigation into the presence in the city of Toledo of one Harry Campbell, a federal fugitive, wanted by the United States Government, for participation in the Bremer kidnaping at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

J. P. Mac Farland

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Special Agent in Charge

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cc: E. J. Connelley

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MEMORANDUM for SAC J. P. MAC FARLAND

Re: BREKID

I enclose two copies of a late edition of the Toledo Blade, which would indicate that the newspapers are still pretty hot on the matter of a further police investigation here.

Richmond and I had a short visit with Chief of Police Ray G. Allen this afternoon, and we are both certain that everything is entirely satisfactory between the Bureau and that department. The particular reason for the visit was the result of a call from Sergeant Frank Baumgartner that the Chief had some information which was developed by officers of the police department which he thought would be of value in our investigation for harboring charges. The Chief suggested that if we were going to do any work in that regard that it would be best for his department to make no attempts to arrest these persons and have them in the custody of the police here.

He turned over the original copy of a report submitted by Detective H. K. Manson of the Special Investigation Squad. As I informed you previously, Manson furnished this information to Richmond and to me on Friday and Saturday evenings, stating at the same time that he intended to hold up his investigation for the time being. The Chief also advised that it is more or less common knowledge that Sheriff O'Reilly is supposed to be sweet on one of the Goulet girls.

I am also enclosing anonymous letter which delivered to the U. S. Marshal's office this morning. It is self-explanatory. Sergeant Frank Baumgartner in the office of the Chief of Police compared the handwriting in the letter with that of communications received by the Chief from various individuals in the city who furnished information concerning vice conditions there with the thought that it might be identical with the writing on some letter from an individual who was known. He was not successful in his search.

Richmond and I had a very nice talk with the Chief and Baumgartner -nothing coming up to indicate that a grievance of any sort existed as a result of the newspaper publicity. Chief Allen did indicate that he did not believe that he could be successful in learning from the various officers themselves which of them may have harbored the Barker mob at any time. He did state that in our investigation he would be more than glad to assist in every possible way, suggesting that he be contacted

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away from the police department and promising the assistance of officers whom he was sure of as to their reliability. He stated that in the event any information was definitely developed which showed that any officers of the department did harbor these criminals and he has heard many rumors that some of these officers have, he intends to immediately dismiss these officers from the department. Chief Allen appears very sincere in this regard.

Richmond also had occasion to meet John Louy, Superintendent of the Bureau of Identification and Records. Louy seemed not to have any sort of a grievance at all against the Bureau.

As the newspapers reported on the day of the raid, Detective Owen Green advised them that when he offered his assistance he was told very bruskly that "We were G-men; that we had the matter under control and to scram". Richmond and the writer talked to Green today and he insisted that these were the remarks which were made to him; that the 2nd agent was not so brusque and very politely advised him that we were federal agents and that we had the matter under control and needed no assistance; that we would appreciate it if he would keep the matter quiet.

Green stated that he realized that we probably had apprehended Campbell as he knew of the gang's previous connections in Toledo and could see the outline of a man in the Campbell apartment with his hands raised over his head. He bore no grievance except that he was a little "hot" at first over the manner in which he was spoken to and assured agents that he understood why there should have been no contact with the police department in view of what had taken place in previous months and that there might have been a leak - had an attempt been made to use the department in instant matter, which might have resulted in the flight of Campbell.

Chief Allen again expressed a desire to have the opportunity of meeting you.

Respectfully submitted,

B. M. HIRSH
Special Agent

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Copy

City of TOLEDO

May 8, 1936

Ray E. ALLEN
Chief of Police

John N. Edy
City Manager

Inspector of Detectives
Mr. J. Fruchey

Sir:

In compliance with your orders, have opened an investigation into the presence in the city of Toledo of one Harry Campbell, a Federal fugitive, wanted by the United States Government, for participation in the Bremer kidnaping in St. Paul, Minn.

Campbell was taken into custody by federal agents in his apartment situated at 2143½ Monroe Street at approximately 4:30 a.m., May 7th, 1936, outside of the knowledge of any law enforcement officers of either the County of Lucas or the city of Toledo - for the purpose of determining the identity of any or all persons, who may have had knowledge of his identity and who may have aided and abetted this man.

Contacted Mrs. Catherine Goulet, 2130 Monroe Street, in the Goulet Grill, who states as follows: that she and her husband, Fredrick Goulet, her daughter, Esther Goulet, aged 20 yrs., and son, Chas., aged 18 yrs., reside together at 2130½ Monroe Street directly above the Grille and are operating the beer parlor under a hi-power beer license. They have been at this address for the past eight months, prior to this place they operated a similar business at 4027 Monroe Street and lived on Adams Street (she was not sure of the exact number) just two doors away from a flat occupied by Eddie McGraw and wife, Clara, who reside at 2011½ Adams Street, and operate a bootlegging joint in their home. The Goulet family were well acquainted with the McGraws and one Gertrude Billeter, whose parents reside in Vinton Street, lived with the Goulets and worked for them in the beer parlor at 2047 Monroe Street. She also knew the McGraws at that time; in the spring of 1935 Certie met Harry Campbell, and in April of 1935 she married him and resided with the McGraws, occupying one room. During the time of residence at McGraws visits were made by Mr. and Mrs. Miller (Campbell) to the Goulet beer parlor, which had been moved to 2130 Monroe Street about September 1st, 1935. Late in November or early in December 1935 a couple living in apartment #1 - 2132½ Monroe Street separated and moved out. Campbell and his wife moved from McGraws into this apartment; both he and his wife were in the Goulet Grille practically every day and were often out riding in their Ford car. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell accompanied Mrs. Clara McGraw to the opening ball game; that she, (Mrs. Goulet), had visited the McGraw home while Campbell was there several times, but had never been inside of apartment #1, 2132 Monroe Street, while the Campbells lived there.

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Question: Who informed the Campbells that there was a vacant apartment vacant in your immediate neighborhood, Did you?

Answer: I had nothing to do with it and don't know who did.
Question: Have you ever seen any local, law enforcement officers, enter Campbell's apartment or enter the hallway leading to same?
Answer: No, never.

Mrs. Genevieve Fosnaught,(apartment #3, 2132½ Monroe Street, front apartment door directly opposite Campbell's door and about 12 to 14 feet distant (acoustics so perfect that ordinary conversation at Campbell's door can be easily haard thru the door of apartment #3) states as follows:

She and her husband, Gerald Fosnaught, have resided in same apartment since December 1934 and that prior to November 1935, apartment #1 was occupied by a Mike Cass (Syrian Auto Lite employee), and his wife, Hilda, (a Jewish girl), these persons were buying furniture and still owed a small sum on same when they had a fight and separated. Shortly after the separation a man and woman named Miller moved into this apartment, purchasing Hilda's furniture for $300 cash. Mrs. Cass told Mrs. Fosnaught that she had gotten connected with the Millers thru the efforts of Mrs. Goulet downstairs in the beer parlor. The Millers were peculiar acting persons; they kept the radio playing loudly while they were engaged in conversation with their several visitors, and before Campbell ever came out in the hall, Mrs. Miller would come out and look the hall over, and Mrs. Miller always answered the door for visitors and admitted them; this caution were off after they lived there for a couple of months, but all visitors who were admitted to the apartment seemed to have a peculiar routine; all rapped two or three times, and when Mrs. Miller approached the door, they would say, "Open up, Gert", and a name. Both Mr. and Mrs. Goulet were frequent visitors and the red-haired Esther Goulet was a constant caller; another constant caller was a man described as 25, 5' 10", 160 lbs., light grey suit and soft light grey hat; a man 47 yrs., 5' 8", 180 to -90, wearing dark soft hat, and dark clothes, apparently Italian and a number of others, who came during the night, and whom she did not see. One Sunday recently Millers had a rather loud party and about six or seven guests she thought she recognized the sheriff among the callers. Mrs. Fosnaught was suspicious of these persons but never thought of calling the police, as they had lived there a long time before she noticed their peculiar habits, and Miller became less cautious about coming out in the hall. She would positively know Campbell from his photograph. She stated that after Miller's arrest that Esther Goulet called the sheriff from the beer parlor and said "They just got Campbell". We asked Mrs. Fosnaught whether she had ever seen any of the local police officers enter Miller's apartment, and she stated that she had not, but that she did not know many of the officers, so she may have seen them and not known them.

At this time we were interrupted by a loud knock at the door, and Mrs. Fosnaught answered and told someone that "it is the apartment across the hall and beckoned to us to come to the door, which we did. Observed Charles Connell and a stranger about 50 yrs. of age, 5' 7" tall, 175 lbs., in a grey suit, Connell was rapping at the door and asking Gert to open the door, Connell saying that he had a very dear friend to Campbell with him. Gert asked the friend's name, and Connell said Dave Braddock from Monroe, and Michigan Streets. Some conversation was in an undertone, but weheard them say: Gert, keep your solace; sit tight; say nothing; tell the police nothing. These men had been drinking, and we had passed the time of day, with them as we passed their table in the Goulet place, so they knew that we were in the neighborhood, which was possibly the reason for that remark. Connell also announced that he was a deputy sheriff to Gert. (This was at exactly 12:30 pm today - May 8th)

At 1:15 when we came downstairs from 2132½ Monroe Street observed the red-haired Esther Goulet and a man (evidently the man in the grey suit who was described as being a constant visitor at the Campbell apartment by Mrs. Fosnaught) together in Campbell's Ford sedan, Ohio license 5534 F, Esther behind the wheel and the man in the grey suit beside her (this man apparently is her boy-friend), and they were engaged in serious conversation which ceased as we passed the car.

HOWARD J. SHELBY, 2829 Albion Street, operator of a small smoke shop, soft drinks, cigars, candies, and two card-tables in rear of place, who has been in business at 2134 Monroe Street since March 1935 (the front door of Shelby's store is within a few feet of the street - door to Campbell's apartment) states as follows: He had a speaking acquaintance with Mrs. Campbell and noticed Campbell and his wife as they entered and left through the front door, many times accompanied by a man whom he described as being 5' 10" tall, 35 yrs., 160 to 170 lbs., dressed in a grey suit and light grey hat; this man has been with the Campbells almost constantly, since about the middle of April 1936. The three of them went away in Campbell's Ford sedan often. He also knew of the purhhase of household furniture from Hilda Cass in Dec. 1935; Shelby was suspicious of Campbell, thinking that he must be in some sort of a racket to get by; he wouldn't recognize Campbell from the picture in the paper, but he never had a chance to observe the man very closely as he never was inside of the smoke-shop. When asked point blank whether he had ever seen any police officers enter the place upstairs, he stated that he never had seen any -(this man was very nervous during the entire interview).

Mrs. Eva Kitchan, apartment #4, 2132½ Monroe Street, a widow, having resided in this apartment for the past three yrs., recalls when the Millers bought Hilda Cass' furniture in December 1935, paying cash for same and then moving into the apartment. She never became acquainted with them other than speaking when she met them in the hallway. She

is under the impression that the Goulets are related to either Campbell or his wife and the red-haired Esther Goulet, while all the rest of the Goulet family were in and out of Campbell's apartment, was there all times of the day and night. She stated that all visitors seemed to have a peculiar rap on the door, and at night two and three men used to come and go, at irregular intervals. She also heard the two men (Connell and Dave Braddock) tell Mrs. Campbell to keep her mouth shut. She never observed any officers at this place.

Mr. E. E. Burling, 2138 Monroe Street, residing above their place, a beer parlor and restaurant, stated that Campbell was a friend of the Goulets and had been into his place to drink berr; always had a roll of bills and never worked; had lived in the same apartment for the past four months and he never became very well acquainted. Did not know whether Campbell had a car. Never saw any police about the apartment.

/s/

Eckerman and Manson

Special Investigation Squad

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DIRECTOR

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

May 12, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Richard Shoop of the Kansas City Star telephoned me and said he has just received a telegram from the editor of the Kansas City Star, who has it in mind that we knew where Karpis, Campbell and Robinson were all the time, and we were just waiting until the psychological time and order in which to pick them up. He wanted to know if there was any truth in this idea on the part of his editor.

I told Mr. Shoop that there was no comment I could make about this, since any statement about it would have to come from you.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

Of all the damn fool queries!

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U. S. Department of Justice
P.O. Drawer 567
San Francisco, California.
May 13, 1936.

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

Dear Sir: Re:BREKID

Reference is made to a letter from the Bureau addressed to the Special Agent in Charge of the Aberdeen Bureau Office, dated April 28, 1936, a copy of which was directed to this office, and also to a letter from Special Agent in Charge Brantley, of the Oklahoma City Bureau Office, to the Bureau, dated April 17, 1936, with reference to the above entitled case.

All of the files of the unsolved bank robbery cases now under investigation in the San Francisco Bureau Office, have been carefully checked, and in none of these cases was it found that any of the loot was uncut currency.

In further investigation of this matter, Mr. Guy Sargent, of the Federal Reserve Bank at San Francisco, District No. 12, stated that to his knowledge no uncut currency had been sent out to the banks in this district in some ten or twelve years, and at that time they were only the National Bank Notes that had to be signed by some official of the bank sponsoring that particular issue.

He said that under no circumstances were Federal Reserve Notes ever sent out in sheets, or in any other uncut form, and he thought it highly improbable that the statements made by the informant were true.

Very truly yours,
W. L. Listerman
W. L. LISTERMAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
426 U. S. Custom House and Post Office Building,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

For your consideration in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping case, I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter addressed under date of May 8, 1936, to The Assistant to the Attorney General, Mr. Joseph B. Keenan, by United States Attorney E. B. Freed, Cleveland, Ohio, together with a copy of the enclosure referred to therein; namely, an eight page undated statement containing, in narrative form, the report of facts in connection with the movements of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and others during the time of the mail robberies at Warren, Ohio and Garrettsville, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #863108

cc: Cleveland (Encl. copy of U. S. Attorney Freed's letter dated 5/8/36, together with copy of enclosure referred to therein.)

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Hon. Joseph B. Keenan,
The Assistant to the Attorney General,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Keenan:

I am somewhat fearful that my telephone call to Frank Parrish in the first instance, and then to Brien McMahon, and subsequently to you, did not sufficiently convey the importance of the situation in this office. For that reason, and because of what I believe a duty in the administration of law and justice, I am calling it to your attention in writing.

Two men named George Sargent and Anthony Labrizzetta, were indicted for robbing a mail truck at Warren, Ohio, in the spring of 1935. Upon their trial, the jury deliberated ten minutes, and returned a verdict of guilty.

Judge West after lengthy consideration, and apparently because of some evident doubt in his mind as to their guilt, three months after the original conviction in December of 1935, granted a motion for new trial. A second trial followed in the early part of this year, which likewise resulted in a guilty verdict. Because of the mandatory provision of the Statutes, they were sentenced to a term of twenty-five years.

The case is now pending in the Circuit Court of Appeals. In that Court, a motion for new trial was filed on the grounds of newly discovered evidence, which motion, if the Circuit Court of Appeals so determines, is referred back to the trial Judge for hearing. The original motion now awaits argument before the Circuit Court.

In the meantime, the Post Office Department arrested John Brock, in connection with another robbery, at Garrettsville, Ohio, where a mail train was held up in November of 1935. Brock admitted his participation in this robbery, and in a statement, which he told in third person, he makes some very definite remarks, which would indicate that there is a possibility that two men are facing a penitentiary sentence who may be innocent.

I am attaching a copy of the statement of Brock, which fully bears out the fact that there may be a serious doubt as to the

propriety of conviction of Sargent and Labriszetta, who have been in jail for over a year. The hearing in the Circuit Court has been twice postponed, in the hope that in the meantime, the men mentioned in Brock's statement may be questioned, and in the hope, that thereby we might arrive at the truth. This situation accounts for my great anxiety to have these men questioned by whomever the Department wishes should do so.

Please understand that I have no desire to interfere where I have no right, nor do I have any desire to unduly burden you, but my great desire for the proper administration of justice, and the performance of duty in respect of the Warren conviction, prompts me to write.

Respectfully,

E. B. Freed,
United States Attorney.

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Either in the latter part of February or the first of March, 1935, Freddie Hunter approached John Brock at the Lincoln Hotel in Tulsa, Oklahoma and made inquiry as to whether Brock wanted to make some money. Brock said he did. Hunter then wanted to know when he would be ready. Brock said, "Any time". Hunter told Brock to meet him at the Lorraine Hotel in Toledo, Ohio. Hunter gave Brock $100 for expense money. Two or three days later Brock left Tulsa by bus and went to Toledo.

Brock went to the Lorraine Hotel, where he waited for Hunter for three or four days. Hunter came by and took Brock to a whorehouse where they met Campbell and Karpis. The exact location of the whorehouse is not known. It was run by a woman named Edith. It is a two-story building, with a fence around it and with iron bars at the windows, located about three or four blocks north of the downtown post office at the edge of Negro town.

Karpis, Campbell, Hunter and Brock talked for a while. Karpis and Campbell stated that they had a job to pull near Youngstown and that Hunter would show Brock where it was.

After this meeting Karpis and Campbell stayed at the whorehouse where they had been staying. Brock returned to the Lorraine Hotel. Hunter went to Cleveland.

The next day Brock received a telephone message from Campbell through a woman. The message was "to meet Campbell, and this woman would take him to the place (which was the same whorehouse) where the four met the day before. This woman was about 23 or 24 years old; weighed about 120 pounds; medium height; dark hair and dark complexioned. Brock went with the woman and met Campbell and Karpis. Karpis told Brock to go to Cleveland to the Harvard Club. Karpis and Campbell remained at the whorehouse. Brock went to the doorman of the Harvard Club in Cleveland and told him that he wanted to see another party. Thirty minutes later Brock connected with the other party and delivered a message to him as follows: "To see that boy and have the boy get an apartment for Karpis." The second party Brock talked to was told to go to Toledo that night and get Karpis and bring him to Cleveland. Brock returned to Toledo that night and stayed at the Lorraine Hotel. Brock was registered at the Lorraine Hotel under the name of T. F. Evans.

The same woman called Brock the next day and told him to come to the house again. Brock went to the whorehouse where he met Campbell. Campbell told Brock to go to Cleveland and check in at the Gordon Square Hotel at 65th and Detroit. Brock went to Cleveland and registered at the Gordon Square Hotel under the name of T. F. Evans. One or two days later Hunter came to the Gordon

Square Hotel, got Brock, and took him to an apartment which was located ten or twelve blocks toward town and three or four blocks to the right, where Brock and Hunter met Karpis. Karpis, Hunter and Brock were attempting to locate a spot for a "plant" and it was decided that Brock and Hunter should go out and drive around and find one if possible. Karpis was afraid to go out. Hunter and Brock visited two or three places in the country but they were not suitable. Brock and Hunter went to Warren and Youngstown, driving several back-roads so as to become familiar with the country and not have any trouble in making a getaway.

Hunter was well-known in Warren. Hunter and Brock went to the depot in Warren and watched the Erie train come in, which arrived around three o'clock. Hunter showed Brock the mail truck and they discussed a holding up of the mail truck. Hunter took Brock to the edge of town in Warren and showed him a shed that they could run in to. This shed is located in the southeast part of Warren, which shed is of old sheet iron construction and is about twenty blocks from the Erie depot. The shed was vacant.

Hunter had the information that there was a pay roll came in twice a month on the afternoon train to meet the pay rolls for the steel mills at Warren. He informed Brock that he was getting his information from someone that had either been removed, or employed before, in the post office at Warren, and who was considered the "boss" and the "fixer" around Warren.

Brock asked Hunter why he did not take it at the post office and Hunter stated that "the man" did not want it done that way, and "the man" wanted it taken at the depot.

Hunter and Brock returned to Cleveland. Hunter let Brock out at his hotel and Hunter went to Karpis' apartment. Two days later Hunter returned to the hotel and picked up Brock and they went to Karpis' apartment, where they met Karpis. Karpis, Brock and Hunter again discussed the holdup of the Warren mail truck. Brock and Karpis went to Toledo that night and joined Campbell where the three again discussed the holdup of the truck. Campbell wanted Brock to get him an apartment in Cleveland. Brock and Karpis stayed at the whorehouse that night. Campbell had moved from the whorehouse at that time.

Karpis and Brock returned to Cleveland the next day. Karpis let Brock out at his hotel and informed him he would see him in a day or two when Campbell got moved over to Cleveland. Karpis, Hunter and Campbell got "hot" and had to move. Brock stayed at the hotel about six days and returned to Oklahoma, which was in the latter part of March.

Either in June or July, 1935, Hunter met Brock at the Lincoln Hotel in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Hunter informed Brock that the boys held up the truck in April, 1935. Hunter told Brock that they made seventy some thousand out of the job but that they had to give up 25%; 10% going to the man who was formerly employed at, or had been removed from, the post office, and who was known as the "fixer"; 10% going to Hunter and 5% going to the party who had kept the boys in money before they pulled the job. Hunter told Brock that "the boys", meaning Karpis and Campbell, went to New York and got a third boy to help them on the Warren mail truck holdup in April. Hunter told Brock that they had "drawn a runk", meaning they had been seen or tipped off, and drove away, and let it go at the depot, and decided to head it off before it arrived at the post office, which they did. Hunter told Brock they cut in front of the mail truck and stopped it, and that Campbell and this boy out of New York ran back to the mail truck, one on each side of the truck, and they then took the truck to the shed. Hunter informed Brock that they had the mail messenger in the mail truck but that he got out on them. Brock asked Hunter if they had not identified two boys on the job. Hunter stated they had, but that they were not in on the job. Brock and Hunter discussed people being identified on "bum raps" and Hunter stated something to the effect that "he was a smart son-of-a-bitch and it would do him good".

In November, 1935 Brock discussed with Campbell and Karpis the two boys being convicted on the Warren job. Brock asked Karpis and Campbell if the two boys that "fell on that rap" were really on that job, and Karpis and Campbell informed him, "Hell, not", and they did not even know them.

During the month of August, 1935 Hunter visited Brock in Tulsa and informed Brock that a "job" was being "cased" up north. Hunter told Brock that if he wanted to join up on the "job" he would come by and pick Brock up. Hunter came to Tulsa on Sunday, November 3. Hunter informed Brock that they had the train holdup lined up that they had looked into early in the spring when Hunter and Brock had visited Warren. Hunter informed Brock that they needed another man and wanted to know if Brock wanted to go. Brock said yes.

Hunter and Brock left Tulsa on the Frisco train at 11:40 P.M. and went to Cleveland, Ohio, via St. Louis, arriving at Cleveland, Monday night, November 4. Hunter left Cleveland and went to Youngstown. Brock went to Toledo and registered at the Lorraine Hotel under the name of T. F. Evans. Brock arrived at Toledo at about 8:30 a.m., Tuesday morning. Wednesday, November 6, Hunter came by the hotel and picked up Brock. Brock and Hunter went to a rooming house either in the 1700 or 1800 block on Adams Street, where they joined Karpis and Campbell. Karpis and Campbell asked

Brock if Hunter had told him what they were going to do. Brock answered, "Yes", that Hunter had said they wanted to rob that train. Karpis, Campbell, Brock and Hunter visited for approximately thirty minutes or so until Sam came in. Karpis, Campbell and Hunter had laid out all the preliminary work and had a getaway fixed. They discussed each part every one was to play. Karpis and Campbell were to take the mail car; Hunter was to stand out on the platform with a machine gun and take care of every one on the platform, the automobiles around, and keep everybody under a general view; Brock was to get the station agent out and put him under the machine gun and take the opposite side of the depot platform from Hunter. Brock had a shot gun. Sam was to take the engineer and fireman, bring them down out of the cab, and put them under the machine gun. Karpis had a machine gun, Campbell had a pistol and Sam had a pistol. Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, Sam and Brock had information there was a separation for each town in the mail car and it was the plan for Campbell and Karpis to force the mail clerk to get them what they wanted. It was understood that they were to get the Warren and Youngstown shipments. The former post office employee, or the one that had been removed and was known as the "boss" or "fixer" in Warren, had informed Hunter that the Warren and Youngstown shipments would amount to approximately $100,000 cash and would be on the same train. Brock asked Karpis, Hunter, Campbell and Sam if they knew the mail would be on that train. Hunter and Sam had watched the mail being loaded in Cleveland several times prior to the holdup.

Hunter, Brock, Campbell, Karpis and Sam had obtained the information from the former post office man in the spring that the money to meet the pay rolls of the different towns in this vicinity came out on the same train on the day previous to paying. Hunter had obtained some kind of information from some one working in the mills as to the date the employees were to be paid and that the shipment would be made on the day prior to pay day. It was agreed during the conference that Karpis and Campbell, who were to go into the mail car, were to make every one in there get out, and after they got the mail make them bring it to the automobile and load it in. It was also understood there was to be no shot fired unless necessary and if it was necessary, to shoot high. It was generally understood that no one was to be hurt. It was also generally understood that the mail clerks, or the men in the mail car, only had short arms, and it was figured they would not show any resistance.

Karpis and Hunter told Brock to go to the hotel and check out and they would pick him up. Brock went to the hotel and checked

out. Karpis and Hunter picked up Brock at the hotel and the three went to a farm house near Carrettsville, arriving at about 10:30 or 11 p.m., Wednesday, November 6. Campbell and Sam were to remain in Toledo, see Joe, a cabaret owner and general all round "fixer" on Broadway Street in Toledo, and see if he was sure going to be on the spot to let them into the "plant" the next night. It was understood that Joe was to meet the gang about seven miles from the town where the "plant" was located, and lead them to the "plant". After making these arrangements Campbell and Sam were to come over to the farm house near Carrettsville, where Brock, Karpis and Hunter were. Campbell and Sam arrived at the farm house near Carrettsville about mid-night. Karpis and Hunter only remained at the farm house a few minutes when they left and went to Youngstown. Karpis and Hunter went to Youngstown to get the automobile that was to be used on the job and a speedometer that would register sixteenths of a mile. They remained in Youngstown over night. Brock remained at the farm house.

Thursday, November 7, Brock, Campbell and Sam got up and had breakfast about 9:30. Sam stated he had been out to the hospital at Toledo to see Sam Baker and stated that Coker was getting along all right and would be out in a few days.

The farm house where Sam, Campbell and Brock stayed is on a dirt road some distance southeast of Carrettsville. Karpis, Hunter, Sam, Campbell, and Brock had arranged for the farmer, or the man living in the farm house where the gang had met the night before, to take Brock, Campbell and Sam to a point about 1½ miles from the farm house and towards Carrettsville, where Karpis and Hunter would meet them. The meet was made and Brock, Campbell and Sam got in the car that was to be used on the job with Karpis and Hunter, and the man from the farm house returned to his home. Campbell and Sam were using Campbell's car when they came to the farm house and it was left at this place.

Karpis and Hunter arrived at the point of meeting about 1:30, a little late. The five left immediately for Carrettsville. They kept looking at their watches on the way to see if they were going to get there on time. Sam and Karpis got out of the car on a corner in Carrettsville about three blocks east of the depot. Sam got out of the car about a half block nearer the depot. Brock and Hunter stayed in the car and drove it to the depot. Hunter was driving, and he backed the car in facing the train.

The train was whistling in town when Brock and Hunter arrived. Karpis and "Sam" arrived at the depot just a little late and had to run 15 or 20 steps to be at their stations when the train stopped. When the train pulled to a stop Campbell started the play by covering the mail clerk at the door of the mail car. Karpis joined Campbell at the mail car door and the two entered the mail car. Sam went up into the engine cab and brought the engineer and fireman down and held them there just a minute. As the train came to a stop Hunter got out of the car and stood on the cinder driveway in a position to cover all the operations with a machine gun. Brock got out of the car and went to a bay window of the station and told them to come out. One man came out and he was taken around on the depot platform where he could be covered by Hunter. Brock remained at the corner of the depot and covered the conductor and brakeman. At this point one of the trainmen ran up the steps and closed the car door.

Karpis was armed with a machine gun, Campbell with a pistol, Hunter with a machine gun, Brock with a shotgun, and Sam with a pistol.

At this point in the holdup the steam in the engine began popping off and the fireman told Sam he had better let him go up into the engine and take care of it. Sam let the fireman go up in the cab and he called to Brock to watch the others. Karpis and Campbell asked the mail clerk at the door, who was a nigger, for the Warren and Youngstown mail. Campbell was jabbing the clerk around with his gun to make him show where the wanted mail was when his gun was accidentally discharged, which scared the nigger and he ran under the table. Campbell forced the nigger and one of the other clerks out of the car, putting them where Hunter could cover them.

Karpis remained with the third and last clerk in the car, and forced him to deliver the wanted mail. The pouches taken were kicked out of the car and then Karpis forced the third and last clerk to leave the car. Karpis called to the nigger clerk and forced him to take part of the pouches and put them in the automobile, and he also forced a white man to take a pouch or two and put them in the car. During the holdup a man and woman in an automobile started to leave. Hunter stopped them and told them to get out. The man got out of the car and the woman asked to be excused. Hunter told her it would be all right to remain in the car.

Karpis, Campbell, Sam, Brock and Hunter, prior to the robbery had discussed the fact they had never seen mail clerks carry anything but snubnosed revolvers. Karpis and Campbell took guns off the mail clerks. The holdup took approximately, or not to exceed, 10 minutes. When completed the five men got into the car and left. Karpis drove the car away from the station, with Hunter in the front seat with him, and the other three in the rear seat.

Soon after leaving the scene of the holdup Campbell said: "We missed the big money, it wasn't on there." While driving around they felt around the pouches and found one containing a package. This pouch was opened by cutting and it was found to contain $34,000 in currency.

The five men proceeded to a point about 7 miles south of a town believed to be Fremont, where the car was met by a man named Joe, who conducts a cabaret on Broadway in Toledo. Joe was the pickup man to take the five into town. The five followed Joe into town to a garage on the water front, where they were met by another man, the owner of the garage, who they called John. The garage was a large building and appeared to be equipped for repair work.

After arriving at the garage Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, Brock and Sam, went through the mail and took out the money and bonds. After removing the money and bonds the pouches and mail were burned in a large coal stove in the garage. John, the garage man, stated he would destroy the locks by throwing them in the lake. Karpis and Campbell took charge of dividing the money. They gave Joe a thousand dollars, and John a thousand dollars, and took out expense money, which included money advanced by Joe to pay John for a plane. The balance was split five ways and each received $6100. Karpis instructed John to be sure and put that car in the lake.

Shortly after the money was divided, Joe, Sam, and Campbell left the garage in Joe's automobile for Toledo. Karpis, Hunter and Brock went to John's home and stayed all night. John got up early the morning of November 8 and went to get the plane. About 8 or 8:30 John's brother came by, picked up Karpis, Brock and Hunter, and took them out in the country a distance of about two miles to where John was with the plane. Karpis, Brock and Hunter entered the plane and left, with John acting as pilot.

During the day John landed the plane somewhere along the way for gas, and about an hour before dark the plane was again grounded somewhere for gas, where the gang remained all night and slept in the plane. There was a small airport at this point. The following morning they started again, landed in Memphis, Tennessee for gas, and then arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, about noon, which was on Saturday, November 9. Upon arrival of the plane at Hot Springs, Karpis and Hunter left, and after a wait of about an hour John and Brock left for Tulsa. The plane was forced down a short distance from Ft. Smith, Arkansas, because of weather conditions, where John and Brock stayed in a farm house during that night. The following day, Sunday, November 10, they arrived in Tulsa about noon at the Municipal Airport.

Sam is about 45 years old, 5' 10" tall, 175 pounds, fairly large nose, brown hair streaked with grey, and has fairly heavy eyebrows. He is not a neat dresser. At the time of the holdup he was wearing a false mustache, and had on either a dark blue or black slip-on sweater, dark brown suit, no overcoat and wore a hat.

Karpis was wearing a steel-grey suit, brown overcoat and slightly tinted glasses. At the present time he resembles photographs now available.

Campbell had on a pin-striped blue suit, and a blue overcoat. Campbell will now weigh 160 to 165 pounds, and does not resemble photographs now available.

Brock was wearing a blue suit, blue overcoat, dark gray hat. He was not wearing glasses. He is about 6' tall, weighs 160 pounds, slender build, dark complexion, medium dark hair.

Freddie Hunter wore a medium gray suit, a medium gray overcoat, a light felt hat, and dark colored sun glasses. He wore a white handkerchief over the lower part of his face which dropped down during the holdup. Hunter was wearing the handkerchief and glasses because he is well known in that community. He is 5' 8" tall, weighs 155 pounds, slender build, dark complexion and brown hair.

A new steel-grey, four-door, Plymouth sedan was used in the holdup.

EAT:KLG May 12, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
MR. JOSEPH B. KEENAN.

With reference to our recent telephonic conversation, I am returning herewith the original letter addressed to you under date of May 8, 1936, by E. B. Freed, United States Attorney at Cleveland, Ohio, together with the copy of the enclosure referred to in Mr. Freed's letter; namely, an undated statement of eight pages containing, in narrative form, statements reported to detail the movements of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and others during the mail robberies at Warren, Ohio and Garrettsville, Ohio.

Copies of both of these documents are being maintained in the Bureau file.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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May 14, 1936.

Time - 3:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Cosier of the Department telephoned me relative to House Resolution No. 508, which is a resolution calling for the Attorney General to produce specific facts to sustain the allegations recently made by the Bureau that the Post Office Inspectors had failed to cooperate with the Bureau in the arrest of Sam Coker and others. He said that he had just received word from the clerk of the House Judiciary Committee, who advised that the time is getting short, and they are going to soon ask for a report from the Attorney General on the matter. This bill was originally introduced and referred to the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads. Yesterday that Committee discharged the bill and it was then referred to the Judiciary Committee. Mr. Cosier said that the Judiciary Committee is referring this bill to the Attorney General for his report thereon before adoption. The bill will be forwarded to the Attorney General in the morning, and it was suggested possibly some work should be done on it in the meantime. Mr. Cosier said that at this time, the Attorney General is not being requested to comply with the terms of the resolution for the reason that it has not been adopted; that all he is being asked for at this time is his views on the matter.

Mr. Cosier said that there was another resolution introduced in the House, Resolution No. 507, which has the same provisions as 508 for the Post Office Department. The Committee, from the information which Mr. Cosier now has, has received a reply from the Postmaster General on this resolution stating in effect that he has no record in the files of the Post Office Department relative to any lack of cooperation and has never heard anything about it.

I told Mr. Cosier that it is my recollection you had personally taken this matter up with the Attorney General, and that a complete and detailed memorandum of the facts has already been sent to the Attorney General for his information.

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With reference to the reply of the Postmaster General that they have no record of any lack of cooperation, I am checking the files at this time on the many letters which we transmitted both to the Postmaster General and Mr. Crowley, the Solicitor of the P. O. Department, calling their attention to their lack of cooperation and asking that steps be taken to remedy the situation. You will be advised of the results of this check.

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Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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

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May 14, 1936.

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

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS.
(Theft of $132,000 in Jewelry from
Greenleaf & Crosby, Jewelers, New York City)
National Stolen Property Act

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of May 1, 1936, relative to the manner in which the above captioned case was handled by the New York Office.

An investigation of the robbery was conducted, and the information obtained is incorporated in the closing report of Special Agent William B. Moran, dated at New York City, January 25, 1936. Since there was no information whatever available indicating the identity of the robbers, or that the jewelry might have been transported interstate, and in accordance with existing Bureau instructions, no further investigation was conducted.

On March 9, 1936, Inspector Michael McDermott of the New York City Police Department communicated with the New York office, advising that a photograph of Frank Frost, alias Frankie Foster, had been partially identified as one of the robbers, and requesting that a wanted notice be filed in the Identification Division at Washington in order that the New York police might be informed in the event any information was obtained indicating the whereabouts of Foster. Copies of memorandum, prepared by Special Agent F. X. McKay, dated March 9, 1936, setting out this information, were forwarded to the Bureau with letter from the New York office dated March 10, 1936. Copies were also furnished to the Salt Lake City, Chicago, St. Paul and Cincinnati offices. At this time there was no information whatever available indicating that any of the jewelry had been transported interstate.

Bureau letter dated March 13, 1936 (Bureau file 7-526), copies of which were furnished to the Salt Lake City office, advised that Inspector McDermott's request was being complied with and that a wanted notice had been placed in the Bureau's file relative to Frank Foster. This letter also instructed the Salt Lake City Office

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conduct appropriate investigation at Reno, Nevada, in an effort to ascertain whether there might have been a violation of the National Stolen Property Act.

The report of Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, dated March 26, 1936, at Salt Lake City, in the BERKID case, sets out investigation conducted with reference to Frost and reflects that no information was obtained indicating a possible violation of the National Stolen Property Act.

Letter to the Bureau from the New York Office dated March 30, 1936, transmitting copies of my memorandum of March 27, 1936, reflects that information was furnished by Inspector McDermott that Foster had been positively identified as participating in the robbery and that an indictment had been returned in State Court charging him with the robbery. This letter requested that the Bureau advise what action should be taken, and copies were furnished to the Salt Lake City Office.

I am attaching hereto, for the Bureau's information, copies of my memorandum dated April 3, 1936 with reference to my telephone conversation of that date with Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau. On April 4, 1936, a teletype was sent to the Salt Lake City Office, advising that upon Bureau instructions the New York City Police had been informed concerning the whereabouts of Frank Foster and that New York detectives were proceeding to Reno, Nevada, and would contact Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin. Report of Agent McLaughlin dated April 20, 1936 at Salt Lake City, in the BERKID case, reflects the apprehension of Foster at Reno.

I am attaching hereto copies of memorandum dated April 25, 1936, prepared by Special Agent W. F. Seery of the New York office, with reference to the filing of complaint in the Southern District of New York, charging Foster with violation of the Federal Fugitive Felon Act.

As the Bureau knows, the Nevada courts refused to order the extradition of Foster to New York on the State charge, and the U. S. Attorney in the Southern District of New York is considering the advisability of securing an indictment charging him with violation of the Federal Fugitive Felon Act in order that he might be removed to New York City.

The New York Police have been unable to definitely place Foster in New York City at the time of the theft, and it is understood that/the habeas corpus proceeding in Nevada, at which the extradition of Foster on the State charge was denied, there were approximately thirty witnesses present who testified that Foster was not in New York on the date of the robbery.

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At no time has any information whatever been developed indicating that any of the jewelry, which was stolen from Greenleaf & Crosby, jewelers, New York City, has been transported interstate by Foster or anyone else.

In view of Bureau letter of May 1, 1936, and for my future guidance in such cases, it is requested that the Bureau advise concerning the procedure that should have been followed and further action to be taken in this case.

Very truly yours,

E. WHITLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 812
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May 16, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Please forward to this office one hundred (100) additional copies of the identification order No. 1554 on William Elmer Mead.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Alvin Karpis and
Harry Campbell.

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Cincinnati and stated that Agent McKee was in Omaha talking to Gladys Sawyer; that Gladys Sawyer stated that at one time she overheard a conversation between Peifer and Harry Sawyer in which Peifer said that he and Tom Brown got thirty six thousand dollars to split in the Hamm case; that Harry Sawyer was very much bothered about this because he was getting the "heat" on being the possible "finger man" in the case and had not received any of the money; that Harry Sawyer is worrying considerably; that she, Gladys Sawyer, will write a letter to him and tell him to give us all the information. Mr. Connelley stated that he thought it would be a good idea to have Agent McKee proceed to Alcatraz and see if we could get Harry Sawyer out somewhere to talk to him and see if he will testify against these men. Mr. Connelley stated that Tom Brown has not been indicted and this will have to be done between now and June 19, 1936. I told Mr. Connelley that this was an excellent idea. Mr. Connelley further stated that there is some work to be done in Reno relative to the change of the Hamm money. Mr. Connelley stated that he could have Agent Sullivan go from Chicago and meet Agent McKee in Reno on his return from Alcatraz; that it will take about two days to get this work done. I told Mr. Connelley to go ahead and have this done.

Mr. Connelley stated that Crumley who was mixed up with Brown apparently is coming through; that Harry Sawyer may be able to furnish us with information relative to Crumley. I inquired of Mr. Connelley if the Agents at St. Paul were able to handle the situation with Agent McKee away and he stated that Agent Suran is there. Mr. Connelley stated that Dunn has not said anything as yet.

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that Joe Roscoe was to have been picked up by the Post Office Inspectors and that the Bureau had never indicated definitely it desired to pick him up. Mr. Connelley further stated that he had advised the Post Office that he had a set-up with Edith Harry and that they were not to touch her and from this they might have inferred that she had been picked up by the Bureau; that she did not know him, Connelley, by his right name but as Conrad, though of course the Post Office men knew him by his right name.

In regard to my plan to investigate crime conditions in several of the cities in which bad conditions exist, such as St. Paul, Toledo and Hot Springs, Mr. Connelley stated he thought Toledo would be the best place to start because of the fact that so much information would be obtained while investigating harboring charges. I told Mr. Connelley to bear down on the Toledo situation as a whole, though keeping in mind of course, the harboring angles.

Mr. Connelley stated the Chief of Police had received a letter from me but had not published it. I advised Mr. Connelley of the contents of my letter to the effect that I had not made specific reference to particular cities.

Mr. Connelley stated that even if he could not get the Sheriff at Toledo on harboring he would probably be able to tie him up with Campbell in the slot machine racket. I told Mr. Connelley to keep me advised of the developments.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

REH:MFS

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 15, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

RE: BERKID

Information has been furnished to this office by the office of the jailer, Duval County Jail, Jacksonville, Florida, that Myrtle Eaton, who is incarcerated in that institution awaiting trial, sent the following telegram on May 8, 1936, addressed to Jack Rychary, 949 West 7th Street, St. Paul, Minn.:

"Must have $300 immediately - Received nothing to date - depending on you - don't let me down will explain all later

Myrtle Eaton
Duval County Jail"

This is furnished for whatever value it may have to your office.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of a letter written to Dolores Delaney, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, by Alvin Karpis, Subject in this case.

The original letter is being returned to Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention Farm.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 15, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

RE:KID

I am enclosing herewith authorization signed by Harry Campbell for the release to his wife of the following property and currency, which was taken from Campbell at the time of his arrest at Toledo, May 7, 1936:

1 diamond ring set with three diamonds of about 1.30 carat each, set in platinum mounting

1 diamond stickpin in the form of an interrogation point, consisting of several small diamond chips and a ruby

1 Omega white gold wrist watch and white gold bracelet

Twelve hundred and fifty dollars ($1250.00) in currency.

I am also enclosing authorization for the release to his mother of currency in the amount of $2400.00, being a portion of the total amount of $3950.00 found in possession of Campbell at the time of his arrest at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936. The balance of $300.00 is to be transmitted to the Kansas City Office to be delivered to the warden of the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth for the account of Harry Campbell.

Campbell has stated that the arresting Agents informed him that they would communicate with his mother and notify her as to what disposition would be made of property seized from him, and it is suggested that the Cleveland Office communicate with Mrs. Lissa Campbell, mother of subject, at 818 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, advising her as to whether the $2400.00 signed over to her may be obtained from the Cleveland Office or whether it will be forwarded to the Oklahoma City Office.

Very truly yours,

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C. W. Stein
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

May 15, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter of March 26, 1936, page 2, paragraph 2, instructing that "Wanted Notices" be placed on Clyde Nimerick, Bureau No. 77961, and Charles A. Fitzgerald, Bureau No. 95780:

In conformity with these instructions "Wanted Notices" were placed in the Dallas District, and I am wondering if at this time they may be withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake

F.J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Dallas, Texas.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 15, 1936, requesting instruction as to whether the wanted notices placed on Clyde Sinerick, Bureau No. 77961, and Charles A. Fitzgerald, Bureau No. 95743, may be withdrawn from such places where they have been posted in the Dallas district.

The wanted notice on Fitzgerald may, of course, be withdrawn in view of the fact that he was apprehended in Los Angeles, California, and is now being held under indictment charged with having conspired to kidnap William A. Bums, Jr. The Bureau does not desire that the wanted notice on Clyde Sinerick be removed. It is believed that Clyde Sinerick should be thoroughly interviewed by Bureau Agents when and if he is apprehended. The Bureau feels that an interview with Sinerick may result in a considerable amount of valuable information concerning the activities of the underworld.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc St. Paul
Cleveland
Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 15, 1936

Mr. Nathan
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Miss Gandy

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: BRSKID

Three or four days ago Secret Service Operative in Charge, Grady L. Boatwright, St.Paul, Minnesota, furnished me a list of approximately fifteen registered Government bonds which were part of the loot taken in the Garretsville, Ohio, mail robbery in November 1935. He advised me that his Chief had requested that he endeavor to secure information regarding the disposition of those bonds from us if possible.

On the night of May 13, 1936 Special Agent R. C. Suran and myself casually dropped in to see Karpis at the County Jail. After a preliminary conversation I advised Karpis that a friend of mine had been assigned to the task of locating these registered bonds; that the Government was solely desirous of ascertaining the disposition of them since they could not be negotiated due to their character. Karpis advised as follows: "Off the record - all those registered bonds were burned".

It would appear that those bonds were probably burned at the same time that the mail sacks were similarly destroyed.

The conversation was dropped at that point inasmuch as experience has shown that Karpis evades direct questions. It is believed that during his period of confinement awaiting trial he will ultimately narrate all of his activities to the Agents on guard. All Agents who are guarding Karpis have been instructed to submit reports on information received by them from him.

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Very truly yours,
C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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SAC Stein advises that Karpis told him, with regard to the registered bonds which were a part of the loot taken in the Garrettsville mail robbery, that - "Off the record - all those registered bonds were burned".

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May 23, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of May 15, 1936, pertaining to the statement made by Alvin Karpis that the fifteen registered Government bonds which constituted part of the loot taken in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery of November, 1935, had been destroyed by burning, you are authorized to furnish this information orally to Secret Service Operative in Charge Grady L. Boatwright of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 13, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

RE: [redacted]

Dear Sir:

There has just been located in the Manning-Parino Hudson Automobile Agency at Youngstown, Ohio, a 1935 Ford Coupe, motor #18-1625895, which is undoubtedly an automobile belonging to subject Alvin Karpis.

Please conduct appropriate investigation immediately at the Ford Motor Company at Detroit, Michigan, for the purpose of securing all necessary information in order that this car may be traced to the dealer who sold it and thus enable investigation to be conducted through the dealer as to the circumstances under which this car was purchased, which investigation may possibly be of value in connection with the harboring investigation now being conducted at the Cleveland district.

You should arrange to expedite this investigation, furnishing any office, in which investigation is necessary, the purpose of the inquiry.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 16, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir: RE: KIDNAPING

Please forward immediately to this office six copies of all types of photographs of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, Fred Barker, Arthur Barker, Ollie Berg, Jimmy Wilson, Edna Murray, Paula Harmon, Dolores Delaney, Wynona Burdette, Harry Sawyer, Gladys Sawyer, Russell Gibson, Clara Gibson, William J. Harrison, William Weaver, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, and Myrtle Eaton.

The requested photographs are to be used in connection with harboring investigations in the Cleveland district.

Very truly yours,

EJS/ZJB
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- St. Paul

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 15, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir: RE: BARKID

With reference to the lead set forth in report of Special Agent R. J. Ryan, Cleveland, Ohio, dated May 5, 1936, wherein a request was made to reinterview Archie Negleman, inmate of the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, it is requested that this lead be carried out, inasmuch as an exhaustive investigation relative to subjects' contacts at Toledo, Ohio, is to be instituted for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of any individuals who may have harbored them during their sojourn at Toledo, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 15, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID

I am forwarding herewith copy of a communication dated May 6, 1936, from Frank Wolkowski, Clothier, 18 N. E. First Avenue, Miami, Florida, and addressed to Special Agent E. F. Fitzsimons. This communication relates to purchases of clothing for witnesses subpoenaed to appear at St. Paul in connection with the trial of the above case during the past winter. I have written to Mr. Wolkowski and informed him that it was anticipated that payment of this amount would be made through Washington.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FRANK WOLKOWSKI
Clothier
18 N. E. First Avenue
Miami, Florida.

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May 6, 1936.

Mr. B. F. Fitzsimons,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Sir:-

On January 6th, 1936, a purchase of clothing amounting to $318.24 was made by you for the United States Government. You no doubt know that we had to go out and purchase some articles.

We would appreciate anything you do to rush the settlement of this account as we have carried it now going on five months.

If it is necessary to submit a bill please advise so same can be forwarded in.

Sincerely,

/s/ Frank Wolkowski.

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Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
May 13, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. B. Bush, St. Louis, Missouri, April 28, 1936, in which the Little Rock office was requested to conduct an investigation concerning a photograph of Grace Voisey, with aliases, enclosed with said report.

In order that your file may be complete, I beg to advise that the photograph enclosed with said report apparently was taken at a photographic shop located at 216 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, the log cabin or setting for the photograph labeled "Our Summer Home in Hot Springs, 216 Central" being a prop or background used by these photographers.

It has also been learned that Grace Voisey has on occasions operated as a prostitute at the Hatterie Hotel at Hot Springs and is better known as Barbara Bradley. The other girl shown in the photograph has not been identified to date and in view of recent developments in this case, no investigation is being instituted to identify her.

By reference to the case entitled Joseph Binder, with aliases, Fugitive, Mona Gallagher, with aliases, Victim, White Slave Traffic Act, in which case the office of origin is Indianapolis, Indiana, it will be noted that the Joe Binder mentioned in the report of Agent Bush is the subject of this file and his apprehension is desired by the Indianapolis office.

Very truly yours,

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CHARLES FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: HAMAP

This will advise that Elmer Farmer, a subject in the Bremer case, together with Harry Sawyer, has been transferred to Alcatraz Penitentiary. Some time after his arrival there he was interviewed in connection with the Hamm case, but he denied any complicity therein and although professing a desire to cooperate, he stated that he had no knowledge of any of the activities of Chambers of the Karpis-Barker gang in regard to the holding of Hamm at the home of Edmund C. Bartholmey in Bensenville, Illinois.

John P. Peifer has now been released on a $100,000 bond; Nellie Born was released on a $10,000 bond because she was held as a material witness; Karpis has been remanded to the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota in default of $500,000 bond, which was named in both the Bremer and Hamm cases; and Morris Reisner, who was a material witness in the Hamm case, has been released on a $100,000 bond.

Investigation is now going forward in this case to develop further information implicating Tom Brown, former Chief of Detectives, St. Paul Police Department, and W. W. Dunn, who was the intermediary and pay-off man in this case. It is interesting to note that during the spring of 1934 Bessie Green, who was implicated in the Dillinger case, advised Agents at St. Paul that W. W. Dunn was, in fact, an underground intermediary between the kidnapers of Mr. Hamm and Mr. Hamm's family, although he was at that time employed by the Hamm family in the brewery. He was considered a confident of the Hamm family and by virtue of that relationship conducted the major portions of the negotiations between the kidnapers and the Hamm family. Information has now been obtained by the St. Paul office indicating that Dunn is reported to have received a portion of the ransom money, and that during the incumbency of Tom Brown as Chief of Police in St. Paul, Minnesota, Dunn was the pay-off man between gamblers and Tom Brown. The St. Paul office is pursuing this matter in the hope of developing further information which may result in prosecution.

Those in charge of the St. Paul Police Department have recently communicated with the St. Paul office, advising that they knew of the corruption on the part of Tom Brown and requesting to know whether it would

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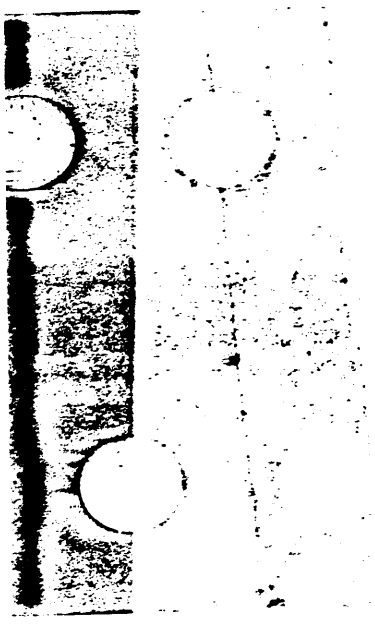
interfere with the Bureau's investigation and prosecution in the Hamm case if they were to suspend Tom Brown from the Police Department. They were advised by the St. Paul office that their action in this matter would not affect the Bureau's prosecution. The St. Paul officials have indicated that there are two or three police officers who will be willing to talk in the event Tom Brown is suspended and the Chief of Police has stated that in view of the fact he is going out of office soon, he would like to suspend Tom Brown to show that he has made an effort to clean up the police department prior to his leaving the office of Chief of Police.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.



Police Department

CLEVELAND, OHIO

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO

GEORGE J. MATOWITZ

CHIEF OF POLICE

May 9th, 1936

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S.Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Accounts appearing in the local newspapers telling of the capture by you of Alvin Karpis and other notorious gangsters, some of whom have been known to hide out in our city in the past, refer to their hiding here in a manner which insinuates that their secretion here and their subsequent escape could not have been possible without connivance with the local police.

There exists no reason whatever for me to believe that you would be at all influenced by such slanderous insinuations. Nevertheless, I desire to reassure you that I stand ready and anxiously willing at all times to aid you and your department in any way possible in serving the ends of justice.

I trust that I may always have your implicit confidence to advise me of any matter in which I could be helpful to you, and to let me know of anything which may be developed in the course of your investigations that might reflect upon some member of my department, to enable me to take the proper steps for the correction of a situation requiring my attention.

Reiterating my former pledge of my wholehearted co-operation in your endeavors at all times and congratulating you on your signal success in this last difficult case, I am

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Very sincerely yours,

Geo. J. Matowitz

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May 12, 1936

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Mr. George J. Matovits,
Chief of Police,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Chief:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of May 9th. I am very glad indeed to receive your assurance that you stand willing and ready at all times to aid this Bureau in any way possible in serving the ends of justice. You may rest assured that should anything develop at any time which I think should be brought to your attention, I shall not hesitate so to do.

Permit me to thank you for your offer of wholehearted cooperation and at the same time extend to you my assurances of a sincere desire to cooperate with you in all matters of mutual law enforcement interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
May 13, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: BUNKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Jacksonville, Florida, dated April 27, 1936, in the above styled matter, wherein the Little Rock office was requested to ascertain whether a photograph, enclosed in said report, is a likeness of Ruth Harris, alias Connie Morris.

In order that your file may be complete, this is to advise that said photograph apparently is a likeness of Ruth Harris, alias Connie Morris, who was apprehended with Karpis and Hunter at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
May 14, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
San Antonio, Texas.

RE: BRINKS

Dear Sir:

Sometime ago Alvin Karpis was alleged to have had in his possession a 1936 4-door Buick Sedan, Motor No. 4505212B, Serial No. 2895972. Stop notices were placed against this car with the several state motor vehicle registrations in the United States.

I am informed that investigation was instituted in your district with the view to locating this car. It is kindly requested that I be advised whether this machine has been located, and if so, the stop notices mentioned may be removed.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, May 14, 1936.

Postmaster,
Weiser, Idaho.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Inasmuch as the investigation conducted by this office, in which you were requested to place mail covers on mail received by Mrs. Maybelle Williams, Mrs. Maybelle Campbell, Mrs. Mary Owens and J. W. Williams, has been terminated, I respectfully request that you remove the mail covers on the above mentioned individuals.

I wish at this time to thank you for your cooperation in this matter as it has assisted us materially.

Very truly yours,

D. H. DICKASON
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Bureau.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
506 Fletcher Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana

May 15, 1936

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

RE: BREKID
WEYNAP

Dear Sir:

This office presently has on hand a quantity of reward notices on Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, subjects in the Brekid case, and Wanted Notices on William Dainard, subject in the Weynap case. Since the reported apprehension of the above-named individuals, it is respectfully requested the Bureau advise what disposition the Indianapolis Bureau Office should make of these circulars.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 15, 1936, regarding certain reward notices and wanted notices now on hand at your office.

Inasmuch as these notices are of no further value to your office they should be returned to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY ACTS

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio Cleveland FILE NO. 7-1

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
Cleveland, Ohio	5/5/36	4/22 to 5/5/36	E. J. WYNN EJW/EJB

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim	KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Observation plant and telephone tap perfected on Joe Rich, Canton, Ohio. Telephone tap perfected on Edward and Clara McGraw, Toledo, Ohio. Telephone tap Edith Barry, Toledo, Ohio, continued, as well as tap and observation on Joe Roscoe. Plants on Clayton Hall, Youngstown, Ohio, and Clyde Rochat farm, discontinued. George Timminey, Toledo Police Department officer, residing with Mrs. Chester Marks, widow of slain member of Licavoli mob. Sam Hessler resides New Secor Hotel, Toledo. Unable to confirm statements of Archie Neglemen at Toledo. Edith Barry, Toledo, through Sam Coker learned that Harry Campbell, as "Bob" with wife, Gladys, residing somewhere Toledo; owned Scotch terrier dog purchased from Sheriff O'Reilly. Latter has sweetheart friendly with Campbell's wife. Investigation indicates sweetheart is Esther Goulet, who formerly resided 1801 and other addresses Adams Street, now residing with parents at Goulet's Grill, 2130½ Monroe Street, Toledo, where Sam Coker alleged to visit frequently. Fred Hunter at Edith Barry's place in fall of 1935 with Alvin Karpis. Joe Roscoe drives Buick coupe, 1936 license #3537F. Various apartments in vicinity of ball park on Monroe St., Toledo, checked with negative results; also marriage records, Lucas County, checked with negative results. Various foreign cars observed in Toledo eliminated. Edward Siemund may be associated in Toledo with two convicts, Slim Martin and Spot Morton. ~~Granada Gardens~~

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operated by James Coleman, observed from time to time. Bert Angus interviewed furnished no material information other than indicating Goulet girl sweetheart of sheriff. Possibility Treasury Department investigation John Zetzer for gold smuggling. Criminal record of Fred Hunter set out. Clayton Hall has no criminal record. Laboratory examination indicates box found at home of Edith Barry negative. Gordon Square Hotel, Cleveland, small hotel catering to permanent guests. Rene Holst thought to be residing Cincinnati or Cleveland, and Thelma Holst at Philadelphia. Post Office Inspectors indicated intention to pick up Edith Barry for questioning. John Brock unable to identify photograph Sam Goldstein as Sam in Garrettsville job. Post office inspectors publicized plants being maintained by Bureau Agents and post office inspectors at Youngstown and Newton Falls. Investigation Conneautville, Pennsylvania unproductive in locating Fred Hunter, relatives or fugitives there. Homes of Albert, brother, and George, father of Fred Hunter, searched but no machine guns found there.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio 4/22/36; report of Special Agent L. C. Taylor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated 4/17/36.

DETAILS: Information with reference to telephone taps and observation plants being maintained in the Cleveland district is being set out below:

On April 17, 1936 there was perfected at Canton, Ohio, an observation plant on the premises occupied by Joe Rich, who resides at Canton, Ohio, on the northeast corner of Fourth and Walnut Streets, S. E., A room directly across the street from his home above Shipley's grocery store was secured and arrangements were made whereby observation of his home could be had during certain hours of the day from the premises of Dine-Dewees Company. The observation plant was maintained by Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and N. E. Manson, who have furnished the Cleveland office with a detailed log of the results of the observation.

The following memorandum covering a summary of their observation from April 17, 1936 to April 27, 1936, has been submitted by Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney:

This will advise that Special Agents N. E. Manson and W. B. O'Mahoney have been maintaining a surveillance on the residence of Joe Rich and his wife, commonly known as Edna Haney. The Rich residence, which is a house of prostitution, is located on the southeast corner of Walnut and Fourth Streets, S. E., Canton, Ohio.

Said surveillance was instituted on the morning of April 17, 1936, and a log of observation made is being submitted herewith. Said surveillance has been maintained from a room above a grocery store run by one Shipley, located on the northwest corner of Walnut and Fourth Streets, S. E.

A review of the log maintained and submitted for the period April 17, 1936 to April 30, 1936, inclusive, indicates that on April 18, 1936, a prostitute inmate of the house, contacted a man in a model A Ford coach, Ohio registration #P 116 C. Further, on the same date the same girl left with a man in a green Dodge coupe, Ohio registration #N 176 T.

On April 22, 1936 an inmate of the house, a brunette, 5'4" in height and slender, came to the house in a Terraplane coupe, Ohio registration #M 999 M.

On April 23, 1936 a man who apparently seemed familiar with the house and its location left, driving a Plymouth coupe, 1936 New York registration #K 34-16. This car was checked by the Buffalo Bureau office and was found to be the property of Joseph Rydolak, 104 Linden Avenue, Buffalo, New York, who is a salesman in the employ of the McMillan Company, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

It is noted that the McMillan Company manufactures sash doors and interior finish. It may also be noted that Joe Rich has recently acquired the two properties adjacent to the corner house at Fourth and Walnut Streets, S. E; further it is noted in the log on April 21, 1936 that two men appeared to be measuring the premises for alterations of some character. This may tend to explain the presence of the sash and door representative.

A further check of the log indicates that Joe Rich has been seen on more than one occasion driving or riding in a 1935 Ford V8 sedan, 1936 Ohio registration #N 892 S.

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A memorandum covering a summary of observation from April 27, 1936 to April 30, 1936, inclusive, submitted by Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney is quoted as follows:

There is submitted herewith a log of observations made by Special Agent N. E. Manson and the writer. The log covers the period April 27, 1936 to April 30, 1936, inclusive.

During the period of the surveillance no persons resembling subjects in this case have been observed.

It may be noted that the majority of frequenters at the house of prostitution operated by Edna Haney and Joe Rich stay in the house from ten to twenty minutes.

It may also be noted that the majority of the cars observed bear Ohio registrations. In this connection a list of all licenses observed is being submitted. Those underlined are the ones that have arouses the greatest suspicion and should be checked preferably before the rest, which may be covered by letter.

There is no central source of information here in Canton where listing on current automobile registrations may be obtained, and in addition there might be some question arise should such a number of registrations be checked at one time here.

In connection with the 6:30 P. M. entry on April 30, 1936, Ford coupe #A 868 R, for some reason the actions of the driver of this car aroused my suspicion. No definite reason except perhaps its presence in the vicinity at the same time the Terraplane coupe #M 999 M was there. However, the cigaretts package thrown away by one of the occupants is being forwarded in the event a check of the car would warrant a check of the package for latent prints.

It may also be noted from the log that Joe Rich has shaved off his mustache, changing his appearance considerably. Also that Rich was not seen in the vicinity of his home from Sunday, April 26, 1936, at which time he left with Edna Haney in Hudson sedan, Pennsylvania registration #Z 9226, until Thursday, April 30, 1936. A check should be made of Pennsylvania registration #Z 9226.

It has been intimated that the car previously owned by Rich was seized in connection with narcotic violations. This was a LaSalle coupe.

Several times Rich has been seen in a green Ford V8 sedan, and at times drives this car himself. The registration of this car, 1936 Ohio #N 892 S will also bear a close check.

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The significance of Joe Rich in this investigation may be appreciated by referring to report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, April 22, 1936, wherein it is indicated that apparently Karpis, between January 16th and 20th, inclusive, was in contact with Joe Rich at Canton, Ohio. As indicated, Joe Rich runs a house of prostitution at the corner of Fourth and Walnut Streets, S. E., Canton, Ohio, and is at the present time under bond in the United States District Court at Cleveland on a narcotic violation.

On April 29, 1936 Special Agent J. M. Jones of the Chicago office perfected a telephone tap on the unlisted telephone in the premises occupied by Joe Rich, telephone number 37353, and the tap was run into an unfurnished apartment at 222 Walnut Street, S. E., Canton, Ohio, the tap being manned by Special Agents A. S. Reeder and C. J. Endres.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. J. Dowd at Youngstown, Ohio:

On April 24, 1936 Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland by telephone advised Agent Dowd that Special Agents A. S. Reeder and C. J. Endres of Kansas City were expected to arrive at Cleveland, Ohio that evening and would immediately proceed to Youngstown, Ohio for duty at the [redacted] plant, in the event the post office inspectors withdrew their men.

Agents Endres and Reeder arrived at Youngstown, Ohio at 11:45 P. M. and after receiving instructions from Agent Dowd as to the setup of the [redacted] and Stine plants and the action to be taken by them in the event Karpis and Campbell, Fred Hunter, or Milton Lett appeared, after midnight on April 24, 1936 Agent Endres was taken to the [redacted] plant where he relieved Agent Birch. On April 27, 1936 the Youngstown papers carried a news item to the effect that post office inspectors filed on John Brock, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and John Doe, alias Sam, and that the United States Attorney released information to the press regarding same. A copy of the newspaper articles were forwarded to the Cleveland Bureau office.

On April 28, 1936 Post Office Inspector Cordrey returned late in the afternoon to Youngstown from Oklahoma. He had a secret conference with Post Office Inspectors Tavener, McNeil and Ulch. Later Post Office Inspector Ulch advised Agent Dowd that Inspector Cordrey was returning to his home at Lima and from there was going west to hunt Karpis and Campbell. Post Office Inspector Cordrey, as previously stated, has been working with Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police.

On April 29, 1936 Agent Dowd drove Agents Endres and Reeder to Canton, Ohio where they were to remain on plants, Agent Dowd returning to Youngstown.

On April 30, 1936, Agent Dowd took up surveillance in the J. E. Stine plant at Youngstown and remained there until 8:30 P. M. on May 1, 1936. On April 30, 1936 while Agent Dowd was in the post office inspector's office at Youngstown, Ohio, Deputy U. S. Marshal Matthew Wansack came into the office and advised Post Office Inspector Tavener that he had learned from conversation with John Brock, while en route from Youngstown to Cleveland that Brock had been convinced that there was nothing to the publicity given in the newspaper and that the post office inspectors were not responsible for the same. He further advised Inspector Tavener that he believed that Brock was in a better mood.

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The telephone tap on the telephone of Edith Barry at Toledo, Ohio, has been continued, being maintained by Special Agent L. H. Richmond, but with no apparent results to date.

On April 25, 1936 Special Agents J. M. Jones and C. E. Smith perfected a telephone tap on the telephone of Clara McGraw, 2011½ Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, telephone number ADams 5780, the tap being run into a furnished apartment at 326 Twentieth Street, Toledo, and has been manned as follows: Special Agent C. A. Hartison has been on the tap constantly; Special Agent Wayne Sanders on the tap from April 25th to 27th, inclusive; Special Agent R. A. Guerin has been on the tap from April 28th to 30th, inclusive. As indicated, this tap is being presently manned by Special Agent Hartison.

As previously reported by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Edith Barry of Toledo, at the time she was interviewed by Special Agent in Charge Connelley furnished the information that undoubtedly the alleged wife of Harry Campbell frequents the premises of the McGraws at 2011½ Adams Street.

The telephone tap and observation on the 42nd Street Cafe, operated by Joe Roscoe at Toledo, Ohio, has been continued, being manned by Special Agents H. B. Dill and L. W. Arms. On April 30, 1936, Special Agent L. W. Arms departed for Chicago and his place was taken in this district by Special Agent R. A. Guerin. There have been no apparent developments as a result of this tap and observation to date.

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The plant at the home of [redacted] at Youngstown was discontinued on May 2, 1936, this plant having been previously maintained by Special Agents T. M. Birch, E. N. Johnson, and D. E. Wells.

The plant maintained at the Clyde Rochat farm was discontinued on May 4, 1936, said plant having been manned by Special Agents Lee F. Malone, J. V. Murphy and W. M. Sirene.

The following memorandum covering investigation at Toledo between April 2, 1936 and April 18, 1936, has been submitted by Special Agent C. E. Smith:

Special Agent C. E. Smith interviewed Detective Harry Manson relative to Mrs. Chester Marks, 2650 Broadway, telephone number WAlbridge 2549, and he advised that Captain George Timmeney was presently residing in Mrs. Marks' home and that Mrs. Marks had recently made a trip to some place in Florida, but was now back in Toledo, Ohio. The following description of Mrs. Marks was obtained from Detective Manson:

Name	-	Edith Mae Marks
Age	-	35 years
Height	-	5'5½"
Weight	-	140 pounds
Hair	-	Blonde
Complexion	-	Medium
Peculiarities	-	Good looking, sweet smile, uses vulgar language
Photograph	-	In February 1936 issue of McFadden's True Detective Stories. (Account of Licavoli gang.)

With reference to Sam Hessler, Detective Manson advised that Hessler was a permanent guest at the Secor Hotel and had resided in Toledo for the past eight years or more and usually frequented a gambling and smoke shop known as the "Sport Center" which is located on Superior Avenue in the rear of the Secor Hotel. Hessler is a known contact for confidence men but has never been known to be a contact for men engaged in other rackets.

Agent had previously contacted Detectives John Mullen and John Conner of the hotel squad for the purpose of having them endeavor to secure information from Hessler relative to the possible whereabouts of William E. Mead, inasmuch as Hessler is known to them personally, and in view of the fact that the tap on Edith Barry's telephone has revealed that the room clerks and bell boys at the Secor Hotel have frequently called her to supply prostitutes, it was not deemed advisable at this time to contact any of them in view of the arrangements made by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley with Edith Barry.

With reference to the house described by Archie Negleman as having been frequented by subject Campbell in Toledo, Ohio, Agent and Detective Harry Manson have made an exhaustive search of all roads coming into Toledo from Canton, Ohio, but were unsuccessful in locating the house described.

In view of the fact that Negleman also stated that an old German woman, who had a daughter by the name of Mary, who was a school teacher, owned the house, Agent secured the names and addresses of all school teachers in the district whose first name is Mary, and each of them will be checked in an endeavor to locate the house described by Negleman.

Negleman also advised that he had seen Campbell and Siemund in Danora, Pennsylvania, about two weeks before Christmas, 1935, operating a 1934 Dodge sedan with 1935 Ohio license number N 799 Y. Records of the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles reflect this license issued to Mrs. Blanch Brenn, 731 Howard Street, North, Akron, Ohio, for a Chrysler sedan, motor #1850, serial #7010796.

As a result of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley's interview with Edith Barry on April 14, 1936, Edith Barry communicated with Special Agent B. M. Hirsh and the following conversation took place:

Hirsh: Hello.
Woman: Say, what was that Cleveland telephone number, Prospect 2---? (Thinking it was the telephone operator in the hotel checking up on the number from which a call was made to Agent C. E. Smith an hour or two
Hirsh: earlier in the day) Prospect 2456.
Woman: You remember that party that came to see me on last Wednesday.
Hirsh: Wait, who is this talking?
Woman: I'd rather not say over the telephone. You remember about that party. Well, I have some information and I'd like to see that party that I talked to on last Wednesday.
Hirsh: Oh, yes, I understand now. Is it very urgent? How soon do you want to see him? Right away?
Woman: Oh, no, it's not that urgent, I only have some information and there is no particular hurry.
Hirsh: Alright, I'll see that it's taken care of. Rang off.

On April 14, 1936 at 6:50 P. M., Special Agent B. M. Hirsh advised Agent Smith that a woman whom he identified by voice as Edith Barry, had called him and stated that she desired to talk to the man who had talked to her last Wednesday.

A check of the log being maintained of the telephone calls at Edith Barry's home, revealed that Edith had left for the hair dresser's at approximately 3:00 P. M. and had not called Agent Hirsh over her own telephone.

Several attempts were made by Agent Hirsh and the writer to contact Edith on the telephone, but in one case no answer was received, and in two other cases, Walter Walmsley and Margaret, the maid, advised that Edith was not in.

At approximately 9:00 P. M. Agents Richmond and Smith attempted to gain entrance to the Barry home, but no one answered the door. Agents Richmond and Smith then maintained a surveillance of the Barry home, Burt Angus home and the 42nd Street Cafe, until 11:30 P. M., when Agent Richmond was relieved by Agent Hirsh and the surveillance was maintained on the above mentioned places until 1:45 A. M.

At 1:00 P. M. on April 15, 1936, Agents Arms and Smith contacted Edith Barry at her home and she stated that she desired to impart her information only to Mr. E. J. Connelley as she had "implicit confidence" in him and she was worried about a leak in the department.

Agent questioned Edith Barry about the "leaks", as she termed them, and requested she cite an incident. Edith Barry then advised that in October, 1935, a man from Cleveland, Ohio, whose name she did not know, called her from the Secor Hotel in Toledo, Ohio, and stated her telephone was tapped.

Edith Barry also related that in the fall of 1935 a raid had been made in the southwest (she thought in Kansas) and a finger-print of a woman obtained from a mirror in the apartment, or cabin, which was located near a lake. Miss Barry advised that the woman who owned the apartment or cabin was about forty years old and is Karpis' present sweetheart. She was unable to furnish Agents with a description of the woman, or the location of the apartment, or cabin, raided, merely stating that she had overheard the above information during a conversation, but had never seen an account of the raid published.

During the conversation Edith Barry advised that she had overheard a conversation and some one had asked her if she knew a girl by the name of Gladys.

Edith Barry was questioned relative to the identity of Gladys, and she stated that she had heard Campbell had married her and had met her through Clara McGraw of 2011 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, and further stated that possibly some information might be obtained over the telephone at 2011 Adams Street, or the telephone of the beer parlor opposite the Navarre Hotel, which beer parlor is operated by Clara McGraw's husband.

Miss Barry refused to state where she overheard the above conversation, stating that she had to be very careful as she did not want to involve innocent people and as she was afraid of a leak and had the utmost confidence in Mr. Connelley.

Edith Barry further advised that Clara McGraw did not keep girls at her house, and doubted if she had any on call, but stated that Clara had a house of assignation.

Miss Barry then questioned Agents as to whether any private detectives had access to the office files, and when advised that no one had, she stated, "Well a lot of people seem to know things."

Miss Barry was very hesitant in giving Agents any information and kept insisting that she had confidence in Mr. Connelley.

The above information was telephonically communicated to Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland at Cleveland, who advised the writer to contact Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Chicago. Special Agent Smith immediately contacted Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Chicago, and advised him of the information.

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With reference to the address 1805½ Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, which place, according to John Brock, as told to post office inspectors, was occupied by Karpis and Hunter prior to the Garrettsville mail train robbery, the following information was obtained from W. C. Doersch and Company, Nicholas Building, telephone MAin 5115: Mr. Doersch, whose reputation was first ascertained through the Prosecutor's office, is the rental agent for the apartment house located at the corner of 18th and Adams Street.

Mr. Doersch's records disclose that Mrs. Cora Whitaker had resided at 1801-13½ for the past year and kept roomers in the fourteen rooms of her apartment. Mrs. Whitaker was subsequently located at the Hillcrest Hotel where she is engaged as a waitress in the coffee shop. According to Mr. Doersch, Mr. Whitaker is worthless and lazy and will not work. Discreet inquiry at the Hillcrest Hotel revealed that Mrs. Whitaker bore a good reputation and was a hard worker.

In accordance with telephone conversation had by Agent with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Whitaker will be interviewed and if possible her services secured as an informant.

Mrs. H. Gilday, 1805½ Adams Street has resided there for the past year in an apartment of seven rooms. According to Mr. Doersch Mrs. Gilday's husband is a linotype operator at the News-Bee, a Toledo newspaper. Mr. and Mrs. Gilday have rather frequent quarrels, due to the excessive drinking of both parties.

Mrs. C. Lathrop, alias Mrs. Alemda Adams, 1807½ Adams has resided in this seven room apartment for the past three years and has been investigated by relief agencies for accepting relief checks fraudulently.

Mrs. Ralph Nape, alias Mrs. Phylis Crawford, 1809½ Adams Street, resides in her seven room apartment at this address. Mr. Doersch was unable to state what her business was, but advised on one occasion Mr. L. D. Spake, plumber at 1054 Tecumseh was repairing frozen pipes in the apartment and Mrs. Nape requested him to take the bill out in trade, stating her husband was a Greek and not good for much.

Detective Harry K. Manson advised that Mrs. Nape was the girl friend of one Joe Western, one-eighth negro, who is a Toledo and Wyandotte hoodlum and hi-jacker.

Mrs. Nape has resided at 1809½ Adams Street for about one year.

Arrangements have been made with Mr. Doersch whereby Agent will be enabled to inspect all of the above apartments under the pre-text [redacted] b7E

On April 16, 1936 this Agent and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley again interviewed Edith Barry, which interview will be reported by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley. However, as a result of that interview, Special Agent L. H. Richmond and Special Agent Smith have maintained a surveillance of a beer parlor located at 3121 Monroe Street and known as the Cantina. According to Edith, Harry Campbell frequented a beer parlor in the vicinity of the ball park on Monroe Street; the name of the beer parlor sounded like Coburn or Coleman (phonetic) and it is possible Miss Barry meant Cantina.

A surveillance has also been maintained at 2011½ Adams Street, which is the home of Clara and Edward McGraw, through whom Campbell is supposed to have met a girl by the name of Gladys, who is presently supposed to be married to him.

Agent checked the marriage licenses for Lucas County, in which Toledo is located, for the period from August, 1935 to the present time, however, no information was obtained that would furnish any leads.

A check of the Toledo Police Department records by Special Agent B. M. Hirsh revealed the following record of Fred Hunter, who, when arrested at Toledo, Ohio, was using the name Fred John Henderson:

Name	-	Fred John Henderson
Age	-	20 yrs. (on 9/14/20)
Height	-	5'8"
Weight	-	123 pounds
Hair	-	Chestnut black
Eyes	-	Blue
Teeth	-	Good
Build	-	Slender
Complexion	-	Light
Race	-	White
Nativity	-	Irish
Born	-	Oakdale, Tenn.
Peculiarities	-	Stutters
FPC	-	1 A 3 / 1 A 5
REF:		1 A 3 / 1 Aa 5

Criminal record obtained from Toledo Police Department:
Number 9995

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The record further reflects that at the time Hunter was arrested in company with David Guy Templeman, Toledo Police Department #9994, he gave the address of 231 Miller Street, Buffalo, New York, as did Templeman. The record further reflects that Hunter and Templeman were apprehended when they attempted to steal two different automobiles and when Hunter was searched a loaded revolver was found on him. A photograph of Hunter, alias Henderson was obtained and is being retained in the files of this case at Cleveland, Ohio.

For reference purposes the following information is set forth:

Joe Roscoe, 3204 River Road, and 42nd Street Cafe, Segur and Broadway, Toledo, Ohio, operates a Buick coupe bearing 1936 Ohio license plates #3537 F.

The telephone number of the Hub Cafe operated by Edward McGraw at St. Clair and Jackson Streets is MAin 0143.

The telephone number of Clara McGraw, 2011½ Adams Street is ADams 5780.

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The following memorandum has also been submitted by Special Agent C. E. Smith covering investigation at Toledo between April 23, 1936 and May 2, 1936, inclusive:

Telephone taps and surveillances have been maintained on the phones of Clara McGraw, 2011½ Adams Street; Edith Barry, 524 Southard Street; and the 42nd Street Cafe, Segur and Broadway, which cafe is owned by Joe Roscoe, however, no information has been obtained to date that would indicate that any of the above named persons have been contacting or any of the subjects in this case have been frequenting any of the above named places. A log of all calls received over the various taps has been maintained and each call is checked to eliminate the possibility of subjects calling any of the above persons under assumed names or aliases. The result of the investigations of the calls will be reported later.

Negative results have also been obtained from the surveillance being conducted on all persons who enter and leave the 42nd Street Cafe.

In view of the fact that Edith Barry stated that she thought Campbell was residing somewhere on Monroe Street, in the vicinity of the ball park, a survey of all apartment houses for a distance of ten blocks each way on Monroe from the ball park was made by Special Agent Wayne Sanders and Special Agent C. E. Smith. Negative results were obtained from interviews with the following named persons:

Plaza Hotel	2520 Monroe Street	E. T. Marvin, Manager
Weslyan Apartments	2574 Monroe Street	C. C. France, "
Albert Apartments	2529 to 33 Monroe St.	Robert Sampson, "
Wyandotte Apartments	2716-18 Monroe Street	Mrs. C. K. Sanford, "
Whitney Manor	1868 N. Cove Street	Mrs. L. E. Ross, "
Kratt Apartments	3327 Monroe Street	Mr. Maxwell, "

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Hudson Apartments	558 Lincoln Avenue	C. E. Knepper, Custodian
Victoria Apartments	2020 Monroe Street	C. M. Daso, "
Del-Mar Apartments	2634-44 Monroe Street	L. V. Peoples, Sup't.
Loessers Drug Store	2574 Monroe Street	Stanley Kenney

A further check of this neighborhood will be made including the streets radiating from Monroe in the vicinity of the ball park.

With reference to the information received from [redacted] b7c b7d to the effect that Campbell was supposed to have been married in the early part of 1935, which is also in line with the information received from [redacted] that he had also heard Rene Holst make the statement that he was married again and "Wynona will be hot when she hears it", the marriage records for Lucas County, in which county Toledo, Ohio is located, were checked for the period from January, 1935 to the present time, however, no licenses were issued on which any of the known aliases of the subject appeared. Additional information will be sought which will enable a more accurate check of the records.

Special Agent C. E. Smith was telephonically advised by Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland that information had been received that a man operating a 1936 Ford touring sedan, light blue in color, bearing 1936 Ohio tag #3463A, which number was listed to Jacqueline Thomas for a Ford V8, motor #2556004, under Lucas County bill of sale #396565, address 317 Twelfth Street, Toledo, Ohio, had been seen at Saulte Ste. Marie and resembled subject Karpis.

Special Agents Wayne Sanders and C. E. Smith interviewed Mr. Edward Miller, manager of the Francis Hotel, 317 Twelfth Street, and he advised that a George Thomas and his wife had checked into the hotel on December 24, 1935 and had checked out on March 18, 1936. Mr. Miller further advised that the Thomases had left for Saulte Ste. Marie and they were the owners of a new Ford V8 automobile. Photographs of the subjects in this case were exhibited to Mr. Miller, however, he advised that none of them even remotely resembled Mr. Thomas. According to Mr. Miller, Thomas was supposed to have been employed by the Red Cab Company as a cab driver. A check of the records at the police department failed to disclose where Thomas had obtained or applied for a cab driver's license in the past ten years.

A check of the bills of sale at the Automobile Registration Bureau revealed that bill of sale #396565, recorded the sale of a 1936 Ford V8 on January 23, 1936, to Jacqueline Thomas by the Holzer Motor Sales, Inc., 4929 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio. No further check of this lead was made inasmuch as Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland advised that no further investigation was necessary.

Detective Harry K. Manson, County Prosecutor's office, stated that he had received information from an informant, whose identity he could not disclose, that approximately three weeks ago two carloads of Arkansas hoodlums had come into to Toledo and had in their possession a quantity of nitroglycerin. Continuing, Detective Manson advised that the hoodlums had gone to an old time safe cracker known as Slim Martin and asked his advice as to whether the nitroglycerin was still good. Martin is supposed to have advised them that it was no good, and in payment for his services they had purchased 1936 Ohio license plates for him. Manson was unable to give Agent the description of any of the individuals in the car, or of the car, however, in view of the fact that Bureau Agents had raided a house in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, two days prior to the time Detective Manson had received the information he thought that there might be some connection with the subjects of this case. Manson further advised that Slim Martin, who resides at 809½ Madison Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, has not been seen at his usual haunts since that time. Further information relative to Slim Martin will be set forth in this report. Detective Manson also stated that he had talked with one George Poland, a local hoodlum, and had questioned him relative to his knowledge of "hot spots" on Adams Street, and Poland stated that he had formerly resided at 2015½ Adams Street, and it was his impression that Ed McGraw, and a St. Louis hoodlum known as Joker Kennedy, operated some kind of a spot at 2013½ Adams Street, and a man by the name of Charles Kain was their front at that address. It will be noted here that 2013½ Adams Street is immediately adjacent to 2011½ Adams Street, which is presently occupied by Clara and Ed McGraw, who, according to Edith Barry, are possible contacts of subjects in this case, especially Campbell.

With reference to information furnished by the Canton, Ohio Police to the effect that Eddie Siemund, a possible contact of Campbell at Canton, Ohio, was presently supposed to be in Toledo, Ohio, and associating with a man known as "Pop" who was described as a safe cracker, rather elderly, generally wears a cap and walks with a cane, Detective Manson furnished Agent with two photographs of George Frank Browning, alias Slim Martin, who is described as 42 years of age, 139 pounds, 5'11¼" in height, gray eyes, dark chestnut hair; and one "Spot" Morton, who is described as 59 years of age, 5'9" in height, 137 pounds, blue eyes and light chestnut hair. It will be recalled here that Archie Negleman stated to Special Agent L. C. Taylor of the Pittsburgh Bureau office, as reflected in his report dated April 17, 1936, that Brennan and Siemund had contacted two individuals at Toledo, Ohio, for the purpose of talking over a bank job. Photographs of Browning, alias Martin, and Morton are being forwarded to the Pittsburgh office with copies of this report for the purpose of having them exhibited to Archie Negleman for the purpose of possible identification of the individuals referred to by him as being from Toledo.

With reference to the cafe or beer parlor known as Coburn's, or Coleman's, referred to by Edith Barry, as a place where Harry Campbell is most likely to hang out, a check of the Alcohol Tax Unit records was made with the assistance of J. A. Fisher, Internal Revenue Agent. Records were checked for Coburn and Coleman, and all possible transpositions of same, and it was noted that one license was issued to a James Coleman for the Granada Gardens, Secor and Monroe Streets, Toledo, Ohio. Agents have maintained an intermittent surveillance at this place, with negative results.

A check of all long distance calls was made for the period of September, 1935, to the present time, of the telephone of Clara McGraw, telephone ADams 5780, and it was noted that the following calls were made:

January 10, 1936 -	5 minute call to Dr. Putnam at Dillinville, Ohio, which is a toll center out of Steubenville, Ohio;
February 21, 1936-	An Alice Fritz called and stated that she was calling Dr. Jackson at Bradner, Ohio, and would complete the call from Forest 0185. (It will be noted here that Forest 0185 is listed to Ned Baumgardner, 3584 Ridgewood, Ottawa Hills, Ohio. According to R. E. Newborn, Division Commercial Manager of the telephone company, he is personally acquainted with Mr. Baumgardner and regards him as a very high type citizen, who operated one of the largest dry goods stores in Toledo, Ohio.)
February 22, 1936-	1 minute call to the Bryan-Bow Drug Store at Bradner, Ohio;
February 25, 1936-	One Esther Smith called Dr. Jackson at Bradner, Ohio, and stated that she would complete the call from Forest 0185.

A check of the telephone records reflected long distance calls made over pay station MAin 0143, which is the number of the telephone located in the Hub Cafe, 501 St. Clair Street, which is supposedly operated by Ed McGraw, however, the telephone records reflect that Ralph Stroub, acting as agent for McGrath, signed the telephone application. The following long distance calls were made from this telephone:

October 1, 1935 - Two minute call to the Tuller Hotel, CHerry 5325, Detroit, Michigan

October 16, 1935 - One minute call to Perrysburg, Ohio, #4891, which phone is listed to Leo V. Gibblin, 429 West 5th Street

November 17, 1935- To Erie, Michigan, #63F11

November 19, 1935- Maumee, Ohio, MAin 370, which number is listed to Lulu Church, 522 East Wayne

December 23, 1935- Williston, Ohio, #468.

It was also noted that the following telegrams were sent from MAin 0143:

December 21, 1935- From MAin 0143 to Adams 2131 - Charge 85¢

January 14, 1936 - From MAin 0143 to Adams 2131 - Charge 50¢

January 21, 1936 - From MAin 0143 to Adams 2131,- Charge 50¢

It will be noted that Adams 2131 is listed to the Western Union Telegraph, Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Mewborn advised that he could not understand the reason for a notation of that sort on the toll ticket made by the operator. Further investigation will be conducted as to the identity of the persons receiving the telephone calls over ADams 5780 and MAin 0143, as well as to securing copies of telegrams sent over MAin 0143 to ADams 2131.

On May 1, 1936, Special Agents Wayne Sanders and C. E. Smith, interviewed Bert Angus and he advised that his brother, Ted Angus, was returning from St. Vincent's Hospital on that date after undergoing an operation and he was unable at the present time to furnish Agents with any information that would be of assistance to them now. Later in the same day Bert Angus was again interviewed by the above named Agents and still maintained that he had no information whatsoever. He had previously been requested to furnish Agents with the address of Thelma and Rene Holst and he stated that he had mailed Thelma's address to Agent Smith at the Hillcrest Hotel, which address was received the following day and is: Thelma Holst, 3017 Frankford, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He also advised Agents that Rene Holst was presently residing in apartment 211, 2301 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, and was probably using the name of Reynolds and that she was living there with Ludy Fleming, who is a former state prohibition agent, who worked out of Toledo, Ohio, and who has previously been mentioned in the files of this case. Bert Angus further stated that Rene had left Toledo approximately two months ago and had visited in his home about April 13, 1936. Angus was questioned very closely by Agents as to why he had not informed law enforcement officers, including the Bureau, of the presence of Karpis and Campbell at the Casino

Club in January, 1935, after there escape from Atlantic City, when by his own admissions he was aware of their identity, aware of the fact that they were wanted for the Bremer kidnaping and also aware of the fact that it had come to his attention that Bureau Agents had been investigating the Casino Club due to the presence of subjects at that place prior to January, 1935, Angus was unable to advance any reason for his failure to do so.

Continuing, Angus was questioned as to whether there was any doubt in his mind as to the honesty of the police or sheriff's office and he stated that there were no doubt some honest police officers and he felt that the sheriff was honest, but was suffering from "Gash Tremors." Agent questioned Angus as to what he meant by "Gash Tremors" and he stated that the Sheriff had women on the string. Angus further stated that it was his opinion that the Sheriff's woman was about 22 or 23 years of age and was named Gillette (phonetic), who formerly lived at Point Place, Ohio, with her father. Angus was unable to advise Agents of her present whereabouts. He stated that she formerly dealt with the Summit Street Market at Point Place.

According to Angus, one Howard Etchin, real estate dealer, Ontario and Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, had asked him about a month ago how he and Ted had made out on their arrests for harboring Karpis. Angus was unable to explain how Etchin would have any information about his connection with the Karpis case. Angus also stated that one Charley Mills, a railroad man, had very recently remarked to him that a deputy sheriff had told him that Ted was going to take a rap for harboring Karpis. Angus stated that Mills did not give him the name of the deputy sheriff who had made the remark. Agent C. E. Smith recalls that during a conversation he had with Helen Ferguson, an informant of the Chicago Bureau office, Helen had stated that a railroad man by the name of Charley Mills had remarked to her that he had heard she was a Federal "stool" and if he was sure of it he would have nothing further to do with her. Further investigation will be conducted into the identity of Charley Mills for the purpose of endeavoring to ascertain the source of his information.

The following information is set forth for future reference. Angus advised that Colin Monroe, former employee of the Casino Club, would probably go to Middle Island very shortly and Charley Becker, former bartender at the Casino Club is presently residing in a rooming house at Mayo and Sudor Streets, and was probably employed on the boats in the slip at Bay View.

[redacted] was contacted and he stated that b7c b7d
he had no additional information in view of the fact that Rene Holst, from whom his wife had formerly secured information, had left Toledo about two months ago, but returned to Toledo the day before and stated that Ludy Fleming and she were going to Cleveland to live. It will be noted here that Bert Angus did not furnish Agents with this information. [redacted] further stated upon being questioned as to the identity of any person by the name of Gillette, that there was a bootlegger by that name who had resided at Point Place, and who had a daughter whom he described as a "big tub"; that she was about twenty-two or twenty-three years of age. It was [redacted] opinion that Gillette presently resides somewhere on the East Side, however, he stated that his bartender, Keller, had been intimate with the Gillette girl, and he would attempt to obtain her present address from the bartender.

Post Office Inspector F. R. Casey was interviewed by Agents Sanders and Smith after the newspapers carrying the headlines pertaining to the capture of Karpis appeared and he stated that there were no plants being maintained in Toledo by the post office inspectors and the only "hot " information they had in Toledo was 1330 West Woodruff, which is the address of ex-sheriff Jack Taylor, whose daughter Marie was suspected of having married Harry Campbell. Inspector Casey further advised that Inspector Claggett at Akron, Ohio, had been ordered to Toledo to assist in the investigation at the latter place. It is requested that all Agents contacting post office inspectors not reveal that Inspector Casey has furnished this information to Agents.

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With reference to the Gillette (phonetic) mentioned by Bert Angus as a contact of Sheriff James O'Reilly, who formerly lived at Point Place, but whom Bert Angus thought presently resided at East Toledo, and the Gillette mentioned by [redacted] as being a former bootlegger at Point Place, with whose daughter his bartender, Keller, was intimate, an undercover investigation was conducted by Special Agents Wayne Sanders and J. M. Jones at the Toledo Electric Company. However, their records did not reflect anyone in the vicinity of Point Place by the name of Gillette receiving their service. At the request of Agents, Mr. Bill Soley of the Toledo Electric Company called the Summit Street Market at Point Place, at which place Bert Angus had stated the Gillettes traded, and the individual who answered the telephone at the market advised that the man in question was Fred C. Goulet, and his wife was Katherine, and he had a grown son and daughter, and had left owing them a considerable amount of money. A check of the records of the Toledo Electric Company under the name of Goulet revealed that they had moved from Point Place to 1801 Adams Street, then to 2017½ Adams Street, and last October had left 2017½ Adams Street and were

presently located at 2130½ Monroe Street, at which place they also operated a beer garden. No information was obtainable relative to the son or daughter of the Goulets.

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At the express direction of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, the writer and Special Agent J. M. Jones, on April 29, 1936, at Toledo, Ohio, contacted Edith Barry instructing her that it was felt that for her own interests as well as those of the Bureau she should proceed to Cleveland, Ohio on the following day and contact the Cleveland office. This action, it is to be recalled, was taken in view of the information indicating that the post office inspectors contemplated picking up Edith Barry and holding her for questioning, in spite of the agreement which they had with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley to the contrary. At the time Edith Barry was interviewed on April 29, 1936, she stated that it was her understanding at that time that Harry Campbell was not then in Toledo, however, she did not disclose the source of her information. She further stated that she understood that a likely place where Campbell might be found was Goulet's Grill on Monroe Street, somewhere in the vicinity of the 2000 block.

Edith Barry, as instructed, proceeded from Toledo, Ohio, on the night of April 29, 1936, and she remained in Cleveland until Sunday, May 3, 1936, and on the latter date after an interview with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and this Agent, she was instructed by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley to return to Toledo, which she did.

During the time Edith Barry was in Toledo she was interviewed by Special Agent E. J. Wynn and Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, and as indicated, on May 3, 1936 was interviewed by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and the writer. As a result of the interview with Edith Barry by the writer the following information is being set out:

Tommy Coker

She stated that in the fall of 1935 there appeared at her home an individual known to her as Tommy, whom she identified from photograph shown her as being identical with Sam Coker; that he told her that he had been serving a term in the penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, and that subject Karpis effected his parole from that institution and met him at the prison gates, whereupon he proceeded with Karpis to the southwest, near some lake where they lived together, and that a few days after the premises they were occupying near the lake were abandoned, a raid was

conducted by officers and fingerprints found on a mirror, which prints belonged to the woman with whom Karpis was living. (This episode apparently refers to the occasion when Karpis resided at Byers Landing near Hot Springs, as previously reported by the Little Rock office); that Tommy (Sam Coker) was a frequent visitor to her call house of prostitution last appearing there shortly after the raid recently conducted at Hot Springs, which would have been about April 1, 1936; that it was from this individual she learned that Harry Campbell was married; that he had been married in the summer or early fall of 1935 to a girl, whose name she understood to be Gladys, a young unsophisticated daughter of a Michigan farmer, and that apparently the marriage took place somewhere in Michigan; that undoubtedly Campbell met this girl at the home of Ed and Clara McGraw, 2011½ Adams Street, which place is a bootleg joint and a house of assignation; that Campbell's wife, Gladys, is supposed to visit the McGraws on occasions and in spite of the fact that the McGraws know the identity of Harry Campbell they have not conveyed this information to Gladys and she is innocent as to his true identity; that Coker always referred to Campbell by the name of Bob; that Coker also advised her that Campbell felt very secure at Toledo and in demonstration of this related to Edith that he, Campbell, purchased a black Scottie dog from the present sheriff at Toledo, namely, James O'Reilly, who resides in a residence set apart for him in the county jail; that the sheriff has a sweetheart with whom he is very intimate and this sweetheart is a personal friend of Harry Campbell's wife Gladys and visits her frequently. She stated that Sam Coker, known to her as Tommy, on the occasion of his last visit to her place on April 1, 1936, advised her that he would be back in a very short time, however, he has not put in an appearance.

When shown a photograph of Fred Hunter, Edith Barry identified it as being a person known to her as Freddie, stating that on the occasion of the last visit made by Karpis to her home in the fall of 1935, Karpis was accompanied by Freddie, it appearing that they came to the house in an automobile being driven by Freddie, who came in and stayed for a few minutes and departed in the automobile, later calling for Karpis; that she was particularly impressed by the fact that Freddie had an impediment in his speech. She also advised that after the interview had with her at her home by Agent on April 29, 1936, a certain party came to her house and in a conversation told her that Harry Campbell had just returned to town. With some reluctance she finally admitted that the source of her information in this regard was Joe Roscoe, and after some further interrogation stated that it was her understanding that Joe Roscoe does not come into direct contact with Harry Campbell, but through the McGraws secures information regarding the activities of Harry Campbell.

Edith Barry stated that in her opinion there are few people who know exactly where Harry Campbell resides in Toledo, her guess being, however, that undoubtedly Sam Coker knows the address, inasmuch as he has indicated to her in the past that he has spent time there and also that it is her understanding that the girl friend of the sheriff visits with Gladys, the alleged wife of Harry Campbell.

It is the understanding of Edith Barry, both from having seen Harry Campbell in the past, as previously reported by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, and from recent information obtained by her from Sam Coker that it will be very difficult to identify Harry Campbell from any photographs in possession of the Bureau, inasmuch as he has taken on considerable weight and at the present time weighs about 150 pounds, and has a full face. She stated that Harry Campbell likes brown clothes and at such times as she has seen him he was always dressed in that color clothing. She related that Sam Coker got "quite a kick" out of telling her how Harry Campbell had fooled officers at Detroit, Michigan, having been arrested there for running through a red traffic light, and immediately upon paying his fine he was released.

Edith Barry was unable to furnish any information with reference to the girl friend of Sheriff O'Reilly, however, she promised to endeavor to obtain information along that line and arrangements have been made with her by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, whereby she is to contact the Cleveland office in the event she has any information along this line.

She advised that it is her understanding that Harry Campbell first met Sheriff O'Reilly at a roadhouse operated by Pat O'Brien, which she believed to be located somewhere in Lucas County, however, she could not furnish the exact location. She also stated that Sam Coker told her that Harry Campbell on one occasion owned a roadhouse on Telegraph Road out of Toledo, Ohio, which he sold for a considerable profit.

The following memorandum dated April 17, 1936, has been submitted by Special Agent B. M. Hirsh with further reference to John Zetzer of Port Clinton, Ohio, who, it is to be recalled, was the pilot who flew Karpis from Port Clinton to Hot Springs on November 8, 1935, the day following the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery:

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In connection with my previous memorandums concerning information furnished by Fred Brint, United States Game Warden at Toledo, to Mr. Openlander, Assistant United States Attorney, about John Zetzer, who was taken by three men from his home in Port Clinton, Ohio, some time ago, please be advised of the following additional information which was furnished to Mr. Openlander by Mr. Brint, who in turn advised the writer:

Mr. Openlander stated that Fred Brint advised him that after receiving a call from an unknown party at Cleveland and making an appointment to meet that party at Sandusky, Ohio on Tuesday, April 7, 1936, he proceeded to Sandusky at that time in company with Captain of Detectives George Timminey of the Toledo Police Department. After arriving in Sandusky, Brint, Timminey and a third party (either a friend of Brint's from Toledo, or a police officer of Sandusky) they met a person who introduced himself as being Lawrence Fleishman, United States Treasury Department Customs Agent, with offices in the Federal Building at Cleveland, Ohio, and whose superior is [redacted] At that time a long discussion was had concerning the gold smuggling activities of the Zetzer brothers. At that time Fleishman also had a very long talk with Captain Timminey. Mr. Openlander stated that inasmuch as he did not know whether we were interested in the Zetzer case, he was furnishing this information for what it was worth, feeling that Fleishman may have had a lot of information about the Zetzer case and possibly other Government angles which he may have unwittingly or otherwise disclosed to Captain Timminey not knowing him as we know him, or in spite of it. Mr. Openlander felt that it might be to our interest to know this, further advising that Brint seems to think that Captain Timminey is the last word in being okay.

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Depending on who Fleishman is, it might be of some interest to the Customs Bureau to know to whom they were talking when they talked with Timminey.

Regarding the strange disappearance of John Zetzer, Mr. Brint now advised Mr. Openlander that Guy Tibbles advised him that Zetzer informed him, Tibbles, that he had not been held by Federal Agents during the time of his disappearance from Port Clinton, but that in retribution for his, Zetzer's, having passed some $6,800 in counterfeit money to members of the gang in Timmins, Ontario, in exchange for gold dust given to him, three members of the gang either from Timmins, or from Cleveland had grabbed him and made him work off the debt by giving them transportation in his plane; that they compelled him to take them

to Toledo where they flew away in his plane; that during the week of his absence he did enough flying for them to qualify himself for a transport or a commercial flying license, although he could not apply that flying time to obtain such a license (implying that possibly the flying was for an illegal purpose).

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During the course of investigation at Toledo, Ohio, Special Agent C. E. Smith observed the following license numbers on automobiles, which he deemed advisable to have checked, inasmuch as these cars were observed in the vicinity of Edith Barry's house of prostitution:

1936 Kansas license #36-575. The owner of this car has been ascertained by the Kansas City office and no further investigation will be conducted at Toledo, Ohio.

1936 Arkansas license #111-522. The Little Rock office advised that this car is owned by one Claude Linton, who was supposed to be a professional ball player and it is known to this Agent that Claude Linton is a catcher for the Toledo Mud Hens, a baseball team.

1936 Kansas license #86461. The Kansas City office advised that these plates are listed to Mike Powers, Burden, Kansas. Mike Powers is presently left fielder for the Toledo baseball team.

1936 Louisiana license #144-353. The New Orleans office has advised that these plates are listed to Harry A. Davis, Jr., 2807 Sanford Street, Shrevesport, Louisiana. Davis is first baseman for the Toledo team.

The Bureau, by letter dated April 6, 1936 (7-576) furnished the Cleveland office with the complete criminal record of Fred Hunter, which is set out below, FBI #54440. The Bureau letter also advised that an appropriate wanted notice had been placed in the files of the Bureau to the effect that the Cleveland office was to be notified in the event he is apprehended, exclusive of any other law enforcement agency.

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WANTED BY BUREAU: As Fred Hunter, alias Fred King, alias Harold King (poss. ident.) for questioning in regard with investigation to apprehend Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, subjects in Bremer Kidnap Case. Notify Bu. Off., Cleveland, Ohio, (inf. rec. therefrom 2-20-36, Bu. file 7-576-9593). (This wanted notice is to be treated as confidential and not to be quoted to any other law enforcement agency).

The Bureau by letter dated April 10, 1936 advised that Clayton Hall, Bureau file #7-576-10422, has no criminal record. [redacted] b7C

The Bureau by letter dated April 7, 1936 (7-576) advised that the material forwarded to the Bureau by letter from the Cleveland office, dated March 26, 1936, had been processed for latent prints, however, no prints of value were developed. As set out in the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated April 22, 1936, the material furnished to the Bureau consisted of certain articles taken from the home of Clayton Hall at Youngstown, Ohio, which articles were left at his home by subject Karpis and by Fred Hunter.

As previously set out in past investigation in this case, Mrs. Jean Morgan of Lorain, Ohio, furnished certain information indicating that she could possibly secure the location of Alvin Karpis through one Sam Gallagher at Detroit, Michigan, and at one time it was deemed

advisable to have her proceed to Detroit and accordingly the Bureau, by letter dated February 29, 1936 &-576) authorized the expenditure of $35.00. In view of recent developments in this case it is not deemed necessary to have Mrs. Morgan proceed to Detroit and accordingly a separate letter is being directed to the Bureau calling attention to this matter in order that they might withdraw the authorized expenditure.

The Bureau by letter dated April 14, 1936 &-576) advised that the pasteboard box bearing the label Gordon Brothers Pharmacy, Youngstown, Ohio, which was surreptitiously obtained in the house of prostitution of Edith Barry at Toledo, had been processed for latent prints, but that only one print, too fragmentary for observation, was found on the box.

As indicated in the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated April 22, 1936, John Brock furnished information to the post office inspectors to the effect that undoubtedly in the event Fred Hunter or Karpis visited Cleveland, Ohio, they would visit the Gordon Square Hotel, and as indicated in the aforementioned report some investigation was conducted at that hotel by Special Agent John L. Madala on April 7, 1936. Agent Madala registered at the Gordon Square Hotel, West 65th Street and Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, under the name of John L. Manders. An observation of this hotel disclosed that the hotel itself covers the entire third floor of the building known as the Gordon Square Arcade. In conversation with the day clerk, Agent Madala ascertained that the Gordon Square Hotel consists of seventy rooms and that the same is a residence hotel rather than a transient hotel. It was further learned that at the time Agent Madala resided there about fifty of the rooms were occupied by permanent guests and that only ten rooms had been set aside for transients. Agent Madala loitered in the lobby of this hotel on April 7, 1936 and also on April 8, 1936, and observed no persons answering the description of Karpis, Fred Hunter, or Harry Campbell. Agent Madala did observe, however, that the majority of the guests residing at this hotel were elderly people of the working class. On April 8, 1936, Agent Madala, in conversation with the manager, who is an elderly woman, advised her that he was recommended to this hotel by Mr. Evans, which is the name used by John Brock at the time he resided there in the fall of 1935. The manager apparently recognized the name as she stated that Mr. Evans was a very fine gentleman.

Agent Madala checked out on April 8, 1936, due to the pressure of other matters in connection with this case.

The following investigations were conducted by Special Agents E. J. Dowd, Edwin N. Johnson, D. E. Wells, L. F. Malone, W. M. Sirene, J. V. Murphy, C. J. Endres and A. S. Reeder, from April 22, 1936 to April 28, 1936, inclusive, the reporting Agent being E. J. Dowd:

On April 22, 1936, Agents Birch and Johnson were on duty at the plant maintained at [redacted] residence, 134 Ridgewood Drive, Youngstown, Ohio, there being in addition thereto two post office inspectors.

On the same date Agent Wells and a post office inspector were on duty at the plant maintained at the residence of James Stine, Wolcott Drive, Youngstown, Ohio.

On the same date Agents L. F. Malone, W. M. Sirene, and J. V. Murphy were on duty at the plant maintained on the farm of Clyde Rochatt, Route #3, Newton Falls, Ohio.

On April 23, 1936 Agents Birch and Johnson were on duty at the plant maintained at the residence of [redacted]

On the same date Agent Wells was on duty at the James Stine residence until 8:30 P. M., when he was relieved by Agent Dowd.

Agents Malone, Sirene and Murphy were on duty at the farm of Clyde Rochat.

On April 24, 1936 at two P. M. Agent Wells relieved Agent Dowd.

On April 25, 1936, Agent Johnson relieved Agent Wells on duty at the Stine home from two P. M. to eight P. M. At noon, Agent Reeder went on duty at the [redacted] plant.

On the same date Agents Malone, Sirene and Murphy were on duty at the Clyde Rochat farm.

While visiting at the Clyde Rochat farm on April 25, 1936, Agent Malone advised Agent Dowd that he had a conversation with Clyde Rochat in which the latter stated that Fred Hunter was an admirer of Joe Brown and Bing Crosby, movie actors, and usually attended motion picture theatres where their pictures were shown.

Agent Malone also advised that Hunter frequented the Ivy Inn, a disorderly house operated by Emma Tiplitz, located on Route 5, east of Warren, Ohio.

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Agent Murphy advised that he recalls that while Russell Cooper was confined in jail at Muskogee, Oklahoma, before the jail break, that he did not know the exact location of the hideout of Alvin Karpis near Mena, Arkansas, but Johnny Langdon knew its location. Langdon is now in custody at Kansas City, Missouri.

Agent Murphy also advised that he made a further thorough search of the Ford coupe, now on the premises of Clyde Rochat, and discovered that the car had an extra gasoline tank, and that there was a Socony-Vacuum Oil Company road map of Pennsylvania and an Erie Railroad time table. There were no marks on the road map but the time table, on page 11, has pencil check marks against the trains leaving Youngstown, Ohio at 5:07 A. M. and 6:43 P. M., arriving at West 23rd Street, New York at 7:50 P. M. and 8:54 A. M., respectively, with further pencil figures of $24.25 and $6.75, total $31.00, probably indicating railroad fare and pullman.

As already reported, the Ford coupe referred to above was purchased on October 19, 1935 in the name of Carl Aitkens by Fred Hunter, and left at the farm of Clyde Rochat by Harry Campbell. This car was probably used by the gang in going over the back dirt roads just before the Garrettsville mail train robbery on November 7, 1935.

On April 26, 1936, Agents Endres and Reeder were on duty with two post office inspectors at the residence of [redacted] and were relieved at eight P. M. by Agents Birch and Johnson. At five P. M. on the same date Agent Dowd relieved Agent Wells at the Stine home. 87c

On the same date Agents Malone, Sirene and Murphy were on duty at the Clyde Rochat farm at Newton Falls, Ohio.

On April 27, 1936 at 12:15 P. M., Agent Wells relieved Agent Dowd at the Stine home and at 8:15 P. M. Agents Endres and Reeder were at the [redacted] residence to relieve Agents Birch and Johnson.

On the same date Agents Malone, Sirene and Murphy were on duty at the Clyde Rochat farm at Newton Falls, Ohio.

On April 27, 1936, Agent Dowd ascertained from Post Office Inspector Casey that he was proceeding to Toledo, Ohio, for the purpose of conducting investigation at that place and to pick up Edith Barry, taking her to Cleveland, Ohio, for questioning.

In accordance with instructions received from Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, in a letter from him dated April 15, 1936, Agent Dowd presented a photograph of Sam Goldstein, a former Dillinger gangster, to Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick, requesting him to exhibit it to John Brock, confined in jail at Youngstown, Ohio, to determine whether he could identify Goldstein as being an associate of Karpis and Campbell. At the time this photograph was presented to Mr. Hettrick no name or description appeared on it. This was requested in Chicago letter dated April 14, 1936.

Post Office Inspector Hettrick advised Agent Dowd that he exhibited the photograph to John Brock, who stated that the face was familiar to him, but he was unable to identify the photograph, advising that if he had had the man's nickname it might help him refresh his recollection. This information with the photograph was returned to the Cleveland office.

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The following investigation was conducted at Youngstown, Warren, Leavittsburg, Ohio, and Conneautville, Pennsylvania, on April 26 and 29, 1936 to May 1, 1936 by Special Agent T. M. Birch:

Post Office Inspector H. W. Tavener advised that it was his intention to proceed to the home of George Hunter, who is the father of Fred Hunter, and who resides at Leavittsburg, Ohio, and interview him in an effort to obtain information relative to the location of Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis. The above was telephonically transmitted to Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland at Cleveland, who instructed this Agent to accompany Inspector Tavener.

George Hunter was interviewed at his home in Leavittsburg, Ohio, and advised that he was seventy-two years of age. He appeared to be an active man and stated that he was employed daily as a blacksmith and boilermaker; that his wife, the mother of his children, had died in 1910, and that he had made an unsuccessful effort to raise his children properly. George Hunter advised that he was the father of five sons and one daughter, the latter never having been seen by him, and whose name and location is not known to him; further that his son, William (Bill) now in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, is serving a long sentence, the offense not being known to George Hunter; that another son, Clarence, is now married and employed as a clerk in Millets Store in Wyndham, Ohio, and who, to his knowledge has never been in trouble. Albert, who had served a sentence for burglary in the Ohio

State Reformatory at Mansfield, and who is now employed by the Republic Steel Company in Warren as a welder and who resides with his common law wife, Mrs. Yoho, and an ex-convict by the name of William J. Montgomery at 784 East Market Street, telephone 4228X. George Hunter advised that if Fred Hunter contacted any of his relatives it would be Albert. Another son, who had been killed in a gas station holdup, and Fred, completed his family.

George Hunter advised that Albert would be the only one of his relatives that Fred would contact and that the only information that he, George, received as to Fred was through Albert. George Hunter further advised that the last time he saw Fred was in July or August, 1935, when Fred came to his house accompanied by two other men driving a 1935 black Ford sedan at which time Fred stated that he was going south. George further advised that Fred was a devotee of cock fighting and that he, George, was keeping several game cocks belonging to Fred at the present time. Fred informed his father that he had been employed as a dealer in a gambling house at Homestead, Pennsylvania, which place was known as Charley Ross' Place, and that this gambling establishment was supposed to be partially owned by one Jim Muncine, a Warren, Ohio, gambler. George Hunter later remembered that Fred had talked about a gambling house at St. Petersburg, Florida, but did not go into detail. George Hunter further advised that Fred was intimate with one Perry Hall, who now lived in or near Newton Falls. George Hunter advised that he had heard that Fred and two of his friends had stayed with Rochet during the month of October, 1935, but that he could not be positive as to this. George Hunter further advised that he had seen pictures of Alvin Karpis in the papers and that he was of the opinion that one of the men accompanying Fred resembled the newspaper pictures of Karpis. Pictures of Karpis and other subjects in this file were exhibited to George Hunter, but he failed to effect a positive identification of any of them.

George Hunter advised that he had never been in any trouble and that he was respected as an honest law abiding citizen, and that prior to the time of Agent's call he had anticipated such a visit, further that while Fred was his son he realized that the proper place for him was in the penitentiary, and that he would rather see him there than to have him killed, but that Fred would have to decide just what attitude he would take. George Hunter advised that he would furnish this Agent any information he might receive that would result in the apprehension of Fred and any of his companions, without any thought of reward. George Hunter was instructed how to contact the Cleveland Bureau office and this Agent at Youngstown, Ohio.

Agent again contacted George Hunter on April 30, 1936, and advised that in conversation with his son, Albert, he, Albert, had stated that in February or March, 1936, he had received a communication

from Fred Hunter, who was at that time in Gulfport, Mississippi. Further inquiry revealed that this communication had been a letter and that there had been enclosed two $20 bills. The reason for sending this money to Albert was not known to George, who stated that probably it was intended that Albert transmit it to William in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta.

Inquiry of Post Office Inspector H. W. Tavener revealed that the post office inspectors have no mail cover on mail received by Albert Hunter. However, such a cover is to be placed by Inspector Tavener, who will advise this Agent.

With regard to a letter received by George Hunter, mailed at Conneautville, Pennsylvania, April 24, 1936, George exhibited this letter to Agent, and upon examination it was found to have been written by Mrs. Ollie Consula, Pierpont, Ohio, RFD #2, in care of A.A. Giddings, and had to do with some work done for Mrs. Consula by George Hunter.

On April 30, 1936, when Agent again interviewed George Hunter, he advised that he had remembered that when Fred had visited him in the summer of 1935 he had given him, George, $25.00.

George Hunter advised that the Ohio State Penitentiary pictures of Fred are a very good likeness.

Despite George Hunter's statement that it would be useless to interview Albert Hunter, it is the intention of the post office inspectors working on the Garrettsville and Warren mail robberies to arrest Albert Hunter and bring him to Youngstown for questioning.

On April 29, 1936 this Agent overheard a telephone conversation between Post Office Inspector Tavener in Youngstown and Post Office Inspector Hettrick, wherein plans were discussed for transferring John Brock, one of the men who with Karpis and Fred Hunter, and Harry Campbell participated in the Garrettsville mail train robbery, from the county jail in Youngstown to Cleveland, where he will be held pending trial. These plans called for the employment of four policemen from the Cleveland Police Department as guards, and a stop at Warren and Garrettsville for a reenactment of the robbery for the benefit of the United States Attorney, who will prosecute the matter, and for the purpose of taking pictures of this, likewise the home of Clyde Rochat at Newton Falls, where the robbers stayed prior to the robbery, and that of Clayton Hall, 134 Ridgewood Drive, Youngstown, who is now being used as a confidential informant by Bureau agents.

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On April 30, 1936, Post Office Inspectors Hettrick, Cordrey, and two others whose names were not known to this Agent, accompanied by Assistant United States Attorney Wiedemann, several men said to be Cleveland detectives, and two newspaper photographers, appeared in the office of the post office inspectors at Youngstown. The information relative to this manuever had been communicated to Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, who had instructed that all Agents on plants be instructed that in the event an effort was made to take pictures that Agents on plants should take cover and not let their presence be known. This was done.

In conversation with Post Office Inspector Hettrick he stated that he could not see the reason for keeping these plants in operation as the publicity they had received had rendered them valueless.

On April 27, 1936 this Agent received information from the post office inspectors that they intended to pick up Edith Barry at Toledo, Ohio, and take her to Cleveland, Ohio for questioning. Also that Mrs. Clayton Hall was worried about her son and husband and threatened to commit suicide. This information was transmitted by telephone to Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland by the writer.

The Youngstown papers carried a news item to the effect that the post office inspectors filed on John Brock, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and John Doe, alias Sam, and the Assistant United States Attorney at Cleveland, Ohio, released information to the press regarding the same. Copies of the newspapers were forwarded to the Cleveland Bureau office.

On April 28, 1936 Post Office Inspector Tavener advised Agent that he had received a mail tracing from the postmaster at Leavittsburg, Ohio, of a letter addressed to George Hunter, father of Fred Hunter, this letter having been mailed at Conneautville, Pennsylvania, on April 24, 1936, and bore no return address, and the postmaster forwarding the tracing advised Inspector Tavener that the handwriting was that of Fred Hunter. The above information was transmitted by Agent to Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland at Cleveland, who instructed Agent Birch to make an investigation at Conneautville, Pennsylvania, in an effort to learn if Fred Hunter was in the vicinity of Conneautville, inasmuch as he probably would be accompanied by fugitive Alvin Karpis.

Accompanied by Inspector Tavener, Agent proceeded by automobile to Conneautville, Pennsylvania and there interviewed A. D. Stevens, postmaster, and Miss Marie Sheehan, assistant postmaster. Numerous photographs including those of Karpis, Campbell, and Fred Hunter, and Milton Lett were exhibited to them, but they failed to identify any of the photographs.

Mr. Stevens advised that one John Hunter and his son, John Hunter, Jr. lived near Hayfield, Pennsylvania on a rural route out of Meadville, Pennsylvania, and that the rural carrier was one Denny Matthews, who resided about seven miles east of Conneautville, Pennsylvania. Denny Matthews was interviewed by Agent and Inspector Tavener and he advised that the picture of Fred Hunter was familiar to him, but he could not positively identify him as being in the community recently. Matthews stated that he daily delivered mail at the home of John Hunter, Hayfield, Pennsylvania, but he never saw Fred Hunter at the house, although he indicated that John Hunter had relatives in the vicinity of Warren, Ohio.

Post Office Inspector Tavener informed Agent Birch that he intended to bring George Hunter, father of Fred Hunter to Youngstown, Ohio, and question him in connection with the letter received by him from Conneautville, Pennsylvania, and particularly as to the whereabouts of his son, Fred Hunter.

Agent transmitted this information by telephone to Special Agent in Charge MacFarland at Cleveland, Ohio, who advised Agent Birch to accompany the post office inspectors to Leavittsburg, Ohio, and be present when George Hunter was interviewed.

While Agent was en route from Youngstown, Ohio to Conneautville, Pennsylvania with Inspector Tavener, the latter advised that he had been instructed by Inspector Hettrick to give information relative to plants now being maintained by Bureau Agents at Youngstown and vicinity to newspaper reporters so that such information would render the plants worthless, inasmuch as the post office inspectors did not have sufficient men to man these plants. Tavener stated that he did not agree with this policy but he had to follow it, the reason being that the post office inspectors, or rather some of them, are jealous of the Bureau and resent the action taken by the Bureau in issuing wanted circulars for Karpis and Campbell in which a greater reward is offered than that posted by the Post Office Department.

The articles appearing in the Youngstown and Warren, Ohio newspapers quoting Inspector Tavener have been forwarded to the Cleveland Bureau office.

While on an investigation at Conneautville, Pennsylvania, Agent Birch observed that around and in the vicinity of Conneaut Lake there are numerous summer homes, cabins and camps for rent, any of which could be used to good advantage as hideouts for Alvin Karpis and his gang.

Postmaster A. S. Stevens of Conneautville, Pennsylvania called Agent's attention to the robbery of the First National Bank of Conneautville, Pennsylvania in the fall of 1935. Agent Dowd recalls that Archie Negleman, former prohibition agent, now serving time in the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, furnished information to the effect that this bank was robbed by Joe Rich, Milton Lett and Fred Hunter.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents T. M. Birch and E. J. Dowd at Warren and Leavittsburg, Ohio, on May 1st and 2nd, 1936:

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About nine P. M. on May 1, 1936 a telephone call was received by Agent Birch, then on duty at the residence of [redacted] Ohio, from Captain George Salen of Warren, Ohio, to the effect that a [redacted] a confidential informant of his, residing at 624 Chinook Place, Warren, Ohio, reported to him that a machine gun and other firearms used by Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, and others, in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery were at the present time at the residence of Albert Hunter, 784 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio. Captain Salen further advised that this information had also been received by [redacted] from Mary Yoho, who was living with Albert Hunter as his common law wife.

The above information was transmitted over the telephone by Agent Birch to Special Agent in Charge MacFarland at Cleveland, who after communicating with Mr. Tamm of the Bureau, instructed Agents Birch and Dowd to proceed to Warren, Ohio, and with the aid of the police and other Bureau Agents make a search of the home of Albert Hunter, and conduct any other necessary investigation.

Agent Dowd in company with Agent D. E. Wells, proceeded from Youngstown, Ohio to the farm of Clyde Rochat, where other Agents were on a plant. Agents Malone and J. V. Murphy were taken from this plant and with Agents Dowd and Wells proceeded by Bureau car to Warren, Ohio, where they contacted Agent Birch, who went from Youngstown, Ohio with Post Office Inspector H. W. Tavener.

Prior to the arrival of Agent Dowd and other Agents, a preliminary survey of the premises at 784 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio, had been made by Agent Birch, who ascertained that the rooms occupied by Albert Hunter and Mary Yoho were over a saloon known as Al & Bill's Place, operated by Albert Hunter and Bill Montgomery. This place

is bounded on the north by East Market Street, and on the east by the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks, vacant lots are on the south and west sides. It is a two-story frame structure with a narrow stairway running through the center of the building from the street.

Captain George Salen, Sergeant C. M. Wagners, Officers George Mock and M. E. Marowitz of the Warren Police Department, assisted Agents in the search of the premises occupied by Albert Hunter and Mary Yoho, and the latter three were designated to cover the rear of the building. Captain Salen had previously advised that the saloon and premises was known as a joint and frequented by notorious underworld characters.

About 12:15 A. M. on May 2, 1936, after reaching the premises and the usual precautions had been taken, Captain Salen entered the saloon and requested Albert Hunter to come out, which he did. Agent Birch then identified himself to Hunter and after talking to him, Hunter did not hesitate to give permission to search the premises. A thorough search was made and the only firearms found was a Winchester, lever action, 25-20 caliber, octagon barrel, model 1892, bearing the serial #292771. This rifle was located in the bedroom occupied by Albert Hunter and Mary Yoho, the latter two being present at the time. The rifle was fully loaded. Albert Hunter readily admitted ownership of the rifle, advising that it was given to him by his father, George Hunter, who purchased it some years ago for $27.00 from Griswold's Hardware Store, Warren, Ohio, or the Warren hardware store. At the time the rifle was found there were also present Agents Birch and Dowd, Post Office Inspector Tavener and Captain Salen.

While the premises were being searched Officer George Mock came upstairs and informed Captain Salen that he learned in a conversation with Clara Arey, who was tending bar downstairs that Mary Yoho had confided to her that Albert Hunter, on Monday night, April 27, 1936 took a machine gun and an outboard motor from the place to George Hunter's farm at Leavittsburg, Ohio. With this additional information in hand, Captain Salen instructed his men to take Albert Hunter and Mary Yoho to the station and book them under fictitious names, and hold them pending further investigation.

It was then decided to go to the farm of George Hunter and search it for the machine gun and other firearms. Agents Birch, J. V. Murphy and Malone, together with Sergeant Wagners, and Officers Mock and Marowitz, proceeded to the farm of George Hunter at Leavittsburg, Ohio.

In the meantime Agents Dowd and Wells and Captain Salen interviewed Clara Arey in her apartment located upstairs over 782 East Market Street.

Clara Arey stated that she is the wife of Winston E. Arey, an Ohio State Patrolman; that for some time at the request of her husband and Mark Mock and George Sowers, also of the Ohio State Patrol, she has been endeavoring to secure information from Mary Yoho as to the whereabouts of Fred Hunter; that on Monday night, April 27, 1936, she and her husband attended the birthday party of Albert Hunter, which party was given by Mary Yoho. Albert Hunter failed to put in an appearance until about two o'clock the next day, although she noticed his car parked in back of the place about eleven P. M., April 27, 1936. The next day, April 28, 1936, Clara Arey stated she invited Mary Yoho to her apartment, and after having a few beers together Mary Yoho talked about the article that appeared in the Warren newspaper mentioning the name of Fred Hunter as one of the bandits who held up the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train on November 7, 1935. Mary stated that she hoped that Albert would not get into any trouble over it, and when Clara asked Mary why Albert was not at the party the night before, Mary said he went to his father's farm to get rid of a sub-machine gun and a stolen outboard motor for a motor boat. When questioned further about this matter, Clara Arey changed her story and said that she recalled that Mary Yoho stated that the machine gun and motor were at Albert's place, and that he removed them on the night of April 27, 1936, this accounting for Albert's absence from the party. Clara Arey admitted that she was a close friend of Mary Yoho and that she visited with them on numerous occasions; that she never saw the machine gun or motor on the premises occupied by Albert Hunter and Mary Yoho, and prior to April 28, 1936, never heard any mention of them. She further stated that she did not tell her husband about the conversation she had with Mary Yoho, but on two occasions tried to get Patrolman Mock on the telephone at Massillon, Ohio, inasmuch as he was working on the case with Patrolman Sowers.

At the farm of George Hunter, Leavittsburg, Ohio, George Hunter was interviewed by Agent Birch. He gave permission to search his farm. There were found there one 410 shot gun and a .22 caliber rifle, with no numbers. These guns were both old and in bad condition. There was also found a two cycle one cylinder Evinrude motor #4091-5455, sportsman's model. George Hunter advised that this motor had been given to him while he had been on a fishing trip in Wisconsin by a man whose identity was unknown to him. The Warren, Ohio police officers decided to take the motor to headquarters at Warren, Ohio for checking. George Hunter gave them permission to do so, and he volunteered to accompany them to the police station, where he was booked pending investigation.

Thomas Motor

George Hunter was interviewed by Agents Birch and Dowd. He stated that he had not seen his son, Fred Hunter, since July or August, 1935, at which time, if he recalled correctly, Fred came to his place and gave him $25.00 at the same time leaving the Evin-Rude motor. He denied any knowledge of a machine gun or other firearms in possession of Fred Hunter, or that a machine gun or other firearms had been taken to his place by Fred Hunter, Albert Hunter, or anyone else. Mr. Hunter made numerous conflicting statements, some of them apparently due to the fact that he is 72 years of age, and hard of hearing, while undoubtedly others were made to shield his two sons, particularly Albert.

The activities of the Bureau Agents in connection with the search of Albert Hunter's place and his father's farm were transmitted over the telephone to Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland at Cleveland, Ohio.

In a later conversation over the telephone by Special Agent Dowd and Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, the latter instructed that further investigation be conducted at Warren and Leavittsburg, Ohio with a view of locating the machine guns or other firearms that might have been used in the Garrettsville mail train robbery.

On the morning of May 2, 1936 Agents Birch, Malone and J. V. Murphy, accompanied George Hunter to his farm where a thorough search was made of the place, with negative results. George Hunter was released by the police and Agents continued their investigation at Warren, Ohio.

Agents Dowd and Birch interviewed Mary Yoho and Albert Hunter and secured the following written signed statements from them:

"Warren, Ohio
"May 2, 1936

"I, MARY YOHO, make the following voluntary statement to Edward J. Dowd, whom I know to be a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice:

"I am 25 years of age, born at Yorkshire, New York on April 9, 1911. My father's name was Chester Smith, and my mother Lucinda Smith. They are both dead. I have three brothers, Elmer Smith, Los Angeles, who is single; Emmens Smith, married, who lives at Franklinville, N. Y; Leo Smith, single, who lives at Bowmansville, N. Y. I also have seven

sisters. All of them are married. Their names are Florence Pratt, Arcade, N. Y.; Pearl Sugg, Arcade, N. Y.; Margaret Wolf, Bowmansville, N. Y.; Gertie Farner, Springville, N. Y.; Iva Rose, Niles, Ohio; Jennie and Addie are dead.

"On January 11, 1927 I married Seeley Yoho at New Castle, Pennsylvania and by him had three children; Shirley Jessie, age 9, Charles William, age 6, Edward Albert is dead.

"I lived with Seeley Yoho, who is now at Warren, Ohio, for seven years. He divorced me three years ago at Warren, Ohio.

"I have resided at Warren, Ohio for the past eight years and about five years ago I made the acquaintance of Fred Hunter at Tony Hall's place in Warren, Ohio. Tony fights game roosters. My husband and myself used to raise game roosters for Fred Hunter.

"I had not been getting along with my husband, and two weeks before I left my husband, I began going with Fred Hunter. Later my husband divorced me and the court awarded the custody of the children to my husband. I then began working as a waitress, and had a room on Vine Street, southeast, Warren, Ohio, which was paid for by Fred Hunter, who lived with me part of the time, and my friends all knew about it. At that time Fred Hunter was working as a dealer in Jim Munsine's gambling place at Warren, Ohio. He also later worked at the Single G. gambling place on South Main Street. Along in May, 1934, I broke up with Fred Hunter and went with his brother, Albert Hunter, with whom I have lived ever since. We first lived on Main Street, Warren, Ohio, in the Turkish Bath Building. My reason for giving Fred Hunter up was that Albert told me if I continued to go with him I would get in trouble.

"Albert Hunter now is employed in the Trumbull plant of the Republic Iron and Steel Company at Warren, Ohio. He also has a half interest in Bill's place located at 784 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio, which is a beer joint. During the day time, I take care of the business most of the time. There are five rooms above the beer joint, which we rent out sometimes. Two of these rooms are occupied as living quarters by Albert and myself. Albert's partner is Bill Montgomery.

"Two or three nights before Albert Hunter's birthday (which is April 26, 1935), Fred Hunter came upstairs to our place and for about ten or fifteen minutes he talked to Albert and myself, and left a radio as a birthday present. I told Fred we were having a birthday party for Albert and invited him to come. He said he would be up if he could. I believe Albert and Fred went downstairs together. After Albert returned he told me that Fred certainly had a nice new car and it was the kind he would like to have. Albert always wanted a Ford V8.

"When Fred Hunter called on us he wore a nice light gray suit, and a light soft felt hat. He seems to be prosperous and we figured that he was employed in a gambling place at Pittsburgh, Pa. I did not see the car Fred came in but he seemed to be in a hurry to get away.

"This is the last time I saw Fred Hunter. There were never any letters received at the house for myself or Albert Hunter, and to my knowledge I do not know whether Albert got any mail from Fred.

"On Thursday, April 30, 1936, Daddy Hunter, George Hunter, father of Fred Hunter, came to our place and talked to Albert and myself for about five minutes telling us that four men went to see him the day before looking for Fred Hunter. He said I don't care what you do, but I'm telling the truth. He appeared all excited and said that he last saw Fred last July or August, 1935, when Fred called on him and gave him $25.00.

"On Monday night, April 27, 1936, there was a headline in the Warren, Ohio newspaper to the effect that Fred Hunter was implicated in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery. I read this paper about nine o'clock that night. About six P. M. that day Albert told me that he was going over to his father's place and get a couple of hours sleep, and return for his birthday party, which I was giving at our place on the night of April 27, 1936, Albert's birthday being on Sunday, April 26, 1936. I did not see Albert any more that night until about two o'clock the next morning, when I noticed Albert going to the bathroom. Several people who attended the party asked me where was Al, and I told them that I did not know. They remarked that his car was out in back of the place. Al's father came to the party about 11:30 or 12 O'clock. He asked for Albert. I told him he went up to his place to go to sleep and had not come back. Daddy said he had not seen him, but noticed Al's car in the back. Louie, who operates a radio store next door told me that Al's car was in back of the place that evening. The wife of Jenkins, who tends bar at our place said she saw Al upstairs about eleven o'clock. Clara Arey, wife of Highway Patrolman Winston Arey, both of whom live upstairs over our place in an apartment at the head of the stairs, was at the party that night with her husband. They came down about eleven P. M. I told them that Al had not showed up. Clara said he must be there because his car is out in the back. After the party was over, I went upstairs to Clara's apartment and drank some beer, and while there heard the door outside slam. This was the door to our room. I looked out of the apartment and saw Al come out going to the bathroom. I asked Al where he had been. He said he had been sleeping the last five hours. (This was about two A. M.)

"The next day I asked Al why he had not attended the party and he showed me the paper about the Garrettsville robbery. He said he did not want to worry me. Al did not get up that day until eleven or twelve o'clock. After eating he drove over to his dad's and did not return until about ten O'clock that evening. This was on the day of April 28th. I wanted to go with him but he said no he would go alone, and that he would be right back.

"After Al left for his father's place, Clara Arey came downstairs and got a couple of glasses of beer. We talked together out in the kitchen. The conversation was mostly about her husband. I recall telling her that on account of Al not being at the party, I was thinking of leaving him. I told her he went out to visit his father.

"Outside a Winchester rifle that is always in Alfred's room, this rifle having been given to him by his daddy, I have never seen any other guns, of any make or description around the place, and I never saw Fred Hunter carry a gun. After reading in the Warren paper about Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis, and reading about Alvin Karpis and his machine gun in Detective magazines, I asked Albert if Karpis had one, and he replied,'you shouldn't ask such questions;' that it would get me in trouble asking questions.

"After seeing photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell I can truthfully say that I never in my life saw these men and do not know them.

"Except what I read in the newspaper I did not know that Fred Hunter had been associated with or travelling with Alvin Karpis or Harry Campbell.

"I do not know anything about a machine gun that might have belonged to Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter or anyone else, and when the officers called at my place last night, May 1, 1936, I told them that they could come in and I had no objection to searching my place.

"I have read the foregoing statement over, consisting of three pages, each of which bears my signature, and after making corrections, hereby state that the same was given of my own free will, and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Mary Yoho

WITNESSED BY

T. M. Birch and E. J. Dowd,
Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Cleveland, Ohio.
George C. Salen,
Captain of Police, Warren, Ohio Police Dept."

"Warren, Ohio
"May 2, 1936.

"I, ALBERT HUNTER, make the following voluntary statement to E. J. Dowd and T. M. Birch, whom I am advised are Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice:

"I am 34 years of age, married and divorced. I reside at 784 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio, with Mary Yoho.

"I was born at Warren, Ohio on April 26, 1902. My father's name is George W. Hunter. He lives on Meadowbrook Road, Leavittsburg, Ohio. My mother, Elizabeth, is dead. I have four brothers. Owen, who was killed by police in July, 1932 at Warren, Ohio; William, single. I do not know of his present whereabouts; Clarence, the last I heard of is at Windam, Ohio; Fred, his present whereabouts being unknown.

"I am an acetylene welder by occupation and at the present time am employed with the Republic Steel Company. I am also a half owner in a beer garden known as Al & Bill's Place, 783 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio. William Montgomery is my partner.

"I first became acquainted with Mary Yoho about three years ago. She was going with Fred, my brother. She used to go with Fred, who was a black jack dealer at Jim Muncine's, Warren, Ohio.

"The last time I saw my brother Fred was about a year ago, say about April 23rd or April 24th, 1935. I was then living in the Turkish Bath Building at Warren, Ohio. Fred came to see me that time with a cheap radio, as a birthday present. He also left some used shirts with me. He did not stay long, and as Mary Yoho came in I walked downstairs with him and he went over to a new Ford V8 coupe, to the best of my knowledge. There was another man in the car who wore glasses. The lights were out at the time and it was dark, and I was not introduced to the man, and could not recognize him. After a few minutes Fred got in the car and it drove away.

"I did not hear from Fred any more directly or indirectly until my daddy came over to the beer garden and talked to Mary, telling her that there were some men over at his place asking about Fred; that he did not hear from him since July or August, 1935.

"On April 27, 1936 Mary Yoho gave a birthday party for me at our place. That day I worked and when I returned home, after eating, I told Mary I intended to go up and see my dad. While I was passing the bar my attention was called to the newspaper headline about my brother, Fred. I rushed over to see Barney Gillen, Chief of Police, and asked him if Fred was in jail, and he told me no. I said what was this I see in the paper about him. He said well he didn't know anything about it, that he was not in jail at Warren. I then drove over to my dad's and when I found that he was not in I returned home. I went around the front and saw a bunch of people in the place and I couldn't face them on account of the article in the paper, so I went upstairs and went to bed.

"I heard the trooper's wife, Clara Arey, laughing, and she woke me up. She lives with her husband upstairs next to my place in No. 782. Clara asked me to come in and have a drink. Mary came up the stairs and asked me where I had been. I told her asleep and didn't wake up.

"The next day, April 28th, I was not working, and told Mary the reason why I did not attend the party, on account of the stuff in the newspaper about Fred. I got up about noon this day, and early in the afternoon went over to my dad's place and he brought up about the newspaper article regarding Fred. I stayed until dark and drove him over to Leavittsburg, Ohio, where he got the newspaper. I returned home, and later retired.

"I now recall that before I left the place where I lived in the Turkish Bath Building at Warren, Ohio, that I saw my dad and he informed me that my brother came to his place. He did not say anyone was with him. Dad said he noticed as Fred was about to wash his hands that he had a pistol on him, and later he said he saw in Fred's coupe, what looked like the barrel of a rifle. He said Fred gave him some money at that time for coal. My father was worried. He said this did not look right to him, that Fred had good clothes and now carrying guns; that the job Fred was supposed to have in a gambling place did not pay that much money. I told him maybe he had to have the guns in carrying money from the gambling place to the bank. Fred told dad that he had to have the guns for his own protection in carrying money to the bank.

"Quite some time before my birthday, April 26, 1936, Fred visited me at my place in the Turkish Bath Building. He came along in a Ford V8 coupe. At that time Fred was not very well dressed. He delivered an Evin-Rudg outboard motor to me, and at the same time gave me a small diamond ring for my birthday. I now have this ring and am wearing it. Fred came back a few days

later, and he and myself went to my dad's place in my car and delivered the motor there. It is still at dad's place.

"When the officers came to my place last evening, they asked me if I had any guns there. I told them that the only one I had was a loaded rifle and brought it out and showed it to them. I then told them that they had permission to search the premises, which they did, finding only this Winchester 25-20 rifle, which was given to me by my father, who said he purchased it some time ago at I believe Griswold's Hardware Company, Warren, Ohio.

"There was never a Thompson machine gun in my place and to my knowledge never one on my father's place. I never saw Fred with one.

"Mary Yoho was standing behind the bar reading the newspaper, I believe about the Garrettsville job. She asked me if Fred had a machine gun. I said no, why ask that. I told her not to bring up matters about that; that she had better keep her mouth shut as she might get in trouble if someone heard her talk that way at the bar.

"I have been shown photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, but cannot identify them.

"I have read the foregoing statement over consisting of two pages, each of which bears my signature, and after making corrections, say it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witnessed By ALBERT HUBTER

T. M. Birch and E. J. Dowd
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Cleveland, Ohio."

Mary Yoho and Albert Hunter were photographed and their fingerprints taken by the Warren, Ohio Police Department, copies of which prints were transmitted to the Bureau at Washington, D. C.

Descriptions of Mary Yoho and Albert Hunter, as obtained by Agents through observation and interrogation are as follows:

Name	-	Mary Yoho
Age	-	25 years (Born Yorkshire, N. Y., 4/9/11)
Weight	-	130 pounds
Eyes	-	Blue
Hair	-	Chestnut
Complexion	-	Fair (pimply)
Occupation	-	Housewife and waitress
Nationality	-	American
Build	-	Medium
Scars and marks	-	None
Parents	-	Dead
Criminal Record	-	None

Warren, Ohio, PD #594.

Name	-	Albert Hunter
Age	-	34 years (Born Warren, O., 4/26/02)
Weight	-	129 pounds
Eyes	-	Blue
Hair	-	Brown
Build	-	Medium
Occupation	-	Welder
Nationality	-	American
Marks and Scars	-	Tattoo - ALBERT on rt. forearm inner. Upper rt. nude woman; left forearm - Indian head
Criminal Record	-	1 year and 1 day Ohio St. Ref. #1932, Warren, O. No. 595.

According to Captain Salen, he ascertained by telegraph that the Evin-Rude motor referred to herein was purchased in May, 1935, by F. C. Stern & Company, Hot Springs, Arkansas, from the factory. Further check is now being made by him to determine whether the motor is a stolen one.

Agents J. V. Murphy and Lee F. Malone made inquiries at the following hardware stores in Warren, Ohio, to verify whether George Hunter purchased the Winchester rifle found in possession of Albert Hunter:

M. L. Johnson, General Manager of the Warreh Hardware Company, stated that records as far back as 1927 are not available, however, he does not recall that such a rifle had been purchased by George Hunter, with whom he is personally acquainted.

Herman H. Mills, Department manager of the Griswold Company, dealers in hardware, stated that they keep no record of rifles sold, and he does not recall such a sale, but it is possible that the rifle could have been purchased by George Hunter from his company.

The Cleveland Bureau office requested the Boston office by wire to trace the Winchester rifle from the factory.

After completion of the investigation at Warren, Ohio, Agent Dowd advised Special Agent in Charge Connelley at Cleveland, Ohio, and he instructed that the plant maintained at Clayton Hall's house could be abandoned and Agents Birch, Dowd, Wells and Johnson should return to Cleveland, and that for the present the plant at the farm of Clyde Rochat is to be maintained by Agents Malone and Sirene.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The PITTSBURGH OFFICE at the Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, will exhibit the enclosed photographs, two being of Browning, alias Slim Martin, and one of Spot Martin, to Archie Negleman to ascertain whether or not he is acquainted with these individuals and if so, whether he has any reason to believe that Harry Campbell, at such times as Negleman saw Campbell at Toledo, was in association with them. It is appreciated that the Northeastern Penitentiary is in the Philadelphia district, but because of previous contact of Special Agent L. C. Taylor of the Pittsburgh office with Archie Negleman, it is deemed advisable, if possible, to have Special Agent Taylor conduct this interview, inasmuch as he is acquainted with Negleman and his background.

The CINCINNATI OFFICE at Cincinnati, Ohio, 2301 Auburn Avenue, apartment 211, will ascertain whether or not Rene Holst is residing there under the name of Reynolds, it being noted in the body of this report that she is alleged to be using that name and residing with one Ludy Fleming, a former prohibition agent. This lead was forwarded to the Cincinnati office by letter dated May 6, 1936.

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The PHILADELPHIA OFFICE at 3017 Frankford Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, will ascertain whether one Thelma Holst is residing there. It is requested that the Philadelphia office confine its investigative activities merely to ascertaining if she resides there, making such arrangements as are necessary in order that it may be advised if she moves.

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TELEGRAM May 16, 1936.

D. Brantley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Cleveland, Ohio

May 15, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir: RE: BURKID

Reference is made to your letter of May 13, 1936, wherein you request that the Chicago office be advised of the number of stop notices still outstanding in this territory, placed against automobiles believed to have been in possession of subjects in this case.

The Cleveland office by letter to all field offices, on December 12, 1935, requested stop notices, or flash cards, to be placed against a 1935 Plymouth four-door sedan, DeLuxe model, gunmetal gray in color, two windshield wipers, two tail lights and trunk, motor #PJ322772, serial #2619857, key #BR802, 1935 Ohio license #LU 671.

Instant car was purchased by MILTON LETT under the alias of Carl Baker and was used in the Zanesville, Ohio mail train robbery on November 7, 1935.

In view of the fact that Milton Lett has not been apprehended to date and is a possible subject in the harboring case presently being prepared by the Cleveland office, it is felt that the stop notices relative to instant automobile should not be withdrawn.

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CC - Bureau
- Cincinnati
- St. Paul

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Very truly yours,

7-5-76-11593
J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

941 Healey Building
Atlanta, Georgia.
May 16, 1936.

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Mr. W. L. Joiner, Director
Motor Vehicle Department
109 State Capitol Building
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID

Request has previously been made of your office to notify me if either of the following two automobiles were registered in the State of Georgia:

Chevrolet Sedan, 1935 model, motor #KJ-322772, serial 2619697.

Buick Sedan, 1936 model, motor #63052198, serial #2295972.

This Bureau is no longer officially interested in these automobiles and you are accordingly requested to disregard my previous request.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

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Very truly yours,

MAY 19 1936

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

cc- Bureau (Bureau file #7-576)
Chicago
Cincinnati

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Preston, Idaho
May 16 1936

Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

If Alvin Karpis has been taken to date, please send description and picture, if possible. Also amount of reward, if any.

Sincerely
E. [illegible]
P.O. Box [illegible]

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May 23, 1936.

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Mr. Lee Wallace,
c/o H. A. Gatfield,
Kantour, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 10, 1936, and will advise you that Alvin Karpis was apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936.

In consequence of the nature of the request contained in your letter, I am not, therefore, forwarding to you herewith a photograph and the personal description of Alvin Karpis. You are informed that no reward was been paid for the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, in view of the fact that the information relating to his location and his actual apprehension were a result of the efforts made by Special Agents of this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

cc Butte
St. Paul
Cleveland
Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

Post Office Box 1525
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

May 16, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Re: [redacted]

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated May 5, 1936, which requested that the Pittsburgh Office exhibit photographs of Browning, alias Slim Martin, and Spot Martin to Archie Negleman at the Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of ascertaining if he is acquainted with these individuals and whether he has any reason to believe that Harry O. Campbell associated with them.

In the interests of economy, it is suggested that the Philadelphia Office cover the leads submitted to the Pittsburgh Office in this report and, for your use in so doing, I am transmitting the photographs referred to herein, with the suggestion that they be returned to the Cleveland Office when they have served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

R. L. SHIVERS
Special Agent in Charge

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Cleveland
Cincinnati
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT: Cincinnati, Ohio — FILE NO. 62-5690 — SLH

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
New York, New York	5-14-36	April 24, and 5-5, 6, 8-36	J. B. DICKERSON, JR.

TITLE: WILLIAM ELMER MEAD with aliases - I. O. 1354

CHARACTER OF CASE: ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Jack Dempsey unable to furnish any information which would aid in the location of MEAD. Ben Karno, Belvedere Hotel, New York, New York, friend of William Day, claims does not know Mead. Arrangements made through Lieutenant Mitchell, New York Police Department, to obtain information relative to contacts of NICK THE GREEK.

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REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agents T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, California, dated March 12, 1936;
G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, dated April 16, 1936;
G. C. Callan, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, dated March 18, 1936.
Letter from the Chicago Office to the Cincinnati Office dated March 31, 1936.

DETAILS: AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK:

In the reference report dated March 12, 1936, a lead is set forth for the New York Office to keep in mind the fact that

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: R. Whitley SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

7-576-11597

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NICK THE GREEK who was involved in the ROTHSTEIN murder case in New York City several years ago, is a possible contact of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

LIEUTENANT MITCHELL of the Eighteenth Squad, New York Police Department, located at 345 West Forty-Seventh Street, New York, New York, telephone Longacre 5-6322, was interviewed in connection with this matter and he advised that although he did not know NICK THE GREEK personally that several men in his Squad had had dealings with NICK THE GREEK occasionally and that one JIMMY LEACH, a Detective working under his, MITCHELL's, direction, had contacts through whom he, LEACH, might be able to secure information relative to the activities of NICK THE GREEK. DETECTIVE LEACH was not available at the time Agent was talking to LIEUTENANT MITCHELL and, therefore, could not be interviewed.

Photographs of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD were exhibited to LIEUTENANT MITCHELL and he advised that he did not recall ever having seen MEAD.

Copies of Identification Order Number 1354 issued on MEAD, were left with LIEUTENANT MITCHELL and he advised that he would give them to DETECTIVE LEACH and request LEACH to get in touch with some of his contacts in an effort to determine if NICK THE GREEK is a contact of MEAD. LIEUTENANT MITCHELL advised that he would have DETECTIVE LEACH get in touch with the New York Office with reference to this matter in the near future.

In the reference report dated April 16, 1936, there is set forth the fact that M. EDWARD KAYE, an attorney at Buffalo, New York, who represented WILLIAM R. DAY in his trial as a result of a Postal violation in Buffalo last summer, had informed Special Agent G. V. Doherty of the Buffalo Office that at DAY's request he, KAYE, had contacted JACK DEMPSEY at New York City in an effort to locate some of DAY's friends so as to receive money to defray the expenses of DAY's trial. This report requested that JACK DEMPSEY

be interviewed and questioned with reference to the names set forth in the reference report dated April 16, 1936, in an effort to secure some information looking toward the location of MEAD.

JACK DEMPSEY was interviewed at his restaurant, located at Eighth Avenue and Fiftieth Street, New York, New York. He advised that he had never heard of WILLIAM R. DAY. DEMPSEY was asked if he could recall a person by the name of M. EDWARD KAYE, an attorney from Buffalo, New York, calling upon him last summer in an effort to locate JIM McKAY and MOE BARNET. He stated that he recalled someone from Buffalo asking him about McKAY and at that time this person might also have asked him about BARNET; that the only JIM McKAY known to him is the one connected with the GRAHAM McKAY outfit at Reno, Nevada, and that the name BARNET sounds familiar to him; however, he is unable to recall this person.

DEMPSEY advised that JIM McKAY could probably be located at Reno, Nevada.

DEMPSEY was questioned as to whether he knew H. S. MORGAN, CLAUDE KING, TOMMY O'DELL, JIMMY KNOWLES, STERLING REYNOLDS and JULIAN KAUFMAN and he advised that he did not.

Photographs of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD were exhibited to DEMPSEY and he advised that he did not recall ever having seen MEAD. DEMPSEY stated that he might have met some of the parties mentioned to him; however, since he meets so many people it is impossible for him to remember them all and if he has ever met any of the persons mentioned to him he is unable to recall them.

Also in the report of reference dated April 16, 1936, there is set forth a lead for the New York Office to interview JAMES F. NALLY, an officer of the New York Police Department, in view of the fact that investigation had developed the information that DAY, during his trial as a result of the Postal violation, had contacted Officer JAMES F. NALLY.

Through the Personnel Department, New York Police Department, it was ascertained that the only Officer NALLY in

that Department is Officer JOHN P. NALLY, presently assigned to the Eighty-Fifth Precinct, located at 171 Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Agent telephonically communicated with JOHN P. NALLY and he advised that he had never heard of WILLIAM R. DAY and DAY had never communicated with him in any way.

He was questioned as to whether he knew of any other person by the name of NALLY having served on the New York Police Department and he advised that he did not and that he thinks he is the only NALLY having been connected with the New York Police Department within the past year or so.

In the reference report dated March 18, 1936, there is set forth information that on November 25, 1935, a letter was received by WILLIAM R. DAY, United States Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, from BEN KARNO, Belvedere Hotel, Forty-Eighth Street west of Broadway, New York, New York. The further fact is set forth in this report that on November 29, 1935, DAY sent a letter to BEN KARUS, Belvedere Hotel, New York, New York.

The letter of reference from the Chicago Office to the Cincinnati Office dated March 31, 1936, requested that investigation be made as to KARNO to determine whether he was an associate of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

R. B. STRATMAN, Assistant Manager, Belvedere Hotel, Forty-Eighth Street west of Broadway, New York, New York, advised that BEN KARNO had lived at that hotel on and off for the past year; that KARNO lives alone, is a good guest, as he pays his hotel bills and he never causes any trouble. STRATMAN was unable to state the nature of KARNO's business.

A photograph of MEAD on which MEAD's name was not revealed was exhibited to STRATMAN and he advised that he was unable to identify this photograph as being identical with any person he knew.

Agent was unable to reach KARNO for an interview at the time of contacting STRATMAN. Later KARNO was interviewed at the Belvedere Hotel and he advised that he had lived at that hotel for some time; that he spent a few weeks in Florida this past winter and returned to New York about the first of April.

KARNO admitted that he formerly operated a chance wheel around Chicago and through the middle western states; that he quit the carnival game several years ago and is presently making his living by gambling, mostly by playing bridge.

KARNO stated that he met WILLIAM DAY about seven or eight years ago in Chicago; however, that he has not seen DAY for about four years. He stated that he learned through the newspapers that DAY had been convicted of a Postal violation and that after learning that DAY was confined in the United States Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, he wrote to him. KARNO stated that he owes DAY some money which he borrowed from him some time ago and that in the letter which he wrote to DAY he advised DAY that he was unable to pay this debt at that time.

KARNO advised that since he is a gambler and DAY is a confidence man he does not know any of DAY's associates. He was questioned as to WILLIAM ELMER MEAD and a picture of MEAD was exhibited to him. He stated that he does not recall MEAD and none of his acquaintances appears to be identical with the photograph of MEAD.

The names of several confidence men were mentioned to KARNO and he advised that he had heard of O'DELL and KNOWLES, but does not know either of these men personally. However, that he knows JIM KNOWLES by sight and that he has also heard of GRED GONDORL.

KARNO advised that he had been introduced to some of DAY's friends in Chicago several years ago, but that he does not recall any of them now. When asked for the names of some of DAY's friends, KARNO stated that he is sure none of them would know MEAD

and that he did not desire to furnish any names. KARNO stated that he, personally, would be willing to furnish any information he might have concerning MEAD if he had such information, but that he would not give Agent the names of any persons whom Agent might interview in an effort to obtain information about MEAD as he did not want these people to believe that he was an informant for the Government. Agent is of the opinion that if KARNO had any information he would be willing to furnish same, but it is quite evident that he will not furnish the names of any persons through whom information might be obtained concerning MEAD.

No lead is being set out in this report for the Salt Lake City Office to endeavor to locate JIM McKAY at Reno, Nevada, as it is not certain any information could be hoped to be obtained from McKAY with reference to MEAD. Whether McKAY should be interviewed is being left to the discretion of the Office of Origin.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK OFFICE: Will keep in touch with LIEUTENANT MITCHELL and DETECTIVE JIMMY LEACH, Eighteenth Squad, New York Police Department, 345 West Forty-Seventh Street, New York, New York, for any information they may furnish with reference to the location of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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MAY 18, 1936

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

SAC NEW ORLEANS

Transmit the following message to:

BREKID. UNNECESSARY FOR YOU SEND TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS STATUS THIS CASE IN ABSENCE SOME AFFIRMATIVE DEVELOPMENTS.

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May 5, 1936

Time: 3:33 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: Presentation of Karpis case over Radio.

In the course of a telephone conversation Mr. Suydam stated that Mr. Lundell had told him that Mr. Cooper had been retained to collaborate in the script because Mr. Suydam had said that one of the conditions was that Mr. Cooper write the script. I stated that Mr. Cooper had informed me that they had merely bought the rights of his book for a radio broadcast but that they had not retained him.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
May 9th, 1936.

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

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

As stated in previous communications from this office, Grace Goldstein was held in the Detention Room for questioning in connection with the above entitled matter.

The files of this office did not reflect the name of anyone that could be used as a matron and I, therefore, after inquiry, employed Mrs. B. F. Bowers, a woman of approximately sixty years of age, but apparently in good physical condition, to act as matron during the confinement of Grace Goldstein and for this service I have agreed to pay her $4.00 per day, which will be done and reimbursement claimed in a confidential item to be submitted with my expense account.

In connection with this employment I am forwarding for the information of the Bureau, three copies of a memorandum submitted to me by Special Agent J. R. Calhoun, to whom Mrs. Bowers has been known for a number of years and it may also be stated that Agent Calhoun's sister, Miss Mamie Calhoun, is well acquainted with Mrs. Bowers and personally informed the writer that she considered Mrs. Bowers to be of the best character and reputation and one in whom the Bureau could place absolute confidence.

I have had Mrs. Bowers execute an affidavit agreeing to hold in confidence information secured by her during her employment at this office and this affidavit is furnished the Bureau for its information.

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If the Bureau approves and in the event some other occasion should arise to employ a matron, Mrs. Bowers will be employed for that purpose if available.

Very truly yours,

Chapmon Fletcher
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CHAPMON FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Goodrich Silvertown Stores
OF THE B. F. GOODRICH COMPANY
NORTH DIXIE AT SIXTH STREET
WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.

WILLIAM B. LEAK
MANAGER

PHONE: 4181

QUALITY
DEVICE

Silvertown Stores
. GOODRICH COMPANY
TH STREET WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.

5-16-36—

Dear Mr Hoover;

The good people of this Country will Be pretty much interested to gain. if you and your able organization will round up and prosecute to the limit such Characters as Joe Adonis and Joe Palmer Palice officers and other crooked politicians who must have given protection to Kaplis and his Gang in the Colonnades hotel in Miami Fla.

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Yours very Truly
W B Leak

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THREE TIMES SAFER FROM HIGH SPEED BLOW-OUTS

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May 22, 1936.

Mr. William b. Leak,
Goodrich Silvertown Stores,
North Dixie at Sixth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 16, 1936, with reference to the prosecution of Joe Adams.

Please be informed that the trial of Joe Adams and Henry Duke Randall, who are charged with having harbored and concealed Alvin Karpis at Miami, Florida, has been set for trial at Miami, Florida, during September, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Jacksonville (Enc copies of incoming letter)
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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326 Post Office Building.
New Orleans, La.
May 16, 1936.

Director.
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Special Agent in Charge,
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: BOOKIE.

Kindly refer to report of Special Agent L. I. Bowman, dated at New Orleans, Louisiana, May 15, 1936, relative the above entitled case.

I am transmitting herewith all the papers pertaining to 1936 Plymouth Coupe, motor P2-612244, as well as all the papers pertaining to 1936 Terraplane Coupe, motor #192061, which are described in the reference report, with the exception of one original repair order of the Strong Motor Company at Sarasota, Florida, their order #6048, which was transmitted to the Jacksonville Bureau Office.

Kindly photostat this material at your earliest opportunity, furnishing four photostat copies to the New Orleans Bureau Office. This office particularly desires back the original material relative to the ownership of the cars, which cars will undoubtedly be returned to the subjects at an early date.

Kindly expedite.

Very truly yours,

E. K. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1443 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 16, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir: RE: BROCK

Please forward immediately to the Cleveland office six photographs of JOHN BROCK, together with his complete criminal history.

It is understood that John Brock was confined in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, and as you know he is presently being held by post office inspectors at Cleveland, Ohio, in connection with the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery.

It is respectfully requested that you expedite the forwarding of the photographs to the Cleveland office.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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- Chicago
- St. Paul

Letter to Oklahoma City, St Paul, Mr. Connelley, Cleveland.
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May 22, 1936.

ENCLOSURE 7-576-11603

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BRENER -
Victim; KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the Cleveland Office to the Oklahoma City Office dated May 16, 1936, and it is likewise requested that one or more copies of the photograph of John Brock be forwarded to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - St. Paul,
Mr. Connelley,
Chicago,
Cincinnati,
Cleveland.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 16, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BRKID

Dear Sir:

It is requested that six copies of all types of photographs of all subjects and the women connected with them be forwarded to the Cleveland field office for use in the harboring investigation in this district.

It is also requested that the sending of the requested photographs be expedited.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Bureau
St. Paul
Cincinnati

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INVESTIGATION

MAY 20 1936

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 16, 1936

Special Agents in Charge
Detroit, Michigan and
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BEVKID

Gentlemen:

It is requested that you conduct a search of your files and obtain all exhibits that were obtained during the course of this investigation at Cleveland, Ohio, prior to the opening of the Cleveland field office and forward them to the Cleveland office to assist in the investigation of the harboring charges presently pending in the Cleveland territory.

The exhibits will contain cards, letters, etc., taken from the various houses in Cleveland and Toledo where subjects of this case have resided.

It is also requested that any logs of telephone taps that were maintained on various telephones at Toledo and Cleveland during September 1934, January 1935 and September and October of 1935 be forwarded to this office.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

JPM:h
cc: Bureau
St. Paul
Cincinnati

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MAY 20 1936

1216 Smith Young Tower
San Antonio, Texas.
May 16, 1936. GTJ/ML

Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, La.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 2, 1936, addressed to the Jacksonville office.

Concerning the list of addresses found in the memorandum book on the person of Fred Hunter, said list containing the following names:

Turf Bar, 122½ Soledad Str., San Antonio, Tex.
Shadowland Night Club, San Antonio, Tex.
Riverside Gardens, 100 N. Houston Str., San Antonio, Tex.

The places listed are the most prominent night clubs in and around San Antonio. They are all owned and controled by local people who are well known to the San Antonio office. In fact, we have some excellent informative contacts with all three of these places. At one time there were gambling rooms operated in connection with each one of these resorts, however, during the past few months they have closed down their gambling.

It is not believed that any good purpose will be served by exhibiting Hunter's picture and attempt to verify whether or not he actually called on the management of these places in an attempt to sell gambling equipment, and this will not be done unless the office of origin deems it advisable.

Connie Morris, the former companion of Fred Hunter, is now residing at 721 Dallas Street, San Antonio, Texas, with her sister, Mrs. Glenn F. Kirkpatrick.

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Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Jacksonville
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MAY 20 1936

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 17, 1936

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith an article that I noticed in the "Editor and Publisher" for May 9, 1936 in connection with the Brekid case in New Orleans, La.

This article was written by Richard G. Harris, reporter on the "Item-Tribune" of New Orleans, La., who apparently had a personal grievance because he could not secure locally the inside details of the arrest of Karpis in New Orleans, La.

None of the local newspapers, which includes the "Times-Picayune" and the "New Orleans States", published by the same company, or the New Orleans "Tribune" and the New Orleans "Item", likewise published by the same company, shared the views expressed in the enclosed article as being disgruntled with the way the story was handled.

Cartoons emanating from all local newspapers, as well as all editorial comment which I have furnished the Bureau have been highly complimentary to the Bureau and to the Director.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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EDITOR & PUBLISHER
FOR MAY 9, 1936.

KEPT FOUR-DAY VIGIL TO GET PHOTOGRAPH

New Orleans Cameramen Camped Outside Federal Office After Karpis' Arrest—No Advance Tip

(*By telegraph to* EDITOR & PUBLISHER)

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 5.—Newspapermen were almost as surprised as Alvin Karpis himself when the hoodlum was captured here by a squad of federal agents last Friday. No intimation of what was to transpire had been given out.

Reporters and photographers were sent to the apartment house when neighbors tipped off newspapers that a raid was in progress. The importance of the arrest, however, was not known until J. Edgar Hoover made the announcement an hour later.

A short time later Karpis was taken by plane to St. Paul.

A 24-hour vigil was kept in the corridor fronting the federal office by the Associated Press. Local newspapers, assured by the federal agents that "nothing would happen" eased up in their vigilance after the second day. Promise had been given of a forewarning in advance of action.

The watch was kept by Joe Crosley and Fred Williams, reporters, and Leon Trice and H. S. Williams, photographers. No chairs were available and the men rested on newspapers spread on the concrete floor.

It was not until four days later that they were rewarded, at four a. m. The agents thought Williams was asleep but when they tried to sneak quietly out with the girl in the case, Williams leaped from his newspaper bed and grabbed his camera. On the sidewalk a few minutes later, Williams obtained his exclusive picture.

With Fred Hunter, pal of Karpis, still in custody at the federal office, the vigil was resumed today.

Local newspapermen were a little more than disgruntled with the way the story was being handled. Absolute silence reigned here, while Hoover, in Chicago, New York and Washington, "did the talking." Newsmen, their bones aching from the long wait in the corridor, felt they did not get a fair deal.

Several staff men from both papers and the wire services were on the story at different times. The two federal run men, Richard G. Harris, *Item-Tribune*, and George J. Martin, *Times-Picayune*, worked long hours.

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 17, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: Brekid.

The inventory at the New Orleans Bureau Office shows a shortage of one pair of Peerless handcuffs #38538. These handcuffs were used on the transportation of Subject Alvin Karpis from New Orleans, Louisiana, to St. Paul, Minnesota.

Kindly return these handcuffs to the New Orleans Bureau office at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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TITLE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232, ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Law enforcement agencies at El Dorado, Arkansas, do not recall abandonment of automobile by strangers as alleged by prostitute "Ginger" of Hot Springs. Several latent fingerprints found in Woodcock residence near Hot Springs identified by Bureau as prints of Connie Morris.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated April 19, 1936.
Report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 11, 1936.

DETAILS:

On page twenty-seven of the reference report of Special Agent in Charge Connelley it will be noted that one "Ginger", a prostitute at Hot Springs, advised that she believed that Karpis and Hunter had abondoned an automobile in a garage at El Dorado, Arkansas, after the law got after them. On April 21, 1936, the writer interviewed Chief of Police W. E. Hickman and Sheriff Grady Woolley, El Dorado, Arkansas, both of whom stated that they did not recall such an instance and they were positive that no automobile had been abondoned in El Dorado under such circumstances.

Under date of May 6, 1936, the Bureau advised that several latent fingerprints developed on articles found in the Woodcock residence near Potash Sulphur Springs had been identified as those of Connie Morris, with aliases, who was arrested with Karpis at New Orleans.

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Although Karpis, Campbell and Freddie Hunter have been taken into custody, this case is being held pending in the Little Rock District in anticipation of request for further investigation.

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Ifle Smith, Room [illegible],
San Antonio, Texas,
May 14, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

MAY 20 1936

Reference is made to your teletype and letter of May 6, 1936.

At the time of the receipt of the first photograph of William Elmer Mead, and prior to the issuance of the Identification Order, the writer personally contacted Chief of Detectives Aubrey Hopkins and Captain of Detectives Joe Harris, Harris was at that time working at the Alamo Downs Race Track, and gave each of them a photograph of Mead with instructions that should he be located this office be confidentially advised as we desired to place him under surveillance and that we desired no publicity whatever in case he was located in San Antonio.

Constant contact was maintained with these officers and no information was forthcoming relative to Mead being in San Antonio.

Chief of Police Owen W. Kilday has been connected with the San Antonio Police Department for approximately twenty years and was Superintendent of Identification at the time of his elevation to the position of Chief. He has always personally cooperated with this office and it is not believed that any bunch of confidence men could make personal arrangements with Chief Kilday to operate in San Antonio, consequently no hesitancy was had in approaching him directly on this matter.

Chief Kilday stated in the month of February, 1936, that a confidential informant of his came to him and told him that a confidence man by the name of Sammy Yates (probably this is the same party mentioned in reference teletype and letter as Sammy Gates) had approached this confidential informant of Chief Kilday and had stated that he with other confidence men wanted to open a "phoney" horse race and stock brokerage office at San Antonio, provided that he, Kilday, could be fixed. Chief Kilday stated that this informant cursed Sammy Yates and told him that probably some of the local Detectives might be bought off, but that the Chief of Police could not be bought. Chief Kilday stated that due to this information being furnished him by this informant, and thinking that probably this gang had made a line up with some of the Detectives and other local officers, that he called into his office two of his most honest and reliable uniformed men and told them to dress in plain clothes and to raid every hotel and gambling house in San Antonio and run every confidence man out

of the city, which was done; that after this was done and he had received the identification order on William Elmer Mead, with aliases, I.C. #1354, that he had shown same to his two men and that they stated that the photograph resembled one of the confidence men whom the gang called the "Christ Kid."

Chief Kilday also stated that after the local clean-up he located in the files of the Police Department a Minneapolis, Minnesota, Wanted Circular dated April, 1931, of C. Miller alias J. J. Miller alias F. A. Morgan, wherein this wanted notice shows that Sheriff F. Karal of Orlando, Florida, holds warrant charging this subject with a felony, to wit, defrauding H. K. Hanson of Minneapolis, Minn., through a stock market swindle, and said notice requested that he be held and the Burns Detective Agency at 726 McKnight Building, Minneapolis, Minn., advised. Chief Kilday stated that his two men upon viewing this circular stated they were sure that Miller was one of the confidence men they had run out of town.

Chief Kilday further stated that it was his opinion that probably this gang went to East Palm Beach or Orlando, Florida. He further stated that the confidence man Sammy Yates was well known at Phoenix, Arizona, and had a stand-in with the Police Department in that city. This information Chief Kilday stated was furnished him by his confidential informant.

Registration records of all hotels at San Antonio, Texas, were checked, but no record was found of subject William E. Mead, with aliases, and as the reference letter fails to give the given name of Hall, which Charles Owen Long stated was an alias now used by Mead, there were several registrations found under the name of Hall, but none found where the party registering as Hall was accompanied by his wife and daughter and none remained at the hotel longer than three days.

The photograph of Mead was shown the Managers and Assistant Managers of these hotels and also was shown the Registration Clerks and Cashiers of these hotels, but the photograph of Mead or Miller could not be identified as any guests of the hotels. A close check, especially at the St. Anthony Hotel, for Mead, Miller or Sammy Yates failed to develop that any of these confidence men have ever hung out around the hotels in San Antonio. Paul McSween, Manager of the St. Anthony Hotel, stated that from the latter part of 1935 to about April 1, 1936, that due to the repairs and remodeling to the St. Anthony Hotel that the lobby covered a small space and that all rooms could not be used and at that time it was easier to come in personal contact with each guest than at the present time since the completion of the repairs. He is positive that William E. Mead has never been a guest of the St. Anthony Hotel. If so, he did not remain longer than two to three nights, because all guests that remained for longer periods naturally became known to himself, his assistants, the cashier or the desk clerk.

...hief of Police Kilday has given this office every cooperation in an effort to locate the whereabouts of William G. Head, Sammy Yates or Miller, and through his confidential informant he was furnished information that the wife of Sammy Yates was in San Antonio, Texas, but none of the gang had been here since he ran them out of town in February, 1936. He also through his informant was advised that the wife of Sammy Yates was stopping at the Lamar Hotel at 425½ Main Ave., San Antonio, Texas, under the name of Barnes, and this informant will advise Chief Kilday should any of the gang return to San Antonio, Texas.

A check at the Post Office, San Antonio, Texas, reflects that on March 31, 1936, a mail order was left at the Post Office for mail to be delivered for Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barnes to 425½ Main Ave., c/o Lamar Hotel. Arrangements were made to place a cover on all mail addressed to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barnes at the above address.

Copies of this letter are being furnished the Phoenix and Jacksonville offices, together with a photostatic copy of the wanted circular on G. Miller, with aliases, and it is suggested that a check up be made at West Palm Beach and Orlando, Florida, by the Jacksonville office; also that the Phoenix office ascertain if Sammy Yates or Gates is at present in Phoenix and in this connection it is suggested that only a reliable contact be made with the Phoenix Police Department.

The San Antonio office will continue surveillance and mail cover over the wife of Sammy Yates. Also close contact will be maintained through Chief Kilday with his confidential informant, the name of whom, has been confidentially furnished the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge

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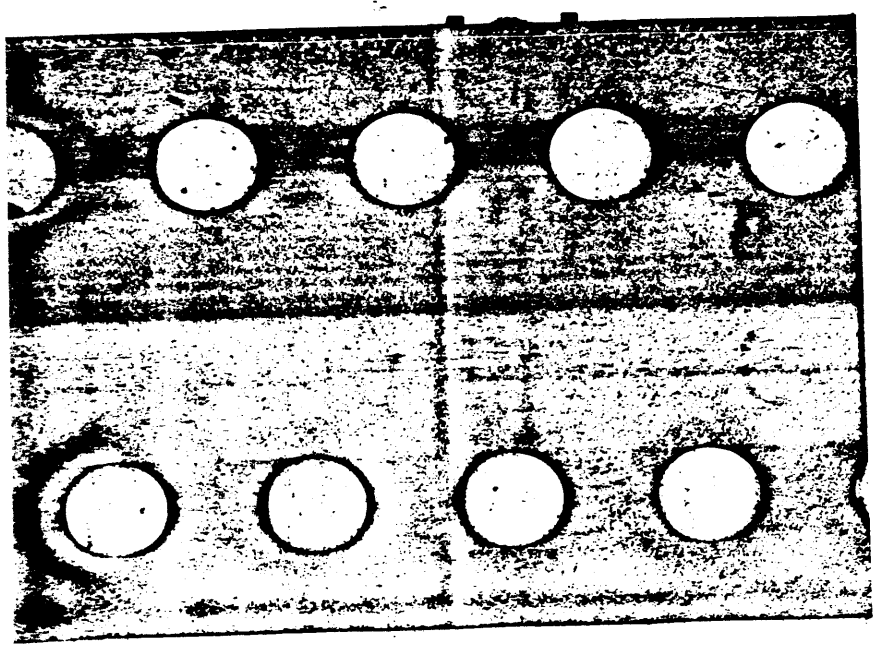

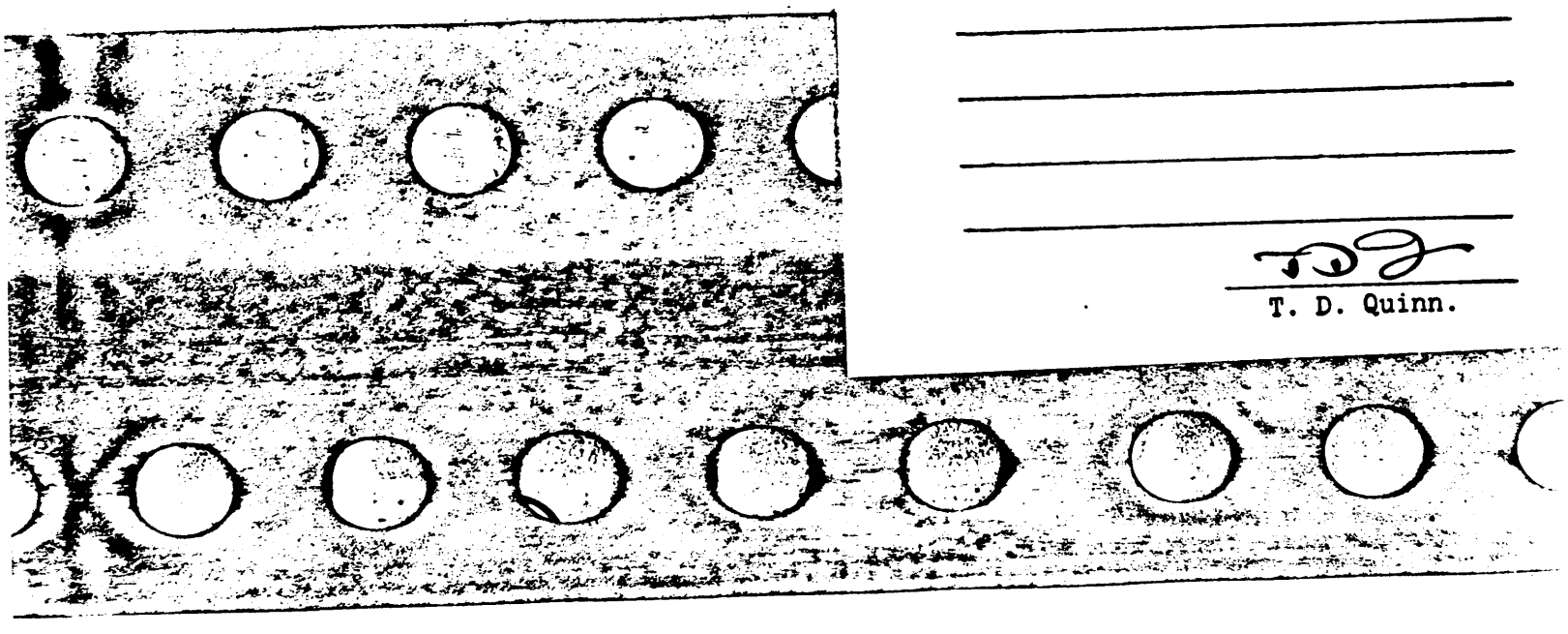

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Mr. T. D. Quinn, Inspector,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Quinn:

Here's a rough script which I placed before Director Hoover the other day and also Mr. Henry Suydam, who is to ask the Attorney General if he will okay this story set-up for our newsreel and Hearst only.

We plan to have the Director with two or three newspapermen, of his own choice, in just an informal press interview and without any confusing instructions from the camera crews present.

The following questions and answers, of course, are just a rough idea, as we, naturally, want Mr. Hoover to answer these questions in his own way. But we did want to include certain lines which have come from him in the past and which would strengthen our interview.

QUESTION: Congratulations, Mr. Hoovert on your fine work in the recent cases cleaned up by F. B. I.

ANSWER: Thanks, but just remember, boys, it wasn't an "I" job -- it was a "We" job.

QUESTION: Which was the hardest man to capture, Karpis, Campbell, Mahan or Robinson?

ANSWER: All are yellow rats - would have been easy if they hadn't been protected by lawyers, politicians and the like.

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QUESTION: Are you going to take it easy now? &

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ANSWER: No, rackets, etc., will take the attention of the Department (and here we would like the naming of some of the rackets being opposed in the country today)

QUESTION: Who do you consider "Public Enemy #1" now, since this recent round-up has depleted the list of crime?

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ANSWER: We never term criminals or give them even the halo of "Public Enemy #1". There is only one "Public Enemy #1" to us and that is "Old Man Politics". Their proper titles should be "Public Rat #1, #2," etc.

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Mr. Quinn, this is the entire interview. It is short and I promise you that it will be made without confusion that has existed with four or five cameras in the past over which we had no control and I would appreciate it if when you see fit, you might help us along with this story. It is just as good two weeks from now for us or at any time the Director may see fit to arrange for it.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Denton

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Butte, Montana.	5/13/36	5/5,6,7,11/36	E. M. O'Donnell MRA

TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, ~~I.O. 1236; et al.~~

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Search of the file on the robbery of the Rigby, Idaho, Branch of the "American National Bank of Idaho Falls", Idaho Falls, Idaho, reflects that no new and uncut currency constituted part of the loot. Information furnished Butte Office by Deputy U. S. Marshal Johnsrud that Subject Campbell had been seen in a hobo camp near Helena, Montana, proved to be unfounded. Leads for the Butte Office at Weiser, Idaho, and Sunburst, Montana, set out in reports of Special Agents M. C. Falkner, El Paso, Texas, 4-8-36 and 4-24-36; C. G. Campbell, Butte, Montana, 4-7-36, and letter from SAC E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, 4-15-36, are being disregarded inasmuch as apprehension of Subject Campbell has been effected. P

References: Bureau letter to Aberdeen Bureau Office, 4-28-36; Reports of Special Agent M. C. Falkner, El Paso, Texas, 4-8-36 and 4-24-36; Letter from SAC E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, 4-15-36; Report of Special Agent C. G. Campbell, Butte, Montana, 4-7-36.

Details:

At Butte, Montana.

On May 5, 1936, the file on the robbery of the Rigby, Idaho, Branch of the "American National Bank of Idaho Falls", Idaho Falls, Idaho, was searched by

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Special Agent C. G. Campbell for the purpose of ascertaining whether any new and uncut currency constituted part of the loot. It was ascertained that no new and uncut currency was taken at the time of this robbery. It will be noted here that the aforementioned bank robbery is the only bank robbery case pending in the Butte Bureau Office, in which this office is the office of origin.

At Helena, Montana:

On May 7, 1936, the writer contacted Deputy United States Marshal J. Johnsrud in his office in regard to his phone call to the Butte Office on May 2, 1936, in which he advised that he had received information from a Mrs. Armstrong in Helena, Montana, that she had seen Harry Campbell in Helena on April 30, 1936. Johnsrud went on to state at this time that Mrs. Armstrong lived in the vicinity of the "jungles", which is a hobo camp on the west side of Helena, and that she had seen an individual whom she believed to be Campbell living here for the past several days.

The writer in company with Deputy Marshal Johnsrud proceeded to the home of Mrs. C. A. Armstrong and she was interviewed regarding this information. She advised the writer that she was employed as a cleaning woman in the Post Office, and while at her work she had observed various Identification Orders posted in the lobby of the Post Office; that in doing so she had observed the reward notice posted there for Subject Campbell. Mrs. Armstrong was then questioned closely as to the description of the individual she had seen living in the hobo camp and she described him as follows, stating him to be about 35-40 years old, about 5' 7" in height, weighed about 145 pounds, had dark hair and that he was lame in the left foot and leg. Mrs. Armstrong was closely questioned regarding this lameness and she stated she was very positive that it was the left leg. The writer then asked Mrs. Armstrong if she had seen the poster regarding the reward for Harry Campbell in the Post Office prior to the time that she had seen this individual, and she stated that she had and that she had carefully memorized the description of Subject Campbell given on the poster. The writer then made a thorough search of the hobo camp and observed the various individuals living there, but none of those observed fitted the description of Campbell.

Inasmuch as Campbell was apprehended by Agents of the Bureau on May 7, 1936, the lead set out in the report of Special Agent M. C. Falkner, El Paso, Texas, 4-8-36, in which it is requested that the Butte Office ascertain if the Fugitive Campbell is employed at the Keeven Sunburst Field, located fifty miles north of Great Falls, is being disregarded. The lead set out in report of Special Agent M. C. Falkner, El Paso, Texas, 4-24-36, in which it is requested that the Butte Office at Weiser, Idaho, obtain and forward to the El Paso Office an accurate description of the woman known as Maybelle Campbell who claims to be the wife of C. C. (Clell) Campbell, in order that it may be definitely determined if this is the woman now with Clell Campbell at Jal, New Mexico, is being disregarded inasmuch as the apprehension of Campbell has been effected.

The investigation requested of the Butte Office in the letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 15, 1936, at Weiser, Idaho, that further information concerning the alleged marriage of Maybelle Campbell to Clell Campbell be ascertained, is being disregarded inasmuch as Subject Campbell has been apprehended.

The investigation requested in the report of Special Agent C. G. Campbell, Butte, Montana, dated4-7-36, that Deputy Sheriff Kennedy at Weiser, Idaho, be contacted and ascertain if his investigation has produced any results or information regarding Maybelle Campbell and Clell Campbell, is being disregarded inasmuch as Subject Campbell has been apprehended.

It will also be noted here that the mail covers placed on Mrs. Maybelle Williams, Mrs. Maybelle Campbell, Mrs. Mary Owens and J. W. Williams, all of Weiser, Idaho, and distant relatives of Subject Harry Campbell, are being removed inasmuch as the apprehension of Subject has been effected.

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Director
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: BREKID

Enclosed herewith are three copies of a letter written by Alvin Karpis to his sister, Emily Newbold, Chicago, Illinois, mailed May 15, 1936. Attached to the copies of this letter is a copy of Karpis' letter.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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"Dear Sis. I received your letter and was very much surprised to hear that the letter I wrote home was not received. I am not sure but I believe I wrote it Sat. it may be it has been recieved by this time. in regard to your coming up here to see me the agent in charge will let you see me when you get here. provided it is daytime. as to getting permission to write I am free to write any time I want too. I do not want mother coming here for a while as the weather is still unsettled here and I will be here till Nov. term of court. I would like to have some one come here with father that can drive a car as I have a car or two that I want him to pick up. One is in Corpus Christi Tex. the other is in New Orleans. they are both 1936 Models. I also have a few other things I would like to have him pick up. as to the reporters just tell them to go to ---. dont argue with them. dont ans. when they ask you anything. I dont know how to send you this letter as I am not sure of your address so will send it in care of father. I would like to have who ever comes be here by Wed. do not forget mother is not to come this time. I would like to have a picture of Raymond that is a late one. I recieved a very touching letter from Dolores. I ans. it but do not know whether she recieved it or not. Harry Campbell was taken to the pen yesterday he was in very low spirits while in jail here. I feel very sorry __ him. I suppose Phil and Bob are all right how is Betty getting along? I suppose this has been rather shocking to those two upright Honest law abiding god fearing respected members of their commiaity. are they off of the relief yet? it just seems as tho I cant refrain from putting those two in the grease does it? have you a car if so please let me know particulars in your next letter. I wonder how the folks in Topeka are doing? about the same as usual I suppose when you recieve this send me a telegram what day I will have a visit and I will know you recieved it. if you dont I will find out why if I can. I am in fairly good health and am getting plenty of sleep and all I want to eat. I also have company 24 hrs a day that is an agent with me at all times to see that no harm befalls me. All kidding aside tho they are very pleasant fellows and it passes the time away. when who ever is coming check in at the hotel do not

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sign their right name as the clerk will tell some reporter. then have them call the Federal B. of i. and ask for Mr. C. W. Stein. the phone Garfield 7509. he will see that they are permitted to visit with me. it seems strange to be writing letters as I have not written any for so long a time. do not under any circumstances permit Raymond to be brought here or mother either as I will refuse to talk to mother at this time as you know very well it will be harder on her than if she stays home till later. I will close for this time send me a picture of Betty if you have one handy. Ans soon.

"A. KARPIS"

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ENVELOPE ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:

"Mr. John Karpavicz
2842 N. Francisco St.
Chicago, Ill."

503a U.S.Courthouse & P.O.Bldg.
Salt Lake City, Utah
May 13, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BRAKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the cover which has been placed by the Salt Lake City office on the mail of William A. Shaw, Broadway Hotel, 222 West Broadway, Salt Lake City, who was formerly connected with William E. Mead and a known contact of Mead, the following tracings have been received:

1. To Mr. William Shaw, c/o Broadway Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, postmarked Los Angeles, May 5, 1936, 7 P.M., return address Geo. P. Beardsley, 520 Wall St., Los Angeles, Calif.

2. To Mrs. Ethel Shaw, Broadway Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, U.S.A., postmarked Vancouver, B.C. May 7, return address Dr. Miller, 2959 McGill Street, Vancouver, B. C.

3. To The Shaws, 222 W. Broadway, Salt Lake City, Utah, postmarked Denver, May 5, 1936, 7 P.M., return address Denver Hotel, 1744 Cleveland Pl., Denver, Colo.

The above tracings are being sent to the Cincinnati office herewith.

A comparison of the tracings with the signature of Mead appearing on an identification order for him does not indicate similarity, and the Los Angeles, Denver and Portland offices are not being requested to conduct any investigation at the return addresses, the same being left to the discretion of the Cincinnati office.

Very truly yours,

W. A. ROBE[illegible],
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 15, 1936

Mr. James Cavineess,
Vice President,
First National Bank,
Paris, Texas.

Dear Mr. Cavineess:

I have been advised by Mr. Dwight Brantley, Special Agent in Charge of the Oklahoma City Office of this Bureau, and other Special Agents, of the valuable assistance and cooperation which you rendered during the course of a recent investigation in Paris, Texas and vicinity.

It is always gratifying to be informed of the cooperation which is tendered to Special Agents of this Bureau. I am, therefore, taking this opportunity to express to you my sincere appreciation for the services and assistance which you rendered to such Special Agents.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Happy, Ky
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To the Attorney General Cu———

Dear Sir:

Would you please giave a discription of Harry Campbell if you are interested I'm giving a tip.

I have just returned from a trip and might have something I could help you to know you would lik_to know I am a old farmer sixty six years of age and while on my stay I got acquanted with a man that I thought lots about he had plenty money and was in a place I could not see why he was there and what purpose he had for being there May address is

(S) —Green F. Combs
Happy Perry Co Ky

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Mr. Green P. Combs,
Happy, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of May 1, 1956, directed to the Attorney General of the United States, has been referred to this Bureau for appropriate attention.

In keeping with your request, I am transmitting to you herewith an Identification Order issued by this Bureau concerning Harry Campbell, which contains his photograph, fingerprints, personal description and criminal record.

You are informed that Harry Campbell was apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1956.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 1134129

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 1, 1936

ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Mr. F. C. Buessengutti, 906 Ivy Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, Pathe News Cameraman, has given me films portraying the following events and persons:

1. Jack Peifer - close-up
   Long shot of U.S.A. plane landing at St. Paul with Harry Campbell
   Headlines of The St. Paul Daily News and pertinent photographs of individuals involved in this and Brekid case.

2. St. Paul Daily News headlines relating to Karpis' arrival in St. Paul.

3. Photograph of Karpis as contained on his Identification Order.

These films are enclosed herewith for whatever interest they may be to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Brakid.

Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, of the Oklahoma City Bureau Office, by letter of May 14, 1936, advised that it was his recollection that the leg irons used when Subject Karpis was removed from New Orleans, Louisiana, to St. Paul, Minnesota, were finally surrendered to Mr. Richard Glavin, of the Bureau, together with the two keys.

Mr. Glavin is respectfully requested to advise of the present location of these leg irons and keys so that they may be returned to the New Orleans Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-
Oklahoma City
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May 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 17, 1936, regarding the leg irons used in connection with the apprehension of Subject Alvin Karpis.

Please be advised that these leg irons are being returned to you under separate registered cover.

It will be noted that these leg irons have been cleaned and you should see that they are maintained in that condition.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
St.Paul, Minnesota	5-15-36	5/7-12/36	R. C. SURAN

TITLE:
ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. # 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. # 1252;
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:

Subject HARRY CAMPBELL arrived at St.Paul, Minn., on May 7, 1936 in custody of Bureau Agents. Continued questioning of CAMPBELL on May 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1936 elicited only information concerning his association with various members of the Karpis-Barker gang. On May 12, 1936 admitted he was one of actual kidnapers of Bremer and assisted in the transportation of Bremer from St.Paul, Minn., to Bensenville, Ill., where he acted as a guard at the hideout during the period of time that Bremer was held there. CAMPBELL also admitted being a member of the party which returned Bremer to Rochester, Minn. Subject CAMPBELL turned over to U.S.Marshal, St.Paul, Minn., May 12, 1936 and entered plea of guilty before Federal Judge M. M. Joyce at St. Paul, Minn., and sentenced to serve the rest of his natural life in the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, or in any other institution designated by the Attorney General. Disposition sheet and parole report submitted.

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DETAILS:

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, 2-17-36.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: C. W. Stein — SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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At approximately 11:50 A.M. on May 7, 1936, Subject HARRY CAMPBELL arrived at the Holman Municipal Airport at St. Paul, Minnesota, in custody of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Special Agents C. E. Smith and T. M. Birch. Campbell was met at the airport by Special Agent in Charge C.W. Stein and Special Agents J. E. Brennan, R. T. Noonan, S.K.McKee, J. V. Anderson, S. W. Hardy, G. A. Paulson, F. C. Guerrero, and R. C. Suran. Campbell was immediately brought to the St. Paul Bureau Office for questioning.

CAMPBELL was questioned by Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein and Special Agents R. T. Noonan and R. C. Suran on May 7, 8, 9, and 10, 1936. Campbell has consistently denied that he participated in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer or that he received any of the ransom money that was paid for Mr. Bremer's release. Campbell, however, admitted constant association with various Subjects of this case since September, 1933.

Campbell has advised that he first met Wynona Burdette four or five years ago at Tulsa, Oklahoma, prior to the time that she became the wife of Eldon Stanborough, but that his constant association with Wynona did not begin until after she left her husband.

Campbell stated that he first became acquainted with Subjects Fred Barker, Arthur Barker, and Volney Davis when they were kids at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that he attended grade school at that place with Volney Davis. Campbell identified photographs of Fred Barker, Arthur Barker, and Volney Davis as being the likenesses of individuals known to him under those names, which individuals are referred to above. Concerning his education Campbell stated that he attended school until he reached his Junior year in High School.

During the year 1932 Campbell stated that his principal associate was Glen LeRoy Wright; that while he was acquainted with Jimmie Lawson he was never closely associated with this individual and denied that he had ever "pulled any jobs" with Lawson. Campbell admitted that in the year 1932, dates unknown to him, he with Wynona Burdette and Glen LeRoy Wright and Jimmie Lawson resided for a time on a farm near Joplin, Missouri, with a "Dutch" and "Shorty"; but he denied that he knew the true

names of these individuals. Campbell stated he was taken to the farm of "Dutch" and "Shorty" by a "fink", explaining that this individual who took them there later tipped off their whereabouts to police officers and the farm was subsequently raided, but no arrests were made, as the gang had just pulled out prior to the raid.

Also during the year 1932 Campbell admitted traveling with Wynona Burdette to Hot Springs, Ark., Berryville, Ark., Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Casper, Wyoming, although he stated he could not fix the dates that these various trips took place. He stated that just prior to his leaving Oklahoma for Chicago, Illinois, in 1933, he and Wynona went to a farm owned by a man known as the "old bachelor" at Mannford, Oklahoma. He denied that he knew the true identity of the "old bachelor" and further denied he knew anything concerning "Speedy" and Ruth. However, he admitted he had at one time heard of a "Speedy" Quick.

Campbell stated that from Mannford, Oklahoma, he and Wynona went to the home of his sister Mrs. Myrtle McNeil who resided near Wichita Falls, Texas, and it was at this point that he left Wynona Burdette and returned to the home of his parents at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Campbell denied that he at any time received a letter from Fred Barker requesting him to come to Hammond, Ind., but that about September, 1933, he borrowed some money from a person whom he refuses to identify, and that he then proceeded to Hammond, Indiana, arriving there about September, 1933, where he met Fred and Doc Barker at a hotel, the name of which he could not recall, and it was at this time that he first met Willie Harrison who operated a saloon a short distance from the hotel where he met Fred and Doc Barker. He stated he was not at Hammond, Indiana, but for a short time, when he was joined by Wynona Burdette. Campbell stated he was unable to state more definitely the date of the arrival of Wynona Burdette at Hammond, Indiana.

Campbell at first stated that at this time Freddie Barker, Doc Barker, and Alvin Karpis were residing at Chicago, Illinois, and he visited their apartments at that place, making the trips from Hammond, Indiana, but that he did not know the location of these apartments. He later stated that only Fred

Barker and Doc Barker were residing in Chicago and that he recalls making one trip from Chicago to Hammond and at this time he merely parked his car in front of the apartment house where either Freddie or Doc were living.

Concerning Alvin Karpis he stated he had seen Alvin Karpis in Tulsa, Oklahoma, during the year 1932, but was not personally acquainted with him until he arrived at Hammond, Indiana and joined Freddie and Doc Barker. He identified the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being a likeness of that individual referred to above.

Campbell denies that his reason for joining Freddie and Doc Barker was for the purpose of participating in any kidnaping or other crime. He refused to discuss further his reason for leaving Tulsa, Oklahoma, and contacting Fred and Doc Barker at Hammond, Indiana.

Campbell states that after remaining at Hammond, Indiana, for a short time, he and Wynona drove from Hammond, Indiana, to Reno, Nevada in a Ford Sedan, which car did not belong to him. Campbell stated that he at that time did not own a car and refused to state in whose car he and Wynona traveled. He further refuses to discuss just what members of the gang traveled from Hammond, Indiana, to Reno, Nevada with him, and first stated that he had no recollection of stopping at St. Paul, Minnesota, enroute to Reno, Nevada, but later admitted that he may have stopped at St. Paul, Minnesota, and visited the apartment of Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, stating, however, that he did not know which one occupied the apartment but presumed they were living together.

Campbell did admit, however, that at Reno, Nevada, he associated with Doc Barker, Fred Barker, Volney Davis, Edna Murray, Dolores Delaney, Alvin Karpis, and Paula Harmon. Campbell claims that he could not remember the address or the name of the apartment in which he lived. The name of the Highland Apartments at 234 West Liberty Street was suggested to Campbell and he then stated that he believed that was the apartment house in which he and Wynona resided. He claims he cannot recall where other members of the gang lived.

Campbell states that during the time that he resided at Reno, Nevada, he with other members of the gang made a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada. He refused to discuss the purpose of this trip.

Campbell identified the photographs of Edna Murray, Wynona Burdette, Dolores Delaney, and Paula Harmon, as being the women who were with the gang at Reno, Nevada. Campbell maintains that he cannot fix the dates when he with other members of the gang left Reno, Nevada and proceeded to St. Paul, Minn., and he likewise stated that he could not recall whether Alvin Karpis proceeded directly to St. Paul from Reno, Nevada, or first went to Chicago, Illinois. He stated, however, that he is positive that the gang came to St. Paul, Minnesota, just prior to the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and further admitted that he and Wynona upon first arriving at St. Paul, Minnesota, from Reno, Nevada, resided for a few days in the apartment of Bill Weaver, the address of which he claims he does not know. Campbell identified the photograph of Bill Weaver as being the likeness of the individual whose apartment they visited at this time.

After residing at Bill Weaver's place for a few days, Campbell stated that he and Wynona secured an apartment in the Capitol Apartments on St. Peter Street in St. Paul, where, as he recalls, the apartment was rented under the name of George L. Martin. He was asked if this apartment was not rented under the name of Nelson and Campbell denied that he had ever at any time used this alias. Campbell stated that to the best of his recollection he and Wynona resided at the Capitol Apartments during the latter part of 1933and the first part of January,1934. Campbell stated that during the time he and Wynona were residing at the Capitol Apartments he recalls visiting the apartment in which Fred Barker and Paula Harmon resided, and also visited the apartment occupied by Edna Murray and Volney Davis; that he also associated with Doc Barker, but that he, not being familiar with the streets of St. Paul, cannot state where these apartments were located.

Campbell denies attending Wynona's birthday party at the apartment occupied by Fred and Paula and states that he cannot recall any such party being held.

He was further questioned concerning whether he had associated with Fred Goetz during this period of time and he was

also shown a photograph of Goetz, and he stated he could not identify it, but that he at one time did meet a man known as George who might possibly be identical with the individual represented by the photograph of Goetz, but he would not make a positive identification, nor would he state where he may have seen this individual. Campbell was further questioned concerning the request he made of Wynona Burdette to cook a chicken for members of the mob. He denied having any knowledge of this incident.

At this time he was asked where he was the day that Mr. Bremer was kidnaped and he replied "In Chicago" and when asked where in Chicago, he stated that he was on the streets somewhere between Chicago, Illinois, and Hammond, Indiana, and later, however, Campbell stated that when he left St. Paul, Minnesota, during the middle of January he proceeded to Chicago by bus, leaving Wynona at the Capitol Apartments, and stated he may have been on the bus enroute to Chicago, Illinois, the day that Mr. Bremer was kidnaped. He maintains that the first information he had concerning the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer was from reading the newspapers.

Campbell denied that he spent any time in the hideout at Bensenville, Illinois, during the time Mr. Bremer was held there. He denied being acquainted with Harold Allderton, but did identify the photograph of Elmer Farmer as being the likeness of an individual whom he had seen in Cicero, Illinois. He denied that he had ever been at Elmer Farmer's tavern in Bensenville, and in fact denied he had ever been in Bensenville. Campbell further declined to furnish any information concerning the purpose of his trip to Chicago, Illinois, and refused to explain why he left Wynona Burdette in St. Paul, Minnesota. He did state, however, that a short time after his arrival in Chicago, Illinois, he was subsequently joined there by Wynona Burdette and they resided in an apartment house on the south side of Chicago, but denied knowing where this house was located and the name of University Avenue was suggested to Campbell. He stated that did not refresh his memory in connection with the apartment house. He denied knowing the means of transportation used by Wynona Burdette in proceeding to Chicago, Illinois, from St. Paul, Minnesota. Campbell did admit, however, that in this apartment where he again met Wynona Burdette, he also saw Edna Murray, Volney Davis, and Fred Barker.

Campbell is very indefinite as to the time that he and Wynona left Chicago, Illinois, and proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, but did admit that shortly after he and Wynona again joined each other at Chicago, Illinois, they together with Willie Harrison proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, but that he did not recall the mode of transportation used in this instance; that after their arrival in Toledo, Ohio, they registered at some hotel, the name of which he does not recall, and later moved to the Jarvis Apartments.

Campbell admits that while residing in Toledo, Ohio, he frequented the Casino Club which he knew at that time was operated by Bert and Ted Angus, but he denied that he was intimately acquainted with these individuals and that his only purpose in going to the Casino Club was to get a drink or two.

Campbell identifies photographs of Russell Gibson as being the photograph of an individual known to him as "Slim" whom he first became acquainted with at Toledo, Ohio. He also identified the photograph of Jimmie Wilson as being an individual known to him and with whom he associated in Toledo, Ohio. Campbell also admitted that he associated with Dr. Joseph Moran in Toledo, Ohio, and that Dr. Moran operated on his finger tips, but he denied that Dr. Moran had attempted to alter his facial appearance by an operation. He was questioned concerning the amount of money he paid Dr. Moran for the operation on his fingers, and Campbell stated that he paid the same as the other boys paid. He was informed that Karpis had admitted that he had paid $350.00 for the operation on his fingers, and Campbell replied, "That must have been what I paid as the Doctor probably had only one price".

Harry Campbell was also shown a photograph of Oliver A. Berg and he denied that he knew this individual.

Campbell admitted that he saw Fred Barker, Doc Barker, and Alvin Karpis frequently while in Toledo, Ohio, but stated he could not recall the addresses at which these individuals were living.

Concerning Jimmie Wilson, Campbell stated that Jimmie treated him for "a dog bite" at Toledo, Ohio, and in this connection Campbell denied that he was ever at Aurora, Illinois

at the apartment of Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton and stated that he never visited Aurora with any members of the gang. Campbell stated that he did not recall the dates but after leaving Toledo, Ohio, he with Wynona Burdette visited the cottage of Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton located on a beach near Sandusky, Ohio, and that thereafter he and Wynona Burdette obtained a cottage located near Sandusky Beach on Lake Erie, but that he did not know the name of the Beach where this cottage was located.

Campbell is indefinite in his statements as to who visited him at this cottage and is also indefinite as to the persons he observed at the cottage of Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton at their cottage near Sandusky, Ohio. However, Campbell is very definite ~~in his statements~~ that he never at any time saw Harry Sawyer at Toledo, Ohio, or at the cottage of Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton or at the cottage occupied by him and Wynona Burdette, but Campbell was definite in the statement that he saw Volney Davis and Edna Murray at the cottage occupied by Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, and that Doc Barker was seen there on one occasion.

Consistent with his previous statements Campbell was also indefinite as to the dates when he and Wynona moved to Cleveland, Ohio with other members of the gang. He likewise claimed he could not recall the addresses of the various members of the gang at Cleveland, Ohio. Campbell is definite in his statement that Gladys Sawyer and Harry Sawyer ~~associated with various members of the gang at Cleveland, Ohio,~~ and that he saw Fred Barker, Doc Barker, Alvin Karpis, frequently in Cleveland, Ohio.

Campbell admits that he frequented the Harvard Club for the purpose of shooting dice but that he denied knowing Art Heberbrand, Bill Fergus, or "Tip" O'Neil.

Campbell stated that after Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon, and Gladys Sawyer were arrested in Cleveland, Ohio, he immediately left Cleveland, and when questioned as to where he went, Campbell stated that he merely roamed around over the country, and then stated that he must have been doing that "Driving up and down the road" that Ray had talked about. He did admit going to Toledo, Ohio, immediately after leaving Cleveland but from that point on Campbell refuses to state where he did go until he got to Miami sometime in October, 1934.

Campbell admitted driving to Oklahoma and contacting Wynona Burdette but he refused to state how this contact was effected; that he and Wynona did drive to Miami, Florida, where they resided at the El Comodoro Hotel under the name of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Summers; that while in Miami, Florida, he visited with Dolores Delaney and Alvin Karpis at the latter's place of residence, the address of which he claims he does not know.

Campbell denies ever seeing Harry Sawyer, Doc Barker, "Slim" Gibson, or Bryan Bolton in the state of Florida, and in fact denies that he even knows Bryan Bolton and he refused to identify a photograph of this individual but did admit however, that he saw Willie Harrison at the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, Florida.

He stated that Fred Barker wanted he and Wynona, Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney, to live with them at Oklawaha, Florida, but that he and Alvin Karpis refused to do this but did visit Fred Barker and his mother at this place for a short time, and that two or three days before the raid which resulted in the death of Fred and Kate Barker, he, Campbell, saw two men whom he believed were "casing" the house, and that he so advised Fred Barker and his mother, but they refused to believe that the cottage was under observation; that,however, he and Alvin Karpis, Dolores Delaney, and Wynona Burdette immediately left Oklawaha and returned to Miami, Florida. Campbell was questioned concerning Cassius McDonald and he stated that he did not know this man and had never seen him in Miami, Florida, or elsewhere.

Campbell stated that after hearing of the shooting of Fred Barker and his mother at Oklawaha, he with Alvin Karpis, Dolores Delaney, and Wynona Burdette, left Miami, Florida, and proceeded to Atlantic City, New Jersey. He refused to go into further details concerning the trip from Miami, Florida, to Atlantic City, New Jersey. Campbell admits that he was in the Danmor Hotel at Atlantic City, New Jersey, when the local police raided the hotel. Campbell admitted there was some shooting and stated that he and Karpis could have killed the officers if they had desired to do so. He also admitted that he was in possession of a machine gun at that time.

Campbell was then questioned concerning the kidnaping of Dr. Hunsicker and he remarked, "You wouldn't expect me to admit that would you? That would be kidnaping."

Campbell refused to say where he and Karpis proceeded after leaving Atlantic City, New Jersey, but emphatically denied that he and Karpis went to the Casino Club and received a warning from one of the Angus brothers that he and Karpis were too hot to receive assistance from either of the Angus brothers.

Campbell further denied going to Edith Berry's place and stated that he did not know a woman by this name. He stated that he may have been in Edith's house without knowing it as he frequented numerous houses of prostitution while in Toledo. Campbell likewise denied being acquainted with Joe Roscoe but admitted that he hadheard of this individual.

He was then questioned in an effort to obtain information concerning any individuals who had harbored him but he refused to furnish any information in this regard. He did admit that during the time that Wynona Burdette was incarcerated in the Ramsey County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota, during the first Bremer trial at St. Paul, that he and Alvin Karpis drove to Oklahoma where Mark Whinnery was contacted and he states that he gave $50.00 to Mark Whinnery to be transmitted to Wynona Burdette and that he borrowed this money from Alvin Karpis. He stated that he did not trust Mark Whinnery and that he told Mark Whinnery he was going to a certain place but that he did not go there, but he later learned that as soon as he, Campbell, departed after the contact with Whinnery that Whinnery immediately notified authorities at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Campbell was questioned further concerning Harry Sawyer and he admitted he was well acquainted with this individual, having frequented Harry Sawyer's saloon in St. Paul during the short period of time that he, Campbell, was in St. Paul during the latter part of 1933 and first part of 1934. He denied, however, ever visiting the farm of Harry Sawyer, but that he did at one time drive by there and it was pointed out to him.

He denied being personally acquainted with Jack Peifer but stated that on Christmas Day of 1933, he, with Wynona

Burdette had Christmas dinner at the Hollyhocks Inn and he believes that he may have seen Jack Peifer at that time. Campbell denies knowing Jack Davenport of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Campbell admitted that he married Gertrude Billiter at Bowling Green, Ohio, on May 29, 1935. He advised that his wife had been acquainted with Sheriff O'Reilly in Toledo, Ohio for a long time, and that he was introduced by his wife to Sheriff O'Reilly under the name of Charles Miller, and that he is certain this Sheriff did not know his true identity, but that on one occasion he had a conversation with Sheriff O'Reilly concerning a photograph of the Sheriff and that he, Campbell, asked Sheriff O'Reilly why he was squinting his eyes to look at the photograph and O'Reilly advised that he was "casing" a man across the street. Campbell stated at this time he became suspicious that the Sheriff may have been "casing" him, and further stated that he is convinced that Sheriff O'Reilly was the cause of his capture in Toledo.

Campbell stated that he could not recall when he last saw Dr. Moran, but that he believed it was just prior to the time that Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon, and Gladys Sawyer were arrested in Cleveland, and that just before he, Harry, went to Florida, he received information that Dr. Moran was supposed to be in Detroit, Michigan. Campbell stated that he could not recall where he obtained this information and received no specific information concerning the whereabouts of Dr. Moran.

Campbell admitted using the alias of George Walcott in Cleveland, Ohio, and admitted using the alias of George Winfield while living in the vicinity of Grand Forest Beach, Sandusky, Ohio. He stated that Willie Harrison nicknamed him "Buffalo Bill" but that he had never heard himself referred to as "Buff". Campbell denied that he ever used the aliases T. C. Blackburn, George Nelson, or T. E. Blackburn.

Campbell was questioned concerning whether he had ever contacted his parents at Tulsa, Oklahoma, since becoming a fugitive in the Bremer case, and he denied that he had ever done so. He further denied that he ever had communicated with his family through Milton Lott, John Brock, and Sam Coker, and denied

that he knew John Brock. Campbell characterized Milton Lett as being "Just an innocent kid".

Campbell advised that he had met Fred Hunter but claimed to have no further information concerning him and when questioned concerning his participation in the mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, and Warren, Ohio, he denied that he had anything to do with these crimes, and likewise denied that he was implicated in the murder of J. Earl Smith, but admitted that he was wanted for this crime. He claims that although he was not guilty of the crime, he knew he was wanted for questioning and that is the reason he considered himself "hot".

Campbell likewise admits that he has never worked for a livelihood since about the year 1931 when he was employed as tool dresser in the oil fields near Casper, Wyoming. He likewise refused to discuss the source of his income since that period of time, admitting however that while he was in Oklahoma he made his living as a thief. Campbell denies ever having visited the Irving Hotel in Chicago, Illinois, and denied being acquainted with "Boss" McLaughlin and the former Subjects of this case, Vidler and Delaney.

The questioning of Harry Campbell was continued on May 11, 1936 at the St. Paul Bureau Office by Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein and Special Agents R. T. Noonan, J. E. Brennan, and R. C. Suran, and he continued to deny his implication in the kidnaping of Bremer, until the night of May 11, 1936, at which time Campbell advised Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein and Special Agent R. C. Suran that he did not want to enter a plea of guilty in this case and be sentenced to Alcatraz and be considered a "rat" at that institution, and he further did not desire to furnish any information concerning his accomplices in the kidnaping. At this time Campbell would not make a definite admission of his guilt. Campbell further stated that he would like to talk to Alvin Karpis to ascertain whether Karpis had actually admitted his guilt, and indicated that if he were permitted to do this he might enter a plea of guilty.

On May 10, 1936 Special Agent John E. Brennan, in an interview with Karpis, was advised by Karpis that he always regarded Harry as being pretty dumb, and that he believed if it could be arranged to have Harry Campbell put in an adjoining cell he, Karpis, could give Campbell more advice in five minutes than any lawyer could give him in five years, and what is more, Harry Campbell would follow it; that from what he, Karpis, could see, Harry Campbell would be much better off if he would plead guilty, but that he, Karpis, was certain that Campbell would not enter a plea of guilty until he found out what effect that plea would have on Karpis, and that the only reason Campbell would not talk would be for fear of involving Karpis. Karpis stated he would explain to Campbell that he would be better off if he would plead guilty and at least be six months ahead on his sentence, and Karpis stated also that he knew that if Campbell entered a plea of guilty to the Bremer case and he, Karpis, entered a plea of guilty to the Hamm case, or was convicted thereon, that the Government would not go to the expense of trying him on the Bremer case, and he believed that if Campbell was furnished this information he would enter a plea of guilty to the Bremer case.

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley was telephonically advised by Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein of the attitudes of Karpis and Campbell, and Mr. Connelley subsequently stated that this procedure was permissible and that Karpis and Campbell should be permitted to confer with each other in connection with this case.

On May 12, 1936 Special Agents S. K. McKee, J. E. Brennan, and R. C. Suran proceeded with Harry Campbell to the County Jail, where he was permitted to talk with Alvin Karpis privately, and Karpis, in the presence of the above named Agents, indicated to Harry Campbell that he believed that Campbell would be better off by entering a plea of guilty, and that he, Karpis, would also benefit thereby. Thereafter Harry Campbell stated that he would enter a plea of guilty to the instant case, but would not make a statement in connection therewith.

Thereafter United States Attorney George Sullivan appeared at the St.Paul Bureau Office and was advised by Campbell that Campbell desired to plead guilty. After further questioning at this time Campbell then admitted to Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein, Special Agents J. E. Brennan, S. K. McKee, and R. C. Suran, and United States Attorney George Sullivan, that he was guilty of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, and that he was in one of the cars which blocked Bremer's car on the morning of the kidnaping at the corner of Lexington and Goodrich Avenues in St.Paul, Minnesota. Campbell further stated

that he drove the car which was used to transport Mr. Bremer part of the way from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, and that he, Campbell, acted as a guard of Bremer throughout the entire time that Bremer was held in the hideout house at Bensenville, Illinois, and that after the ransom was paid he, Harry Campbell, drove the car part of the way which transported Bremer from Bensenville, Illinois, to Rochester, Minnesota. He reiterated that he would furnish no information concerning the others who participated in this kidnaping, but did admit he received approximately $6,000 as his share of the ransom money, out of a share of approximately $15,000 which he was originally to receive.

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After these admissions, Campbell was turned over to the U. S. Marshal's Office at St. Paul, Minnesota, where he was taken into custody by the Marshal's Office. At 2:00 P.M. on this date, Campbell appeared before Federal Judge M. M. Joyce and entered a plea of guilty to the indictment charging him with conspiracy to kidnap Edward G. Bremer, and thereafter Federal Judge M. M. Joyce sentenced Campbell to serve the rest of his natural life in the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, or in any other institution designated by the Attorney General.

Disposition sheet and parole report for Harry Campbell submitted herewith to the Bureau.

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Date May 15, 1936

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Mr. J. E. Hoover,
Director, U. S. Bureau of Investigation,
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Dear Sir:-

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

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Bureau Office, St.Paul, Minn.	HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases: Dave Campbell, T.C.Blackburn, George L.Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson, "Dave", G. L. Summers, G.F.Summers, G. Summers, T.E. Blackburn, C.C. Cameron, G.C. Cameron, George F.Summers, R.E.Nelson, "Buff", "Buffalo"	Sentenced U.S. Dist.Court, St.Paul, Minn., 5-12-36, to life imprisonment.

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Name of Convict: **HARRY CAMPBELL, aliases: Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L.Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson, "Dave", G. L. Summers, C.F.Summers, C.Summers, T.K.Blackburn, C.C.Cameron, G.C.Cameron, George F.Summers, R.K.Nelson, "Buff", "Buffalo"**

Title of Case: **ALVIN KARPIS,w.a., I.O. 1218; DR.JOSEPH P.MORAN, w.a., I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, w.a., I.O. 1236; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT**

HARRY CAMPBELL, together with other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, kidnaped Edward George Bremer on January 17, 1934 in St.Paul, Minnesota, and Bremer was thereafter transported to Bensenville, Illinois, where he was held a kidnap victim in the home of one Harold Alderton until February 7, 1934, when he was transported to Rochester, Minnesota, at which place he was released after the payment of a ransom of $200,000. Campbell actively assisted in the actual abduction of Mr. Bremer, in that he assisted in the transportation of Bremer from St.Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois. At Bensenville, Illinois, Campbell acted as a guard over Mr. Bremer during the twenty-one days which Bremer was held at that place. Campbell also assisted in transporting Bremer from Bensenville, Illinois, to Rochester, Minnesota, where Bremer was released on the 22nd day of his captivity. According to Campbell's admission, he received approximately $6,000 out of a share of approximately $15,000 which he was originally to receive. After the release of Bremer, Campbell, with other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, fled to Toledo, Ohio, and also fled to and associated with members of the gang at Cleveland, Ohio, and thereafter proceeded to Miami, Florida, where he likewise consorted with other fugitives in this same offense. Campbell remained a fugitive until May 7, 1936 when he was apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Toledo, Ohio.

On January 22, 1935 Campbell, together with others, had been indicted by a Federal Grand Jury at St.Paul, Minnesota, charged in one indictment with the substantive offense of kidnaping Edward G. Bremer, and in a second indictment Campbell was charged with conspiracy to kidnap.

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On September 22, 1935 a new indictment was returned against Campbell at St.Paul, Minnesota, charging ALVIN KARPIS, ARTHUR BARKER, WILLIAM WEAVER, HARRY SAWYER, WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON, ELMER FARMER, HAROLD ALDERTON, CASSIUS McDONALD, and HARRY CAMPBELL with having conspired between September 15, 1933 and January 15, 1935 to violate the act forbidding interstate transportation of kidnaped persons.

After Campbell's apprehension at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936 he signed a waiver of removal and was removed from Toledo, Ohio, to St. Paul, Minnesota, where on May 12, 1936, before Federal Judge M. M. Joyce of the U. S. District Court at St.Paul, Minnesota, he entered a plea of guilty to the conspiracy indictment and was sentenced to serve the remainder of his natural life in the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, or in any other institution which might be designated by the Attorney General.

Harry Campbell was born in McClintocville, Pennsylvania, on January 1, 1900. Little is known of his early life, but apparently his family moved to the State of Oklahoma while Campbell was still a young boy. He enrolled at the Old Lincoln Forsythe School at Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1913. Volney Davis, a conspirator in the instant case, and various other boys who developed into notorious characters, were likewise pupils at this same school. Campbell, with Volney Davis, Fred Barker and Doc Barker, all defendants in the instant case, when they were boys hung around Central Park, which place proved to be a training ground for criminals. As early as 1920 Campbell was in difficulty with the law for on December 25, 1920 he was arrested by the Tulsa, Oklahoma, Police Department for investigation and was fined. Campbell has stated that this arrest was due to driving an automobile while drunk and fleeing the scene of an accident. Sometime during 1920 or early 1921 Campbell proceeded to Evansville, Wyoming, where he was employed as a driver of a bus. Campbell is reported to have kept this position for five years, up until the year 1925. It is known that at various times Campbell has been employed in the oil fields in the States of Wyoming and Texas.

While employed in the oil fields at Midwest, Wyoming, Campbell married Mildred Rhinesmith at Douglas, Wyoming, this marriage taking place on June 5, 1925. A child was born of this marriage, a girl named Eula B. Campbell is reported to be very fond of this daughter. It is not known what date Campbell left Midwest, Wyoming, but thereafter Campbell apparently began to wander about the country and began to spend a great deal of time at Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he associated with individuals of known criminal tendencies. In January 1931 Harry Campbell, with his wife and child, took up a residence at Pampa, Texas, and worked

in the oil fields until conditions became bad and he was without employment. Campbell left Pampa, Texas, in the beginning of 1932 and took his daughter, Eula B. Campbell, to the home of his parents in Tulsa, Oklahoma. According to Campbell, his wife then deserted him and began to associate with an individual of Indian blood. In January 1933 Campbell returned his daughter to her mother at Pampa, Texas, and the daughter has remained in the custody of the mother since that time. Subsequently Mildred Campbell divorced Harry Campbell and is presently married to a man by the name of Mackie.

During the year 1930 Campbell was introduced to one Wynona Burdette at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and thereafter he kept company with the Burdette woman and began to live with her as man and wife, and continued to reside with the Burdette woman until January 18, 1935, on which date Campbell, with Alvin Karpis, fled from Atlantic City, after an attempt had been made by the local police to arrest them. Wynona Burdette and the woman of Alvin Karpis, Dolores Delaney, were taken into custody and these women were subsequently sentenced to serve five years for harboring Campbell and Karpis and for other charges growing out of the same offense.

After Campbell and Karpis escaped on January 18, 1935 from the officers who had attempted to arrest them, during which attempt Karpis and Campbell exchanged gun fire with the officers, they fled from Atlantic City in a stolen automobile, which car was abandoned two and one-half miles northeast of Quakertown, Pennsylvania. At about 8:00 A.M. on January 21, 1935 Karpis and Campbell forced Dr. Horace H. Hunsicker, Allentown, Pennsylvania, at a point of a machine gun to drive them in his car from a point near Sellersville, Pennsylvania, to Guilford Center, Ohio, at which place they forced Dr. Hunsicker to enter the Guilford Center Grange Hall, where the doctor was bound and gagged and abandoned.

Harry Campbell was never convicted of a prior offense, although he has been accused of various offenses, from burglary to the murder of Attorney J. Earl Smith at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on August 18, 1932, which offense Campbell denies he committed. Campbell, however, admits that for a number of years he made his living as a burglar. Campbell was also suspected of participation in mail robberies at Warren, Ohio, and Garrettsville, Ohio, during the Fall of 1935, and a warrant is outstanding for Harry Campbell in connection with the mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, which was committed on November 7, 1935, but no further prosecutive action has been taken in connection with this offense.

Campbell's father, George E. Campbell, with his mother, Mrs. Lissa Campbell, reside at 818 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and so far as is known they are law abiding citizens. Also Campbell has

three sisters, Pearl, Edith and Laura, residing at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and with the exception of a sister, Edith Campbell Majors, the girls have good reputations. Campbell has one married sister, Mrs. Myrtle McNeil, who resided at Iowa Park, Texas, and Mrs. Mc'Neil likewise bears a good reputation.

Campbell, while a fugitive from justice, under the name of Charles Miller, married Miss Certrude Billiter at Bowling Green, Ohio, on May 29, 1935, and Campbell contends that he never advised his present wife that he was a fugitive from justice.

The fingerprint files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reveal the following arrests for Harry Campbell: BC

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ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: ALVIN KARPAVICZ (TN), A. CARTER, RAYMOND HANDLEY, GEORGE HALLER, ALVIN KORPIS, A. KORPIS, EARL PEEL, ALVIN KAPIS, GEORGE DUNN, R.E.HAMILTON, RAY HUNTER, RAY KARPIS, E.L. BURNS, EARL LYMAN BURNS, R.L.BURNS, J.J.BURNS, WILLIAM LOHMAN, WILLIAM B. LOHMAN, R.E.NELSON, MERION BRADFORD, MARION BRADFORD, H.J.MILGRETH, H.G. MILGRETH, HOWARD MILGRETH, E.L.BURNES, RAY HALL, DAN MURPHY, "CHI" KARPIS, RAYMOND HADLEY, ALBIN KARPIS, "JAMES", CHARLES M. BRONSON, LEROY MORRISON, E.M.WAGNER, H.G.WAGGONER, ELMER WAGNER, E.N.WAGNER, EDWARD N. WAGNER, L.P.WOODS, A.S.GREEN, RAY GREEN, E.N.GREEN, CHARLES A. RICHARDS, W.B.LOHMAN, "SLIM", RAYMOND ALVIN KARPIS, RAY CARSON, T.N.NELSON, R.J.BURNS, RAY HADLEY, R.S.CARSON, ED KING, E.F.COLLINS, EDWARD O'HARA, FRANK A GLEASON, FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:
HARRY CAMPBELL, aliases: DAVE CAMPBELL, T.C.BLACKBURN, GEORGE L. MARTIN, GEORGE NELSON, JOHN WALCOTT, GEORGE WALCOTT, GEORGE WINFIELD, GEORGE SWANSON, "DAVE", G.L.SUMMERS, G.F.SUMMERS, G. SUMMERS, T.E.BLACKBURN, C.C.CAMERON, G.C.CAMERON, GEORGE F.SUMMERS, GEORGE SUMMERS, "BUFF", "BUFFALO", I.O. #1236; FUGITIVE.

DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, aliases: JOSEPH B. MORAN, JOSEPH C. MORAN, "DOC" MORAN, JOSEPH PATRICK MORAN, I.O. #1232.

FRED JOHN HUNTER, aliases: FRED HUNTER, FREDDIE HUNTER, FRED KING, HAROLD KING, H. KING, H.J.KING, FRED HARRIS, FRED JOHN HENDERSON, EDWARD O'HARA, E. O'HARA.

ET AL.

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

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Synopsis of Facts: Subject Karpis, as Edward O'Hara, on April 2, 1936, purchased a 1936 Plymouth Coupe, motor #P2-212244, from the Quality Motors, Inc., New Orleans, La., for $806.28. This car recovered in front of apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, by Bureau Agents, on 5-1-36. Subject Hunter, who used the alias of Edward O'Hara, admits that this car was purchased for him by Subject Karpis. 1936 Ford Coupe, motor #2407873, purchased by H. J. King, Princess Louise Hotel, Corpus Christi, Texas, from Roy Murray Motors, Inc., that city, on Nov. 26, 1935. Same sold by Subject Hunter, using alias of H. J. King, to Pierre Chive, Jr., Manager, Used Car Lot, Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., New Orleans, on 4-3-36, for $440.00. This car sold the following day to Mrs. Ruth R. Chetty of New Orleans. On 4-13-36 Subject Karpis, as E. F. Collins, purchased 1936 Terraplane Coupe, motor #192081, from Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., for $750.00 in cash. This car recovered at New Orleans on 5-2-36 from United Motors Service, Inc., where it had been left by Subject Karpis for repairs. The two cars recovered are being held in storage at the Crescent City Garage, Inc., New Orleans.

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REFERENCE: Letter from New Orleans Office to Bureau dated May 12, 1936.

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

DETAILS:

The title of this case is being changed to add Ed King, E. F. Collins, Edward O'Hara and Frank A. Gleason as aliases for Subject Karpis, and to add Fred John Hunter, with aliases, as a subject.

Mr. E. B. Hauch, Office Manager, Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, upon interview advised that on April 2, 1936, his company sold to one Edward O'Hara, who gave his address as Corpus Christi, Texas, a 1936 Plymouth Deluxe Coupe, motor P2-212244, for $748.00. In addition to the selling price of the aforesaid car, $50.00 was charged for a radio and $8.28 for 1936 Louisiana license tags, making a total of $806.28 paid by the alleged Edward O'Hara on April 2, 1936, for this car. Invoice #1201 was issued to O'Hara covering the sale of this automobile. Mr. Hauch's records reflect the

following settlement made in payment for the above described automobile:

Deposit on order	$100.00
Special trade	50.00
Cash on delivery	656.28
Total	$806.28

Mr. Hauch explained that the item of "special trade, $50.00" represented the discount of that amount of money for the payment of the car in cash; that they did not use the word discount, in view of the fact that discounts were frowned upon by their competitors. Mr. Hauch stated that the $50.00 discount which they allowed was used by O'Hara for the purchase of a radio, which was installed in the automobile before its delivery. Mr. Hauch contended that he only saw O'Hara on one occasion and that was about three or four days after the car had been delivered to him, at which time O'Hara returned to obtain possession of 1936 Louisiana registration card, which had been mailed to the Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, La. Mr. Hauch was unable to identify either the photographs of Subject Karpis or Subject Hunter. He stated that the transaction was taken care of by their sales representative, Mr. Clarence Pucheu.

Mr. Clarence Pucheu, sales representative, Quality Motors, Inc., upon interview advised that Subject Karpis, whose photograph he identified as being the Edward O'Hara who purchased 1936 Plymouth Coupe, motor P2-212244, came to his place of business about 11:30 a.m., April 2, 1936, and that he spent about thirty minutes in discussing the sale of a Plymouth Coupe with Karpis at that time. He stated that at the expiration of that time he was compelled to take care of a previous customer of his, and returned to the Quality Motors, Inc., sales room about thirty minutes later, at which time he again met Subject Karpis and discussed the deal further. Mr. Pucheu stated that as a result of his high-power salesmanship, he closed the deal with Karpis in about thirty minutes, Karpis paying $100.00 down for the car and requesting delivery on that afternoon. Mr. Pucheu stated that he allowed Karpis $50.00 discount, which amount was consumed, eventually, by the purchase of a radio, which was installed in the car. Mr. Pucheu advised that as the deal was closed, and as was his custom, he asked Subject Karpis, posing as Edward O'Hara, for his occupation and that Karpis looked rather surprised but replied that he was a gambler and stated that it was necessary for him to be in Corpus Christi, Texas, the following day. Mr. Pucheu stated that as a matter of fact, O'Hara informed him at the outset of the interview that he was from Corpus Christi, Texas, and when the deal was closed, Karpis asked him how long it would take to obtain a Louisiana registration card for this automobile, to which he, Mr. Pucheu, replied approximately three days. Karpis suggested that Mr. Pucheu mail the registration card, when it was received, to Corpus Christi, Texas, stating that he would write to Mr. Pucheu, advising him of his address there. Mr. Pucheu filled out the application blanks and personally presented them to the Louisiana State Motor Vehicle Bureau on Canal Street, where he was issued 1936 Louisiana license tags 136-288, which he placed on the car, and in two hours and fifteen minutes after the deal was culminated, he delivered the said car to Subject Karpis. As Karpis departed, however, he requested Mr. Pucheu to hold the 1936 Louisiana registration card, when it was received, and that he would return in about three or four days to pick up the same, and that this was finally agreed upon.

Mr. Pucheu stated that Subject Karpis mentioned that he had been over to Florida and spoke of an Embassy Club there, stating no name of the city in which said club was supposed to have been situated. Mr. Pucheu insisted, however, that Karpis volunteered very little information as to his travels, but did state that he was stopping in New Orleans with a friend, and at the time the registration of the car was discussed, Mr. Pucheu suggested that he be permitted to mail the registration card to the address of Karpis' friend but that Karpis refused to agree to this and declined to furnish the local address.

Mr. Pucheu identified the photograph of Subject Karpis as being a likeness of Edward O'Hara, with whom he closed this deal. He denied that at this time Karpis was accompanied by anyone else.

Mr. Pucheu stated that about three or four days later, Karpis returned and obtained from Mr. Hauch the 1936 registration card, which had been received subsequent to his departure; that he was not in the office at the time, but later ran into Subject Karpis in the Plymouth Coupe, parked out in front of the Quality Motors, Inc., on Canal Street, and went out and spoke to Karpis, and observed that on this occasion he was accompanied by another party, whom he, Mr. Pucheu, identified as being Subject Fred Hunter, after viewing the photograph of Hunter which was exhibited to him. He stated that on this occasion he noticed that there was a dent in the right rear fender and that the car had been driven 1900 miles in the three days. He stated that Karpis spoke to him about having the fender repaired and complained about the way the car handled. Mr. Pucheu stated that he remarked to Karpis that he, Karpis, was apparently used to driving heavier cars, to which Karpis replied in the affirmative, and that he took up the matter of trading the Plymouth Coupe in on an eight cylinder Chrysler Coupe and avoiding the further necessity of having the injured right rear fender repaired. Nothing definite was decided at this time and Karpis and his companion drove off.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Pucheu is the son-in-law of Mrs. J. F. Meyer, who manages the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, at which address Subjects Karpis and Hunter were apprehended on May 1, 1936. The apartment occupied by these parties at this address was rented under the name of Edward O'Hara.

Mr. Pucheu stated that several days prior to the arrest of subjects, he observed the Plymouth Coupe in front of the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, and remarked to his mother-in-law, Mrs. Meyer, that the car looked like the car he had sold to Edward O'Hara, to which his mother-in-law replied that Mr. O'Hara was one of her tenants.

Attention is invited to the fact that Fred Hunter admitted to the writer and Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and R. L. Tollett that the Plymouth car had been purchased by Karpis for him, Hunter, stating that Karpis was a much shrewder bargainer and talked so much better than he, that he welcomed the opportunity to have Karpis transact this business for him.

Mr. E. J. Ransom, Service Manager of the Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, stated that about 1:00 p.m. on April 14, 1936, Subjects Karpis and Hunter, accompanied by a young girl not over eighteen years of age, appeared at the garage and left the above described Plymouth

Coupe for repairs. He stated that at this time he repaired the right rear fender, which had been dented, informing Subject Karpis, whom he knew as Edward O'Hara, that the car would be ready at 5:00 p.m. that afternoon. He stated that Karpis returned later that afternoon but the car was not ready and was not delivered to him until 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Ransom stated that as he reflected, he recalled that whenever Subject Karpis brought the car to the garage, he always came in from the rear entrance on North Claiborne Avenue, and never went through the front part of the building at all.

Photographs of Subjects Hunter and Karpis were exhibited, and Mr. Ransom identified that of Subject Karpis as being the party whom he knew as Edward O'Hara, and that of Fred Hunter as being his companion on the afternoon of April 14, 1936. The young girl in question was apparently none other than the individual who was arrested with Karpis and Hunter at New Orleans.

This Plymouth Coupe was recovered by Bureau Agents while the same was parked in front of the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, on the Jeff Davis Parkway side of the building.

1936 Louisiana registration card covering 1936 Plymouth Coupe, motor P2-212244, serial #903681, for which 1936 Louisiana license tags 136-288 were issued in the name of E. O'Hara, 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, was found among the papers discovered in the Plymouth Coupe by Special Agent J. V. Blake when he examined same at the Crescent City Garage, where the car was stored after its recovery. In addition, the following papers were found:

Owner's Identification Card in the name of Edward O'Hara, Corpus Christi, Texas, covering instant Plymouth Coupe, delivered on April 2, 1936, by the Quality Motors, Inc., New Orleans, La.

Card of introduction of Edward O'Hara to Edw. N. Eberling & Co., Inc., 1532 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, La., for battery service.

New Car Order dated April 2, 1936, Quality Motors, Inc., for Plymouth Deluxe Coupe, bearing buyer's signature of E. O'Hara, 1625 Canal Street, (the address of the Quality Motors, Inc.), showing a cash payment of $806.28.

Quality Motors, Inc., Invoice No. 1201, dated April 2, 1936, covering the sale of Plymouth Coupe to Edward O'Hara, Corpus Christi, Texas, showing payment of $806.28.

Sadler Super Service (no address given) service repair order, dated April 7, 1936, Plymouth Coupe, covering grease and oil change, clean and adjust ignition points, etc., total repair charges $3.50.

Motor Vehicle Inspection Bureau, New Orleans Police Department, Application No. 73644, dated April 2, 1936, covering inspection of Plymouth, motor P2-212244, license 136-288, property of Edward O'Hara, Corpus Christi, Texas, showing issuance of brake tag #33362.

Quality Motors, Inc., Repair Order No. 6505, in the name of E. O'Hara, dated 4-14-36, covering straightening and duco of right rear fender, car wash, lubricate, change of oil, total repair $9.75.

Owner's Service Policy issued to Edward O'Hara, Corpus Christi, Texas, for Plymouth Coupe, motor P2-212244.

Envelope addressed to Edward O'Hara, Corpur Christi, Texas, bearing return address of Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, La., in which Service Policy and other documents were contained.

The above documents are being retained in the New Orleans Bureau Office file for further reference.

In addition to the above, Agent Blake discovered a Savage lever action 250-3000, serial #304481, rifle, which has already been forwarded to the Bureau under separate cover.

Mr. Pierre Chive, Jr., Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., Manager of the Used Car Lot of this company, located at 1545 Canal Street, New Orleans, upon interview advised that on April 3, 1936, a party giving his name as H. J. King appeared at his office and offered to sell a 1936 Ford Coupe. Mr. Chive identified the photograph of Fred Hunter as being the individual who introduced himself as H. J. King. He stated that Hunter appeared at his place of business around 10:30 or 11:00 a.m., April 3, 1936, and exhibited certain documents showing ownership to this Ford Coupe, which he contended he had purchased from the Roy Murray Motors, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas. Mr. Chive stated that he wired to this company at Corpus Christi to determine whether there were any liens or mortgages outstanding against the car, and received a reply on the afternoon of April 3, 1936, from the Roy Murray Motors, Inc., advising that the car was clear. He stated that he purchased the aforesaid car from Hunter for $440.00, obtaining from Hunter all documents which he had in his possession showing ownership to same. He stated that he had lunch with Hunter at the Jung Hotel at noon on April 3rd, and that during his conversation with him, Hunter informed that he was a salesman for some dice company and had been working over in Florida. He mentioned the names of a number of gambling houses which sounded familiar to him, Mr. Chive, who had resided about twelve years in Florida. However, Mr. Chive could not recall the names of the clubs mentioned by Hunter.

Miss Louise Charlton, bookkeeper at Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., 1330 St. Charles Street, exhibited her files on the instant transaction, which reflected that on April 3, 1936, they paid H. J. King $440.00, by check #5522, covering the purchase of 1936 Ford Coupe, motor #2407873, the address of the payee of this check being indicated as 218 San Pedro, San Antonio, Texas.

The file contained a Postal Telegraph wire dated 12:25 p.m., April 3, 1936, addressed to Roy Murray Motors, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas, quoted as follows:

ADVISE IF FORD COUPE MOTOR 2407873 SOLD TO H J KING PAID IN FULL OR IF THERE ARE ANY LIENS OR MORTGAGES AGAINST SAME WIRE ANSWER COLLECT (Sgd) EVANS MOTORS OF LOUISIANA, INC. CHIVE

At 2:09 p.m., April 5, 1936, a reply was received from the Roy Murray Motors, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas, quoted as follows:

THIS CAR PAID IN FULL AT TIME OF PURCHASE IN CASH

In the file pertaining to the instant transaction was Invoice 2380, dated November 26, 1935, of Roy Murray Motors, Inc., Mesquite at Williams, Corpus Christi, Texas, showing that a new 1936 Ford Deluxe 3 W Coupe, motor #2407873, was sold to H. J. King, Princess Louise Hotel, for $757.80, including $752.00 as purchase price of the car, 60¢ for the purchase of a rear view mirror, $1.00 for glove compartment, $4.20 for license. This invoice bears the following notations:

By credit on books	$ 25.00
By discount	52.00
By cash	680.80
Total	$757.80

Said car was sold by Jack Williams, of the Roy Murray Motors, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas.

Among the other papers turned over by Subject Hunter at the time of the sale of the above described car, was 1936 Florida registration card #123658, issued in the name of H. J. King, 218 San Pedro, Hillsb County, Tampa, Fla., on February 7, 1936, covering 8 cylinder Ford, motor #2407873, for which 1936 Florida license tags #123658 were issued. This registration card also indicates that 1935 Texas license tags A64116 had been previously issued for this car.

In addition, Florida certificate of title #1053343, issued February 28, 1936, covering the above described car, was issued to H. J. King, c/o Howard T. Sims, P. O. Box 3155, Orlando, Fla.

The files of Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., reflect that the instant Ford Coupe was sold by that company on April 4, 1936, to Mrs. Ruth R. Chetty, Apartment 13, 1328 Jackson Avenue, for $550.00.

The files of Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., further reflect that on April 13, 1936, a 1936 Terraplane Coupe, motor #192081, serial #6126228, was sold to E. F. Collins, 1330 St. Charles Avenue, which is the address of the vendor. This car was sold to Collins for a total of $750.00, including $681.93 as the selling price of the Coupe, plus $62.45 for radio and $5.62 for the 1936 Louisiana license tags. Mr. W. A. Wilson, salesman of Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., upon interview advised that Subject Karpis, whose photograph he identified as being identical with the party whom he knew as E. F. Collins, appeared at his place of business on the morning of April 13, 1936, driving a Plymouth Coupe, which, he informed, belonged to a friend of his, and questioned him about the purchase of a Terraplane, stating that he had previously wrecked his personally owned car in Tennessee. Karpis informed him that he was connected with the show business but

did not identify the show by name. He stated that Karpis made an initial deposit of $100.00 when he ordered the car, and paid the remaining $650.00 upon its delivery that afternoon. He stated that when Karpis was questioned as to his local address, he informed that he had no permanent location locally but was expecting to travel to Cincinnati, Ohio, and would be back in a couple of weeks to pick up the 1936 Louisiana registration card. Mr. Wilson stated that at Karpis' suggestion, and as is customary on the sale of a new automobile, he filled out the original and duplicate application for Louisiana registration but that at Karpis' suggestion, he gave the New Orleans address as 1330 St. Charles Street, which is the location of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.

Mr. Wilson stated that Karpis did not talk a great deal about himself and was a pretty keen bargainer. He insisted, however, that Karpis was alone during the entire transaction. Mr. Wilson stated that he knew nothing of the sale of the Ford Coupe and was unable to identify the photograph of Subject Fred Hunter.

Mr. Wilson stated, in conclusion, that Karpis mentioned having been over in Florida but made no reference to the towns or places where he had stopped or had dealings in that state.

Mr. E. S. Joubert, Service Manager, upon interview stated that he was present when the car was delivered to Karpis on the afternoon of April 13, 1936, and that Karpis apparently was alone when delivery was made. He stated, however, that Karpis apparently drove the car around the block and returned to the service entrance of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., and called him to the street and complained about some minor defect. He stated that at this time he observed that Karpis had a woman with him but that he did not observe her closely and could not furnish even the slightest description, but was of the opinion that she had been in the neighborhood at the time of the delivery because of the short space of time which elapsed between the delivery and the return for a minor adjustment to the car.

Mr. E. P. Sires, salesman for the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., stated that he saw Mr. E. F. Collins, whom he identified as being Subject Karpis, from photograph exhibited to him, on the morning of April 27, 1936, when Karpis brought his car in for repairs. He stated that during his conversation with him, Karpis informed that he had had engine trouble on the ferry at Baton Rouge, and had to be pushed off, and complained about the trouble that he was having with this new automobile. He stated that Karpis returned Tuesday, April 28, 1936, at which time he sold him a horn, and at this time he discussed a trade-in of the Terraplane Coupe on a Hudson Coupe, Karpis indicating that he desired a faster and heavier car. He stated that during his conversation with Karpis on this occasion, they talked over the potential car deal from about 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on the evening of April 28th. He stated that during this time Karpis informed him that he was salesman for some dice company and that he had been down in Florida working. He stated that during the conversation, Karpis mentioned that he was going out to the "Original Southport" for the evening, and Mr. Sires decided to join him after they had had several drinks at Parcel's Liquor Service on St. Charles Street, across from the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc. He stated that while at Southport, he saw Karpis pull out a sizeable bank roll of at least $500.00, consisting of possibly $100, $20 and $10 bills. He stated that they went to the dice table and

Karpis threw the dice a few times, and left after winning $60.00. He stated that they returned to New Orleans about midnight and that he had not seen Karpis since that time.

Found in the Terraplane Coupe after same was recovered by Special Agent Blake at the United Motors Service, Inc., 822 Howard Avenue, New Orleans, on May 2, 1936, were the following papers:

1936 Louisiana registration card issued in the name of E. F. Collins, 1330 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, La., (the address of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.), covering Terraplane, motor #192061, serial #6126228, for which 1936 Louisiana license tags 18-460 were issued. Attention is invited to the discrepancy in the motor number appearing on the Louisiana registration card and that of the real motor number ascertained by Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and T. W. Bain, who further inspected this car, as well as the Plymouth Coupe now in storage at the Crescent City Garage. It is believed that this discrepancy is due to a misinterpretation of an "8" for a "6" appearing on the application for registration filled out by the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., by some employee of the Motor Vehicle Bureau.

(Photostatic copy of Application for Registry was obtained from the office of the Secretary of State at Baton Rouge, La. This application appears to have been filled in on the typewriter and describes the Terraplane Coupe as being a 1936 Coupe, motor #192081, serial #6126228. Same bears the apparent signature of E. F. Collins. Miss Charlton advised the writer that the signature of Collins was either inserted by herself or Miss Anna Mae McDonnell, another employee of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc. Inasmuch as Subject Karpis had nothing to do with the registration of this car, it appears that the error was undoubtedly made by an employee at the Motor Vehicle Bureau in typing out the registration card for the above described car, substituting a "6" for an "8", making the motor number of the instant car appear on the Louisiana registration card as #192061. Photostatic copy of the application for registry is being retained in the New Orleans Bureau Office file.)

Cash Receipt #6662 dated April 14, 1936, received of E. F. Collins, $650.00, signed by L. Charlton, Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.

Car Order blank dated 4/13/36 issued to Evans Motors, Inc., Terraplane Coupe, for the price of $750.00, showing a credit deposit of $100.00, Cash balance due $650.00; salesman Wilson.

Invoice of Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., dated April 13, 1936, in the name of E. F. Collins, covering Terraplane Coupe, motor #192081, serial #6126228.

Motor Vehicle Inspection Bureau, New Orleans Police Department, Application #77160, dated 4/13/36, covering Terraplane Coupe, motor #192081, license #18-460, car owned by E. Collins, 1330 St. Charles Ave., showing issuance of brake tag No. 37714.

Repair Order #4781, Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., dated 4/22/36, in the name of E. Collins, oil and grease job, change motor oil, car wash, total bill $3.60. Marked "Paid 4/22/36, Evans Motors of La. Inc., E. P. Sires."

Strong Motor Co., Sarasota, Florida, Repair Order #6048, date received 4-18-36, 36- Terra 6- General Inspection, change of oil, grease and wash car, total bill $6.50. Repair order issued in the name of Mr. Collins.

Repair Order R 943458, United Motors Service, Inc., 5-1-36, in the name of E. Collins, Tourist, Terraplane, license 18-460, mileage 4729. Car wash, lubrication, change motor oil, tune up motor, tighten car, check radio, total bill $7.00. This was paid May 2, 1936.

Terraplane Owner's Service Policy.

Terraplane Ownership Card, not executed.

The above papers are being retained in the New Orleans Bureau Office file for future reference.

Agent Blake also discovered in the rear compartment of this Terraplane Coupe a .22 Remington rifle, serial #112132, telescope sight attached, wrapped up in a blanket. This rifle has been forwarded to the Bureau under separate cover.

Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and (A) T. W. Bain made a thorough inspection of the 1936 Terraplane Coupe, in storage at the Crescent City Garage, and found same to bear 1936 Louisiana license #18-460, motor #192081, serial #6126228, speedometer reading 4741.3. These agents also examined 1936 Plymouth Coupe, bearing 1936 Louisiana license tags 136-288, motor P2-212244, serial #9036812, speedometer reading 3026.8.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

JACKSONVILLE OFFICE, at Sarasota, Florida, will conduct investigation at the Strong Motor Company, 528-30 Main Street. For the assistance of this office in conducting instant investigation, there is being attached hereto Repair Order #6048 of the Strong Motor Company, dated April 18, 1936, which should be returned when it has served its purpose. It is suggested that investigation be conducted to determine the possible contacts of Subject Karpis at this town.

Inasmuch as report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Jacksonville, Fla., dated 4-27-36, contains information regarding a detailed interview with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sims, of Orlando, Fla., no request is being made for further investigation at this town.

P E N D I N G

RCH:MCL

May 15, 1936.

Mr. W. B. Chamberlain,
Associate Editor,
Journal,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Chamberlain:

I have just finished reading the editorial entitled "Karpis Parolee," which appeared in the May 7, 1936, issue of the Minneapolis Journal.

I am indeed pleased to observe that you point out to your readers some of the parole practices which mark the criminal record of Alvin Karpis prior to his recent apprehension by Special Agents of this Bureau. It is indeed hoped that the day will come when the parole laws will be administered in the proper manner and some of the present rotten practices will be eliminated. A tremendous improvement in the crime situation would be immediately evident if this end could be attained.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Minneapolis Journal
5-7-36

Karpis, Parolee

As Public Enemy Number One, ALVIN KARPIS was before the public eye for several years. As a prisoner of the G men, KARPIS is just now even more prominently in the picture of law enforcement. But it is as a parolee that KARPIS deserves chief attention.

At sixteen, he was sentenced for stealing, and thereupon began his schooling in crime. He escaped. Then he was picked up with burglary equipment, and shortly paroled. Next he turned up as a robber, and got another prison sentence. From this latter term he was also paroled. By this time he was a confirmed public enemy.

The foundation of this career in crime was laid in State prisons. But its furtherance was accomplished in the status of a paroled criminal, freed by State authorities. We may wish sincerely for measures that will make men of prisoners, instead of criminals, and we may look softly to the parole system as an agency for such rehabilitation. That is what parole is, in theory, and facts often support the theory. But the suspicion is growing that this is partly luck, this reform. And the answer, or one of the answers, is the inadequacy of parole supervision, just as is the inadequacy of the probation system.

KARPIS had not been a Federal prisoner until just now. Hence he could not have been a Federal parolee. The blame for inadequacy of parole lies at the door of States. Maybe this fellow was too tough a criminal for any parole system. Certainly he is now too tough for anybody but G men to get. Nobody representing the law of any State did get him after he became so tough.

Most of all, State officers fell short of being equal to the task that the G men undertake so relentlessly. State officers do not keep everlastingly at it, as G men do. And before that activity, State parole officers fell short of effective functioning. The key to the Karpis career, you may see, is parole breakdown.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clerk
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Copy G-Men

May 9, 1936

I, Harry O Campbell, having been first fully informed by E J Connelley, Special Agent of the Division of Investigation of the Department of Justice, that I have the right not to be removed from the Judicial District in which I was taken into custody without being first arraigned before a duly authorized judicial officer or magistrate and except by virtue of a warrant of removal issued for that purpose, do hereby waive my right to be arraigned before a duly authorized judicial officer or magistrate and my right not to be removed from the said judicial district except by virtue of a warrant of removal issued for that purpose, and do hereby freely consent and agree that I may be forthwith removed by representatives of the Department of Justice in their discretion to any judicial district of the United States, either for the purpose of questioning or for the purpose of being held to answer any criminal charge.

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

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

Harry Campbell

E J Connelley

Witnesses:
Edith M Burch
Clyde E Smith
Special Agents
Federal Bureau of Investigation
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

TDQ:RCL

May 13, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

Mr. Stanley Carroll just telephoned and stated that he received a wire from New York requesting him to make inquiry concerning the politicians who had aided and abetted Karpis, Campbell, and other outstanding gangsters recently apprehended by the Bureau, stating that there was a runor in New York City that a number of sensational arrests would be made momentarily of these politicians.

Mr. Carroll stated that he had talked to the Director yesterday and was under the impression that the matter was merely being investigated, but that no arrests were imminent.

I advised Mr. Carroll that in view of the fact that the Director personally was handling this matter, no comment could be made.

Mr. Carroll stated that over the wire service yesterday they ran quite a story concerning the speech made by Senator Ashurst relating to the work of the FBI and stated that he had not as yet looked over the latest edition of the New York American, but that possibly the story was run in that paper.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: Brekid.

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

May 8, 1936.

Very truly yours.

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Enclosure:
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Chicago
Mr. Connelley, Chicago

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Laboratory Report

May 14, 1936.

Case: Brekid.

Number: 7-576-11238

Specimens:

A. Sample handwriting of Fred Hunter consisting of 5 sheets.

Examination requested by: New Orleans Office

Date received: 5/8/36

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel

The handwriting of Fred Hunter has been compared with certain of the questioned writings in this case and those of the kidnaping of Factor and of Hamm without finding any writings which match.

A general search of all anonymous handwritings in order to compare them with the writing of Alvin Karpis, of Campbell and of others is to be made as soon as complete specimens of their known handwritings are received. At that time the handwriting of Fred Hunter will be included in the search. The anonymous specimens to be searched will include registrations at hotels in different portions of the country on the various names as well as anonymous letters in criminal cases. If there are any special specimens which the New Orleans office or other offices desire compared with the handwriting of Hunter they should advise. As the search is to be a thorough one it will embrace many examinations and it is desired, in order to economize on time, to perform it all at once.

Any information obtained from these further comparisons will be forwarded.

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1 - New Orleans
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1 - Mr. Connelley, Chicago
3 - Laboratory (1 for Factor case; 1 for Hamm case)

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: DALLAS May 14, 1936

BREKID ADVISE R. L. JONES HEARING AT MIAMI FLORIDA CONTINUED UNTIL SEPTEMBER

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May 18, 1936

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. E. A. Thompson,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice, Room 5252,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al -
Edward George Bremer, VICTIM -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the telephonic conversation of May 12, 1936 had between Special Agent McIntire, of the Bureau, and Special Agent J. K. Collins, Resident Agent at Richmond, Virginia. This conversation referred to the raid which was conducted by Special Agent Collins and numerous other Agents then attached to the Detroit Office, which raid was made upon the residence formerly occupied by Harry Campbell at 7008 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, on September 11, 1934.

It is desired that Agent Collins immediately submit to the Bureau a memorandum completely setting out all of the details with reference to that raid. Particular reference should be had to the incident wherein members of the Cleveland, Ohio Police Department appeared at the above mentioned residence at the time the Agents were conducting the said raid. If Agent Collins recalls, I would like to be advised of the name of the officer commanding the squad of Cleveland Police officers in that instance.

This is a personal and confidential matter and should be narrated by Agent Collins in detail and with particularity. This matter should receive your immediate and expeditious attention.

Very truly yours,

P. M. John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-L.J.Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati

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

May 12, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

In compliance with the Director's instructions received telephonically on Sunday last, this is to advise that I telephonically communicated with SAC MacFarland of the Cleveland Office and called his attention to the editorial that appeared in the Toledo News-Bee, and advised Mr. MacFarland that if it had not been for a Bureau employee going through Toledo and purchasing this paper, the Bureau would apparently have heard nothing of the derogatory information contained in this article. I also informed Mr. MacFarland that to date we had received no Toledo clippings setting forth information concerning the capture of Campbell at Toledo, and that of course the Bureau was particularly interested in securing any articles concerning its work, but that although he had men in Toledo, apparently this matter was entirely overlooked.

Mr. MacFarland stated that his attention had been called to the column in the Toledo News-Bee and that it had been forwarded to the Bureau along with other papers containing news items concerning the Campbell Case.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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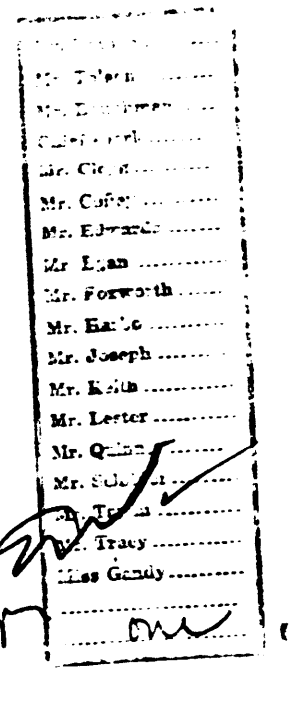

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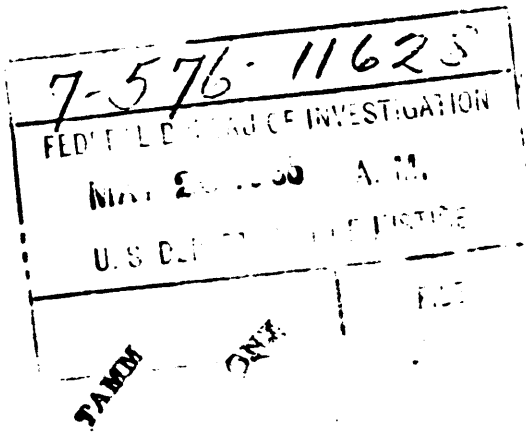

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Laboratory Report

May 15, 1936. Number:

Case: 7-576-11097
Brekid 7-576-11098

Specimens:

See attached pages

Examination requested by: New Orleans Office

Date received: 5/9/36 and 5/11/36

Examination requested: Ballistic - Bring out numbers

Examination by: Parsons
C. Tamm

Result of examination:

This report will confirm the teletypes of May 9, 1936 and you are advised that test cartridges were fired in all of the above-listed guns and that the test bullets and test cartridge cases were compared with all specimens of their respective types contained in the Laboratory's files but no identification was made.

The serial numbers on the two above-listed .45 caliber and the one .22 caliber automatic pistols have been restored. The .45 caliber automatic marked as having been found in bureau drawer of bedroom of Fred Hunter's apartment was found to bear serial number C175271. The .45 caliber Colt automatic marked as having been found in brown leather brief case in Terraplane Coupe was found to bear serial number C179878. The .22 caliber Colt automatic was found to bear serial number 480. Returned

All of the above-listed firearms, ammunition, and other material are being retained in the Laboratory.

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1 - Mr. Connelley, Chicago
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Specimens: 7-576-11057:

Three loaded .380 clips.
One loaded clip taken from .45 Colt Automatic.
One loaded clip .45 caliber ammunition.
One loaded .380 clip.
Nine loaded .45 automatic pistol clips.
Five .250-3000 cartridges taken from Savage rifle.
One empty .22 clip.
One carton containing 500 rounds of .22 long rifle ammunition.
One box of .300-300 Savage soft point cartridges.
One box of .380 automatic cartridges.
Four full boxes of .250 cartridges.
One partly filled box .250 cartridges.
Two full boxes .380 automatic cartridges.
Sixteen .45 calibre automatic cartridges.

7-576-11098:

One .45 Colt Automatic, Serial #C-161847, found in brown leather brief case in Alvin Karpis' Terraplane Coupe, New Orleans, Louisiana.

One .45 Colt Automatic, Government model, Serial number mutilated, property of subject Alvin Karpis, found in bureau drawer of bedroom of Fred Hunter's apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

One .22 caliber Colt Automatic, Ace model, Serial number mutilated, found in brown leather brief case located in Terraplane Coupe, property of subject Alvin Karpis.

One .45 Colt Automatic, Government model, Serial number mutilated, found in brown leather brief case, Terraplane Coupe, property of subject Alvin Karpis.

One .380 Colt Automatic, Serial 106616, found in zipper bag located in Fred Hunter's Plymouth Coupe, property of Alvin Karpis.

One Savage lever action automatic, model 99, .250-3000 caliber rifle, Serial number 304431, property of Alvin Karpis, found in Fred Hunter's Plymouth Coupe.

One .22 Automatic Remington rifle, model 24, serial number 112152, with telescope sight attached, property of Alvin Karpis, found in Terraplane Coupe.

One brown leather brief case, found in Terraplane Coupe, property of Alvin Karpis.

One new hip holster for .38 automatic, found in Gladstone bag in Terraplane Coupe, property of Alvin Karpis.

One new shoulder holster for automatic pistol, property of Alvin Karpis found in brown leather brief case in Karpis' Terraplane Coupe.

(Specimens continued):
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One Hunting knife, property of subject Karpis, found in fishing tackle box, in Terraplane Coupe belonging to Karpis.

One Eveready flash light, property of Alvin Karpis, found in zipper bag in Plymouth Coupe.

One Winchester flash light, property of Alvin Karpis, found in Terraplane Coupe.

One bottle of indelible ink found on dresser in bedroom at Fred Hunter's apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: [redacted]

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 ~~May 5, 1936~~ May 11, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure.

cc-St. Paul
Cincinnati
Chicago
Mr. M. J. Connelley, Chicago

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 15, 1936

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

Dear Mr. Ryan: Re: BRENND

Returned herewith is letter addressed to Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution, by Alvin Karpis, which you sent to this office with your letter of May 12, 1936.

The contents of this letter have been carefully noted.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this as in other matters, I remain,

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reimecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 1.70,
Oklahoma City, O[illegible],
May 14, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Re: BRENID

Referring to your letter dated May 9, 1936 please be advised that the supply of handcuffs in the Oklahoma City office has been thoroughly checked, and the Peerless handcuffs bearing numbers 98540 and 98538 are not located in the Oklahoma City office.

It is my recollection that one pair of Peerless handcuffs was left at the St. Paul office at the time Alvin Karpis was delivered there, and that the leg irons used on Karpis were taken by Mr. Galvin of the Bureau, with the keys, to Washington, D.C. upon his departure from St. Paul.

Yours very truly,

DAIGER BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Bureau
St. Paul

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 18, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cincinnati, Ohio

RE: BREID

Dear Sir

Reference is made to the letter of Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland to the Detroit Bureau office, dated May 13, 1936.

Please be advised that the Ford Motor Company, Detroit, Michigan, advises that the automobile mentioned in reference letter was shipped from the Detroit Ford Motor Company to the Cincinnati Ford Motor Company Branch on March 12, 1935.

It is requested that you immediately continue the investigation, as set out in reference letter.

Very truly yours

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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St. Paul
Cleveland
Chicago

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

May 12, 1936.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Edwards .....
Mr. Egan .....
Mr. Foxworth .....
Mr. [illegible] .....
Mr. Joseph .....
Mr. Keith .....
Mr. Lester .....
Mr. Quinn .....
Mr. [illegible] .....
Mr. [illegible] .....
Mr. Tracy .....
Miss Gandy .....
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Time - 12:02 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis;
Harry Campbell.

SAC Stein telephoned me from the St. Paul Office and said that this morning, Campbell was taken over to see Karpis, and Campbell has now indicated that he will enter a plea of guilty to the Bremer Case, and wants to enter it right away. Mr. Stein just saw U. S. Attorney Sullivan, who is going to have it taken care of right away. Alvin Karpis has somewhat indicated he will take a plea of guilty on the Hamm Case. The conversation between Karpis and Campbell, of course, was covered by the Agents of the St. Paul Office. Campbell will possibly be taken into court today.

I told Mr. Stein to telephone the Bureau just as soon as Campbell is taken into court.

Time - 3:20 P.M.

Mr. Stein telephoned Mr. Hood in my absence, and said that Campbell, upon a plea of guilty, was just sentenced to life imprisonment in connection with the Bremer Case.

Mr. Stein said that Campbell made just a brief statement before he went up to plea to the effect that he, Doc Barker and Karpis were present at the time Bremer was picked up on the street; that he was with Bremer on part of the trip south, and that on the way back, he was with him all the way. Campbell says he was a guard during the entire time Bremer was held.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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WITNESS FRANK JENNINGS NUMBER THIRTY THREE NOT FOUND REPORTED ROME GEORGIA SUGGEST FBI VERIFY WHEREABOUTS

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"THE ATTORNEY GENERAL"
AND REFER TO
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 8, 1936.

Mr. Nathan .....
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Mr. Bangbman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
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Mr. Edwards .....
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Mr. Tamm .....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

In connection with the case of United States v. Adams et al, pending at Miami, Fla., the Assistant United States Attorney, Mr. Gramling has advised that witness Frank Jennings, number thirty three has not been found, but is reported to be at Rome, Georgia. He suggests the Bureau verify his whereabouts.

Mr. Gramling has also advised that witness Gregory Codomo, number 41, was not found. As Codomo is an important witness, it is requested that an effort be made to locate him.

Respectfully,

Brien McMahon

BRIEN McMAHON,
Assistant Attorney General.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

AR:TD

April 24, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

There is transmitted herewith a memorandum covering the known early life and criminal activities of Alvin Karpis.

Respectfully,

E.A.Tamm

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April 24, 1936

MEMORANDUM

A career of plunder, pillage and despoliation, which was first earmarked by an arrest on February 25, 1926, initiated the long criminal record of Alvin Karpis, who was received on this date at the State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, on a charge of second degree murder, to which he was sentenced to serve a term of ten years in this Institution.

Born in Montreal, Canada on August 10, 1907 of immigrant parents who resided in that portion of Russia which is now Lithuania, Alvin Karpis, christened Alvin Karpavicz, was taken by his family which migrated to the United States and settled in Topeka, Kansas when Karpis was about two years old. His father was employed by the Santa Fe railroad for a number of years as a painter. In 1923 the Karpavicz family moved to Chicago, Illinois and it was at this point that Alvin began his employment in various bakery shops, where he continued working for a period of over a year. Not being strong physically and advised by his doctor of a defective heart, which condition required complete rest, Alvin Karpis went back to Topeka, Kansas, where he resided with his eldest sister. It was during this period that he became involved in his first difficulty with law enforcement officers. Having received the sentence previously mentioned, Karpis escaped from the Institution wherein he was confined on March 9, 1929 and joined his parents in Chicago, Illinois, during which time he remained at home for a period less than a year, being employed by a medical concern.

On March 25, 1930, a little over a year after his escape from the State Industrial Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas where he was sentenced on February 25, 1926, he was arrested in Kansas City, Missouri for auto larceny and safe blowing and was returned to the State Industrial Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas as an escaped prisoner, being transferred on May 19, 1930 to the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas to serve the balance of his term.

Following his release from the Kansas State Penitentiary on May 31, 1931, Karpis immediately associated himself with such persons as Frank Nash, Francis Keating, Thomas Holden, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Vernon C. Miller, Fred and Kate Barker and many others. He engaged in numerous bank robberies in the middle west. His apprehension was sought by the Sheriff's Office in West Plains, Missouri for the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelley on December 19, 1931. Thereafter Karpis allied himself with a gang of midwestern desperadoes which has since become known as the "Karpis-Barker" gang. This gang has been responsible for many of the major bank robberies in the middle western states which occurred subsequent to

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his release from the Kansas State Penitentiary and his arrest on June 10, 1931 at Tulsa, Oklahoma on a charge of burglary, where he was delivered to the authorities at Okmulgee, Oklahoma and paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary to which he was sentenced on September 11, 1931 for a term of four years.

On March 22, 1934 the Attorney General of the United States announced that Karpis had been identified as one of the kidnapers of Edward George Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank at St. Paul, Minnesota, who was kidnaped on the morning of January 17, 1934 at the intersection of Lexington and Goodrich Avenues, St. Paul, Minnesota, shortly after he had taken his little daughter to school. This abduction was effected by several members of the Karpis-Barker gang, many of whom have already been prosecuted. Among those who had been prosecuted in the Bremer case are Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Elmer Farmer and Bryan Bolton, who are also implicated in the abduction of William A. Hamm, Jr., President of the Theodore Hamm Brewing Company, a wealthy resident of St. Paul, Minnesota, who was kidnaped about 12:45 P.M. on Thursday, June 15, 1933, immediately after he had departed from his office at the brewery for luncheon.

On January 22, 1935 a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota returned indictments against several members of the Karpis-Barker gang. Karpis was named in two indictments, the first charging him and others with the substantive offense of kidnaping Mr. Bremer, the second charging him and others with conspiracy to kidnap Mr. Bremer.

On April 22, 1936 a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota returned indictments against Alvin Karpis and others, charging these persons with conspiracy to kidnap Mr. Hamm and also charging them with the substantive offense of kidnaping. On this same date, Homer S. Cummings, Attorney General of the United States, under the authority vested in him by an Act of Congress approved June 6, 1934, offered a reward of $5,000 for information furnished to a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, which results in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

According to the records of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Karpis, as No. 7071, was received at the State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, on February 25, 1926, for the crime of burglary—second degree, to serve a sentence of ten years. He escaped on March 9, 1929 and was returned to the reformatory on March 25, 1930, having been arrested as Raymond Hadley, No. 17902, by the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department on March 25, 1930, on charges of larceny—auto, and safeblowing. Karpis was transferred to the State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, on May 19, 1930, under his correct name,

as No. 1539, to serve the balance of his sentence for the crime of burglary, second degree. As George Haller, No. 8008, Karpis was arrested by the Police Department at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 10, 1931, on charges of investigation—burglary. He was surrendered to the Police Department at Okmulgee, Oklahoma, where, as A. Korpis, No. 1609, he was charged with burglary. On September 11, 1931, Karpis was found guilty of the burglary charges and was sentenced to four years and immediately placed on parole by the Court.

Arthur R. Barker and Volney Davis are serving life sentences at Alcatraz Island Penitentiary, as a result of their participation in the Bremer kidnaping. Bryan Bolton was convicted on April 15, 1935 for his participation in this kidnaping, and at the present time is under indictment in connection with the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm. Elmer Farmer, who is presently confined in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, where he is serving a twenty-year sentence for his participation in the Bremer kidnaping, has also been indicted in the Hamm kidnaping. Fred Barker and Fred Goetz are deceased.

Bryan Bolton, Arthur R. Barker and Elmer Farmer, who were members of the Karpis-Barker gang and are presently serving sentences imposed as a result of their participation in the Bremer kidnaping case, have been indicted, together with Alvin Karpis, John P. Peifer, Edmund C. Bartholmey and Charles J. Fitzgerald, for their participation in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., at St. Paul, Minnesota, on June 15, 1933.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTI :ION

Room 5744 4/26 1936.

To:
- ✓ Director
- ___ Mr. Nathan
- ___ Mr. Clegg
- ___ Mr. Tamm
- ___ Mr. Edwards
- ___ Mr. Egan
- ___ Mr. Quinn
- ___ Mr. Glavin
- ___ Mr. Douglas
- ___ Miss Gandy
- ___ Mr. Tracy
- ___ Mr. Renneberger
- ___ Mr. Joseph
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Send File Note and Return

For NBC one Karpis if arrangements are approved

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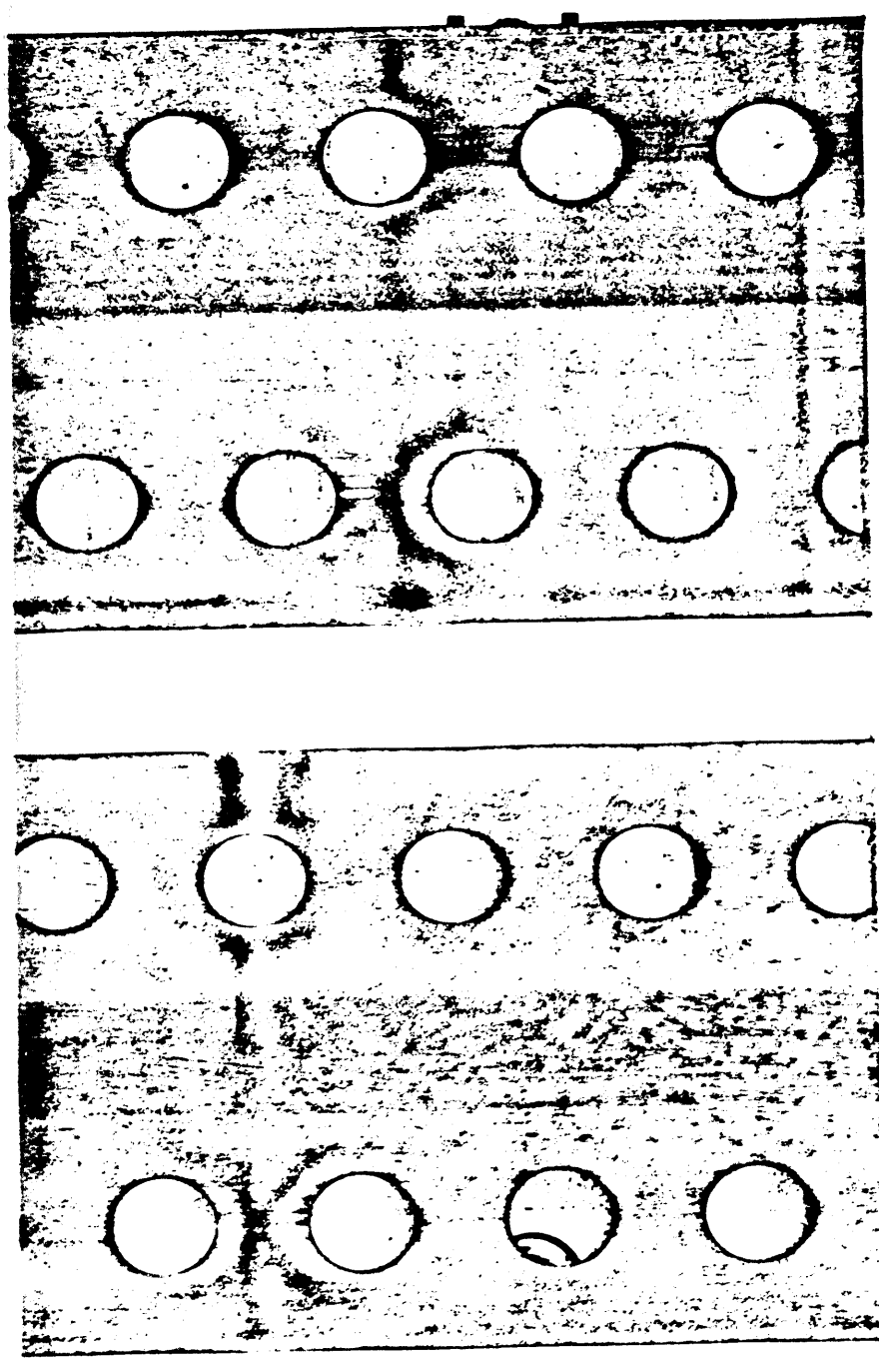
Clyde Tolson



May 15, 1936.

Time - 4:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Apprehension of Karpis.

Mr. Suydam inquired by telephone if I had written a letter to the Chief of Police at Toledo, stating that the United Press wished to know. I stated I had acknowledged in general terms the letter the Chief had sent me but that I did not consider it wise to publish this letter, though of course the Chief of Police had published the letter he sent me. I stated I disclaimed any special reference to the Toledo Police Department and regretted that the Chief had reached such a conclusion. I further told Mr. Suydam that what I had actually said was that the Bureau was looking into the activities of crooked politicians and policemen in certain cities.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Ne
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Berg
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Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.
May 16, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

BRKID

In compliance with request contained in your letter dated May 11, 1936, there is transmitted herewith one exemplified copy of the indictment returned against Subject ALVIN KARPIS for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer of St. Paul. There is also transmitted herewith exemplified copy of the warrant with non est return which was issued for Subject ALVIN KARPIS.

There is attached to the copy of this letter for the Cleveland Office, exemplified copy of the indictment against ALVIN KARPIS, together with an exemplified copy of warrant with non est return. There is also being transmitted for the Cleveland Office the like exemplifications for HARRY CAMPBELL for possible future use in connection with harboring cases which might be developed in the Cleveland district.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Toledo, Ohio
May 10, 1936.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID.

In accordance with telephonic instructions received by the writer from the Cleveland office, a search was made of all copies of "The Toledo News-Bee", issued since February 1, 1936. Those copies which contained news items, editorials or any other material regarding the activities of the Toledo Police Department were noted and an attempt was made to purchase copies of these papers. In view of the fact that the search was not completed until a late hour on May 9,th all of the copies desired were not available and cannot be obtained until Monday, May 11th. However, those copies which were obtained are being forwarded directly to the Bureau in accordance with the instructions.

Papers issued on the following dates are being forwarded by special delivery; under separate cover:

February	22,	1936.	April	7,	1936
"	26	"	"	27	"
March	10	"	"	29	"
"	11	"	"	30	"
"	12	"	May	2	"
"	14	"	"	6	"
"	25	"	"	7	"
"	25	"	"	8	"
April	1	"	"	9	"

In addition to the papers set out above there are ten other issues of which copies will be obtained and on copy sentto the Bureau and another copy will be kept in the Cleveland office for use at that point. A similar search will be made of the files of the "Toledo Blade" at the earliest possible time.

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Very truly yours,

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S. W. Richmond

L. H. Richmond.
Special Agent.

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Cincinnati, Ohio.

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May 18, 1936.

Mr. W. R. Briggs,
Post Office Inspector in Charge,
Federal Building,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the apprehension of Fred Hunter, with aliases, by us at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, and who is now confined in the Federal Prison at New Orleans, La., charged with having harbored Alvin Karpis with aliases, at that point, Karpis being a Fugitive involved in the kidnaping of George Edward Kremer at St. Paul, Minn., on May 6, 1936, I telephonically communicated with your Post Office Inspector, C. J. Metrick at Toledo, Ohio, who has been in charge of the investigation of the mail train robbery November 7, 1935, at Carrettsville, Ohio, and advised him that Fred Hunter would be available to him or any other Inspector designated for that purpose at the Federal jail, New Orleans, La., for interview. At this time he indicated to me that he expected to conduct this interview personally, when he had opportunity to do so.

It is suggested that the Inspector wishing to interview this man at New Orleans, communicate with Mr. D. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 326½ Post Office Building, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Re: "BREKID."

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Record of Telephone Call of Visitor.

May 7, 1936.

Time 2:10 P. M.

Name Mr. Cyril C. Thompson, Asst to the Pres. of United Airlines in person

Referred to

Details:

Requested to see the Director regarding the leak in some information between Cleveland and Chicago. Mr. Thompson was advised that the Director was out of the city and that the Assistant Director with whom Mr. Thompson could confer had an appointment outside of the building. Mr. Thompson will call in at 3:30 P. M. to ascertain with whom he is to speak about the above matter and when he may speak with this person.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: CHARTERED AEROPLANES.

With reference to the Douglas aeroplanes which were chartered from the T.W.A., on May 1, 1936, and May 6, 1936, I desire to advise you that vouchers have not as yet been submitted by that company.

I called Mr. Whitley in New York concerning this matter and he advised me that he had been in touch with the local office of the T.W.A. and had been advised that the billing for these charters will be made by Kansas City. I advised Mr. Whitley at that time that the plane which was chartered on May 6th was released at Chicago, Illinois, and there should be no charter charge from that point forward.

Arrangements were made with Mr. Whitley to forward the vouchers promptly to the Bureau, addressed to my attention, and when they are received they will be handled expeditiously.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
May 6, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID.

I am transmitting herewith the cartoon appearing in the New Orleans, Louisiana, "States" the afternoon of May 5, 1936, at New Orleans, entitled "Very Good, Edgar", depicting a characterization of the Director in connection with his direction of the raid at New Orleans which resulted in the apprehension of Subject Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Roy Raymond is the cartoonist who executed this cartoon. Mr. J. Walker Ross is the Editor of this newspaper.

The address of both the cartoonist and the editor is 615 North Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THE NEW ORLEANS STATES,
New Orleans, Louisiana.
May 5, 1936.

Mr. Roy Aymond, Cartoonist.
615 North Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Very Good, Edgar!

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Mr. Roy Aymond,
The New Orleans States,
615 North Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Aymond:

Mr. D. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office of this Bureau, has just forwarded me the original of your cartoon entitled "Very Good, Edgar!" which appeared in the May 5, 1936 issue of the New Orleans States.

I want to thank you for making this cartoon available for my collection of outstanding cartoons on crime, which is maintained in my Reception Room.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
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Mr. ~~RCH~~, EAM Talbot Ross,
~~Det 576~~-
The New Orleans States,
615 North Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Ross:

I want to thank you for the commendation expressed in the cartoon by Mr. Roy Aymond, which appeared in the May 5, 1936 issue of the New Orleans States, entitled "Very Good, Edgar!"

Mr. Aymond has made this cartoon available, through Mr. D. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans of this Bureau. I am indeed glad to have this cartoon to add to the collection maintained in my Reception Room and I am appreciative of Mr. Aymond's courtesy in this connection.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo
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May 11, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. MacFarland at Cleveland on Sunday, May 10th, at 9- P.M. and during the course of the conversation, he advised me that United States Attorney Freed has advised him that he has communicated with the Department requesting authority to interview Hunter, Karpis and Campbell concerning the Warren, Ohio, mail robbery which occurred in 1935, and in which case two men have already been convicted. He advised Mr. MacFarland that the court has instructed him to interview these prisoners in order that he may clarify the existing case. Mr. MacFarland advised me that Mr. Freed had asked him for permission to interview these prisoners also but had told him that he had communicated with the Attorney General.

I told Mr. MacFarland to keep us closely advised of any developments in this matter.

Mr. MacFarland also stated that Mr. Elliot Ness has written him a letter which he has forwarded to the Director, in which Mr. Ness requests to be advised of any charges which we have or anticipate making against any members of the Cleveland Police Department. Apparently this request is based upon the Director's statement relative to the possibility of aid being rendered to members of the Barker - Karpis mob in Cleveland when they were there some months ago.

I told Mr. MacFarland that this letter would receive the Bureau's attention upon its receipt.

Respectfully,

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May 11, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Cincinnati relative to the press article which appeared in the News under date of March 9, 1936, quoting Bernard J. Wolf of the Cleveland Police Department as stating that your charges of crookedness in the police departments out there were false, and that the Bureau's failure to cooperate with them had at one time almost resulted in a gun battle between the Cleveland Police and the Bureau Agents. I asked Mr. Connelley if he knew as to what this referred.

Mr. Connelley said this undoubtedly refers to the affair in Cleveland on or about September 5, 1934, when the Agents picked up the three women, among them Paula Sharon, at the hotel in Cleveland, at which time the Cleveland Police "stuck their nose in there", etc. He said complete information relative to this matter is contained in a report emanating from Detroit on or about that time.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Post Office Box 412
Chicago, Illinois

May 20, 1936.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: RE: HANAP

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 30, 1936, requesting that a photostatic copy of the signature of Alvin Karpis be obtained from the original application for lease signed by Karpis under the name R. G. Hayes, Jr., for Apt. L-2, 417 Thatcher Avenue, and requesting further a photostat or photograph of the signature W. M. Lohman, as contained in the records of the Country Club Hotel, 6930 South Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois, for possible future use in the prosecution of this case.

Photostats of the above application for lease for Apt. L-2, 417 Thatcher Avenue and registration sheet of the Country Club Hotel, dated August 18, 1931, had been obtained and a copy is being submitted with copies of this letter to both the Bureau and the St. Paul Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd /s/
D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. DRAWER "V",
Plaza Station,
St. Louis, Missouri.

May 18, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Mich.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 4, 1936 regarding the report submitted by Special Agent J. S. Bush, St. Louis, Mo., dated April 28, 1936, wherein the Detroit office was requested to conduct investigation at the R. C. Burleson Sanitarium, Grand Rapids, Mich., in connection with a letter which had been received by Mrs. Edith Kistler.

This investigation was requested in an effort to locate Harry Campbell, therefore, it is now, of course, unnecessary for the Detroit office to conduct the investigation requested.

Very truly yours,

JAY C. NEMAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box #766
Cincinnati, Ohio

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May 18, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, La.

Re: "BREKID."

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of May 9, 1936, indicating that I might possibly be in possession of .38 calibre Colt Super-Automatic pistol, serial #16801, this will confirm my telephone conversation with you, advising that as indicated previously by me, the Super-Automatic which I was using on this occasion, was placed in the compartment of Bureau Hudson #9 at New Orleans, for safe-keeping, while I was handling other matters subsequent to the raid and I instructed Agent McNulty on this same day to get this gun and turn same in to you, or to advise you of the location of same, in order that it might be obtained and not left for any undue length of time in the compartment of this car, and your statement that you did, on the night of May 1, 1936, obtain this gun and return it to the Bureau office.

Evidently this was some other serial number than the one you refer to in your letter. The one you refer to in your letter I noticed with the other equipment in the office and was never in my possession. At this time I also refer you to letter of Special Agent E. John McNulty, Boston, Mass., May 14, 1936, covering the same situation as above, as to the disposition of the Super-Automatic Pistol which I was using at this time.

I trust you have, by this time, found the other Automatic which you refer to in your letter.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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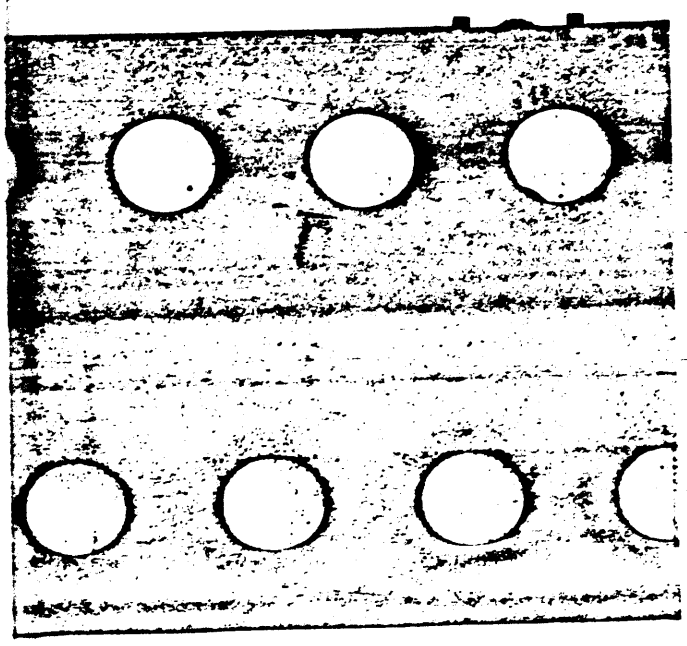

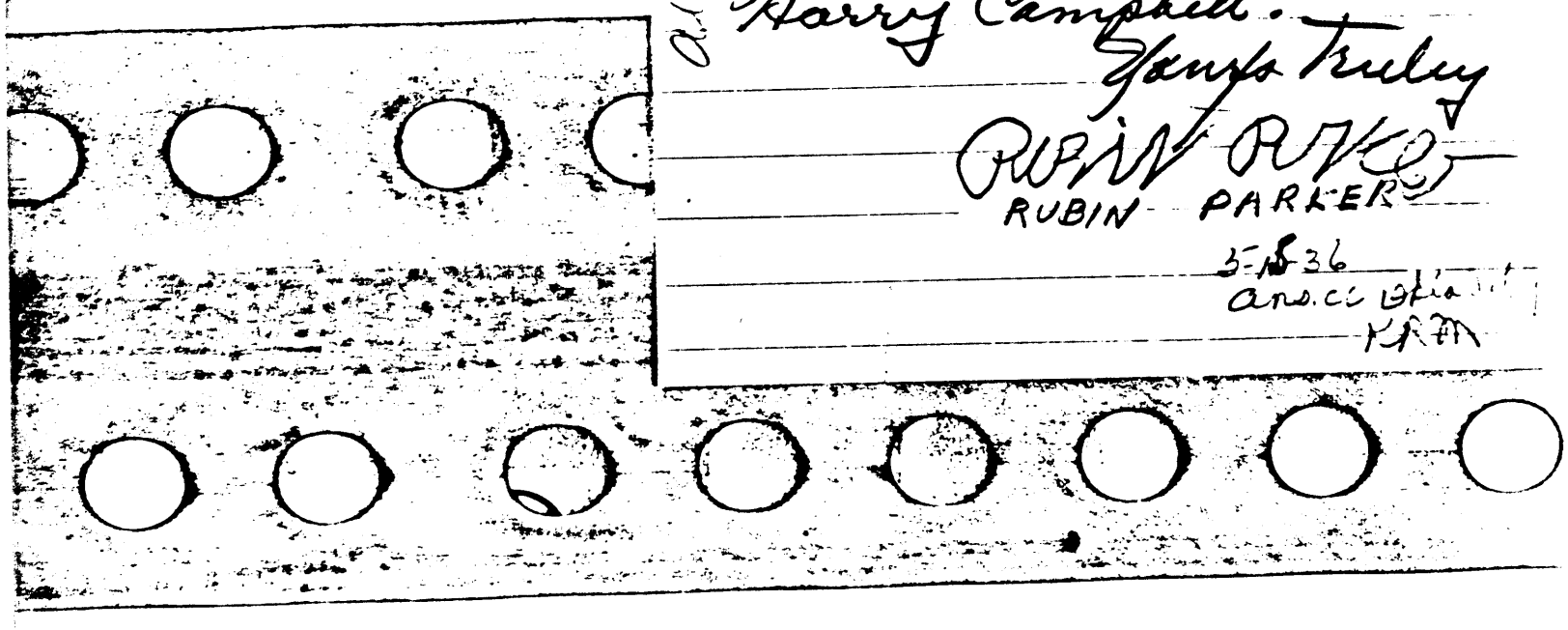

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Dear Sir:
MAY 25 1936
Please Send me Photo & ONE Finger Prints of - Allen Karpis
Indicted No 1539 and also
Harry Campbell.

Yours truly
RUBIN PARKER
RUBIN PARKER

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Mr. Rubin Parker,
Healdton, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of April 29, 1936, I am transmitting to you herewith Identifications Orders issued by this Bureau concerning Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, which contain their photographs and fingerprints.

Undoubtedly you are advised by this time that Alvin Karpis was apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936, while Harry Campbell was apprehended by Special Agents at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 1134128

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Re: Alvin Karpis

During a telephone conversation with Mr. Connelley he stated that Karpis has shown a friendly attitude and that he thought it would be well to put Karpis and Campbell together in the same cell block and let them talk together, with an Agent available at all times, as some additional information might be obtained. I approved of this.

Mr. Connelley stated that Gladys Sawyer had called up SAC Alt and offered to divulge information, claiming she has something on Brown; that he, Connelley, told Alt to contact Agent McKee and together to talk to her, as Alt lacks the necessary background. Mr. Connelley stated she says that Brown and Weiler split $36,000 of the Hamm money and were the ones that "fingered" Hamm; but that it is not known on what she bases this information. Mr. Connelley stated he would talk to St. Paul tonight before McKee leaves. I told Mr. Connelley I would be willing to pay for any information obtained.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

May 5th, 1936.

"AIR MAIL"

"STRICTLY PERSONAL"

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

First of all, permit me to congratulate you on your capture of Alvin Karpis. I called the night of the capture at the local office of the Bureau of Investigation but missed you. However, from what I have read and learned, this capture was certain handled in a very efficient manner, and, above all, without injury to anyone.

I am attaching herewith a letter which was received by me and which may be useful to you in a further check-up of this case. However, the phone number listed in this letter, viz. 844, is not located in this City, as all phones here contain four numerals.

There was a very unkind and ugly remark made by one of your agents to my men who had arrived on the scen after Karpis had left in your custody, which I will explain to you personally when I see you at our next convention.

Anytime that I can be of service to you, please do not hesitate to command me.

With very best regards, I am

Very truly yours,

(Sgn) George Reyer
George Reyer,
Superintendent of Police.

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Mr. George Reyer,
Superintendent of Police,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Reyer:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of May 5, 1936, and want you to know how much I appreciate your commendatory expressions relative to the capture of Alvin Karpis. Iaam sorry indeed that I did not see you the night I was at the local office, but you can well understand the hurried character of my visit and the necessity of finishing the job there as soon as possible.

I have noted the letter which was attached to yours of the 5th, address to you under date of May 3rd by Deputy Sheriff Ben Kratzberg, Box 135, Bowie, Arizona. I am making inquiries relative to the queries contained therein at the present time.

With regard to your reference to the unkind and ugly remark made by one of our Agents to members of your force, I am, of course, deeply concerned in any allegations of discourtesy or improper conduct on the part of the members of this Bureau's personnel. I immediately communicated with the Bureau's New Orleans Office and am advised that the Agents at the apartment at [redacted] Canal Street have denied making any unkind or ugly remarks, but state that they were endeavoring to insure that no premature publicity might be afforded the incident involving the capture of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter. I am making further inquiries along these same lines because I want to be very certain that no discourtesy of any kind or character whatsoever was inflicted upon the members of your Department. Should I find that such was the case at this or at any future time, you may rest assured that drastic disciplinary action will ensue.

With best wishes and assuring you of my very great pleasure at receiving your congratulatory comments, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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AM REASONABLY POSITIVE I SAW WILLIAM J HARRISON WILLIE AND MYRTLE EATON HERE LAST SATURDAY BUYING GROCERIES THEY ARE WANTED IN THE BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

C W MURRAY

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE/BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of the following telegram which was forwarded to the Bureau by C. W. Murray from Panama City, Florida, on this date:

"Am reasonably positive I saw William J. Harrison, Willie and Myrtle Eaton here last Saturday buying groceries. They are wanted in the Bremer Kidnaping case."

This will advise you that the Bureau has very definite and positive information to the effect that William J. Harrison is deceased. Myrtle Eaton, as you know, is now in custody while William Weaver has been convicted in connection with the Bremer case and has been sentenced to serve a term of life imprisonment.

In spite of the facts disclosed above, it is desired that you immediately arrange to have an Agent interview Mr. C. W. Murray at Panama City, Florida, to ascertain the information which he desires to impart.

This matter should be given preferred and expeditious attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

cc: Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: John Patton

Information having been originally received to the effect that John Patton, a former Mayor of Burnham, Illinois, was a contact for Alvin Karpis, investigation was conducted by the Chicago and Jacksonville Offices. No information, however, has been obtained which would indicate that Patton has been in contact with Alvin Karpis.

The most recent information obtained is to the effect that Patton is living at the Dallas Park Hotel in Miami, Florida.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire

K. R. McIntire

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May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: BREKID

Alvin Karpis was arrested at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936 and was promptly removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, arriving there on the morning of May 2, 1936. On May 6, 1936 he was delivered to the custody of the United States Marshal at the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, where is now being held in default of a $500,000 bond, which was named in both the Hamm and Bremer cases. It is anticipated that the trial of Alvin Karpis in the Hamm case will be on or about the first of November, 1936. Alvin Karpis has made few admissions but among those which he has made is his admission of complicity on his part in both the Bremer and Hamm cases.

As you will recall Fred Hunter was arrested with Alvin Karpis in New Orleans. He has been interviewed and while he denies having participated in the Garrettsville mail robbery, he has stated that he knows considerably concerning this matter. He has furnished in detail information regarding his flight from Post Office Inspectors to the writer and it is anticipated that this information can be used against him in the event he is prosecuted for the Garrettsville mail robbery. A complaint was filed against Hunter at New Orleans on May 4, 1936. He was arraigned on May 6, 1936, at which time he waived hearing. Bond was set in the amount of $200,000. The Post Office Inspectors have been advised that he is available for interview but they have not questioned him to date.

Connie Morris, the paramour of Fred Hunter, who was likewise taken into custody simultaneously with Fred Hunter was released by the New Orleans office. Early on the morning of May 6, 1936 she was taken to Baton Rouge, Louisiana by Agents and was placed on a train at that point where she was to proceed to her sister's home in San Antonio, Texas. Prior to her being released I definitely advised her that the only reason she was being released was to the end that she might assist this Bureau in apprehending Harry Campbell. She was advised that she should communicate with no newspaper representatives and that if they did locate her she was to furnish no information. She promised to abide by these suggestions. Prior to her release she was furnished with $150.00 by Fred Hunter. Consequently the Bureau was

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at no expense concerning this woman.

Harry Campbell was arrested at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936. He was immediately removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, arriving there on the same date. His wife, having no knowledge of this fugitive's character, has now been released by the Cleveland office.

Sam Coker, who was arrested simultaneously with Campbell, has assumed the "I don't know" attitude. Coker was paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary during September, 1935, where he had been incarcerated on the charge of bank robbery. His parole was revoked by Oklahoma authorities on February 27, 1936. Accordingly, no prosecution on a harboring charge is being entered against him but he has been returned to the Oklahoma State authorities by reason of violation of his parole.

On May 8, 1936 Mr. Walter Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, telephonically advised me that he had received a communication from Bart R. Riley, counsel for Adams and Randall, informing that it was the intention of the defense to move for a continuance of this case when it came on to be heard on May 25, 1936. He stated that Mark Wilcox, a Congressman from Miami, Florida, will sit in on the defense of Randall and Adams and that in view of the fact that Congress will not have adjourned by May 25, 1936, they will move for a continuance. He also stated that Riley takes the position that in view of the fact the Government has already asked for two continuances, which have been granted, it will be no more than right now for the Court to grant the defense at least one continuance. Mr. Barlow stated that if a continuance is granted he will insist that the motions to suppress statements made by Adams and Riley be continued until it is definitely determined first who the Court will be who will sit on the trial of this case and that the motions should not be heard until this matter is brought on for trial. Thus the Bureau will be saved the expense of having Agents running back and forth to Miami, Florida on these motions.

On May 9, 1936 I again received a telephonic communication from Mr. Barlow, in which he advised that he had discussed with Mr. Holland, United States Attorney, Jacksonville, Florida and with Mr. Parrish and Mr. McMahon of the Criminal Division, the question as to whether the Government should contest the request for a continuance on the part of the defense. He stated that it was his opinion and also that of the above-mentioned gentlemen that the Government should not contest the motion for a continuance; that the Bureau's case would not in any way be injured by having it heard during September, 1936 rather than during May. Mr. Barlow further stated

that Judge Ackerman, who it was anticipated would hear this case on May 25, 1936, does not enjoy trying a long case. He further informed that several months ago Judge Ackerman promised the United States Attorney at Miami, Florida that he would give only ten days of his time for a court session in Miami during April and May, 1936, and he definitely informed the said United States Attorney that it was his intention then to hear "jail cases". Mr. Barlow stated that without the knowledge of Judge Ackerman the United States Attorney put this case down for trial when Judge Ackerman should arrive at Miami. Mr. Barlow stated that this was probably very unwise on the part of the United States Attorney because undoubtedly Judge Ackerman would be highly provoked, since he had agreed to give only ten days of his time and those days would be devoted to "jail cases".

I told Mr. Barlow that the Bureau wants some definite understanding as to whether the motions to suppress are going to be heard during the period between May 18 and May 25, 1936, because Special Agent in Charge Hanson is in Jacksonville, Florida awaiting the hearings of these motions when his presence is imperative at his own office in Los Angeles, California. He stated that as soon as he receives a further reply from Bart A. Riley, he will advise me so that the Bureau can give prompt advice to Mr. Hanson.

I will follow this matter closely and keep you advised.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

K. R. McIntire.

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 18, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Re: BRECKID

Dear Sir:

As a result of a mail cover placed on mail addressed to Mr. "Barney" Bertsche, 5908 Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, a tracing of a letter has been received at this office postmarked St. Paul, Minnesota, dated May 13, 1936, addressed to Mr. C. P. Bertsche at the above address with the return address of R. Newton, Cable, Wisconsin.

Bertsche is reported to be a person through whom William Elmer Reed communicates with friends and acquaintances located at Chicago.

It is suggested that appropriate investigation be made at Cable, Wisconsin to ascertain the identity of R. Newton in an effort to obtain further information concerning William Elmer Reed.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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TITLE:
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.C. 1818.
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.C. 1838.
Fugitive, ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BRUDER - Victim.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY CAMPBELL removed from St. Paul, Minnesota, to U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, May 14, 1936, by Deputy U. S. Marshals. KARPIS states other members of gang purchased cars from Joe Bergl, Cicero, Illinois, but that he, KARPIS, purchased no cars from him as Bergl knew his true identity. Also states he was supposed to be in Toledo, Ohio, April 15th. Interview between KARPIS and Attorney Archie Carey covered confidentially without any information of value being obtained.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minnesota, May 15, 1936; report of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Ark., April 19, 1936.

DETAILS:

On May 14, 1936, the United States Marshal's Office at St. Paul, Minnesota, advised Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein, that HARRY CAMPBELL would be removed on that date from the Ramsey County Jail in St. Paul to the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, by three Deputy U. S. Marshals. CAMPBELL was removed on this date to the Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, in accordance with the sentence which was passed upon CAMPBELL by Federal Judge M. M. Joyce on May 12, 1936.

Special Agent R. C. Suran on May 15, 1936, had occasion to interview ALVIN KARPIS at the Ramsey County Jail, and during the general conversation

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had at this time KARPIS was asked if he was acquainted with Joe Bergl of the Bergl Chevrolet Company, Cicero, Illinois. KARPIS advised that he was well acquainted with this individual; that Bergl sold automobiles to various members of the Barker-Karpis gang, and on one occasion Bergl sent word to KARPIS, wanting to know why KARPIS did not purchase cars from him also. KARPIS stated that he sent word back to Bergl to the effect that Bergl was a "Burglar" as Bergl would always charge $100.00 or $200.00 more for an automobile when selling a car to a member of the gang just because he knew the identities of the individuals to whom he sold the cars. KARPIS stated that he could go to a regular dealer who did not know his identity and purchase a car for less money, and he could not see why he should pay Bergl more money just because he knew his true identity. KARPIS refused to go into further detail about the identity of the persons to whom Bergl sold cars.

KARPIS on this date volunteered the information that he was supposed to meet HARRY CAMPBELL in Toledo, Ohio, on April 15, 1936, but that he did not meet CAMPBELL because he believed Toledo was getting too hot, and KARPIS is now of the opinion that the Bureau had previously located CAMPBELL and had him under surveillance awaiting his, KARPIS', arrival.

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It will be recalled that [redacted] stated to Agents of the Bureau that KARPIS was supposed to be at his home on April 15, 1936. In this connection KARPIS stated that he was supposed to contact HARRY CAMPBELL through another individual whose name he refused to disclose. KARPIS further related that on one occasion he went to a certain place in Toledo, Ohio, with another unnamed individual, and when calling on a certain man who lived there, this latter individual refused to recognize him, Karpis, and Karpis did not at first understand why recognition was refused. KARPIS then stated that after a few moments he saw a young man in the room and then realized that this individual upon whom he had called was endeavoring to warn him to leave immediately. KARPIS stated that he believed the man in the room was either a Special Agent of the Bureau or a Post Office Inspector, although he believed the man was too young to be connected with the Postal service.

This undoubtedly is the incident referred to in the report of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas,

April 19, 1936, wherein it is stated that [redacted] on one occasion proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, with ALVIN KARPIS and drove KARPIS to the intersection of 11th and Adams Sts., where KARPIS left the automobile and probably entered a building located at the intersection of these streets, and after apparently contacting a man by the name of "Joe", hurridly left this building, and it was at this time that [redacted] drove the Terraplane Coupe to the ~~Manning~~ Marine Automobile Company in Toledo, Ohio.

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Subject KARPIS on several occasions expressed a desire to confer with Attorney Archie Carey of Minneapolis, Minnesota, who is representing Subject JACK PEIFER in the Hamm Kidnaping Case. KARPIS has stated that he did not desire to confer with Carey with the view of preparing a defense but that he desired to see Carey to have Carey attend to some "unfinished business" which he, Karpis, had not been able to attend to during the past two years around St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota.

KARPIS has stated to Special Agents R. C. Suran and also J. E. Brennan, that Carey would be compelled to do certain things for him, KARPIS, free of charge, inasmuch as he, KARPIS, "Had Carey behind an 'eight ball' ", and if Carey refused to do these things he would remind Carey that Carey had a client who would soon go to trial in connection with the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm. KARPIS of course refused to reveal the nature of the unfinished business that he desired Carey to take care of for him.

Special Agent S. K. McKee communicated with Attorney Carey and advised the latter that KARPIS desired to see him, and on May 15, 1936, Carey did call at the County Jail and hold a conference with KARPIS. Prior to Mr. Carey's appearance at the Jail confidential arrangements were made with Mr. Clewett, the jailor, Ramsey County Jail, to place a microphone near the place where the conference between Carey and KARPIS was to take place. Special Agent J. E. Brennan concealed himself in an adjoining cell tier during the conference between KARPIS and Carey. Carey began thumping on the table and it was difficult for Agent Brennan to overhear the exact nature of the conversation, but heard enough to learn that Carey refused to do the things which Karpis desired done, and told KARPIS that he, Carey, would secure another lawyer for him, and it was indicated that Attorney Thomas Newman would be asked

to call on KARPIS. Agent Suran was in the hallway during this conference, and observed Carey and KARPIS but was not close enough to overhear the conversation. However, when Carey left he advised Agent Suran that it would be necessary for KARPIS to get another lawyer.

Karpis subsequently advised Agent Suran that Carey did not believe it advisable for him to represent Karpis in even a civil action, inasmuch as the Government might accuse him of framing a defense for Subject Peifer. Karpis advised that Attorney Newman would be asked by Carey to carry out the wishes of KARPIS without charge.

Special Agent J. E. Brennan is acting as guard at the Ramsey County Jail over KARPIS during the day time and it is believed that valuable information will ultimately be obtained from KARPIS, as Karpis has maintained a friendly attitude, and from time to time has furnished information during general conversations.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

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TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, w.a.,-FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, w.a.,-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w.a.,-FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subpoena served on Harry Heller, May 9, 1936. Heller subsequently advised not to respond, states he can be located any time until June 1st, through Al Greenstone his employer, at 1451 West 45th Street, New York. He expects to spend the summer with mother, at Vermont Apartments, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

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REFERENCE: Telegrams from Jacksonville Office dated May 4 and May 5, 1936.
Telegram from Trenton Office dated May 5, 1936.

DETAILS:

Upon receipt of the first reference telegram from the Jacksonville Office the writer contacted Mr. Donald Simpson, former Special Agent, and presently Asst. Attorney General for the State of Massachusetts. Mr. Simpson advised that he would immediately contact the State Racing Commission and other sources, with a view to locating Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thomas. It was felt advisable to handle the situation in this way lest these parties proved to be unwilling witnesses, and possibly try to avoid service of a subpoena.

On receipt of the second reference telegram from the Jacksonville Office, advising that Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thomas had been located in San Francisco, Mr. Simpson was advised that the parties had been located and he ceased his inquiries.

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It having been ascertained that Mr. Al Sheehan, Manager of the Colonial Theatre, 100 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass., is a reliable individual, he was contacted directly. He advised that Harry Heller is not employed by him but he is an employee of Al Greenstone of New York City, who holds a concession for selling operattas and song hits during the performance of plays at his theatre. He further advised that Harry Heller was on duty at the beginning and end of each performance. Accordingly a wire was sent to the Jacksonville Office advising it of these facts, and suggesting that a subpoena for this individual be forwarded to Boston for service by Bureau Agents.

On May 7, 1936 a subpoena was received at this office with aletter from W. Sanders Gramling, and on May 9,1936 the writer served the instant subpoena on Harry Heller at the Colonial Theatre. The duplicate of this subpoena, showing the return of this Agent thereon, is enclosed to Jacksonville Office.

On May 10, 1936 a wire was received from Mr. Gramling at Florida, advising this office to disregard the subpoena and advising the witness not to respond. This wire was confirmed on the same day by another wire from the Jacksonville Office.

In accordence with these instructions Harry Heller was contacted and advised to disregard the instant subpoena. He states that he expects to be working for Mr. Greenstone until about the first of June, and does not know any definite address for himself during that time. However, he states that Al Greenstone, at 1451 West 45th Street, New York City is always in communication with him and can promptly furnish his address. After the first of June Heller expects to be at the home of his mother, in the Vermont Apartments at Atlantic City, where he expects to spend the summer.

In view of the fact that this trial has been indefinitely postponed, no leads are being set out for other offices.

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May 16, 1936.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box #812,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's teletype of May 6, 1936 in connection with the above-entitled case, in which it was reported that several latent prints developed on articles found in a house near Potash Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, were identified as those of Connie Morris, with aliases. You are advised that a total of twelve latent fingerprints which appear on these specimens have been determined to be those of this individual.

Your attention is invited to the fact that latent palm prints have been developed from time to time on articles submitted in connection with this case and the proper offices of the Bureau advised accordingly.

It is requested that the palm prints of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, Connie Morris, and any other suspects in this case be submitted to the Bureau, if available.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Ltr. to St. Paul
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 15, 1936.

Time - 4:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Press interview on Karpis apprehension and Post Office Inspectors.

During a telephone conversation with Mr. Suydam he inquired about what I had said at the press conference last week with reference to the Post Office Inspectors. I replied that my statement on this occasion concluded with the remarks that the Bureau had received no aid from the Post Office and that I did not feel I should criticize any other governmental agency. I stated that the press insisted on further facts and that I then told them I would make no further statement for publication but that off the record the Bureau did have difficulty with the Post Office Inspectors who obstructed the Bureau in some instances. I stated that this confidence was preserved by all those present except Friedheim of International News Service who printed a story in the Washington Times containing not only what I had stated off the record but other statements alleged to have been made by me. I stated this created resentment on the part of the other correspondents who considered that they had been "scooped" and wished permission to publish all I had said, this request being refused by me.

I stated that Colonel Gates was present at the conference and would confirm my statements and that I had told Colonel Gates that Friedheim couldn't attend another press conference of mine.

Mr. Suydam stated he inquired because of a telephone call from Mr. Collins who had called in connection with House Resolution No. 508 and wished to know if any mimeographed statements had been given out at the press conference; that he, Mr. Suydam had stated that no such statements had been given out. I stated the Post Office has been giving out statements but that I felt the matter should be settled between the two Departments and not publicly discussed.

J. E. H.

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May 16, 1936

Time: 10:50 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: STOLLNAP

At this time I called Mr. Dewey at Louisville concerning the announcement by the Nashville Banner that it will publish an exclusive interview had by Freddie Russell with Robinson. I asked Mr. Dewey whether or not any newspaper man had interviewed Robinson in his cell or while he was in Louisville. Mr. Dewey advised that he had been approached about this matter earlier in the day by a newspaper that was considering an offer to buy the story and that he had stated that the whole thing was a complete fake.

Mr. Dewey advised that as Robinson was being taken from the courtroom, after his sentence, a newspaper man had run up to Robinson and asked him if he had anything to say. Robinson replied that he had plenty to say, but at that point Mr. Connelley pushed the reporter away and took the subject on into the marshal's office. Mr. Dewey advised that he understood from his Agents who remained with Mr. Connelley, that a young man was in the marshal's office along with Robinson's father; that one of the attorneys, a Mr. Huggins, had advised Mr. Connelley that the young man was not a member of the family, whereupon Mr. Connelley took the young man into another room and questioned him. Mr. Dewey stated that the most this fellow could have said to Robinson would have been, "Hello".

Mr. Dewey stated that this fellow is the Freddie Russell who wrote the story of the interview, but that he had obtained his information from Robinson's father. He advised that Russell had brought the father down from Nashville for the purpose of obtaining an exclusive interview with Robinson; that the father had talked with Robinson about ten minutes before he went in to plead guilty and about ten minutes afterwards. Mr. Dewey stated that the only people present were Robinson's mother, the attorney, Mr. Huggins, and Special Agents of the Bureau. He advised that the so called exclusive story was being peddled around; that a local newspaper had been offered the story for $50.00.

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I instructed Mr. Dewey to send in a report by air mail giving all the details and any additional developments.

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Time: 11:20 P. M.

At this time I called Mr. Connelley at Cleveland concerning the exclusive story which the Nashville Banner claims to have on Robinson. Mr. Connelley stated that he knew all about the matter and that Freddie Russell who wrote the article, came with Robinson's father from Nashville as an attorney. Mr. Connelley stated that Russell is a reporter as well as an attorney, and that after Robinson returned to the marshal's office, Russell went up to him and said, "Hello, how are you." Mr. Connelley advised that a reporter from one of the other Nashville papers told him that Russell was also a reporter, and that he had immediately grabbed Russell and taken him into another room for questioning. He stated that Russell was asked why he hadn't presented his credentials as an attorney to the Judge; that Russell became very embarrassed and immediately left, saying that he would apologize to the other reporters for trying to pull a scoop on them.

Mr. Connelley also stated that the reporter who approached Robinson as he was being taken from the courtroom, was not Russell but someone from another paper. He advised that there was not a possibility of any other interview after Russell left because Robinson was immediately taken from the office and placed on a train.

I advised Mr. Connelley that I had talked with Mr. Listerman about the lawyer situation. I stated that we would have to avoid asking any special favors because of the attitude maintained by the Bureau of Prisons; that McKay should just simply go in and interview the fellow under the regular rules and regulations, and that if we find he is willing to talk, arrangements would be made to have him returned to St. Paul. I stated that this would giveuus about thirty-six hours on the train with the fellow and that we could keep him in St. Paul as long as necessary; that we would take him under a writ of habeas corpus to testify before the grand jury and that it would be up to the United States Attorney as to whether or not they used him.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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April 24, 1936

Department of Justice,

Washington, D.C.,

U.S.A.

Dear Sirs :-

Please rush to me the fingerprints of Alvin O Karpis, the current Public Enemy No. 1 of the United States.

This may enable me to give you some aid in your present search, which, we hope, will end as successfully as the others.

I do not harbor any hope to put my hands on little Alvin but with the close assistance of my respected friend, E. Laflamme of the Montreal Police Identification Bureau, I might be able to unearth some information that will help you.

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Best wishes and congrats, in advance for the Karpis capture.

Yours very truly,

A.W. O'Brien

KRM:TD May 16, 1936

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Mr. A. W. O'Brien,
Editorial Department,
The Standard,
The Montreal Standard Publishing
Company, Ltd.,
Post Office Box 2700,
Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I am in appreciative receipt of your letter of April 24, 1936 and in keeping with your request contained therein, I am forwarding to you herewith an Identification Order on Alvin Karpis, issued by this Bureau, which contains not only his fingerprints, but also a front and profile photograph of this individual.

Undoubtedly you are already informed that Alvin Karpis was apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936, while Harry Campbell was apprehended by Special Agents at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 1184054

cc-Buffalo

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HM:CSH May 12, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I have prepared the attached letter to the Chief of Police at Toledo, Ohio, in response to his letter of May 7th. I have gone over the memorandum prepared by Mr. McIntire concerning our information relative to conditions at Toledo. I have also read the memorandum by Special Agent Hirsh of the Cleveland Office, sent in by Mr. MacFarland, and the newspaper clippings. I am very strongly of the opinion that it would be highly inadvisable to furnish our Toledo information to the Toledo police or to refer to it in any manner at this time. This information is mainly based upon data given us by our confidential informants, including Edna Murray, including a prostitute in the house of Edith Barry, including police officers in the City of Toledo, past and present, who specifically requested that their names be not used in any manner, and from similar sources. There would appear to be nothing to be gained by entering into any controversy based upon this information at the present time.

I believe the letter prepared states the facts, i.e., that the method of conducting the raid which resulted in the capture of Harry Campbell was not intended to reflect upon the Toledo police force (as a matter of fact it was not), and further that in the event you secure any information which you think should be in the possession of the Chief of Police at Toledo his attention will be called to it.

Very truly yours,

E. Nathan.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 10, 1936

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, Cleveland, Ohio, phoned the Detroit Bureau Office on May 9, 1936, and requested that he be furnished with the name of the informant mentioned in the memorandum of Special Agent W. E. Peters, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 30, 1934. Mr. MacFarland also requested that the Detroit Bureau Office secure any other information relative to irregularities in connection with the police departments at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.

On May 10, 1936, Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland was telephonically advised that the confidential informant referred to in the memorandum of Special Agent W. E. Peters was a Mr. A. Guttentag, American Building Repair Company, 523 Union Building, Cleveland, Ohio. In accordance with the request of Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland the following is set out for your information:

"Cleveland, Ohio
Sept. 30, 1934

Re: BREKID MATTER
Detroit 7-25

Memorandum to File:

"On the morning of Sept. 29, 1934, Mr. A. Guttentag, American Building Repair Company, 523 Union Building, confidential informant, appeared at the Cleveland Office stating that he had been at the office several times on the afternoon of Thursday, Sept. 27, but had been unable to find anyone in attendance. RECORDED & INDEXED

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"In connection with the information about to be set forth as having been secured from this informant, it should be stated that at the time of her arrest at Cleveland, Ohio, on Sept. 5, 1934, Paula Harmon, [illegible] as Ethel Matterson, stated that her husband Earl J. Matterson was employed

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as a dealer in a gambling joint located at 722 East Superior Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. This spot is operating under the police protection of the city and is well known to Inspector, Sweeney, Inspector Sweeney being in charge of gambling, rackets and the like. When this statement was made by her, Inspector Sweeney got in touch with the operator of this spot, had him in for interrogation at which time he denied having anyone in his employ by the name of Earl Matterson.

"When Paula Harmon returned from her sojourn in Chicago, I asked her why she happened to state that her husband worked at 722 Superior Ave. and she stated that she had no particular reason for making the statement other than that she knew that this place was frequented by the boys and because it was the first place she could think of.

"Now for the story of the informant. He stated that he was in the place at 722 Superior Ave. on the afternoon of Sept. 3, 1934, placing a few bets on the horses. While awaiting the results of the races, he noticed one of the men at the black-jack table losing very heavily. He also noticed that this man was not gambling with anything other than $100 bills, and, as fast as he would lose the bills in front of him, he would reach into his wallet and bring forth another supply of $100 bills. So fast was this individual losing his money that the informant recalls mentioning to a bystander that "even if he could manufacture $100 bills, he wouldn't like to lose them that fast."

"On the following day, Sept. 4, 1934, informant again saw this individual walking down Euclid Ave. in Cleveland. He stated that he looked to be a polished gentleman, wore very good clothes, and informant believed him to be someone connected with a racetrack or other similar gambling racket.

"The three women were arrested Sept. 5, 1934 and on Sept. 7, 1934, there appeared in the Cleveland News photographs of Doc Barker, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis. Upon seeing these photographs, informant immediately identified the photograph of Doc Barker as that of the individual he had seen losing so heavily. He went to the Cleveland police with his information but was advised that they didn't want to be bothered with it. He was 'pushed around' from one police officer to another until he finally adopted a 'to hell with it' attitude, and left the police station.

"On the afternoon of Sept. 27, 1934, he was again in the 722 Superior address at which time he again saw this individual identified as Doc Barker at the black-jack table but this time instead of playing $100 bills, he was playing 25¢ pieces. Standing immediately behind Doc Barker was a man identified by informant as being Fred Barker. Informant states that, aside from the fact that both men are dark complexioned they do not appear to be brothers. He stated that Fred looks younger,

shorter and slightly heavier than does Doc. They remained at the gaming table throughout the afternoon during which time informant left the building several times and tried to reach agent without success. On the night of Sept. 27, 1934, the Cleveland News carried a photo of Paula Harmon and a story to the effect that 64 Federal agents had been thrown into Cleveland as information had been received that the Barker-Karpis gang were still in the city. Informant did not see the men in the joint on Friday, the 28th.

"With reference to this spot, it is known as 'The Business Men's Whist Club,' and is located on the second floor of a three story building, the first floor being vacant, and the third floor being occupied by the Argonne Athletic Club. Informant supplied agent with two cards, either one of which will be a sufficient passport to gain admittance. He will also secure for me some old record slips of bets so that anyone going in can establish with these slips the fact that he is an old customer. Informant states that he has been present when the police raided the joint and that on these occasions, a telephone call is generally received about an hour in advance and the proprietors then place all of the money in a safe place and continue operations on a small scale. It seems that when this procedure has not been followed in the past, the police confiscate all of the money which is lost track of between the joint and the police station, and the proprietors have become slightly angry at the treatment received from the police. Upon the arrival of the police at the joint, it generally takes about half an hour before the police and the proprietors can decide whose turn it is to take the ride to the station and remain in custody until bond can be arranged.

"Informant also states that upon reaching the second floor of the building there is a landing and, by turning to the right on this landing, one arrives at a large unusually heavy door. Upon rapping at this door, an iron grating is removed, and the man on the other side of the door examines the credentials of the visitor. If he is satisfied, he admits the visitor to a vestibule, but the visitor is not yet in the sanctum sanctorium. The door-keeper raps on the inner door and another iron grating is then removed and the visitor must display his credentials to the inner-doorkeeper. If he is satisfied, the visitor is then admitted to the inner of inners. Once inside the second door, there is a large board covering almost the entire opposite wall upon which are written entries and results for that day. While awaiting the results of the races, there are two black-jack tables at which one may while away the idle moments. These tables are of the half-moon design, the center of the table being removed, and the dealer stands in the center of the removed portion so that he will be in closer contact with the players. Informant states that Doc Barker has a fondness for the seat either at the extreme right or the extreme left of the dealer.

"Immediately upon receipt of this information, the same was transmitted by long distance telephone to Special Agent Sam Cowley at Chicago, Ill., and to SAC Wm. Larson at Toledo, Ohio. Informant was supplied with the day and night telephone number of agent as well as the telephone number of the Detroit Office and was instructed to telephone Detroit collect in the event he was unable to contact agent at Cleveland and had some information of value. All of the photos of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to him but he was unable to identify any with the exception of Doc Barker and Fred Barker. He is strongly of the opinion that these men believe that the Business Men's Whist Club is a safe place to hide-out and that they will return there.

"Upon the arrival of Special Agent Hollis here, I will turn over to him the above information as well as the admittance cards and any other material which informant is able to secure.

Very truly yours,

/signed/ W. E. Peters
Special Agent"

The following memorandum is set out for your information:

"October 12, 1934.

To SAC:

"Replying to your letter of October 10th, which was not received until this afternoon, I wish to advise that I have discussed with Dickstein the advisability of receiving calls at the place where he is staying under the name of Al Dixon, and he feels that it would be perfectly all right and suggested that the best time to call would be between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. as he is always in his room between these hours.

"In regard to the calls that are being received there has been nothing of any significance with the exception of a call that was received last night by Ted advising him that 'the boys are in town' and were at the Secor Hotel. This call was covered by Dickstein and myself. However, nobody in whom we are interested was seen and it was later learned from subsequent calls that 'the boys' referred to about eighteen State Liquor Control agents that arrived in town and as a result the Casino is going to be closed at 1:00 A.M. until they leave town.

"The following incident and information is related as being of possible interest. Yesterday afternoon I went out to get a haircut and on Dickstein's recommendation went to a barber shop located at 247 North Superior Street. While the barber was working on me I engaged him in conversation and the topic finally drifted to the gambling situation which at the present time is receiving considerable publicity in the Toledo news-

papers. My barber informed me that he has for several years worked on Yonnie Lichavoli and had just returned from the jail where he had given Yonnie a haircut and shave. I also learned that this particular shop is patronized by all of the hoodlums, fixers and politicians of importance in Toledo. The barber further volunteered the information that at the present time there are two factions in Toledo collecting graft from the gambling places, one of these is headed by the present Safety Director and the other by George Timminy, with whom my barber is well acquainted. He further advised that the job of collector is a very lucrative position and Timminy has given this position to his best friend a fellow by the name of Ted Angus, who operates the Casino Club on North Summit Street. The barber also advised that a friend of his is interested in a house of prostitution on Cherry Street and through him he has learned that for several years the houses of prostitution in Toledo were assessed $150.00 a month for the privilege of operating. He stated, however, that since the new Mayor took office there has been no attempt made to collect this money as Timminy and the Safety Director haven't brains enough to get together and each is afraid to start collecting for fear that the other will get something on him. He further stated that there is a house on Ontario Street in the beginning of the 600 block that all of the 'big shots' frequent when they are in town; that this house is operated by two women.

"In going back and forth to the post office last night and today I passed this particular house and it is located at about 643 North Ontario Street. I noted that this house is a 'two story red brick house located on the right hand side of the street as a person is going toward the business district and has several steps leading up to a small porch' as the house that Doc Barker frequented while in Toledo was described in the report that I mailed back to the office last night.

"Before leaving Toledo, Hollis advised me that Helen had learned that a woman who operates a house of prostitution at 114 Nebraska Street was acquainted with Doc Barker; that Doc frequented this particular house on several occasions while in Toledo last summer but that she had not seen him for several months.

As requested in your letter, I will arrange to call the office every second day in order to keep you fully advised of all developments.

Very truly yours,

/signed/ J. L. Murphy
Special Agent"

P. S. - "In sending mail in the future would suggest that it be sent under the name of J. L. Morgan as I have inquired at the General Delivery window so frequently that th men are getting to know me by this name and it might arouse suspicion to have to ask for mail in the name of Murphy."

The memorandum for this file of Special Agent D. E. Hall dated December 19, 1934 reflects that J. A. Carbin, proprietor of the Recreation Club, 924 Phillips, Toledo, Ohio, may have information concerning police irregularities in Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio. This man's phone number is Lawndale 0353, residence 1308 Saber Road, Toledo, Ohio. This memorandum states that this man can be reached through the above mentioned phone number.

The memorandum of Special Agent Abraham Dickstein dated November 27, 1934 reflects that Frazier Reams, the former County Prosecutor at Toledo, Ohio, may have information concerning police irregularities.

The following memorandum of Special Agent W. E. Peters, Cleveland, Ohio, dated November 22, 1934, is being set out for your information:

"Cleveland, Ohio
11/22/34

Re: Edward G. Bremer
Kidnaping

Memo to File:

"Relative to further interview with Frank J. Noonan, please be advised that on Nov. 21, Noonan and his assistant, E. Cook, were interviewed in Noonan's office. The letters received from Spohn were displayed to Cook at which time he admitted that the signature "F. J. Noonan" and "Frank J. Noonan, per E. Cook", were in his handwriting and that as far as he could now recall , he does not have any knowledge of the incident. He stated that whatever was done in this connection with the incident was done at the direction of Noonan and with his authority. He does not recall ever having received or seen the photograph of Charles Carroll nor does he recall ever having received the criminal record of Charles Carroll or what became of it if it was received at the Noonan agency. As previously explained Cook is now assistant to Harry Propper at the Mayfair restaurant. It appeared from the interview that Cook has no investigative ability of any kind whatsoever and everything he does is done at the express direction of Noonan. He is a typical private detective.

"From further conversation with Noonan, it appears that he has some information which was not previously in the possession of the Division. He stated that he has learned that when the women were arrested by the Cleveland Police, a police woman was locked up with them in an effort to ascertain the identity of the women and their connections in the city. He also informed me of the incident in which the original informant (whose name I have forgotten at the moment) called at the Cleveland Police Department, gave them the information and came back several days later to inquire

why nothing had been done about it. He stated that the police department is divided between the administration and the anti-administration forces, that is between the forces supporting Mayor Harry Davis and the forces opposed to him and that in the future, if it is necessary for us to request any assistance from the police department in matters of this kind, it will be necessary for us to ascertain whether or not the officers assisting us are on one side or the other. He intimated that the city (as well as the county) is filled with graft and corruption, that the administration knows that gambling, prostitution and the like is going on unmolested and that the supporters of the administration will not make any moves until the higher-ups in administration politics have been consulted. To quote Noonan, 'You have undoubtedly heard that Toledo invites this element. Hell, if you have the right connections in this town, Toledo doesn't run one, two, three with Cleveland.' He stated that if anyone goes to the police department or the city hall making inquiry about something in which he is interested, he knows about it within 10 minutes after the individual has left the building.

"Noonan stated, with reference to the pay envelopes, that in June and July, 1934, he was working on a case in Cleveland which involved most of the breweries in the city. It was a matter which had to be handled with the greatest discretion and Noonan decided that it would be inadvisable to handle the matter from his own office. He therefore went to the manager of the Carter Hotel and arranged with the manager there to rent a suite of rooms for the purpose of establishing an office in the hotel. He had a private telephone installed and brought in a brand new typewriter and a sufficient supply of stationery, scratch pads and pay envelopes with which to operate an office and avoid the necessity of going back and forth to his own office. Cook was house detective at the Carter Hotel at the time and, as Noonan had twin beds in one room, it was arranged that Noonan and Cook would stay in the suite of rooms which Noonan rented. Due to some favors which Noonan had done for the Carter Hotel, it was possible for him to rent this suite at a ridiculously low figure and as long as the rooms remained in Noonan's name, the low rate would continue.

"The brewery cases wound themselves up the early part of July and Noonan was going to vacate the rooms. However, Art Hebebrand (who is connected in the Harvard Club) knew that Noonan had these rooms and knew that Noonan was getting them very cheap. Hebebrand told Noonan that, as long as Noonan was getting the rooms so cheaply, Hebebrand would like to take over the suite if Noonan was through with it and use it for entertainment purposes. Noonan informed him that that would be satisfactory as long as Hebebrand paid the bills. Cook moved into a room across the hall and Hebebrand took over the Noonan suite. At the time Noonan moved out he did not think to move out the stationery, pay envelopes, etc.

"Hebebrand continued to occupy the rooms in which he threw a lot of parties until Noonan decided that the arrangement was not satisfactory and he prevailed upon Hebebrand to have the account transferred to his (Hebebrand's) name. Noonan has learned that Hebebrand occupied the rooms until recently.

"From as much as we know of Karpis living in Hebebrand's house and his playing at the Harvard Club with which Hebebrand is connected, it appears possible that Hebebrand may be the connection.

"Cook is to be interviewed further this afternoon at which time his fingerprints will be taken and forwarded to Detroit to be returned here after they have been photographed. Noonan is continuing to try to pick up additional information and further interviews will be had with him from time to time, the results of which will be incorporated in subsequent memorandum.

Peters"

Very truly yours,

H H Reinecke
WBM

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

The two views transmitted herewith were published in the New Orleans "Times-Picayune" of May 1, 1936, following the apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans on May 1, 1936.

Mr. George Healy, Managing Editor of the "Times-Picayune", advised that the Bureau may use these photographs as they desire, providing acknowledgement is given to the New Orleans "Times-Picayune."

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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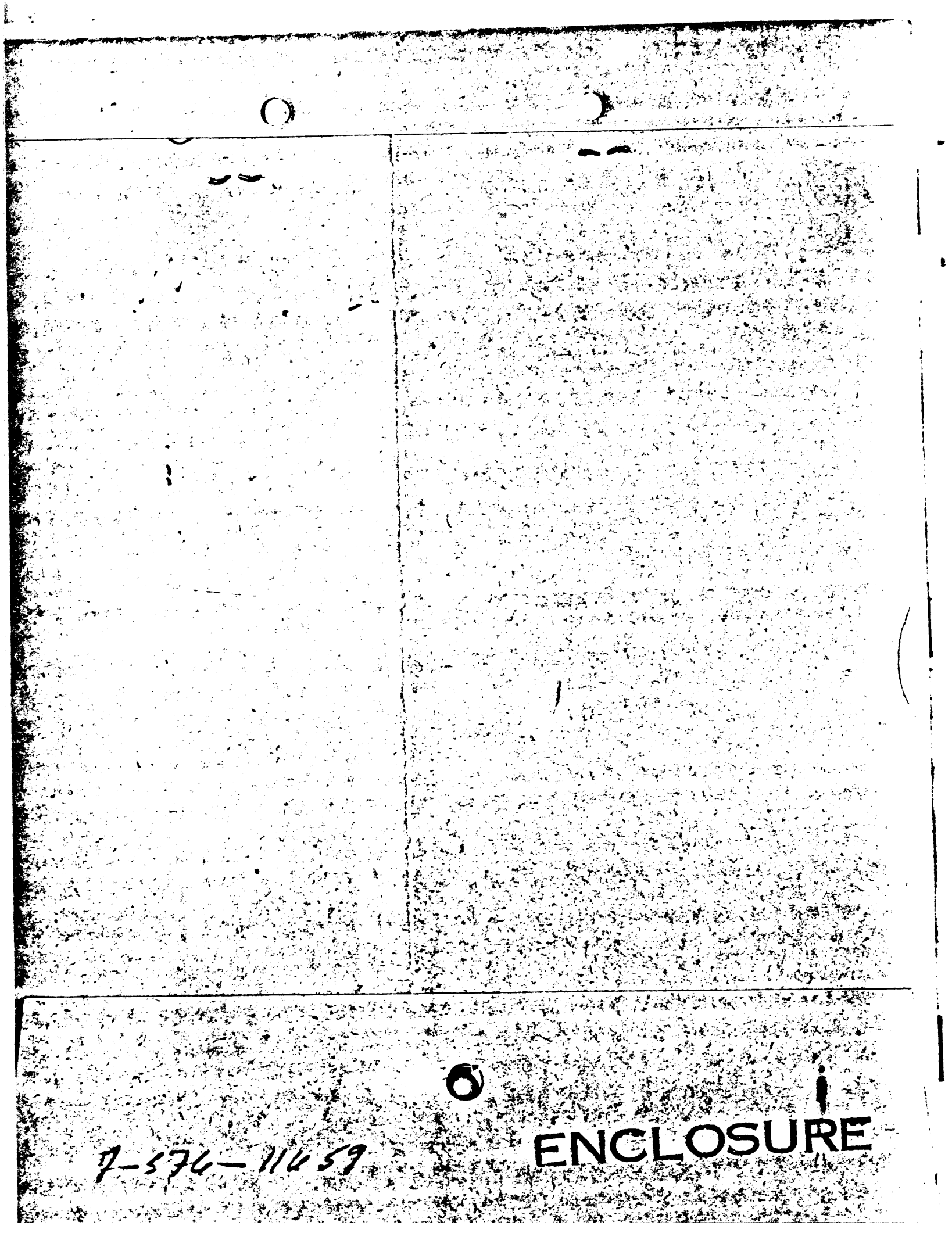

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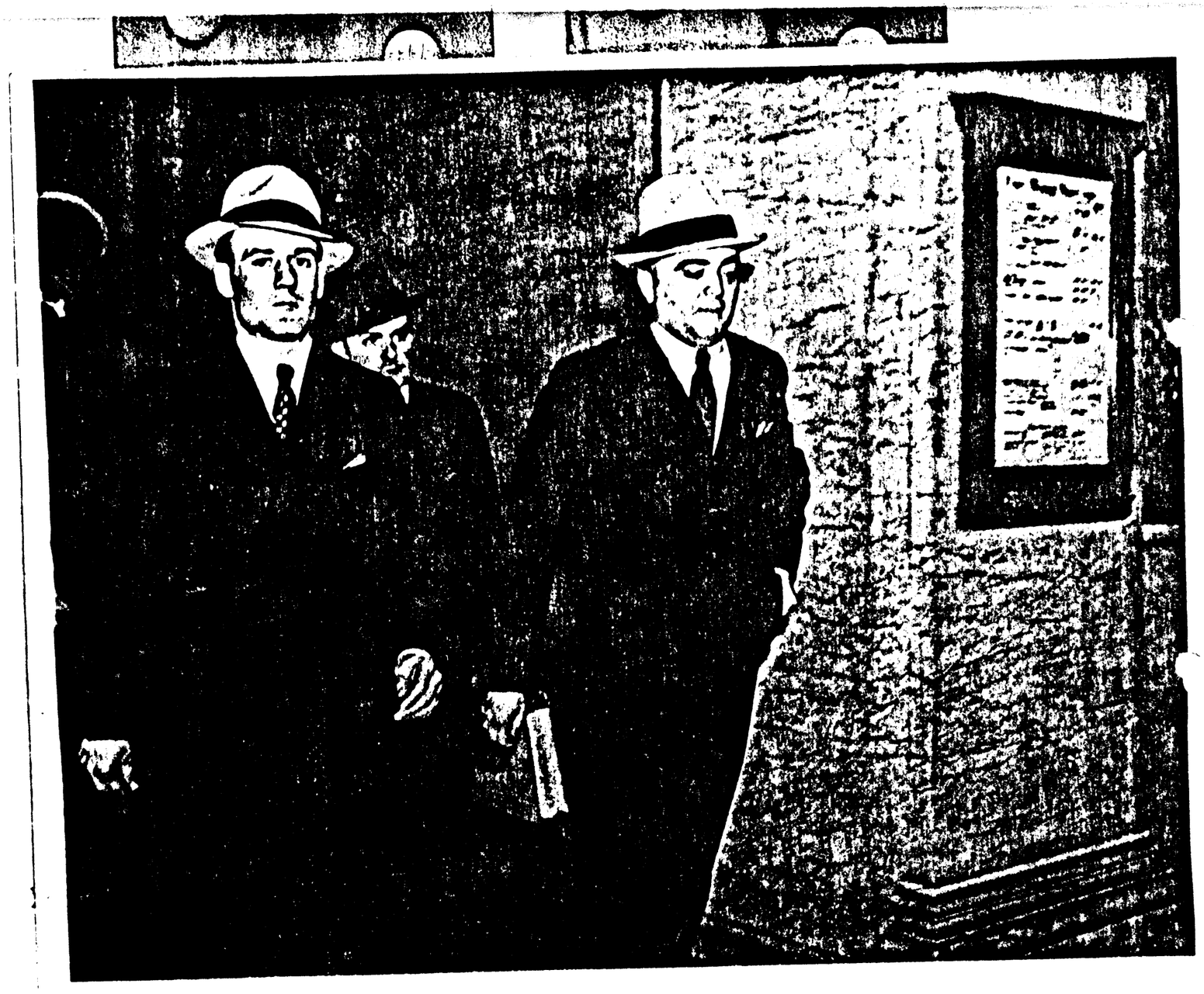

head of the federal bureau of investigation is shown after he had entered an automobile to accompany Alvin Karpis to the airport (Shushan Airport)

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John Campbell
Janitor at 3343 Canal St.

Victims of two kidnapings allegedly perpetrated by [redacted], William A. Barker gang in St. Paul, Minn., are s[redacted]e, William A. Hamm, Jr., [redacted] and Edward G. Bremer, [redacted] In the center is John Campbell, 54-year-old janitor of the apartment house in which Alvin Karpis, known to him as "Mr. O'Hara," stayed prior to his arrest here Friday afternoon. Campbell is demonstrating how Karpis appeared, handcuffed, on the Canal street scene as his captors led him away.

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Mr. George Healy,
City [illegible] Editor,
Times-Picayune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Healy:

I have just received from Mr. E. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office of this Bureau, four photographs which appeared in your newspaper relative to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

I want to thank you for your courtesy in making these photographs available to Mr. Magee and to assure you that they will be a worthy addition to the collection which I already have.

With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Sam Long,
Night City Editor,
Times-Picayune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Long:

I have just received from Mr. D. W. Hagee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office of this Bureau, two photographs which appeared in your newspaper on the subject of the capture of Alvin Karpis.

I am indeed grateful for the courtesy which you extended to Mr. Hagee in making these photographs available and shall be pleased to add them to the collection I already have.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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May 16, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

This will advise you that Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter occupied the home of E. E. Woodcock at Potash Sulphur Springs, near Hot Springs, Arkansas. According to a signed statement obtained from Clayton Hall, he has advised that he and Alvin Karpis saw an advertisement in a Hot Springs newspaper offering a furnished house for rent. He stated that both he and Alvin Karpis looked at the house, but that he, Clayton Hall, rented it under the name of Clayton Hall, and that Karpis gave $240.00 for six months' rent, which he, Clayton Hall, paid to E. E. Woodcock in advance.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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Laboratory Report

Case: RE: BREKID

Number: 7-576-11660

Specimens:

7-576-11660 A. One Souvenir Score Card upon which appears the known handwriting of Fred Hunter.
" B. One slip of paper upon which appears - "Mr. E. Woods Hot Spr'ngs Ark." known handwriting of Alvin Karpis.

Examination requested by: Jacksonville

Date received: 5-21-36 jwp 3:00 PM

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering (AI

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Examination withheld until complete handwriting specimens of Hunter and Karpis can be obtained, at which time a general search of all anon. writings will be made.

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Will be included in general search as soon as complete known specimens are received.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID

Enclosed herewith are specimens of the handwriting of Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis.

(A) Hunter's handwriting appears in pencil on a score card of the Orlando International Tournament, January 28, 29, 30, 1936, Orlando Game Club, Orlando, Florida, and consists of hand printed capital letters and numbers, together with the one word "dummy". (This specimen was furnished to the Jacksonville Office by Mrs. Howard T. Sims of Orlando, Florida.)

(B) The specimen of the handwriting of Alvin Karpis was clipped from a tourist camp registration book, and consists of the words "Mr. E. Woods, Hot Springs, Ark." and "E. Woods, Hot Springs." These were the registrations of Karpis at the Maitland Tourist Camp, Maitland, Florida, under date of March 12 and 13, 1936.

These specimens are mentioned in the report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Jacksonville, dated May 18, 1936.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director
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Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Please be informed that when the Terraplane Coupe belonging to subject Alvin Karpis was searched following the recovery of this car, there was found in the glove compartment one pint of Old Grand-Dad Whiskey unopened with Government stamp affixed.

To avoid any subsequent complications, this bottle of whiskey will be kept in the office safe properly labled until after the final disposition of the instant case with respect to Karpis and Hunter.

When the case is completed, unless other Bureau instructions are received, two or three responsible agents will be designated to destroy this bottle of whiskey and properly record the incident by communication to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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ATLANTA, GA.	5/19/36	4/25/36 to 5/6/36	PHILIP M. BREED

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

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Reward circulars on subjects Karpis and Campbell distributed in territory covered by the Atlanta Office. Georgia Hotel Association, Inc., Atlanta, Ga., sent special bulletins to its members with copies of the circulars. No further investigation now pending in this territory.

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REFERENCE: Bureau telegram of April 22, 1936, to Atlanta Office.

DETAILS:

Reward circulars on subjects Karpis and Campbell were given as wide circularization as possible in the Atlanta territory, a total of 3806 addressees being circularized. The members of the Georgia Hotel Association, with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga., were circularized by their headquarters office, a separate bulletin being sent to them signed by Mr. Stephen Styron, Executive Secretary. A copy of the bulletin sent out by Mr. Styron is attached to copies of this report.

There is no further investigation now pending in this district in this case. The investigation requested in Bureau letter dated April 18, 1936, to the Atlanta Office has been covered and a report thereon separately submitted. In the absence of further Bureau instructions, this case will be retained in a pending status in the Atlanta Office.

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GEORGIA HOTEL ASSOCIATION, INC.

Atlanta, Ga.

ADVISE US IMMEDIATELY ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING

April 29, 1936

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GEORGIA HOTEL ASSOCIATION:

At the request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, we are enclosing two bulletins issued by this department concerning persons wanted, and for whom a substantial reward is offered.

Please post these bulletins in a conspicuous space in order that all front office employees may study them, and in the event you secure information concerning their whereabouts communicate immediately by wire or telephone with the U. S. Department of Justice, 501 Healey Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., Telephone - Walnut 3698.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Stephen Styron

Stephen Styron,
Executive Secretary

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F B I CINCINNATI MAY 20, 1936. 5-05 PM MGR

SAC CLEVELAND AND DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE YOUR LETTER MAY 19TH AS TO WHETHER YOU SHOULD INITIATE INVESTIGATION AS TO CAPTAIN TIMMINEY AND PTUDYUDD (?) MEMBER(S) OF THE TOLEDO POLICE DEPARTMENT AND SHERIFF O'REILLY, MY PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS AS TO THE NECESSARY INVESTIGATION AS TO THIS TO THE CLEVELAND OFFICE FULLY COVERS THE SITUATION THAT WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY ANY AND ALL NECESSARY INVESTIGATION IS TO BE MADE OF ANY AND ALL PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HARBORING OF THE SUBJECTS OF THIS CASE AND CONNECTION WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE OR POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOULD HAVE NO BEARING UPON THEIR GUILT AND THE NECESSARY INVESTIGATION TO SHOW THIS. THE OUTLINE OF THE WORK AS GIVEN TO AGENT E. J. WYNN MAY 18TH IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION SHOULD BE PURSUED VIGOROUSLY LEAVING THE INTERVIEW OF THE ACTUAL SUBJECTS AND THOSE VERY CLOSE TO THEM UNTIL I ADVISE THEY SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED. THIS WILL BE WHEN WE HAVE MORE INFORMATION AT HAND. I EXPECT TO BE IN TOLEDO WHEN THESE PERSONS ARE INTERVIEWED. ALL INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT CAREFULLY AND DISCREETLY TO AVOID EMBARASSMENT TO ANYONE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS WE HAVE SUFFICIENT TO CHARGE THEM WITH A VIOLATION. IF ANY SITUATION DEVELOPS AS TO THE BEST METHOD OF INVESTIGATION BEFORE I RETURN TO TOLEDO PLEASE CALL ME HERE.

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U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID

Please refer to letter dated May 15, 1936 by Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein of the St. Paul office, authorizing this office to turn over to the wife of Harry Campbell such property as is in the possession of this office, which was seized from him at the time of his arrest.

The Bureau is respectfully requested to advise this office immediately whether this office should turn over to the wife of Harry Campbell the property listed in the referred to letter from the St. Paul office, and the currency in the possession of this office, which was seized from him.

It might be indicated, for the sake of record, that upon instructions from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, $1,250.00 in currency, which allegedly was the personal property of Campbell's wife, was returned to her and a receipt therefor secured.

Your early advice in the premises will be deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 19, 1936, and to the letter of the St. Paul office to the Cleveland office, dated May 15, 1936, the Bureau sees no objection to delivering to Mrs. Gertrude Billeter Campbell, the wife of Harry Campbell, the property mentioned in the letter of the St. Paul office dated May 15, 1936. This instruction is issued in view of the fact that Harry Campbell has furnished a written authorization for the release to his wife the property mentioned in the letter from the St. Paul office and in view of the further fact that none of the property has been identified as ransom money or loot obtained as a result of known robberies.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc: Mr. Connelley at Chicago
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326½ Post Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 19, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Kindly be informed that Mr. Mee Zorub, address 617 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone - Main 9032, called at the New Orleans Bureau Office and informed that he is a restaurant corporation manager at New Orleans, Louisiana, but has no present place of business. Mr. Zorub claimed the Five Thousand Dollars reward for the apprehension of subject Alvin Karpis, at the time of this interview on May 15, 1936. Mr. Zorub appears of Greek or Italian extraction.

Mr. Zorub had appeared at the New Orleans Bureau Office on April 23, 1936, to inform relative subject Alvin Karpis. Memorandum of result of this interview had by Special Agent James O. Peyronnin is as follows:

"New Orleans, La.
April 23, 1936.

"Mr. M. Zorub of 617 St. Charles St., New Orleans, was directed to this office by Operative in Charge T. Ryan of the U. S. Secret Service. Zorub stated that about 7:15 o'clock last night, April 22, 1936, he observed two trucks, make unknown, bearing Ohio license plates in front of the Peerless Dairy at 809 Poydras St., New Orleans; that on one of the trucks were two men, and one man on the other truck. One of the men asked him how he could get to the Bus station, and that the man looked like a rider, (hitch hiker), about 28 years old, and that this man who he saw resembled the picture of one of the men shown in yesterday afternoon's newspaper."

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The writer informed Mr. Zorub that his information, while appreciated, did not result in assisting in any way in the apprehension of subject Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Zorub may communicate with the Bureau or the Department requesting reward, and, therefore, this information is furnished the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CINCINNATI, OHIO	5-18-36	4/9/36 to 5/8/36	E. J. CONNELLEY SLB

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim	CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Based upon investigation and information as supplied by informants at Hot Springs and Little Rock, Ark., and New Orleans, La., information obtained indicating Fred Hunter and Connie Morris alias Ruth Hamm were located 3343 Canal St., New Orleans, La.; that they were contacted by Alvin Karpis from time to time. Observation of these premises and check of the various activities, particularly through the doctor treating Connie Morris, was made, as well as check of the purchases of various automobiles, and Connie Morris was observed at these premises 4-30-36, also a man, possibly Hunter. On 5-1-36 Connie Morris and Fred Hunter observed at this place and later they were joined by Karpis. Thereafter raid was conducted upon these premises, exclusively by Bureau personnel and Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Special Agents In Charge Connelley and Brantley and Special Agents C. O. Hurt and W. L. Buchanan, at approximately 5:30 P.M., 5-1-36, took into custody Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter as they left 3343 Canal St., to enter an automobile on Jeff Davis Parkway, in front of the apartment. Karpis signed waiver and removed night of 5-1-36 to St. Paul, arriving 8:40 A. M., 5-2-36, where questioning was continued by the St. Paul Office. Based upon information by informants and investigative activity at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, Toledo,O., Harry Campbell located at 2132 Monroe St., where he was living as Robert Miller, in apartment #1, with his wife, Gertie Miller, and in subsequent

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raid, exclusively by Bureau personnel at 5:30 AM 5-7-36 he was taken into custody, together with his wife, by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, SAC E. J. Connelley and Special Agents T. M. Birch and C. E. Smith who entered the apartment for this purpose. Thereafter, at 439 Arcadia St., Toledo, Ohio, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, SAC Connelley and Special Agents C. E. Smith and E. J. Wynn took into custody Sam Coker. On this same morning Coker and Mrs. Campbell were removed, by plane, to the Bureau Office at Cleveland, Ohio, for questioning. Coker subsequently taken to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. Mrs. Campbell released 5-7-36. Harry Campbell having signed waiver, taken by plane by Special Agent E. J. Connelley and Agents Birch and Smith to St. Paul, Minn., where questioning of them was continued by the St. Paul Office.

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REFERENCE:- Reports of Special Agent In Charge E. J. Connelley, 4-11-36, Chicago, Ill., L. I. Bowman, New Orleans, La., dated 5-15-36, S. K. McKee, St. Paul, Minn., 5-8-36 and letter from Little Rock Office, 4-26-36 to E. J. Connelley at New Orleans, La.

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DETAILS:- On April 9, 1936, Special Agents W. J. McNulty and J. L. Medala proceeded from Cleveland, Ohio, together with confidential informant [redacted] and arrived in Little Rock, Arkansas on April 10, 1936. [redacted] was taken to Little Rock for the purpose of proceeding to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and there contacting Grace Goldstein, who operates a house of prostitution at 233-1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, and who was the girl friend of Alvin Karpis.

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As has been indicated in reports, [redacted] had previously been at Hot Springs in association with subject Karpis and also Fred Hunter, as well as Grace Goldstein and Ruth Hamm alias Connie Morris. [redacted] at this time, was unable to make contact by reason of the fact that Grace Goldstein left Hot Springs on April 10, 1936 and did not return to Hot Springs until April 25, 1936.

All offices are to treat as absolutely confidential the relationship existing between [redacted] and the individuals concerned herein, and not disclose to anyone the information he has furnished to us to assist in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter.

This report will cover a number of situations wherein certain individuals will be referred to both openly and as confidential informants, and the information contained in this report is to be treated as absolutely confidential by each and every office receiving a copy of same, the report being furnished to them for their information only and there should not be disclosed at any time the modus operandi pursued in apprehending the fugitives indicated in this report.

Edith Berry

On April 16, 1936 confidential informant #42, Toledo, Ohio, was contacted and at that time this informant furnished information to the effect that it was reported that Harry Campbell had purchased a Scottish Terrier dog, either from or through Sheriff James O'Reilley, Toledo, Ohio; that possibly this dog was registered through the American Kennel Club, 221 Fourth Avenue, New York City; that also it was reported that Campbell was now going by the name of Bob, the last name not being recalled; that Campbell is now married to a girl whose first name is believed to be Gladys; that he had met this girl, possibly through Clara and Edward McGraw, 2011-1/2 Adams Avenue, Toledo, Ohio; that it was believed that if we were to cover the telephone and residence of the McGraws, we would learn something indicating the location of Harry Campbell; also that Campbell was probably frequenting a saloon in the vicinity of the Ball Park; that Campbell was, undoubtedly, living somewhere on Monroe Street, in that vicinity withthe girl whom he had married, and who was reported not to be familiar with his actual identity. The informant was unable to say whether this was Coleman's saloon or tavern, or Coburn's; that Campbell frequented the place of McGraw, located in

the downtown district where he has his saloon; that the McGraw place is run as a house of assignation; that Campbell had been coming and going with the assurance that he would not be detected for the reason that he believed no one knew his identity and that Sheriff O'Reilley has a sweetheart whom he has been associated with frequently in the past, and that this sweetheart is a particular friend of the girl who is married to Harry Campbell.

Subsequent interviews with this confidential informant indicated that Sam Coker was the party who was supplying this information and it was indicated that Campbell and Sam Coker were frequenting the Goulet Saloon, 2130 Monroe Street, this being operated by Fred C. Goulet and wife, and it is the daughter of the Goulets who is actually the sweetheart of Sheriff James O'Reilley. This person indicated that in the fall of 1935 Campbell had been in Toledo and at that time associated with that person known as Tommy, and, who, by his picture, was subsequently identified as Sam Coker.

Definite arrangements were made with this informant to communicate with Special Agent B. M. Hirsh at Toledo, Ohio, as informant #42, should any information be obtained as to the location of Harry Campbell, in addition to that previously supplied above.

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As a result of the contact of [redacted] with the place of Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it was ascertained through the inmates thereof and the madam in charge, that Grace Goldstein was expected back in Hot Springs the night of Friday, April 24, 1936 or the morning of Saturday, April 25, 1936. Informant [redacted] on Saturday night, April 25, 1936, contacted Grace Goldstein upon her return to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and in talking with her, he learned that she had been to New Orleans, Louisiana; that she had been in contact with Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and she had indicated to [redacted] that upon leaving Hot Springs, March 26, 1936, Karpis, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris had proceeded to Corpus Christi, Texas, where they had abandoned the maroon Buick automobile; that they had thereafter proceeded to New Orleans; that they had purchased another automobile in New Orleans; that Connie Morris was receiving treatment from a doctor located in the building on the same floor, upon which there was located the office of the doctor who had previously treated Grace Goldstein when she was in New Orleans; that Grace Goldstein's doctor was one of three doctors by the same name, operating from this same office; that Karpis and Hunter had in their possession jointly $600.00; that they were possibly planning another job in the near future; that Connie Morris and Fred Hunter were living in an apartment in New Orleans where Karpis came to eat his meals; that they had a colored maid; that she, Grace Goldstein, was to join up with this outfit again in twenty days.

It was also indicated at this time that on the previous night, April 25, 1936, at about 8:00 PM, as per telephone calls from Special Agent In Charge Chapmon Fletcher, Little Rock, Arkansas, that apparently Joe Wakelin, Chief of Police, Hot Springs, had taken Grace Goldstein out in his car in an effort to obtain some information.

On April 26, 1936, Agent proceeded from Cincinnati, Ohio to Little Rock, Arkansas, where arrangements were made for [redacted] to maintain close contact with Grace Goldstein. b7C

On Monday morning, April 27, 1936, Special Agent J. L. Medala reported the results of the contact of [redacted] with Grace Goldstein, and no additional information was obtained, and Agent thereafter proceeded to New Orleans, where, on April 28, 1936, check was made with Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee, to locate the doctors referred to above.

There were located in Room 1111, Maison-Blanche Bldg., New Orleans, La., Dr. J. E. Isaacson, physician, and his two dentist brothers, F. M. and Irwin Isaacson, this being the only doctor with two others associated with him, by the same name, that could be located in New Orleans. Thereafter, through the courtesy of the building officials Agents established surveillance of all persons coming from the elevators on the eleventh floor, for the possible appearance of Connie Morris to see her doctor, and this continued up until the time we determined the address elsewhere in New Orleans of the subjects. In subsequent interview with Grace Goldstein, she indicated to me, not knowing why I made the inquiry, that Dr. J. E. Isaacson had been her doctor at one time in New Orleans. This was subsequent to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

As will be covered separately, under personal and confidential cover, our confidential informant #43 was contacted on the early morning of April 30, 1936, and at this time this confidential informant furnished me with information as to the alleged location of Fred Hunter, Connie Morris and Alvin Karpis in New Orleans.

The following information was furnished to me by this confidential informant, and all offices receiving copies of this report, or Agents becoming familiar with the contents of this report, are cautioned not to endeavor to identify to themselves or anyone else the real identity of the informant who furnished this information, as the informant was very fearful that there might be some action taken against the informant, by reason of its cooperation.

This informant indicated to me that these people, that is, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris, were located on the right hand corner, going out from town, of Canal Street and Jeff Davis Parkway; that Hunter and Connie Morris were living at this place and had been living there since the early part of April; that Karpis was not living at this place, but was coming there for his meals, although at the present time, Karpis might also be found living at that address.

It was also indicated that Karpis had purchased a Plymouth automobile, under the name of O'Hara; that it was believed that they had rented this apartment, possibly under the same name; that there was a very definite possibility that Karpis would not be at this address at all times, but might be away fishing at this particular time, but that, eventually, if the other two were located at the apartment, he would return there and be in contact with Hunter and Connie.

At New Orleans on April 30, 1936, immediate arrangements were made to put this place under surveillance, and Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee arranged with the owner of the property, directly across Jeff Davis Parkway from this address, to occupy the vacant dwelling for purposes of observation, and Special Agents L. I. Bowman and R. L. Tollett were established in this vacant house on April 30, 1936, Agents C. W. Toulme and K. M. Heavrin relieving them on the night of April 30, 1936, and Agents Bowman and Tollett replacing them on the following morning, May 1, 1936.

Special Agent J. O. Peyronnin ascertained from the Light and Gas Service that at 3343 Canal Street, Apartment #3, which would be the address referred to by our informant #43, application for gas and electric had been made on April 13, 1936, by Edward O'Hara.

On May 1, 1936, Special Agent J. O. Peyronnin ascertained that one Edward O'Hara, Corpus Christi, Texas, had purchased a Plymouth deluxe coupe, serial #9036812, motor P2-212244, April 2, 1936, for $806.28 from the Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, same being equipped with Philco radio, brake tags #33362, 1936, Louisiana license #136-288. (Our informant had previously indicated that the license on Karpis' car, the Plymouth coupe, was #136, but the last numbers were not recalled). The motor company indicated that this car was brought back in on April 14, 1936, for service, and had been driven 2,400 miles.

On the night of April 30, 1936, the Director, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, together with Assistant Director Clyde Tolson, and Special Agent W. R. Glavin, arrived at New Orleans, and in conformity with my previous conversations with the Bureau as to the activities and developments in this case, on the night of April 30, 1936, conference was had with Mr. Hoover as to the general situation, it being noted that as yet, we had not definitely identified anyone, other than Connie Morris as being at the apartment, and it was decided to defer action until the following day, with a continued surveillance of this place, in an effort to identify Karpis and Hunter as being on the premises, before any definite action was taken.

On the morning of May 1, 1936 at 9:45 there appeared at the apartment, and it was observed by Agents L. I. Bowman and R. L. Tollett, an individual who had driven up in a Terraplane 1936 coupe bearing Louisiana 1936 license #18-460. Subsequent check showed this license to have been issued to E. S. Collins, 1330 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, as of April 13, 1936. It is to be noted that this is the address of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., and from whom it was subsequently determined that this car had been purchased. The person who left this automobile was identified by Agents Bowman and Tollett as being Alvin Karpis, both from his general description and the fact that they were able to observe him by field glasses from their point of vantage from the vacant house across the parkway.

On this morning, after this man had entered the house, he came out of the house and drove away in the Terraplane coupe and was followed by a person, who, the Agents making the observation were satisfied, was Fred Hunter, and he proceeded after him in a Plymouth coupe, 1936 model, bearing 1936 Louisiana license #136-288. Shortly afterward these two individuals returned in the Plymouth coupe and subsequently on this morning, together with Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, I observed the premises at this place and was able to get a look definitely at Fred Hunter, and all of the indications definitely indicated that the parties in this house at that time were Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris.

Thereafter, together with Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Mr. Tolson, Mr. Glavin and Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, plans were formulated for raiding this house while the subjects were available in same, this place being located on the corner of Canal and Jeff Davis Parkway, the main entrance to same facing on Jeff Davis Parkway, insofar as apartment #3 was concerned.

At the New Orleans Office thereafter, all men to participate in this raid were fully advised as to the activities of all persons involved in the raid, and a diagram of the premises and immediate vicinity was prepared on the blackboard for their full information, although a number of Agents present had already witnessed these premises and were familiar with the general situation, insofar as same could be discreetly observed during the time we had it under observation.

The general plan of raiding the house was briefly as follows:-

Special Agent R. L. Tollett was to remain at the observation point in the vacant house across the parkway, and Special Agent L. I. Bowman was to leave the observation house and joint the two squads which were to take and maintain the rear of these premises, this rear raiding squad to consist of the following:-

Agents Positions at time of raid

Assistant Director Mr. Clyde Tolson and Special Agents R. P. Baldwin, W. R. Glavin, W. J. McNulty, T. E. Neal, J. O. Peyronnin. This squad was divided with one group to be established at the rear end of the house on the back side, one group at the front end of the house on the back side, Agents C. W. Toulme, T. W. Bain, E. M. Heavrin and J. E. Lunsford to be established, two men in an automobile on the far corner of Canal and Jeff Davis Parkway, two Agents in a car to be established on the corner directly across Canal Street on the corner of Jeff Davis Parkway, these two cars to be in such position as to be able to take up the pursuit, should the subjects escape from the house and try to leave in an automobile.

The two rear groups or squads were to maintain their positions to prevent the escape of the subjects from either the front of the house or the back side of the house, and to withhold their fire until directed by the raiding squad, which was to enter from the front, unless, of course, some individual in escaping had cleared the house and it was necessary to pursue him.

Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee was to be established across the street from the house at a drug store, to be available at the telephone, in order to advise the New Orleans Police, should any shooting occurr, and in particular to request police officers to keep traffic cleared, this being a very heavily traveled thoroughfare, both as to Canal Street and Jeff Davis Parkway.

To raid the place if necessary, and to control the possible exit of subjects from the front of this house, either through the garage to the rear, or the windows or doors facing on Jeff Davis Parkway, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Special Agents In Charge E. J. Connelley and Dwight Brantley, and Special Agents C. O. Hurt and W. L. Buchanan were to take care of the raiding of the house and the entering of the house, if necessary, and the actual taking into custody of the individuals if they submitted to arrest.

It was planned to have the five above indicated Agents immediately move into position to take the place when the raiding squad at the rear of the house signaled that they were definitely in location. Special Agent J. W. Blake, as the squads moved into position, was to enter the second floor apartment of Mr. R. J. Reid, 3343 Canal Street, in order to be in position to block anyone who might leave from the rear of the Karpis apartment, and try to go up the stairs into the upstairs apartments.

At the approximate time all the Agents moved into position, and just prior to the signal that they were ready for a move, Special Agent C. O. Hurt and Special Agent In Charge E. J. Connelley were established on the opposite corner of Canal Street and Jeff Davis Parkway, followed by a car occupied by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Special Agent W. L. Buchanan and Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, subjects Karpis and Hunter came out of the apartment and started to enter the Plymouth coupe bearing Louisiana license #136288, and Agent Hurt and this Agent immediately crossed Canal St., and blocked their car into the sidewalk, covering them at the same time as we left our car, and Mr. Hoover, together with Agents Brantley and Buchanan, immediately moved across Canal Street to block their car in at the rear and also cover these individuals with their guns, at the same time that Agent Hurt and myself covered them.

Karpis and Hunter were immediately taken from the car and searched, and then secured for transportation in the two Bureau cars to the office.

Mr. Hoover and Special Agent In Charge E. J. Connelley immediately entered the house to cover anything that was in the house, whereupon Connie Morris was found in the house and she was brought to the car by Special Agent In Charge Connelley for transportation to the office. Thereafter the house was again briefly searched by the writer and Mr. Hoover, and it was verified that no one else was present in the house.

Thereafter, Connie Morris, Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis were taken to the Bureau Office at New Orleans by Mr. Hoover and Agents Hurt, W. L. Buchanan and Dwight Brantley.

A detail was established in the house, under the direction of Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee for a search of the premises, which will be covered by subsequent report from the New Orleans Office. The automobile of subjects was taken in charge and removed to the New Orleans Office garage.

Karpis, immediately upon arrival at the office, disclosed the location of his apartment at 3500 St. Charles Street and a detail was then established to search same and guard same for the appearance of anyone. Karpis also disclosed the location of the Terraplane coupe with Louisiana license #18-460, and this was also taken in charge by Agents of the office, various guns being recovered from both automobiles and the house, which will be covered in a report from the New Orleans Office, the guns being traced for identification and forwarded to the Bureau for necessary ballistics tests.

Subject Karpis immediately signed waiver of removal and arrangements were made to transport him to St. Paul.

Alvin Karpis was removed to the airport to chartered T.W.A. plane at New Orleans, and Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Mr. Clyde Tolson, Special Agent W. R. Glavin, Special Agents In Charge E. J. Connelley and Dwight Brantley, and Special Agent C. O. Hurt removed Karpis from New Orleans to St. Paul on May 1, 1936 at 8:24 P. M., proceeding via St. Louis, Kansas City, and arriving at St. Paul on May 2, 1936 at 8:40 A. M., where Karpis was removed to the St. Paul Office and interrogation of him continued.

Karpis, on the trip to St. Paul indicated a willingness to discuss certain features of his violation, insofar as same did not involve any third parties. He admitted to me that Dr. Joseph P. Moran had performed the operations upon his face, resulting in the very evident scars on the side of the head and above the ears on each side, as well as the scars just below the lobes of his ears, wherein Moran had apparently made an ineffectual effort to make lobes on his ears, inasmuch as he previously had no lobes.

Karpis, in a talk of his past activities, in the presence of Special Agent C. O. Hurt and Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, stated with reference to his escape from police officers, on or about January 21, 1935 at Atlantic City, N. J., that he and Campbell were at the hotel with Delores Delaney and Winona Burdette; that he, Karpis, was out in the hall with the officer who was guarding him, and that he asked permission to go into the room to get his partner, and that thereafter he and Campbell came out of the room with machine guns and shot about four times in the hall, without particularly trying to hit the officers and the officers all immediately ran away; that he did not blame them for doing this, as he believed he had the drop on them; that he, Karpis, did not want to kill anyone; that they then ran for the garage where their car was, and at this time they shot at the officers again; that they did not obtain their car and they stole another car which was in the garage to the rear of the hotel, and thereafter, drove this car in front of the hotel, toward the ocean, in an effort to pick up the girls. Being unable to pick up the girls, and inasmuch as the officers at that time were making efforts to apprehend them and were also shooting at their car, they decided to leave.

Karpis advised that he then drove out of Atlantic City toward Pennsylvania, over the bridge; that the officers looked them over as they went across the bridge, but did not try to stop them; that they went to Pennsylvania where they picked up the doctor whom they kidnaped, taking possession of his car.

They abandoned the car which they had stolen in Atlantic City, N. J., at thiw time and then proceeded west from the State of Pennsylvania, with the doctor in the car, to a point in Ohio, somewhere, where they made the doctor as comfortable as possible in a hall out in the country; that Karpis believes he took the doctor's suit coat; that they thereafter drove the car to the vicinity west of Toledo, Ohio, where they abandoned it; that the motor was not running when they left it; that they then went west. Karpis at this time would not admit his associates in Toledo had harbored him, due to his indication of not involving any third person.

He elaborated upon the fact that Dr. Joseph P. Moran had operated on him, and he indicated that he had been associated with Fred and "Doc" Barker; that he knew Kate Barker, and he also discussed the great pain that resulted from the operation when Fred Barker had his fingerprints changed at Toledo, and also referred to an occasions when, in Chicago, Fred Barker went outside and left the door close and he could not get back in, he, at this time, being in his shorts and having his fingers bandaged from the operation, changing his prints. This referred to a previous story that Doc Barker and Karpis had locked Fred out in the hall in this condition.

On the day that Kate Barker and Fred Barker were killed in Florida on January 16, 1936, Karpis advised he was away from Miami, fishing; that he thereafter jumped out of Miami and proceeded to Atlantic City, resulting in the above mentioned shooting. Karpis denied that he talked with Hamm at the hideout in regard to being a guard at $100.00 per day.

With reference to Karpis being at Vara Dara Beach, Cuba, he advised that he knew of Agent Kingman being at the hotel of Heller and some reference was made to Kingman going down into Canny County, and he, Karpis, being an American said that was enough for him and he got out; that about this same time also, his, Karpis', pictures appeared in the Havana, Cuba papers.

He denied that he was ever in Miami at any time or at Miami Beach after leaving there about January 17, 1935, although he has been in Florida, fishing, on the west coast of Florida, several times in recent pasts.

The following information is submitted as to the description of Hunter, as obtained by Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee, by personal observation, and as taken at the Federal Jail, New Orleans, where Hunter is indicated as New Orleans Federal Jail #4478:-

Name	Fred John Hunter, aliases: Fred Hunter, Freddie Hunter, Harold King, H. King, H. J. King, Fred King, Fred Harris, Fred John Henderson, E. O'Hara
Age	36, born October 13, 1899 at Warren, Trumbull County, Ohio.
Height	5 ft. 8 in.
Weight	120 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Dark chestnut, straight
Eyes	Gray-blue
Complexion	Medium dark
Teeth	Good
Speech	Stutters badly when excited and stutters over long words.
Mustache	Dark mustache occasionally
Occupation	Welder, gambler, salesman for gambling paraphernalia
Peculiarities	Low forehead; head long; hat size 7-1/4 in.
Army record	Claims enlisted at Columbus, Ohio, about 1919, assigned to 91st Aero Post, Mather Field, Sacramento, California. Discharged thereafter about one year service; claims bought way out
Relatives	Father, George Hunter, Warren, Ohio, boiler repairer; now resides on rural route out of Leavittsburg, Ohio. Mother, Mrs. George Hunter, claims died when he was six years old, at Warren, Ohio. Brothers: William (Bill) Hunter, machinist, Warren, Ohio; married and separated. Brother: Albert Owen Hunter, Warren, Ohio, arc welder; married and separated. Brother, Clarence Hunter, address unknown. Sisters: Clara Hunter, address unknown. Subject Hunter claims that his brother Clarence Hunter and his sister, Clara Hunter, were adopted out when they were young children, at the time their mother died, and he does not know their present location.
Handwriting specimens	Obtained and forwarded to the Bureau
Fingerprints	Forwarded to Bureau 5-1-36, by New Orleans Bureau Office.
Federal Jail, New Orleans, La.	Number 4472

Pictures of Fred John Hunter, above described, have been transmitted to the Bureau.

The fingerprints of Mrs. Ruth Hamm with aliases, were also taken and furnished the Bureau, and the following description is furnished by Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee and Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and R. L. Tollett, as to Ruth Hamm:-

Name	Mrs. Melvin Robsion, aliases: Mrs. Ruth Hamm Robsion, Mrs. Ruth Robsion, Ruth Hamm, Connie Morris, Mrs. Harold King, Mrs. H. King, Mrs. E. O'Hara, Mrs. Hammonds
Age	18, born November 25, 1917 at Davidson, Okla.
Height	5' 2"
Weight	114 lbs.
Build	Plump
Complexion	Fair
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Natural color brown; at present has auburn tint, permanent wave; bobbed
Teeth	Good
Face	Round, full face, good looking.
Peculiarities	Very vain, likes good clothes; soft modulated voice; slow in speech; bites fingernails; full lips, smiles when interrogated; possesses a large quantity of make-up material.
Scars, marks	Moles on neck and back; abdominal operation scar.
Handwriting	Signature specimen in possession of Bureau on fingerprint impression card secured by New Orleans FBI office on 5-1-36.
Occupation	Prostitute; presently undergoing treatment for venereal disease.
Relatives	Father, J. L. Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Mother, Mrs. Gertie Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Sisters: Bertha Hamm, age 15; Dorothy Hamm, age 21; Opal Hamm; all reside Davidson, Oklahoma; Mrs. Claude Marshal, Frederick, Oklahoma; Mrs. Thelma Muse, Davidson, Oklahoma; Mrs. Glen F. Kirkpatrick, San Pedro Street, San Antonio, Texas, whose husband is a taxicab driver. Brothers: Raymond Hamm, Leonard Ham,, Howard Hamm, all Davidson, Oklahoma; Frank Hamm, address in California.
Mar. status	Married Melvin Robsion at Duncan, Oklahoma, October 25, 1932, separated in 1933.

Detailed, minute description and information will be furnished by the St. Paul Office as to Karpis, his fingerprints also having been furnished the Bureau by the New Orleans Office on May 1, 1936.

ALVIN KARPIS was interviewed at St. Paul, by Special Agents S. K. McKee and R. C. Suran, as will be covered in separate report.

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO, ~~on~~ May 3, 1936, contact was had with our confidential informant #42. At this time the informant confirmed previous information supplied as to the fact that HARRY CAMPBELL was living at Toledo, Ohio, and the best information available at this time indicated he was present in the city of Toledo, as of that date. The informant advised that it was understood Harry Campbell had first met Sheriff James O'Reilly at the place of Pat O'Brien, located out in Lucas County; that Campbell is acquainted with the Sheriff, James O'Reilly at Toledo, however informant was unable to say whether or not the Sheriff would protect this individual if he knew his real identity. This informant also advised that Sam Coker, whose picture was identified by the informant, was known as "Tommy" and had been intimately associated with Campbell at Toledo, Ohio; also, in this connection, Special Agent S. K. McKee advised that Alvin Karpis had identified Tommy, who had been associated with him at Toledo, Ohio, as being one and the same as Sam Coker. It was indicated by our informant that the information being supplied had been obtained as the result of conversation had with this party, Tommy, who indicated that he and Campbell apparently spent considerable time at the Goulet saloon at 2130 Monroe Street, Toledo; that Campbell was married to a young girl and the latter was friendly with the girl friend of the present Sheriff, James O'Reilly; that apparently this girl did not know the real identity of Harry Campbell.

At Cleveland, Ohio, the work of the special detail there was reorganized and re-assigned, inasmuch as the efforts at that time had not produced any definite information as to where Harry Campbell was located and there were assigned to work at Toledo, Ohio, the following Agents: Hardison, Wynn, Dill, Dowd, Malone, Sirene, Murphy, McNulty, Birch, Richmond and J. M. Jones. At this time we had established Agents Endres, Reeder, Manson and O'Mahoney at Canton, Ohio, for the operation of a tap on telephone of Joe Rich, as well as observation of his place. At Toledo, Ohio, we had established a telephone tap at 326 20th St., Toledo, on the telephone of Clara and Edward McGraw, 2011½ Adams Street; also we continued to maintain plant upon the place of Joe Roscoe, at 42nd and Broadway, this being a plant for visual observation of his place and tap upon his telephone. We also, at this time, still maintained the tap upon the telephone of Edith Barry, 524 Southard Street.

The above Agents were assigned to conduct the necessary inquiry through various sources to locate the residence of Harry Campbell, and Special Agent E. J. Wynn was assigned to check the hospitalization of Sam Coker, during October and November, 1935, at a Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. This confinement is supposed to have eliminated the possibility

of Coker's taking part in the Garrettsville train robbery. A check was made upon the place of James Coleman, located in the County, and known as the Granada Gardens, a place frequented presumably by Sheriff James O'Reilly and Harry Campbell and located at Secor and Monroe Sts. A visual observation was also established as to 2130½ Monroe Street, the home of Fred C. Goulet and wife, whose daughter is the girl friend of Sheriff O'Reilly. A visual observation was also set up as to the residence of the McGraws at 2011½ Adams Street, as well as the Hub Cafe, at Jackson and St. Claire Streets, operated by McGrath and McGraw.

Agent Wynn was also assigned to check the particular activities of James O'Reilly, as well as the reputed ownership of a road house by Harry Campbell on Telegraph Road, out of Toledo, towards Detroit.

Agent E. J. Wynn was also assigned to check and identify the Scottish terrier dog sold to Harry Campbell and presumably handled either through the Sheriff, James O'Reilly or actually a dog of the Sheriff, sold to Campbell, said dog being a registered, pedigreed dog.

As a result of the above activity, Agent Wynn ascertained at Christ Hospital that Coker had been in here the last part of October and the first part of November, 1935, for treatment; that he had been there during all of this period, which possibly eliminated him from having taken part in the Garrettsville train robbery, November 7, 1935. At the time Agent E. J. Wynn was obtaining this information at the Hospital, Post Office Inspector S. J. Hetrick and Inspector Cordrey were also obtaining this information, having preceded the Agents at the Hospital, they having acted upon information supplied to them by John Brock whom they have had in custody for the past two months, and they being possessed of the fact that he was there under the name of Pratt. In fact, the Post Office Inspectors had already obtained the information as to the length of time Coker had been in the Hospital and possibly the name of the Doctor who had treated him. The Post Office Inspector discourteously refused to furnish Special Agent E. J. Wynn, upon his request, with the information they had already obtained and left the Hospital. Agent Wynn then consulted with the Sister who was handling the records and learned that Coker had apparently been there under the name of Pratt and also learned that he had been attended by Miss Bobby Robletto. This information was immediately telephoned to me at Cleveland, Ohio, and Agent Wynn was instructed to take this nurse into custody and also to establish an Agent with the Doctor for whom she was working, in order to definitely assure ourselves that they would not communicate with anyone until such time as we could work out a plan for the apprehension of Harry Campbell.

This nurse, Bobby Robletto, advised that she had, since the time she had acted as nurse for Sam Coker, whom she knew under the name of Pratt, been associating with him; that Coker had been coming to her house;

that, in fact, on the previous night Coker had come to her house where she lives with her mother and father, at 439 Arcadia Street, Toledo; that Coker had been brought to her house on the previous night by Robert Miller, whom she identified from pictures as being identical with Harry Campbell.

At Toledo, Ohio, on the night of May 6, 1936, together with Agent C. E. Smith, and E. J. Wynn, Bobby Robletto was interviewed at length by me, and indicated that she was definitely certain that the party she knew as Robert Miller was the same as Harry Campbell, basing her statement upon the picture of Campbell shown to her by the Agents; that she had visited with Campbell and his wife, Gertie, at their house at 2132 Monroe Street, Toledo, she not being certain of the number. However, she was driven by this place and definitely pointed out the door which went into the building where the Campbell Apartment was located. She also identified the location of the Apartment to us.

All of the above situation had previously been communicated to and discussed with the Director, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, and he, together with Assistant Director, Clyde A. Tolson, and Special Agent (A) W. R. Glavin arrived at Toledo, Ohio, on the early morning of May 7, 1936.

Together with Agent C. E. Smith, Agent Sirene previously having maintained a visual observation and surveillance of this address, a careful check was made of the neighborhood, as well as the rear of these premises at 2132 Monroe Street. During the early evening it was indicated that apparently no one was home in the Apartment of Harry Campbell, however, at about 12:30 A.M., to 1:00 A.M., May 7, 1936, it was apparent that somebody had returned to this place and Agent, together with Agent C. E. Smith, definitely located the door of the apartment of Harry Campbell upon which was the name card, "G. Miller", it being apartment #1, right hand front as you enter from Monroe Street. All exits and possible ways and means of escape were carefully checked by Agent C. E. Smith and myself and definite arrangements made for raiding this place. The details of the general lay out of the property and the men available at Toledo were discussed with the Director, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Assistant Director Clyde A. Tolson and Special Agent (A) W. R. Glavin, and thereafter plans were made to raid the place at daybreak, the morning of May 7, 1936.

It had been indicated by the nurse, Bobby Robletto, that Campbell had a new Ford V-8 Coach or Sedan, dark colored, automobile which he maintained in the alley to the rear of the premises where he lives; that she believed this license number was similar to 4544, she not being certain of definite numbers; that she believed he parked this car in the alley at some place, rather than putting same in a garage. By prowling the alley on the night in question, Agent, together with Agent C. E. Smith,

located what was undoubtedly his car, parked in a vacant space to the rear of the Goulet saloon, which is two doors to the East from the Campbell apartment, and this car was a Ford V-8 Coach, with Ohio, 1936 license 5534 F.

The apartment presumably occupied by Harry Campbell was located on the second floor at 2132 Monroe Street. The general plan to raid this place was, as follows, and the persons indicated participated therein:

To be located on the porch at the rear of this apartment, at the rear entrance to the hallway on the second floor, there were established Agents Murphy, Sirene, Jones and Wynn. Special Agents Johnson and Glavin were established with an automobile to block the car of Harry Campbell and also to take care of this individual should he escape or try to leave in his automobile; also established on the porch to the rear of the apartment to cover the alley, were Assistant Director Tolson and Special Agent Richmond; Special Agent Ducommon was established on Monroe Street, to contact any police officers who might appear, in order to establish our identity and to indicate to them whether or not we desired any assistance. Special Agents Malone, Dowd, Hardison and Hirsh were established across Monroe Street from this apartment, in order to take care of the necessary gassing of the apartment, should it be necessary and also to take care of anyone who might come out the front windows at the time the raid was made.

Director, Mr. J. E. Hoover, Special Agent in Charge Connelley, and Special Agents Smith and Birch entered the hallway at 2132 Monroe Street and thereafter knocked on the door of the apartment and demanded entrance. The wife of Harry Campbell, Mrs. Gertie Miller, as she was known, answered the door and at this time we forced our way into the apartment and covered Harry Campbell, who had just gotten out of bed and he was thereafter handcuffed, dressed and made ready to leave. He, at this time, signed a waiver of removal and surrendered his various property, he having a considerable portion of his money in a money belt, which was attached to his trousers; one loaded .45 calibre automatic was found approximately 5' from the door under a pillow on the davenport; one loaded clip was found in the hip pocket of his trousers which he had taken off the night before and three other loaded clips were found in the bed room where he and his wife had been sleeping.

At this time information was obtained as to the location of Sam Coker, at 439 Arcadia Street, at the home of Bobby Robletto, and thereafter Mr. Hoover, Special Agent in Charge Connelley and Agents Wynn and C. E. Smith proceeded to 439 Arcadia where Sam Coker was taken

into custody and returned to the apartment at 2132 Monroe Street. Thereafter Harry Campbell, Sam Coker and the wife of Harry Campbell were taken by chartered plane from Toledo, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio, accompanied by Mr. Hoover, Mr. Tolson, and Special Agents Glavin, Connelley, Birch, Smith and Malone.

At Cleveland, Ohio, we arriving there at approximately 7:45 A.M., Agent Malone, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Tolson and Agent Glavin, with other Agents of the Cleveland Office, removed Sam Coker and the wife of Harry Campbell to the Cleveland Office. Thereafter, Harry Campbell was taken via chartered T.W.A. plane from Cleveland, Ohio, to St. Paul, Minn., by Special Agent in Charge, Connelley, and Agents Smith and Birch, who left Cleveland at 7:45 A.M., and arrived at St. Paul at 11:40 A.M., this same date, May 7, 1936, where Harry Campbell was taken to the Bureau office. Harry Campbell was interviewed enroute to St. Paul, but would furnish little information as to himself or his activities or the activities of any others with whom he had been associated. He indicated however, that his present wife, whom he had married at Bowling Green, was not aware of his real identity. It is known that he did identify himself to her on the plane, in conversation, while proceeding from Toledo, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio. Campbell indicated acquaintance with such parties as "Doc" Barker, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis, but would not disclose any of his actual transactions with these individuals. He indicated that the automobile to the rear of the apartment was the property of his wife and that same was in her name; he also indicated that the $1200.00 found under the pillow of the bed was the property of his wife and should be surrendered to her. He advised the balance of the money found on his person is his property, he however would not admit that this was obtained in exchange for ransom money, but did state that none of the money found at the place was actual ransom money.

Harry Campbell at St. Paul was questioned by Special Agents R. C. Suran and S. K. McKee, as will be reported by them.

Campbell was actually taken into custody at approximately 5:30 A.M., May 7, 1936, and Sam Coker was taken into custody at 6:00 A.M., May 7, 1936.

The fingerprints and descriptive data as to Harry Campbell are to be furnished by the St. Paul Office, as well as pictures of this individual.

Fred Hunter, who was left at New Orleans, for suitable interrogation, particularly by Agent W. L. Buchanan, is to be charged with having Harbored Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana. Special Agent

D. W. Magee has conferred with the United States Attorney there, as to this situation, and the New Orleans Office will cover in detail and report their interviews with this individual and subsequent prosecutive action taken as to him.

Sam Coker, at Cleveland, Ohio, has been disposed of by return to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, at McAlester, Oklahoma, as will be reported and covered in detail by the Cleveland Office.

On May 6, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, I telephonically communicated with S. J. Hetrick, Post Office Inspector in charge of the investigation of the Garrettsville, Ohio train robbery of November 7, 1935, and advised him that subject Fred Hunter would be available to him for interview at New Orleans in the Federal Jail there, whenever he cared to interview him, or designate some other individual or Post Office Inspector for this purpose. This interview, of course, as per my telephonic instructions to Special Agent D. W. Magee, is to be had in the presence of a Bureau Agent, particularly Special Agent W. L. Buchanan, in order that nothing will occur which might interfere with the cooperative attitude of this individual towards the Bureau and the disposition of the Harboring case against him, upon which he is now held.

On May 18, 1936, my information to the Post Office Inspector, S. J. Hetrick, was confirmed in letter to the Post Office Inspector in Charge, Wallace R. Briggs, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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[redacted] Youngstown, Ohio, previously referred to above as having been taken to Hot Springs, Arkansas for inquiry through the possible associates of Alvin Karpis there, was returned to his home by Bureau Agents on May 3, 1936.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CLEVELAND OFFICE will report any and all additional details necessary, as to situations referred to in this report, covering the individual investigative activity of the Agents who were working upon this case. Will also cover in detail the interviews had with the wife of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker, and the disposition made of these individuals. Will continue investigation necessary to show the responsibility of the various persons for Harboring the subjects in this case, both at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio and elsewhere in their district, in keeping with oral instructions previously given.

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE will cover in detail any necessary data as to investigative activity carried on by the Agents of that office,

supplementing as necessary the brief references made to various investigative activity at New Orleans, as reflected in this report. Will also cover the interviews and prosecutive action as to Fred Hunter with aliases; also trace, as necessary, the various guns recovered from Karpis and Hunter at New Orleans, tracing these guns from the factory.

LITTLE ROCK OFFICE will supplement any investigation referred to in this report, wherein additional details are available, as reflected by the investigative reports of the individual Agents who covered investigation.

ALL OFFICES are cautioned to report under personal and confidential cover, references to confidential informants who have rendered us assistance in connection with the above investigation, in order to definitely not disclose their identity.

ST. PAUL OFFICE. This office will report any additional details necessary to supplement the information set out in this report.

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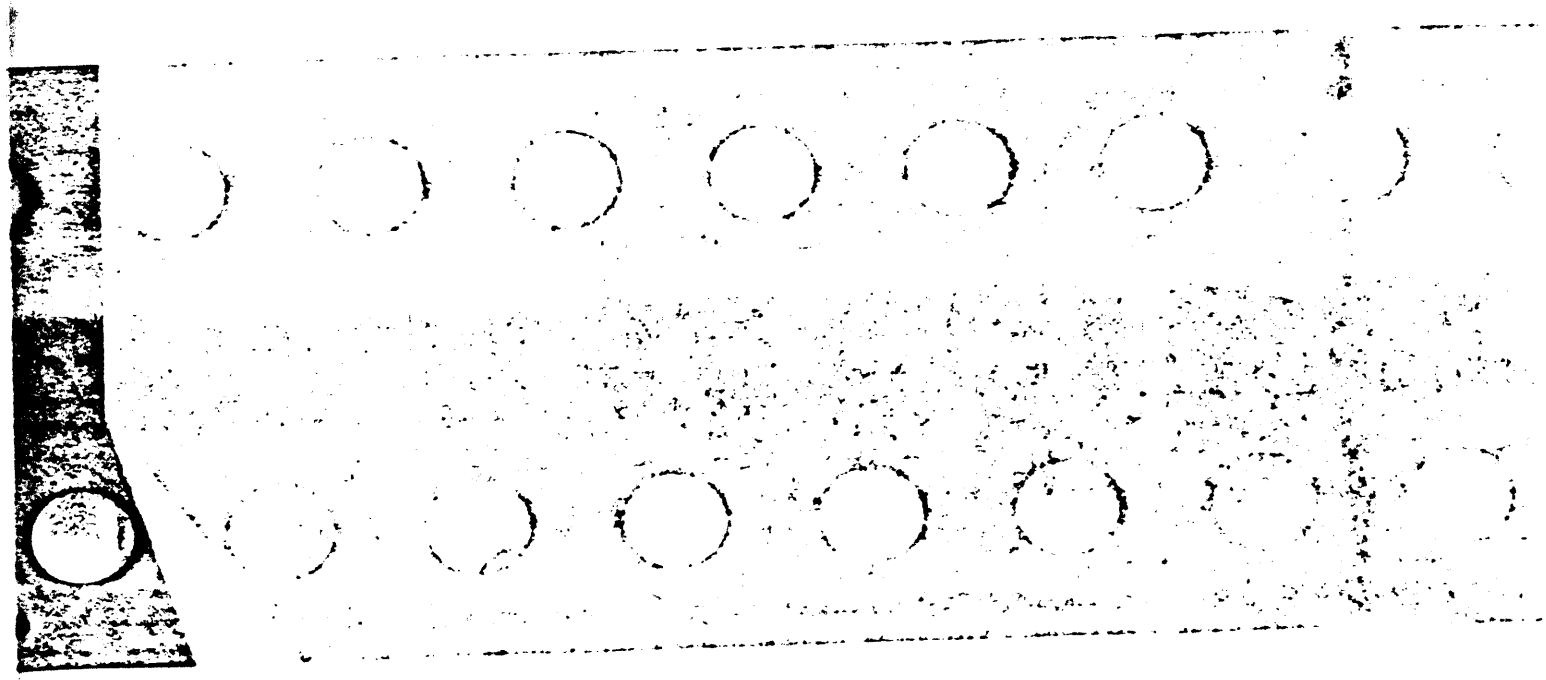

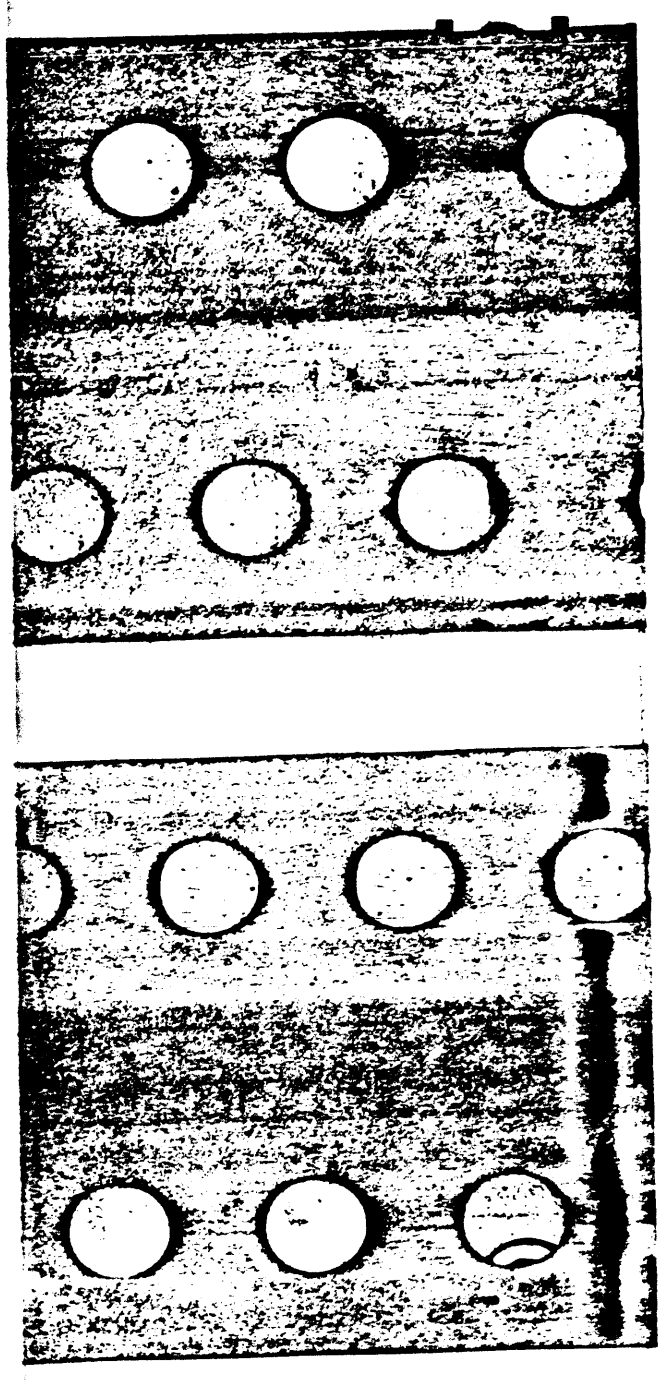

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5/18/36.

Pathe News film received.

over 18 35 mm film on "Karpis" case received. It is being sent to the Laboratory for copy to be prepared on 16 mm film.

The laboratory cannot show a 35 mm film.

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77 Get Surprise In 'Drunk Cases'

Men Escape Workhouse Because It Also Is "Full."

Because the Workhouse is too full to accommodate more persons, Louisville tipplers who "got full" over the week-end had a break when arraigned before Judge Brachey Monday. Of the eighty-one appearing to answer drunkenness charges, seventy-seven were liberated on their own bonds after promising to behave thirty days. One $5 fine was meted out and three cases were continued.

An unprecedented circumstance, veteran attendants said, was that none of the eighty-one was represented by counsel. The "old time" drunks, brought before the court at comparatively regular intervals, were a majority of the group and were obviously delighted at getting off without the usual $20 fine which most of them are accustomed to working off at the Workhouse.

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Sir With reference to your letter of May 9
of Federal Investigation Bureau I
Say to you Sir. of Course I am a
ONE poor man have'ant got any Job at all what
ever have'ant got hardley any Bed clothes to
cover me. an hardley any clothes to wear
all the real cold weather this winter
with no Coat on my Back in my Shert Sleeve.
an now have got the nerve which now he to
Big of a man to help me in any way at all.
But if a man is actually the cause of Being captured
if you can Beet him out of what he is Intitle to
that is your Game. But mr Edger hoover I want you
to read this over and over Bare in mind an let it
Soak in well. no matter what any man has
or got he has not got the Power that Jesus
Christ has Got. Remember what I am telling
you no one has ever Done me harm But what
God Dont Punish him Sometime or other now
no that is true I was the man who was the cause
of Alvin Karpis. as I Say. here at Louisville Ky
Being captured. if you want to Do some investiga
tions here in Louisville the Garbage Cans has

over (on next page)

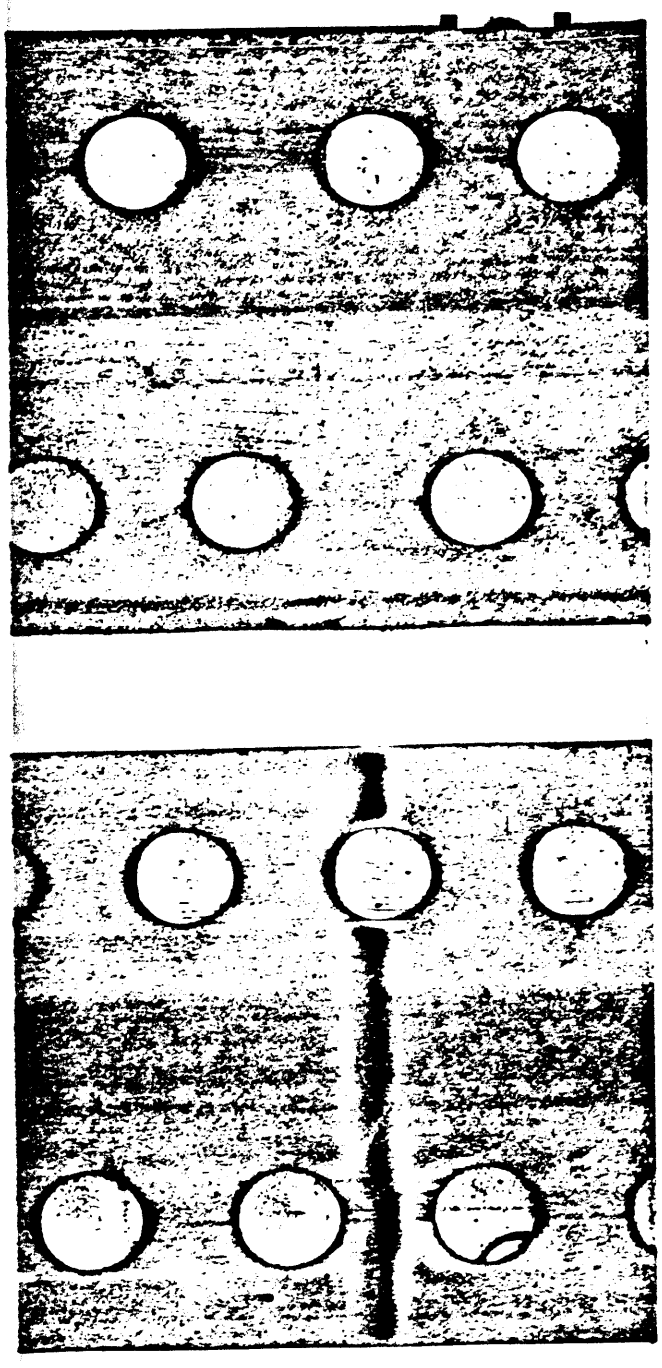
Been full for past four weeks. the streets need cleaning. every one that own their Property sweep the trash right out into the streets here. When the wind is Blowing hard you cant hardley keep your eyes open for the trash. that would put some of us men to work. an those Police Automobiles wake People up 6 or 8 times at night Blowing that wildcat whistle. Let them run like any other automobile. ~~the~~ Especially at night. But I mind that I am now in institude of applied science. with Mr J G Cooke. which your name is in his magazines.

No answer. This guy received a courtesy copy via "snail mail" per Jeanne K.R.M.

Very truley Yours
A common man.

DAVID A. POWERS, 1977-C
435 E. MADISON ST.
LOUISVILLE, KY.

P.S. with no Privilege or right to no more than a Prisoner has in Jail. Actually some criminals in Jail are smarter than federal agents are on now some of them any way.



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5/12/36.

Mr. Hood just advised of call from Stein.

Harry O Campbell just sentenced to life on guilty plea.

He talked a little and admitted he was with Doc. Barker, Karpis and Campbell at time of kidnaping; that he went south with them; that he helped guard; that he was with them on the way back.

Stein is going to talk to him later today and try and secure additional details.

A memo is being prepared of call.

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DIRECTOR & SACCHICAGO

PHONE. BREKID INFORMANT MENTIONED YOUR TELETYPE THIS AFTERNOON IS RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS SUBJECT OF KANMO CASE WHO IS PRESENTLY CONFINED LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY. INFORMATION FURNISHED ME BY GALATAS WAS TO BE TREATED CONFIDENTIAL. THEREFORE IF INTERVIEW REQUESTED BY YOU THROUGH KANSASCITY OFFICE SUGGEST NO REFERENCE BE MADE TO ME. DURING MY CONVERSATIONS WITH GALATAS I COMMUNICATED FREQUENTLY WITH MISTER TAMM WHO IS AWARE OF ALL MY NEGOTIATIONS WITH GALATAS

FLETCHER

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Copy to Mr. Tamm

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Memo Mr. Tamm
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 14, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Brekid

Reference is made to the teletype message dated May 6, 1936, from the Little Rock office to the Director and to the Chicago office of this Bureau, concerning the information furnished Special Agent in Charge Fletcher by a confidential informant, who, it is known, is Richard Tallman Galatas, presently confined in the Leavenworth Penitentiary. It is noted that Mr. Fletcher, in the reference teletype, refers to his conversations with Galatas, which were communicated to the Bureau.

Undoubtedly, the information which Galatas furnished to the Bureau as related by Mr. Fletcher, refers to the negotiations had in connection with the information furnished by Attorney William Brandenburg of Little Rock, that Richard Tallman Galatas was ready to furnish information regarding the location of William Elmer Meade in return for leniency of some kind. Subsequent to this information furnished by Brandenburg, advice was received from the Little Rock office, as a result of an interview with Galatas, which resulted in the definite conclusion that Galatas would be of no assistance to the Bureau and that any negotiations on the part of the Bureau for the purpose of postponing Galatas' serving of his penitentiary sentence, which began on March 27, 1936, would not be entertained.

Resultant to a complete ascertainment of the full particulars of the negotiations had with Brandenburg and Galatas, a memorandum was addressed to the Attorney General under date of March 16, 1936, reflecting the advice received from the Little Rock office concerning the efforts made by parties to prevent Richard Galatas from serving the sentence imposed upon him in Kansas City, Missouri, because of his participation in the Kansas City Massacre. The Attorney General was further advised that Ira Ross, Post Office Inspector at Little Rock, Arkansas, recently appeared at the Bureau's Little Rock office, accompanied by Galatas and Brandenburg, and indicated that he, Ross, would communicate with his superior officer in Washington, D. C., for the purpose of having him intercede on behalf of Galatas, to prevent the latter from

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serving the sentence imposed upon him. The Attorney General was further informed that Post Office Inspector Ross intends to point out to his superiors the assistance which Galatas has rendered Special Agents of this Bureau. Of course, the Attorney General was advised the Bureau is strongly opposed to any consideration of clemency being shown Galatas in any form, inasmuch as Galatas was the finger man in the Kansas City Massacre, and although the maximum possible sentence imposed upon him under the statute under which he was convicted was woefully inadequate punishment. The record, of course, shows that the Bureau did not participate in any negotiations with Post Office Inspectors, and that Galatas began to serve his sentence in the Leavenworth Penitentiary on March 27, 1936. It should be noted that the efforts of the Post Office Department to intercede on behalf of Galatas have been properly recorded in the file dealing with the lack of cooperation of the Post Office Department and its Inspectors.

Respectfully,

A. Rosen

A. Rosen.

DAK:cw.
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326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
May 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: Brokil.

Please be informed that a further check of the .38 super-automatic pistols at the New Orleans Office indicates that gun #15791 was recovered in the side pocket of New Orleans Bureau Office car No. 9, which was the gun missing on the New Orleans Office inventory.

The writer personally recovered this gun and recalls that Special Agent W. John McNulty had informed that there was a gun in the side pocket of this car but did not, as the writer recalls, inform him that this was the gun that I had loaned you on May 1, 1936.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1216 Smith Young Tower
San Antonio, Texas.
May 18, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Ill.

Re: KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 13, 1936, addressed to the Cincinnati office, you are advised that an accurate record was kept at this office of all wanted notices placed concerning any cars involved in instant case and since the capture of Karpis and Campbell these wanted notices have all been withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau
Cincinnati

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 19, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir: BRICKID

Referring to your communication of May 17, 1936, and copy of letter from the Oklahoma City Office to the New Orleans Office dated May 14, 1936, I am forwarding herewith, one pair of Peerless handcuffs #98,539.

It will be noted that it is set forth in your letter referred to above that the number on the cuffs used to transfer Alvin Karpis from New Orleans to St. Paul was 98,538. It can definitely be stated, however, that the cuffs bearing number 98,539, which I am forwarding to you, are those which were on this person upon his arrival in Saint Paul.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Los Angeles, California

April 29, 1936

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

5-15-36
Mr. A. P. Buetow
AR
in L.A.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In connection with the recent surveillance in Los Angeles of Charles Joseph Fitzgerald in the Brekid and Hanap cases, as you know this surveillance continued for a period of nearly four months, and while, unfortunately, we did not secure the information as to the whereabouts of Karpis, or any others, as a result of this surveillance, nevertheless, it is my opinion that insofar as keeping a check on Fitzgerald is concerned, the efforts were entirely successful.

This success is due, in no small degree, to the splendid cooperation that was extended to the Los Angeles office by Mr. A. P. Buetow, auditor for the Syndicate Mortgage Company, 404 Associated Realty Building, Los Angeles, California. Mr. Buetow represents the owners of the Benjamin Franklin Apartments and the Victoria Apartments in Los Angeles, in which buildings Charles Joseph Fitzgerald and his companions in Los Angeles, namely, Mrs. Alta Robertson and her daughter Imogene Robertson resided, respectively. Mr. Buetow arranged for the Los Angeles office to secure the whole-hearted cooperation of Mrs. J. A. Woods, the manager of the Benjamin Franklin Apartments, 512 South Hobart Boulevard, and of Mrs. Pauline Mackey, the manager of the Victoria Apartments, 527 South Hobart Boulevard.

These two managers cooperated fully, not only in arranging and renting to the Agents of this Bureau apartments, which apartments it is, of course, realized were paid for by this Bureau, but they extended their cooperation in other ways in securing information, in extending courtesies and aiding in every possible request that was made of them.

Without having had the assistance that was rendered by these people, in my opinion, the surveillance over this extended period of time would not have been successful. Because of this, it is my recommendation that you direct a personal letter to Mr. Buetow, expressing the appreciation of this Bureau for the assistance rendered by him, as well as by the two managers, Mrs. J. A. Woods and Mrs. Pauline Mackey.

It might also be mentioned that Mrs. Mona F. Hemsley, 900 South New Hampshire, Los Angeles, who, at the time the Agents began the surveillance, was the manager of the Graystone Apartments, 520 South Hobart Boulevard, also

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assisted materially, but she has left the employ of the operators of the Graystone Apartment Building, and I am of the opinion that she might misuse a letter of appreciation from you. For that reason, I am not making the recommendation that you transmit to her a letter of appreciation. However, she, as well as the other persons mentioned above, has been visited by me, and our gratitude toward them has been shown.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge

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May 15, 1936

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Mr. A. P. Buetow,
Syndicate Mortgage Company,
404 Associated Realty Building,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mr. Buetow:

I have been informed by Mr. J. E. Hanson, Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles, California, office of this Bureau, of the splendid cooperation and numerous courtesies which were rendered Special Agents of this Bureau during the course of an official investigation conducted at apartments coming within your jurisdiction.

It was extremely gratifying to receive your cooperation in this matter and the cooperation of Mrs. J. A. Woods and Mrs. Pauline Mackey, who also assisted this Bureau during its activities which required the utmost discretion.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc-Los Angeles

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID

Under date of May 12, 1936 the Cleveland office received a letter from the Bureau (7-576) advising that the following telegram was received by the Bureau from Lloyd Kennedy, mailed at the airport, Cleveland, Ohio, May 2, 1936:

"Suggest you contact Doctors Schwab and Cobb on Karpis. Schwab at Boston psychopathic has new surgical technique on brain photography. Cobb at Massachusetts General now repeating Pavlov and needs humans instead of dogs for a change."

Investigation at the airport discloses that the Pennsylvania Air Lines, on May 2, 1936, had a reservation made at Detroit, Michigan, for a passenger named Kennedy, from Detroit, Michigan to New York via Cleveland. However, this reservation was cancelled and passenger Kennedy did not make the trip. The Pennsylvania Air Lines advised that passenger Kennedy may have made the trip from Detroit to Cleveland on May 2, 1936, and if such is the case his address would be on the records of the Pennsylvania Air Lines in the Detroit office, and had he arrived about noon on May 2, 1936, in Cleveland, he would have been a passenger on Pennsylvania Air Lines trip No. 8.

You are respectfully requested to ascertain from the manager of the Pennsylvania Air Lines at Detroit, Michigan, what record, if any, he has of Lloyd Kennedy on May 2, 1936, and ascertain the address of Kennedy and interview him relative to the contents of his message.

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Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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- St. Paul

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 19, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

RE: BREID

Dear Sir

Reference is made to your letter of May 15, 1936, to the Special Agent in Charge, Cincinnati, Ohio.

A thorough examination of the Detroit Bureau file, as requested in reference letter, reveals that the Detroit Bureau office has the following stop notices still outstanding in connection with the instant case:

(1) Buick Sedan, Motor #63052198, Serial #2895972	(17-59)
(2) Plymouth Sedan, Motor #PJS22772, Serial #2619857	(15-90)
(3) Buick Sedan, Motor #1104299	(15-90)
(4) Ford V-8, Motor #18-493080	(12-88)
(5) Pontiac Sedan, 1933, Motor #933155, Serial #815227	(12-88)

The Detroit Bureau file reflects that all other wanted car notices have been withdrawn.

Very truly yours

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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P.O. Box #1525
Pittsburgh, Pa.

May 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: BREMER

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to copy of your communication addressed to the Cincinnati Office under date of May 12, 1936, in the matter entitled as above, pertaining to stop notices outstanding in each field office on automobiles owned or operated by the various persons involved in the Bremer Kidnaping case.

A review of the Pittsburgh Office file indicates that the only outstanding stop notices pertain to the following described automobiles: -

MAKE	MODEL	MOTOR NUMBER	SERIAL NUMBER
Ford	V-8	18-493080	
Packard	Club Sedan	18-9553	476273 A
Pontiac	Sedan	935155	815227

Please advise this office if it is desired that the stop notices pertaining to the automobiles herein mentioned be withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

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R. L. SHIVERS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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508 Medical Arts Building,
Nashville, Tennessee,
May 19, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: BRFID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 13, 1936, regarding the withdrawal of the stop notice on a Buick Sedan, motor number 63052192, and the number of outstanding stop notices in this office.

Please be advised that there are presently outstanding stop notices on the following:

Pontiac Sedan,
Motor number 935156,
Serial number 818277.

Packard Club Sedan,
Motor number 189533,
Serial number 476273A.

Plymouth Sedan,
Motor number PJ3[illegible]

Very truly yours,

T. M. STAPLETON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID

In connection with the development of harboring charges at Toledo, Ohio, arising out of this case, the indications are that Police Captain George Timminey and other members of the Toledo Police Department, as well as Sheriff James T. O'Reilly, might be possible subjects.

As these persons are city and state officials the Bureau is respectfully requested to advise whether investigation should be made as to their implication and connection with the harboring of the fugitives.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Ans 6-5-36
cc Connelley at Chicago
St. Paul
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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; ET AL;
Edward George Bruner - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 19, 1936. You are advised that the Bureau desires that you give very thorough and vigorous attention to any information indicating that Police Captain George Timminey and other members of the Toledo Police Department as well as Sheriff James T. O'Reilly harbored, conspired to harbor or aided or abetted in any manner in the concealing of members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

I desire that you give this matter vigorous attention and that the Bureau be advised currently of all developments in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc: Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago
St. Paul
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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 19, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: BRENID

Reference is made to your letter of May 14, 1936, Bureau File No. 7-576, in which you request to be advised of the name of the person connected with the St.Paul Daily News who made that photograph available.

Mr. Dinty Moore, photographer of the St.Paul Daily News, and who is a personal friend of mine, furnished that photograph to me, after which I then transmitted it to you.

No other photographs of that kind are now available.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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Letter to Dinty Moore 5-27-36 EBS

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May 27, 1936.

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Mr. Dinty Moore,
St. Paul Daily News,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Moore:

Mr. C. B. Stein, Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office of this Bureau, has forwarded to me a news photograph relative to the presence of Kerpis in St. Paul in the custody of Bureau Agents.

I want to thank you for making this photograph available to Mr. Stein and to assure you that it will make a valuable addition to the collection I am making of photographs concerning the work of this Bureau.

With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
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Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

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May 15 1936

Glendale Oregon

U.S. Attorney, Portland

Mr. Cummings, Attorney General
Washington D.C.

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Dear Sir:

While visiting in Glendale Oregon on May 11th I saw the picture of one of the men wanted by the Government. The name in Oregon is Harry Campbell described as a partner of Louis Karpis and his gang also offering a Reward of $500 for information furnished leading to his (Campbell) arrest. Also in the Statesman

Ack. Letter Portland, CC Comdy at Chicago, St. Paul, Cincinnati, Cleveland KRM

Please find enclosed a picture of same which I cut from the Salem Statesman. Hope this will be of some help to you.

Yours truly,
Mrs. E. M. Allen
Salem, Oregon

MAY 20 1936
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Pictorial Magazine i saw another man named By the name (Dr. Joseph) Moran. Moran is known By his Photo i do not know what name Moran is carrying But it is not Moran But Campbell is going By the name of Nelse Nelson. i am sure from the discription given of Camp Bell and the Photo of Moran they are the men wanted they came up the Rogue River from Gold Beach. Oregon. to Agness Oregon. By Boat. (which is the only

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outside world at present
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a man his name is
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from the Public
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the Government with the
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June 1, 1936.

Mr. Mack Z. Renney,
Glendale, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 15, 1936, in which you furnished certain information purporting to disclose the location of Harry Campbell and Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

This will inform you that Harry Campbell was apprehended at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936, by Special Agents of this Bureau as a result of information obtained solely by them during the course of their investigations.

The information furnished by you with regard to Dr. Joseph P. Moran will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
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Mr. Edwards .....
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June 1, 1936.

RECORDED 7-576-11677

Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copies of a letter directed to the Bureau by Mack E. Kenney, dated May 15, 1936, in which he furnishes information with regard to the alleged location of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

This will inform you that confidential information obtained by the Bureau indicates that Moran was murdered by members of the Karpis-Barker gang and his body disposed of in Lake Erie. The Bureau feels, however, that in view of the fact that Moran's body has never been recovered and in view of the further fact that there are rumors circulating from time to time to the effect that Moran is still living, this investigation should go forward to exhaust the possibility of locating Moran in your district.

You should be very circumspect in dealing with any persons purporting to have information relative to the location of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, so that no publicity will result from investigation thereof.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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CC - Mr. Connelley at Chicago, with copy of incoming letter
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID

Referring to Bureau letter of May 13, 1936, marked Personal and Confidential, relative to the intent of Detective Harry K. Manson to desist from further investigative activity in the matter of determining whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew subject Campbell was in Toledo, or had associated with him, pending action by this Bureau, I want you to know that no intimation, request, or suggestion was made to the said detective, or other persons in Toledo, that an investigation was being made with respect to members of the Toledo Police Department, or the Sheriff's office.

Chief of Police Ray Allen has been informed that he may pursue, without regard to the Bureau, such investigations as he may desire, contemplates or has initiated with respect to determining whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew Campbell was in Toledo, or had associated with him.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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- Chicago
- St. Paul

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Office of the Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice

Record of Telephone call of Visitor:

May 19,1936

Time — 10:50

Name—Mr.Craig,Managing Editor of the Phila. Bulletin Tele. from Phila.

Details:

Stated that on next Monday he was making a talk before the Pennsylvania Newspapers Editors; that he heard Mr.Hoover's talk before the American Society of Newspapers Editors and thought it was very fine; that in his talk next Monday, he would like to bring out some of the points stressed by Mr.Hoover with regard to cooperation. He stated however, that an article appears in the Editor and Publisher for May 16th criticizing the Bureau for its action in apprehending Harry Campbell and not giving the Toledo newspapers a break in connection with the story; that if possible he would like to get some material to refute this story in case someone brings the question up in his talk. He requested to be called and advised if Mr. Hoover has any statement to make in this connection.

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Copy of Editor and Publisher attached.

Note: Situation explained to Mr.Craig-Grateful 5-20-56 -T.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith copies of the following Toledo, Ohio, newspapers:

PUBLICATION	DATE
Toledo Morning Times	5/18/36
The Toledo News Bee	5/18/36
Toledo Blade	5/18/36

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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

May 11, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum prepared by Special Agent L. H. Richmond dated May 10, 1936, relative to a contact he has at Toledo, Ohio, who apparently can furnish information of value in connection with the harboring investigation to be made at that place.

There is also attached hereto a memorandum prepared by Special Agent L. H. Richmond, dated May 10, 1936, covering an interview with Police Officer Harry Manson, of Toledo, Ohio, who has been assigned by the Chief of Police to ascertain whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew Campbell was in Toledo or had associated with him.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Toledo, Ohio
May 10, 1936

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR:

Re: BREKID

On May 8th, 1936, Harry Manson called and said that he was assigned by Chief of Police Ray Allen to conduct an investigation to see if any members of the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department were cognizant of the fact that Campbell was in Toledo and if any members of the department were known to frequent Campbell's apartment. Manson said that while he was interviewing a woman occupant of apartment No. 3 in the same building as that occupied by Campbell, two men came to the apartment of Mrs. Campbell and that Manson was able to hear part of what was said. Manson says that one of the men, Charlie Connell, a private detective of questionable character, gave the code knock, and Mrs. Campbell came to the door. Connell then said that he wanted to introduce a dear, dear friend of the old man, and introduced an individual by the name of Dave Braddock, of Monroe, Michigan. Manson said that he had never seen the individual before. Braddock was supposed to have said that if the cops came up to say nothing. Manson described Braddock as follows:

Name	-	Dave Braddock
Age	-	50
Height	-	5' 7"
Weight	-	150
Facial features	-	nose appeared as if it had been broken

Last night the writer accompanied Harry Manson and Special Agent Hirsh to Bowling Green, Ohio, in connection with the location of a possible bank robbery suspect. During the conversation Manson said that he had concluded the investigation in the neighborhood of the Campbell apartment and that he had established the fact that Sheriff O'Reilly and Joe Roscoe were visitors at the apartment. He said that he had informed Chief Allen that he did not intend to conduct any further investigation until the Bureau had finished any investigation that it might desire to make.

Manson furnished information concerning various members of the police department, which will be reported in a memo by Special Agent B. M. Hirsh.

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It is the belief of the writer that Manson will be glad to furnish any information that he might have or be able to ascertain concerning possible connections between the mob and the police department here.

It is my opinion that Manson feels that Chief Allen is doing his best to clean up the police department and Manson wants to help, but does not relish the part of conducting the investigation concerning his fellow officers.

I believe he will, however, be of assistance if any officers are implicated in the harboring investigations conducted by this Bureau.

Respectfully submitted,

L. H. RICHMOND
Special Agent.

LHR:h

cc:

E. J. Connelley

Toledo, Ohio
May 10, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE E. J. CONNELLEY

Re: BREKID

On Friday, May 8, 1936, Mr. Paul Brokaw, reporter for The Toledo Blade, called and stated that he had some information he would like to furnish a representative of the Bureau. He called at the Hillcrest Hotel and said that he had learned from one Vic E. Domhoff, Claim Adjuster, General Fire and Insurance Corporation, 1317 Superior, Toledo, that a deputy sheriff of Lucas County has been in the company of Campbell on the average of two nights a week for the past three or four months and that he was seen with Campbell two nights previous to the apprehension of Campbell.

Mr. Brokaw went on to say that he was unable to learn the name of the deputy from Domhoff, but it is his opinion that Domhoff knows whereof he speaks and has complete information in that regard, and it is the opinion of Brokaw that if Domhoff were interviewed by an agent that valuable information could be obtained concerning any connection between Campbell and the sheriff's office. Brokaw requested that his name not be mentioned in the event Bomhoff is interviewed.

After the interview was had with Brokaw the writer escorted him to the street by the hotel, and a man was approaching, and Brokaw told me he wanted me to listen to the conversation. He introduced me as a reporter from Detroit. The man was Al Masters, who operates a saloon known as the Allanby Cafe, 317 West Central Avenue, Toledo. Brokaw asked Masters what he knew about Campbell's friends in Toledo. Although Masters didn't appear talkative, he did indicate that Mrs. Campbell had called him that morning and that he was going to see her that evening. He said that he wasn't telling anybody anything. He did tell Brokaw to come out to his place of business that night, and he might have something to tell him. Mr. Brokaw called me on the following day and said that he had gone to the Allanby Cafe on the night of May 8th and that he was securing some information regarding some deputies who had associated with Campbell here, at which time the conversation was interrupted by a telephone call for Masters. When

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Masters returned from the telephone he immediately jumped on Brokaw and started to beat him. Brokaw said that he got a few scratches and some sore spots where he was hit, but that he was able to get away before any serious damage was done. Brokaw says that he believes the attack was provocated by the fact that Masters learned that he had been making numerous inquiries in Toledo on the same matter. Brokaw says that he learned that Masters left town at 4:00 a.m. on the following morning. The following is a description of Masters:

Name	-	Al Masters
Age	-	30
Height	-	6 ft.
Weight	-	175 lbs.
Build	-	medium - athletic
Hair	-	dark brown
Eyes	-	dark brown
Complexion	-	ruddy
Occupation	-	saloon keeper

Mr. Brokaw stated that the place operated by Masters had been a drinking spot frequented by the various members of the Sheriff's department and that Masters had been a bootlegger during prohibition and his place had been a hangout for petty criminals.

Mr. Ralph Sisson, radio news commentator for station WSPD at Toledo, telephoned on May 8th and said that he had some information he wished to furnish to the Bureau. Accordingly, he said that he would call at the hotel, which he did. He said that he had learned that former City Welfare Director Charles Mathews, 2407 Rosewood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, was in possession of information which would definitely place Captain Timmoney and former Inspector Louis J. Haas in the company of Karpis and Campbell at Point Place at the time the mob was supposed to have been in that place. Sisson said that he was of the impression that this information could be substantiated by Charles Hatch, City and County Planning Engineer. He says that in Hatch's job he was in a position to know what was being done by Mathews. It is noted at this point that Mathews is reputed to have been the "major domo" of appointments and graft before his dismissal by the City Manager. He is said to have collected most of the "take" and was very close to Timmoney. This information concerning Mathews was volunteered by Assistant U. S. Attorney Gerald P. Openlander and Harry Manson.

It is further noted that Charles Hatch is from the writer's home town and was the first Eagle scout in that part of the country. He was also a member of my church and was my first scoutmaster.

He came to Toledo approximately ten years ago as Assistant City Engineer. At that time he was a clean, young man, and in view of his fine family background I don't believe that he could have been a part to any graft or protection.

I am planning to see Hatch in a personal way and believe that if he has anything on his mind, he will volunteer the information.

Respectfully submitted.

L. H. RICHMOND
Special Agent

LHR:h

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7-576-11681 May 13, 1936

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your communication of May 11, 1936, transmitting a memorandum prepared by Special Agent Richmond, dated May 10, 1936, relative to a contact he has at Toledo, Ohio, together with an additional memorandum by the same agent under the same date, covering an interview with Police Officer Harry Manson of Toledo, Ohio, who has been assigned by the Chief of Police to ascertain whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew Campbell was in Toledo or had associated with him.

The Bureau has reviewed the contents of the memoranda in question and notes that the statement is made to the effect that "During the conversation Manson said that he had concluded the investigation in the neighborhood of the Campbell apartment and that he had established the fact that Sheriff O'Reilly and Joe Roscoe were visitors at the apartment. He said that he had informed Chief Allen that he did not intend to conduct any further investigation until the Bureau had finished any investigation that it might desire to make."

The Bureau does not desire that any investigative inquiries conducted by any members of the Toledo police force be held in abeyance because of any possible action or lack of investigative action which may be effected by the Bureau. It is believed that it would be well to convey to Officer Manson or any other person so engaged information to the effect that their investigative activities will be pursued without regard to the Bureau. The Bureau assumes that no intimation has been given to any person in or around Toledo that any investigation is being conducted by it with respect to members of the Toledo Police Department or the Sheriff's office.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Laboratory Report

May 20, 1936.

Case:

Number: 7-576-11459

Re: Brekid.

Specimens:

Pistol
One Colt Automatic, Government Model, #162893.
Seven .45 caliber automatic clips - empty.

Previous record in 7-576-11459

Examination requested by: Cleveland Bureau Office

Date received: May 14, 1936

Examination requested: Ballistic

Result of examination:

Examination by: Parsons

Test cartridges have been fired in the above-listed automatic pistol and the test bullets and test cartridge cases compared with all specimens of that type contained in the Laboratory's files but no identification has been made. The test specimens from this gun will be retained in the Laboratory's files for possible future reference.

The above-listed gun together with the clips is being retained in the Laboratory.

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1-Cincinnati
1-Chicago
1-St. Paul
1-Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
1-Laboratory

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid.

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 May 14, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #1181804.

cc-Cincinnati
Chicago
St. Paul
Mr. E. J. Connelly, Chicago

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

EAT:TMF

May 19, 1936

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Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent W. L. Buchanan of the Oklahoma City Office, has been at New Orleans since April 30th, engaged in the Bremer case, his last assignment having been the questioning of Hunter. Unless you desire Buchanan to remain in New Orleans for some special reason, I will talk to Connelley about sending him back to his headquarters.

Agent J. V. Murphy of the Oklahoma City Office is at Toledo and I will also see whether this man can be returned to his headquarters.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

Yes get them back if it will not interfer with work.
J. E. H.

See memo of my call to E. J. E. 5/22/36

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Washington Field Office, Room 5252
Washington, D. C.

May 21, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: BOKKID

Dear Sir:

There is listed below the data pertaining to stop notices and flash cards still of record with the Government agencies indicated:

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION:
Flash Card on Oliver Benjamin Lester,
placed 4/21/36.
Flash card on William J. Harrison,
placed 3/21/35
Flash card on Byron Bolton,
placed 10/15/34
Flash card on Charles Preston Vernon
placed 2/27/34.
Flash card on Dr. Joseph [illegible] Foran
placed 5/3/35.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, WAR DEPARTMENT
Flash card on Oliver Benjamin Lester
placed 4/21/35.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT
Flash card on William J. Harrison
placed 3/21/35.

It is requested that you advise if you desire these Flash cards to remain with the Government agencies named.

Very truly yours,

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J. M. KEITH
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Chicago

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Send the following radiogram "VIA MACKAY RADIO" subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to:

New Orleans, La.
May 17, 1936
11-30 p. m.

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Edward G. Bremer

TO SEND A MESSAGE TELEPHONE MAIN 6711 OR ANY POSTAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE.
FOR MESSENGER TELEPHONE POSTAL TELEGRAPH OR RING POSTAL CALL BOX.

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

May 19, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

While at Toledo, Ohio, recently the writer contacted County Prosecutor Frazier Reams, who indicated that he was quite concerned about the alleged statement made by the Director to the press indicating the unreliability of county officials, he mentioning that in view of the generalities of the statement allegedly made by the Director the criticism not only fell on his office but on all county officials in Toledo. It might be mentioned that County Prosecutor Frazier Reams is and has always been one of the Bureau's supporters in this district. As of the writer's own knowledge Frazier Reams has on numerous occasions spoken very highly concerning the Director and the efficiency of the Bureau under the direction of yourself.

The writer indicated to Mr. Reams that one cannot always believe everything that appears in the press, in which statement Mr. Reams concurred.

The writer suggests in view of the high regard which Mr. Reams holds for you personally and the Bureau that it might be desirable to drop him a little personal note indicating perhaps your appreciation for the splendid cooperation which he has rendered to the Bureau in connection with the Brekid investigation. It might also be mentioned at this time that Frazier Reams was the individual who made available to the Bureau certain confidential informants at Toledo, who were quite helpful in the pursuit of the said investigation.

County Prosecutor Reams was defeated in the primaries for the Attorney Generalship of Ohio and will soon retire from office at Toledo.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed herewith, newspaper clippings from local newspapers and also a clipping from the Chatanooga News, published at Chatanooga, Oklahoma and dated May 13, 1936, relative to Alvin Karpis and his "Constitutional rights" as published under the "News Open Forum" of said paper.

PUBLICATION	DATE	SUBJECT MATTER
Cleveland Plain Dealer	5/18/36	"Man Cannot Escape Self, Pastor Says, Citing Karpis"
Cleveland Plain Dealer	5/15/36	"Haas Denies He Is Playboy Or Fixer"
Cleveland Plain Dealer	5/19/36	"$2 Fee To Let 'Legal' Device Run" The "legal" device referred is the slot machine "racket" as passed by city ordinance voting 24 to 8.
Cleveland News	5/14/36	"Trial of Attorney's Libel Suit Opens"
Cleveland News	5/18/36	"Tells of Crime Grip on Nation" This is a story published upon Assistant Director's speech before the Cleveland Council of the Parent-Teacher Association.
Cleveland Press	5/18/36	"Dapek Lawyer Withdraws on Eve of Trial"
Cleveland Press	5/18/36	"Draw Pen Terms for Selling Dope" The men referred to are Joseph Richman and Edward Markling.

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PUBLICATION	DATE	SUBJECT MATTER
Cleveland Press	5/18/36	Letter of appreciation from Director J. Edgar Hoover to the Cleveland Press and published in the forum of said paper.
Cleveland Press	5/18/36	"Hoover Warned to Halt Jibes at Other Agents" by Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen, authors of the "Washington Merry-Go-Round"

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland 290

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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CLEVELAND PRESS 5/18/36

CADEK LAWYER WITHDRAWS ON EVE OF TRIAL

Pilliod "Too Busy" to Handle Police Captain's Bribery Charge

CONTINUANCE DENIED

Logan, New Attorney, Told Ample Time Given for Wednesday's Start

Counsel for Police Captain Louis J. Cadek today withdrew from the case on the eve of his trial on charges of accepting bribes from bootleggers.

Gerard Pilliod announced that the firm of Payer, Corrigan, Cook and Pilliod would not defend Cadek when his trial begins Wednesday in Common Pleas Court. His announcement was made after Raymond J. Logan appeared before Presiding Judge Walter McMahon this morning and asked for a continuance.

Time Is Short

Mr. Logan based request for a continuance on the grounds that he would have little more than 24 hours to prepare a defense. Judge McMahon promptly refused the motion for a delay, pointing out that Capt. Cadek was given ample time to arrange for counsel.

Considerable mystery surrounded the action of Mr. Pilliod's firm, the suddenness and lateness of the withdrawal arousing much speculation at Criminal Courts Building today.

Mr. Pilliod at first declined to confirm the reported withdrawal, but later he made the flat announcement: "You may say we are out of the case." Asked for an explanation, he said that his law firm was very busy with other cases at the present time.

Still With Tax Case

He added, however, that he would continue to represent the police officer in settling his income tax affairs. Capt. Cadek, who admitted depositing $109,000 while in charge of the gambling, bootleg and vice districts of the city, also admitted he had never made an income tax return.

Asked in what manner he had been brought into the bribery case, Mr. Logan said:

"Capt. Cadek called me on the phone Sunday afternoon (yesterday) and asked me to represent him. I am not familiar enough with the case now to discuss it, but I will know more this afternoon after a conference with the captain."

CHATTANOOGA NEWS 5/15/36

The News Open Forum

Mr. Alvin Karpis and His Rights

Editor The News:

If the newspaper accounts of his arrest in New Orleans are correct then there has been a gross miscarriage of justice in the case of Alvin Karpis, that earnestly sought public enemy No. 1. Clearly his constitutional rights have been invaded, and it will now be up to the Supreme Court to determine the amount of injury inflicted upon the unfortunate Alvin. For his arrest at this time and under such peculiar circumstances is another glaring instance of how Government bureaucracy is surely encroaching on that freedom of the press so preciously preserved in the sanctum of every newspaper office from copy boy to editor-in-chief.

First of all, without any evasion or equivocation of the simple language of the Constitution, which every officer, judicial or penal, has sworn to uphold, Mr. Karpis as an American citizen, was entitled to have printed in the newspapers of the day all information of how close the Government sleuths were on his trail. In other words, he was entitled to a fair "break" in the news as to those who were hunting him, and who, it appears, were the only ones getting the "breaks." That, broadly speaking, was an abridgment of the freedom of the press guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Constitution. The question naturally arises, if we have that boasted freedom, why were the newspapers deprived of all knowledge as to what the Government was doing to accomplish the arrest of Mr Karpis? In thus withholding vital news from the palladium of our liberties, that sterling defender of the rights of the people, the people have been blitzed—and Mr. Karpis has been arrested. The Government, which should have been zealous in its desire to further the interests of the newspaper owners by giving out news important to the people, even to the very last Karpis, has driven another nail in the coffin of the Constitution.

Had the Government wished to show its contempt for the newspapers, as it manifestly did through its Bureau of Intelligence, it could not have gone about the business in a more deliberate manner than in giving out false information or blind leads day after day as to what the G-men were doing to find Mr Karpis. The result is that Mr. Karpis was trapped — truelly trapped — through the chicanery and malversion of the Bureau. And it may well be believed that eminent counsel for Mr Karpis will know how to obtain justice for him when they appeal to the Supreme Court in his behalf.

Whwhile it might rightly be claimed that Mr. Karpis had been pursuing a criminal career and must soon or later fall into the hands of the police, it is up to the newspapers to vindicate their right to possess news which the public was eager to read and which would have allowed Mr Karpis sufficient time to avoid the embarrassment of arrest. Had his constitutional rights been thus preserved, Mr. Karpis must assuredly have been a free man today.

Although Mr. Karpis is a bad man, his right to the pursuit of life, liberty and ransom money is as sacred as any other man's, and it should not be molested even for the glorification of G-men. If there is anything left in the Constitution which the Administration has not filched, Mr. Karpis should have the benefit of it. The Constitution must be upheld at any sacrifice.

JOSEPH GREENBAUM.

New York, May 1.

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Laboratory Report

Case: Re: BREKID

Number: 7-576-11688

Specimens:
7-576-11688-A Envelope addressed to Al Vin Karpis, St. Paul Federail Prison Minn. and postmarked, Peoria, Ill. May 18, 1936 at 10:30 A.M.
" B One envelope containing a two cent stamp but not postmarked. Written matter appears on both sides of the envelope.
" C One business reply card from the J. D. Roszell Company, Oak and Washington Streets, Peoria, Ill., sellers of dairy products.
" D One coupon ticket #95671.
(Continued below)

Examination requested by: St. Paul

Date received: chp 5-22-36 3:00 P.M.

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination: Examination by: Appel(1)
(Continued from above)
7-576-11688-E Two order blanks for the "Only One" Self-heating Smoothing Iron.

cc -Cincinnati
Chicago
Mr. E. J. Connelley.

Incoming letter stated that envelope bore a 3¢ stamp but it was a 2¢ stamp.

5/25 while there may be meaning in the writing but if so it is not clear. Will compare writing with anon. file.

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CAA 5-26-36

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Chicago
Mr. E. J. Connelley.

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5-/25-/36
Suggest that questioned writing be searched against anonymous letter file.

JMC —

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 20, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

Dear Sir: BREKID

Enclosed herewith are, an envelope containing a business reply card from the J. D. Roszell Company, Oak and Washington Streets, Peoria, Illinois, sellers of dairy products; a coupon ticket, and two order blanks for the "Only One" Self-Heating Smoothing Iron, and an envelope bearing a 3¢ stamp. Both sides of this envelope appear to contain a lot of jibberish which is either the work of an unsound mind or possibly a code message.

It will be noted that the letter in which the above data was received was addressed to Al Vin Karpis at the St.Paul Federail Prison, Minnesota, postmarked Peoria, May 18, 1936. The letter bears the return address of J. P. Smith, Clerk of Central City Camp No. 1505, Modern Woodmen of America, 315 Millman Street, Peoria, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

RE: [illegible]KID.

Reference is made to teletype message from Chicago to the Bureau and San Antonio Office under date of May 6, 1936, and to letter from the San Antonio Office to Chicago under date of May 14, 1936, which relate to William Elmer Mead.

It is noted from the letter of the San Antonio Office that the suggestion is made that inquiries be made at West Palm Beach and Orlando, Florida, in connection with the possible location at those points of Mead or his associates. Frequent inquiries have been made at these points during the past winter season without developing any information indicating that Mead has been there with the exception of information from the wife of Charles O. Long to the effect that Mead was at West Palm Beach in January or February of 1936. I have recently talked to the Chief of Detectives, J. C. Stone, at Orlando, who knows Mead and he advises me that so far as he is able to determine Mead has not been in Orlando during the past three or four years. Further inquiries will be made at Orlando in connection with the possibility that O. Miller, with aliases might have been in that City.

It is noted from your teletype to the San Antonio Office that Long has been questioned in Chicago. In this situation your advice as to further contact with Mrs. Long at Sarasota, Florida, is requested.

In view of the information indicating that Mead may have been recently associating with Bonnie Yates and Miller, it is suggested that it would be desirable to endeavor to obtain the complete criminal records, and, if possible, recent photographs of these individuals for use in the further investigation to locate Mead.

Very truly yours,

7-576-11689

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
St. Paul, Minn.	5/18/36	5/6/36	John V. Anderson JVA:DM

TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232, FUG.; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: LEON FELIX, under name of L. F. DAVIS, stopped at the Dyckman Hotel, Minneapolis, from April 18th to April 21st, 1936, and subsequently left a forwarding address as 620 Hennepin Avenue, which is known as the "620 Club" operated by Bennie Harris, a local underworld figure. Photographs of WILLIAM KIMER MEAD exhibited to employees of the Dyckman Hotel but none could identify him as an individual who had stopped at this hotel.

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REFERENCE: Teletype from Kansas City Office, May 6, 1936. Report Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, Calif., 5/18/36.

DETAILS:

Upon receipt of reference teletype message, agent interviewed Charles Knapp, manager of the Dyckman Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and he advised that he knew no one by the name of DAVIS, who was presently stopping at the hotel nor did he remember anyone who had stopped at the hotel by that name in the past. Agent exhibited to Mr. Knapp, the Identification Order of WILLIAM KIMER MEAD, #1354, as well as several other poses of WILLIAM KIMER MEAD,

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: [signature] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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and he advised that he had not seen anyone at the hotel resembling these photographs to his knowledge. Mr. Knapp checked the records of the hotel and advised that a man by the name of L. F. DAVIS checked in at the hotel on April 18, 1936 at a monthly rate of $50.00; that he occupied room 1012, but that he checked out on April 21, 1936. He advised that about this time he remembers that there was an automobile, make and model unknown, parked in front of the hotel bearing a Florida license. The records disclose that L. F. DAVIS gave his address as Daytona Beach, Florida. Mr. Knapp advised that guests of the hotel park their cars at the Fifth Street Garage, located on the corner of First Avenue and Fifth Street. Mr. Knapp also advised that on April 18th, the two following telephone numbers were called from room 1012:

Main 8481 and Atlantic 5752; and that on April 19th, the telephone number, Walnut 6519, was called from that room. These are Minneapolis telephone numbers.

Agent interviewed Ernest Stewart, day clerk at the Dyckman Hotel, and he advised that he remembered DAVIS but knew nothing about him. He was unable to identify the photograph of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD appearing on I. O. 1354, or several other photographs of MEAD that were exhibited to him.

ROY POWELL, night clerk at the Dyckman Hotel, advised that he checked L. F. DAVIS out of the hotel; that he appeared to be in a hurry; that he stated he would be back within a month or so; that he requested DAVIS to leave a forwarding address but he declined to do so at that time. MR. POWELL checked the records and ascertained that there was a forwarding address left for L. F. DAVIS, namely, 620 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which he advised was the "620 Club". This place is known to be operated by Bennie Harris and Ernie Fliegle. The former is known to agent as a local underworld character, who is associated with Jack Peifer, subject in the Hamp case. Ernie Fliegle is a former Minneapolis prize-fighter. With reference to the above forwarding address left by DAVIS, POWELL advised that the record was in his handwriting and he now remembers that this forwarding address was called into the hotel by telephone. Photographs of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD as set out above were exhibited to Powell and he advised he had seen no one resembling this individual at the hotel.

Agent made inquiries at the Fifth Street Garage, located at 1st Avenue North and Fifth Street, Minneapolis, but was advised by the attendant that the records are kept in a vault after 5:00 P.M. and that they would be available the following day as he did not have access to the vault.

Agent proceeded to the 620 Club, located at 620 Hennepin Avenue, and remained at this place for approximately one-half hour, with no inquiry being made. No one was seen resembling WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

At the present time agents of the St. Paul Office are attempting to locate Bennie Harris for the purpose of interviewing him in connection with the Hanap case. He will be interviewed at that time concerning WILLIAM ELMER MEAD and LEON FELIX.

A letter was received from the Kansas City Bureau Office dated May 6, 1936, transmitting a photograph of LEON FELIX, with aliases, U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, #44817. This photograph was not in possession of agent at the time of the above investigation.

Inasmuch as LEON FELIX alias L. F. DAVIS said he would probably be back in a month or so, agent left a copy of I.O. #1354, with Mr. Knapp and he advised that he would call the St. Paul Office in the event that DAVIS did appear at the hotel.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

St. Paul Office

At Minneapolis, Minnesota, at the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company will ascertain who the subscribers of the telephone numbers set out in the body of this report are. At the Fifth Street Garage, 5th Street and 1st Avenue North, will ascertain whether LEON FELIX, under the name of L. F. DAVIS, while he was a guest of the Dyckman Hotel, parked or stored a car at this garage.

Will also report result of interview with Bennie Harris as to WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box #766
Cincinnati, Ohio

May 18, 1936.

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. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

EJC:MGR
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PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL.

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

"BREKID."

Dear Sir:

With reference to my telephone conversation with you as of May 4, 1936, from Cleveland, Ohio, as to the news item appearing in the Cleveland News as of May 4, 1936, to the effect that Frank Weidemann, Assistant United States Attorney Cleveland had proceeded to New Orleans with Postal Inspectors Sylvester J. Hettrick and Jesse Cordray, I am enclosing herewith to you a copy of this clipping.

On the date this item appeared, Special Agent in Charge Mac Farland called the United States Attorney's office and made inquiry for Mr. Weidemann and was advised that he was not in the office and would not be in the office until the following morning, Tuesday, May 5. Later, inquiry at Cleveland indicated that Post Office Inspector Hettrick was in the Northern District of Ohio on this date, although we had been unable to locate him earlier in the day. Subsequent conversation of Special Agent in Charge Mac Farland with Weidemann, indicated, as per his statement, that he had not been to New Orleans on the previous morning, Monday, May 4, 1936.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THE CLEVELAND NEWS
May 4, 1936.

Clevelanders Fly South for Karpis' Aide

Three men who paved the way for the capture of Alvin Karpis leave for New Orleans late today by plane to bring back Fred Hunter, a member of the Karpis gang, on a charge of participating in the $46,000 mail train robbery at Bear-rettsville last November.

The three are Frank Weidemann, assistant to United States Attorney Freed, and Postal Inspectors Sylvester J. Hettrick and Jess Cordray.

Hunter and Karpis, the nation's Public Enemy No. 1, were captured in New Orleans last Friday night on information obtained by Hettrick, Cordray and Wiedemann. Karpis faces charges of kidnaping and murder in the west and is now in St. Paul.

Haunted Gambling Joints

Cleveland gambling joints were once the favorite stamping grounds of Karpis and his mob of gunmen.

Hunter, former Ohio small-town boy, is reported to have been a blackjack dealer in a gambling casino that flourished on the city's outskirts before County Prosecutor Cullitan and Safety Director Ness spoiled Sheriff Sulzmann's policy of non-interference with gambling.

Hunter was known to federal agents as the "Stuttering Kid," and Karpis as "Sunny Boy Al."

Old Sweetheart Questioned

Hunter, now 37, spent his early days in Leavittsburg, O., near Warren. He became a crack shot after many hours of target practice along the banks of the Mahoning river. He tried his hand at gambling and soon established himself as a professional. He also was an enthusiast over cockfighting, and attended all the shows in northeastern Ohio for a long period.

His former small-town sweetheart was questioned in Warren last week, but federal agents are convinced she has not seen Hunter since he deserted her for "faster company."

Arrested in 1922 for stealing an automobile and possessing a safe-crackers' outfit, Hunter got a three-year term in Ohio penitentiary for trying to dynamite his way out of the Trumbull county jail.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.
May 5, 1936.

Mr. Ladd
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Nichols
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

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

Dear Sir:

BRSKID

Enclosed herewith are the following photographs of ALVIN KARPIS:

1-Composite life size strip with side and two front views, one of the latter when he is wearing glasses.

1-Group of pictures on one sheet taken by our Recomar camera.

1-Enlarged photograph of his mutilated fingerprints.

It is desired that this office be furnished with five sets of the first mentioned photograph, and that Chicago, Cleveland, Little Rock, and New Orleans be furnished with a similar number.

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Very truly yours,

MAY 25 1936

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cleveland
Cincinnati
Little Rock
New Orleans

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May 18, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with
aliases, et al -
Edward George Bremer, VICTIM -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the St. Paul Office dated May 5, 1936, inclosing a composite life size strip with side and two front views; group of pictures on one sheet taken by a Recmar camera and an enlarged photograph of mutilated fingerprints, all of Alvin Karpis.

In compliance with your request, there are inclosed herewith to your office and to each of the offices receiving a copy of this letter, five sets of the composite life size strip photographs.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Director,
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Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith two sets of photographs with two copies each, appearing in the New Orleans "Tribune" relative the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans on May 1, 1936. Mr. Richard Harris, detailed as Federal reporter for this newspaper as well as for the New Orleans "Item", courteously surrendered these views. Mr. Marshall Ballard is the editor of the New Orleans "Tribune".

I have been advised that these views may be used for release, as they were taken by the "Tribune" staff photographer, providing a credit line is given the New Orleans "Item-Tribune" newspaper.

I have secured the services of a competent, reliable photographer and have taken interior views of the apartment where Karpis was apprehended. Exterior views will be taken early tomorrow morning and will be forwarded by air mail, special delivery at noon May 4, 1936.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Richard Harris,
The Tribune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Harris:

I have just received from Mr. E. K. Hagee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office of this Bureau, two sets of two photographs each which appeared in the New Orleans Tribune relative to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

I want to thank you for these photographs and assure you that they will be a worthy addition to the collection I already have.

With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Marshall Ballard,
Editor,
The Tribune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Ballard:

Mr. S. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office of this Bureau, has just forwarded to me two sets of two photographs each which appeared in your newspaper relative to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

I understand that Mr. Richard Harris, a reporter on your newspaper, made these views available to Mr. Magee and I want to thank you for your courtesy in allowing Mr. Harris to surrender these photographs.

With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

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Washington Field Office, Room 5252
Washington, D. C.

May 21, 1936.

Mr. W. A. VanDuzer,
Director of Traffic,
451 Pennsylvania Ave. N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephonic conversation by this office on April 3, 1936 with Miss Harriette Wright requesting that a stop notice be placed on a 1936 Buick Sedan, motor #63052198, serial #2895272. You are advised that this automobile has been located and therefore, the stop notice may be withdrawn.

Please accept my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned to Mr. Craig, Managing Editor of the Philadelphia Bulletin, concerning his inquiry with respect to the manner in which the press release was made available pertaining to Harry Campbell and Sam Coker following their apprehension at Toledo.

I told Mr. Craig that there was no basis for the criticisms of the Toledo papers in this matter and that we took the prisoners, following the apprehensions, to Cleveland where our field division headquarters is located, and that we had no place at Toledo in which to keep them in custody. I explained that it was imperative that there be no delay in handling the situation and that we, of course, had to avoid a situation which might result in a repetition of the Kansas City Massacre. He was advised that the raid was held at night and the prisoners were immediately taken to Cleveland where the story was given to the press at the first opportunity the Director had to talk to newspaper representatives.

Mr. Craig stated he felt that there was some definite reason for giving out the story in Cleveland and he was very glad to have this background as he wanted to make use of it in a talk which he is planning to make next Monday before the Pennsylvania Newspaper Editors' Convention. He seemed entirely satisfied and most appreciative of the information furnished him.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 20, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID

I am transmitting herewith copies of a communication dated May 19, 1936, from The Marks Store, Miami, Florida, which has further reference to clothing purchased for witnesses attending the trial of the above case at St. Paul during the past winter.

I will appreciate any advice which the Bureau may give as to the possibility of the settlement of this and other similar bills.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge,

Encl.

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THE MARK STORE

Miami, Florida.

May 19, 1936.

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Attention: Mr. R. B. Nathan, Special Agent

Dear Sir:-

We refer to your letter of April 6th with reference to an account on our books in the name of B. J. Fitzsimons, 1856 S. W. 22nd Terrace, Miami, Florida, in the amount of $128.97.

To date we have not received a remittance from Washington for this amount and as it is now nearly four months old, we should be very appreciative of anything you may be able to do to help us to obtain settlement.

Yours very truly,

Comptroller

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cc - Mr. Fitzsimons

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 20, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID

Reference is made to letter from this office to the Bureau under date of May 18, 1936, concerning the reported presence in Panama City, Florida, of Willie Harrison. It is noted that in this letter the advice of the Bureau as to whether to investigate was requested. Unless the Bureau otherwise instructs it is my intention to endeavor to clear up this report by having further investigation made at Panama City to determine the truth or falsity of the report. It is believed that this can possibly be accomplished by maintaining surveillance at the A & P Store in Panama City on the evening of May 23, 1936. This procedure will be followed and if unsuccessful such further inquiries as seem warranted will be conducted.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Further interview with Howard T. Sims, Orlando, Florida, disclosed that Hunter and Karpis were in Orlando, March 12 through 15, 1936 in Buick Sedan previously described. Hunter obtained Florida license for Ford Coupe, which had been previously purchased and forwarded to him in c/o Sims. Motor Vehicle Commissioner's records reflect issuance of license to Hunter under name of H. J. King, for Ford Coupe purchased November 26, 1935, from Roy Murray Motors Inc., Corpus Christi, Tex. Persons listed in memorandum book found in possession of Hunter in New Orleans disclaim any knowledge of subjects Karpis or Campbell.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Jacksonville, 4-27-36, and Letter dated May 2, 1936, from New Orleans Office.

DETAILS: On April 26, 1936, Howard T. Sims, Orlando, Florida, telephoned the Jacksonville Office and advised Acting Special Agent in Charge Royal J. Untreiner that he had thought of some further information concerning Fred Hunter and desired that Agent Winstead call on him the next time he was in or near Orlando. On April 29, 1936, while Agent Winstead in company with Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, were enroute from West Palm Beach, to Jacksonville, Florida, they passed through Orlando for the purpose of contacting Howard T. Sims, and his wife, at which time Mr. and Mrs. Sims together furnished the following information:

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They advised that since their last conversation with Agent Winstead additional details concerning Fred Hunter had occurred to them which they had overlooked reporting the time of their first conference; that what had prompted them to furnish this additional information is that on Sunday a newspaper was published which bore the photographs of three persons wanted by the Department of Justice, namely Alvin Karpis, William Dainard and Thomas Henry Robinson, Jr.; that the family who occupies one half of the Sims home, a man and his wife, had called attention to these photographs, and stated that the picture of Karpis was an identical photograph and likeness of the "Mr. Woods" who had accompanied their friend Hunter, when Hunter and Woods visited the Sims one night in March; that they all had carefully studied this newspaper photograph of Karpis and were absolutely certain that it was a photograph of Hunter's companion; that they had checked back and determined that Hunter and Mr. Woods had come to their home on March 13, at which time they brought with them one pint of Old Taylor whiskey, and a 1/5 of a Qt. bottle of Gin; that at that time Hunter stated he would like to have a room for himself and Woods for a few days as they had stopped the night before at a tourist camp which they did not like; that they were informed another family was occupying half of the Sims home and they did not have a room to rent them; that these two men stayed at the Sims home for two or three hours and then they went to Harper's Cafe in Winter Park and had supper, and then they all went to the tourist camp where Hunter and Woods had a cabin and they checked back in at that tourist camp, and then he and Mrs. Sims in their car returned to their home; that the next afternoon Saturday, March 14, 1936, about 4 or 5 o'clock Hunter and Woods again showed up at the Sims home in a 1936 Red Buick Sedan, and had with them a quart of Barcadi Rum, a quart of Teachers Highland Cream whiskey, and a bottle of selzer water; that Woods became intoxicated and began bragging on his car and finally showed him the bill of sale therefore; that he paid very little attention to the bill of sale, but does recall that the car was bought in San Antonio, Texas in the name of Sullivan, for cash, about $1200.00; that the car at that time had an Arkansas license on it the numbers of which the Sims could not recall; that the only name Hunter ever called Karpis by was "Mr. Woods" and stated that Woods had a gambling spot at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and was having the building repainted and repaired and that was why they were in Florida at this time; that Woods kept talking about wanting to go fishing and catch a shark; that they were in their shirt sleeves and had no coats on but did have luggage in their automobile and when they went to leave, he, Sims, noticed an army automatic pistol in the glove compartment of the car;

That during the evening of March 14, 1936, Woods suggested that Sims go out and get some girls for them, but Sims stated he would not permit anything like that in his home; that finally Mr. Rogers, renter of the other half of the Sims home, who with his wife were also in the Sims portion of the house while Karpis and Hunter were there, said "come on over to my apartment and I will buy you a drink", to which remark Karpis took offense and finally told Rogers that he,(Karpis) made more money in one month than Rogers did in a whole year; that Rogers made some sarcastic reply about being able to spend his money if it was not much, and Karpis threatened to whip Rogers, who is a very small man; Rogers jerked off his glasses put them on the table, and then Hunter stepped in and said "Come on Woods, we had better get away from here"; that Karpis calmed down and walked right on out and got in the car with Hunter and they left. At that time Hunter said, We'll see you tomorrow", but they have never been back to his place and he has seen and heard nothing from them since.

During their visit at the Sims home, Hunter made the remark that he and Woods would go to Tampa, Florida, for some purpose, and that while they were working on Woods' night club at Hot Springs, they thought they would stay around Florida and go fishing for a while; that Sims also recalls that while Hunter and the woman, Connie Morris, were at his place in January and February, 1936, Hunter spoke of his partner "ED" a time or two, and also made some remarks about an "Al".

Sims also stated that while Hunter and his wife were in Orlando during the latter part of January and the early part of February, while stopping at his home, they left on a trip and were gone several days; that when they started to leave they told him they were going over to Daytona Beach and Mrs. Sims insisted that he take his wife up to St. Augustine while on the trip so they might see the historic city and points of interest therein; that when Hunter returned he stated that he had been over to Tampa and down the east coast as far as the keys and also stated that he had seen Mr. and Mrs. Ellis at Parish, Florida; that Mr. and Mrs. Ellis are chicken fight fans and he had introduced Ellis to Mr. Hunter during the tournament at Orla Vista, near Orlando, Florida; that also on their return Hunter had informed him, Sims, that while he was away he had ordered a Florida license plate for his Ford Coupe, and that he had instructed that the license plate when issued be mailed to him in c/o of Sims at Orlando; that as a matter of fact Hunter and his wife left Orlando on Tuesday, February 25, 1936, instead of the date furnished to Agent by Sims in a previous interview as set out in reference report; that a few days after Hunter had left in February, he received a Florida license plate addressed to H. King, care of H. T. Sims, P.O. 3155, Station A, Orlando, Florida, and that when Hunter

and Woods appeared at his home on March 13, one of the first things Hunter asked was for his license plate, and that he handed it to him; that he did not open the envelope in which the plate was contained and does not know what the numerals were that were on the Florida license issued to Hunter in the name of King; that he also has learned that Hunter and his wife did visit Mr. and Mrs. Ellis at their home at Parish, Florida. Mr. Ellis owns the Post Office Building, drug store and the barber shop at Parish; that he went fishing, and Hunter while at Ellis' purchased a hunting license and also a cheap shotgun which he gave to Mr. Ellis when he left there.

At this junction Mrs. Sims informed Agents that she had some of Hunter's handwriting which consisted of figures and letters on an Orlando International Tournament score card of the Orlando Game Club, January 28, 29, 30, 1936, and also the word "Dummy" written out. Mrs. Sims furnished this specimen of Hunter's handwriting to Agent, and same is being forwarded to the Bureau under separate cover by letter.

Mr. Sims also stated that Hunter is crazy about rooster fights and that when he and his wife left Orlando on February 25, 1936, they stated they were going to South Kenner, La., to attend the chicken fight tournament there on February 29, 1936.

Sims also informed Agents that Hunter and Woods stopped at a new tourist camp on the right side of the road going towards Sanford, northeast of Winter Park while they were in Florida in March.

Agents checked the tourist camps between Winter Park and Sanford, and the following information was obtained at the Maitland Tourist Camp about two miles north of Winter Park and about two blocks South of the Post Office at Maitland, which is operated by Mr. Waldo Parsons. Mr. Parsons furnished Agents his register and it was found that "E. Woods, Hot Springs, Ark." registered on March 12, 1936, and again on March 13, 1936. Mr. Parsons stated that Mr. Woods and another man appeared at his tourist camp at about 11:30 P. M. on March 12, in a Buick Sedan automobile, bearing 1936 Arkansas license 5-732, which he, Parsons marked down on the register which is his custom. He stated that these two men checked out on March 13, but returned on that night and Woods registered, and paid for two nights in advance; that they left at 8:30 A. M., Sunday, March 15, 1936; that as he recalls it the Buick Sedan also bore an ornament reading "Hot Springs" above the front license plate.

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Mr. Parsons permitted Agent to clip from his register, the registration of "Mr. E. Woods," of March 12, and "E. Woods" Hot Springs," of March 13, 1936, and these two registrations are being forwarded to the Bureau by letter for whatever value this handwriting may have.

Agents are of the opinion, after having talked with Howard T. Sims and his wife, that when first interviewed, Sims who is a well known bootlegger, probably suspectdd that Agent's inquiries concerning Fred Hunter were for the purpose of locating him for some minor infraction of the liquor laws, but that after seeing Karpis' picture and recognizing him as the man Woods, companion of Hunter on their visit to his home in March, he deemed that it would be to his best interest to report everything that he knew concerning Hunter and his companion Woods, and that he and Mrs. Sims were not consciously harboring Karpis; further Sims agreed that if the Government would pay his actual expenses he and Mrs. Sims would use their own car and drive to Sand Springs, Oklahoma, through Louisana and to Arkansas in company with an Agent in an effort to locate Hunter and through him locate for the Department, Alvin Karpis. This investigation, of course, was made prior to the time of the capture of Karpis and Hunter at New Orleans.

Immediately upon obtaining information concerning the issuance of a Florida license to Hunter contact was had by telephone by Special Agent in Charge Nathan, with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at Tallahassee, Florida, and it was determined that on February 7, 1936, application for the issuance of a Florida license was made by H. J. King, at Tampa, Florida. This application was executed before M. Coleman, Notary Public, Hillsborough County, Florida, and King's address was given as 218 San Pedro, Tampa, Florida. The license was forwarded to H. J. King, c/o Howard Sims, Orlando, the license being 123-658, and being issued for 1936 Ford DeLuxe Coupe, 8 cylinders, Motor No. 18-2407873.

According to the records in the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, this car entered the State of Florida, January 7, 1936, from Texas, and formerly bore 1935 Texas license, either A 64-116 or A 62-116, both these license numbers appearing on the records. The records further showed that the car was purchased November 26, 1935, from Roy Murray Motors, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas.

This information was forwarded on April 29, 1936 by conference teletype to the Bureau and to the Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Little Rock, San Antonio and Dallas Offices.

Special Agent F. F. Yearsley conducted investigation at Tampa, Florida, which developed that there is no such address in Tampa, as 218 San Pedro, the numbers on this street beginning with 3000 and ending with 4400. The carrier covering this street had no record of an H. J. King receiving mail.

It was ascertained at the license bureau in Tampa that Miss M. Coleman is the Notary Public signing all applications and that she does not see a large number of the applicants, whose signatures are witnessed by other clerks. She advised that she has no recollection concerning the instant application.

The following additional investigation was conducted by Special Agent Yearsley:

Mrs. Ralph B. Wakeland, Acting Postmaster, Parish, Florida, who resides next door to R. L. Ellis, advised that Mr. Ellis is a gambler, highly interested in cock fighting and the owner of several fighting cocks which he fights throughout the State of Florida. Further that he owns an orange grove near Parish, Florida, and the building in Parish where the Post Office is located, in which is also located a barbershop, a restaurant, and drug store, the latter two being owned and operated by Ellis. Mrs. Wakeland then advised that Ellis has many visitors, all alleged to be interested in cock fighting.

Concerning Fred Hunter and his alleged wife whose photographs were shown Mrs. Wakeland, she stated that she recalled the woman as a visitor at the Ellis Home sometime during the first or second week of February, 1936, for several days and that this girl was called "Ruth" to the best of her recollection. She identified the photograph of Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Hamm, alias Connie Morris, as the Ruth she referred to. As to Fred Hunter, Mrs. Wakeland was unable to identify him but stated that he looked like the man with the woman "Ruth", but she was not sure of this. The photographs of Karpis and Campbell, as appearing on the Bureau Wanted Circulars were also shown to Mrs. Wakeland and she stated that she had never observed anyone in or about the Ellis home resembling Campbell, but that Karpis looked like the man with the woman "Ruth", but she could not state whether the man was Hunter or Karpis or either of them as she did not observe them closely. Mrs. Wakeland then stated that these two persons, when at the Ellis home, were driving a 1936 Ford V-8 Coupe, dark in color, with Florida 1936 license, the number of which she did not notice. The car was "brand new". Mrs. Wakeland then stated that she was sure the man Hunter, or Karpis or Campbell had never called at the Post Office for any purpose and that she had not noticed them on the streets.

Further information of value was not available from this source and Agent also interviewed Mr. Wakeland, who is confined to his bed, at which time he was unable to supply additional information, however, both Mr. and Mrs. Wakeland advised that they believed Mr. Ellis would supply Agent with any information he might possess concerning this matter "as he was scared to death of getting into trouble".

Upon calling at the Ellis home Mrs. Ellis was interviewed in the absence of her husband and when shown the photographs of Fred Huner and his alleged wife she would make no statements but insisted that Agent contact her husband, it being apparent that she knew both Fred Hunter and his wife. Mr. Ellis was immediately contacted by Agent and before he saw his wife, at which time he advised in her presence that sometime between January 28, 1936, and February 1, 1936, the period of the State Cock Fighting Tournament, at Orlando, Florida, both he and his wife were there, having entries in this tournament. Further that they had known Mr. and Mrs. Howard T. Sims of Orlando, Florida, for quite some time and naturally contacted them, at which time they met at the Sims home Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter, who were apparently living there. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis identified the photographs of Fred Hunter and Ruth Hamm with aliases as the persons known to them as Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter. During this tournament the Ellis and Hunter couples became quite friendly and since the Hunters talked of desiring to go hunting and fishing Mr. Ellis invited them to come to his home in Parish, Florida, sometime and he would take them hunting and fishing.

Further that on or about February 11, 1936, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter appeared at the Ellis home as per the invitation and took a room at the H. S. Tison home in Parish, Florida, where they remained until February 13, 1936, eating their meals at the Ellis restaurant. During this time the Ellises and Hunter and his alleged wife went hunting, etc., the hunting season ending on February 15, 1936. When Fred Hunter and his alleged wife left Parish, Florida, they informed Mr. Ellis that they were going to Miami, Florida, and would come back by Parish in a few days, which they did on either February 17, or 18, 1936, and this time resided at the Ellis home as man and wife until February 20, 1936, when they accompanied the Ellises to a cock fight at Brandon, Florida, and then left Parish, Florida, for parts unknown, but stated they were going back to Orlando, Florida.

Mr. Ellis then stated that Fred Hunter did give him a single shot shotgun when the hunting season was over and this gun was examined by Agent and found to be a Hercules - 16 gauge, 1929 Model #22517B, a Montgomery Ward product.

According to both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, the Hunters were driving a new 1936 Ford V-8 Coupe, black in color, possibly dark blue in color, which carried current Florida license, the number of which was not noted by either Mr. or Mrs. Ellis. The Hunters were not "flush" with money, at least they did not display any money or indicate by their actions or otherwise that they had plenty of money. Fred Hunter informed Mr. Ellis that he was upon a vacation and that he was a gambler and worked for some unknown novelty concern selling dice and other gambling equipment, however, Mr. Ellis at no time observed any such equipment or anything relating thereto. Mr. Ellis did not know whether the car belonged to Hunter or his wife or some one else and made no inquiry concerning same. Further neither Mr. or Mrs. Ellis inquired as to where the Hunters were from, their home, etc., but at one time a statement was made that Mrs. Hunter, who was referred to as "Ruth" came from Texas, but the town or place in Texas was not mentioned, and nothing to indicate that she was from Texas, such as license plates, etc., was noticed by Mr. or Mrs. Ellis. When the Hunters came to the Ellis home they had several pieces of luggage, the number not recalled, but it was merely luggage, the contents being unknown. None of this luggage appeared unusually heavy and no guns, etc., were observed by either Mr. or Mrs. Ellis.

Mr. Ellis then stated that apparently Hunter was interested in cock fighting as he talked of attending fights in Tampa, Florida, shortly before he came to Parish, Florida.

Mr. Ellis then advised that he took Fred Hunter to Bradenton, Florida, for the purpose of purchasing hunting license and that Hunter did purchase such license, but the details thereof were unknown to Mr. Ellis, however, he did not observe the license at any time.

It is the understanding of Mr. Ellis that the Hunters were at the Sims home in Orlando, Florida, for about one month. About two weeks after the Hunters left the Ellis home, Mr. Ellis went to Orlando, Florida, and then Sims told him that Mrs. Hunter had become homesick so Fred Hunter gave her the car and she started home.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis were shown the wanted circulars on Karpis and Campbell as issued by the Bureau and they both denied that they had ever seen such persons and that at no time in Orlando, or Parish, Florida, or elsewhere had they observed either Karpis or Campbell with the Hunters or Sims or anyone else and further that neither Karpis or Campbell by name or alias or description had been mentioned in their presence by the Hunters or the Sims. At this point both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis recalled that the Hunters were quite nervous when at the Ellis home, but at the time they did not connect this with the possibility that they might be wanted or connected with some crime.

Mrs. Ellis stated that Mrs. Sims had told her that Mrs.Hunter had been married twice before her marriage to Hunter.

Further information from the above sources was not available, however, Agent interviewed Mrs. H. S. Tison, of Parish, Florida, who confirmed the statements of Mr. Ellis concerning the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter at the Tison home, and also the fact that they were driving a new 1936 Ford V-8 Coupe. Further according to Mrs. Tison, the Hunters had at least five different pieces of luggage, all of which was apparently expensive and some of which appeared to be heavy. Mrs. Tison then stated that if she recalled correctly the Hunters had two shotguns or a rifle and one shotgun, a graphonola, several boxes, etc. Mrs. Tison was unable to identify the photographs of Karpis or Campbell as anyone she had seen and added that such persons were not with the Hunters and did not contact them while they were at the Tison home. Further that the Hunters did not talk with the persons about the Tison home, hence little or nothing was known of them.

While at the Ellis home, Mrs. Hunter took a photograph of Mr. Ellis with a bird dog or a fighting cock, and probably Mrs. Hunter has this snapshot at the present time.

Referring to the reference letter it is stated that the following establishments in Tampa, Florida, are known gambling houses, that is they sell lottery tickets, throw Bolita, etc., and some maintain dice tables, black jack tables, roulette tables and other such games. For the purpose of brevity it is stated that the following contacts of Agent at the establishments noted, who own, manage or have charge of buying equipment, etc., were shown the photographs of Hunter, Karpis and Campbell and all advised that they did not recall either of these three persons from photograph, name, description, or aliases, as persons frequenting their establishments,

particularly Karpis and Campbell. Concerning Hunter they stated that he might have been in their establishments trying to sell dice, cards and other such equipment as there are many such salesman call upon them weekly, who are dispensed with quickly and without a waste of time as these establishments purchase such equipment from the old established firm of Mason and Company, Newark, N. J. In view of this no effort has been made to remember any such salesmen and none of the following persons could recall Hunter:

E. RUBIO (Tito) owner and operator, with others, of the Lincoln Club, Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, Florida, which is a completely equipped gambling establishment, using dice, cards, roulette, etc. This establishment was closed about Christmas 1935, but a portion of the equipment was moved to the El Pasaje, 1318 9th Avenue, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, and now operated by E. Rubio, who purchases all equipment, etc.

GEORGE TOLEDO, Manager and buyer for Serafins Place, 1601 Nebraska Avenue, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, which is a completely equipped gambling establishment, using dice, cards, etc.

SAM ITALIANO, Manager and owner together with his brother, Tony Italiano, of the Olympic Cigar Store, 201 East Cass Street, Tampa, Florida, which is a completely equipped gambling house, using dice, cards, etc.

JOE FERRARO and V. TASRNINA, owners and managers of the Red Top Cafe, 910 Nebraska, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, which is a bolita and Cuban lottery establishment and no dice or cards are used there. This establishment caters to the colored element. (low type place.)

The above contacts are known to Agent and it is believed that had these persons any information concerning this matter they would supply same to Agent since it did not involve any of their associates, etc.

The El Dorado Cafe, 1815 14th Avenue, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, is operated by George Saturday, and is a completely equipped gambling establishment, but in as much as Saturday was not available for interview he was not contacted and no effort to contact other persons was made, however, E. Rubio, who is interested therein, stated that the situation would probably be identical with that of the Lincoln Club.

Rudolph's Place, 7th Avenue and 12th Street, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, is operated by one Rudolph Garcia who is unknown to Agent and who operates a low type establishment which caters mostly to the colored element in the sale of bolita and cuba. He carries a poor name for truth and veracity with the local police and when Agent called at said establishment Garcia was not available for interview. An observation of the establishment developed that little or no equipment for gambling was maintained, other than a number wheel.

In view of the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell and the above noted situation, further inquiry at the two establishments not contacted will not be made.

The following inquiries were conducted at Orlando, Florida, on May 8, 1936, by reporting Agent:

Sam Warren, Flamingo Club, Orlando, Florida, was interviewed and at first stated that he could not recall ever meeting any one by the name of Hunter, however, questioned as to acquaintance with Howard Sims, he advised that he knows Sims, and that he does recall that about three months ago Sims and his wife were in the Flamingo Club one evening, when Sims introduced to him one Hunter. Hunter advised that he was selling dice for some Ohio concern, which he thinks began with the name "Jack" but as he was not interested in Hunter's proposition he so informed him. Hunter asked for his address so that literature could be furnished and he gave his address and Post Office box, which Hunter wrote in a book. He advised that he has not heard from Hunter nor seen him nor Sims.

It was determined that Warren has a good reputation with the Orlando Police Department, and in the past has furnished them with information concerning underworld characters.

It should be noted that when Sims was interviewed by Agents Winstead and Donaldson he mentioned having introduced Hunter to a man by the name of Warren who operates a tavern, and that Hunter had tried to sell Warren some dice. At that time Sims agreed to endeavor to secure the name of the firm which Hunter claimed to represent from Warren.

In view of the recent developments in this case outstanding leads which have as their purpose the location of fugitive subjects, will not be covered with the exception of those leads which relate to the location of William Elmer Mead.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 20, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BRKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 16, 1936 to the Special Agent in Charge, Detroit, Michigan.

Please refer to the report of Special Agent W. B. Matney dated February 9, 1936 at Detroit, Michigan. All of the articles mentioned in reference report are being forwarded to you in envelopes marked number 1 and number 2.

There is also being forwarded to you a set of 1934 license plates number 6-19-563 in envelope marked number 3. Our files reflect that these plates were found on the car which was confiscated at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, the above mentioned entry being made September 11, 1934.

Also being forwarded to your office is a map of Lake Erie showing Middle Island which was taken from one of the apartment houses in Cleveland, Ohio, one clip of automatic shells, .380 calibre, notes on phone tap of Frank Hoonan, Cleveland, Ohio, inventory of apartments in Cleveland, Ohio and a record of telephone calls from Hoonan's phones to various places over long-distance. The above mentioned articles are included in envelope marked number 4.

Envelope number 5 contains articles found at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, which articles are listed on pages 38 and 39 of the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall dated September 25, 1934 at Detroit, Michigan.

There is also being forwarded to you one photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Frank J. Hoonan which will serve no further purpose in the Detroit Bureau Office. Also being forwarded

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one copy of the statement of Elwood S. Yonker dated February 20, 1935 at Cleveland, Ohio and one copy of the statement of Elwood S. Yonker dated February 26, 1935 at Detroit, Michigan. The above mentioned articles are included in envelope marked number 6.

There is also being forwarded to you two photographs of flashlights, two photographs of underwear, two photographs of a pair of sox, two photographs of a grey shirt, two photographs of underwear, two photographs of the inside of a grey shirt, twelve photographs of underwear, shirt and sox and two photographs of wall paper design. The above mentioned are include in envelope marked number 7.

There is being transmitted in envelope marked number 8 four stenographers notebooks containing a list of names and taps at Toledo, Ohio, also the notes of Special Agent D. E. Hall, the log of telephone taps made at Toledo, Ohio, a list of telephone calls made by George Sergeant from his room at the Hillcrest Hotel dated January 14, 1935, the telephone conversations over Clearwater 4777, residence telephone of James Shimmie (Arthur Patton) dated January 25, 1935, the log of telephone taps obtained at Cleveland, Ohio from the Harvard Club dated January 24, 1935, the notes of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, a summary of the telephone tap on the Casino Club, Toledo, Ohio from September 30, 1934 to October 26, 1934, and twelve pieces of paper containing information concerning phone calls.

There is also being forwarded in envelope marked number 9 an undated letter signed by Fred C. Spohn to "Dear Frank" and reply of Frank J. Noonan thereon, and letter from record clerk, Kansas City Penitentiary dated July 26, 1934 to Fred S. Spohn.

A thorough check of the Detroit Bureau file reflects that the above mentioned articles are all of those in the possession of the Detroit Bureau Office which pertain to investigative work performed in Ohio by the Detroit Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

WHM:HMB
cc-Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul
Chicago

May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

As of possible interest, there are attached copies of the following editorials:

"A Neat Sort Of Job"
May 4, 1936, issue of The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tennessee

"Other Public Enemies"
May 4, 1936, issue of The Press-Scimitar, Memphis, Tennessee

"Answered"
May 4, 1936, issue of The Press-Scimitar, Memphis, Tennessee

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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COMMERCIAL APPEAL

May, 4th, 1936.

A Neat Sort Of Job

Government agents, operating under the personal supervision of their chief, J. Edgar Hoover, seem to have turned in another very neat sort of job in arresting Alvin Karpis without any shooting or violence. It is true enough that the performance may seem to some folks to have been attended by a bit of the theatrical, but it is probably well enough to do what may be reasonably possible to attract public attention to the success of officers in such matters. Certainly we have had enough and to spare of the dramatization of the arch criminals, and it is well enough to see the G-men supplanting them as popular heroes, if heroes we must have in the matter of controlling and punishing crime.

At all events, the G-men are beginning to lay a very broad foundation in fact to support the currently popular belief that they hang on and on, once they take a criminal's trail, and heaven knows we need that sort of thing in this country. Men of the Karpis type, bolstered up by the tremendous profits available to them under prohibition, made a sorry mock of the law in a great many American communities and in a very spectacular sort of way. It may very well be that the air of mystery and romance that envelopes the G-men at the moment is the soundest antidote for the poison the eminence of the gangster and gunman distilled in and for a lot of unstable minds.

Memphis Press-Scimitar.

CITY OF MEMPHIS
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COMMISSION GOVERNMENT
WATKINS OVERTON, MAYOR
MEMPHIS, TENN.

MONDAY, MAY 4, 1936.

Other Public Enemies

Killer Karpis, public enemy No. 1, having been taken alive without a shot, William Mahan, the Weyerhauser kidnaper, assumes the uneasy crown of his successor.

The Karpis capture sheds new luster on the Justice Department's capable agents, known as the G-men. One after another the big shots of America's gangdom have crumpled under their unrelenting drive. Seldom has this country seen such efficiency as J. Edgar Hoover's policemen are displaying.

This sensational record for crime detection only emphasizes more glaringly the weaknesses in our law-enforcement system that make much of their work futile. We refer particularly to our medieval reformatories and prisons where young men are schooled in crime, to the misuse of the "unwalled prisons" or probation and

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766,
Cincinnati, Ohio

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May 21, 1936

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to letter from the New Orleans Office to the Bureau, under date of May 18, 1936, concerning claim made by E. B. Hauch, of the Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, La., for the reward for information leading to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis. This is to advise that this individual is not entitled to any reward at any time.

He did not furnish the information leading to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, nor did he render any particular assistance to us, other than to answer direct questions which were asked of him as to the automobile concerned, after we had determined the fact that this car had been purchased by Alvin Karpis, and after we were aware of the address and location of Alvin Karpis.

With reference to the last paragraph on the first page of this letter as to the use of this individual as a witness in the Harboring case expected as to Fred Hunter, it is not believed any witnesses will be necessary, as this individual will probably plead guilty; further that if a trial of Fred Hunter is necessary, due to E. B. Hauch's erroneous claims, it is believed that we should avoid listing him or using him as a witness in this matter. It is believed that we will have other sufficient facts to convict Hunter without the assistance of this party as a witness.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent In Charge.

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Post Office Box #812

Chicago, Illinois

May 19th, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir: Re: BREKID

It is respectfully requested that there be furnished to this Office copies of the latest photographs of Harry Campbell and Harry Sawyer, which photographs presumably were taken at your Office subsequent to the recent arrests of these two individuals.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236, et al.
Edward George Bremer - Victim

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at Atlanta fails to disclose individual who drove Duke Randall from Atlanta, Georgia to Etowah, Tennessee in December, 1934.

REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated 4/18/36; reports of Special Agents Louis DeNette, Nashville, 4/4/35; H. F. Small, Nashville, 4/30/35.

DETAILS: Agent made inquiries of the following U-Drive-It automobile rental agencies which are all the rental agencies now operating in Atlanta, Georgia:

Belle Isle You-Drive-System, 20 Houston St., N.E.
Dixie-Drive-It-Yourself System, 14 Houston St., N.E.
Hertz-Drive-Ur-Self Service, 40 Auburn Avenue, N.E.

At none of the above mentioned places did they have any recollection of any trip being taken to Etowah, Tennessee or any other place in that vicinity in December, 1934 or the early part of 1935.

Agent made inquiries of the following taxicab companies which are all the taxicab companies now operating in the City of Atlanta:

Atlanta Baggage & Cab Company, Terminal Station
Black & White Cab Company, 20 Houston Street
Yellow Cab Company, 20 Houston Street

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Buckhead Taxi Company, 3105 Peachtree Road, N.E.
Gate City Taxi Company, 52 Bell Street, N.E.
T. G. Hardeman, 3099 Peachtree Road, N.E.

At none of the above concerns did they have any information concerning any trip being made to Tennessee in the latter part of 1934 or the early part of 1935.

Inquiry was not made of the City Cab Company, 20 Houston Street, N.E., or the Southside Taxi Company, 539 Fraser Street, S.E., for the reason that they only cater to colored patronage.

At the Dixie Drive-It-Yourself System, Agent was advised that in 1934 the U-Drive-It Company, no longer in existence in Atlanta, operated a station at 230 Peachtree Street. They discontinued this station sometime in 1935 and no longer operate in this vicinity. Mr. Charles Saunders was the manager of this station.

Agent ascertained at the Post Office at Atlanta that they had no forwarding address for mail addressed to the U-Drive-It Company. They did have a forwarding address for Charles M. Saunders, who was stated in the City Directory to reside at 757 Greenwood Avenue, Atlanta, and to be secretary of the U-Drive-It Company. His wife's name was listed as Margaret, This forwarding address as of December 10, 1935 was 3744 College Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

For the information of the Kansas City Office, which has not received reference letter or reports in this case, there is enclosed a copy of the reference letter. In the first reference report the following information is set forth: Harry Cook, operator of the Etowah Service Station, Etowah, Tennessee, was interviewed by Special Agent H. F. Small on April 1, 1935 at Etowah and Cook stated that sometime during December, 1934 one Joe Adams came to his station and asked if he would get him some Tennessee license plates for a Buick car for a certain party whose name Cook did not recall. This man was stated by Adams to be a bootlegger. Cook had a man by the name of Frank Jennings get the plates for him at Athens, Tennessee and the plates were subsequently mailed to Joe Adams at some hotel address. In this statement Cook further stated that sometime after Christmas, 1934 while he was attending a motion picture in Etowah he received a telephone call from his filling station. He went to the station where he met two men, one a thin-faced man to whom he did the talking, paying no attention to the other. All he could remember about the thin-faced man as far as description is concerned, is that he had a sharp nose. The man driving the car wore glasses.

Cook continued by stating the thin-faced man said to him, "Do you know Joe Adams?" and he replied, "Yes." He then said "Joe Adams is a good friend of mine" and Cook said, "Adams is a good friend of mine and when he comes to town buys gas from me and I think he is a fine fellow". The thin-faced man, not the one wearing glasses, asked Cook, "Didn't you buy some plates for Adams?" Cook told him he had. Cook noticed the car they were driving was a 1934 Ford V-8 sedan with black body. He did not recall whether the car was a coach or sedan, definitely, but he did notice it had a Georgia license. Cook said to the thin-faced man, "You fellows came over some muddy roads" and the man replied, "Yes, we came from Atlanta".

After the thin-faced man got into the car he handed Cook some paper money and Cook told him, "You don't owe me anything". They had not bought anything at the station. Cook attempted to give the money back to him but the thin-faced man said, "I can make more money than that in five minutes". Cook did not look to see how much money they had given him as he was surprised and did not know what it was all about. They left the station in a great hurry and Cook states it was the only time he had ever seen the two men. He kept the money and later deposited it at a bank in Etowah.

Agent made inquiries at the Atlanta Airport to determine if anyone there had any recollection of making a trip to Etowah, Tennessee at the time described. Agent was able to find no one who had any record of such a trip. The Eastern Airlines Company stated they had no record of anybody having applied for a car, through their office, to make any trip at that time.

For the further information of the Kansas City Office, Roy Arp, Etowah, employed by Harry Cook at the Etowah Service Station, gave a signed statement on April 1, 1936, describing the unknown parties' actions at the service station. In this statement he said the conversation previously described by Cook took place at about 8:30 P.M.; that he believed it was sometime before the first of January, 1935, probably the last part of December, 1934. He said two men drove into the station and the car they were driving appeared to be a U-Drive-It car. He said it was a 1934 V-8 model, DeLuxe Tudor sedan, black body and yellow wheels with a narrow yellow stripe around the body. The shorter of the two men asked for Harry Cook. Arp advised him Cook was at the moving picture show. At the stranger's request Arp called Cook at the show by telephone. Cook came over immediately. The shorter of the two men said, referring to the car, "This thing runs too slow. I wish I had the governor off of it". The taller of the two, who was wearing glasses, and driving the car, said "No, we can't do that, I have to take this car back and they would get after me; they would not bother you but they would me". The smaller man then said he had come from Miami to see Harry

Cook and had come to Atlanta from Miami in an aeroplane and that he hoped to "make Atlanta and get a plane back to Miami". To this remark the taller of the two men, who was driving, said, "We will be too late to get a plane but we can a midnight show in Atlanta". Arp could not describe the conversation which took place between Cook and the strangers as he was busy attending to the car. He said both of the men stayed only a few minutes and drove away in great haste. He described them as follows:

	#1	m #2
Age:	35	33
Height:	5' 11	5' 9"
Weight:	156	145
Dress:	Wearing blue serge suit,	----
Hair:	Black	----
Complexion:	Dark	Sandy
Eyeglasses:	Wore glasses	----

Neither Cook nor Arp believed that either of the two men resembled any of the principal subjects in this case. Cook, however, stated in a later signed statement that the man who had given him the money resembled a photograph of Duke Randall. He also said he was positive that this party did not make the statement "Forget about Adams and the license plates" or even infer as much.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: KANSAS CITY OFFICE

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, will interview Mr. Charles W. Saunders, 3744 College Street, who was formerly manager of the U-Drive-It Company at Atlanta, Georgia. Ascertain from Mr. Saunders whether he or any person employed by him at Atlanta drove an unknown party, who is believed to be Duke Randall, to Etowah, Tennessee at the time mentioned in the foregoing and if so, get full details as requested in Bureau letter.

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Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clegg
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Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

HOTEL CLEVELAND
CLEVELAND OHIO
OFFICE OF THE VICE PRES & GEN MGR

May 15, 1936

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thanks very much for your very gracious letter of May 12th.

We were very happy indeed to have the privilege of having you and your party with us, and trust that whenever occasion brings you into Cleveland, you will think of Hotel Cleveland as your headquarters.

Be assured that we are here standing ready to be of any assistance possible to you.

Very cordially yours,

Manager
HOTEL CLEVELAND

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May 16, 1936

Time: 1:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: Request for list of Ransom Recoveries.

Mr. Suydam telephoned and stated that Mr. Friedheim of International News Service had requested a list of the recoveries which had been made of ransom money in the kidnaping cases. I stated that we have received several requests for such statistics but that they have not been compiled. I stated, however, that even if such figures were available I would not have them prepared for Mr. Friedheim because of his flagrant breach of confidence in connection with the press conference I gave following the Campbell apprehension.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your letter of May 14th received, and in reply please be advised that this Bureau shall be only too glad to cooperate with your Department at all times.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Geng.
AIRPORT DIRECTOR

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PORT OF SAINT PAUL

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

May 9, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

United States Attorney Emerich B. Freed has indicated to me that he desires to personally interview Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell for the purpose of determining from them whether they are responsible for the perpetration of the Warren mail robbery.

It was indicated by Mr. Freed that he had taken up the matter with the Department and that in order to protect himself, in view of the fact that he may have two innocent men in jail convicted of the Warren mail job, he is making this request for authority to interview the above-named subjects through me so as to have a request going through all channels possible looking toward the accomplishment of that objective by him.

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Mr. Freed assured the writer that he was desirous of cooperating with the Bureau in all matters, and he wanted to assure the writer that he had given no publicity whatever in regard to occurrences in this district in connection with the apprehension of the Brekid subjects. Mr. Freed expressed himself as being considerably worried by reason of the fact of having two men in jail who may be innocent of the Warren mail truck robbery. He desires specific advice as to whether he may interview Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter.

It might be desirable for the Bureau to authorize this office to indicate to Mr. Freed that he may interview the said subjects in connection with the Warren mail truck job. Your early advice in the premises is earnestly solicited.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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May 19, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of May 9, 1936, pertaining to the desire of United States Attorney E. B. Freed of Cleveland to personally interview Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis, and Harry Campbell, I do not believe that this is a matter upon which the Bureau should take any action, feeling that this is a situation between the United States Attorney and the Department. The Bureau will, of course, take no action to encourage or prevent Mr. Freed from interviewing these prisoners.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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May 13, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The memorandum relative to lack of cooperation on the part of Post Office Inspectors in connection with the Bremer case submitted under date of May 11 differs from the 2 memoranda prepared for the Attorney General in the same matter under date of May 9, in that primarily any and all references to Post Office Inspectors by name who gave information to the Bureau confidentially have been eliminated so far as the names of these Inspectors are concerned, and the incidents have been referred to solely as involving information coming from confidential informants in the Post Office Inspection service, and in the latter part of the memorandum, instead of giving the individual instances in which Post Office people refused to place mail covers, I stated there were a large number of such instances.

The only difference in the manner of preparation is that it was shortened wherever possible as to wording. There was also eliminated from the original memorandum, on Page 5, the following paragraph which appeared to be vague and to have no particular value:

> "Post Office Inspectors Haynes and Hill also told the informant that it was their understanding that Bureau Agents believed that the informant was contacting Karpis for his wife, Dorothy Karpis, who is residing at Tulsa, and that whenever the informant is in that part of the country the informant is watched like a hawk. The informant did not know whether this remark was calculated to bring forth information to the effect that the informant was friendly to this Bureau or might have been used by this Bureau."

The only other changes were in the manner of preparation, headings being set up, and in each instance at the end of the description, references to the basic facts or logical inferences were set forth and underlined. The wording of any comment is amplified in the subsequent memorandum and emphasized by underlining some additional comments being contained in the subsequent memorandum that do not appear in the first.

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Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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FILE NO. 7-4

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
OMAHA, NEBRASKA	5/19/36	5/5/36	J. C. Sloane dr

TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation at First National Bank, North Platte, Nebraska disclosed that James Strong opened commercial checking account in March, 1936 and closed this account April 20, 1936. Various employees of said bank stated that neither James Strong nor Wilber Swick bore any resemblance to Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. Investigation made through C. C. Kronquest, Auto Registration Clerk, Auto License Department, County Clerk's Office, North Platte, Nebraska disclosed that James Strong on April 1, 1936 registered new Chevrolet 1½-ton truck, 1935 model, license number 15-C241. Mr. Kronquest was unable to identify photographs of Campbell and Karpis as being identical with James Strong and Wilber Swick. Records in this office further disclosed that James Strong obtained a North Platte, Nebraska driver's license, #12531, dated March 21, 1936. Mrs. E. Swick, mother of Wilber Swick, located North Platte, Nebraska working for W P A, who stated that she could not identify the photographs of Karpis and Campbell as being identical with that of her son or James Strong.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. S. Bush, St. Louis, 4/28/36.

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DETAILS: At North Platte, Nebraska

Agent in company with Special Agent (A) J. N. Franz contacted W. H. Munger, Cashier of the First National Bank, North Platte, who advised that records of the bank show that James Strong, 423 East 8th Street, North Platte opened a commercial checking account with this bank on March 23, 1936 with an initial deposit [redacted] Examination of this commercial account disclosed that there were [redacted]

J. B. Palmer, Teller of said bank advised Agent that he waited on Strong from time to time and that he accepted the initial deposit [redacted] mentioned above and that it all consisted of cash. Palmer stated that every time Strong came to the bank to make a deposit or cash a check that he was always in company with a man who from the investigation appears to have been Wilber Swick. Palmer stated, after looking at the Identification Orders on Campbell and Karpis that neither one of these men bore any resemblance to said subjects. He stated that Strong was about 26 years old, about 5 feet 3 or 5 inches tall, slender build, light complexion, had light hair and that he had a very peculiar twitch to the corner of his mouth. He stated that he did not pay any particular attention to the man who was with him, but he was under the impression that this man was around 6 feet in height, medium weight, light complexion and light hair.

L. B. Langdon, Teller, stated that he did not recall Strong and Swick very much, but that he did specifically recall that he [redacted] from Strong on April 6, 1936. He stated that he recalled this particularly due to the fact that Strong brought to the bank in this deposit quite a few Canadian dollars (bills) and after much discussion with Strong he advised Strong that the bank would have to discount said bills. After looking at the Identification Orders on Karpis and Campbell, he stated that neither one of these subjects bore any resemblance to the above described individuals. His description of Strong and apparently Swick seemed to be the same as given by teller J. B. Palmer. He confirmed the description of Palmer in that he was quite positive that Strong had a very peculiar twitching in the corner of his mouth. The Identification Orders of Karpis and Campbell were exhibited to Cashier W. H. Munger, and he was unable to make any identification of same as resembling the above mentioned men.

Upon request, Cashier Munger located the signature card of Strong and there was nothing on this card which was of any help to Agent except the street address of 423 East 8th Street. He further advised, after consulting the records of the bank and Strong's checking account [redacted] This money was transferred to Strong by the bank through the medium of the Western Union located at the North Platte railroad depot, and the bank has a receipt in their files to this effect.

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Examination of the cancelled checks as found in the files of the bank disclosed that Strong had issued a check to the General Motors Acceptance Corporation of Omaha, Nebrask[redacted] on March 25, 1936 which appears to be the initial payment on the truck registered with the Automobile Registration Clerk in the County Court House on April 1, 1936. Examination of the check showed that it bore a number - 23049 - evidently placed there by the G. M. A. C. and which seems to be the contract number of this purchase. Said check further disclosed the address of 523 W. 6th Street which seemed to be another address of Strong other than the one given on his signature card at the bank.

Agents proceeded to the Automobile Registration Department located in the County Court House, North Platte, and contacted Mr. C. E. Kronquest, Automobile Registration Clerk, and from his records he advised James Strong obtained a drivers license for Lincoln County, Nebraska at North Platte, #12531 on March 21, 1936, giving as his address - 423 E. 8th Street which appears to be the same address as given by Strong on the back of his signature card at the bank. Information contained on this drivers license permit showed that Strong was 21 years of age, white race, medium complexion. Upon further inquiry by Agents as to whether or not the records disclosed that Strong had registered an automobile at this department, it was ascertained that on April 23, 1936, Strong registered a new 1935 Chevrolet 1½-ton truck and obtained thereon a 4-ton commercial license No. 15-C241, for which he paid a $45.00 fee, same being for three-quarters of a year. The records of this office further disclosed that this truck, motor #T-5009263 with steel wheels, red body and six cylinders was the property of James Strong. Further inquiry was made from Mr. Kronquest as to whether - W. WICH - name given in the reference report, had obtained a drivers license or had any make of an automobile or truck registered under his name. Mr. Kronquest, after making a thorough search of his records advised in the negative.

Agents proceeded to 523 W. 6th Street and talked to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Steel who operate a residential rooming house at this address. Mrs. Steel stated that Strong came there on March 24, 1936 with a man known by the name of Wilber Swick, and that they roomed together in the same room for a period of three weeks, at which time they left and she did not know there present whereabouts at this time. She was unable to identify the Identification Orders of Karpis and Campbell as bearing any resemblance whatever to Strong and Swick. She stated that both of these men were around six feet tall, of fairly good-sized build, light complexion and light hair, and that Strong had a peculiar twitch to his mouth. Agents questioned Mrs. Steel regarding the address - 423 E. 8th Street - as given to the bank on Strong's signature card, and she advised that it was the residence address of Wilber Swick's mother, and that she was under the impression that Strong and Swick were both living there prior to the time they came to her house for a room.

Agents proceeded to the address 423 E. 8th Street, North Platte, and it was found that this address was a very small one and was locked with a padlock on the outside of the door. By discreet inquiry next door it was ascertained that the person living there was the owner of these premises and previously thereto the place had been occupied by a Mrs. Swick. The party questioned at the house next door stated that Mrs. Swick was now living about four or five doors down the street in the trailer automobile. Upon making inquiry from the people in the neighborhood of this trailer automobile it was ascertained that Mrs. Swick was working for the W.P.A. in North Platte doing sewing and was on relief. After much difficulty in locating the office of the W.P.A., a Mrs. Swick was contacted as she was going home in the evening from work. She stated that she did not know where her son and James Strong were at the present time. She stated that Wilber's father died when Wilber was about four years of age, and that he (Wilber) had been more or less working around the country on his own resources, and that she had very little contact with her son for the past six years; further, that on March 1st, her son returned to North Platte with Strong, although she was unable to state where her son met Strong. She stated that they both decided to buy a truck and go into the trucking business, but that work became very hard, and that they later sold the truck and left for parts unknown about four weeks prior to this investigation. She stated that Strong appeared to be somewhat of a gambler, and that she felt positive that any money coming to these two boys was furnished by Strong. After obtaining the above information from Mrs. Swick the Identification Orders of Campbell and Karpis were exhibited to her, and she was unable to identify either one as that of her son and was quite positive that neither one of the Identification Orders bore any resemblance to Strong. She further stated that at the present time she was unable to state the whereabouts of these two boys.

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May 15, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Please be advised that we have in the Supply Room at the present time ransom lists on the principal kidnapping cases. There are at present the following number of lists set opposite each particular case:

Stoll Case	-	28,000 lists
Weyerhauser Case	-	24,000 "
Bremer Case	-	5,000 "
Urschel Case	-	25 "

These lists are printed on both sides of the paper and cannot be utilized by the Bureau for any purpose whatever. It is suggested that authority be granted for all except approximately one hundred lists of each type be destroyed.

If you approve this suggestion, arrangements will be made to have them burned immediately.

Respectfully,

H. D. Douglas

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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907,
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May 20, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID

I am transmitting herewith clipping from the Miami, Florida, Herald of May 17, 1936, which indicated that investigation is now being made at Miami, in connection with the possible harboring in that city of Alvin Karpis during February, 1936.

I have no information as to where the newspaper in question obtained the information or conjecture upon which this story is based.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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From the Miami (Florida) Herald of 5/17/36

KARPIS HARBORING INDICTMENTS MAY BE ASKED IN MIAMI

G-Men Investigating Stay of Bandit Here Last February

Indictments in connection with the harboring in Miami and Miami Beach last February of Alvin Karpis may be sought before the federal grand jury which meets here tomorrow.

It was learned that G-men now are investigating Karpis' stay here which was ended abruptly when he saw a picture which appeared in The Herald of J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, with a billfish which he had caught during a Gulf Stream fishing trip.

Hoover, in a Universal News Service interview following Karpis' capture in New Orleans, said Karpis had told him that the published picture caused him to flee to New Orleans.

Hoover at that time was in Miami Beach apparently on a pleasure trip. However, it was learned yesterday that not fishing but the appearance of some of the ransom money paid for Edward G. Bremer's release in St. Paul, brought the federal chief here.

It also was learned the money, amounting to several thousands of dollars, was circulated in a large Miami Beach gambling establishment. During his visit here Karpis stayed both in Miami and Miami Beach, and is said to have frequented gambling places.

Meanwhile, formal order continuing the trials of Joseph H. Adams and Henry Stern, also known as Hendry "Duke" Randall, to the October term of court will be submitted to Judge Alexander Akerman in United States District court tomorrow, Bart A. Riley, defense counsel, said yesterday.

Adams, manager of El Comodoro Hotel, and Randall, former Biscayne

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G-MEN INVESTIGATING STAY OF KARPIS HERE

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greyhound track employe, are under indictment charging that they harbored and assisted in the concealment of Alvin Karpis, kidnap gang leader, in Miami during December, 1934, and January, 1935.

The trials had been scheduled for May 25, but John Holland, United States district attorney, and Walter Barlow, special assistant to the attorney general assigned to the case, entered into an agreement with the defense to postpone to an indefinite date next fall. Riley is seeking to nullify as evidence statements which he contends were forced from the defendants by federal agents.

Government witnesses previously subpoenaed to appear for the trial have been notified through the district attorney's office here not to appear until further notice. One of these witnesses is Nathan Heller, who had been indicted with Adams and Randall. The charge against Heller later was cancelled.

Delores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, girl companions of Karpis and his aid, Harry Campbell, in Miami, were to have been brought to Miami as witnesses for the government. They are serving terms in the prison farm at Milan, Mich., where they were sentenced after pleading guilty to charges of assisting in the concealment of Karpis and Campbell.

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Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
May 19, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 13, 1936, to the Cincinnati office, a copy of which was forwarded to all field offices.

A review of all sections of the Brekid file at the Little Rock office discloses "stops" as to the following described automobiles have been placed with the State of Arkansas and have not been withdrawn:

1933 Pontiac Sedan (or Coach)		Motor #935158
Packard Club Sedan		Motor #189533
Plymouth Sedan		Motor #PJ-322772
Buick Sedan	true	Motor #2271639
Buick Sedan	fictitious	Motor #2177639
Cadillac Sedan		Motor #2797868
Ford V-8 Sedan		Motor #2858090
Ford V-8 Coupe		Motor #1001172
Ford Tudor Sedan		Motor #18-493000
Graham Paige Sedan		Motor #(18)-304784 (40)
		Motor #3809716
		Motor #1024021

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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No. 1 CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO			FILE NO. CHICAGO 7-62
REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE May 19,1936	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/20 to 30/36 5/5/ to 15/36	REPORT MADE BY V. E. CRISS VEC:JMS
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232 et al - Edward George Bremer, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. William Elmer Mead still absent from her home at Chicago. Barney Bertsche cashed $530 check for Mrs. Mead . McKenzie and Evans, accountants acting for Mrs. Mead in income tax case. Charles O. Long apprehended Chicago 5/5/36, questioned, and turned over to States Attorney's office Chicago 5/8/36. Case against Long in State court nolle prossed 5/11/36. Long admitted working for Mead in Wunderlich swindle in 1933, and receiving $120,000 as his share. Wunderlich undecided as to whether to prosecute Long in State court. Mead accompanied by wife and Leon Felix visited Long and wife in West Palm Beach, Florida latter part of January 1936. Mead driving dark 1934 Ford or Chevrolet sedan. Mead talked about going to Louisiana and Texas. Information from Long indicates Sammie Gates "fixed" Police of San Antonio and operated fictitious race track office there. Gates said to be friend of Mead. William Skidmore and Barney Bertsche contacts of Mead in Chicago.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, Chicago, Illinois April 14, 1936; report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Jacksonville, Florida April 25, 1936; letter of the Jacksonville office dated April 28, 1936.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

Mr. George Meyers, business manager, Glaziers Union,100 North LaSalle Street was reinterviewed and advised that Barney Bertsche,5908 Magnolia Avenue had come to him with the check for $530.00 made out to Marie DeTemple, and obtained his (Meyers') endorsement thereon;that Bertsche stated he had known Mead for twenty-five or thirty years; that Bertsche is a man about seventy years old and was a former saloon owner in Chicago and presently has no known source of income.

Barney Bertsche was interviewed and advised that he formerly operated a saloon near the city hall in Chicago; that he thus met Mead about twenty or thirty years ago; that Mead is a known thief; that some time in 1935 Mrs. Mead came to him (Bertsche) to cash the above check in question as she had no bank account; that as he had no bank account he went to Meyers for his endorsement,and thus cashed the check for Mrs.Mead;that he knows Mead is wanted by the Federal Government but has not seen him for about 2 years and does not know where he is, though he feels certain Mrs.Mead is with him; that he (Bertsche) referred Mrs. Mead to McKenzie and Evans, accountants 228 North LaSalle Street to straighten out her income tax trouble,and he feels certain that if she is corresponding with anybody it will be with this firm. Bertsche volunteered to phone Agent at the Chicago office immediately if he hears from or about the present whereabouts of Mead. It is questionable however, if he will do so, and if so, if it will be in time to apprehend Mead. A 30 day cover has been placed on Barney Bertsche's mail.

Mr. Alex J. Resa, attorney, 111 West Washington Street advised upon interview that he had a client named Charles O. Long. While Agent was in Resa's office Long telephoned and made an appointment for 3 P.M. that day (May 5, 1936). Agent that day took Long into custody after he had left his attorney's office and was walking west on Washington Street near LaSalle Street as his criminal record set out in the reference report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead revealed he was wanted by the States Attorney's office, Criminal Bureau of Identification, Sacramento,California and the Police Department at Peoria,Illinois.

Upon being interviewed by this Agent and Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Long admitted acquaintance with William Elmer Mead and stated that Mead accompanied by his wife Kate, and Jew Felix had visited him (Long) and his wife one night at the George Washington Hotel,West Palm Beach,Fla. some time in the latter part of January, 1936; that Mead was driving a 1934 dark colored Ford or Chevrolet sedan, kind of license plates not remembered or observed; that Mead said he had a couple of "prospects" and wanted Long to assist him, which he refused to do; that Mead was smooth shaven and wearing horn rimmed glasses. Long claimed that Mead has a permanent three inch

scar along the side of his face adjacent to the jaw bone on the left side; that this scar is the result of knife wound received by Mead in Denver, Colorado about twenty or thirty years ago in a fight over a card game; that Mead subsequently shot and killed the man, whose name was Layton, and was tried for murder in Denver for this killing. This cut on Mead's face severed the nerves of the left side of his face and thus paralized it and his mouth is drawn upward on the left side, and when he laughs only the right side of his face moves. Long further stated that Mead said he was then leaving for Jacksonville, and mentioned Louisiana as a good territory to work in on account of the road work which is being done in that state. Long also stated that there had been a store (fictitious bookie) operating in Hollywood, Florida during the season of 1935 and 1936. He admitted that he had on several occasions worked with Mead "buncoing" people, one of these being W. T. Hamilton, Lima, Ohio who was buncoed out of $30,000 in 1929 through the sale of worthless stock. The men involved in the scheme were William Elmer Mead, William Dorey, Harry Morris, and himself. Another "bunco" took place when Charles H. Overstolz and wife from Santa Anna, California were induced to come to Kansas City, Missouri in 1931 where they were swindled out of about $40,000 by fake horse race betting. Another victim or "egg" was Martin Wunderlich, who was "buncoed" out of $200,000.00 in St. Louis, Mo. during the latter part of 1933 on fake horse racing bets. The men involved in this latter scheme were William Elmer Mead, George Childs, Sam Harris and himself. Long stated that he was the "steerer" of Wunderlich, and as a result received $120,000 as his share, out of which he spent $40,000 for "fixing" and other expenses. Long further advised that just before he left Florida about February 1, 1936 he met Jew Goldie, true name not known in Miami, Florida, who advised him that Sammie Gates from Minneapolis, Minn. had a "fix" with the city and county police at San Antonio, Texas and was operating a fictitious bookie or "store" in the vicinity of the St. Anthony Hotel and that the "bunco" men, including Elmer (Mead) were going there; that about February 7, 1936 he (Long) while in Chicago received a telegram from Mead, using the name of Hall, from San Antonio, requesting him to come to San Antonio. Long stated that if he wanted to get in touch with Mead he would either go to San Antonio and go to the lobby of the Anthony Hotel and wait for some of the boys("bunco men"), or inquire for Sammie Gates; that Mead undoubtedly had his wife in an apartment in San Antonio and was working out of that city. He also stated that Mrs. Mead is corresponding with Barney Bertsche referred to above, and Mead keeps in touch with William Skidmore, notorious gambler, politician and "fixer" in Chicago; that if he (Long) could not get in touch with Mead in San Antonio he would contact Bertsche or Skidmore in Chicago, tell them that he was here, and request them to notify Mead when they next heard from him. The San Antonio office

was advised of this information by teletype and referred to letter from the Little Rock office to the San Antonio office dated March 19, 1936, setting out similar information. The Bureau by teletype directed that Martin Wunderlich be contacted as to whether he would testify against Long in State Court, and if so the facts should be turned over to the proper State officials for prosecution.

The Kansas City Bureau office was therefore requested to contact Wunderlich who was finally traced by that office to Denver, Colorado, but from telegraphic advice from the Denver office it appeared that Wunderlich hesitates to prosecute, for fear of publicity. Wunderlich talked over the telephone from Salena, Kansas on May 12, 1936 to Agent, and stated he would arrive in Chicago, Illinois on the morning of May 14, 1936 to see Lon & and endeavor to recover some of his money; that he was hesitant about causing Long's prosecution. It is noted that a copy of a teletype from the Kansas City office to the St. Paul office dated May 6, 1936 advises that Leon Felix, under the name of L. F. Davis with associates was then stopping at the Dyckman Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Long upon further interview advised that a Jew by the name of Soloway, known as Hamburger Sol, who hangs out in front of Lindys, or in a pool hall downstairs, at 42nd and Broadway, New York City, acts as a kind of information bureau for confidence men and their whereabouts. Hamburger Sol is described as being about 45 years of age, fat, full face, some times smooth shaven, some times wearing a mustache, about 5 feet 7 inches, weight about 180 pounds; talks constantly.

Jew Oscar, who hangs out at Oden's, or the Carl Inn on 72nd Street near Broadway, New York City is another source of information for confidence men. Jew Oscar is described as about 50 years old, slender, about 5 feet 3 inches tall, about 120 pounds, reddish hair, ruddy complexion. Long also advised that a hotel located on the south-west corner of 72nd and Broadway is a hangout for confidence men. Long always refers to Mead as Elmer.

Accompanied by E. W. McGibbon, manager, Berkshire Hotel, 15 East Ohio Street, Agent searched through Long's effects in room 514, and the following data was obtained:

An air mail letter addressed to Charles O. Long, St. Ann's Hospital, 4900 West Thomas Street, Chicago, Illinois, return address A. F. Stoll, Box 47, Niles, Michigan. This letter was postmarked April 20, 1936 and written on stationery of the Twin Cities Chevrolet Company, Inc. Benton Harbor, Michigan, which Long formerly was part owner of.

Letter from Mrs. Long, Sarasota, Florida addressed to C.O. Long, 190 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois care of C. H. Hoffman, room 1038.

Receipted bills made out to Charles Layton and Charles Long, from the Parkway Hotel, 2100 Lincoln Parkway, Chicago.

Calling card with the name Chicago Merchandise and Equipment Company, 328 Exchange Avenue, Union Stock Yards, Chicago.

A note bearing the telephone number Dorchester 4300. This was checked and found to be listed to the Plaisance Hotel Corporation, 1545 East 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Premium due notice from the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, head office Montreal, Policy number 13-1589760.

Prescription from Harry J. Dooley, M.D., Medical Arts Building 715 Lake Street, Oak Park, Illinois dated September 3, 1935.

Calling card bearing the information "The Boulevard Cocktail Lounge, 1021 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois."

Calling card bearing the information "Roy I. Levinson, 1455 Insurance Exchange, 175 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois".

Two boxes of matches with the names of the Breakers, Palm Beach, Florida, and the Patio, Palm Beach, Florida.

Loan notice from the Investors Syndicate, 100 North 7th St. Minneapolis, Minnesota, certificate number 607471.

In Long's room was also found a 22 caliber Remington automatic rifle, model number 24, gun number 52555, and one box of 22 caliber hollow point cartridges.

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The Berkshire Hotel records reflected that Long had telephoned to Blue Island 2121, listed in the name of John H. Trundle, 2200 West 121st Street, Blue Island, Illinois;

Blue Island 84, listed to Cliff Vandenburg, 2653 West Vermont St. Blue Island, Illinois;

Dearborn 9421, listed to Hoffman Martin and Company, 190 North State Street, room 1038, Chicago, Illinois;

Hyde Park 6514, Winifred Gallagher, 6454 South Kimbark Ave. Chicago,Illinois;

Juniper 5491, listed to Roy L. Levinson, 4823 North Lawndale Avenue, apartment 2, Chicago,Illinois.

Keystone 5827, listed to Benjamin Levinson, 3309 West Cullom Avenue, apartment 1, Chicago,Illinois.

Central 4455 listed to Ayers Rosa and Long, 111 West Washington Street, Chicago,Illinois.

Mr. McGibbon further stated that Long claimed to be a paint salesman. No one resembling Mead had been seen at the hotel.

Mr. Lee Perry, manager, Parkway Hotel, advised from the records that Charles O. Long used the name of Charles Layton, and claiming to be the brother of a professional billiard player by the name of Layton, checked into the hotel on February 3, 1936 and checked out April 27, 1936; that during a telephone call made by Long he (Perry) learned that it was Long who was using the name of Layton, and changed his bill accordingly. There were two letters for Long being held by the hotel as he had left no forwarding address. One of these letters written by himself (Long), to a Fred Perry, General Delivery, Jacksonville,Florida had been returned on May 8, 1936. The other was a letter addressed to Long with the return address of Higgins and Frank, designers and importers, 304 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago,Illinois.

The following long distance telephone calls were made:

Sarasota 24847, Sarasota,Florida, called 3/1-19/36; also 4/8/36.

Berwyn 4226, Chicago, Illinois, called April 8, 1936.

Village 4800, Oak Park,Illinois called March 6, 1936, listed to Doctor Henry John Stewart, 7151 Lake St.

Blue Island, 84, called March 17, 1936, mentioned above.

Blue Island 2121, called March 21, 1936,mentioned above.

Niles, Michigan 825-W called March 19, 1936.

Berwyn 4226, an unlisted number, called April 8,1936.

The following names and addresses were found on papers in Long's pocketbook:

2742 Rearer, Lakeview 5172, listed to Alex J. Rosa.

Hayes - Wabash 4932, listed to Max Brodie, 542 South Dearborn St. Room 1011.

M. Leonard, Whitehall 4450, listed to that name at 211 East Delaware.

Tom, 7854 Ellis.

Will, Kenwood 2670,-Hamburger Biatton Hut, 5650 South Vincennes Avenue, first floor.

Sunny, Normal 5213, listed to Kenneth Court Apartments, 5654 South Park Avenue.

Pensacola 2734, listed to John J. Hartigan, 4128 North Tripp, Apartment 2.

L. D. Boxman, 414 North Jefferson St.

Glenwood 2122, Harry Fisk, 268 South 1st Street.

Prescription written by George M. Elgin, 916 West 59th Street, Normal 1682.

Guest card from the Glen Eagles Country Club, 123rd St. and Archer Avenue, bearing notation "This entitles E. B. Garrison and party of four to inspect course and pass all construction lines from 10/4/36 to 4/10/36.

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Long likewise had in his possession a 90 day promissory note dated April 18, 1936, in the sum of $3,000.00. Louise E. Long was given as the payee and John J. McMahon's signature appeared as the maker of this note; also a receipt dated April 11, 1933 signed by John J. McMahon acknowledging receipt of $10,000 from Charles Long. The second receipt is dated

May 25, 1933 signed by McMahon, and showing receipt from Louise Long of $2,000.00. Among these papers was also noted a notice of protest dated Chicago, Illinois June 22, 1933 regarding a $3,000.00 check dated June 19, 1933 payable to the Banco di Napoli Trust Company of Chicago and signed by John J. McMahon and endorsed by Charles O. Long; Farmers and Merchants National Bank and Trust Company, Benton Harbor, Michigan; and Federal Reserve Bank, Chicago, Illinois. This notice of protest was sworn to before Vito LoSacco, notary public for Cook County. The original check mentioned above in the sum of $3,000 dated June 19, 1933 drawn on the Banco di Napoli Trust Company to the order of Charles O. Long and signed John J. McMahon was also in Long's possession. This check is endorsed by Long and was subsequently endorsed by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and the Farmers and Merchants Bank and Trust Company, Benton Harbor, Michigan on June 4, 1933, and is stamped showing the account of McMahon was closed. There was also a certificate of protest and notation of insufficient funds among the papers in Long's possession.

In this connection Long was interviewed by Special Agent D.P. Sullivan and the writer and stated that about 1933, being friendly with John J. McMahon a local attorney in Chicago, McMahon asked him for the loan of some money. Long thereupon loaned McMahon $15,000. Subsequent thereto Long was unsuccessful in collecting this debt and learned that McMahon had previous to contracting this debt, embezzled some money belonging to a woman client in playing the stock market, and in order to cover his lossess borrowed $15,000 from Long, figuring he would recover the sum he had already lost, but he thereafter played the stock market with Long's money and also lost that amount. Long stated since 1933 he has collected approximately $5,000.00 of the $15,000 that McMahon owes him.

In connection with the above mentioned telephone numbers Long stated that Kenwood 2670 was the number that he called in contacting Wynn McCullough, a negro who operates a policy game. Long stated that this man had no connection with buncoing or confidence games. Long stated further that L. D. Bozman, 414 North Jefferson Street, Albany, Georgia is a chance acquaintance that he had met some two years ago and that he visited Bozman at Albany on one occasion and both went hunting in that vicinity. Long stated that this man has no connection with any criminals or confidence games. He stated he carried the name and address of Doctor George M. Elgin merely because someone had suggested to him that he was a capable occulist and Long intended going to him to have his eyes examined.

Long also had in his possession the name of James Buchanan. Upon interview he stated that Buchanan was a member of the firm of Buchanan and Coakley, Producing and Potential Oil Royalties, suite 640-642 Burdick Hotel, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Long stated that these men had no connection

with the confidence game business.

Concerning the other telephone numbers and addresses in Long's possession he was reluctant to discuss them and provided no information concerning these individuals, and became highly indignant when questioned concerning the identity of these persons. Long refused to give any information concerning his relatives other than giving the address of his present wife and father-in-law. He stated however during the course of the interviews that he had previously been married and had children by that marriage, but refused to give the name and address of his former wife, and children.

The name of Louis Nathan, 606 South Wabash Avenue was mentioned but Long stated that Mead would be unlikely to contact Nathan, inasmuch as Nathan bore the reputation of being a stool pigeon. Long stated further that Nathan had an individual named "Black Tony" working for him who was a general handy man. He stated that Nathan has in the past been considered a contact for confidence men arriving in Chicago but on various occasions confidence men when arrested in Chicago had passed the story through the "trade" that the only person whom they had contacted in Chicago was Nathan, the inference being that Nathan was the only one who could have turned them in to the Police. During the course of the interview Long refused to give details concerning his activities but stated that about six years ago he had made two "touches" with Mead in Pennsylvania, one at Allentown or Bethlehem, Pennsylvania with two other men. Long stated he could not recall the identity of the other two men who took part in this confidence game; that they obtained between $20,000 and $30,000 from some bootlegger whose name Long cannot now recall. Long stated that about the same time with Mead and Benny Harris, they obtained approximately $30,000 from a bootlegger in Newark, New Jersey. Long stated that about six years ago confidence men had a "store" at Havana, Cuba; that Frank McSherry whom Long described as about 45 years old, height 5 feet 8 inches, weight 160 pounds, complexion dark, hair dark, was interested in this "store" with one "Cuban Frank"; that Frank is now dead; that confidence men at that time and probably at the present hung about Sloppy Joe's place and the Alcazar Hotel while in Havana. Long stated further that the two men who "fixed" the authorities at Havana and who were the present contacts for confidence men at that time were Perro the Chink" and Juan Jimenez; that after the death of Cuban Frank friction developed between Perro and Juan and as a result confidence men had not been frequenting Havana for the past year or more.

Long stated that he was acquainted with "Cash" McDonald who recently was convicted and sentenced in this case in connection with the exchange of ransom money in Cuba. He stated that about 1924 McDonald

operated a "store" in Detroit, Michigan; that he (Long) at that time was bringing prospects into the "store" operated by McDonald; that William Elmer Mead was also acquainted with McDonald although to Long's knowledge Mead has not worked with McDonald in the past. Long mentioned when speaking of sources of information that word had passed among the confidence men that Art O'Leary who was convicted of harboring John Dillinger was reported to be in the employ of the Government and was considered a stool pigeon.

Inasmuch as Barney Bertsche stated that Mrs.Mead had retained the firm of McKenzie and Evans, accountants in connection with the income tax lien against her apartment house, discreet inquiry has revealed that this firm is considered legitimate. Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and the writer contacted Mr. Theoren L. Evans of this firm and he came to the Chicago Bureau office where he was interviewed. Mr. Evans stated that about 1927 he was retained by Timothy J. Crowe, former president of the Board of Trustees of the Cook County Sanitary District, to do some accounting work in connection with an income tax prosecution pending against him. Evans stated that his firm obtained some little publicity as a result of this case and that about April 1934 Mrs. Marie Mead, wife of Elmer Mead came to his office and desired that he make an accounting of the profits and expenses of her apartment house at 1533 Fargo Avenue. At that time according to Evans Mrs.Mead mentioned she had heard of him in connection with the income tax matter against Timothy J. Crowe, although she indicated that she was not acquainted with either Mr. or Mrs.Crowe. At that time Mrs. Mead put up $1000 as a retainer. Evans stated that $500 of this was in local tax warrants; that he cannot recall where Mrs. Mead obtained these tax warrants but advised that at that time they could be obtained openly and were negotiable, and it would be almost impossible to trace same; that after he had received the $500.00 in tax warrants she gave him an additional $500.00 in cash; that since that time he has done some little work and has made two or three trips to Washington in an effort to have the lien against the property at 1533 Fargo Avenue withdrawn. Evans stated that he has no occasion to get in touch with Mrs. Mead except on infrequent occasions inasmuch as the Internal Revenue Bureau has advised him that no positive and definite action will be taken in connection with the lien on Mrs.Mead's property until such time as William Elmer Mead is apprehended. He stated that some time during the fall of 1935, probably October, Mrs. Mead told him that she intended to take a trip and stated she would be gone a few months. Evans stated that since the spring of 1934 he knew that William Elmer Mead was a fugitive; that for this reason he had no information and never inquired concerning this matter, fearing a possible charge of harboring; that Mrs.Mead when she left made no mention of where she was going or how contact could be established with her.

Evans stated he has not heard from her since and does not believe it probable that she will get in touch with him until she returns to Chicago. Evans confidentially stated that Mrs. Mead has mentioned that she hopes to prove by witnesses that the money with which she purchased the apartment house at 1533 Fargo was obtained by her in San Francisco about 1916 although she did not indicate to him the identity of these witnesses. Evans was questioned thoroughly but stated he had received no money other than the $1000 mentioned above from Mrs. Mead; that he knew of no other money or property in her possession. He stated that Mrs. Mead had had one bank account which had been attached by the Internal Revenue Bureau, but that she kept only a small cash balance in this account and customarily placed therein only the receipts from the rentals at 1533 Fargo. Evans mentioned that Mrs. Mead had told him that she kept her money in safe deposit boxes but did not indicate where these boxes were located. Evans promised his cooperation, stating he would advise the Chicago office should he hear from Mrs. Mead. It may be stated however that during the course of this interview Evans did not appear to be entirely frank and open and it is somewhat doubtful whether he is acting in good faith. He states he will if the oppertunity arises turn Mead in.

R. J. Kauffman of Howard-Kroehl Company, 105 West Adams St. was interviewed and advised that about two years ago he was in Sarasota, Florida and saw Charles Gallagher who said then that his name was Charles Long; that he had known Gallagher in Blue Island, Illinois about twenty years ago; that his (Gallagher's) father was running a cookie shop and Charles Gallagher was delivering; that Gallagher was married and had a daughter. He later divorced his wife and she and the daughter have since married.

At the Post Office, Blue Island, Illinois it was learned that Mrs. Charles Gallagher had re-married, and that her present husband is P.C. Tiggellaar, and that she was living at 13046 Maple Avenue, Blue Island. Agent went to this address and noted the name on the mail box, but no one was at home. Inquiry of a boy working about the house developed that Mrs. Tiggellaar had divorced Charles Gallagher and that he had a mother living in Chicago, and a daughter recently married who was living in Blue Island. It will be noted above that one of the persons Long telephoned to was a Winifred Gallagher, 6434 South Kimbark Avenue. As Long has promised to obtain information regarding the present whereabouts of Mead and notify the Chicago office interview of his relatives is not deemed proper at this time.

Edward Powers, States Attorney's office, Chicago, Illinois stated that Long was wanted by that office for receiving stolen property in

1928; that two indictments were pending against him. There was a question in his mind whether or not witnesses could be located at this time to prosecute Long.

On May 8, 1936 Long was turned over to the States Attorney's office and on May 11th the State's case was nolle prossed and Long was released.

Checks made by Agent at 1533 West Fargo Avenue at various times, the last time on May 15, 1936, revealed that Mrs.Mead has not as yet taken her mail from the mail box or occupied her apartment.

Disposition sheet is transmitted herewith to the Bureau showing disposition of Long's case in the State Courts. Long was photographed and fingerprinted at the Chicago Bureau office on May 5, 1936, and fingerprints forwarded to the Bureau.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE: In the State of Louisiana will contact Police departments of the larger cities to ascertain if any information has been received as to confidence games being worked on road or highway building contractors, as Mead suggested to Long that Louisiana would be a fine territory to work in on account of the road building going on.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE: Will continue the investigation to locate Leon Felix alias H. C. Howard, whose wife is in the Tehachapi State prison for women. It will be noted that Felix was with Mead in January at West Palm Beach, Florida.

CHICAGO OFFICE: At Chicago, Illinois at a later date will reinterview Barney Bertsche, 5908 Magnolia Avenue; Charles Long, Berkshire Hotel, 15 E. Ohio St.; also interview William Skidmore, 2840 South Kedzie Avenue; continue check at 1533 West Fargo Avenue for reappearance of Mrs.Mead. If Long fails to provide information check and interview all persons whose names or telephone numbers were found in his possession.

ST.PAUL OFFICE: At Minneapolis, Minn. will obtain all possible information as to Sammie Gates and locate him for possible information regarding the whereabouts of Mead. Will also try to locate and interview Leon Felix with reference to the whereabouts of Mead.

NEW YORK OFFICE: At New York City will attempt to locate Hamburger Sol who hangs out in front of Lindys or in a pool hall downstairs near 42nd and Broadway, and question him relative to the whereabouts of various confidence men including Meade The same should be done with reference to Jew Oscar who is said to hang out at Odens or at the Carl Inn near 72nd and Broadway.

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE: At Sacramento, California ascertain from the California State Bureau of Criminal Identification if they still want Charles Longe.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box 812, Chicago, Ill.
Federal Bureau of Investigation

(Name and address of Contributor)

Date May 20, 1936

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

Dear Sir:-

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

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Prints submitted by Chicago Bureau office 5/5/36	CHARLES O. LONG alias Charles Layton alias Charles Gallagher	On 5/11/36, 2 indictments in State Courts, Chicago, for receiving stolen property nolle prossed, and Long released that day.

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

7-576-11710

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
(Official Title)
Special Agent in Charge.

MAY 22 1936 A.M.
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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VEC:JMS 7-82

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766
Cincinnati, Ohio

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
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Mr. Tracy .....
Miss Gandy .....

PERSONAL and
CONFIDENTIAL.

May 18, 1936.

EJC:MGR
7-43

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

Re: "BREKID."

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of May 12, 1936, Bureau file #7-576, enclosing copy of a letter from United States Attorney E. B. Freed, Cleveland, Ohio, addressed to the Honorable Joseph B. Keenan, Assistant to the Attorney General, enclosing a narrative of events otherwise unidentified, which apparently is the statement of John Brock in part, as made to the Post Office Inspectors in connection with the Warren, Ohio Mail Truck robbery and the Garrettsville, Ohio, train robbery. It is noted that apparently the United States Attorney indicates some concern as to who shall interview Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter as to the details, particularly of the Warren, Ohio Mail truck robbery, inasmuch as they have already convicted George Sargent and Anthony Labrizzetta for this same offense, while apparently Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and another party are the ones really responsible for same.

It is to be noted that we previously in interview of all the above three individuals, when taken into custody, endeavored to obtain some admission from them as to whether or not they had committed either of the above indicated Postal violations and all three were reluctant to admit anything substantial which would indicate that they were in any way involved in either robbery. They are, of course, undoubtedly guilty of these offenses and I have previously indicated to the Post Office Inspectors that they are at liberty to interview Fred Hunter at New Orleans, La., as of May 6, 1936. Harry Campbell has pleaded guilty to the offense of kidnaping Edward G. Bremer and has been sentenced to life imprisonment and provided the Bureau is agreeable, I do not see any reason why the Post Office Inspectors can not interview him, at such time as we complete our further interview with him at St. Paul, Minn., presently being conducted.

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As to the interview of Alvin Karpis, I believe any outside pressure upon him from another Agency might cause him to refuse to plead guilty, as is expected, in the Hamm and Bremer cases, also it might interfere with our present efforts to get further information out of him at this time and both as to Campbell and Karpis, interview by the Post Office Inspectors should be deferred until we have completed our interrogation of them. We will, of course, endeavor to get any information which these individuals will offer as to either of the Postal Violations concerned, in order that same may be made available in the future to the Post Office Inspectors.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Cleveland
St. Paul

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

KRM:MC

May 20, 1936.

7-576

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 25, 1936, in which mention is made of the appeals taken by Harry Sawyer, Cassius McDonald, and William Weaver.

The Bureau desires to be advised immediately concerning the present status of the appeal as to each individual mentioned.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Cleveland
Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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PHONE BREKID NEW GRAND JURY CONVENED EIGHTEENTH INSTANT HERE, WILL AGAIN MEET TWENTY SEVENTH INSTANT. WILL PRESENT HUNTER KARPIS CONSPIRACY COUNT HARBORING

MAGEE

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FBI CINCINNATI 5-21-36 4-05 PM MGR

DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS. POST OFFICE INSPECTORS HAVENOT INTERVIEWED FRED HUNTER AT NEW ORLEANS. AGENT W L BUCHANAN [redacted] YESTERDAY ORDERED RETURN FROM NEW ORLEANS TO TO HEADQUARTERS OKLAHOMA CITY. SAC MAGEE INSTRUCTED AS TO NECESSARY ACTION IN FUTURE AS TO HUNTER.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
May 16, 1936.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Edwards .....
Mr Egan .....
Mr Foxworth .....
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Time - 3:43 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harry Sawyer.

SAC Listerman telephoned me from San Francisco and said he just received a call from Special Agent S. K. McKee, who was calling from Omaha, advising that he was going to be in there, San Francisco, in the morning and wanted to make arrangements to interview Harry Sawyer. Mr. McKee had talked with Mr. Connelley about this matter, who suggested arrangements might be made to get Harry Sawyer out of Alcatraz and on the main land for this interview. Mr. Listerman said he told Mr. McKee while this was somewhat impossible out there, since the Warden would undoubtedly have to get in touch with the Director of the Bureau of Prisons here in Washington for the necessary authority. It was with this thought in mind that Mr. Listerman said he thought the necessary arrangements could be made here in Washington.

I told Mr. Listerman that our chances of getting any cooperation in this regard from the Director of the Bureau of Prisons are practically nil; that, however, I would advise you of this situation, and if nothing is heard out there in the meantime, McKee should proceed with the interview in the regular manner.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

RECORDED 7-596-11715

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 17, 1936.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Nelson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Edwards .....
Mr. Egan .....
Mr. Foxworth .....
Mr. Harbo .....
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Miss Gandy .....

Time - 1:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harry Sawyer.

I telephoned SAC Listerman at the San Francisco Office with reference to Special Agent S. K. McKee and his interview with Sawyer and told him that upon discussing this matter with you, you were of the opinion that McKee had better go over to Alcatraz and under the regular regulations and in the place prescribed by the Warden interview Sawyer and see if he can get anything from him. I told Mr. Listerman that if Sawyer indicates a willingness to talk, but won't talk in the prison or anything of that kind, we will take appropriate steps to have him returned to St. Paul to testify before the grand jury or something of that kind, which will of course give us an opportunity to interview him at our leisure.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

RECORDED 7-576-11716

[illegible]: [illegible] May 14, 1938.

Time 4:0[illegible] P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Lack of cooperation by
Post Office Inspectors.

Mr. Collins in the office of Mr. Keenan telephoned me regarding the receipt by the Department of House Resolution No. 508 which directs the Attorney General to furnish facts regarding an allegation that the Post Office did not cooperate with the Bureau in the capture of Sam Coker. Mr. Collins stated that House Resolution No. 507 is similar to 508 but is directed to the Postmaster General. Mr. Collins read me the answer of the Post Office which states the Post Office has received no complaint from any source and that it is the policy of the Post Office to cooperate with all law enforcement agencies. Mr. Collins stated that Congressman Summers of the Judiciary Committee of the House requests a reply by tomorrow in order that the report may be made to the House on Monday. In response to a request for suggestions I told Mr. Collins that I had sent a memorandum to the Attorney General setting forth all the facts and that I thought we should be [illegible] of the matter by the reply; that I further thought it would be much [illegible] Committee to settle the matter between the Committee. Mr. Collins read me a letter he had drafted in reply and I pointed out that the resolution mentioned only the case of Sam Coker; that it is a fact that the Post Office Inspectors had not only withheld information but had destroyed evidence. Because of this I stated the reply should be certain not to exonerate the Post Office or allow the Committee to come to the conclusion we had no complaint to make. Mr. Collins stated the Committee Chairman wants some kind of a letter so that he may kill the resolution; that the other resolution was going to be killed in the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads. I told Mr. Collins that anything the Department wished to do would be agreeable to me.

Time - 4:14 P.M.

Mr. Keenan telephoned about the above matter and stated the Attorney General's wishes were that the matter be settled between the Departments out of the Committee. I advised Mr. Keenan of a statement which was to appear in out of town newspapers to the effect that the Post Office Inspectors had located Harpis and that I thought this undesirable. Mr. Keenan agreed and stated he would do what he could to stop it. Mr. Keenan stated he would send me a copy of the letter to be sent to the Committee and would do all he could to have the resolution killed.

Very truly yours

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[illegible] Hoover,
Director.

62-116-11717

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 21, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed herewith, one copy each of The Toledo News-Bee, Toledo Morning Times and Toledo Blade, all dated May 19, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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MAY 22 1936

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MAY 25 1936

1442 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 16, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BRIBERY

One Edward McGraw of Toledo, Ohio was incarcerated in the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio in about 1919, having been sentenced to serve one to seven years for receiving stolen property. He was convicted in Lucas County, Ohio.

It is respectfully requested that you immediately conduct appropriate investigation securing six photographs of Edward McGraw and forward them to the Cleveland office immediately.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MACFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

EJ/EJB
CC - Bureau
- Chicago
- St. Paul

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7-576-11719

MAY 22 1936

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May 20, 1936.

KRM:MC

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;
Edward George Brazer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 16, 1936, in the above entitled matter, directed to the Cincinnati Office.

It is desired that one or more photographs of Edward McGraw be forwarded to the Bureau in the near future.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc St. Paul
Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 21, 1936

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

Dear Mr. Ryan: Re: BRKKID

Returned herewith is letter written by Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institution, to her sister, Mrs. C. R. Jones, Box 111, Turley, Oklahoma. The contents of this letter have been carefully noted.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this as in other matters, I remain,

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

HHR:AM
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Enclosure

cc-Bureau ✓

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7-576-1720
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
MAY 23 1936 A. M.
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

827 Broad Street National Bank Building
Trenton New Jersey

May 22, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: BRENID

Dear Sir:

The file in the Trenton Office of the above-entitled case has been reviewed, and it is noted that only one "wanted" notice is at the present time outstanding in this district. This "wanted" notice is for Clyde X Imerick, Bureau #77961, and was placed with various police departments in this district pursuant to Bureau letter dated July 15, 1935.

It is requested that you kindly advise this office if it is deemed necessary to continue this "wanted" notice.

Very truly yours,

E. L. RICHESON
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau
cc Chicago
cc St. Paul

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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KRM:VTL
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May 21, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
ET AL; EDWARD SCHERER BREMER -
VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of the Jacksonville Office dated January 8, 1936, informing that an indebtedness of $65.00 payable to the Mark Store, Incorporated, Miami, Florida, $318.24 to Frank Holkovsky, Clothier, Miami, Florida and $23.00 to Teresa Carmichael was incurred by the Jacksonville Office for suitable clothing to enable witnesses from Florida to proceed to St. Paul, Minnesota during the course of the second Bremer trial at that point.

It is desired that you submit to the Bureau immediately information as to the clothing and the cost of such clothing purchased for each witness who proceeded to St. Paul. It is also desired that you submit to the Bureau a copy of the itemized expenditures furnished to you by the above mentioned stores and Teresa Carmichael.

This matter should be given preferred and expeditious attention.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

cc-Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Cleveland
Cincinnati
St. Paul

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Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. [illegible]
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Miss Gandy

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Postoffice Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
May 21, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir: Re: BRENID

Reference is made to your letter dated May 13, 1936, addressed to the Cincinnati office, concerning the removal of stop notices placed against automobiles in this case.

The only notice which is presently outstanding in this office is one on 1936 Buick sedan, motor number 63052198, which automobile was recently located at Corpus Christi, Texas, and this stop notice is being removed from the files of the Automobile & License Department, State Tax Commission, Montgomery, Alabama.

Very truly yours,

E. P. QUINANE
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Bureau
Cincinnati

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610 Alonzo Ward Hotel Building
Aberdeen, South Dakota

May 19, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir: Re: NRKID

In answer to your letter of May 13, 1936, please be advised that stops placed at the State Motor Vehicle Registration Bureaus of North and South Dakota on Buick Motor No. 6305198, have been removed.

A review of the file in this office developed the information that a stop had been placed against parties under the name of G. R. Benton, alias George Benton, and Mary Forth. Also against a Plymouth sedan, Motor No. PJ 322,722. Serial No. 2619357.

Please advise this office if the above mentioned car has been located and whether or not the stops should be removed in the states of North and South Dakota.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI
Special Agent in Charge

MK:B
cc: Bureau
cc: St. Paul
cc: Cincinnati

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Chas. L. Premier

607 Broad Street National Bank Building
Trenton New Jersey

May 22, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ERSKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 13, 1936, dated May 13, 1936, in which it is requested that each Field Office review its file in the above-entitled case and advise the Chicago Office of the number of Stop Notices still outstanding in this district on automobiles believed to have been in possession of subjects in this case.

A review of the file reflects that only one stop notice is outstanding in this district, to wit, stop notice [illegible] Plymouth four-door sedan, motor number [illegible] serial number [illegible], which was placed December 14, 1935, at the Motor Vehicle Bureau, State of New Jersey.

Very truly yours,

E. L. RICHMOND
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

May 20, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the St. Paul Office of May 6, 1936, the last paragraph directing that immediate investigation be conducted at Paris, Texas, with reference to purchase of Ford Coupe, also concerning the location of Karpis' guns; to telegram from Agent in Charge Connelley, then at Cleveland, under date of May 22, 1936, instructing that no action be taken as to search or other inquiry at the farms of the brothers of Grace Goldstein in the vicinity of Paris, Texas; and to personal and confidential letter from Agent in Charge Brantley, then at Dallas, under date of April 20, 1936, which shows that a Ford Coupe was registered by Mrs. E. Woods, who is Grace Goldstein, at Paris, Texas, and that this is the car in possession of Leonard Grayson.

Unless instructed to the contrary by the Bureau, no inquiry will be made at Paris or vicinity relative to this matter.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Blake

F. J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

RBC:ON

May 20, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Re: Motion picture film concerning the apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

On May 18, 1936, the Laboratory received approximately 100 feet of 35 millimeter silent negative film concerning the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, which was obtained from a Pathe News cameraman and forwarded by SAC Stein of the St. Paul Office, the scenes of which are described in the cover letter.

On May 19, 1936, the Laboratory received a sound print, approximately 200 feet in length, of the Pathe newsreel entitled, "Yellow Dogs", also concerning the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, which was forwarded from the Director's Office.

On receipt of the above-mentioned films Mr. Joseph's Office was requested to acknowledge the same. Both films will be subsequently sent out to be reduced to 16 millimeter for showing, at which time a detailed description of the scenes depicted will be forwarded to you.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

E. P. Coffey.

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722 Midland Savings Bldg.,
Denver, Colo.
May 20, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BRKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Chicago letter, dated May 13, 1936, to the Cincinnati Office concerning stop notices places with the Secretaries of State for Wyoming and Colorado against registration of automobiles involved in this case.

The stop notice placed against the registration of 1936 Buick Sedan, Motor #63052198, Serial #2995972, has been withdrawn.

The following described automobiles involved in this case, however, are still on the "wanted list" with the Secretaries of State of both Colorado and Wyoming:

Chevrolet Coupe, Motor #4135550, Serial #1DAC-313359

Ford V-8, Motor #18-493080, 1935 Ohio license C28771

Pontiac Sedan, 1933, Motor #935155, Serial #815227

Chevrolet Sedan, Motor #4543554, Serial #1DA07-49267

Packard Club Sedan, Motor #189533, Serial #476-273

1935 Plymouth Sedan, Deluxe, Motor #PJ328772, Serial #2619857

It is requested that the Denver Bureau Office be advised if these wanted notices may be withdrawn as to the above listed automobiles.

Very truly yours,

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R. D. BROWN,
Special Agent
in Charge

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202 U. S. Courthouse
El Paso, Texas
May 20, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Ill.

Re: BARKER

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 13, 1936, wherein it is requested that each field office advise your office as to the number of stop notices still outstanding on automobiles believed to have been in possession of subjects in this case.

Stop notices are presently outstanding at the Division of Motor Vehicles, Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the following automobiles in this case:

1. Chevrolet Sedan, Motor #51147458
2. Chevrolet Coupe, Motor #4655473
3. Packard Sedan, Motor #185333
4. Plymouth Sedan, Motor #P1522772
5. Ford Coupe, Motor #18-1033430
6. Ford Sedan, Motor #899365
7. Chevrolet Sedan, Motor #4545856
8. Auburn Sedan, Motor #B31587
9. Buick Sedan, Motor #2787868
10. Buick Sedan, Motor #2858090
11. Ford Sedan, Motor #18-4850802
12. Pontiac Sedan, Motor 835-140
13. Ford Coupe, Motor #328420
14. Chevrolet Sedan, Motor #3554874
15. Chevrolet Sedan, Motor #81821, changed to #8180
16. Ford Coupe, Motor #18-3041284
17. Graham-Paige Sedan, Motor #1024021

It is requested that you advise on which of the above automobiles stop notices may be withdrawn.

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Very truly yours,

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R. H. COLVIN
Special Agent in Charge

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RHC:mw
cc-Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
May 21, 1936.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

The trial of Myrtle Eaton under the Harboring Indictments returned in this District will be had at Jacksonville on June 1, 1936. The United States Attorney at Jacksonville has issued subpoenas for the following Special Agents:

R. C. SURAN
D. P. SULLIVAN
J. E. BRENNAN
M. J. CASSIDY
M. W. MEEKINS

I have discussed with Assistant United States Attorney William A. Paisley the necessity for these Agents and he advises that they are all necessary witnesses. Copies of this letter are being forwarded to those offices where these Agents are located in order that arrangements may be made for their presence at Jacksonville on the date indicated.

Arguments on the Demurrer to the Conspiracy Indictment will be heard at Jacksonville on May 25, 1936. Mr. Paisley advises me that in the event the Demurrer is sustained there is a possibility that the defendant will enter a plea of guilty to the substantive charge. In this event the Bureau and the interested offices will be notified by telegram in order that the Agents may not report to Jacksonville. However, in the absence of such telegraphic notification, the Agents should report.

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Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan
Special Agent in Charge

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY.
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 21, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of a letter written by Wynona Burdette, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, to her sister, Mrs. C. R. Jones, Box 111, Turley, Oklahoma.

The original letter is being returned to Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention Farm.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Cincinnati "

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Letter addressed:
Mrs. C. R. Jones
Turley, Oklahoma, Box 111.

Milan, Mich.
May 19, 1936
Box 1000.

(Millie)

Darling sis & nieces:-

Just received your dear letters and pictures gee, I surely was glad to get them & hear from you and I don't mean per. Well, how are all of you feeling? fine! oh, doody doody.

Gosh, we have been having the most wonderful weather up here, and I'm really getting a tan, & how! I'll bet it's plenty warm down there. Isn't it? but how I would love to be inhaling some of that Oklahoma air, um, um, well, I hope I will be before long.

It certainly is sweet of Mrs. Bussman to ask about me. How are all of your friends. are they all good to you & the babies? they had sure better be.

Millie, dear, you just brag on your babies all you want too, I think it is wonderful. I know if I had 6 as sweet as yours, I would stand on a house top & brag all my lungs would allow me to. I think you have a swell family and I would want every one to know about them. boy, oh boy, I'm so glad they are doing so good in school. I can just see & hear all of you singing together. Are the children singing on the children's hour? or what? over KVOO. I really think your kiddies are doing wonderful so Kathleen & Mary Ellen are going into the seventh grade. boy they're doing better than the average.

Some of these nights I'll be slippin' up on you when you're singing and hear you, but after while I will join in on the chorus. Ha Ha.

Millie, sweet, it is so sweet of you to keep little Ellen & send her to school. but you were always a darlin' and always had such a big heart. I would love to have some of their school work.

My gosh, honey, if your kiddies don't quit growing they will be as big as their aunt Nonie honestly their growing out of my reach, the girls just had a fit over all of them, they say I certainly have a fine group of nieces & nephews. Now, listen, Millie, dear, you & Jim are going to make me have the big head. I really don't think I was as near a good looking young girl as Mary Ellen is. That is a real compliment for me, thankie you. You say Mary Ellen is as pretty as a doll, but yet she looks like me. Well don't tell her that, because if you could have heard what a news reporter had to say about me the other night, boy, he really layed my soal to rest. He said some of we gangester's women were <u>dumb</u> & not even pretty, isn't that good? He said we

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were women so-sos.

Honey, girl, I'll bet Cecil is a knockout. It surely doesn't seem like he should be four years old. Yes, I guess he will always be a baby to all of us. After all he is just a baby, little tiny baby boy.

How is Homer & his wife getting along? Are they seperated yet? Ha Ha tell him "Hello" for me and her too.

Had a letter from Art & Helen yesterday, he's out of a job & of course he is lonesome to come home. he doesn't come out and say so but I can tell by his & Helens letters that he wants to get back to Okla. so bad he cannot see. Helen told me in her letter that Art said if he didn't hit some work, he was going back to Oklahoma. gee, I hope they do. Art, bless his heart, said it seems as tho' every one had forgotten him but Jim & I.

I hear from Aaron every once in a while he is in the hospital at Wadsworth Kansas, he writes very sweet letters.

Well, dear, I must close & write Jim a few lines. You will find her letter over on the other side of this sheet. This letter is leaving me feeling swell & I hope when it reaches there you will all be well & happy. With loads & gobs of love, from your baby sis & Aunty. Kiss each other for me. Answer soon. X O X O X O.

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(Jim)

May 19, 1936
Milan, Mich.
Box 1000

Hello Darling sis & Niece:-

Well, how you was Keet? and how is our dear baby Ellen. I guess my letters bore you kids a lot when I wrote about you forgetting me, even though I know better I just keep writing that way, but only when I have the blues, dear. Yes, honey, I have found out since I've been in here that love should be very precious to one. It is a funny thing when I was in the free world I was a very foolish girl, my highest ambission was to fool some man but, honey, your baby sis has been taught a lesson I shall never forget. We live & learn every day, don't we?

Jim, you must not say you are marked off my list (as usual) I didn't know your address honey. I wrote you 3 or 4 diffrent times at Ponca c/o W.B.B.Z. and never had an answer so when I came here and they ask who I wanted to write to, I just picked the ones with addresses I knew. Jimmie please dont you & Ruth feel hurt - because I wouldnt hurt any of you for the world. No, Im not mad at you and I would love to see you too, so you write in with Mildred.

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If you want too you can write every week you know. You & Millie write me often won't you Jim? if you just say hello & your feeling good, Keet, you should know it means a whole lot 'cause I know when you & Eunice were on the rode you got awfully homesick and I get so blue to see all you kids that if they turned me out of here barefooted I would walk all the way home.

No, I'm not going to let myself get any heavyer, my double chin showes up too plain. Ha Ha but really I have lost 4½ lbs. since Harry was picked up.

Oh, sis, you don't need to think I get the big head because you brag on my voice, but thank you. Yes Im taking voice and I really enjoy itvery much. I am learning to sign in Hawaiian, gee I love it.

Honey, I don't catch just what you mean by me thinking you are goofy. I don't remember ever saying you were goofy or are you just kidding? Any way I don't think any of we Kids will ever get old. We will always be able to laugh and have a little fun. Won't we Keet? Maybe I had one drink to many. Ha Ha.

Say, Sister O'Mine, what in the world do you mean by Eunice & singing & you trying to hit a true note. And you were always classed the best singer in our family and as for you & Millie harmonizing together, I'll bet you do a darn good job of it because you both have good voices.

Yes, Esther & Gwen wrote & told me about you being up their & Gwen said you were doing your hair up now. Gee I'll bet it looks good. Mine is getting awfully long but I don't think Ill have it cut, would you?

Yes, I hear from Art & Aaron quite often. I sure wish Art would come home too. I had a letter the other day from Art & Helen & Helen said Art was talking about coming home if he didnt find work.

Im so glad to know all of you are well & feeling peppy. Tell Cecil Aunty says ho, right back at him, bless his little heart.

How is Ellen? Eunice said she was a little doll & as smart as a whip. Gee would I love to see all of you. Kiss little Ellen & have her kiss you for me.

Oh yes, do you think a guy could find work down that way. Ha Ha, Lord have mercy cant I think of nice things to say.

Yes, sis, Ellen looks just like you only she has her daddys nose, don't you think? the pictures were awfully sweet & I have them setting around in my cell. Well dear I must close, I've run out of writing paper, so Ill say this is WDF signing off, with Loads & loads of Love to you both from your baby sis & Aunty. Nona B. Answer soon.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
May 16, 1936.

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Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Baughman
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Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The Executives Conference at its meeting on May 15, 1936, considered the inquiry made by Mr. Schilder as to whether it was advisable to display the fingerprints of Alvin Karpis in the Exhibit Room with the classifications appearing thereon. Mr. Schilder indicated that he had observed these fingerprints and they reflected an excellent job of mutilation. He observed also that entirely different classifications appear on the prints.

Messrs. Clegg, Edwards and Schilder were of the opinion these fingerprints should not be displayed, while Messrs. Quinn and Tamm thought that their display was appropriate although they did not feel that the different classifications should be indicated.

I agree with Quinn & Tamm 5-19

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Those present at this meeting were -

Mr. T. D. Quinn
Mr. J. J. Edwards
Mr. H. H. Clegg
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. L. C. Schilder

Respectfully,
For the Conference,

Clyde Tolson, Chairman.

T. D. Quinn, Secretary.

Resignations deleted 5-22-36 TDQ

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 21, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir: BREKID

Reference is made to letter from the Chicago Office dated May 13, 1936, addressed to the Cincinnati Office, a copy of which was furnished to all offices.

This is to advise that the stop notice placed against 1936 Buick Sedan, motor #63052198, serial #2895972, in this State has been withdrawn.

The only stop notice outstanding in connection with this case in this district is against Plymouth Four Door Sedan, motor PJ 322,772, serial 2,619,857.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: ALVIN KARPAVICZ (TN), A. CARTER, RAYMOND HANDLEY, GEORGE HALLER, ALVIN KORPIS, A. KORPIS, EARL PEEL, ALVIN KAPIS, GEORGE DUNN, R.E.HAMILTON, RAY HUNTER, RAY KARPIS, E.L. BURNS, EARL LYMAN BURNS, R.L.BURNS, J.F.BURNS, WILLIAM LOHMAN, WILLIAM B. LOHMAN, R.E.NELSON, MERION BRADFORD, MARION BRADFORD, H.J.MILGRETH, H.G.MILGRETH, HOWARD MILGRETH, E.L.BURNES, RAY HALL, DAN MURPHY, "CHI" KARPIS, RAYMOND HADLEY, ALBIN KARPIS, "JAMES", CHARLES M. BRONSON, LEROY MORRISON, E.M.WAGNER, H.G.WAGGONER, ELMER WAGNER, E.N.WAGNER, EDWARD N. WAGNER, L.I.WOODS, A.S.GREEN, RAY GREEN, E.N.GREEN, CHARLES A. RICHARDS, W.B.LOHMAN, "SLIM", RAYMOND ALVIN KARPIS, RAY CARSON, T.N.NELSON, R.J.BURNS, RAY HADLEY, R.S.CARSON, ED KING, E.F.COLLINS, EDWARD O'HARA, FRANK A. GLEASON, I.O. #1218.

HARRY CAMPBELL, aliases: DAVE CAMPBELL, T.C.BLACKBURN, GEORGE L. MARTIN, GEORGE NELSON, JOHN WALCOTT, GEORGE WALCOTT, GEORGE WINFIELD, GEORGE SWANSON, "DAVE", G.L.SUMMERS, G.F.SUMMERS, G.SUMMERS, T.E.BLACKBURN, C.C.CAMERON, G.C.CAMERON, GEORGE F. SUMMERS, GEORGE SUMMERS, "BUFF", "BUFFALO", I. O. #1236.

DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, aliases: JOSEPH B. MORAN, JOSEPH C. MORAN, "DOC" MORAN, JOSEPH PATRICK MORAN, I.O. #1232.

FRED JOHN HUNTER, aliases: FRED HUNTER, FREDDIE HUNTER, FRED KING, HAROLD KING, H. KING, H.J.KING, FRED HARRIS, FRED JOHN HENDERSON, EDWARD O'HARA, E.O'HARA.

ET AL.

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

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

SUMMARY REPORT

This summary is being prepared for the assistance of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, in prosecuting Subject Fred Hunter for harboring Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana, intermittently between the dates of April 2 and May 1, 1936.

On January 17, 1934, Edward George Bremer was kidnaped at St. Paul, Minnesota, and transported interstate to Bensenville, Illinois, where he was held for

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: D. W. Moggi SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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$200,000.00 ransom. Mr. Bremer was released on February 7, 1934, at Rochester, Minn., only after payment of the ransom demanded. On January 22, 1935, the Federal Grand Jury convening at St. Paul, Minn., returned a true bill of indictment charging Alvin Karpis, with aliases, and others, with conspiring one with the other, between the dates of December 1, 1933, and May 1, 1934, to kidnap and transport interstate and to hold for $200,000.00 ransom one Edward George Bruer, in violation of Title 18, Section 408a, U.S.Code. As a result of this indictment, a warrant was issued on January 22, 1935, for the arrest of Alvin Karpis but he remained a fugitive from justice until May 1, 1936, when he was arrested, in company with Fred Hunter, at New Orleans, Louisiana, by the Director and Bureau Agents.

Between January 20, 1935, and June of the same year, Subject Fred Hunter is alleged to have become acquainted with Alvin Karpis at Warren, Ohio. In spite of the fact that Hunter knew there was a federal warrant outstanding for the arrest of Karpis in connection with his participation in the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, Hunter associated with, harbored, and concealed Subject Karpis, intermittently from the time of their meeting until May 1, 1936, when they were apprehended in New Orleans, Louisiana, by the Bureau.

Investigation has revealed that on April 2, 1936, Hunter, accompanied by Karpis, arrived in New Orleans, Louisiana, in Hunter's 1936 Ford Coupe, which had been registered previously in the states of Texas and Florida under the alias of H. J. King. On this occasion, Karpis purchased a 1936 Plymouth Coupe from the Quality Motors, Inc., for Hunter, causing the same to be registered in the state of Louisiana under the name of Edward O'Hara, an alias later to be used by Subject Hunter. The two subjects herein involved proceeded to the Fernwood-by-the-Sea Tourist Camp, located between Biloxi and Gulfport, Mississippi, in the Plymouth Coupe, where they registered under the name of E. O'Hara and party, New Orleans. On April 3, 1936, Hunter and Karpis returned to New Orleans, at which time Hunter disposed of his 1936 Ford Coupe to the Used Car Manager of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., then returned to the Fernwood-by-the-Sea Tourist Camp, where they remained registered until April 8, 1936, at which time they checked out, but returned to this same tourist camp on April 9, 1936, remaining until April 10, 1936. On April 10, 1936, Subject Hunter, using the alias of Edward O'Hara, rented an apartment at 3343 Canal Street, in the city of New Orleans, and resided at this address until his arrest. During this period, Hunter permitted Subject Karpis to use his apartment as an asylum, to come and go as he saw fit in eluding arrest by Federal Agents. Hunter verbally admitted to Bureau Agents that Subject Karpis took refuge in his apartment on the afternoon of April 27, 1936. While the apartment was under surveillance on May 1, 1936, Subject Karpis was observed to have frequented Hunter's apartment at 3343 Canal Street, in the city of New Orleans, on that date.

On April 15, 1936, Karpis, as E. F. Collins, purchased a 1936 Terraplane Coupe, motor #192081, from the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., and it was in this car that he first arrived at the apartment of Fred Hunter at 3343 Canal Street, on the morning of May 1, 1936.

On May 4, 1936, a complaint was filed before United States Commissioner Reginald H. Carter, Jr., charging Subject Fred Hunter with violation of Title 18, Section 246, U. S. Code, in harboring and concealing Subject Alvin Karpis, well

knowing that an indictment had been returned against Karpis by a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, in connection with his participation in the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer on January 17, 1934. On May 6, 1936, Subject Hunter appeared before U. S. Commissioner Carter, at New Orleans, and waived hearing, at which time he was taken into custody by U. S. Marshal Philip Albares and remanded to the Federal Jail, New Orleans, La., in default of $200,000.00 bond.

WITNESSES

The Court will be able to take judicial notice of the certified copy of the indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minn., on January 22, 1935, charging Alvin Karpis, with aliases, and others with conspiring one with the other to kidnap and transport interstate and hold for $200,000.00 ransom one Edward George Bremer, in violation of Title 18, Section 408a, U. S. Code, as well as a certified copy of bench warrant issued on the same date.

MR. JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Will be able to testify as to the arrest of Subject Fred Hunter in company with Alvin Karpis on May 1, 1936, at New Orleans, La. He will be able to testify further that the arrest was made as Hunter and Karpis entered a Plymouth Coupe parked on Jefferson Davis Parkway at the side of the apartment located at the corner of Jefferson Davis Parkway and Canal Street, otherwise described as 3343 Canal St.

MR. E. J. CONNELLEY, Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice,
426 U. S. Customs and Post Office Building,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Will be able to testify as above.

MR. DWIGHT BRANTLEY, Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Will be able to testify as above.

MR. CLARENCE HURT, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice,
420 Post Office Building, Dallas, Texas.

Will be able to testify as above.

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

Will be able to testify as above.

MR. E. B. HAUCH, Office Manager,
Quality Motors, Inc.,
1625 Canal Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Upon being served with a subpoena duces tecum, will be able to produce his records disclosing that on April 2, 1936, his concern sold to one Edward O'Hara, who gave his address as Corpus Christi, Texas, a 1936 Plymouth Deluxe Coupe, motor #P2-212244, for $806.28, including $748.00 purchase price of said car, $50.00 for radio, and $8.28 for 1936 Louisiana license tags.

MR. CLARENCE PUCHEU, Sales Representative,
Quality Motors, Inc.,
1625 Canal Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Upon subpoena, will be able to testify that about 11:30 a.m. on April 2, 1936, Subject Alvin Karpis appeared at his place of business, posing as Edward O'Hara, and purchased a 1936 Plymouth Coupe, motor #P2-212244, requesting delivery on that afternoon, stating that it was necessary for him to be in Corpus Christi, Texas, the following day. Mr. Pucheu will be able to testify that Subject Karpis informed him that he was a gambler from Corpus Christi, Texas, and that he, Pucheu, had application blanks for Louisiana registration of this automobile filled out, and personally presented them to the Louisiana State Motor Vehicle Bureau on Canal Street, in New Orleans, and obtained 1936 Louisiana license tags 136-288, which he had placed on the above described car, which he delivered to Subject Karpis on the afternoon of April 2, 1936. Mr. Pucheu will be able to testify further that Karpis informed him that he was stopping in New Orleans with a friend, whose local address he refused to give, and requested that the 1936 Louisiana registration card be made out in the name of Edward O'Hara, 1625 Canal Street, which is the address of the Quality Motors, Inc., and that the same be held for him when forwarded by the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Bureau, until his return within about three days. Mr. Pucheu will be able to testify that in about three or four days, Subject Karpis returned to the Quality Motors, Inc., to pick up his 1936 Louisiana registration card, and at this time he was accompanied by a party whom he has identified from a photograph as being Fred Hunter. He will be able to testify that on this occasion he observed that within the three days Subject Karpis had driven the new Plymouth Coupe 1900 miles, and he discussed the possibility of trading the same in on a larger and faster car, suggesting a Chrysler Coupe. He will be able to testify that he saw neither Hunter nor Karpis after that time, but will be able to recall that he observed the 1936 Plymouth Coupe which he had sold to Subject Karpis, as Edward O'Hara, parked in front of the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, which is operated by his mother-in-law, Mrs. J. F. Meyer, and was informed by Mrs. Meyer that Mr. O'Hara was a tenant of her's.

MR. E. J. RANSOM, Service Manager,
Quality Motors, Inc.,
1625 Canal Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will be able to testify that about 1:00 p.m. on April 14, 1936, Subject

Karpis, whom he knew as Mr. O'Hara, appeared at his garage in the 1936 Plymouth Coupe in question, accompanied by another party, whom he has identified from photograph as being Subject Fred Hunter; that on this occasion the car was left for repairs. He will be able to testify that Subject Karpis returned to the garage about 5:00 p.m. on that afternoon, before the car was ready, and seemed to be somewhat irritated at the delay. Mr. Ransom will be able to testify that he offered to deliver the car to Mr. O'Hara's (Subject Karpis) local address, but that this offer was refused. He will be able to testify that Subject Karpis returned about 7:30 p.m., after the necessary adjustments had been made to the car, and at that time the same was delivered to Subject Karpis.

MR. PIERRE CHIVE, JR., Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.,
1545 Canal Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will be able to testify that he is the manager of the Used Car Lot of the aforesaid concern, Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., and that on April 3, 1936, Subject Fred Hunter, using the alias of H. J. King, appeared at his office and offered for sale a 1936 Ford Coupe, motor #2407873. He will be able to testify that he purchased this car from Subject Hunter on that date for $440.00, which was covered by his company's check #5522. Upon being served with a subpoena duces tecum, he will be able to produce his records, including an invoice of the Roy Murray Motors, Inc., of Corpus Christi, Texas, dated November 26, 1935, showing that a 1936 Ford Deluxe Coupe, motor #2407873, was sold to H. J. King, Princess Louise Hotel, Corpus Christi, Texas. He will also be able to produce 1936 Florida registration card #123658, issued in the name of H. J. King, on February 7, 1936, and Florida certificate of title #1053343, dated February 28, 1936, also issued in the name of H. J. King, covering the above described Ford Coupe. Mr. Chive will be able to testify that these documents were turned over to him by Subject Fred Hunter, at the time he, Chive, purchased the car from Hunter.

MRS. J. F. MEYER, 159 South Rendon Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Upon subpoena, will be able to testify that she manages the apartment building owned by her daughter, Mrs. Louise H. Martin, identified as 3339, 3341, and 3343 Canal Street, and 104 North Jefferson Davis Parkway, in the city of New Orleans. She will be able to testify that on April 10, 1936, a party introducing himself as Edward O'Hara rented from her the ground floor apartment, identified as 3343 Canal Street, at a rental of $50.00 per month, same being accepted in advance. She will be able to testify that on or about April 25, 1936, (described by her as being a week and a half ago), she observed a man coming out of the rear entrance of the O'Hara apartment, bearing two fishing rods and a large thermos bottle or jug and a small package containing lunch. She will be able to testify that she accosted this individual, who informed her that he was a friend of Mr. O'Hara, and was a traveling salesman working for the same firm as Mr. O'Hara, who was to accompany him on a fishing trip. Mrs. Meyer was unable to identify the photograph of Subject Karpis, but it is interesting to note that a Shakespeare casting rod and a Perfection Thermic jug were found in the Terraplane Coupe recovered at the United Motors Service, Inc., 822 Howard Avenue, New Orleans, on May 2, 1936, the property of Subject Karpis, as hereinafter described.

JOHN CAMPBELL, Janitor,
3343 Canal Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will be able to testify that Subject Fred Hunter, known to him as Edward O'Hara, occupied the first floor apartment at 3343 Canal Street. He will also be able to testify that Subject Karpis, whose photograph he identified, also visited Subject Hunter frequently during his occupancy of the apartment. He will also be able to recall that Subject Hunter drove a Plymouth Coupe, which he understood had been purchased through Mr. Pucheu, the son-in-law of Mrs. Meyer, the manager of the apartment building, and that Subject Karpis drove a Terraplane.

MISS LOUISE CHARLTON, Bookkeeper, Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.,
1330 St. Charles Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Upon being served with subpoena duces tecum, will be able to produce her records disclosing that on April 13, 1936, a 1936 Terraplane Coupe, motor #192081, serial #6126228, was sold to E. F. Collins by their salesman, Mr. W. A. Wilson. She will be able to testify that application for 1936 Louisiana registration was filled out by her office and presented to the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Bureau on Canal Street, in the city of New Orleans, and that 1936 Louisiana license tags 18-460 were issued to cover the above described car, and that the registration card was mailed to Mr. E. F. Collins at 1330 St. Charles Street, which is the address of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc. The registration card found in the Terraplane Coupe at the time of its recovery carried the motor number of this car as 192061 instead of the correct motor number of 192081. A photostatic copy of the original application for registration furnished by the Secretary of State at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, discloses that the car described in this application bore motor #192081, and it is therefore believed that the substitution of a "6" for an "8" on the registration card was due to a typographical error made at the Motor Vehicle Bureau.

MR. W. A. WILSON, Salesman,
Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.,
1330 St. Charles Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Upon subpoena, will be able to testify that on April 13, 1936, he sold a 1936 Terraplane Coupe, as above described, to Subject Karpis, who introduced himself as E. F. Collins to him. Mr. Wilson will be able to testify that on the morning of April 13, 1936, Subject Karpis drove up in a Plymouth Coupe, stating that the same belonged to a friend of his, and questioned him about the purchase of a Terraplane automobile, informing that he had previously wrecked his personally owned car in the state of Tennessee. Mr. Wilson will be able to further state that Subject Karpis informed that he had no permanent local address and requested that 1936 Louisiana registration card covering the aforesaid automobile be made out in his name, as E. F. Collins, 1330 St. Charles Street, which is the location of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., stating that he would return

within a few weeks to pick up the said registration card. Mr. Wilson will be able to testify that this request was complied with by his company.

MR. E. P. SIRES, Salesman,
Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc.,
1330 St. Charles Street,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will be able to testify that he was present on the morning of April 27, 1936, when E. F. Collins, whom he identified by photograph as being identical with Subject Karpis, brought in his car for repairs, and that during his conversation with Subject Karpis, he learned that he had experienced motor trouble on the ferry boat at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the day before. Mr. Sires will be able to testify that Subject Karpis returned to his place of business on April 28, 1936, and the matter of a trade-in of the Terraplane on a larger and faster car, to-wit, a Hudson Coupe, was discussed. He will be able to testify that nothing definite was decided as to this matter, but that Karpis remained at Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on the evening of April 28, 1936; that on the same evening he joined Karpis and accompanied him to the "Original Southport", where Karpis won the sum of $60.00 at the crap table in a short period of time.

HONORABLE E. A. CONWAY, Secretary of State,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana, or
his authorized representative.

Upon being served with subpoena duces tecum, will be able to produce the originals or certified copies of the applications for registration, as well as the registration cards issued in the name of Edward O'Hara, 1625 Canal Street, covering a 1936 Plymouth Coupe, motor #P2-212244, and issued in the name of E. F. Collins, 1330 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, covering a 1936 Terraplane Coupe, motor #192081 (and motor #192061 on registration certificate.)

J. V. BLAKE, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will be able to testify that on May 2, 1936, he recovered the Terraplane Coupe of Subject Karpis from the United Motors Service, Inc., 822 Howard Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana. He will be able to testify that in addition to the documents and papers found in that car upon his examination, showing ownership of the same by E. F. Collins, he found the following additional articles:
.45 Colt Automatic, serial C-161847;
A second .45 Colt automatic, serial number mutilated, and
a .32 calibre long range Colt automatic, Ace Model, serial number mutilated, located in a brown leather brief bag found in the Terraplane Coupe.
(Continued)

1 Model 24, .22 automatic Remington rifle, serial #112132, with telescope attached, wrapped in a woolen blanket, found in the rear of the Terraplane Coupe.
1 hip holster for .32 automatic found in a Gladstone bag in the Terraplane Coupe.
1 shoulder holster for automatic pistol, found in leather brief case in Terraplane Coupe.
1 hunting knife and fishing tackle box.
1 Winchester flashlight.
1 Shakespeare casting rod.
1 Perfection Thermic thermos jug.

Agent Blake will also be able to testify that at the same time he examined the Plymouth Coupe, which had been recovered by Bureau Agents on May 1, 1936, in front of the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana. He will be able to testify that he found a Savage lever action gun, model 99, 250-3000 calibre, serial #304481, property of Alvin Karpis, found in Fred Hunter's Plymouth Coupe, on the shelf behind the seat; an Aviator flashlight; a .380 Colt automatic, serial #106616, found in a zipper bag, the property of Alvin Karpis, in the Plymouth Coupe of Fred Hunter.

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

Will be able to testify that on the afternoon of May 1, 1936, about 5:30 p.m. he assisted in the arrest of Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis as they left the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana. He will be able to testify that the arrest was made as Karpis and Hunter entered the Plymouth Coupe parked on Jefferson Davis Parkway, at the side of the aforesaid apartment. Agent Buchanan will be able to further state that on the night of May 1, 1936, and dates subsequent thereto, he questioned Fred Hunter relative to his association with Alvin Karpis, and that Hunter admitted that he became acquainted with Subject Karpis at Warren, Ohio, sometime between January 20, 1935, and June of that same year, at which time he was aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis and well knew that he was wanted by the federal authorities in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case. He will be able to state further that Subject Hunter admitted that from the date of his meeting with Karpis at Warren, Ohio, until his arrest at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, he was intermittently in company with Karpis in the states of Arkansas and Texas, and as a matter of fact, drove with Karpis in his, Hunter's, 1936 Ford Coupe, from Corpus Christi, Texas, to a point half-way between Biloxi and Gulfport, Mississippi, where they stopped at a tourist camp there. Agent Buchanan will be able to testify that Hunter further informed him that they arrived at this place on or about April 1, 1936, and that on April 2, 1936, he accompanied Subject Karpis to New Orleans, La., where Karpis purchased a 1936 Plymouth Coupe from the Quality Motors, Inc., under the name of Edward O'Hara, an alias which Hunter was using. He will be able to testify that Hunter informed him that Karpis made arrangements for the purchase of this car while he remained

around the front of the building of the Quality Motors, Inc. He will be able to testify that Hunter advised him that on the same date, he and Karpis returned in the two automobiles, his Ford Coupe and the Plymouth Coupe, to a tourist camp between Gulfport and Biloxi, Mississippi, and that on the following day, April 3, 1936, he and Karpis returned to New Orleans where he, Hunter, disposed of his 1936 Ford Coupe to the Used Car Manager of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., on Canal Street. Agent Buchanan will be able to relate further that Hunter and Karpis returned to New Orleans, Louisiana, on or about April 10, 1936, where Hunter, under the name of Edward O'Hara, rented an apartment at 3343 Canal Street, in the city of New Orleans. He will be able to state that Hunter informed him that Subject Karpis did not purchase the Terraplane Coupe from the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., until about April 13, 1936. Agent Buchanan will be able to state that Subject Hunter admitted to him, verbally, that on the evening of April 27, 1936, Karpis was with him at the apartment at 3343 Canal Street and heard a radio broadcast announcing that both he and Karpis had been indicted for the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery job. Agent Buchanan, in conclusion, will be able to state that on several occasions, while questioning Subject Hunter, Hunter expressed his intention of entering a plea of guilty to the harboring charges pending against him in the Eastern District of Louisiana.

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

Upon subpoena will be able to testify and corroborate testimony of Special Agent W. L. Buchanan, as related above, regarding the harboring of Subject Karpis by Hunter at New Orleans, Louisiana, intermittently from April 10, 1936, to May 1, 1936, the date of Hunter's and Karpis' arrest. Agent Tollett will especially be able to testify regarding his surveillance of the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, on May 1, 1936, and that he saw Terraplane Coupe, Louisiana license tags 18-460, parked in front of the aforesaid apartment on the morning of May 1, 1936, about 9:30 a.m., and further, that about 12:00 Noon, on the same date, he observed Subject Karpis leaving the apartment, driving off in the Terraplane Coupe, followed by Fred Hunter in the 1936 Plymouth Coupe bearing Louisiana license tags 136-288. Agent Tollett will further be able to testify that he observed Subjects Karpis and Hunter return to the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, together, in the Plymouth Coupe, and that the two persons in question entered the apartment and remained until 4:00 p.m. that afternoon, at which time Karpis and Hunter again left the apartment, driving off in the Plymouth Coupe, and returned about 4:30 p.m. and remained in the apartment until a few minutes prior to their arrest on May 1, 1936.

L. I. BOWMAN, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will be able to testify that on May 1, 1936, while he, in company with Special Agent R. L. Tollett, was keeping the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, under surveillance, he observed 1936 Terraplane Coupe, bearing 1936 Louisiana license tags 18-460, parked on Canal Street in front of the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, about 9:30 a.m. that morning. He will be able to testify further that he observed Subject Karpis leave the apartment and enter his Terraplane Coupe and drive off about noon on that date, followed by Subject Hunter, who drove a 1936 Plymouth Coupe bearing 1936 Louisiana license tags 136-838. He will be able to relate as to the return of these two individuals in the Plymouth Coupe, which was parked on Jefferson Davis Parkway at the side of the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, which they entered, and where they remained until about 4:00 p.m. on May 1, 1936, at which time Karpis and Hunter again drove off in the Plymouth Coupe, returning about 4:30 p.m., and that they remained in the apartment up until a few minutes prior to their arrest. Agent Bowman will also be able to testify as to the verbal admissions made by Subject Hunter regarding the purchase of the 1936 Plymouth Coupe and Terraplane Coupe from the Quality Motors, Inc., and the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., respectively. He will also be able to corroborate the testimony of Special Agent W. L. Buchanan, regarding Hunter's meeting of Subject Karpis at Warren, Ohio, and his intermittent association with Karpis up until May 1, 1936, the date of his arrest at New Orleans, Louisiana. He will also be able to testify as to the recovery of the .45 Colt automatic, government model, serial number mutilated, from the bureau drawer located in the bedroom of Fred Hunter's apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, on the afternoon of May 1, 1936.

MR. M. F. WEST, Manager,
Fernwood-by-the-Sea, Tourist Camp,
U. S. Highway 90, approximately five miles west of
Biloxi, Mississippi.

Will be able to testify that two male individuals appeared at his tourist camp on April 3, 1936, driving a new Plymouth Coupe automobile, painted black, rented rooms Nos. 5 and 6, at the rate of $3.00 per day, and registered on the camp register as E. O'Hara and party, New Orleans. Mr. West will be able to testify that he has identified photographs of Subjects Karpis and Hunter as these two individuals. He will be able to testify that Karpis and Hunter remained at the camp through the morning of April 8, 1936. Mr. West will be able to testify that they frequently left the camp early in the morning and returned in the afternoon, ostensibly for the purpose of fishing, but as far as he knew, they never brought back any fish. He will also testify that after Subjects Hunter and Karpis checked out on April 8, 1936, they returned on April 9, 1936, at which time they were assigned Cabin #2, a large double cabin of stucco structure, and that subjects paid $4.00 per day for this cabin; that Karpis and Hunter remained at his camp on this occasion two or three days, and that during this time he engaged them in conversation and Subject Karpis, who he identified by photograph, stated to him, Mr.

West, that he had a rifle with a telescope sight attached and that he would be able to kill a squirrel at 1000 yards.

Mr. H. F. West and his wife have identified photographs of Subjects Fred John Hunter and Alvin Karpis as being the individuals who resided in their tourist camp, Fernwood-by-the-Sea, on the dates of April 3 to April 8, 1936, in cabins Nos. 5 and 6, and as the individuals who again resided in Cabin #2 on April 9, 1936, for a period of two or three days, under the name of E. O'Hara and party.

Mr. H. F. West, on subpoena duces tecum, will be able to produce the tourist camp register showing the registration of E. O'Hara and party on April 3 and April 9, 1936.

The following is the criminal record of Subject Fred Hunter, as reflected in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's files (FBI-54440), Washington, D.C.:

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WANTED BY BUREAU: As Fred Hunter, alias Fred King, alias Harold King (possible ident), for questioning in regard with investigation to apprehend Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, subjects in Bremer Kidnap Case.

The following is the criminal record of Subject Alvin Karpis, as reflected in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's files (FBI-199219), Washington, D.C.:

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[redacted]

This person was published as a fugitive in the monthly bulletins for Jamiary, 1933, and October, 1934, issued by this Bureau.

[redacted]

KARPIS GANG (KANSAS CITY, MO.)

#8008 ALVIN KARPIS, alias George Haller.

DESCRIPTION: Captain Stewart of the Tulsa, Oklahoma PD stated that Joe Howard, their #7916, an ex-convict, was now wanted at Okmulgee, Co., Okla. for bond jumping; that he had been in on a jewelry store robbery with ex-convicts Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis and Sam Coker; that Coker had been apprehended and now serving a 35 year sentence at the Oklahoma State Pen. at McAlester, Okla. The records of the Tulsa PD reflect the following as to the relatives of Alvin Karpis: Father, John Karpis, 1441 West Adams St., Chicago, Ill.; mother, Anna Karpis, same address; Mrs. A. E. Grooms, 1234 North Monroe St., Topeka, Kansas, sister; Mrs. P. H. Newbowl, 1141 North Francisco St., Chicago; Mrs. R. B. Venuto, Chicago.

PENDING

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
May 22, 1936.

DWM:cw.
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID.

I am transmitting herewith summary report relative Subjects Alvin Karpis and Fred John Hunter, in relation to the offense or offenses committed in the New Orleans Bureau Office territory.

Please be informed that I have supervised this report and believe it contains all the allegations necessary for consideration by the United States Attorney here at New Orleans, Louisiana, for his determination of the charge to be filed against Subjects Hunter and Karpis.

A new Federal Grand Jury convened here on May 18, 1936, but immediately recessed until May 27, 1936, when they will again meet for the purpose of hearing one case only. I have, however, arranged with Honorable Rene Viosca, United States Attorney here, to endeavor to present the instant case on the offenses desired by the United States Attorney here, on that date, in the absence of any Bureau instructions.

Only a few of the witnesses listed in this report will be used before the Grand Jury.

The United States Attorney here will treat the contents of this report confidential.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

MAY 25 1936 A. M.

JUN 5 1936

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

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Cincinnati (E.J.Connelley)

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

326½ Post Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 21, 1936

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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. [illegible]
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

PERSONAL-CONFIDENTIAL

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It is my thought that you might desire a copy of the plan of the proposed raid scene at the apartment where subjects Hunter and Karpis were apprehended on May 1, 1936.

This plan was drawn by Mr. Connelley on the office blackboard.

I am transmitting herewith three Recomar camera views of the blackboard plan, together with the negatives marked 10, 11, and 12, respectively. I believe negative number twelve represents the best reproduction and you may desire enlargements thereof.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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