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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.**

FILE NO. **7-50 LEE**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6/11/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>5/31/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>A. E. FARLAND.</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al; UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING.</b>



**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Miles M. Hapgood, assistant manager, Berkshire Mills Supply Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, states one pair #524 M & L Goggles were purchased by the Berkshire Mills Supply Company from the Boston branch of the Whitehead Metal Products Company, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1931. Shipped to Strong Hewat and Company, North Adams, Massachusetts, same date. Mr. D. E. Hewat of Strong Hewat Company states goggles now being used in the mill.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent J. W. Mercer, Boston, Massachusetts, dated April 2, 1934.

**DETAILS:** At Pittsfield, Massachusetts:  
Mr. Miles M. Hapgood, assistant manager of the Berkshire Mills Supply Company, states that one pair of #524 M & L Goggles were purchased by his company from the Whitehead Metal Products Company, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts, on September 24, 1931; that the records of the company show that these goggles were shipped on the same date to the Strong Hewat Company, North Adams, Massachusetts.

At North Adams, Massachusetts, agent called upon Mr. D. E. Hewat of the Strong Hewat Company, who advised that his company had purchased one pair of #524 M & L Goggles from the Berkshire Mills Supply Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts on September 24, 1931, and that same were being used in the machine shops for welding purposes at this time.

Mr. Hewat went into the machine shop, brought the goggles out, and showed same to agent.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, Identification Order 1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim; KIDNAPING.

In connection with the Division's efforts to locate the Bremer hideout, it is suggested that immediate attention be given to the possibility of the hideout being located in the vicinity of Darien, Wisconsin. This town is located four miles southwest of Delavan, Wisconsin on the main route of the Chicago, Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railroad and seventeen miles south of Whitewater, Wisconsin.

Previous investigation at Whitewater, Wisconsin has resulted in a number of photographic identifications of members of the Barker-Karpis outfit and nearly all of the sounds which Victim Bremer is alleged to have heard are accounted for in that city except the coincident blowing of the siren and factory whistle in the morning and the frequent train service in the morning and afternoon.

At Darien, Wisconsin the frequent train service in the morning and afternoon is accounted for. It is not known at what time the siren is blown at Darien and in the event it is found that the siren blows coincident with the factory whistle at Delavan, Wisconsin, this would indicate the possibility of the hideout being located in that vicinity.

Investigation at Whitewater, Wisconsin has shown that the group of suspicious characters who frequented that vicinity during January and February in a Lincoln Sedan,

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Buick Sedan and a Ford or Chevrolet Coupe frequently left U. S. Highway #14 and passed the home of Will Shaw on Wisconsin Street continuing due south over Cemetery Hill and into the country to an unknown destination. By examining the map it is found that the road can be followed south into Darien, Wisconsin.

Investigation has also shown that there was a fire at Whitewater, Wisconsin at 11:15 on January 23, 1934, at which time four blasts of the siren was given. The location of this fire is not shown by the reports, but in the event it is located between Whitewater and Darien, Wisconsin, it is possible that the Darien fire siren was sounded on this same date.

The airplane activity which is accounted for at Whitewater coincident with the times indicated by Bremer could have possibly extended over the town of Darien inasmuch as seventeen miles is a negligible distance in considering airplane activity.

Because of the importance of this angle of the investigation, it is suggested that Special Agent R. D. Brown, who is familiar with the previous investigation made at Whitewater, Wisconsin, be immediately assigned to conduct a thorough investigation in the vicinity of Darien and Delavan, Wisconsin with a view to possibly locating the hideout.

Very truly yours,

Director,

CC Saint Paul

P. O. Box 886  
Los Angeles, California  
May 31, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS; et al  
EDWARD BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

L. A. File 7-42.

VERNON C. MILLER (deceased); et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Fed. Pris.  
L. A. File 82-964.

Dear Sir:-

With further reference to the report of Special Agent C. J. Endres,  
Los Angeles, dated April 14, 1934, the following mail tracings are enclosed for  
such investigation as may be deemed advisable. All of the mail is addressed to  
Chicago, Illinois, with return addresses to Chicago.

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P.M.; return address  
10 South La Salle St.

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E. E. RACKETT, ASST  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification  
Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
Identification Order 1219, et al; EDWARD  
GEORGE BREMER - Victim KIDNAPING.

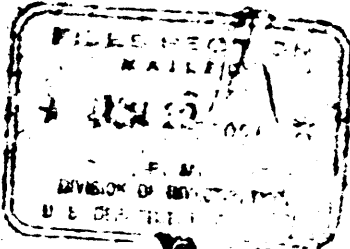
Reference is made to the letter of the Los Angeles  
Office addressed to the Chicago Office dated May 31, 1934  
transmitting mail tracings received from the Postmaster at  
St. Louis, Missouri, Post Office Box 45, Postal by Mr. M. J.  
Murphy, who is suspected of being identical with "Big Boy".

The Chicago Office, as well as the Los Angeles  
Office is requested to give this matter immediate attention  
with a view to establishing the identity of Mr. M. J. Murphy  
and, therefore, the leads suggested by the mail tracings should  
be given immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

Director.

CC Saint Paul  
Los Angeles  
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota.

St. Paul FILE NO. 7-30

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minnesota	DATE WHEN MADE: 6-9-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/20 to 5/13/34	REPORT MADE BY: D. L. Nicholson
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - I. O. # 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases - I. O. # 1219; ET AL.			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

The location of MYRTLE KEATON and the subjects of this case, as well as of the BREMER kidnaping hideout, is as yet unknown. Various investigations conducted for purpose of determining whereabouts of these individuals and the hideout.

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REFERENCE:

Summary report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated June 4, 1934.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents T. J. Dodd and G. F. Hurley:

Agents were instructed by Inspector Clegg of the St. Paul office to ascertain the present whereabouts of MYRTLE EATON. On various occasions, agents from St. Paul have kept watch on her apartment located at 565 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and have also inspected the contents of the mail box of this apartment house. It was ascertained that MYRTLE EATON'S sister, MRS. HUBY HUBBARD FONES, living at 2515 Thirty-seventh Street West, Des Moines, Iowa, had been writing continually to MYRTLE EATON at this address. Letters which were deposited in the mail box evidently were taken out by some unknown party and probably transmitted to MYRTLE EATON. It is believed that one ANDREW ROTHMEYER, who resides at 949 West 7th Street, where he also maintains a bar room, and who is known to have been quite friendly with MYRTLE EATON, is the person through whom MYRTLE EATON receives her mail. It was also ascertained that ROTHMEYER paid the rent on MYRTLE EATON'S apartment during the past year to the Lampert Realty Company located at 36 Snelling Avenue South, St. Paul, Minnesota.

MR. LAMPERT advised that he personally had received six months' rent in advance for this apartment from ANDREW ROTHMEYER but that the rent would be due on the first of June, 1934. MR. LAMPERT stated that he would be willing to do anything in order to help this office and was quite agreeable to the suggestion that on June 1st he would personally interview ROTHMEYER and would attempt through one means or another to ascertain whether or not MYRTLE EATON is in town. In this connection, MR. LAMPERT stated that he would attempt to have a written lease executed by MYRTLE EATON and in this manner ascertain whether or not she is in St. Paul.

Mail boxes were placed at the Post Office on the mail of ANDREW ROTHMEYER. The telephone numbers of ANDREW ROTHMEYER'S place of business and his residence were checked with the telephone company for long distance phone calls, and the following information was ascertained:

On March 18, the telephone number Regent 9572 (Minneapolis) was called. On April 10, a call was placed to Stillwater 1500 and MISS FLORENCE CURTISS was the party asked for. On April 10, a telephone call was placed to Cottage Grove 409. On April 24, telephone call was placed to Shakopee to a MR. McMAHON.

On April 5, the following calls were made:

Geneva 1557  
Geneva 5193  
Atlantic 8111  
Da 2849  
Hyland 0808  
Dupont 2849  
Geneva 7337  
Walnut 3385  
Dupont 7047

On February 23, 1934, at midnight, a toll call was placed from Sioux City, the charges reversed. The phone call was placed by a MRS. PAUL NORMAN. The telephone company advised that the operator may have been mistaken in the above name. It should be noted that the above name closely resembles that of PAULA HARMON.

On February 26, a phone call was placed to White Bear 359. On March 4, 1934, a call was placed to Farmington 257, Hunters Cafe.

On May 28, the agents gained admittance to MYRTLE EATON'S apartment at 565 Portland, and a number of photographs and miscellaneous information was received and is being placed in the file of the St. Paul office for future reference.

In view of the fact that agents are leaving town, it is respectfully suggested that an agent from this office accompany MR. LAMPERT when he makes his visit to ROTHEMYER in order to collect the rent.

GPH:HVS

April 18, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.# 1218,  
et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Inspector Clegg advised that he had received telephonic communication from Mr. Newby of the Division to the effect that Mr. Newby had recently checked Whitewater, Wisconsin, in connection with the BREMER hideout. He advised that Mr. Newby suggested that Fulton Center, Wisconsin; Edgerton, Wisconsin; Milton, Wisconsin, and Milton Junction, Wisconsin, be checked for the hideout.

Previous investigation has been conducted at Edgerton, Wisconsin, by Special Agents Reinecke and R. B. Brown.

W. A. RORER :

Inspector.

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St. Paul, Minnesota  
March 28, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR W. A. RORER:

Re: BREKID, St. Paul file 7-30.

Reference is had to information conveyed to you by the undersigned to the effect that Walter Gordon of the Burns International Detective Agency had stated to me over the telephone that the Karpis-Barker gang was presently hiding out in the Lake Nokomis district in Minneapolis; also that members of this gang are believed to have been involved in the robbery of the Security National Bank at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, committed during March, 1934, and the First National Bank at Mason City, Iowa, committed during the same period.

I conferred with Walter Gordon at his office on the afternoon of March 27, 1934, and spent approximately two hours with him. During this period I ascertained that there is no foundation whatsoever and no identifications effected with either the Sioux Falls, South Dakota, or Mason City, Iowa, linking either the Barkers or Karpis with either one of these bank robberies; that in one place a photograph of THOMAS CARROLL taken by the St. Paul Police Department in 1933 was shown to eye witnesses all of whom failed to identify said photograph as any one of the bank robbers; however, that one party who was shown a photograph of the same individual which was taken ten years ago, and does not at all bear resemblance to that Subject today, and was identified as one of the bandits.

With reference to the information previously given that KARPIS and BARKERS were in the Lake Nokomis district, GORDON advised that a confidential informant of his who has served time in Oklahoma and Deer Lodge, Montana, and who originally comes from either Texas or Oklahoma, has informed him about two months ago that he (the informant) had seen ALVIN KARPIS, whom he claims he knows, with a woman, whose description he did not give, sitting in a car, no description, near the bath house in Lake Nokomis Park; that about two weeks later, this same informant stated that he had again seen KARPIS in that immediate vicinity with a woman; that JACK LALLY, a Police Officer of the Minneapolis Police Department, whose reputation is questionable, informed him (GORDON) about three weeks ago that he was standing at the corner of Lake and Hennepin Avenue in Minneapolis; that he saw ALVIN KARPIS in a car and a woman coming out of one of the grocery stores located at that street intersection, this woman was loaded with groceries; that she dumped them into the car that KARPIS was in, got into the car and started east on Lake Street, which would be the direction to take to reach the Lake Nokomis district in Minneapolis. According to GORDON, no description of the woman or the car was obtained.

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It will be recalled that about a year ago, KARPIS and BARKERS were involved in an automobile accident, which occurred also in the immediate vicinity of Lake Nokomis.

You will recall that in the early stages of the BREMER kidnaping case, some crank notes were received by the BREMERS giving instructions as to where to deposit the ransom money, which locations were given in Nokomis Park. Investigations relative thereto were conducted without results.

It is believed advisable that contact be made with the mail carriers covering the entire Lake Nokomis district, photographs exhibited to them and inquiry made as to any suspicious residents and automobiles bearing foreign license plates.

For your information, the Lake Nokomis area contains approximately 10,000 residents and approximately 2,000 resident buildings. It is one of the newer residential districts of Minneapolis with few, if any, apartment buildings, the residences mostly being of the newer construction resident type dwellings.

It may be stated here that empty shells and slugs fired by the bandits who held up the Security National Bank at Sioux Falls and the First National Bank at Mason City, Iowa, were obtained from the respective places and have been transmitted to the Kansas City office for ballistic observation.

Respectfully yours,

WERNER HANNI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Re: 7-50

Reference is made to the memorandum of Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni addressed to Inspector W.A. Rorer regarding this case, on March 28, 1934. The memorandum of Mr. Hanni is attached hereto.

Photographs of suspects in the BREMER kidnaping case were left with Mr. J. E. GILLIS, superintendent of the Minnehaha Post Office, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Photographs were prominently displayed in the Post Office and all carriers working out of this office, which office covers the Como Section, saw the photographs and made inquiries for several days. Along the route and found nothing that seemed to be of value. Carrier Medves reported that a small sedan bearing Minnesota license B 32553 was seen circling the block on his route several times.

A check of the license tag shows that it was issued for 1932 Coach, Mrs. Jessie L. Jacobson, 2930 Bryan Avenue South, being the owner.

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On February 23, 1934, MR. N. F. DONAHUE, a resident of Faribault, Minnesota, appeared at the St. Paul Division office and advised Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni that on the night of January 17, 1934, a man arrived in Faribault with another man in an automobile; that this individual left the automobile, ran through the restaurant located across the street from the Faribault Hotel, ran out the back way, and up to the roof of the restaurant; that this man later entered the restaurant and informed the proprietor of the restaurant that he was trying to escape from two men who had held him in a car and that there were a number of guns in their car. In connection with this information, Special Agent W. C. Ryan conducted the following investigation:

Chief of Police ALBERT HANSON, Faribault, was interviewed and exhibited the report appearing on his records of this incident. The report is as follows: "Jan. 18, 1934 -- about 2:30 a.m., a man came into the Boston Cafe. He claimed that some gangsters brought him down from St. Paul and he had a fight with them in the car. He jumped out and ran into the Boston Cafe, claiming they had all kinds of guns. This man had no hat, wore a gray checked overcoat, was short and stout, had brown hair and was about 30 years of age. He called St. Paul from the Hotel Faribault, gave the name Sweet and said they had gotten one of us and tell them to come and get me, they know where. He went out the side door and went east. There was another man, a Jew, well dressed, just left the hotel, wearing a hat and niggerhead overcoat."

Chief HANSON said that he is not sure whether the date appearing on the report is correct as it is his recollection that the notation was entered a day later. He said that Officers E. A. North and Lawrence Ableman had investigated the incident; that they were unable to locate or ascertain the identity of the man who ran into the restaurant; that no one saw the man get out of any car and that they had not followed up the occurrence after the night it was reported.

Officers E. A. NORTH and LAWRENCE ABLEMAN stated that they investigated the incident immediately after it was reported by MRS. MINNIE PETERSON of the Boston Cafe. They advised that they ascertained that upon leaving the cafe, the man went to the Faribault Hotel and made a phone call as stated in the Police Report, but lost track of the man after he left the hotel. They could not recall the exact date of the occurrence.

MRS. MINNIE PETERSON, Boston Cafe, Faribault, advised agent that she was on duty at the cafe at the time the man came in; that he came in highly excited and ran to the back of the cafe; that he climbed a ladder in the back to the roof of the cafe, apparently to watch a car; that he came down in a few minutes and stated that some men in a Chevrolet car had tried to kidnap him and that he had hit one of the men and broken away from them. MRS. PETERSON said that the man had a scratch on his hand as though he had been fighting but that he did not appear drunk. She said that while they were talking, a Chevrolet car pulled up in front of the cafe and immediately drove away; that the man on seeing this car said, "There they are". MRS. PETERSON stated that she asked the man whether she should call the police; that he at first said, "Yes", but before she could call, he said not to mind as the men in the car had machine guns. The man then asked her to direct him to the nearest hotel and she directed him next door but she stated she later learned he went across the street to the Faribault Hotel instead. She could not recall the exact date of the occurrence and described the man as being about 30 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, and weighing about 135 pounds.

At the Faribault Hotel, E. THOMPSON, bellboy, advised that he was on duty at the time the man came into the hotel; that the man spoke to the clerk, who was WARREN TUFTS, now located at the Minton Hotel, Glenwood, Minnesota; that he asked for a phone and went into the pay booth in the lobby. There are two phone booths and THOMPSON stated the man went into the one on the left, which is phone No. 1990. THOMPSON stated that he, himself, went into the kitchen immediately after the man entered and did not see him leave but that he later learned from TUFTS that the man left by the side door after phoning and that shortly thereafter another man entered the hotel and made a call over the same phone. He could not describe either of these parties.

Agent interviewed JOSEPH ASTLEY, Manager, Telephone Company at Faribault, relative to the calls made over phone 1990 on the nights of January 17 and 18 and was advised by him that the tickets for these calls are not located in Faribault but are sent the day following the call to the main office of the telephone company at St. Paul.

With reference to the car bearing 1933 Minnesota license B-89-065, Chief of Police HANSON advised that this license was on a Peerless Sedan.

which was noticed parked in the park south of Faribault on the morning of February 2, 1934; that E. E. NORTON, a C.W.A. worker, saw the car there upon reporting for work at 7:00 a.m., in the morning; that the car was occupied by a man and a woman who evidently had slept in the car all night.

E. E. NORTON, upon interview, described the man as follows: age, 35 to 38 years; height, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches; weight, 200 pounds; hair, dark; build, heavy; upper front teeth, gold. He described the woman as: age, 35 to 38 years; height, 5 feet 8 to 10 inches; weight, 115 pounds; hair, dark; build, slim; bobbed hair and poorly dressed. He said this couple was asleep in the car when he arrived for work and he helped them to get their car started. There appears to be no connection here.

Re: St. Paul File No. 7-30.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W.F. Wood, under dates of March 20-23, 1934.

On 3-18-34, Mrs. Mayne Chandler, 1158-5th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, telephone Tower 2736, called the St. Paul Office by telephone and advised that she was from Waukesha, Wisconsin, and that she had some information concerning a suspicious house near Waukesha which might possess a possible connection with the BREMER case.

MRS. CHANDLER advised that a close friend of hers, named CHARLES BERKHOLTZ, was employed as a caretaker for a man who lives about eleven miles west of Waukesha, Wisconsin, on Lake Nagawicka; that he had purchased this place about one year ago from some Milwaukee attorney who has since died for \$17,000.00 and immediately had improvements made on the property, costing approximately \$6,000.00; that this party owns two automobiles, an Oldsmobile and Cadillac; that he usually stays at this place over the week end, always as a rule arriving at night; that he lives there alone with his wife, although he often brings friends with him who stay a few days at a time and then leave; that BERKHOLTZ has never had a chance to observe the visitors, in view of the fact that their arrivals and departures are usually at night; that the owner of the property gave him particular instructions that he was not to touch any of the cars in the garage.

MRS. CHANDLER further advised that the wife of the caretaker does the cleaning in the house on Fridays and is required to complete her cleaning on this one day and that the rest of the time she lives with her husband, Mr. Berkholtz, in a small cottage located about one hundred feet from the main residence.

MRS. CHANDLER advised that this place is located about a two hours drive from Madison, Wisconsin; that numerous electric trains pass within a few blocks of this house and that the highway No. 30, which is a main travelled highway between Madison and Milwaukee, Wisconsin, passes about one block from the house. Further, that about two miles in an opposite direction from the house, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad runs, and that considerable switching is done near the town of Hartland, Wisconsin, located near here.

MRS. CHANDLER also stated that Lake Nagawicka is surrounded by numerous small towns, Pewaukee, Lakeside, Hartland, Nashotah, Okauchee, Oconomowoc, and Delafield, all located in Wisconsin, and that nearly all of these towns have sirens, which blow at different times of the day.

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MRS. CHANDLER advised that her nephew, HAROLD OWENS, 826 Aurora Street, Waukesha, Wisconsin, at whose place she resides is a personal friend of CHARLES BERKHOLTZ and knows the surrounding territory.

At Waukesha, Wisconsin.

A check showed that the T.M.E.R. & L. CO., ran electric trains within two blocks of the suspected premises located on Lake Nagawicka, a mile east of Delafield, Wisconsin, at the following intervals: 6:47 A.M.; 7:23 A.M.; 7:57 A.M.; 7:58 A.M.; 9:21 A.M.; 9:52 A.M.; 11:11 A.M.; 11:52 A.M.; 1:11 P.M.; 1:52 P.M.; 2:27 P.M.; 3:56 P.M.; 5:56 P.M.; 4:02 P.M.; 5:25 P.M.; 5:28 P.M.; 6:07 P.M.; 6:32 P.M.; 7:00 P.M.; 8:02 P.M.; 9:15 P.M.; 9:26 P.M.; 10:02 P.M.; and 10:32 P.M.

It was further noted that highway (Wisconsin) #30 runs about one block from the suspected premises and that numerous trucks used this road and the same appeared to be a main traveled thoroughfare. From a point a short distance to the north of the suspected premises could be heard a steam engine near the town of Nagawicka, Wisconsin.

HAROLD OWENS, who was present on this investigation and who, at present, is employed on the Waukesha Police force as night policeman, advised that he is acquainted with every town in the vicinity of Lake Nagawicka but that none of the towns in this vicinity have sirens which blow in the morning; that practically all of the towns have sirens but some blow at noon and some few in the evening.

CHARLES BERKHOLTZ, caretaker at the above suspected premises advised that this house was originally owned by a Milwaukee attorney who has since died and that upon the death of this individual, purchase was made by the present occupant, who spent considerable money in improvements; that this individual is rather a hermit type, whom he does not very often come in contact with. Mr. BERKHOLTZ advised that his wife, who lives in a small cottage with him on the edge of this estate, cleans the residence of the owner on Friday only and is required to complete her cleaning of the residence on this day.

MR. BERKHOLTZ was unable to give any names of the visitors or even their descriptions stating that he usually goes to bed shortly after nine o'clock in the evening and that cars occasionally arrive at the house late at night. Mr. BERKHOLTZ stated that the occupants of the house



never appear in the yard and usually stay in the house and often leave at night. BERKHOLTZ could not state that they always left at night because he often goes to visit his father's farm nearby.

BERKHOLTZ was told, when he first became employed by the present owner, that he was not to touch any of the automobiles.

MR. BERKHOLTZ drew pictures of the house and location of the various rooms. The house is a three story house; the second floor has five bed rooms and one large bath room. The first floor has a dining room occupying one quarter of the southwest part of the house; a living room which runs the full length of the house on the north side. The balance of the first floor is occupied by a kitchen and hallway. The basement of the house has a vegetable room in the northwest corner, the southwest part is the furnace room; the southeast one quarter of the basement is occupied by the laundry and hot water heater and the southwest part is a vacant room.

MR. BERKHOLTZ advised that none of the basement rooms are papered, the inside walls being of rough stone. Further, that oil is used for heating exclusively, no coal being on the premises. BERKHOLTZ advised that entrance to the cellar from the outside is gained by descending three stone steps and from the inside there are about a dozen wooden steps leading down from the hallway of the first floor. MR. BERKHOLTZ advised that the garage is a two story affair with the upstairs unfinished and has no basement; that the garage has enough room to store three cars but that part of it consists of work benches and wood machinery used by the owner, whose hobby is woodwork. BERKHOLTZ advised the garage is about 26 feet wide and thirty feet long.

BERKHOLTZ advised that the owner of the premises is C.W. COUZINS, age about sixty years, who has some business in Chicago,

Agent, in company with BERT MORRIS, deputy sheriff at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, Raymond Reich, deputy sheriff, who is assigned to patrol the roads of Summit township, which includes the city of Oconomowoc, visited the above suspected premises.

MR. COUZINS permitted agent to make a search of the premises after being advised that agent was looking for stolen aviation equipment reported stored in the basement of one of the cottages on the east side of Lake Nagawicka. MR. COUZINS appeared very willing to have this search made and inspection showed that the rooms and condition of the house were exactly similar to the description previously furnished by MR. BERKHOLTZ. MR. COUZINS insisted on pointing out a small closet which agent failed to notice as a possible hiding place and explained that he planned to use this closet as a wine room later on.



MR. COUZINS, without being aware of Agent's previous conversation with his caretaker, stated that he was letting him go because he had discovered that this caretaker was rather suspicious of him and had started and circulated some stories that he was using this place as a hideout, or for some similar purpose. MR. COUZINS impressed agent as a rather refined and cultured individual.

Examination was made of MR. COUZINS garage, which had two new cars parked in it, one a Cadillac Sedan bearing Illinois, 1934 license 266503 and an Oldsmobile Sedan bearing Wisconsin 1934 license 91017. Examination of the registry of automobiles at the sheriff's office, Oconomowoc, showed that this license was issued to M.B. SCOTT, 1830 East Kane Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The balance of the garage consisted of a half dozen wood machines, lathes, planners, saws, et cetera, each operated by a half horse-power motor. MR. COUZINS explained that wood work was a hobby of his and that he often worked late into the night building different pieces of furniture, et cetera.

During the above investigation, FRANK STICKELBAUER, game warden, located at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, was contacted concerning any possible suspicious places he might have observed during the time of the kidnapping but could think of none.

RAYMOND REICH, deputy sheriff, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, who accompanied Agent at the time the above premises of Mr. COUZINS were searched, could think of no places in the vicinity of Oconomowoc which would fit the description of the location being sought. MR. REICH mentioned hearing an airplane pass low over the city of Oconomowoc, he believed the date to be January 26; that this was an army plane from Texas, which was headed for Chicago, Illinois, but got lost and was forced to land at the flying field at Oconomowoc. A check of the local newspaper revealed that this lost plane appeared at Oconomowoc, on February 26th.

Chief of Police, Carl Marquardt, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, advised that the city of Oconomowoc has a siren but that it blows only at noon.

WFM:TC

Re: St. Paul File No. 7-30

A letter was received from the Rev. Theodore C. Gieschen of Horicon, Wisconsin, in response to the general circular letter sent out to check location of certain sounds, sirens, whistles, et cetera, which reply advised as follows:

That there was a large stationary siren which blew at Horicon, Wisconsin, each week day morning at approximately the same time that a factory whistle blew. That this factory whistle blew each morning and at evening but not at noon. Further, that the church of the writer had a bell which rang every Saturday afternoon at 3:00 P.M., and several times on Sunday morning but not on week days. That shifting locomotives could be heard daily and occasionally air planes.

The following investigation was performed by Special Agent, W.F. Wood, on 3-24-34 at Horicon, Wisconsin.

John Bernges, Assistant Chief of Police, advised that they have a stationary siren which blows only at noon and in case of a fire. Mr. Bernges caused a check to be made and stated that this siren did not blow on Sunday morning, January 28, 1934.

Mr. Bernges, also stated that their factory whistle blows at 6:30 A.M.; 7:30 A.M.; 12:00 Noon; 1:00 P.M.; and 4:30 P.M. Agent was present at 1:00 P.M., and heard this whistle. The above mentioned letter of Rev. Gieschen, reported that no whistle blew at noon.

Mr. Bernges stated that there are three churches in Horicon: the Catholic Church, which bell rings regularly on Sunday morning; the Methodist, whose bell rings only Sunday mornings; and the Lutheran Church, whose bell rings Saturday afternoon and again on Sunday morning.

Mr. Bernges stated that they have four steam trains daily, one at 8:00 A.M.; 9:00 A.M., and again at 5:00 P.M., and 6:00 P.M., besides one gasoline coach which runs twice daily, once in the morning and once in the afternoon.

Subsequently, two additional letters were received one from F. A. Schwesfeger, Pastor, Horicon, Wisconsin, who advised as follows:

(1) That there is a stationary siren but it blows only at noon, except Sundays.

(2) One church bell rings Saturday afternoon at 5:00 P.M. Another church bell rings, one bell on Sunday morning while the church of the writer rings twice.

(3) Horicon is a railroad division point and of course switching engines are frequently heard. Not many trains pass during the day. Aero planes."

The next letter was from H.H. Markham, Mayor, City of Horicon, Wisconsin, which read as follows:

"(1) The Van Brunt Manufacturing Company, of this city, has a large stationary siren, which sounds each week day morning at 6:30 and 7:30 A.M., when the factory is operating.

I suggest that the city stationary siren is blown only at 12:00 Noon, at the time the Van Brunts blow their stationary siren.

(2) One of our churches practises ringing their bell at 5:00 P.M., every Saturday and again several times each Sunday morning but not on any other day or at any other time. The Catholics ring their bell only once each Sunday morning.

(3) Horicon is a railway junction point, and has many trains, a shifting locomotive engine and many passing trains, and occasionally air-planes, would fit this location."

It is quite evident that one or more of the parties writing the above mentioned letters are in error in their statement of the sounds to be heard in Horicon, Wisconsin. Examination of the map of Wisconsin shows that several small towns are located in the immediate vicinity of Horicon and a check of these towns will be made to determine whether at a point between the different towns, could be heard a combination of sounds similar to those to be heard at the hideout.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. L. Nalls on April 7, 1934:

City Editor Story of the St. Paul Daily News turned over to agent a letter dated April 2nd, 1934, signed by Dr. R. H. Breslin, who gave as his address, 66 Beatrice Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. It has developed that similar letters were also furnished to the City Editor of the St. Paul Pioneer Press in St. Paul and the Tribune Star and Journal in Minneapolis, as well as the Detective Branch of the Minneapolis Police Department. The contents of all letters are practically identical.

The letter addressed to the City Editor, St. Paul Daily News, St. Paul, Minnesota, is being set forth herewith in its entirety:

"Dear Sir:

As a former newspaper man I have the urge to inform you that a good story may be obtained in questioning Miss Alice Dahl, Suite 213, 1400 Portland Ave. S, Minneapolis, in the daytime employed by the Physicians & Hospitals Supply Co. of that city. In inadvertence and the falsely estimated security of long distance she has in correspondence made remarks that lead me to believe she has some knowledge of those associated with the Bremer kidnaping. She mentions "Sneezy" Westerberg, who makes open boast to her, she states, and a Tommy Carel, both of St. Paul.

I am informing the police of Minneapolis.

I can furnish more detail upon request. I undersign my name below, but it is not for publication.

Yours truly,

(Signed) R. H. Breslin

Agent Nalls, together with Agent Notestein, called at the Physicians & Hospitals Supply Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and requested Miss Alice Dahl to accompany them to the St. Paul Division Office for questioning, and Miss Dahl complied. She related that some time in the past she was in the employ of Dr. R. H. Breslin as office assistant at Williston, North Dakota; that Dr. Breslin became infatuated with her and tried to force upon her his attentions, which she repulsed; that she accordingly left North Dakota and came to Minneapolis where she has since been employed; that Dr. Breslin

has been a constant source of annoyance to her and has endeavored in every way to cause her embarrassment because of the fact that she has jilted him; that he has written to friends of hers in Williston, North Dakota, and has intimated to them that she is associating with gangsters and notorious characters, with no purpose in view but to cause her constant embarrassment and to make her appear undesirable to any other man who might consider her for marriage. The girl seemed quite truthful in her statements and has the appearance of a very cultured young lady. She appears to be approximately 22 or 23 years of age and advises that Dr. Breslin is in his late thirties.

Miss Dahl further advised that because of the annoyances by Dr. R. H. Breslin, she wrote to his brother, Dr. William W. Breslin, 455 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, Canada, and informed him just what actions his brother had been taking with respect to her. She exhibited a letter which she had received from Dr. William W. Breslin in reply to one sent to him by her. This letter contains the following paragraph which will serve to support the story of this young lady:

"Reub as you know has a very mean threatening temper which he has in the past displayed very foolishly and harmfully. However, for this time I can say his statements are the ravings of a jealous man who refuses to be jilted and no action will be taken. As for arrest, he is unable to walk the streets alone let alone enter into travel etc. and his allowance from my sister is just enough to keep him out of mischief. So even if he should wish to do anything unusual, the lack of finances will curb the desire. It is just a case of dog in the manger and I really am ashamed that he acts so childlike."

Miss Dahl also produced a telegram which reads as follows:

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

CB1485 49 EL-PD TORONTO CNT 5

MISS ALICE DAHL

CARE PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITALS SUPPLY CO 412 SOUTH  
SIXTH ST WPLS

FOLLOWING CALL I DECLARE LETTERS MAILED TODAY BASED ON FALSE  
INFORMATION ADVANTAGEOUS TO WARRN BEFORE LETTERS ARRIVE WILLA  
DILES HUSBAND LLOYD MOTHER BOSS CITY EDITOR THREE MINNEAPOLIS  
THREE STPAUL NEWSPAPERS DETECTIVE DEPARTMENT MINNEAPOLIS POLICE  
I WILL DO MY PART WILL LOOK AFTER WILLISTON ACTION YOUR LETTERS  
HERE SOMEWHAT SORRY

R. H. BRESLIN

Since dictating the foregoing, the City Editor of the St. Paul Daily News turned over to agent another letter dated April 6, 1934, from Dr. R. H. Breslin, addressed to the City Editor, St. Paul News, St. Paul, Minnesota, requesting him to kindly ignore his previous letter in regard to Miss Alice Dahl and the Bremer gangsters; that it was based on misinformation and was altogether foolish, and that it did a grave injustice to a fine girl.



Re: St. Paul File No. 7-30

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R.L. Nalls on March 28, 1934:

Agent Nalls contacted the Secretary of State's Office, Motor Vehicle Division, St. Paul, Minnesota, and left with them a list containing the names and aliases of suspects together with complete descriptions of cars believed to have been used by them. The request was made that flash cards be placed in the file of the Motor Vehicle Division and that the St. Paul Division Office be notified immediately should an attempt be made to register any of the cars listed, or should any person using a name similar to the true name or aliases of suspects endeavor to register any car. As a result of this request, information has been furnished on the following listed names:

R.E. DAVIS, Onamia, Minnesota

✓ Willys Sedan - 97-1931  
Mtr. #19171 - Serial 19213  
1934 Minnesota License B306-581

R.E. DAVIS, Adrian, Minnesota

✓ Buick Sedan - 47-1925  
Mtr. #1530637 - Serial 1477635  
1934 Minnesota license B 472-143

R.E. DAVIS, Worthington, Minnesota

✓ Hudson Touring - 1906  
Mtr. #80722 - Serial 46882  
1934 Minnesota license B368-948

GEORGE HALLER - Sibley Memorial Highway, St. Paul, Minn.

✓ Pontiac Cabriolet - 1930  
Mtr. #P671074 - Serial 588398  
1933 Minnesota License B399-012  
1934 license applied for and request made that it be mailed to Superior Refining Company, St. Paul, Minn.

GEORGE DUNN, 169 Carroll - St. Paul

✓ Willys Sedan - 1922-20  
Mtr. #24702 - Serial #23057  
1933 Minnesota license B8372  
No record 1934 registration

✓ GEORGE DUNN, 169 Carroll - St. Paul  
✓ Ford Coach 1924 T  
Mtr. #9626417  
1933 Minnesota License A101-151  
Transferred Ray Motor 8/1/33

✓ R.L. BURNS, 728-37th Ave. N.E., Minneapolis  
✓ Chrysler Sedan, 1926  
Mtr. #84667 - Serial GC4585  
1934 Minnesota license B95-215

R.L. BURNS, 426-1st Ave., Two Harbors, Minn.  
Cadillac Sedan, 1927  
Mtr. #149743  
1934 Minnesota license B57-481

✓ J.J. BURNS, 3833-15th Avenue South, Minneapolis  
✓ Roosevelt Sedan, 1929  
Mtr. #58861 - Serial #707699  
1934 Minnesota license B89-489

✓ WILLIAM LOEMAN, Rogers Hotel, Minneapolis  
✓ Chevrolet Coupe, Eagle, 1933  
Mtr. #3468339 - Serial 1CA01-11789  
1933 Minnesota license B46-506  
No record of 1934 registration as yet.

✓ WILLIAM LOEMAN, Brook Park, Minnesota  
✓ Star Coach - 1927  
Mtr. #443976 - Serial 407333  
1934 Minnesota license B341-962

✓ HARRY CAMPBELL, 107-13th Ave. S.E., Rochester, Minnesota  
✓ Ford Sedan - 1925 T  
Mtr. #11357206  
1934 Minnesota license A27-885

✓ HARRY CAMPBELL, Rt. #2, Glyndon, Minn.  
✓ Ford Truck  
Mtr. #7540768  
1934 Minnesota license T24-814

✓ HARRY CAMPBELL, 4133-44th Ave. So., Minneapolis  
✓ Hudson Brougham, 1927  
Mtr. #442526 - Serial V57061  
1933 Minnesota License B128-186  
Transferred - 8-1-33 to Parker Reese Motor Co.,  
3815 E. Lake Street, Minneapolis.



HARRY CAMPBELL, 4133-44th Ave. So., Minneapolis  
Chevrolet Sedan, 1933 Eagle  
Mtr. #3751484 - Serial 1CA0748647  
Minnesota 1934 License B122-541

HARRY CAMPBELL, Granada, Minnesota & Fairmont, Minnesota  
Hudson Coach - 1925  
Mtr. #324751 - Serial #631096  
1934 Minnesota license B173-105

E.V. DAVIS, Box 52 - Lakeville, Minn.  
Ford Coupe - 1933-8  
Mtr. #328420  
1933 Minnesota license B473-569  
No record 1934 registration as yet.

J.H. Lockwood, 1598 Dayton Ave., St. Paul  
Chrysler Sedan - 1932 Imp. 8  
Mtr. #CH 2237 - Serial #7901186  
1933 Minnesota license B 12-543  
No record 1934 registration as yet.

C.E. MOORE, Gen. Del. New Duluth, Minn.  
Chevrolet Coach - 1928  
Mtr. #602274 - Serial 21AC43427  
1934 Minnesota license B142214

C.E. MOORE, 265 Weaver Street, Mankato, Minn.  
Buick Touring 1925-25  
Mtr. #1274801 - Serial #1260982  
Transferred.

C.E. MOORE, 265 Weaver Street, Mankato, Minn.  
Plymouth Sedan - 1929  
Mtr. #36285 - Serial E.L. 3089  
1934 Minnesota license B193-750

C.E. MOORE, JR., - 605 W. 50th Street, Minneapolis  
Ford Roadster 1925  
Mtr. #A1320289  
1934 Minnesota license B461812

C.E. MOORE, 265 Wheeler Avenue, Mankato, Minn.  
Chevrolet Coach 1928  
Mtr. #4545986 - Serial 21AC 564538  
Transferred.

C.E. MOORE, 330 Kenilworth, Duluth, Minn.  
✓ Buick Coupe, 1925  
Mtr. #1412227  
1934 Minnesota License B138-815

C.E. MOORE, 265 Wheeler Avenue, Mankato, Minn.  
✓ Ford 1931 - Truck  
Mtr. #AA3987385  
1934 Minnesota license X16-340

Information has been furnished on the following listed

motor numbers:

✓ Pontiac Sedan - 1933, Mtr. #885160 - Serial 770198  
1933 Minnesota License B47-875 to MRS. H.M. FERGUSON,  
147 Kent Street, Apartment #5, St. Paul, Minnesota.  
Registered Nevada 2-6-35 to H.J. HARVEY, Hotel Anderson,  
Reno, Nevada. Came into Minnesota 3-1-35 and sold to  
MRS. H.M. FERGUSON 3-2-35.

✓ Ford Coupe, 1933-8, Mtr. #328420  
1933 Minnesota license B475-569 to E.V. DAVIS, Box 52,  
Lakeville, Minnesota. No 1934 registration as yet.

✓ Chevrolet Sedan, 1933, Mtr. #3554674 - Serial 1CA03-23077  
1934 Minnesota license B45-372 to E.V. DAVIS, Box 284,  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota.

✓ Ford Coupe, 1933, Mtr. #18-304794  
E.L. MURPHY, Box 345, White Bear Lake, Minnesota.  
1934 Minnesota license B75-038

✓ Ford Sedan, Mtr. #18-493080  
1933 Minnesota license B478377 to R.E. NELSON, 212 St. Peter  
Street, St. Paul; previous Ohio, 1933, plates C25771-1933  
listed to some police officer; transferred NELSON from  
BLACKBURN 12-8-33 and from NELSON to F.L. FISHER 5511  
London Road, Duluth, Minnesota.

Tracings of signatures of H.J. HARVEY, Hotel Anderson, Reno,  
Nevada; C.E. MOORE, Mankato, Minnesota; and R.E. NELSON, St. Paul, Minnesota, obtained  
from records of State Auto Bureau and are attached hereto.

Attached hereto are copies of memoranda, containing names and  
aliases of suspects and descriptions of cars used by them, which were left in the  
Secretary of State's Office, Motor Vehicle Division, St. Paul, Minnesota.

RIM:30

Re: BREKID.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T. J.

Dodd:

On May 6, 1934, acting on information received at the St. Paul office to the effect that a man who identified himself as a MR. LUCAS was loitering about the campus at St. Catherine's College in St. Paul, Minnesota, attempting to make dates with the girls attending that school, and further that he was flashing a large sum of money and driving a large roadster, agent proceeded to St. Catherine's College and there interviewed Sister ANTONIO. Sister ANTONIO advised that it had come to her attention and also to the attention of other members of the faculty that a man known as LUCAS had on at least one occasion taken two of the students from St. Catherine's College to the Lowry Hotel, St. Paul, Minnesota, and that he had exhibited to them a large roll of money; and that for the past three weeks he had been a constant annoyance to the faculty at St. Catherine's College because he persisted in loitering about the campus.

Sister ANTONIO further advised that the two girls referred to above were MISS HELEN RYAN and MISS MARY COFFEY. Subsequently, these two girls were interviewed by the writer. They stated that they met the individual known as LUCAS at the Cleveland Lunch Room located in the vicinity of St. Catherine's College; that he represented to them that he knew other girls at St. Catherine's College; that he invited them to have supper with him at the Lowry Hotel and accordingly they accompanied him there and during this dinner he exhibited what they described as a large roll of bills; and that he told very little about himself. The girls further stated that they were not particularly attracted to him and consequently avoided his advances since that time.

Photographs of WILLIAM WEAVER alias PHOENIX DONALD were exhibited to these girls and both of them stated that the individual known to them as LUCAS did not even remotely resemble the photographic representations of WEAVER alias DONALD.

Other photographs of various suspects were also exhibited to the girls, but as in the above instance, they stated that none of them were known to them.

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On March 30, 1934, Special Agent R. L. Nalls interviewed ~~KIICHLI~~ ~~KIICHLI~~, residence 3629 Aldrich Avenue South, Minneapolis, telephone number Colfax 6234, at the office of the U. S. MARSHALL in Minneapolis.

MR. KIICHLI stated that some few days ago, a friend of his, whose name he would not disclose, informed him that a farmer by the name of ~~PIERCE~~ ~~PIERCE~~, who resides in Anoka County, near Lake George, just out of St. Francis, Minnesota, has a regular arsenal in the basement of his house, included among which are machine guns.

A farmer who resides close to the Pierce Farm has been in the basement of the house and saw the guns which were shown to him by ~~PIERCE~~ ~~PIERCE~~, who claimed he is making a collection of guns and purchased most of them at auction sales. This farmer told KIICHLI'S friend who in turn related the story to KIICHLI.

MR. KIICHLI further stated that the exact location of the Pierce Farm which is located nearby the HOPPER'S farm can be ascertained through making inquiry at Leather's Store in St. Francis, Minnesota.

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On April 13, 1934, BESS SKINNER alias BETH GREEN advised Inspector Borer that VOLNEY DAVIS is now going with a girl named GRACE \_\_\_\_\_; that ALVIN KARPIS is infatuated with a girl named DELORES \_\_\_\_\_, who is not over 18 years of age, a blonde, who resides constantly in Chicago; that the rest of the Barker-Karpis gang will not permit KARPIS to take her around the country with him because they will not trust her; that it is believed that KARPIS keeps her in an apartment in Chicago.

BESS SKINNER further advised that "Doc" BARKER is infatuated with a girl who resides at Reno, Nevada, and who is believed to be a widow of a banker. She stated that FRED BARKER goes with PAUL HARMON, and that HARRY CAMPBELL goes with a girl who is from Oklahoma, approximately 20 years of age and part Indian, and whose name, BESS SKINNER believes to be WINONA. (this is undoubtedly WINONA BURDETT).

BESS SKINNER further stated that she understands that VOLNEY DAVIS owns a farm somewhere in Oklahoma and that he goes there frequently, and that he has a sister by the name of RUBY.

She stated that since January, 1934, she has heard VOLNEY DAVIS remark that he was receiving mail through a post office box at Lakeville, Minnesota, and that while he was receiving mail there he was residing somewhere on Lyndale Avenue, Minneapolis.

She further advised that BILL, who is a member of the Barker-Karpis gang, (she has identified BILL as being identical with a photograph of PHOENIX DONALD alias BILL SCOTT alias LUCAS) is very much in love with MYRTLE EATON, wife of "DOC" EATON, that on several occasions he has forced his affections upon her by means of a pistol and has forcibly taken her from her apartment on several instances; that she is in fear of him and not in love with him, although he constantly contacts her; that MYRTLE EATON for some time past has been kept by a business man in St. Paul, and that on one occasion some time ago, PHOENIX DONALD alias BILL went to this business man and threatened him unless he discontinued his attentions to MYRTLE EATON, but that nevertheless, MYRTLE EATON and this business man still go with one another.

She advised that "DOC" EATON is not divorced from MYRTLE and, although they do not live together and "DOC" EATON has not been in the Twin Cities for sometime, that he periodically telephones her from various places in the United States and she believes sometime ago telephoned her from Colorado.

She further advised that PHOENIX DONALD alias BILL SCOTT receives mail from his family, which resides somewhere in Arkansas, through MYRTLE EATON, and that mail is regularly received by MYRTLE EATON for him.

Re: St. Paul File No. 7-30

MRS. BESSIE SKINNER, consort of EDDIE GREEN, deceased, advised that VOLNEY DAVIS goes with a girl and is believed to be living with her, whose name is GRACE; that DAVIS formerly lived at Sapulpa, Oklahoma, and moved to Neosho, Missouri, or he lived at Neosho, and moved to Sapulpa, after having purchased a farm for his family; that VOLNEY DAVIS has a sister named HUBY, who is believed to have gone with him to the World's Fair, at Chicago, in 1933.

She further advised that BILL WEAVER alias BILL SCOTT, in the spring and summer of 1933, possibly resided at 241 Bremhar Street, St. Paul, which is in the vicinity of Snelling and St. Clair Avenues and the house in which he lived was close to a theater.

She further advised that about a year ago ALVIN KARPIS introduced her to a boy named JIMMIE. She has identified JIMMIE as being identical with GEORGE NELSON alias BABY FACE. She stated that when she met NELSON he was driving a Hudson Sedan with California license plates and it is her understanding that NELSON'S mother and wife and one child resided constantly somewhere in California; that NELSON is believed to have two children, one of whom is a boy of four or five years; that one of his children is being kept by someone in Chicago.

WAR:TC

St. Paul, Minnesota.  
April 21, 1934.

MEMO:

Re: St. Paul file 7-30.

On April 20, 1934, under instructions of Inspector H. H. Clegg, agent accompanied Special Agents T. J. Dodd and G. F. Hurley, a Deputy United States Marshal, and MRS. BESSIE SKINNER with aliases, in an endeavor to have her identify a certain garage. She pointed out the garage located at 93 East Anapolis Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, as being the garage in question, which is the place of business of the Westlund Auto Paint Company and Traefald & Antl Auto Repairs.

The St. Paul telephone directory reflects that the phone number of the Westlund Auto Paint Company is Riverview 3077. The telephone book does not list the phone number for Traefald & Antl. The telephones at this address are being checked to ascertain incoming and outgoing calls.

The above investigation is in connection with a garage which is alleged to be the one in which the KARPIS-BARKER gang is interested.

The filling station on the corner of Anapolis and Robert Streets, next to the garage referred to above, is owned by the Standard Oil Co., with offices at 1300 Harmon Street, Minneapolis.

T. G. MELVIN,  
Special Agent.

TGM:HVS  
12 copies made



Re: St. Paul File No. 7-50

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E.N. Notesteen, on April 18, 1934, upon the basis of information furnished by BETH GREEN to the effect that one, "EDDIE", was at the present time operating a garage in St. Paul for FRED BARBER; that this garage is located across the river on Robert Street and about six or eight blocks from the bridge, and that the garage was a frame building, trimmed in green and located next to a filling station, which filling station stands on a corner.

Agent crossed the Robert Street Bridge and followed Robert Street for approximately twenty-five blocks and observed that there was no frame garage at any point on this street; agent then proceeded over the Wabasha and followed Wabasha across the river for approximately twenty-five blocks and noted that there is no frame garage within sight of this street, or on this street, and that there is no garage answering the description furnished by BETH GREEN.

ENN:TC



The following memorandum, dated 5-13-34 at Madison, Wisconsin, was submitted by Special Agent R. G. Gillespie:

An informant stated to Agent Gillespie that about two years ago a man by the name of Touhy came to Madison, Wisconsin, from Chicago, Illinois, and built a roadhouse about two miles south of Madison; that he understood the building cost about \$23,000.00; that the place was operated by some connection of the Roger Touhy gang of Chicago; that the place had a shady reputation and was presently being run by a man by the name of Touhy. Informant stated that while he had no definite facts, he strongly suspected that this was the place where Edward George Bremer was held captive by his kidnapers.

Agent visited the above mentioned place which is located on Highway 12-1B and is situated about two miles south of the city of Madison. Lake Monona lies about 400 yards north of the Garden Lunch, the name of the roadhouse, and the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad main line runs between the lake and the Garden Lunch; about two miles away is the Madison Municipal Airport which serves as a stopping place for the Northwest Airways Line. The building is a two-story brick and stucco structure. Entrance is made into the bar room, the bar being to the left and the balance of the large room being used as a dining room where patrons are served meals. A woman appearing to be about 40 years old, reddish blonde hair, scar on left side of face, fair complexion, and identified later as the wife of the proprietor, waited on the bar. To the rear of the Garden Lunch is an infrequently used road that forms a "Y" with Highway 12-1B. The rear of the building is on a lower level than the front and there is a drive-in garage underneath the rear of the building. Agent was unable to observe whether there were any rooms on the basement floor other than the garage. To enter the main floor from the rear there are about ten steps up made of wood. Entry to the basement floor apparently would be made through the garage door which is on the rear ground level.

Captain HOWARD MOWERY, Manager, Municipal Airport, Madison, Wisconsin, stated that his place of business is about two miles from the Garden Lunch and that the place has been known as a hideout for criminals. Captain Mowery stated that for the past six months the place has been apparently very quiet and during this latter period, he had not heard anything concerning the place.

Sheriff FRED T. FINN, Dane County, residence at County Jail, Madison, Wisconsin, stated that the Garden Lunch was built about two years

ago by WILLIAM TOEY (not Touhy) and that he understood WILLIAM TOEY was a brother or cousin of ROGER TOUHY of Chicago; that TOEY and his wife and 16-year-old daughter came from Chicago and paid \$22,000.00 cash in the construction of Garden Lunch; that on one or two occasions he was suspicious of the place and on one occasion about a half year ago an informant told him to watch the place as a certain car was coming into the place frequently and would always remove the license plates as soon as it arrived; that the place was watched for several weeks but nothing was learned. Sheriff FINN stated that he had seen TOEY who is a small, slender built man with sandy hair and partly bald.

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May 3, 1934,

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

RE: St. Paul File No. 7-30.

MR. EDWARD G. BREMER telephoned Mr. Clegg on the night of May 1, 1934 and advised that he had been informed that a Ford V-8 automobile, bearing 1934 Wisconsin license tags 371-844, was cruising about his place in a suspicious manner.

While conducting an investigation on other matters, Mr. Clegg, Mr. Brennan, and Mr. Dodd drove by the residence of MR. BREMER, and Mr. Clegg talked with MR. BREMER for a few moments and learned that a relative had telephoned him giving the license tag and the story about the automobile cruising around his place.

This number had previously been given to Mr. Hammi at the St. Paul office for the purpose of having the license number checked, and it was determined that this car had not been stolen but was owned and occupied by a group of five people who had come from Wisconsin to St. Paul to witness a tennis tournament in which professionals were engaging. This information was made known to MR. BREMER.

Mr. Hammi determined that the car was a Ford V-8 1932 Sedan, Motor No. 1871839, and that it was registered in the name of OSBORNE B. COWLES of River Falls, Wisconsin, who was accompanied by a party of five people as above described.

H. H. CLEGG,

Inspector.

HEC:ACF

HIDEOUT

On March 24 to 28, 1934, Special Agent H. H. Reinecke made investigation at the following places with reference to the hideout described by the victim, these places all being in Waukesha County, Wisconsin:

Pewaukee, Wisconsin	Willow Springs, Wisconsin
Hartland	Lannon
Lakeside	Hatfield
Nagawicka	Colgate
Gifford	Northview
Chenequa	Meadow Brook
Nashotah	Edgewood Station
Okauchee	Buena Vista
North Lake	Summit Center
Edgemore Estates, Wis.	Fussville
Monterey	Waterville
Mapleton	Jericho
Stone Bank	Eagleville
Monches	Genesee
Ottawa	Genesee Depot
Vernon Station, Wis.	New Berlin
Vernon	Durham
Guthrie	Muskego
Prospect	Prospect Station
Chamberlin	Big Bend
Dodges Corners, Wis.	Merton
Sussex	Menomonee Falls
Delafield	Oconomowoc
Wales	Dousman
Eagle	North Prairie
Muckwonago	Tess Corners

A large majority of these places are small rural communities or practically uninhabited crossroads, but were shown on the detailed map of the county which agent was using as a basis of his investigation, and they are listed here as a matter of record, and the investigative results as to this type of community are grouped in one paragraph hereinafter with the names of the places referred to.

At Pewaukee, Wisconsin, interviews with the Chief of Police, who is also the city water meter reader; a Catholic priest; and two members of the volunteer fire department developed the information that there is a siren on the fire department building but that it is sounded only for very infrequent fires and at no other times. There are no whistles at

any type blown in or near Pewaukee. There are three churches--a Catholic with a Sunday morning bell ringing, a Baptist with a Sunday morning and Sunday evening bell ringing, and a Lutheran without a bell. L. A. BARTLETT, The Chief of Police and water meter reader, was given a careful oral description of the hideout, and all possibilities discussed with him, but he said there was nothing similar to it in Pewaukee. Train service through Pewaukee is on the main line of the Milwaukee Railroad, and the traffic is quite heavy, but the schedules were not secured, nor other inquiry made, in view of any semblance of the noises desired.

At Hartland, Wisconsin, interview with the Postmaster, a Lutheran minister, and an official of a creamery company, indicated that the fire department uses an air whistle sounded only for infrequent fires and a monthly firemen's meeting. There are four church bells, including one on a Lutheran church, but none make it a custom of tolling a bell on Saturday afternoons or evenings. There is no city water supply and no water meter reader. A local creamery has a steam whistle but it has not been blown for two years. There are no other noises of a similar nature anywhere in the vicinity of Hartland, although on rare occasions, if one is on the outside, the noon siren at Chenequa can be heard faintly. Train service here is as in Pewaukee.

At Chenequa, Wisconsin, it was found that there is no business district whatsoever. It is composed of large estates surrounding Pine Lake and the area has been incorporated by the wealthy estate owners to enclose the lake and keep it private. There is a siren in the place and is used as a fire warning, and is also tested each noon. There are no other noises present, or heard from neighboring communities. The nearest railroad track is two miles away, but there is no Chenequa station or stop.

At Washotah, Wisconsin, the Postmaster advised that there is no fire department, no siren, and no steam whistle in the village or nearby. There is one church bell but it is not rung on Saturdays. This village is near Chenequa and on rare occasions, the noon siren there can be heard if one is out of doors.

At Okauchee, Wisconsin, the Postmaster and a member of the volunteer fire department advised that the fire department has a siren but it is sounded only for infrequent fires. There are no steam or other whistles in or near the village. There are two church bells, but neither is tolled on Saturdays. A cistercian Monastery located near Okauchee rings its bell daily at 6:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 6:00 p.m. The noon siren at Okauchee is frequently heard. There is no city water supply and no water meter reader.

At North Lake, Wisconsin, it was learned through the Postmaster that there is no siren in or near the village, nor is any whistle present. There are two churches with bells, but neither is tolled on Saturdays. Very few trains pass through this village, which is on a branch line, and there is little switching, only by an occasional freight.

At Merton, Wisconsin, which is a very small village, the Postmaster stated that the siren which calls out the volunteer fire department is tested each weekday noon, but there are no whistles of any sort in the vicinity, and only one church bell and it is not tolled on Saturdays. This village is also on a branch line railroad with few trains and some days no switching whatsoever. There is no city water supply and no meter reader.

At Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin, MR. GODFREY, District Manager of the Wisconsin Gas & Electric Company, and the Postmaster stated that instead of one large siren for use of the fire department, there are three smaller ones scattered about the town and they are all sounded simultaneously in case of fire, and also sounded together at noon each weekday. There are no whistles of any sort in or around the town. The train service is very poor with only two trains stopping or passing through four days each week, and none on the remaining three days. There are three church bells; a Lutheran rung each Saturday at 6:00 p.m., and again on Sundays; a Catholic rung each day at 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 6:00 p.m., and a third rung for services only on Sunday mornings.

The chief of the fire department verified these sounds, and also stated that a siren fire call was sounded at 9:00 p.m., Sunday, January 22, 1934, and another at midnight on the same date.

Through the cooperation of MR. GODFREY of the Wisconsin Gas & Electric Company, the following employees of that company were interviewed with their duties, and territories given. These men cover not only a large portion of Waukesha County, but also the northwestern portion of Milwaukee County, and the southeastern and central portion of Washington County.

T. H. WADE, meter reader and "trouble shooter" covers the towns and neighboring vicinities of Schlinger, Hartford, Jackson, Cedar Lake, Lake, Bart Lake, and Friess Lake.

BOB PRICE, meter reader, covers Richfield, Germantown, Granville, Menomonee Falls, Mequon, Lisbon, and Merton, and rural area in between.

A. BOASKA, meter reader and "trouble shooter", covers Menomonee Falls, Mequon, Brown, Bear, and Granville, and surrounding rural territory.



EMMET HIKNER, meter reader, and "trouble shooter", covers Grafton and Cedarburg and adjacent rural areas.

E. H. BIRCHOW, meter reader and tester, covers the entire territory served by the Menomonee Falls office.

ART DOLLASY, reads meters in the same territory covered by BOB PRICE.

H. KOCH, "trouble shooter", works in Merton, Lisbon, Menomonee Falls, Granville, Germantown, Richfield, Polk, and Erin, and adjacent and intervening rural areas.

The description of the hideout was carefully gone into with these men and all possibilities discussed, but none could recall any place in their district which would fit. BOB PRICE mentioned a farm home two miles east of Menomonee Falls on Highway No. 74, as being suspicious because the residents frequently hesitated in admitting electric and gas men, but this place was later observed by agent and it has not basement whatsoever and no stairs or steps going down to the ground floor, but rather a few steps going up. Furthermore, no noises of the type described by victim could be heard there, except some passing trains nearby.

Photographs of all suspects were also exhibited to the above men without results.

These employees of the Wisconsin Gas and Electric Company all seemed deeply interested in cooperating, and have been asked to do so by the company officials. Should any of them come across any premises similar to the type for which we are looking, the Chicago Division office will be notified.

A. DUNA, meter reader and "trouble shooter" for the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company, stated that he works in Delafield, Washota, Wales, North Prairie, the lake regions of Pine Lake, Pewaukee Lake, Lower and Upper Menasha Lakes, also in Genesee village and Depot, and the rural section from North Prairie to Waukesha village. The hideout description was carefully gone into with him, and photographs of suspects were exhibited without any results. He will keep in mind the hideout description and notify his office in Milwaukee of any developments he may run into. The Milwaukee office has the Chicago Division office address.

At Dousman, Wisconsin, HENRY GRANLING, JR., the Postmaster, stated that the Fire Department has a siren sounded each weekday noon, and for infrequent fires. There are no whistles of any sort present. There are two church bells but neither is rung on Saturdays. Four passenger and two freights pass through each 24 hours, but there is only occasional siding by one of the freights. There is no city water supply and no water meter reader.

At Eagle, Wisconsin, the Postmaster, MRS. LILA BURTON, advised that the Fire Department there has no siren, whistle, or bell, but that volunteer firemen are notified of conflagrations by telephone. There is no whistle or siren in or near the village, and only one church bell, on a Catholic church, which is rung every morning at 6:00 a.m. There are six trains every 24 hours, but very little switching. No city water supply or meter reader is available.

At North Prairie, Wisconsin, the Postmaster and a Lutheran minister were interviewed and they said that there was no siren in the village, the Fire Department being called out by means of a bell used for that purpose. A milk condensary has a steam whistle which is blown every weekday at 6:00, 6:45 and 7:00 a.m., and 12:00 noon; and 12:45, 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. There are two church bells, one on a Lutheran church which is tolled every Saturday at 6:00 p.m., and again for Sunday morning services. The other a Methodist church bell rung only on Sunday mornings at 9:30, 10:00 and 11:00 o'clock. There are four passenger trains, and two freight trains during a period of 24 hours. There is no city water supply or water meter reader.

At Muckwonago, Wisconsin, the Postmaster advised that the Fire Department siren is sounded every weekday noon and for fires. There are no whistles, nor is there a church bell which tolls every Saturday afternoon or evening. There is a Lutheran church but it has no bell.

E. A. AUSTIN, the city water meter reader, was given a brief description of the hideout, and all possibilities were discussed with him. However, he said there was nothing fitting that description in Muckwonago.

At Tess Corners, Wisconsin, it was found that the volunteer Fire Department uses a siren, but it is sounded only for fires, which occur very infrequently. There is a Catholic church bell, the only one in the village, or nearby, but it is not tolled on Saturdays. The nearest railroad is eight miles distant. There is no city water supply, and therefore no city water meter reader.



At Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, all types of meter readers were contacted only, as previous inquiry had been made there by Agent Wood regarding noises, and through the game warden residing there. The following are the ones contacted, together with the villages they cover:

R. H. SIMS, gas fitter, for the Wisconsin Gas & Electric Company, works in Oconomowoc, Okauchee, Nashota, Delafield, and Hartland, and all adjacent lake vicinities.

W. A. WELLMAN, gas meter reader, covers Oconomowoc, Brookfield, Okauchee, Nashota, Delafield, Hartland, Pewaukee, New Berlin, and adjacent rural areas.

DANIEL HOWE, light and water meter reader for the Oconomowoc city light and water departments.

CHARLES BUEGE, 322 Silver Lake Street, service man for the Milwaukee Electric Railway & Light Company. He is a "trouble shooter", collector, meter installer, etc., covering Dousman, Exonia, Stone Bank, Okauchee, Okauchee Lake, Garden Lake, Moose Lake, Upper and Lower Nashota Lakes, Upper and Lower Memahbin Lakes, and Silver Lake, and all adjacent vicinity.

C. A. MILLER, office man for the Wisconsin Gas & Electric Company, who formerly was engaged in outside work.

The hideout description was gone into with these men, and photographs of all suspects exhibited, without any results whatsoever, except that C. A. MILLER advised he had in mind a suspicious place near Delafield occupied by one A. GOTTLIEB. This place was later checked with A. DUMA, electric man at Delafield, and also the Postmaster, and it was found that there is only the ordinary basement with small windows, and it is all one room, with a furnace therein, and one bed used by an old man who helps about the premises.

Oconomowoc has about 35 trains through every day, and has a switch engine engaged exclusively in switching therein. There was a fire for which the siren was sounded about 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 22, 1934. This, however, was previously covered by Agent Wood and will not be gone into further here.

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The following is a list of those places shown on the detailed map of Waukesha County which are merely crossroads, interurban stations, or abandoned railroad stations, and at which investigation by this agent disclosed a complete absence of all of the noises desired, except in one or two instances a country church bell. In each instance, agent kept in mind the possibility of hearing noises from nearby larger villages, but this possibility was also excluded:

Wales  
Sussex  
Lakeside  
Hagawick  
Gifford  
North Lake  
Edgemore Estates  
Monterey  
Mapleton  
Stone Bank  
Monches  
Muskego  
Big Bend

Ottawa  
Willow Springs  
Lannon  
Hatfield  
Colgate  
Northview  
Meadow Brook  
Edgewood Station  
Buena Vista  
Summit Center  
Fussville  
Prospect Station

Waterville  
Jericho  
Eagleville  
Genesee  
Genesee Depot  
Vernon Station  
Vernon  
Guthrie  
Prospect  
New Berlin  
Durham  
Chamberlin

St. Paul, Minnesota,  
March 30, 1954.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR RORER:

Re: BREKID  
St. Paul File No. 7-50

A compilation has been made of replies received in response to the circular letter dated March 6, 1954, and addressed to the chief of the fire department in cities being covered by this investigation. The result up to this date is as follows:

1. Territory covered by Chicago Office:

a.

ILLINOIS

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-54</u>
* Ashton	—	Siren sounded
* Aurora	6 fires	Apparatus siren
Berwyn	9:44 P.M.	" "
Blue Island	1:00 A.M.	" "
	2:53 P.M.	" "
* Brookfield	8:23 P.M.	Truck siren
* Calumet City	12:00 A.M.	Siren sounded
* Carpenterville	—	—
Chicago	154 fires	—
Cicero	5 fires	Sirens sounded
Compton	—	Siren sounded
* Des Plaines (1-29-54)	6:45 A.M.	—
* Dixon	5 fires	Truck siren
Durand	2:05 P.M.	Siren sounded
East Dubuque	—	—
* Elgin	5 fires	Truck siren
Evanston	5 fires	Truck siren
Flossmoor	9:55 A.M.	Village siren
Forest Park	5 fires	Truck siren sounded
Freeport	5 fires	" "
Galena	12:50 P.M.	No siren
Hanna City	1 fire	Siren sounded
* Harvard	8:00 P.M.	" "
Harvey	4 afternoon fires	Truck siren
Highland Park	1:00 P.M. & 5:00 P.M.	Truck siren

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-54</u>
* Joliet	5 fires	Truck sirens
* Lake Villa	Practice call	Siren sounded
Lanark	1:30 & 8:30 P.M.	" "
* La Salle	Fire	" "
* Libertyville	5:15 P.M.	" "
* Lombard	9:45 P.M.	" "
* Lockport	8:30 P.M.	Truck siren
Lostant	---	Siren sounded
Middlethian	4:05 P.M.	" (8 times)
* Morris	---	Siren sounded
Naperville	7:00 A.M.	" "
Newark	Date in doubt	" "
Oak Park	5 fires - P.M.	Truck sirens
* Palatine	6:50 P.M.	Siren sounded
River Forest	---	Truck siren
* Rochelle	---	General alarm
* Peru	---	Siren sounded
* Riverside	1:20 A.M.	" "
* Rockford	14 alarms	B. & M. Sirens
* Savanna	8:00 P.M.	Truck siren
Shannon	---	Siren sounded
Skillman Valley	12:00 Noon	" "
* Spring Grove	---	Truck siren
Steger	---	" "
* Sterling	8:35 P.M.	---
* Streator	10:50 P.M.	Siren sounded
* Summit	2:30 P.M.	Truck siren
* Waukegan	5 alarms (P.M.)	Siren sounded
Westmont	6:30 P.M.	" "
Willow Springs	1:50 A.M.	Truck siren
* Wilmette	6:55 A.M.	" "
	5:30 P.M.	" "
	5:20 P.M.	" "
* Winnetka	Fire	No siren
Woodburn	1:00 P.M.	Siren sounded
Zion	2:15 P.M.	" "

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b. INDIANA

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-34</u>
Crown Point	5:45 P.M.	---
East Chicago	3 fires	Siren on truck
Hammond	3 fires(12:30 P.M.on)	" " "
Hobart	1:00 P.M.	Siren sounded
Valparaiso	11:30 A.M.	" "

c. WISCONSIN

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-34</u>
* Burlington	10:00 A.M.	Alarm sounded
	3:00 P.M.	
Eagle	11:45 A.M.	Truck siren
Fontana	7:30 P.M.	Siren sounded
Hales Corners	---	---
Kenosha	10 fires	Siren sounded
Lake Geneva	---	" "
Menomonie Falls	2 fires	" "
Merton	---	" "
Milwaukee	57 fires	Siren sounded
Oconomowoc	3:25 P.M.	" "
Racine	7:40 & 8:29 P.M.	Truck sirens
Reeseville	---	Siren sounded
South Milwaukee	9:00 A.M.	" "
Sussex	1 fire	Siren not sounded
Town of Lake(Milwaukee)	5 fires	" "
	(7:40 A.M.on)	Siren sounded
* Waukesha	6 fires from 10:00 A.M.	No siren
* Wauwatosa	3 calls (P.M.)	Siren sounded
Williams Bay	---	" "
West Allis	7:10 A.M. & 12:04 P.M.	Siren on truck
* Whitewater	11:00 A.M.	Siren blew

2. Territory covered by St. Paul Office:

1. IOWA

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<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-34</u>
Cedar Rapids	10 fires after 6:30 A.M.	Siren on truck
Cresco	5:30 A.M.	---
Dubuque	5 fires(9:20 A.M.on)	Truck siren
Edgewood	---	Siren sounded
Manchester	12:00 Noon	Siren sounded
Marion	2:30 P.M.	" "
New Albin	10:30 A.M.	" "
Plainfield	---	---
Stanwood	11:50 A.M.	Siren sounded
Strawberry Point	11:00 A.M., 5:00 P.M.	" "
Vinton	8:00 A.M.	" "
Waterloo	5 fires(8:57 A.M.on)	Siren on truck

b. WISCONSIN.

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-34</u>
Argyle	2:00 A.M.	Siren sounded
Belleville	---	" "
* Beloit	3 fires(P.M.)	Truck siren
Blanshardville	3:00 P.M.	Siren sounded
Boscobel	9:00 A.M.	" "
* Columbus	10:50 A.M.	" "
Dane	---	Siren sounded
Deerfield	---	" "
* Edgerton	9:30 A.M.	Siren sounded for ice rescue
* Evansville	6:30 P.M.	" "
Fall River	12:00 A.M.	" "
Ironia	7:00 A.M.	Siren sounded
Janesville	10:30 A.M.	" "
Lake Mills	6:50 & 9:06 P.M.	" on truck
* Madison	7:00 P.M.	Siren sounded
Milton Junction	17 fires	Siren on truck
Monticello	11:40 A.M.	Siren sounded
Mount Horeb	2 fires	Siren sounded
* Oregon	2:11 P.M.	" "
Palmyra	1:10 P.M.	" "
Prairie du Chien	10:50 A.M.	" "
Prairie du Sac	2 fires	" "
Richland Center	10:00 & 11:30 A.M.	" "
Rio	12:30 P.M.	" "
Stark City	2 fires	" "
Wausau	12:20 P.M.	" "

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<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-34</u>
Stoughton	3 fires(P.M.)	Siren sounded
Watertown		"

3. Territory covered by St. Louis Office.

a. ILLINOIS

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-34</u>
Bloomington	2 fires	Siren sounded
Chebanse		No
East Moline	12:30 P.M.	
Geneseo		Alarm sounded
Hanna City	1 fire	Siren sounded
* Hinsdale	2:00 P.M.	No siren
Hooppole	12:50 P.M.	No siren
Kankakee	5 fires	Truck sirens
Kewanee	12:20 & 3:00 P.M.	"
Milford	3:00 P.M.	Siren sounded 2 long whistles
Moline	5 alarms P.M.	Truck siren
Rock Island	9:10 A.M.	Fire Siren
Varna	12:00 Noon	Siren sounded

4. Territory covered by Kansas City Office.

a. IOWA

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fires 1-28-34</u>
Blue Grass		Siren sounded
Clinton	4 fires(5:10 P.M.on)	" on truck
Davenport	9 fires	Siren sounded
Elwood		Run in country
Gooselake		Fire alarm
Iowa City	8 fires(11:58 A.M.on)	Truck siren
Muscatine	5 fires(8:30 A.M.on)	"
Red Oak	3 fires	Siren sounded
Solon	Dept. not called	No siren
Wilton	12:30 & 11:50 P.M.	Siren sounded

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\* Actual investigation by an agent has also been made  
in these towns

Very truly yours,

RBD:TC

R.B. Donaldson, Special Agent

PENDING

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1900 Bankers Building  
105 W. Adams  
Chicago Illinois

MAY 21 1934  
May 21, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
617 Federal Building  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,  
with aliases, I. O. #1219, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM,  
KIDNAPING; -Chicago File 7-82.

During recent weeks Bremer ransom money has been passed in Chicago, Illinois, and a party known to this office as "Slim", alias Roy Gray, alias Ed Gray, alias Roy Gray Evans, alias Bob Gray, subject of I. O. 1215 in the name of Russell Gibson, alias Rusty Gibson, has been identified as the party passing such money to others. On or about April 27, 1934, when several parties were taken into custody by this office "Slim" disappeared. His apartment was located at 626 Waveland, however, and a raid conducted therein disclosed, among other things, a picture of an unidentified woman who is believed to be either the mother of Gray or the mother of his wife, who is variously known as Estelle Gray, Clara Gray, Clara Moore and Clara Fisher Gibson. This photograph bears the handwriting in pencil the word "Gray" and has the following pencilled number on the back number 97481. This photograph appears to have been taken in 1932, having the stamp of the photographer as follows: 1932 Nitral Studios, Los Angeles, Calif. I am forwarding herewith the said photograph with the request that it be returned to this office when it has served its purpose. It is requested that immediate investigation be conducted at the said studio in an effort to identify said photograph. If identified the party should be located and efforts made to learn the location of "Slim", with aliases, through her. It may be advisable to maintain a telephone tap for a time.

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For your assistance a photograph of "Slim" is being attached hereto. The identification order contains a good personal description of him. I am also forwarding a handwriting specimen of Slim. As you will note from the Identification Order, this party is badly wanted in Oklahoma. Reports from the Oklahoma City Office disclose that the sheriff at that point has posted a \$500.00 reward for the arrest of this man. He is described as a dangerous criminal, and every precaution should be taken in his apprehension. He is also wanted by the police department in Chicago for Jewelry robbery. He has often posed as a jewelry salesman. I am also enclosing a photograph of his wife, which may be of assistance to you. Her description is contained on the back of said photo. In renting a Safe Deposit Box in Chicago, Mrs. Gray gave her mother's maiden name as Eubanks. Please return all material forwarded to you when its purpose has been served.

Gray with aliases is known to be driving a 1934 Ford V-8 Coupe, dark green or black in color, having a rumble seat, motor number not known, bearing 1934, Illinois plates-number 605-683 or 605-583.

Gray is very quiet and uncommunicative. To be noted in particular are his thick lips. His teeth have a tendency to protrude.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS  
Special Agent in Charge

KRM/cle  
CC: Division  
St. Paul  
Oklahoma  
Chicago

1900 Bankers Building  
105 W. Adams  
Chicago Illinois

May 22, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
224 Federal Building  
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with al-  
liases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with  
aliases, I. O. 1219, et  
al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
VICTIM-KIDNAPING, Chicago  
File 7-52.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 11/14/33, in the case  
entitled Russell Gibson-FUGITIVE, National Motor Vehicle  
Theft Act, our file number is 86-5556. It is noted that  
this man is identical with Roy Gray, aliases Slim, Ray Gray,  
Roy Gray Evans and Bob Gray. Gray has been identified as the  
man who passed considerable quantities of Bremer ransom mon-  
ey in Chicago, Illinois, between April 17, and April 25, 1934.  
Extensive investigation has been going forward in the Chicago  
Office with regard to this man, and considerable information  
disclosed to date will be submitted to you within the near  
future in the form of a report.

For your assistance I am enclosing two photographs  
of Gray, a handwriting specimen of Gray and a photograph of  
the wife of Gray who is variously known as Estelle Gray,  
Clara Gray, Clara Moore and Clara Fisher Gibson. Her phys-  
ical description is found on the reverse of her photo. The  
Kansas City Office has been given the facts that they need,  
and proper photographs and handwriting specimen have been  
furnished that office.

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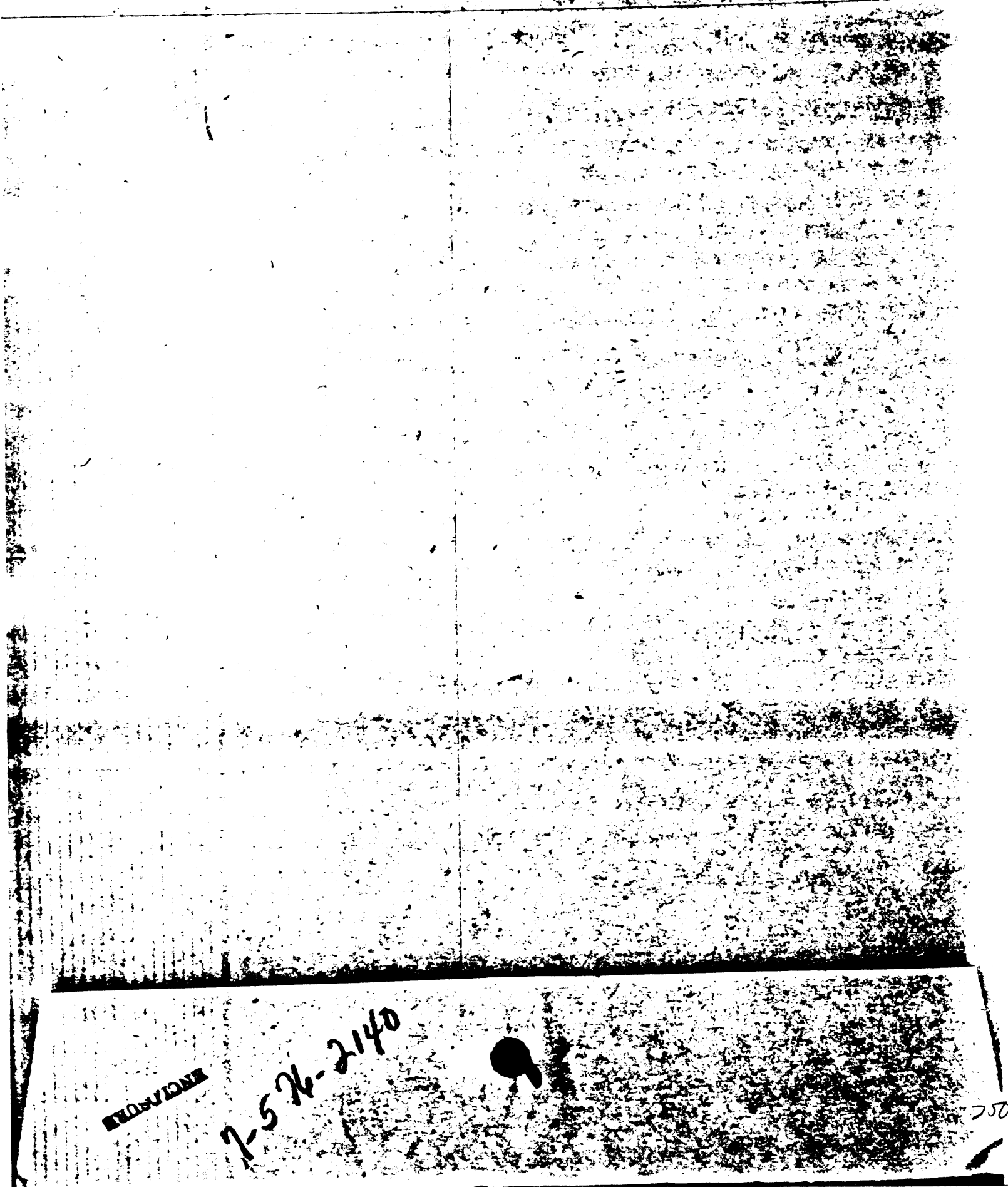
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Russell Gibson

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 519,  
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

JUN 14 1934

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Identification Order 1219;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
Identification Order 1219, et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER Victim;  
KIDNAPING.

As of possible assistance, there are enclosed,  
herewith, photographs of Russell Gibson, alias "Slim",  
subject of Identification Order 1219, who has been identified  
as one of the individuals passing some of the Bremer ransom  
money in Chicago, Illinois.

The Oklahoma City Office is requested to conduct  
an investigation with a view to establishing the identity  
of the wife of Russell Gibson. Her photographs were forwarded  
to the Oklahoma City Office with the letter of the Chicago  
Office dated May 22, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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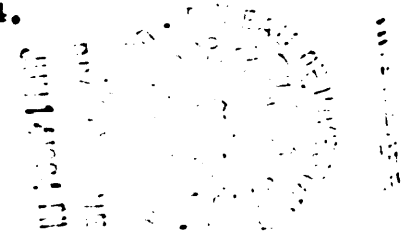
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

June 12, 1934.



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

Dear Sir:      Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218;  
                  ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.#1219, etal.  
                  EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
                  KIDNAPING.  
                  St.Paul File No.7-30

Prior to my arrival here, there had been initiated a program whereby all the voluminous files in this case were to be reviewed and a summary of the investigative activity, as well as information prepared as to each of the different phases of the investigation, including interviews with Mr. Bremer, the victim; outline of investigations made to find the hideout; investigation concerning the payment of ransom; investigation concerning shell oil signs; and numerous other aspects of the investigation of this general character. Information was not only being summarized but consolidated under the various headings to serve as a study and record.

Due to the small detail of men now assigned to the special investigation and due to the condition of the work in the St. Paul Office, it has not since been found advisable to stop the investigative activity of the agents for the purpose of continuing this report which, of course, does serve some practical purpose. It is estimated that it would take four men an entire week or perhaps slightly longer to complete this summarization and I have not felt that it would be possible to spare the personnel for this purpose particularly since it is so important to locate the Bremer hideout and to continue the investigation looking toward the finding of suspects and subjects in this case as well as in the Dillinger case.

However, I desire to advise you of the fact that there is in the office quite a voluminous report with the various sections incomplete of the character above described.

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Very truly yours,

H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minn.

FILE NO. 7-35

REPORT MADE AT San Francisco	DATE WHEN MADE 6/8/34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/18/34 to 6/4/34	REPORT MADE BY W. H. Ramsey, Jr. - GHP
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING.

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Investigation at 34 Hyde St., San Francisco, develops this address a former speakeasy abandoned January, 1934. Mail being delivered there however, and called for. References of Lohman to Northern Wine Co., to I. H. Lohman and to Bank of America, San Francisco, apparently fictitious. Mail under surveillance and further investigation continuing.

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Ill., dated May 24, 1934.

**DETAILS:** This investigation is based on a telephone call from Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, to Acting Special Agent in Charge E. B. Montgomery of the San Francisco Office wherein the gist of information contained in reference report regarding the stop of William B. Lohman and wife at 7157 Yates Ave., Chicago, and the furnishing of the following references by Lohman: Northern Wine Co., 34 Hyde St., San Francisco; Bank of America, San Francisco; I. H. Lohman, father, 34 Hyde St., San Francisco, at the time of renting the above noted apartment, was indicated with the request that this Office conduct discreet investigation looking toward location of Lohman, alias Subject Karpis, at 34 Hyde St., in San Francisco. It was further stated that Mrs. Lohman was reported to have remarked that her husband was ill and had gone to California.

Investigation conducted in company with Special Agent R. D. Brown, brick of this Office, revealed that the address 34 Hyde St. was merely an entrance leading up a single flight of stairs to a door of the type used in speakeasies and giving entrance to a floor space above the first floor one W. F. Cox. It was noted that the door is now boarded up.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: *[Signature]* 7-576-2142

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windows of the floor space facing on the street are broken out and that the place is obviously a speakeasy which has been abandoned. There is an ordinary tin mail box just inside the entrance at the foot of the stairs just off the sidewalk, which has no name or mark upon it.

It was recalled by this Agent that the number 34 Hyde St. had been that assigned to a telephone number, namely Underhill 9419, mentioned in the case entitled, "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, ROY J. FRISCH, Victim - KIDNAPING", as that of "Soap" Marino, alias Joe Pasqualletti, alias George Grazio (report of this Agent in that case dated 4/19/34, San Francisco, Calif., on page 8).

A check with the telephone company developed that their full information in connection with this telephone number, Underhill 9419, was that it was listed to the Theatrical Club, and had been disconnected on Jan. 8, 1934.

Agent contacted Mr. E. D. Suydam, assistant manager of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 445 Sutter St., San Francisco, who exhibited the records of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company with reference to the address 34 Hyde St., and it was ascertained that one John Moyles had made application for service on Feb. 6, 1933. This application reflected the home address of Moyles as 3277 - 24th. Ave., and that he owned property at 260 Crescent St. and also 2620 - 20th. St., and gave his occupation as salesman for the Yosemite Meat Co. The current telephone directory lists John Moyles at 3277 - 24th. Ave., and a J. Moyles at 260 Crescent Ave. There is a Yosemite Meat Market listed at 3202 Folsom St.

Agent contacted Postal carrier #214, who has carried the 34 Hyde St. address for several years. He stated upon interview that he had seen no one at the address since the first of this year but that prior to that time on several occasions he had gone into the place to deliver mail and had seen the bartender, but had paid no attention to anyone else and had seldom ever seen anyone else. He was unable to identify photographs of any of the suspects in this case as anyone he had seen or resembling anyone he had seen at this address at any time. He stated that most recently, some two or three weeks ago, he had delivered to the mail box above described at 34 Hyde St. a piece of mail addressed to the Theatrical Club and that several days later he noticed that same had disappeared. He was unable to furnish the names of anyone connected with the Club and definitely stated that he remembered no mail at any time coming to this address for William B. or I. H. Lohman, or the Northern Wine Co.

Check of the records of the County Assessor's office at San Francisco developed that the personality at 54 Hyde St. had been assessed in 1933 at \$50 to John Moyles at 3277 - 24th. Ave; that the real property was assessed to the Josephs Estate Corporation.

Investigation at the Mercantile Acceptance Corporation, an automobile financing company, 333 Montgomery St., San Francisco, developed that Louis Tambini had bought 1933 Plymouth coach, motor #PC81712, serial #1823249, in June 1933 on time payments from the Prudential Securities Company of San Francisco. On his application for credit Tambini indicated his occupation as clerk for J. Moyles at 3219 - 24th. Ave., and gave as references Fred Lundblade, Eureka, Calif., and J. Appola, 580 Broadway in San Francisco and indicated that he had formerly been in the trucking business for himself. He gave his age as 34 and marital status as single. The files of the Mercantile Acceptance Corporation indicated the payments had been made properly in connection with this deal each month and that the mail going to Tambini, as noted above, had merely been his final notice indicating that his payments on the car would terminate with the next payment. The file indicated that usually no notices were sent with exception of the usual due date of the installment. Inquiry of the Mercantile Acceptance employees developed no one there who knew Tambini personally.

The files of the Prudential Securities Company, 1299 Bush St., San Francisco, indicated no additional information except that the car had been originally purchased from the James McAllister Company on Van Ness Ave., San Francisco.

Investigation conducted through the James McAllister Motor Company, Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, and Bob Woods, salesman of that Company, who sold Tambini the Plymouth coach, developed that two small looking, boyish, Italian youths had come into the McAllister sales room on the morning of June 15, 1933 driving a Hudson coupe, motor #42732, serial #921644, and stated that it was their friend Louis Tambini's car and that they desired to have it appraised; that it had been appraised and that then Tambini had come in later on that same day and traded it in on the new 1933 Plymouth described above, receiving a credit of \$310 on the Hudson and making a small additional cash payment. Woods was unable to identify any of the suspects in this case as persons known to him or as resembling in any way Tambini. He described Tambini as being about 35 years of age, 5-9 in height, with a very thin face and of medium build and medium complexion. He stated that he was Italian in appearance and stated that he had not seen him since this day he had sold him the car, the Prudential Securities Company buying the original contract for the installment payments.

At the offices of the Alcohol Tax Unit of the U. S. Department of Internal Revenue, the former Prohibition Unit of the Department of Justice, 845 Sanson St.

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San Francisco, inquiries were made with reference to the address 34 Hyde St., as well as the names John Moyles and Louis Tambini and it was ascertained that the address had been well known to this Unit as a speakeasy operated by Joe Parente and that Moyles and Tambini had been employees.

The records of the Alcohol Tax Unit indicate that Andrew John Moyles, apparently one and the same as John Moyles of 3277 - 24th. Ave., was 35 years of age, 5-7 inches tall, weight 135, brown hair, brown eyes and occupation - teamster, marital status single; that he had been arrested in Case No. 17882, on July 4, 1929 for sale and possession of liquor. No disposition of this offense is given. The records further indicate that Louis Tambini, alias James Moore, alias Louis Tombini, in Case No. 23427, on April 12, 1932 was charged in company with Andrew Ferrallo, Ernest Pearson, Charles Hamilton, Lowell Boyd, Harry Sattler, Joe Parente and Abe Sherman of conspiracy to violate the National Prohibition Act; that Ferrallo, Pearson, Parente, Boyd and Sattler were discharged in connection with this matter and that Abe Sherman was fined \$500; that Hamilton was given two months in the County Jail and fined \$500. The records further indicate that Louis Tambini was dismissed before the U. S. Commissioner and was not indicted. The records of the Prohibition Unit indicating that dispositions were furnished in connection with this matter no dispositions are being forwarded with reference thereto with this report.

The records of the Alcohol Tax Unit indicate further the following notation regarding the record of Louis Tambini: San Francisco PD #31716, arrested on 5/13/31, charge burglary - disposition, not given; arrested 3/7/31, violation National Prohibition Act - disposition, not given; arrested 5/30/31, violation National Prohibition Act - disposition, not given. Description - age 30 in 1931, weight 155, height 5-10, light hair, grey eyes, scar over left eye, marital status single, occupation barber. An examination of photographs of Tambini indicated no likeness to any of the suspects in this case.

Under pretext, Agent Philbrick and this Agent interviewed W. S. Cox, proprietor of the tire store directly beneath the 34 Hyde St. address. He stated that the place had been abandoned since the first of January this year, as business had died out following the repeal of the Prohibition amendment; that he personally had been in this speakeasy on several occasions and understood that it had been run by Joe Parente, who was a notorious San Francisco bootlegger. He was unable to furnish any information as to who was presently calling for mail at the address or additional information to that noted above regarding those employed there. He knew of no wine company having an office or headquarters there. It should be noted here that in addition to the information noted above secured from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, that the notation on their files indicated that they had not installed any gas and electric service on an independent meter for the 34 Hyde St. address but that the address had secured their gas and electricity through a master meter in the name of W. S. Cox, one meter furnishing the entire building with gas and electricity.

A check with appropriate clerks of the General Delivery windows of the San Francisco postoffice revealed no record of a W. S. or I. H. Lehman calling for or having called for mail in San Francisco.

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Investigation conducted at the California State Board of Equalization, State Bldg., San Francisco, where all engaged in manufacturing or retailing or wholesaling or dealing in liquor in any way are required to secure a license, but no information was secured either as to the Theatrical Club, the Northern Wine Co., or under the names W. B. or I. H. Lohman. It was stated however, that there was possibility of error in the records of this department in San Francisco and that full information in connection with this matter or rather a check on the information in San Francisco could be secured through the offices of the State Board of Equalization at Sacramento, Calif., although there was little possibility their records would reveal other information than that shown in the records of the office in San Francisco. However, in order that the search in connection with this matter may be complete, a check will be made to the offices of the State Board of Equalization at Sacramento, and the Secretary of State to determine possible information regarding these organizations and individuals at that point. Directories and telephone listings in San Francisco furnish no notations regarding the Northern Wine Co.

With regard to the reference given by Lohman as Bank of America in San Francisco, Agent contacted Mr. A. W. Brennan, assistant cashier of the head office of the Bank of America in San Francisco, at Powell and Market Sts., where the records for all of the 43 San Francisco branches of this bank are maintained, and he advised after a search of their records that there was no current account, either savings or commercial, under that name; that there had been an account opened on March 5, 1930 and closed on April 24, 1930 for a W. Lohman, whose occupation was a baker and whose account had been transferred from the Sacramento branch of the Bank of America to San Francisco; that there had been a W. Lohman, whose account had been transferred from the Morgan Hill branch of the Bank of America and closed in 1928, and a Walter P. Lohman, whose account had been closed in 1916. It did not appear that any of these accounts would have any connection with or reference to this suspect in instant case. No further investigation as to them is being made in the absence of further instructions. Brennan stated that the names William B. and I. H. Lohman were totally unknown to him at the bank and that they had no record regarding any of these individuals.

Investigation is continuing with reference to the matter of mail addressed to the 34 Hyde St. address and also with a view to determining if there might be any connection between John Moyles or Louis Tambini and suspects in this matter.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE, at San Francisco, Calif., will continue investigation in connection with this matter, completing all leads suggested in the body of this report.

At Sacramento, Calif., will at the office of the California State Board of Equalization, secure all information both at that office and at the office of the Secretary of State with reference to an alleged Northern Wine Co. and as regards the names William B. Lohman & I. H. Lohman.

PENDING.

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.  
June 8, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
629 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska.



Dear Sir:

RE:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO 1218.  
ARTHUR R. BARNER, with aliases, IO 1219.  
ET AL.  
GEORGE EDWARD BREMER-VICTIM  
KIDNAPING.

Due to the recent re-allocation of territory, so that the States of Iowa and Nebraska are now covered by your office, there are being transmitted at this time appropriate serials, exhibits and photographs in the above captioned case, in order that appropriate investigation may be made by your office in your District, and appropriate information may be on file there for reference purposes.

One copy each of the reports and communications as described herein after are being furnished you with this letter, the serial number of the particular communication or report in the Kansas City file being placed herein as a matter of convenience to the Kansas City office.

In any case wherein a lead is presently outstanding for the attention of your office, the same has been indicated in capital letters immediately after the description of the particular report wherein the lead is contained and the capital letters are underscored.

described as follows:

The reports and communications are de-

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- Serial 14 - Copy St. Paul letter to Chicago, dated 1-28-34.
- Serial 22 - Report Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Dallas, 1-31-34.
- Serial 46 - Memorandum of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, 2-13-34.
- Serial 52 - " " " " J. R. Calhoun, " " " " " " " "
- Serial 91 - Copy St. Paul letter to Kansas City dated 2-16-34.
- Serial 169B - Multigraphed copy report S.A.C. W. A. Rorer, St. Paul, 2-14-34.
- Serial 106 - Report of Special Agent H. T. Arterberry, Dallas, dated "17- "
- Serial 109 - " " " " R. B. Nathan, New York, " "16- "
- Serial 169A- Multigraphed copy of report Special Agent John T. Brennan, St. Paul, 2-17-34.
- Serial #118-Report S.A.C. W. A. Rorer, St. Paul, 2-16-34.
- Serial #150- " Agent E. C. Janison, Chicago, 2-22-34.
- Serial #164- " " E. N. Notesteen, St. Paul, 2-20-34
- Serial #169- Multigraphed copy Memorandum for the Director dated 2-21-34, dictated by Agent R. E. Newby.
- Serial #174- Copy St. Paul letter to Kansas City 2-22-34.
- Serial #176- " St. Louis " " " " " 2-24-34.
- Serial #185- " Letter from Agent O. C. Dewey, Des Moines, Iowa, 2-15-34 to Kansas City office.
- Serial #222- Copy San Antonio letter to Dallas 2-27-34.
- Serial #233- Report Agent M. C. Spear, Kansas City, 3-1-34.
- Serial #238- Copy Chicago letter to Kansas City 2-28-34.
- Serial #286- Report Agent J. V. Murphy, San Antonio, 3-1-34.



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Serial #336- Report Special Agent K. C. Spear, Kansas City, 3-9-34.

- #344- " " " J. J. Metcalf, Chicago, 3-9-34.
- #345- " " " K. R. McIntire, Chicago, 3-9-34.
- #352- " " " J. L. Madala, Chicago, 3-10-34.
- #363- " " " J. R. Welles, Chicago, 3-10-34.
- #364- " " " J. L. Madala, Chicago, 3-13-34.
- #376- " " " W. E. Listerman, Philadelphia, 3-13-34.
- #377- " " " T. E. Billings, Chicago, 3-13-34.  
(LEAD AT DES MOINES, IOWA.)
- #384- " " " C. E. Weeks, New York, 3-15-34.
- #433- St. Paul letter to Salt Lake 3-23-34.
- #425- Report Special Agent J. V. Murphy, San Antonio, 3-23-34.
- #419- " " " J. R. Green, Kansas City, 3-24-34.
- #441- Kansas City letter to Jacksonville, 3-27-34.
- #462- Report of Special Agent T. C. Ryan, Chicago, 3-29-34.
- #464- " " " F. F. Yearley, St. Louis, 3-29-34.
- #466- " " " R. G. Gillespie, Chicago, 3-29-34.
- #494- " " " R. C. Suran, Kansas City, 4-5-34.  
(LEADS IN IOWA AND NEBRASKA)
- #499- San Antonio letter to St. Paul, 4-7-34.
- #506- Report S.A.C. Vetterli, Salt Lake City, 4-7-34.
- #536- Letter from Agent O. C. Dewey to Inspector Clegg dated  
Des Moines, 4-19-34.



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EXHIBITS:

PHOTOGRAPHS:

Mrs. Geo. Anderson, alias Mrs. Arrie Barker,  
mother of Subjects Barker(3).

Arthur R. (Doc) Barker, I.O. #1219(50).

Ed Bentz(3).

Ted Bentz(3).

Mrs. Ed Bentz(3).

Tommy Carroll(3).

Curly Clause(3).

Paula Harmon(3).

Charles LeRoy Kelso(2).

Alvin Karpis:

K.C. Mo. P.D. #17902 - Full length-(1).

" " " " - Half " -(2).

Kansas State Penitentiary #1539(1).

I.O. #1218 (50).

Group photograph of Volney Davis; Fred Barker; Alvin Karpis;  
Arthur R. Barker and Harry Campbell(5).

George Nelson(4).

Clyde Himerick, alias James A. Woodruff(1).

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Madeline Synder, alias Madelyn Snyder:

Omaha PD #17073(2).  
San Antonio PD #5130(1).

William Weisman(1).

William Weaver(1).

Samples wall paper used in Bremer house of captivity during kidnaping:

Wall border(5)  
Side walls-photostatic copies-(5).  
Photostatic copy sketch of side walls(1).

Photostatic copies "Hideout" of E. G. Bremer(3).

Photographs of clothing given to Victim Bremer by kidnapers:

Composite photograph of underwear, socks and shirt(4).  
Enlarged photo front top of underwear(1).  
" " " half " " (1).  
" " socks(1).  
" " shirt(1).  
" " inside shirt(1).

Photographs of flash lights and lanterns(3)

Photostatic copies of maps of various states showing towns using electric sirens for fires and general alarms:

Nebraska(2)  
Iowa(2)

List of Bremer ransom notes(13).

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC: DIVISION-CHICAGO-ST. PAUL-ST. LOUIS-DALLAS  
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P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 7, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

JUN 12 1934 AM  
DIVISION ONE

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN, with aliases - FUG.;  
JOHN JOSEPH McLAUGHLIN, JR., with aliases -  
FUGITIVE; PHILIP J. DELANEY - FUGITIVE;  
WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER, with alias - FUGITIVE,  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping. St. Paul file No. 7-20.

In confirmation of telephone conversation with your office, you are advised that in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case, the Division has authorized the initiation of telephone calls from Madison, Wisconsin; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Rockford, Illinois, as well as from Chicago and St. Paul to telephone operators for the purpose of obtaining information as to sounds heard by Mr. Bremer while he was held as a kidnaped victim. Recently, Mr. Newby, Special Agent W. E. Brennan, and Mr. Bremer, in calling at various towns in southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois, learned that in many instances, telephone operators sounded the morning siren as a test blast to see whether it were in operation. This has been confirmed in my conversation personally with the Manager of the telephone company at Madison, Wisconsin.

I have talked by telephone with Mr. Roberts, 7-576 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION Telephone Company in Milwaukee, as well as with Mr. Emis, Manager of the same affiliated company in Madison, and they have advised that telephone calls might be made to their operators or chief operators for the purpose of obtaining answers to the questions similar to those in the attached list. It is therefore requested that you have a Special Agent initiate telephone calls from Milwaukee for that portion of the State of Wisconsin covered by the Chicago office. In view of the condition of roads, in view of the infrequency of trains, and in view of the fact that the territory north of Green Bay, Wisconsin, was covered with snow, it is believed to be unnecessary at this time to have telephone calls directed to towns north of Green Bay, Wisconsin. It is suggested that calls to the suspected area and northern Illinois may be made from either your Chicago office or from the telephone company's office at Milwaukee.

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The manager of the telephone company at Madison has agreed to aid us in compiling a list of towns where there are telephone exchanges, and from Madison, the area in southern Wisconsin will be covered and an office is being made available in the building occupied by the telephone company at Madison.

A difficulty which would be encountered is that there are many independent telephone companies in this area; for instance, at Madison, Wisconsin, there are only twenty-three exchanges controlled by the affiliate organization of the Bell Telephone System, all other towns are covered by independent lines. However, it is believed that you will be able to persuade the telephone operators to answer these questions when they are informed that you are talking from the telephone company's offices.

Special Agents working on special assignment in the St. Paul office have completed the examination and investigation in towns offering four or more possibilities for the Bremer hideout and are now engaged in examination and investigation in towns offering three possibilities. One of the Special Agents working in Dane County, Wisconsin, in which Madison is located, in addition to making the telephone calls, will likewise make an examination of the description charts of houses in southern Wisconsin which are available at Madison, in accordance with the letter recently addressed to this office by Mr. Newby from Chicago. It is understood that similar records may be available for the Wisconsin territory covered by your office at Milwaukee.

Since the master file of card indexes is being maintained in the St. Paul office, it will be appreciated if you will transmit to this office information obtained by you by telephone in your calls initiated at Milwaukee, Rockford, and Chicago. In this connection, we plan to use the list of questions and to use a 5x8-inch sheet of scratch paper to record the answers and the name of the town called, thereby eliminating having to repeat the questions in the record compiled. It is believed that if you can find it convenient to use a piece of 5x8-inch carbon paper, it will be possible for you to record in duplicate the answers received from the various towns and send one sheet of these answers to the St. Paul office for aid in maintaining the records here.

Enclosed you will find a list of the questions which have been compiled for the purpose of making inquiry of the telephone operators, and, of course, when circumstances and experiment show that the phrasing

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might be changed in order to make the questions more understandable, there is no reason why the phraseology should not be changed appropriately. Several test calls made at the St. Paul office have reflected that even under adverse circumstances, these questions might be asked and answers obtained, when available, during the maximum period of three minutes. In the event any of the telephone operators do not have available the information at the time called, it is suggested as being entirely proper to request such telephone company employees to call the agent collect at the place from which he is calling.

Very truly yours,

H. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.

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Cc Omaha

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Questions to be asked of telephone operators by telephone  
from Madison, Wisconsin; Rockford, Illinois; Milwaukee, Wisconsin;  
and Chicago, Illinois:

1. Does a siren and a whistle blow at the same time in the morning or at noon in your town? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Was this true last January or February? \_\_\_\_\_
3. At what time did or do they sound at the same time? \_\_\_\_\_
4. At what other time does a siren sound during the day or night? \_\_\_\_\_
5. At what other regular time does a whistle blow during the day or night? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Do church bells ring Saturday afternoons as well as Sunday mornings in your town? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Is there a switch engine there on the railroad? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Does your town have electric power and light? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you know of any other towns where a whistle and a siren blow at or before noon each week day? \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Box 815,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 7, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O.  
1219; JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN alias "BOSS"  
McLAUGHLIN alias J. J. McLAUGHLIN -  
FUGITIVE; JOHN JOSEPH McLAUGHLIN, JR.,  
with aliases - FUGITIVE; PHILIP J.  
O'DELANEY - FUGITIVE; WILLIAM EDWARD  
VIDLER with alias - FUGITIVE, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREYER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul file 7-80.

During the course of an interview with WILLIAM  
EDWARD VIDLER, subject in the above entitled case, he  
stated that if any money taken from his custody or  
possession might be returned, it would be perfectly proper  
for it to be delivered to his wife or to his lawyer, Mr.  
Biban. He stated also that he had a fountain pen, two  
photographs of his wife and children, a billfold, and keys  
to an automobile and his house which were in his possession  
when he was arrested and which he would like to have  
returned to his wife.

Very truly yours,

E. E. GLEGG,  
Inspector.

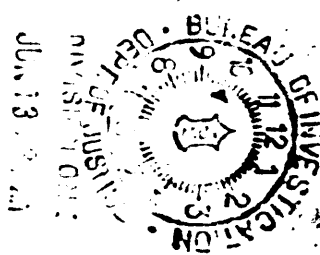
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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.  
June 8, 1934.



Title not appearing on original:

Mr. Fred G. Zerbst, Warden,  
U. S. Penitentiary,  
Leavenworth, Kansas.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
IO 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
IO 1219, et al  
GEORGE EDWARD BREMER-VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, we are very desirous of obtaining a descriptive photograph and personal history data relative to one Izzy Smith, who is alleged to have served a term of imprisonment at your institution in about 1915. No descriptive data or further information relative to Smith's sentence is available at this time.

Will you kindly cause a search to be made of the records of your institution to ascertain if an individual as above named may have served time there, and, if so, furnish several copies of appropriate descriptive photograph and personal history information relative to this individual.

In replying, please refer to our file

No. 7-37-640.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois  
May 23, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
370 Lexington Ave., Room 1403,  
New York, N.Y.

DIVISION ONE  
MAY 28 1934

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREMER

Reference is made to your letter of May 15, 1934, in which you request copies of the report of Special Agent Gillespie, dated at Chicago, Illinois, March 29, 1934, and of reports submitted in this matter by this office, subsequent to March 29th, with the exception of the report of Agent Billings, dated April 18, 1934.

Please be advised that an examination has been made of our files in this matter, which reflects only one report written by Agent Gillespie on March 29, and this shows investigation through the Post Office Inspector at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with regard to one Dave Berman. Two copies of this report were furnished the New York Office.

The report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, dated at Chicago, April 18, 1934, in the above captioned case, pertains to investigation at Chicago, Illinois with regard to William Graham of Reno, Nevada, and copies of this report were also furnished the New York Office.

It is not known whether you desire copies of all reports submitted in the Bremer case subsequent to March 29, 1934, or copies of reports submitted in this case with regard to Graham only. For your information, this office has submitted only two reports relative to the investigation of Graham, and copies of both were furnished your office.

In view of the fact all information in the Bremer case in this office is segregated according to subject matter, it is desired that any request for copies of reports in the future, indicate the nature of the information contained in the desired reports.

Very truly yours,

E. H. FURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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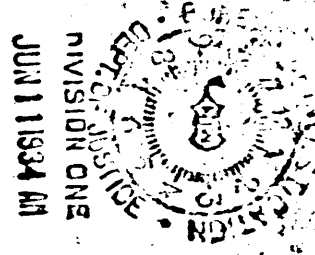
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Room 1403,  
370 Lexington Avenue  
New York City, N.Y.

June 8, 1934

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Bldg.,  
Chicago, Ill.



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

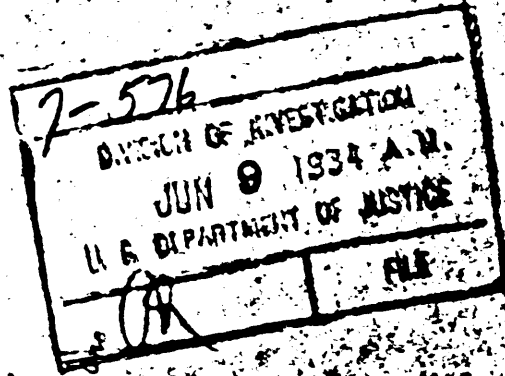
Dear Sir:

Please refer to my letter of April 28, 1934  
in connection with the above entitled investigation, and  
advise as soon as possible as to the result of the inter-  
view your office had with Winnie Williams.

Very truly yours,

F.X. FAY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Division ✓



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0 BREKID REFERENCE REPORT RAMSKY SAN FRANCISCO APRIL SEVENTEENTH STOP TED BENZ ALIAS BENTE UNDER NAME THEODORE RICHARDS INCORPORATED ANGLO PACIFIC MINES LIMITED NEVADA DESCRIBED AS FOUR THREE FIVE ACRES SECTIONS TEN ELEVEN FOURTEEN AND FIFTEEN TOWNSHIP NINETEEN NUMBERS NINE AND TEN EAST SIERRA COUNTY CALIFORNIA NEAR GRASS VALLEY FRANK R. DONOVAN ELEVEN MAPLE DRIVE SAN ANSELMO CALIFORNIA VICE PRESIDENT E. CAMPBELL THREE FOUR FOUR SIX SIXTEENTH STREET SAN FRANCISCO DIRECT OR POSSIBILITY E. CAMPBELL MAY BE SUBJECT HARRY CAMPBELL THIS CASE NO FEDERAL PROCESS OUTSTANDING FOR BENZ BUT BENZ WANTED BY G.B. FLOWMAN SPECIAL AGENT AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY FIVE EIGHT EAST WASHINGTON STREET CHICAGO FOR CRIMINAL CHARGES SEVERAL POINTS ALSO WANTED STATE POLICE EAST LANSING MICHIGAN FOR BANK ROBBERY ALSO WANTED POLICE SAN FRANCISCO AUTO THEFT STOP ST. PAUL OFFICE DESIRES BENE IF APPREHENDED INTERROGATED CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS ED BENZ HIS BROTHER ALL SUBJECTS BREKID CASE ANY INFORMATION HE HAS CONCERNING BREKID CASE TRYING TO FIX ANY RESPONSIBILITY HE MAY HAVE THAT CASE ALSO WHEREABOUTS CLARA FELDMAN WHO IS WANTED BY DIVISION STOP ENDEAVOR LOCATE CAUSE APPREHENSION TED BENZ STOP TED RICHARDS PRESIDENT ANGLO PACIFIC MINES LTD POST OFFICE BOX FIVE NAUGHT NINE GRASS VALLEY

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ST. PAUL  
JAD M

DOWD

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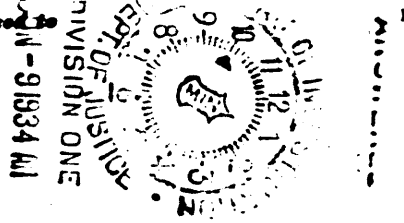
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Salt Lake City, Utah.  
June 4, 1934.



D.M. LADD.  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
232 POST OFFICE BUILDING,  
ST. PAUL, MINN.

○ BREKID ADVISE IMMEDIATELY IF ANY PROCEEDS OUTSTANDING FOR THEODORE BENZ IN THIS OR ANY OTHER CASE AND WHAT ACTION YOU WANT TAKEN IN EVENT HE LOCATED STOP POSSIBILITY HE MAY BE PRESENTLY RENO.

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P. O. Box 518,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 6, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
First National Bank Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
I. O. 1219; JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN  
alias "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN, alias  
J. J. McLAUGHLIN - FUGITIVE;  
JOHN JOSEPH McLAUGHLIN, JR., with  
aliases - FUGITIVE; PHILIP J.  
DELANEY - FUGITIVE; WILLIAM  
EDWARD VIDLER, with alias -  
FUGITIVE, et al. EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul file No. 9-30.

I am transmitting herewith a copy of a letter  
addressed to Governor F. B. Olson, St. Paul, Minnesota, by  
Ivar Brandt, 115 West Maple Street, Katherville, Iowa, in  
which he advises that he has information relative to a hide-  
out for criminals and possibly the hideout used in the  
Bremer kidnaping case.

It is suggested that your office interview Mr.  
Brandt at an early date and obtain all possible information  
from him concerning this alleged hideout.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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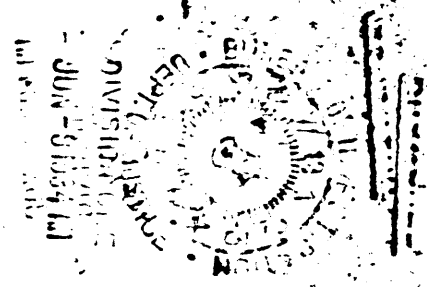
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629 First National Bank Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

June 6, 1934.

Mr. H. H. Clegg,  
Inspector,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box #515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.



Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,  
I. O. #1218, et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim.  
Kidnaping.

With reference to your wire of June 3rd, enclosed herewith please find photographs obtained from the Council Bluffs, Iowa, Police Department, of Phillip Delaney, alias Gelaney, and Lillian Thompkins.

Delaney was arrested in Council Bluffs on November 17, 1927, driving a Packard automobile containing ninety gallons of alcohol. He was accompanied by Lillian Thompkins. The case against Lillian Thompkins was dismissed on November 19th, while Delaney was put under \$800.00 bond, which he furnished. On January 23, 1928, he entered a plea of guilty in State Court at Council Bluffs, Iowa, charged with illegal transportation of alcohol, and paid a fine of \$786.50. At the time of his arrest he gave his address as 3011 Chicago Street, Omaha.

The Council Bluffs Police Records also show that Lillian Thompkins, as Lillian Ellen Child, #23625, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Police Department, was arrested October 5, 1932, charged with a violation of the Narcotic Laws; disposition, pending.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,  
Special Agent in Charge

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LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA

PLEASE OBTAIN AND FORWARD IMMEDIATELY PHOTOGRAPH HOMER E WILSON ARRESTED MARCH TWENTY EIGHT NINETEEN THIRTY SIX LOS ANGELES POLICE NUMBER TWO FOUR SEVEN SIX ONE DASH M DASH ONE CHARGE SECTION TWO EIGHT EIGHT A P C STOP ALSO FORWARD PHOTOGRAPH HOMER WILSON ARRESTED JANUARY ELEVENTH NINETEEN THIRTY THREE BEVERLY HILLS POLICE NUMBER TWO NINE NAUGHT THREE CHARGE VAGRANCY ALSO ARRESTED DECEMBER TWENTY THIRD NINETEEN THIRTY THREE CLAREMONT POLICE NUMBER EIGHT THREE SEVEN STOP FORWARD LATEST AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPH EACH

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H. H. CLEGG

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1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago Illinois

June 11, 1934.

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

Re: ALVIN <sup>0</sup>YARPIS with aliases,  
I. O. 1218; ARTHUR R. <sup>0</sup>BARBER  
with aliases, I. O. 1219;  
EDWARD GEORGE <sup>0</sup>BRUMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

This will advise you that Special Agent K. R. McIntire at Rockford, Illinois on June 8 and 9, 1934, called the Chief Operator in all of the towns located in the following counties in Northern Illinois, in order to secure information with regard to bells, sirens, whistles, etc. in said towns.

Jo Daviess  
Stephenson  
Boone  
McHenry  
Winnebago

Carroll  
De Kalb  
Kane  
Ogle

JUN 11 1934  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

No town was found to possess such sounds as were described by Brumer.

A chart is now being prepared by this office disclosing the sounds found in each of the towns investigated by agents of this office, and also the sounds disclosed by telephonic communications with chief operators. This chart will be ready at an early date.

You are advised further that the remaining telephone calls will be made from Chicago and Milwaukee within the near future.

Very truly yours, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

VAL G. ZIEPKE  
Acting Special Agent in Charge of JUSTICE

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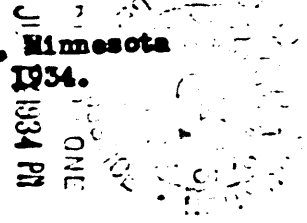
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Werner Hanni,  
 Division of Investigation,  
 U. S. Department of Justice,  
 First National Bank Building,  
 Omaha, Nebraska.

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 THOS CARROLL WHEN APPREHENDED ALSO SUGGEST TEST BULLETS BE FIRED FROM GUNS  
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1616 Federal Reserve  
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K. C., Mo.

June 12, 1934

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE,  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
629 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING,  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

JUN 15 1934 AM  
DIVISION ONE



DEAR SIR:

RE: Alvin Karpis, FUGITIVE, Et al  
Edward G. Bremer, Victim  
Kidnaping

Confirming my telephone call of June 9, 1934,  
I am transmitting herewith copy of a letter dated  
June 5, 1934, from the Los Angeles Office to Inspector  
Clegg, in the above case. You will note that infor-  
mation contained on page 3 of this letter requires  
attention at Lincoln, Nebraska, which is now in the  
Omaha district. A telegram was received from the  
Director on June 9, 1934, instructing that this  
investigation have expeditious attention, and that  
the Division be advised of the results.

Very truly yours

M. C. SPEAR,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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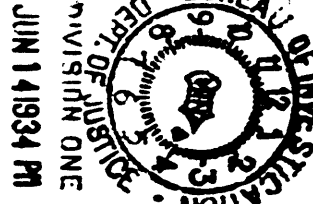
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ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA  
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BREKID BELIEVE WIRE SENT BY WESTERN UNION NOT SURE LETTER LIKEWISE RECEIVED  
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June 12, 1934

Mr. H. H. Clegg, Inspector,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
232 Post Office Building,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.



Bear Eip: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1228;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

A review of our files with regard to efforts to locate the hideout discloses certain significant facts. Please refer to the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, 4/7/34, which discloses an investigation made at Woodstock, Illinois.

A review of the hideout investigation has not been completed, but Woodstock is the only town which has been noted thus far which has most of the elements which were heard by Mr. Bremer during his confinement. Please observe that Bremer passed through a town having street cars approximately two hours before arriving at the hideout house. This town having street cars would have been Madison, Wisconsin. The town of Woodstock is perhaps from an hour and a half to two hours drive from Madison. Please note that a fire siren and a whistle blow from the power plant at Woodstock at 6:00 o'clock A.M. daily and that there are numerous factory whistles in said town, any one of which could have been heard by Mr. Bremer. Numerous trains are noted to have passed through Woodstock at almost every hour during the day. It is also observed that a mail plane to Madison, Wisconsin, flies over Woodstock at approximately 6:00 P.M. daily and it may have been this plane which Mr. Bremer heard in Woodstock on January 28th. It is observed that there was no fire in Woodstock on January 28th, but it is believed that more thorough investigation should be conducted to ascertain whether the siren was blown for any other purpose. It is also observed that there is no bell which rings on Saturday afternoon, but it is believed that a particularly thorough investigation should be conducted with regard to all bells that ring at Woodstock. It is suggested that there may be a township house or a school house which may have rung its bell on Saturday afternoon.

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As soon as possible this office will undertake a more thorough and complete investigation at Woodstock.

Very truly yours,

VAI C. ZIMMER, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

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P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

June 12, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 515,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-50

Reference is made to report of Special Agent W.M. Bott, dated 6-7-34, at Los Angeles, California, with reference to investigations for the purpose of locating MRS. ELLI GIBSON, with aliases. You will observe on page 2 of the report in question that there is an indication that MRS. ANNE GIBSON is visiting her daughter, at the present time, at an unknown address in Kansas City. However, the daughter is referred to as a MRS. WALLIS.

It is suggested that appropriate inquiries be made for the purpose of developing any leads which may be available from the above referred to information.

Very truly yours,

H. H. CLEGG, Inspector.

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 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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 ST. PAUL MINNESOTA.

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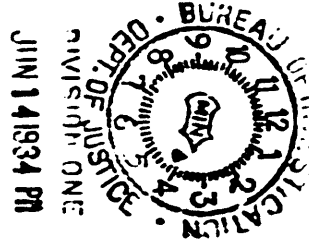
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St. Paul, Minnesota,  
 June 12, 1934.



D. Brantley,  
 Division of Investigation,  
 U.S. Department of Justice,  
 224 Federal Building,  
 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

BREKID FOLLOWING WIRE RECEIVED ROCHESTER MINNESOTA INJURING CONCERNING SISTER OF HARRY CAMPBELL QUOTE M ONE EIGHT SIX DASH ONE NAUGHT X U TULSA OKLAHOMA SIX NINE THIRTY FOUR SIX THIRTY SEVEN PM WORRELL HOSPITAL TWO FIFTEEN THIRD STREET SOUTHWEST ROCHESTER MINNESOTA ADVISE CONDITION OF LAURA LEE CAMPBELL SINCE OPERATION ANSWER COLLECT LOUIE JACOBS UNQUOTE SUGGEST INVESTIGATION DETERMINE IF SENDER OF THIS WIRE IS SUBJECT

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1900 BANKERS BUILDING,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

June 13, 1934.

Mr. H. H. Clegg, Inspector,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.



Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 121B; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-52

Special Agent E. R. McIntire has ascertained that the following towns in the following counties do not have telephone operators and for that reason no calls were made to these towns in an effort to ascertain whether the sounds heard by Mr. Bremer were in said towns. It is observed that each of these towns is covered by an operator located in a distant town.

JO DAVIESS COUNTY

Council Hill  
Harover

More  
Roddan

STEPHENSON COUNTY

Bolton  
Buena Vista  
Cedarville  
Elroy  
Florence Station

Kent  
Ridott  
Rock City  
Scioto Mills  
Wadhams Grove

BOONE COUNTY

Coopers town  
Garden Prairie  
Harbor

Irene  
Poplar Grove  
Ridley

MOHAWK COUNTY

Alden  
Big Foot Prairie  
Cherryville  
Crystal Lake  
Fox River Grove  
Hortland

Ridgely  
Ridgely  
Solon Mills  
Spring Grove  
West Chester

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WINNEBAGO COUNTY

Argyle  
City Hall  
Durend

Roscoe  
Shirland

DEKALB COUNTY

Charter Grove  
Clare  
Cortland

Fairdale  
Kingston

KANE COUNTY

Batevia  
Burlington  
Carpentersville  
Lundee  
Gilberts  
La Fox  
Lilly Lake  
Montgomery

Mooseheart  
North Aurora  
Pingree Grove  
Richardson  
St. Charles  
South Elgin  
Virgil  
Waseo

OGLE COUNTY

Adeline  
Baileyville  
Channah  
Davis Junction  
Egan  
Haldane  
Hazelhurst

Holcomb  
Kings  
Maryland  
Monroe Center  
Myrtle  
Pocahontas

COOK COUNTY

Elk Grove  
Kenilworth  
Morton Grove

Mount Prospect  
Niles  
Roseville

DUPAGE COUNTY

Addison  
Belmont Road  
Bloomingdale  
Clarendon Hills  
Cloverdale  
Kola  
Ingallton  
Lisle

LAKE COUNTY

Barrington  
Edison Square  
Everett  
Great Lakes  
Hawthorn Farm  
Highwood  
Ingliside  
Lake Bluff  
Mundelein

Medinah  
Ontarioville  
Villa Park  
Wayne  
Westmont  
Westmore  
Winfield

North Chicago  
Prairie View  
Ravina  
Rondout  
Russell  
Wadsworth  
Wilson  
Winthrop Harbor

Very truly yours,

VAL O. ZIMMER, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

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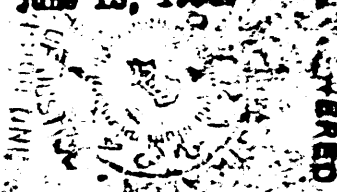
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1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago Illinois

June 15, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building  
Kansas City, Missouri

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Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1215;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O.  
1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
W. M. Bott, Los Angeles, 6/7/34, in the Bremer case, in which  
it is noted that a photograph taken from the apartment of  
Roy Gray alias Slim, with other aliases, has been identified by  
the Los Angeles office as being one Mrs. Anne Gibson alias Mrs.  
Nancy Gibson, who is now believed to be living with her daughter,  
Mrs. Walls, in Kansas City, Missouri. The said photograph is  
being forwarded herewith to you with the request that appropriate  
steps be taken to locate Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Walls, who are be-  
lieved to be the mother and the sister of Roy Gray. Proper  
investigation should then be made to try to locate Roy Gray  
through these parties. This photograph should be returned to  
this office when it has served its purpose.

In this connection, your attention is directed to the  
report of Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,  
11/14/33, in the case entitled HUSKELL GIBSON - FUGITIVE,  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, who is subject of Identification  
Order No. 1213. It is observed that previous information has  
been furnished you along this line in the above entitled matter,  
under letter dated May 22, 1934. For your additional assistance,  
I am herewith enclosing a specimen of the handwriting of Dr.  
Joseph Moran.

Very truly yours,

VAL O. ZIEGLER, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

CC-Division  
St. Paul  
Los Angeles  
Oklahoma City

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P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

June 13, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 1276,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O.#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,  
with aliases, I.O.#1219, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-80

There is enclosed herewith a mail tracing received at  
this office from Rochester, Minnesota, relative to mail ad-  
dressed to ~~WILLIAM CAMPBELL~~, sister of HARRY CAMPBELL, in  
the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,

H. S. GLENN, INSPECTOR.

HSG:SS  
Enc.  
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

June 12, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.  
#1219; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Concerning the efforts being made to locate the hideout in the BREMER kidnaping case, you are advised that an analysis was made of the replies received to circular letters forwarded from the St. Paul Office and the various sounds such as those described by Mr. BREMER as existing at, or near, the scene of the hideout were recorded.

As previously advised, the towns where such sounds prevailed were organized and divided into lists comprising four or more, three, two, one, and no possibilities of sound, such as those described by Mr. Bremer.

It appears that the circularization has not, in many instances, had the effect of producing desired results. An examination of many of the letters discloses this. There are instances where priests and ministers seem to have gained the inference that there is being an objection made to the fact that their bells are being rung and they expound at length that the ringing of church bells is an ancient and honorable custom. Inquiries come from civil officials as to whether the blowing of sirens in the morning, noon, or night, constitutes a violation of some new Federal law which has been passed; or whether there is any restriction on the blowing of a factory whistle. And although a vast majority of the replies give short negative answers to the inquiries made, I am of the opinion that the answers received do not constitute an exhaustive analysis of the conditions of sound which are being sought in the suspected area.

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In the St. Paul Office territory, all the towns offering four or more possibilities have been examined in considerable detail, by Special Agents, with negative results and Agents are now engaged in an examination and investigation in towns offering three possibilities of sound.

Recent conferences with Mr. BREMER, prior to his departure from St. Paul on vacation, indicated that he is firm in his conviction that there was a morning siren which sounded coincidentally with the blowing of a whistle. The whistle would blow a long continuous blast and, after it had started, the siren would sound with crescendo fashion and, after the siren had concluded, the whistle blast would continue for a brief interval. Predicated upon that specific claim of the victim, and upon the further discoveries of the fact in many localities in Wisconsin, where there are sirens, that they are tested or sounded each day at or before noon by telephone operators, a list of questions has been prepared and, at the present time, the Chicago and St. Paul Offices are making inquiries of telephone operators in accordance with the list of questions, a copy of which is attached hereto. The first experiment of this type is being carried on in the area wherein there appears the greater number of reasons to believe the hideout is located, namely, in Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois.

The Chicago Office, from Chicago and Rockford, Illinois, and from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is making telephonic inquiries of telephone operators located in the Chicago area of this suspected territory, while at Madison, Wisconsin, this point is being used as a base for such inquiries in that portion of Southern Wisconsin covered by the St. Paul Office. Upon receipt of the information desired, the answers will be studied and an organized effort made to locate the hideout house in the towns offering the greater number of possibilities prepared upon these conversations with telephone operators. Arrangements thus made were perfected through officials of the telephone company at Madison, Wisconsin, and Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who offered the use of their lines at the usual charge without any additional cost for the time of the operators in answering the calls.

In order that plans for future activity may be made in the event this research is not affirmatively productive, it is believed that such a plan should be extended into other areas as rapidly as the number of personnel will permit. The next area to be treated would appear to be the State of Iowa, and Southern Minnesota. However, it may be that, where sufficient personnel is available in each of the offices, that this continued inquiry might profitably be made in all areas which are suspected at the same time.

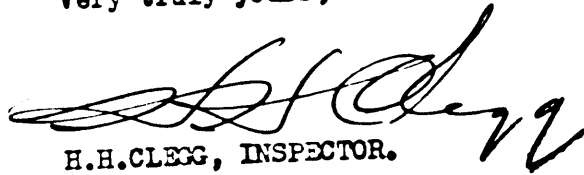
With this in mind, there is attached hereto a list of towns in the various states, which appear to be within a distance from St. Paul to bring it within the suspected area from which telephone calls might, likewise, be made for the purpose of acquiring the desired information. In this connection, it may be pointed out that the selection of the towns may not offer the best possibilities, as resources of telephone companies in some of the towns listed may not be adequate and some other town nearby may be found to be more desirable. In order that the organized search for the hideout might not be interrupted, however, this suggestion is being transmitted to the Division for consideration so that any time when a search in further sections appears proper, it may be made with Division authorization without interruption.

The suggestion is offered that when the telephone calls are made, the answers may be recorded on a 5x8 piece of scratch paper on which the name of the town called, the numbers of the questions asked, and the answers, may be written by the Special Agent making the telephone calls. If all offices will use carbon paper in order that the answer may be thus prepared in duplicate and a copy of these answers forwarded to the St. Paul Office, the master file of towns offering possibilities can be maintained up to date in order to avoid duplication of effort in order to record the areas covered and in order to effect a proper organization and coordination of the work accomplished.

In order that the above described plan may be available at each field office wherein action may become necessary and in order that the list of questions may, likewise, be available as well as the suggestions as to the towns from which the telephone calls are to be made, copies of this letter are being forwarded to the Chicago, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Kansas City, and Omaha Offices. The suggested action, of

course, is not to be taken except upon specific request and authorization.

Very truly yours,



H.H.CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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Enc.

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- Indianapolis (Enc.)
- St. Louis (Enc.)
- Kansas City (Enc.)
- Omaha (Enc.)

CHICAGO DIVISION OFFICE

Illinois

Chicago  
Rockford  
Ottawa

Indiana

(Chicago, Ill.)  
South Bend  
Logansport  
Fort Wayne

Wisconsin

Milwaukee  
Sheboygan  
Green Bay

INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION OFFICE

(None listed, as yet)

KANSAS CITY DIVISION OFFICE

Kansas

(Kansas City, Mo.)  
Topeka  
Atchison

Missouri

Kansas City  
St. Joseph  
Chillicothe

OMAHA DIVISION OFFICE

Iowa

Dubuque  
Waterloo  
Mason City  
Des Moines  
Davenport  
Sioux City  
(Omaha, Nebr.)  
(Sioux Falls, S.D.)

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Omaha  
Lincoln  
Norfolk  
Hastings

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ST. PAUL DIVISION OFFICE

Minnesota

St. Paul  
Mankato  
Winona  
New Ulm  
Brainerd  
Duluth  
Crockston  
Bemidji

North Dakota

Fargo  
Grand Forks  
Devils Lake  
Jamestown  
Bismarck  
Wahpeton

South Dakota

Sioux Falls  
Watertown  
Aberdeen  
Huron  
Pierre

Wisconsin

Madison  
La Crosse  
(St. Paul, Minn.)  
Wausau  
Rhinelander  
Superior

Questions to be asked of telephone operators by telephone  
from Madison, Wisconsin; Rockford, Illinois; Milwaukee, Wisconsin;  
and Chicago, Illinois:

1. Does a siren and a whistle blow at the same time in the morning or at noon in your town? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Was this true last January or February? \_\_\_\_\_
3. At what time did or do they sound at the same time? \_\_\_\_\_
4. At what other time does a siren sound during the day or night? \_\_\_\_\_
5. At what other regular time does a whistle blow during the day or night? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Do church bells ring Saturday afternoons as well as Sunday mornings in your town? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Is there a switch engine there on the railroad? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Does your town have electric power and light? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you know of any other towns where a whistle and a siren blow at or before noon each week day? \_\_\_\_\_

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THE NATIONAL BOARD

of

FIRE UNDERWRITERS

85 John St.

New York

May 22, 1934.

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~~Personal~~

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Bureau of Investigation,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Hoover:

Herewith for your personal and confidential information is a copy of a letter from our Agent in South Carolina, giving what purports to be information concerning some gangsters in whom you probably have an interest.

You understand, of course, that all we can vouch for is the integrity of our Agent.

If we can be of any help to you in this matter, we will be glad to give it a try.

Very truly yours,

AB:MMR

A. BRUCE BIRNEY

~~Enclosure.~~

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Sumter, S. C.

May 18, 1934.

Mr. A. Bruce Bielaski,  
National Board of Fire Underwriters,  
New York, New York.

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Bielaski:

Referring to your Agent's letters, marked "Personal" relative to the crowd of gangsters passing through South Carolina, among others being "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and noting your letter under date of March 28, 1934, instructing the writer to give all the help possible, in the event any representative of the Department of Justice should call on him, please be advised that on April 2, 1934, Special Agent Brent, of Charlotte, N. C., Office of Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, conferred with your Agent at Sumter, S. C., and was given all the information at that time available, in regard to this subject.

Since the interview with Mr. Brent, your Agent learned that the gangster, known to his informer as "Smittie," went to Oklahoma, then to Indianapolis, and returned through South Carolina on his way to the lay-out of this gang, near Savannah, Georgia, having been seriously shot in the left thigh, but is now reported to be recuperating at the lay-out -

Your Agent is further informed that the leader of this gang, Bert Kelley, alias Bert Burla, alias Al Kelley, born and reared on the East River water front of Brooklyn, N. Y., visited my informer [redacted] gave my informer a general description of the location of their lay-out, near Savannah, Georgia, and stated that he was on his way to New York; admitted that he was connected, at one time, with the contemplated kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer, and that he was now on a mission to investigate Andrew Mellon, which investigation would probably take from two to three months - intimating that his part of the "racket" was to get the low-down on the subject contemplated to be kidnapped, and intimating that he was to investigate, not only Andrew Mellon, but any other members of his immediate family, who would be a subject for kidnapping; this decision, of course, to be made after a thorough investigation.

This man gave an address in Brooklyn, N. Y., where he

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could be reached; requested my informer to join him there - offered to give them a checking account, which offer was refused at the time and produced for their observance a copy of the Sunday News, New York Pictorial newspaper, dated Sunday, April 29, 1934, and showed them an article on pages 6 and 7, captioned "Mellon Family Always Had Its Tax Problem," which article contained photographs of Andrew Mellon, as Secretary of the Treasury, as Ambassador to the Court of St. James, also photograph of a show place known as Barton Lodge, at Hot Springs, Virginia; and another photograph of the Mellon Summer residence, estate at Southampton, L. I.

Your Agent being of the opinion that Special Agent Brent of the Charlotte Office, Department of Justice, was not interested and did not appreciate this information, has conferred with State Detective F. Fred Newman, and Charles H. Gerald, Secretary of the Governor of South Carolina, two of your Agent's personal friends, and it was their opinion that this information should be taken direct to J. Edgar Hoover, at Washington, and the Governor's Secretary instructed State Detective Newman to proceed to Washington for a personal interview with Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, which trip is contemplated in the next few days.

Your Agent thoroughly appreciates the fact that he is Special Agent for the National Board of Fire Underwriters, whose primary duty is to investigate fires, and that the above subject matter is not of primary importance to the arson division of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, and for that reason has not jeopardized the Board's interest in any way, in receiving this information. However, being thoroughly cognizant of the reliability of the informer, your Agent thinks it advisable to call this matter to your attention.

Yours very truly,

Special Agent.

RE: ps  
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May 20, 1934

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Mr. A. Bruce Bielaski,  
The National Board of Fire Underwriters,  
25 John Street,  
New York, New York

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Dear Mr. Bielaski:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your personal letter dated May 22, 1934, transmitting a report of one of your Agents, dated at Sumter, South Carolina, May 18, 1934, wherein information obtained from an informant is set forth relative to the operation of certain members of the underworld.

The reference which the informant makes to the operation of an alleged kidnaping gang is of considerable interest to this Division, and this matter has been referred to the field offices of the Division to be given immediate investigative attention.

Your continued cooperation and interest in the work of this Division is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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7-576-2144 May 26, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1206 First National Bank Building,  
Charlotte, North Carolina.

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RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Identification Order 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
Identification Order 1219, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER- VICTIM  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith copies of a letter dated May 22, 1934, addressed to the Division by Mr. A. Bruce Bielaski, of The National Board of Fire Underwriters, 85 John Street, New York City, New York, together with copies of a letter dated at Sumter, South Carolina, May 18, 1934, addressed to Mr. Bielaski by one of his agents, wherein information is set forth concerning the operations of an alleged gang of kidnapers.

It is noted from the contents of this letter that some of this information has already been furnished to Special Agent D. K. Brent and the Division desires that this information be thoroughly investigated. It is also noted that reference is made to certain contacts of the gang at Savannah, Georgia. It has been known for some time that Willie Haar, and associates, have been contacted from time to time by members of the St. Paul underworld, and it is possible that members of the Barker-Karpis gang have been in the vicinity of Savannah, Georgia. This matter should receive the attention of the Jacksonville Office.

Any other leads that are suggested in the enclosed correspondence should be carefully covered.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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New York  
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

June 6, 1934.

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. #1218, et al, Number: 7-576  
Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

Specimens: One Remington Portable Typewriter, No. M-34865 (forwarded  
from Chicago Division Office May 18, 1934).

Examination requested by: Chicago Office.

Date received: May 24, 1934.

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

Examination by: C.A. Appel.

June 4. The writing of this typewriter was compared with that in cases in which to date the writing has been identified as that of a Remington typewriter with pica type. This includes the Urschel, Bremer and related cases. A Corona typewriter was used in the Bremer and Hamm cases. No identification has been effected. Specimens of this typewriter will be retained for future comparison.

A report on the fingerprints will be submitted separately.

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- 3 - Director.
- 2 - Chicago.
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division May 24, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

Director.

Enclosure: #551727

CC Mr. E. H. Clegg (St. Paul)

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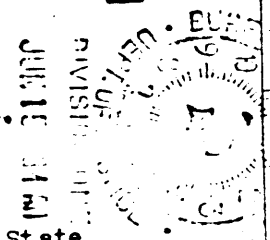
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FILE NO. 7-37

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

REPORT MADE AT: Kansas City.	DATE WHEN MADE: 6-12-1934	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-29 & 6-2-34	REPORT MADE BY: W. E. MILLER    ebc
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO 1218 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, IO 1219, ET AL GEORGE EDWARD BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  Bert C. Angle, who wrote letter to Myrtle Eaton, St. Paul, Minnesota, on 2-4-34, is a salesman for the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company and resides permanently at the Connor Hotel, Joplin, Missouri. He bears a good reputation and apparently met Myrtle Eaton through flirtation. Jimmie De-Moss, mentioned in same letter, is a Greek caterer at the Connor Hotel, Joplin, and is an associate of Angle. Records of the Connor hotel fail to show registration of Myrtle Eaton.			
REFERENCE:  Letter of Inspector H. E. Clegg, St. Paul, dated April 16, 1934.			
DETAILS:  Inquiry of Sergeant George Kahler and Patrolman Grammar of the State Highway Patrol, Joplin, Missouri, failed to disclose any information concerning either Bert C. Angle or a party named De Moss, mentioned in letter from Bert C. Angle to Myrtle Eaton, dated February 4, 1934.  Ed Portley, Chief of Detectives, Police Department, Joplin, Missouri, likewise was unable to furnish any information concerning the parties in question.  Search was also made of the city and telephone directories, without results.  Inquiry at the Joplin, Missouri, Post Office disclosed that Bert C. Angle resides permanently at the Connor Hotel, Joplin, Missouri.			
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Dane Catching, Manager, Keystone Hotel, Joplin, Missouri, advised that he assumed his duties at this place on 3-15-34; that prior to that date, he was Assistant Manager of the Connor Hotel in Joplin for a number of years.

Mr. Catching advised further that Bert C. Angle is a salesman and District Representative of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company and has resided at the Connor Hotel for a number of years, occupying Room 226; that he is considered thoroughly reliable, does not associate with underworld characters, does not drink or gamble and has no bad habits, aside from the fact that he flirts with practically every woman he sees on the streets, or around the hotel lobby; that he meets most of his woman friends in this way and has so many of them that the chances are that he would not recall any particular one for more than thirty days after he met her. Mr. Catching added that he believes Angle could be approached openly and would furnish any information he had concerning any woman involved in any investigation by this Department; that if open interview is not desired, Mr. Catching knows Angle so well that he can obtain the information from Angle and furnish it to this Department, if so desired.

Mr. Catching was not informed as to the nature of the information on which the inquiry was based, but was told that the information was desired concerning the identity of the woman who was believed to have been in Angle's company around the hotel about the last of January or the first of February, 1934.

It will be noted that Angle's letter to Myrtle Eaton, as mentioned in reference letter, bears date of February 4, 1934, which is Sunday; as he speaks of being in Joplin on Wednesday, it is assumed this was the preceding Wednesday, which would be January 31, 1934.

Mr. Catching was questioned concerning a party named De Moss, who was believed to be an associate of Angle, and he stated that Jimmie De Moss, a Greek, is the caterer at the Connor Hotel and has been employed there about one and one-half years; that he was formerly employed at the Bellerive and Phillips Hotels in Kansas City, Missouri, and also at the Dallas Athletic Club, Dallas, Texas; that DeMoss and wife reside at the Connor Hotel and occupy Room 224, which adjoins Angle's room; that De Moss does not associate with underworld characters, so far as known, and appears very popular with the hotel guests, many of whom appear to have known him when he was employed at Kansas City and Dallas; that for this reason, it is believed that De Moss has never been involved in any trouble.

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Agent was advised that De Moss makes small bets on the races and attends wrestling bouts in Joplin, but otherwise spends most of his time around the hotel and has no bad habits aside from taking an occasional drink of liquor.

Altho De Moss is considered reliable, Mr. Catching expressed the opinion that Angle would be more likely to furnish any information desired concerning any woman associates of Angle and De Moss, partly due to the fact that De Moss is married.

Descriptions of Bert C. Angle and Jimmie De Moss, as furnished by Mr. Catching, are as follows:

NAME	BERT C. ANGLE:
Age	40 years
Height	5 ft. 1 in.
Weight	200 pounds
Complexion	fair
Build	husky
Appearance	neat
Marital status	single.

NAME	JIMMIE DE MOSS:
Age	39 years
Height	5 ft. 8' or 8½'
Weight	165 to 175 pounds
Complexion	medium
Hair	brown
Marital status	married
Appearance	neat
Nationality	Greek.

Mr. Catching advised that due to the large number of guests and employees at the hotel, it was unlikely that any of the employees would recall what women were with Angle around the hotel as far back as the latter part of January, 1934.

4.  
Carl Talbert, Chief Auditor, Connor Hotel, Joplin, Missouri, exhibited to Agent the records of his hotel showing registrations of guests together with the time of arrival and departure for one week prior and subsequent to January 31, 1934. Search of these records failed to disclose registration of any person with the name of Myrtle or of the name of Eaton. There were several registrations from points in Michigan, Minnesota and Oklahoma, but the circumstances of each failed to indicate any connection with the instant investigation.

Mr. Talbert also produced the record of a Mrs. H. Lamey and party, 1292 Avenue J, Galveston, Texas, who arrived at 7:22 p.m., 1-30-34 and were assigned Room 514, Account No. 15287. This room was found vacant on 2-1-34, the parties having departed without paying their account. The record does not show the number of people occupying the room. The clerk who handled the registration was F. C. Wahlenmaier, who is no longer connected with the hotel. The parties were roomed by J. C. Ash, Bellman No. 7.

Agent interview Mr. Ash, who stated that he has no recollection of the party in question.

Mr. Talbert also advised that he reported the foregoing matter to the Missouri-Kansas-Oklahoma Hotel Association and also to the Burns Detective Agency, the latter advising that investigation disclosed that there is no such address as 1292 Avenue J, Galveston, Texas.

The interview of Bert C. Angle and Jimmie De Moss for information concerning the parties accompanying Myrtle Eaton while in Joplin, Missouri, is being left to the discretion of the St. Paul Division office.

For the information of the St. Paul office, there is being transmitted herewith copies of memorandum submitted by the writer covering information developed concerning Subjects Karpis and Barker while investigation was being made in connection with the case of Vernon C. Miller, with aliases(deceased)et al, Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner, Kansas City File No. 62-760. Newspaper clippings, photographs, film negatives and letters mentioned in the memorandum are also being transmitted to the St. Paul office for its information. In the event investigation is desired in connection with any of these matters, it is suggested that the Photographs or papers in question be transmitted to the Division in order that extra copies of the same may be made for the interested offices.

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Kansas City, Missouri  
June 9, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - Deceased;  
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS with aliases - FUGITIVE;  
et al; CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER,  
K. C. File 62-760

Examination of the file of James R. Bridges, formerly chief deputy sheriff, West Plains, Missouri, discloses that on the morning of 12-19-31 Sheriff C. R. Kelly was shot to death by two men in a De Soto sedan who had pulled into Davidson Motor Company garage to have a couple of tires repaired. While so doing, Sheriff Kelly arrived to question them about a store robbery at West Plains on the preceding day at which time a car of identical appearance and having same kind of tires was used. As the sheriff walked up and accosted the bandits, he was shot down with a 45 caliber automatic pistol by the bandit sitting beside the driver, the sheriff being on the driver's side of the car. Four shots were fired from the 45 caliber pistol and the driver of the car is believed to have been firing a 38 caliber revolver. During the shooting the bandit with the 45 caliber pistol got out and ran around behind the car and continued firing at the sheriff as he fell. The driver of the car drove it out of the garage and went east on one of the principal streets. The bandit who had got out of the car later ran out of the garage and across a vacant lot toward the rear of the garage and disappeared, carrying his pistol in his hand as he ran.

The bandit car was located that night where it had been abandoned near the old Thayer and Mammoth Springs road. The car bore Arkansas license 131-020 but name of the party registering the car is not shown in the file.

It was also found that about 10-12-31 an elderly man giving his name as A. W. Dunlop arrived at Thayer, Missouri, and rented a piece of property from Wellie McClelland located about 1½ miles from Thayer in an out of the way place. Shortly after Dunlop and his wife arrived, this De Soto sedan arrived (1931 model) and Dunlop introduced the driver as his nephew, Mr. Hamilton, an electrician from Kansas who was in bad health and would probably visit him all fall. Shortly after Hamilton arrived, another man arrived in a 1931 red colored Chevrolet car (style of body not shown) and was introduced as Dunlop's son. Dunlop was generally assumed to be a retired farmer who had made money from his oil lands in Oklahoma. He always bought the best and always paid cash.

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Immediately after the murder of Sheriff Kelly, this house was searched and found to have been abandoned hurriedly. All of the merchandise stolen from the West Plains store on 12-18-31 was found in the house except 50 ties. Photos and papers in the house positively established the identity of the parties who had occupied the house and photo of Fred Barker was positively identified by eyewitnesses as the party driving the car when Kelly was murdered. Karpis' photograph was later identified as that of the party with the 45 automatic who did the actual killing.

Investigation developed that Phoenix Donald, Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, who was paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary to his brother-in-law, William Bowling, Salem, Arkansas, the then sheriff of the county, was the first person to visit the Dunlops at Thayer, visiting there both before and after the young men arrived. In fact, his car was parked at the Dunlop home most of the time. The night of December 20, 1931, someone burglarized the Mammoth Springs Motor Company, Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, and stole a new car. This is believed to have been done by Donald. While at Moody, Missouri, Dewey Nicks, Assistant Postmaster, advised that he has since heard that Sheriff Bowling later paid for this car.

Letters found in the house indicated that Mrs. G. A. Barker or Mrs. Arrie Barker for four years prior thereto had resided at 401 North Cincinnati, Tulsa, Oklahoma, apparently owning the property at this address.

Harry Neal, Deputy Sheriff, Coffeyville, Kansas, advised that an informant who is acquainted with the Barkers advised that he saw Fred Barker, together with an elderly man and woman in a maroon Chevrolet sedan in Coffeyville on 12-22-31; also that an ex-convict at Coffeyville had offered to put Barker on the spot for a reward.

About two days after the murder, Karpis' wife, Dorothy Ellen Slaymon Karpis, arrived in West Plains from Chicago and was taken into custody when she went to the General Delivery window to ascertain if her husband had been receiving his mail which was addressed to him as George Dunn. The letters she had written him indicated Karpis was just being released from the Kansas State Reformatory and had proceeded from that place to West Plains to join Barker. In a letter dated Chicago, Illinois, 12-16-31, she stated that the boys (apparently police) were asking about you mostly to find out about Larry. There is a \$500.00

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reward out for him for murder. They think you are with him, I suppose." The letter further states, "Joan came clear at her trial and I'm glad she did although I don't care anything about her personally. I wonder if she and Freddie will go together again." The Joan possibly refers to Joe Ann Scott, Tulsa P. D. No. 801, who was arrested with Karpis, Fred Barker, Joe Howard, Sam Coker, and Dorothy Karpis for jewel robbery on 6-10-31. Joe Ann Scott's Tulsa P. D. Number is later shown as 8010, which is probably the correct number.

A letter from Chicago, Illinois, postmarked 12-10-31, addressed to George Dunn, General Delivery, West Plains, Missouri, and signed "From Father," reads as follows:

"Dear R,

I suppose you've received the letter of last Monday. It was written when some of us were excited.

"The boys that were over there asked P. if his wife's brother was out and also asked about Larry. There is a reward of \$500 out for him. We understand that they have nothing on you up here -- but if they pick you up here -- you know what they will most likely do in order to get out of you the information about Larry. But it seems to me that if they are out for him they'll do that no matter where you are.

"The things don't seem to be very bright here. I'm still out of work and can't do very much for any one. I'm sorry for that. What do you think you'll do now? It's up to you. I'm just letting you know how things were around the holidays. They are worse than ever. Those boys will do anything for what they want--money and promotion."

Dorothy Ellen Slaymon Karpis was questioned by the officers and stated that she lived at Neosho, Missouri, until about 8 years of age when she moved to Kiefer, Oklahoma, with her parents. She later speaks of her mother and stepfather, Mr. & Mrs. L. J. Richards, who reside about 9 miles southwest of Neosho, Missouri. She further states that in May, 1931, while she was residing with her aunt, Carol Tankersly at 6 Haskell Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma, she met Ray Karpis who came to that place to see if any message had been left for him by Fred Barker. Ray left and returned about two weeks later with Fred Barker, the two staying at the home of Mrs. George Barker, 401 N. Cincinnati Street, Tulsa. Later Dorothy, Ray, Carol Tankersly and Joe Howard got a place together on South Lewis Street and Fred is believed to have stayed with his girl, Joe Ann Armour. All of these parties together

with Sam Coker were arrested for jewelry robbery on 6-10-31. Ray was released on 9-20-31 and they were married on 9-26-31 at Sapulpa, Oklahoma, under their correct names. Ray had "Burr" Kearty of 230 East Tyler Street, Tulsa, get the stolen jewelry, turn it over to Dorothy, and she delivered it to the jeweler (Black) from whom stolen and Ray was paroled. She and Ray then visited her mother and stepfather who had moved to Kiefer, Oklahoma. They then bought a new De Soto sedan at Wewoka, Oklahoma, about 9-29-31 and went to Chicago to visit Ray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Karpis, 1114 Richmond Street, Chicago. While passing through Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, Ray remarked that he had a good friend living there. In Chicago they rented an apartment, believed to be Wilson or Windsor Apartments, near Sheridan Road. After one week, Ray left and she then moved to the home of Ray's sister, Miss Emily Newbold or Newbold, 1141 No. Francisco Street, Chicago, who helped her secure a job at Eastman Kodak Company, where Miss (Mrs.) Newbold was also employed. Ray had formerly resided at 2010 Addison Street, Chicago. He has a sister, Clara Venrite, who married an Italian, Bob Venrite, at Chicago and now resides at some unknown address in Chicago. He has another sister, Mrs. Albert Grooms, at 1534 N. Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas. Mrs. Grooms' name appears to be Mildred.

According to Dorothy Karpis, a few days before the jewelry robbery, she, together with Karpis, Fred Barker, Joe Howard, Joe Ann Scott (Armour), and Elmer Immins (possibly Elmer Inman) went to Coffeyville where the boys left the girls and went off with two strange men to see Tom Hill on business. Following are other associates of Karpis and Fred Barker:

Burr Cady (also spelled Kearty), 230 East Tyler Street, Tulsa, works at the dog races.

Dock Dunnier, Joe Howard, Jim Wilson, Nellie Cimes (probably Kimes), who lives at Fort Cobb, Oklahoma. It is not clear whether the first three are from Fort Cobb or possibly from around Tulsa.

The best pal of Karpis and Barker, according to Dorothy Karpis, is one Lowery who is believed to be an escape from Hutchinson, Kansas, (State Reformatory).

Other associates of Ray Karpis were Doc Dameron, Tulsa, Oklahoma, (probably same as Dock Dunnier above); George Cutter, Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Elmer \_\_\_\_\_; Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Relatives of Dorothy Ellen Slaymon Karpis:

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Richards, stepfather and mother, Viefer, Oklahoma, (Maiden name of mother, Elizabeth Antone)

Mayme Antone (apparently same as Carol Tankersly), aunt, married to Herman Barker, Lige Belbe, and Seth Tankersly. Last address 6 E. Haskell, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Tom Antone, Uncle, address not shown.

Myrtle Antone, aunt, address not shown, probably Tulsa, Oklahoma. Has a son; Tom Antone, who in December, 1931, was in Oklahoma State Penitentiary; also a daughter, Juanita Haley (also shown as marrying a man named Hull but possibly identical with Haley) and residing at Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Will \_\_\_\_\_ and Jack Barrett listed under name of Myrtle Antone in notes covering oral statement of Dorothy Karpis appear to be former husbands of Myrtle Antone although not so stated.

Mrs. Lidia (C. D.) Antone, grandmother, apparently of Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Copeland, operators of Rooming House at Arkansas City, Kansas, and friends of Dorothy Karpis' aunt (name not shown). Dorothy spent six weeks with them while Ray was in jail following the jewelry robbery in the summer of 1931.

Mrs. Clarie (Mary) Lobaugh, sister, 121 North Noble's Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. (She and her mother reported to have opposed Dorothy's marriage to Karpis and apparently respectable people).

Letter from Jack Bonham, Chief of Detectives, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 12-29-31, states the parties in the jewelry robbery were arrested at the home of Ernestine Aiken, 519 S. Braden Street, White City Addition, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 6-10-31; that Ernestine Aiken is the mother of Joe Ann Scott, alias Joe Ann Armour and the grandmother of Dorothy Karpis. Ernestine Aiken was charged with receiving stolen property but same was dismissed for lack of evidence. (Note similarity of Aiken and Eaton, the latter being mentioned on page 1 of Inspector Clegg's letter of 4-16-34 in file Re: Alvin Karpis, et al, 7-37). The grandmother is reported by Dorothy Karpis to be deceased.

Chief of Detectives Bonham, Tulsa, advised that Mayme Tankersly, alias Carol Armour alias Carol Hamilton, is not identical with Joe Ann Scott, girl friend of Fred Barker at Tulsa; that Mayme Tankersly served two years from Wyoming (details not stated) and that her brother, Tom Antone, was given 20 years in State Penitentiary from Sapulpa, Oklahoma, for bank robbery; that Jack Southerland, 607 East 14th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, is a close friend of Fred Barker; that Southerland got his mail (name and address as of 1-2-32) at General Delivery, Kansas City, Missouri, under name of J. W. Gray; that Southerland is a noted knob knocker and bank robber; also that Brint Glasscock who formerly operated a store, believed to have been a drug store, at 15th & Cherry, later at 15th & Locust, and then on South Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri, is closely connected with Fred Barker and Lawrence Duvall alias O'Keefe; that Duvall was a cigarette thief and all stolen cigarettes in any quantity were taken to Glasscock's place.

A letter from Dorothy Karpis to her mother dated 1-4-32 while confined in jail at West Plains, Missouri, states that Dorothy has told everything she knew about the gang to avoid bringing her mother further grief and also that "they weren't her people anyway." The letter indicates, however, that she is greatly devoted to Karpis. A letter on the same day to Karpis' sister, Emily (Mrs. Phillip) Newbold, Chicago, indicates that Karpis' father wrote to him frequently.

Karpis was arrested by the Kansas City P. D. about 3-25-30 under name of Raymond Hadley. He was accompanied by Lawrence Duvall alias Larry O'Keefe, Kansas State Ref., No. 7109. His mother resided at 1827 E. 4th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1930, according to Tulsa police records. This possibly is the "Larry" mentioned in letter from Karpis' wife to Karpis as above mentioned. Duvall is reported to be wanted for the killing of an officer at Kirksville, Missouri, considerable information concerning him being in the possession of the Special Officers of the Frisco Railway at Tulsa and Kansas City. In a statement to L. E. Bailey, Special Officer of the Frisco at Kansas City on 4-4-30, Duvall stated that he escaped with Karpis from Kansas Reformatory on 2-9-29, was captured and served his time; that upon release, he went to visit his mother, Mrs. Emma O'Keefe, RR. 3 or 5, Claremore, Oklahoma, in January, 1930, and then went to Chicago where he operated a dice game in the Star & Garter Pool Hall on Halsted Street and remained there until about 3-15-30. Karpis at that time lived at 3010 Addison Street, Chicago.

Letter from Floyd Bean, Prosecuting Attorney, West Plains, Missouri, to the St. Louis Police on 12-22-31 advises that Ford Sedan, Motor 204471 was stolen from Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, on night of 12-20-31 by Phoenix or Felix Donald.

A letter from L. A. Wood of the L. A. Wood Company, Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, addressed to Dick Green, Attorney, West Plains, Missouri, (Green assisting the officers in investigation of Kelly murder) indicates Wood is interested in aiding the investigation.

A statement of Nellie Frazier, Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, shows Phenix Donald, her brother, had been making his home with her; also shows close association with Mrs. Viola Asher, West Plains, Missouri. (The statement is a typewritten copy)

From Curt Benn, West Plains, Missouri, I obtained a bullet from a 45 caliber automatic pistol which fell to the floor of the garage and was picked up by Benn as Sheriff Kelly was being lifted onto a stretcher. This bullet has been continuously in Benn's possession since that time. It was marked by him for future identification and has now been transmitted with a letter (Serial 604-A of K. C. File 7-37) to the Division's laboratory for examination. A similar bullet secured by Raymond Tiner, West Plains, has previously been submitted for examination.

From James R. Bridges, formerly Chief Deputy Sheriff, West Plains, Missouri, Agent secured various kodak pictures, newspaper clippings and letters which were found in the house where Dunlop, Mrs. Barker, Karpis and Doc Barker had been residing near Thayer, Missouri. Among the pictures are those of Mrs. Barker, George Barker, Dunlop, Dorothy Karpis, and several others whose identity is unknown. The newspaper clippings relate chiefly to crimes in Oklahoma and mention several parties who are alleged to be members of the Barker gang. The photographs and papers mentioned are being attached hereto in order that they may be transmitted to the St. Paul Division Office. It is suggested that that office set out any leads desired in connection with these enclosures and that copies of the photographs be secured for transmittal to interested offices if investigation is desired in connection with any of the photographs. A letter presumably in the handwriting of Fred Barker addressed to his mother on 2-16-31 from Lansing, Kansas, may be of some value as a specimen of his handwriting.

In the office of Homer Rhinehart, Prosecuting Attorney, West Plains Missouri, was found a correspondence from the postmaster, C. S. Kusser, Shepherdstown, West Virginia, which states that Karpis and Carolee Sisler of Thayer, Missouri, arrived there on 12-14-32 and stayed with her aunt, Mrs. William Rutherford; that Karpis called for mail only one time and then under the name of George Dunn and John King. He and the girl left that town about noon on 12-17-32, just about one hour before Sgt. R. N. Reger of the West Virginia State Police arrived there and inquired for Karpis. It is further stated that Karpis and the girl had formerly stayed with Mr. and Mrs. George T. Sisler, RR 3, Massillon, Ohio, Sisler being the girl's uncle. She is also reported to have another uncle, C. W. Sisler, a sergeant in the U. S. Army and stationed at Fort Slocum, New York. There is also a Lincoln

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Sisler at RR 2, Clayton, Missouri, but his relationship to the girl is unknown although the postmaster suspected it was her brother. No trace of these parties was secured after they left Shepherdstown, although the Maryland State Police were notified immediately to watch for them, as they were hitchhiking toward Maryland when last seen.

The will of Arthur W. Dunlap found in the abandoned house at Thayer, Missouri, and now in Mr. Rhinehart's possession was made 1-28-28 at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and was witnessed by John L. Ward, Mildred Turley, and S. O. Todd, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mr. Reinmiller, Special Agent of the Frisco Railway at Memphis, Tennessee, is understood to have a very reliable informant at Joplin, Missouri, through whom he has endeavored to secure information from George Barker. It is understood that this informant is on very friendly terms with George Barker but the informant's name is unknown and inquiry at West Plains disclosed that this is a strictly confidential informant who can be dealt with only through Mr. Reinmiller who prefers not to disclose his identity.

Mrs. Dorothy M. Lowery, formerly of Springfield, Missouri, but now residing at West Plains, Missouri, while being questioned on another matter was questioned casually about this matter and stated that she does not know the Karpis and Barker gang but while Dorothy Karpis was being held in jail at West Plains a letter addressed to Dorothy Karpis was mistakenly delivered to Mrs. Lowery and opened by her. The letter was on the printed letterhead of Gage Young, filling station operator, Tuckerman, Arkansas, and was urging Mrs. Karpis to come to that place, the exact details having now been forgotten by Mrs. Lowery.

Sgt. N. E. Massey, State Highway Patrol, Willow Springs, Missouri, advised that Major Leans of that organization at Macon, Missouri, had information concerning a hideout of the Barker gang on the Neosho River just west of the Missouri-Kansas line on the place of a man named Frazier. It will be noted this name is identical with that of relatives of Phenix Donald, at Mammoth Springs, Arkansas (Name of Donald's sister's husband). Massey also stated that George Barker formerly met his son, Fred Barker, at a filling station of highway No. 66 about one mile south of Picher, Oklahoma.

Ed Portley, Chief of Detectives, Joplin, Missouri, advised that George Barker is now operating some cabins and a filling station on East Seventh Street, Joplin, being the first place of this kind east of the Meeker Company plant. It is suspected that the place is operated for the Peoples Oil Company of Joplin. George Barker now has a 1933 Chevrolet Coach, Motor 3609402 with Missouri 1934 license 259-904 which was issued to him for this car. The car has black body and yellow wire wheels.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Miller, Special Agent

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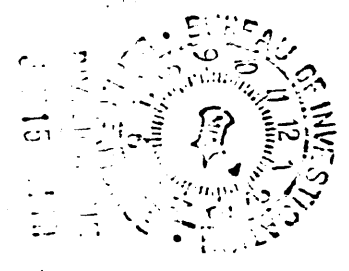
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.**

FILE NO. **7-82**

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TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <div style="margin-left: 100px;">Investigation conducted at following towns and vicinity in Wisconsin in unsuccessful effort to locate hideout:</div> <div style="margin-left: 100px; text-align: center;"> <p>Hilbert Lake Shawano Barton West Bend Hartford Pewaukee</p> <p>P.</p> </div>			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, 4/7/34.			
DETAILS:  <div style="margin-left: 100px;">The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. R. Welles in the towns noted in the synopsis of this report.</div>			
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The following memorandum will cover investigations made by Agent John R. Welles concerning the Bremer hideout, from Sunday, May 6, 1934 to Friday, May 11, 1934, inclusive.

In all cases where it is stated that pictures were shown, the following pictures were displayed:

Alvin Karpis  
Fred Barker  
Volney Davis  
Harry Campbell  
Kate Barker  
Tommy Carroll  
Bernard Phillips  
Sam Taran  
Frank Quigley  
Maurice Brown  
Joe Saltis  
Herman Kurdorf  
William Weaver  
Toney DeGrazia  
Burrhead Cady  
Mrs. Jack Snyder

Robert Schmidt  
William Weisman  
Jack Peiffer  
Curly Clause  
Jack Snyder  
Leo Cellura  
Clarence "Doc" Eaton  
Morris Roisner  
Henry "Dutch" Sawyer  
Marie Mayer  
Paula Harmon  
Dorothy Slayman  
Mrs. Billy Weisman  
Dorothy Dodd, w.a.  
Billie Fitch  
Bertha Engler

In connection with the letter received by the St. Paul office from John Eagan, Manitowoc, Wisconsin, concerning the town of Hilbert, Wisconsin as a possible location of the Bremer hideout, Mr. Eagan was contacted on Saturday evening, May 5, 1934, and arrangements were made to go with Mr. Eagan to Hilbert on Sunday, May 6, 1934. The town of Hilbert is in Calumet County, and has a population of 286, and practically all inhabitants are of German descent, and speak low Dutch. There is one concrete highway No. 57 running north and south through the town. Route No. 114, a gravel road with many turns running through rolling country enters highway No. 57, just south of Hilbert. Traffic on neither of these two highways in the vicinity of Hilbert is heavy. Cars or trucks entering No. 57 from route 114 would stop.

Hilbert is in a country where fish abound, and according to Mr. Eagan, the whole county of Calumet contains a somewhat lawless



population, and many arrests have been made for illegal taking of fish. It is Mr. Eagan's opinion that fresh fish are eaten the year round in this vicinity. Most of the houses in and around Hilbert have painted walls. Wall paper is used only in the older dwellings, and these are mostly farm houses. Dwellings in the town and on the farms are heated mostly with coal. There is no town water system, and only a few houses have running water.

A man by the name of Roland Welker was introduced to Agent by Mr. Eagan as one thoroughly familiar with all dwellings in and around the town for several miles. Mr. Welker was positive in stating that there is no house in this locality which has toilets on two floors. There was only one house in this locality which had steps leading down to either a basement or other floor used as living or sleeping rooms. This house was thoroughly inspected by Agent, both inside and outside, and was found to contain none of the elements of the Bremer hideout. This place was known as the Bishop house.

All pictures listed above were displayed at the postoffice, and the name and aliases of all suspects were gone over, without any identification being made.

There are two railroads serving Hilbert, namely the Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie, and the Soo line. The former runs north and south, and the latter east and west. There are six passenger trains on the Chicago, Milwaukee St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie, running at 7:40 A.M., 10:10 A.M., 1:20 P.M., 9:30 P.M., and one each way arriving at 2 A.M. Each day on this line, there is a one way freight leaving at 10 A.M., and returning the next day. There are an average of about 4 freight trains a day running at various times, none having a regular schedule. On the Soo Line, there is a mixed passenger and freight train, which goes to Appleton about 3:30 P.M., and returns about 3 A.M. This is the only train on this line. It should be noted that all trains on both lines stop at Hilbert to take on water. There is no through train. Most of the switching at Hilbert is done from 6 to 8 P.M.

There are no regular air lines over Hilbert, and no plane was seen in that locality during the winter months. It is reported that occasionally large freight trucks passing through at night, sound like airplanes.

No whistle was heard during January or February. The only whistle known to be located in the vicinity, is on a canning factory. This is in use during June and July, and blows morning, noon and night. It is thought possible that the whistle heard in this case, could have been on a steam car, or a saw mill. However, such whistles are not very strong or loud as a general rule, and there were none in the vicinity of Hilbert during January or February.

The siren as reported by Mr. Egan, is controlled by the telephone operator, and is blown every week day at noon. There are always 2 blasts given, and each is allowed to reach full pitch and then fade out. This siren has not been sounded on Sunday at any time since January 1, 1934, and has only been sounded for one fire since that time, this fire occurring the latter part of March. This information was obtained from Mr. Frank Suttner, Fire Chief. If there is a fire in town, the siren is sounded continuously, but if a fire occurs in the country, several blasts are sounded at various intervals, until a crew is collected to leave with a chemical truck.

There are two churches in the town, a Catholic and a Lutheran. In listening to the bells on these churches, Agent noted that each church has two bells. At 5 P.M. on Saturday, the Lutheran Church rings both bells to notify the congregation that there will be services on the following day. This seems to be a practice of the Lutheran Church in most towns. At 9:30 A.M. on Sunday, this church rings a small bell with a high pitch, and follows immediately with a larger bell, having a low pitch. Each bell rings about a minute. At 10 A.M. Sunday, both bells are rung at once, and this is also done for services at 11 A.M.

The Catholic Church rings a high pitched, very clear sounding bell at 9:30 A.M. At 10 A.M., this bell is rung in conjunction with one of a deeper tone, the latter out sounding the former. At 12 noon, the Catholic Church rings both bells in conjunction, sounding the Angelus. At present and since February 1, 1934, when a new priest took this church, the Angelus is sounded every day, including Sunday, by ringing both bells morning, noon and night. It should be noted that prior to February 1st, bells on the Catholic Church were not in use, and were not sounded during the month of January.

Due to many discrepancies between the above, and the Bremer report, Agent returned to Manitowoc Sunday evening, and called Mr. Purvis. Being informed that an extensive investigation would be conducted in this locality, Agent interviewed Fire Chief J.J. Kuplic of

Manitowoc with the idea of learning sources of information concerning locations of fire sirens or other sirens in this vicinity. Chief Kuplic informed Agent that an extensive survey of fire sirens has been made throughout Wisconsin, and that Mr. J. Florin, Superintendent of Fire Prevention of the Industrial Commission at Madison, Wisconsin, has data which contains not only the location of all fire sirens throughout the State, but the practices used in managing same, and periods at which sirens are tested. It is suggested that information of value may be obtained from Mr. Florin, and possibly a siren located, which is tested each week day morning.

As the above work was done on Sunday, it was necessary to make a further check at Hilbert on Monday. At this time, pictures listed above were displayed to the bank, filling stations, grocery stores and lumber yard, and inquiries were made concerning houses in the vicinity resembling the Bremer hideout. It was learned that there are no gas or electric meter readers in this locality.

At Hilbert, it was learned from Roland Welker and Mr. Egan that Chicago gangsters are known to be in the resort near Cecil, Wisconsin on Lake Shawano. On advice of Agent K.R. McIntire, this location was investigated. The postmaster at Shawano was interviewed concerning the possibility of gangsters frequenting the lake region, and the most reliable person to contact at Cecil. He stated that he has been studying the St. Paul circular, but could not find any place in that vicinity, which fitted the description of the hideout. He did state, however, that Chicago gangsters frequent this region. He suggested that Mrs. Henry Scheller, postmistress at Cecil be interviewed. This was done, but no identification of pictures or information of value was received. She also stated, however, that gangsters have been in this locality.

The following persons keeping summer resorts on Lake Shawano were interviewed, and shown pictures of suspects, without identification being made:

Earl Dunbar  
John Keampf  
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hartman  
Mrs. Louise Orman  
Irving Keampf

The gangster story seems to have originated two summers ago when a man named Patty Barrel, head of the Chicago Teamsters Union, was killed in the Limestone Castle, a tavern on route 55, between Bonduel and Shawano. At the time, Barrel and a woman companion were registered at the Shawano on the Lake resort of Oscar Hartman, as Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Ryan. The gangsters who shot Barrel are not known, but one was thought to be named Sammons. Mr. and Mrs. Hartman said that they knew gangsters had been stopping at their place, but they were all well behaved. There are in the vicinity of Lake Shawano, many cottages set back in the woods, which would make ideal hideouts for criminals.

The Limestone Castle, where the killing of Barrel occurred, was inspected, and found to be an elaborate but small tavern. There are no sleeping rooms in the place, and it sets back against a hill, there being but one entrance. No one but the bartender was in the place at the time of Agent's visit.

On Monday, May 7, 1934, Agent was informed by conversation with Warden Egan of Manitowoc and Chief J.J. Kuplic of Manitowoc, that Chief Herman Lettenberger at Kiel, Wisconsin was thoroughly familiar with location of fire sirens throughout the northwestern section of Wisconsin. Chief Lettenberger was interviewed, but could give no information of value. It was learned, however, that a firemen's convention is to be held at Kiel in the near future. Chief Lettenberger was preparing a circular to be mailed to all fire stations in the vicinity, east, southeast and northeast of Lake Winnebago. Agent suggested that in this circular, he could request each station to advise whether a siren is being used, if so at what time, and what days it is tested, and whether any alarm was sounded on Sunday during January and February. Chief Lettenberger advised that he will be very glad to do this, and forward the replies to the Chicago office.

Based on information from the Chicago office that Mr. George Beckwar, Secretary of Barton, Wisconsin Fire Department, reported a siren being sounded for a fire on January 28, 1934, investigation was made on the possibility of the Bremer hideout being in this locality. Mr. Beckwar was interviewed, and stated that he lives in Barton, but works in West Bend. He had no information except that a fire occurred in Barton on January 28, 1934, at which time the siren was sounded one blast lasting nearly 10 minutes. The siren is never tested, and has not been sounded at any other time since January 1st.

The land about this section is of the rolling type, and several houses were noted that had steps leading down to the basement. These houses were carefully inspected, and none found which resembled the Bremer hideout house. As West Bend and Barton are practically one town, there being only the Milwaukee River separating them, investigation was conducted in both places. Barton has a population of 280 and West Bend 5000. There are two concrete roads, No. 55 and 144, which meet at Barton. There is also a gravel road No. N, which meets at the same intersection. Both 144 and N are stop roads, where they meet route 55. Route 55 is a heavily traveled road. There is one church in Barton, a Catholic Church, and the bells are rung for the Angelus morning noon and night each day, besides ringing for 3 masses on Sunday. Besides the river, there are several lakes nearby where fish may be taken. The whistle of the Condensery Milk Factory at West Bend, can be heard at Barton, which blows morning noon and night. Although there are two other factories in West Bend having whistles, neither has been in use since last summer. The fire department of West Bend has a siren. It is not tested daily, but is occasionally tested at 6 P.M. Records show that there was a fire in West Bend on January 16 and on January 27th, at which time this siren was sounded.

The Northwestern is the only railroad in this section. Trains stop at Barton only on signal. All trains stop at West Bend. The 2 stations are about a mile apart. There are 5 passenger trains each way north and south running over this road at 12:25 A.M., 3:35 A.M., 5:14 A.M., 9:19 A.M., 11:62 A.M., 1:02 P.M., 5:37 P.M., 6:12 P.M., 9:42 P.M. and 11:48 P.M. There are in addition 3 freight trains each day, most of these passing through West Bend and Barton from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. There is considerable switching between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M., but very little at other hours.

Carl Peters, Assistant City Clerk and Treasurer of the West Bend Fire Department, stated that mail planes fly over West Bend every morning and evening when the mail is being carried. Planes not carrying mail flew over quite frequently during the winter months. Mr. Peters as well as others interviewed in this section concerning houses with steps leading down to basement rooms, believe that many of the summer resort houses on the Wisconsin lakes are built in this manner. He has read water meters throughout this section in the past, and was positive that no house such as Agent described, is located in the neighborhood of West Bend. Martin Bremser, who reads water meters at the present time, stated that he has been in every house; that all water meters are in the basement with the exception of two houses, which have no basement, and none of these basements resemble the house described, nor does he know of any place where there are rooms as described on the first floor of the house.

All gas stations in this locality were contacted, and pictures of suspects displayed. Postmaster Frank Omera, his assistant and all clerks in the postoffice, as well as Arthur Juech, Chief of Police, and Joseph Kersch, Sheriff, were interviewed and shown pictures of the suspects. There were two partial identifications made. Clarence Blazel, clerk at the postoffice, identified a picture of William Weisman as a person who came in the postoffice just after January 1, 1934, and bought a money order, using quarters and half dollars for the purchase. This man spoke with a foreign accent, but Mr. Blazel could not state to whom the money order was sent or the amount. Mr. Blazel said this person looked like a thug, and he asked some person if he knew him. This person, whom Mr. Blazel could not remember, stated that the man in question runs a road house near Waubeka and Fredonia. Agent subsequently visited this road house, which is the only one in that section, and is located at the junction of route 33 and route I. The proprietor is an Italian, somewhat resembling William Weisman, but was not that person. Neither the roadhouse or any houses nearby resemble the hideout.

Postmaster Omera, when given a description of the hideout house, thought he knew of such a place, and accompanied Agent to this house. The place was found to not have running water, and there was only one room in the basement. The house was also too small to have more than 3 rooms on any floor.

At the City Service Station in Barton, two brothers named Robert and Corbin Wagner, were quite positive that Bernard Phillips stopped at their place the latter part of March or the first week in April, and had his car filled with gas. He was driving either a new Plymouth or a new Chevrolet, and had a woman with him. Both stated this man acted suspicious, and Corbin Wagner said he was afraid the man was going to hold them up. As neither Corbin or Robert Wagner were able to furnish descriptions or the license on the car, this lead was not followed.

Agent proceeded to Hartford, Wisconsin, where R.J. Lake, a Wisconsin Conservation Warden, was contacted. Mr. Lake had sent information to the St. Paul office in answer to their questionnaire, that two planes were using Pike Lake as a landing place during January and February, 1934. In locating Mr. Lake, Agent also contacted Police Chief John J. Murray of Hartford. A description of the Bremer hideout was gone over with Chief Murray and Warden Lake. Both stated that there were many houses of this description in this vicinity, however, neither was able to designate any specific house. It should be noted that

houses of this description are quite numerous through eastern Wisconsin where the country is rolling. In all instances where such houses were near a railroad, or were on the road where Agent would pass them, they were inspected, but in all cases were found to vary considerably from the house in question.

Both Chief Murray and Warden Lake identified the picture of Joe Saltis as a man having a place on Barker Lake near Hayward, Wisconsin. Warden Lake stated that Saltis has been arrested many times for fish game law violations, and that he always has a tough bunch at his place. When shown the wall paper of the Bremer hideout, both Chief Murray and Warden Lake, said it looked very familiar. However, neither could give any definite information.

Chief Murray also identified the picture of Henry "Dutch" Sawyer and Bernard Phillips. He said Sawyer was in Hartford several times last year, and he believes was frequenting the summer resorts in this neighborhood. Chief Murray claims that he talked with Bernard Phillips and a woman who was with Phillips, last summer in a restaurant; the woman had been drinking. Chief Murray was in plain clothes, and he asked the woman how the alcohol business was, and she replied pretty good. As Chief Murray left the restaurant Phillips became angry at the woman for talking so much. Phillips picture was displayed at this restaurant, but was not identified, although one waiter said he remembered the instance referred to by Chief Murray. It should be noted that Chief Murray seems very talkative, and while very willing to cooperate, is inclined to be boastful of his accomplishments.

Warden Lake informed Agent that two planes at Pike Lake during January and February, were owned by Hagey Brothers of Hartford. Investigation shows that there were 3 planes at Pike Lake during the last 2 weeks of January and the first of February. These planes are owned by George Hagey and Newman Zunker of Hartford, and Lester Rea of North Lake. On January 27, 1934, Raymond Hagey flew a Government plane from Chicago to Pike Lake, making 4 planes here on that day. The log book of Newman Zunker showed flights from Pike Lake to Hartford on January 20 and 21, 1934. These flights were of short duration, and covered a small area, Pike Lake being but 2 miles from Hartford. On January 27, 1934, Zunker flew from Hartford to West Bend and return. On February 4, 1934, he made a cross country flight; this was said by Zunker to mean covering a radius of about 10 miles around Hartford. Mr. Zunker stated that the 3 planes at Pike Lake were small planes, and could not be heard more than 2 miles. It is his opinion that if

planes were heard every day during 3 weeks period in the winter months, the location of the listener would have to be within a radius of 10 miles of an airport where student fliers were taking practice hops at various times of the day. He suggested that a likely spot would be in the vicinity of Curtis Airport, which is located north of Milwaukee on U.S. Highway No. 41. There are several small towns near this airport.

The log of George Hagey showed flights from Pike Lake over Hartford on January 20, 21, and February 1, 3 and 4; on January 25th a flight was made to Mayville and return. Mayville is about 20 miles northwest of Hartford.

The log of Lester Rea showed two flights from Pike Lake on January 20 and January 21, with landings on Beaver and North Lake, both of which places are near Hartford.

In reviewing these flights, it will be noted that these 3 men usually flew on the same days. Their planes are merely a hobby and they very often fly each other's planes. As the logs only show flights, it is impossible to determine which plane was being flown. Occasionally all 3 planes were in the air at the same time.

At Hartford, Wisconsin, it was determined that Chester L. Miller, police and fire chief of Chenequa, whose postoffice is Hartland, Wisconsin, is widely acquainted with this section of Wisconsin. He was interviewed, but could think of no place nearby fitting the description shown him. He advanced the theory that a fire siren blown each morning, might have sounded to call CWA workers to work. He stated that he was positive that there was no house in that section resembling the one which Agent described to him. He said that if a person were held in a house near a lake of any size during January and February that that person would surely have heard ice cracking. He stated that this cracking can be heard for long distances. He said that mail planes fly over this section when the schedules are being run, and that there are planes flying over there occasionally during all the winter months.

At Hartford, gas stations, meat markets, and other stores were visited and pictures of suspects displayed to clerks. There was no identification made of any picture. A call was made at the only lumber yard in the town, where it was determined that no wall board had been sold since the first of the year to any person whose picture was displayed.

There are 4 passenger trains through Hartford, at 8:04 A.M., 8:42 A.M., 6:23 P.M. and 6:57 P.M. There are 4 freight trains arriving at Hartford between 9:30 P.M. and 2 A.M. All switching is done during this time, as each freight does its own switching.



At the postoffice none of the names or aliases were identified, and no pictures recognized.

There are two main highways leading through Hartford, No. 65 running north and south, connecting with No. 60 running east and west. There is also a gravel highway, Wisconsin W, leading into the above junction from the northwest. The heaviest travel is on No. 60 running east and west and the other two highways are stop highways where they meet No. 60.

The records of Fire Chief Paul Sulefow show no fires during the period of January 15th to February 10th, 1934. The City owns the electric plant, and the fire siren is blown with steam power by this plant. In the morning at 7, it is blown one blast, this sound resembling a whistle. At noon it is blown at a different pitch, which sounds similar to an electric fire siren. At 6 P.M., it again sounds like a whistle. In case of fire, it is blown 1, 2, 3 or 4 blasts, depending on whether the fire is in the first, second, third or 4th ward.

There are 3 churches in the town which ring bells. The Catholic church rings at 6 A.M., noon, and 6 P.M. each week day, and twice for each of 4 masses on Sunday. The German Lutheran Church bells ring at 5:50 on Saturday evening and twice on Sunday morning at 8:50 and 9:50. These bells are rung at these hours so as not to interfere with the St. John's church, which rings bells at 6 P.M. Saturday evening, and at 9 and 10 A.M. on Sunday.

Agent proceeded on route No. 41 to the Curtis Airport located about 4 miles north of Milwaukee. Mr. Mulick, the manager of this airport was interviewed, and said that practice flights were being made from this airport by student fliers during January and February. He suggested, after being given a description of the town and noises which Agent was trying to locate, that student fliers very often fly over Pewaukee, and that there are many trains passing through this town, and stated that Mr. Kavanaugh, County Highway Commissioner in the Court House at Milwaukee, might be of assistance in locating the town in question. Mr. Kavanaugh was contacted, and on being told about the noises that were heard in the town which Agent was seeking to locate, also suggested that it sounded like Pewaukee.

It was learned that the Fire Insurance Rating Bureau at 626 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, had a record of all fire sirens in the State, and Mr. Daniels was contacted at this office in an effort to learn the location of sirens in the locality surrounding Curtis Airport

which might be sounded in the morning. He stated that it was his understanding that Pewaukee had been using their fire siren each morning at 8 o'clock to call CWA workers. Mr. Daniels also informed Agent that if it was desirable to learn where sirens are located in the State of Illinois, that this information could be obtained at the Illinois Inspection Bureau, 108 East Ohio Street, Chicago, for all counties outside of Cook County, and that the Cook County data could be obtained at the Chicago Board of Fire Underwriters, 175 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago.

With the above information, Agent proceeded to Pewaukee, Wisconsin. Mr. Schmitzler, the fire chief, stated that at present the siren is sounded only when there are fires, but that during January on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the siren was sounded at 8 A.M., 12 noon, 1 P.M. and 4 P.M. to call the CWA workers. Each time one long blast was sounded. In this town the Catholic Church rings its bell only at 8 A.M. and 9:30 A.M. on Sunday. The Baptist Church sounds its bell on Thursday night at 7 and on Sunday at 9:30 A.M.

There are regular air lines over this town when the schedule is being run at 1:15 A.M., 9:50 A.M. and 5:55 P.M., and other planes from Curtis airfield fly over every day.

Records of the fire chief showed there were fires on January 27 at 2:15 P.M., January 30 at 3:15 A.M., and January 31 at 10:20 A.M.

No identification of pictures or names and aliases was made at the post office by the postmaster or his clerk.

At the Fuller Goodman Lumber Company, no identification was made of any of the persons as having purchased wall board or beaver board. The gasoline stations in this vicinity and grocery stores were also visited, where pictures were displayed without results. It is understood that when the wind is blowing towards Pewaukee from Waukeshaw that the Wilber Lumber Company whistle at Waukeshaw can be heard in the morning and at noon, but not at night.

Passenger trains pass through Pewaukee east bound at 3:56 A.M., 5 A.M., 6:13 A.M., 7:42 A.M., 9:11 A.M., 2:34 P.M., 4:32 P.M., 6:20 P.M., 8:22 P.M. and 8:29 P.M. Of these only the one at 7:42 A.M., and the one

at 6:20 P.M. stop. There are 6 freights east bound each day at 2:47 A.M., 4:10 A.M., 6:57 A.M., 8:10 A.M., 3:50 P.M. and 4:20 P.M. There is also a local from Watertown to Pewaukee and return. This train does all the switching at around 2 P.M. There are the following west bound passenger trains:

1:18 A.M.	6 P.M.
4:36 A.M.	7:54 P.M.
8:03 A.M.	9:41 P.M.
10:07 A.M.	11:29 P.M.
11:33 A.M.	
1:12 P.M.	

Of these only the one at 4:36 A.M. and 6 P.M. stop.

There are freights west bound at 1:50 A.M., 3:36 A.M., 8:52 A.M., 9:32 A.M. and 2:31 P.M.

The school in Pewaukee has a low pitched siren, which is sounded at 9 in the morning, at recess time, at noon at 1 o'clock, 1:15, again for recess, and at 4 A.M.

Lloyd Bartlett, manager of the Town Water Works, who reads the water meters, was contacted, and immediately informed Agent that there was a man from the St. Paul office in this town about 6 weeks ago inquiring about trains, sirens, airplanes, church bells, etc. He said he was unable at that time to think of any house in that locality resembling the one described to him by the St. Paul agent, and that since that time he has been trying to think of such a place, but has been unable to do so.

Mr. J. Floren, Superintendent of Fire Prevention of the Wisconsin State Industrial Commission is out of town and his return is not known at his office.

Mr. R. Mc. A. Keoun, Engineer of Mr. Floren's office advised that they have no record of the location and use of fire and municipal sirens used by the towns located in the state and that no one in that department or the Insurance Commissioner's department would be able to furnish same, due to the fact that there is no reason to compile such data. However, Mr. Keoun furnished Agent with a list of the towns in the State that maintain fire departments, volunteer and paid. This list is used by their office in rating the various towns as to fire risks, etc., and if their inspection of the towns is favorable

relative to fire protection, each town fire department receives two percent of the fire insurance premiums written and assessments received in that town, this money being used for the purchase and upkeep of the fire equipment for the respective towns.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 12, 1934.

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Mr. Nathan	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Cowley	_____
Mr. Edwards	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Lester	_____
Chief Clerk	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____

*W. Nathan*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent in Charge Brantley just called on the 'phone and stated the Oklahoma City office has had a tap on the telephone of some relatives of Volney Davis. The telephone is in the name of Hoffman, telephone number Tulsa 2-7866. He states that a call was received last night between 9:00 and 10:00 o'clock from a person whom they believed to be Volney Davis. The query came from Chicago, "Have you heard anything about me?", and the reply was, "Yes, about the middle of the month you will have to sign those papers and I will have to meet you somewhere". The person in Chicago then stated, "Don't bother about that. Get my father to sign them".

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Brantley believes the papers referred to something in connection with the parole of Volney Davis which expires this month.

The peculiar part of the matter is the call came from the Hillside Police Station, Hillside, Illinois, the number being Hillside 912. Hillside is, I believe, a suburb of Chicago.

Brantley has conveyed this information by telephone to the Chicago office, he having talked to Agent Zimmer. The tap on the Tulsa 'phone will continue and Chicago will be furnished with any further information received.

Respectfully,

H. Nathan.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Cowley handed the writer the attached correspondence for discussion with Mr. L. B. Reed. It is noted that one of the Agents of the National Board of Fire Underwriters had advised Mr. A. Bruce Bielaski that he had turned over certain information to Special Agent Brent concerning Preety Boy Floyd and other criminals who are alleged to have been in the vicinity of Sumter, South Carolina.

Mr. Reed advised that at the time Agent Brent received this information, he had submitted it in the form of a memorandum and was advised to contact the informer of Mr. Bielaski's Agent. This informant turned out to be a State Constable, who was interviewed by Agent Brent and who advised that he had received his information from a woman informant of his whose name he refused to give.

The information which he gave at the time was not very definite and he did not give any leads upon which to proceed with an investigation. Consequently Mr. Reed states this information was kept in the file in memorandum form with a view to further developing it in the event the name of the State Constable's informant could be obtained. Subsequent efforts to obtain this informant's name from the State Constable were unsuccessful, he refusing to give this information.

Respectfully,

W. A. Smith.

*Admiral K. O. ...  
Edward ...*

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Mr. L. B. Reed,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Drawer 1457,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have reviewed memoranda prepared concerning information furnished by a representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters pertaining to information supplied Special Agent D. K. Brent at Sumter, South Carolina, about April 2, 1934, pertaining to the operations of a gang which had planned to kidnap various individuals, including Andrew Mellon, and have observed that the information obtained by Agent Brent was not forwarded to the Division, but was included in a memorandum which was placed in the Charlotte Division Office file. The failure to promptly convey this information to the Division was a serious error of judgment. Obviously, if any of the persons who were discussed as potential kidnap victims had been kidnaped shortly thereafter, while an office of this Division had contained in its files information concerning a contemplated kidnaping of this same individual, a very grave and justifiable criticism could be directed at the Division.

Please submit to me at once an explanation as to the reasons why the information obtained by Agent Brent was not immediately transmitted to the Division.

Criticism has also been directed in this matter at the attitude taken by Special Agent Brent in his contact with the representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters. Please furnish me with any information you may have concerning Agent Brent's attitude in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
1806 First National Bank Building,  
Charlotte, North Carolina.

Dear Sir:

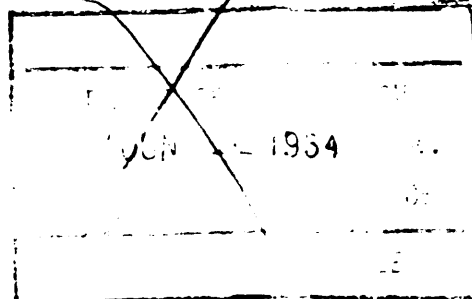
I have been advised that Special Agent D. K. Brent was furnished information by a representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters at Sumter, South Carolina, about April 2, 1934, pertaining to the activities of a group of gangsters alleged to be planning the kidnaping of various individuals, including Andrew Mellon. I am further advised that this information was furnished to Agent Brent in connection with inquiries being conducted in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al, Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping. Criticism has been directed at the attitude taken by Agent Brent when this information was conveyed to him, and accordingly, I desire that you immediately obtain from Agent Brent a complete statement as to his contact with the representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters at Sumter, South Carolina, together with an explanation of his attitude in the matter.

Please give this matter immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

Director.

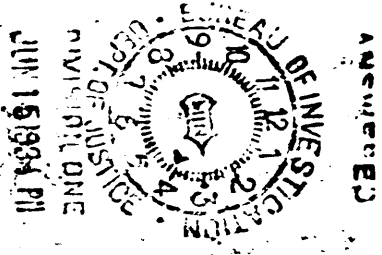
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P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
June 12, 1934

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DB:LJ

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois



Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping

Dear Sir :

By reference to the report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, 5-29-34, in the above captioned case, it will be observed on page four, paragraph two, that arrangements have been effected to make a record of all calls coming in or emanating from 2-7866 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, which is the telephone number of Mrs. L. B. Hoffman, a sister of Volney Davis residing at 416 East Oklahoma Street, Tulsa.

[REDACTED]

that between nine and ten o'clock on the night of June 11, there was received at the aforesaid number in Tulsa a long distance telephone call from Chicago, Illinois, and that a man was calling that number; that the call was effected and a woman at the Tulsa number talked with the man at Chicago; that the man did not give his name but asked how all the folks are getting along, inquiring about "Beulah's divorce", and later during the conversation, asked "Have you heard anything about me or my case?" The woman replied that she had been down there within the past few days, and that they were trying to see what could be done for him; that she probably would have some information in respect to this matter about June 15, and there probably would be some papers for him to sign and that it was desired that she meet him some place for his signature to the papers. The man talking then stated that that would be unnecessary and for her to get "papa" to sign them. The woman said, "Do you mean get Dad to sign them?" The man replied, "Yes". The man stated that he would call again one day in the not distant future.

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[REDACTED] I asked him to get it immediately. He called me back within a few minutes and stated that it had been ascertained that this call was placed in the Hillside Police Station, Hillside, Illinois, telephone number Hillside 912.

The Chicago office and Assistant Director Nathan of the Division were furnished the foregoing information by long distance telephone.

I am confident that the above mentioned telephone call was made by Volney Davis. He is at present on leave of absence from the State Penitentiary at McAllester, which leave expires July 1, 1934. His people are making efforts to obtain for him a parole. The conversation relating to "my case" referred, I am sure, to this particular matter and the woman to whom he talked no doubt has been down to McAllester to see what could be done with a view to obtaining a parole.

I shall continue to obtain a record of telephone calls, incoming and outgoing, from the Tulsa telephone number mentioned herein.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Division  
St. Paul

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification  
Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
Identification Order 1217, et al; EDWARD  
GEORGE BREMER - Victim; KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to your letter dated June 12, 1934  
setting forth information respecting a long distance telephone  
call made from Chicago, Illinois to Tulsa, Oklahoma, Phone  
Number 2-7666, the telephone number of Mrs. L. B. Hoffman,  
a sister of Volney Davis.

In connection with the apparent efforts now being made  
to obtain a parole from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary,  
McAlester, Oklahoma, for Volney Davis, whose leave of  
absence expires June 30, next, it is suggested that arrange-  
ments be made with the penitentiary officials whereby it  
will be necessary for Volney Davis to personally appear  
before one of the officials to execute his application  
for parole, at which time he can then be questioned by  
representatives of this Division concerning his knowledge  
of the activities of members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

This matter should receive immediate attention  
and should be pressed vigorously.

Very truly yours,

Director.

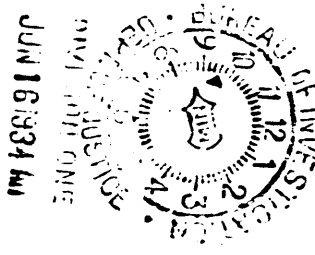
AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY  
CC Chicago  
Inspector Clegg.

318 Hewes Building  
San Francisco, California.

June 11, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 987,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.



Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1212,  
et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

The San Francisco Police Department is in receipt of two letters, one from an Ed Watson or George Watson, R.R. D. No. 1, Millsboro, Pa., a copy of which is enclosed, and is self-explanatory, indicating that this individual has information regarding one Ted Bentz, who has been prominently mentioned as a suspect in connection with this case, and a letter from one C. W. Cassidy of Burlington, W. Va., in which letter Cassidy advises that he has seen a copy of a fingerprint magazine, in which the photograph and fingerprints of Ted Bentz are displayed; that he has seen this individual in Burlington, W. Va.; that he, Bentz, is traveling as a salesman, and will again return to Burlington, W. Va., and suggests that he be contacted with reference to further information.

Although no process is outstanding against Ted Bentz in connection with this case, it has been indicated that it is desired, because of Bentz' criminal associations and contacts with members of the "Machine Gun" Kelly and Albert Bates gang, and also with instant Subjects, that he be apprehended and interviewed thoroughly in connection with this case. It is reported that warrants are held for Ted Bentz by G.P. Plowman, Special Agent for the American Express Company, Chicago, Ill., for crimes at various points, and it is being suggested that Ed Watson and C. W. Cassidy be interviewed, in order that it may be determined whether the information which they have is authentic.

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Very truly yours, 7-576-2152

E. P. Quinane, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

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c.c. Division  
c.c. Chicago

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c.c. St. Paul

Ed Watson  
E. Millsboro, Pa.  
R.D. #1.

San Francisco, Calif.  
Police Dept.

Dear Sir:

This man you have stated in you reward sicular as Ted Bentz I personal know him as Barber he stole a car in Detroit, Mich. and brought it to my localty and sold it to on of my relations he is still located around heré I will help in any way I can to get him for you. My location is at Rush Run about 3 miles from Browns-ville on East Millsboro Mail Route.

If you come to find him inquire

George Watson

No.1 Rush Run

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June 14, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 18,  
1934, covering the transmittal of Remington Portable  
Typewriter, #N-34895, in connection with the case desig-  
nated as BREKID.

Upon examination in the Division laboratory  
no latent fingerprints of value could be developed thereon.

Your advice is desired as to the disposition  
to be made of this typewriter.

Very truly yours,

Director.

cc - Mr. H. H. Clegg.

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EAT:HCB

June 13, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

During telephonic conversation this afternoon, Mr. Clegg advised that there are available at the Capital in Madison, Wisconsin, the charts of houses all over the State of Wisconsin, which have been diagramed by C.W.A. workers. Mr. Clegg stated that they have a prospective chart of the Bremer kidnap-out. He stated the examination of these diagrams, which are similar to blue prints, will be quite an extensive job. In addition, it will be necessary to make a number of telephone calls from Madison to surrounding places which calls have been delayed by reason of the Dillinger investigation. He also stated that Jean Crompton is at Madison, and will be held there tomorrow before going to the penitentiary. In view of the above matters, Mr. Clegg stated that he is planning to leave tonight for Madison, remaining there for several days. I told him I believed it particularly desirable that he interview Jean Crompton. Mr. Clegg indicated that he wants to organize the examination of the diagrams so as to have it completed as soon as possible, and if the house is not located, it will be necessary to move into Iowa or other territory for the same purpose.

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Respectfully,

*E. A. Tamm*  
E. A. Tamm.

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1900 BANK BUILDING,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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DIVISION ONE  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

June 16 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 1276,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O.  
1219; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
Victim - KIDNAPING  
CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Kindly refer to a letter from this office to your office dated May 22, 1934, in the above matter, dealing particularly with Roy Gray with aliases.

It is noted that Gray is under indictment for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and it is particularly desired that in this case you see that this indictment is not dismissed.

I am enclosing the two best available photographs of the wife of Roy Gray, whose aliases appear on the reverse side of the photos. Please present these pictures to the proper authorities to determine if she is also wanted with Gray on the robbery charge. She is described as being:

Age	28 yrs.
Height	5' 1"
Weight	120 lbs.
Hair	Reddish or auburn
Eyes	Brown

Please also review your file in the case entitled RUSSELL GIBSON - FUGITIVE - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, your file number 26-2022, and furnish this office with any information which will be of assistance in apprehending or questioning Gray.

Very truly yours,

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E. P. CONLEY.

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cc-Division  
St. Paul

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Post Office Box #2118  
Detroit, Michigan  
June 14, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers' Building  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: ALVIE KARPIS with aliases  
I.O. #1218, et al <sup>0</sup>KIDNAPING  
Edward George Bremer - Victim

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Chicago office under date of May 31, 1934 requesting that the Detroit office trace Cadillac car Motor 1001172.

Through Mr. C. E. Ferrall, office manager of the Cadillac Motor Car Company, Detroit, Michigan, it was learned that this car was a 1930 model, series 870, 12-cylinder Town Sedan, black in color with an ivory stripe and was equipped with air wire wheels, two extra wheels being carried in fender wells. It also had metal mirrors on each side of the car and on the braces holding the tires in the fender wells. This car bore the following component part numbers:

Body #365  
Steering Gear #10-1223  
Transmission #10-1040  
Chassis #10-1241  
Generator #682  
Front Axle #10-1298

Rear Axle #10-1344  
Secret #31182  
Tool Key #K0394  
Ignition Key #K0491  
Radiator Ornament #1098123

According to the records of the Cadillac Motor Company, this car was shipped on 10/31/30 to Madison Smith Cadillac Company of Little Rock, Arkansas. The records further indicate that it was sold on 4/17/31 to V. C. Miller of 921 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. It is possible that this may be Vernon C. Miller, subject in other Division cases. A copy of this letter is being sent to the Oklahoma City office with request that officials of the Madison Smith Cadillac Company, Little Rock, Arkansas be interviewed for any additional information they may have regarding the sale of this car.

Very truly yours,

Z. E. Peters, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - St. Paul  
Inspector Clegg  
Oklahoma City  
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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

REN:TAM

June 13, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

On June 12, 1934, I accompanied Special Agent Clinton Stein of the Washington Field Office to 916 H Street, where an individual, giving the name of L. F. Schrader, identified himself as a retired Government employee, who retired from the General Accounting Office July 1, 1933. This same individual had been identified in the district covered by the New Orleans Office as being William E. Meade, who is now being sought for questioning in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping case. I questioned Mr. Schrader concerning the personnel of the General Accounting Office, and he convinced me by his answers that he was not identical with the William E. Meade, the confidence man on whom we have a record. Mr. Stein will submit a report covering this interview at an early date.

Respectfully,

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

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

FILE NO. **7-27**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Salt Lake City, Utah</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6-11-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>6-4, 5 &amp; 6-34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>LOUIS D. WINE</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>EM</b></span>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Further investigation at Reno, Nevada, discloses Theodore Bentz, alias Benz, now receiving mail at P.O. Box No. 2417, Reno, Nevada, which box is listed in the name of Harry Swanson, Attorney, doubtful reputation. Arrangements made to cover all mail. County records, Reno, disclose Bentz was divorced April 20, 1932, at Reno, from Anna Bentz. Bentz reported to have a daughter named Patricia Constance Bentz, believed to be residing at Tacoma, Washington. Examination of records Secretary of State, Carson City, discloses Bentz under name of Ted Richards, incorporated Anglo Pacific Mines Ltd. located Sierra County, near Grass Valley, Calif. At Frandsen Apartments it was ascertained Bentz left trunk there more than a year ago, contents of which were examined. Officers and others, Reno, Nevada, shown photograph of Bentz. Bentz recognized as having resided in Reno some months ago.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent W. R. Ramsey, Jr., San Francisco Division Office dated April 17, 1934.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AT RENO, NEVADA</p> <p>E.H. Beemer, Clerk of the Washoe County Court, was interviewed, and an examination of the divorce records show that in Action No. 38967, filed April 20, 1932, Theodore Bentz also known as Theodore E. Benz, obtained a divorce from his wife, Anna M. Bentz (no doubt Ann Gallows); that Bentz appeared before County Judge, Honorable Edgar Eather, and was represented by Harry Swanson, Attorney at-law, Room 207, First National Bank Building; his address was shown as 432 West Fourth Street, Reno, Nevada. From the transcript of testimony in this case it was</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</small></p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	<b>7-576-2158</b>	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JUN 18 1934</b>
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ascertained that Bentz claimed to have arrived in Reno March 2, 1932, and that he is a Traveling Salesman and claimed at that time to be representing the National Advertisers, the National Rubber Products Company, and the World's Products Company of Indiana. He also stated that he was married August 30, 1922, was a resident of Tacoma, Washington, and was formerly engaged in business there; that he has one minor child, age 9 (1931), whose name is Patricia Constance Bentz and who is probably living with Anna Bentz, divorced wife of subject at Tacoma, Washington, at the present time.

In the testimony in connection with this divorce action it was further learned that Bentz was ordered to contribute \$30.00 per month to the support of this minor child. A search of the marriage records at Reno discloses no record of subject's marriage there. There is also no record of the marriage of Christina Dawson.

A tracing of Theodore Bentz' signature was obtained from the file of the Clerk of Washoe County Court and his name is written both as Theodore Bentz and Theodore E. Benz. This tracing was compared with known specimens of the handwriting of Bentz mentioned in report of reference and is identical.

Robert M. Price, Attorney-at-law, President of the Nevada Bar Association, First National Bank Building, Reno, was interviewed, relating to Harry Swanson, who was the attorney for subject Bentz. Mr. Price states that Swanson is a young attorney who came to Reno several years ago; that he is being investigated by the Bar Association with a view to disbarment for the reason of his unethical conduct; that he is said to have taxi drivers, bell boys and others obtain clients for him; that Attorney Swanson is said to be sporty and to gamble extensively for high stakes; that the source of his funds is somewhat of a mystery, since his class of clients are said to be people of the lower type and Swanson seems to spend money freely.

It was learned that Attorney Swanson practices law alone at the present time; that he has a stenographer by the name of Pansy Hallowell, who resides at the Granite Apartments, Reno, Nevada.

It was not deemed advisable to approach Attorney Swanson under any pretext in an effort to locate Bentz.

At the Reno, Nevada Post Office, W. E. Minnikin, Postmaster, was interviewed. A thorough examination of all the current and forwarding

addresses disclosed that one T. Bentz left a forwarding address on April 6, 1933, from 432 West Fourth Street, Reno, Nevada, to P.O. Box 1037 at Reno, Nevada. It was ascertained that 432 West Fourth Street, is the address of the Friendsen Apartments. It was ascertained that P.O. Box 1037, Reno, is in the name of Harry Swanson, attorney-at-law. Further examination of the Post Office records at Reno disclosed that on March 6, 1934, upon completion of the new Post Office, Harry Swanson was assigned Post Office Box 2417 and on March 6, 1934, Harry Swanson furnished the names of the persons receiving mail at this box number to the Post Office Box Clerk at the Reno Post Office, as follows:

Harry Swanson  
Cleo E. Swanson  
Tinell Swanson  
Doris Lee  
Swanson and Jacobs  
Ted Bentz

From Fred Oehler, Post Office Clerk in charge of city distribution, it was ascertained that Cleo E. Swanson and Tinell Swanson are said to be relatives of Harry Swanson; Doris Lee was not known and Swanson and Jacobs was the firm of which Harry Swanson was the senior partner, the Junior partner being Arthur Jacobs who is not now living at Reno having been disbarred about two years ago for embezzling funds of the Musician's Union. Jacobs is reported to be living in New York but no information was available as to his street address there.

Fred Oehler states that the name of Ted Bentz appears on numerous communications addressed to P.O. Box 2417, which is the present box number of the Post Office Box rented by Harry Swanson. He recalled that not one-half hour before Agent's interview two letters, one of them typewritten and the other written in longhand were placed by him in Harry Swanson's box, which letters were addressed to Ted Bentz. Immediate search of this box disclosed that the mail had been called for and these two letters were not available for examination.

Pete Marlow, Post Office Clerk, Reno Post Office, relates that he has charge of the General Delivery window but does not recall Theodore Bentz but does recall that from time to time he has had occasion to sort mail at the post office and distinctly recalls a number of communications in the last few weeks addressed to Ted Bentz, P.O. Box 2417, Reno, Nevada.

[REDACTED] Office  
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[REDACTED] Office.

George Rolph, Post Office Inspector, who is temporarily conducting investigation at Reno and who is residing there at the Parkway Hotel, 120 Sierra Street, and whose permanent address is Room 232 P.O. Bldg., Sacramento, Calif., relates that during his sojourn at Reno he will personally examine the mail addressed to this P.O. Box number, in an effort to locate the persons who are corresponding with Theodore Bentz and will give these letters appropriate attention. Mr. Rolph stated he would request the post office personnel to be on the lookout for all letters mailed by Harry Swanson or his stenographer Pansy Hollowell and would make a notation of the names and addresses of the letters since it is probable that Attorney Swanson is acting as intermediary for Ted Bentz and relaying to Ted Bentz communications addressed to [redacted]

Detective Richard Heap of the Reno Police Department was interviewed and related that he knew Pansy Hollowell and Agent shadowed her for several days and learned that it was her practice to go from Harry Swanson's office in the First National Bank Building and deposit the daily mail in the chute at the post office building about 5:00 Pm daily. Agent followed her to [redacted] and after she deposited these letters in the chute, Agent immediately contacted the supervisor [redacted] who permitted Agent to examine these communications [redacted] apparently making numerous letters and circulars and a [redacted] of the outgoing [redacted] these [redacted] any letters addressed to Ted Bentz or Ted [redacted] of any letters of a suspicious character indicating that they may have contained an enclosure.

Superintendent Barber stated that the post office employes knew Pansy Hollowell by sight and would continue to watch all outgoing mail which she mailed.

Mrs. G. Stoner, Post Office Employee, in charge of forwarding addresses and who assists in the distribution of mail, approached Agent and related that she had learned that efforts were being made to locate Ted Bentz thru Pansy Hollowell, stenographer of Harry Swanson. Mrs. Stoner stated that she was a close personal friend of Pansy Hollowell and that she and Miss Hollowell were active in the same church; that Mrs. Stoner would be glad to approach Miss Hollowell in an effort to obtain the address of Ted Bentz. It was courteously explained to Mrs. Stoner that any approach at this time would be inadvisable but that this matter would be considered later [redacted] productive.

W.F. Kinnikin, Postmaster, was interviewed further and related that he operates the Remington-Rand Agency at 110 East Second Street, Reno, in addition to being Postmaster and that he

employee Henry Wenzell, who is, according to the Postmaster, a very high type man and very trustworthy, as Chief Mechanic; that the fiancée of Henry Wenzell is Pansy Hallowell and at a latter date it may be advisable for Henry Wenzell to approach Miss Hallowell in an effort to obtain from the latter any information she may have as to the whereabouts of Ted Bentz.

Mr. Kinnikin was advised to withhold such method of approach, or any information relating to this investigation whatever, until he was specifically advised to do so in the event that it was believed that the mail cover on letters addressed to Ted Bentz at Reno would ultimately reveal his present location and possibly his association with the other subjects of this investigation.

J.E. Preston, Superintendent of the Nevada Telephone Company, Reno, was interviewed and request was made of him to furnish the writer with a list of all the telephone calls placed by Harry Swanson, Attorney, at his office, First National Bank Building, telephone Reno 8362 and his residence, 577 West Taylor Street, telephone Reno 4626. Mr. Preston, after searching his records, related that for the past six months Harry Swanson had no long distance telephone calls from either of these numbers and that no record was made of the local calls since dial telephones were used.

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Mr. Preston related further that it was his recollection that Attorney Swanson heretofore had numerous long distance calls and that it was quite unusual that he should not have any at this time and that if he were in touch with Ted Bentz or subjects of this case he would probably place his calls from a public pay station in order to prevent the possibility of these calls being traced.

Inquiry was made at 432 West Fourth Street, the last known address of Ted Bentz, which proved to be the Frandsen Apartments, operated by Mrs. E.M. Lusty. Mrs. Lusty was shown police photograph of Ted Bentz, Tacoma, Washington PD No. 6605, and she immediately identified it as that of Ted Bentz. She related that during the fall of 1932 Ted Bentz had rented an apartment from her in this building; that he was accompanied by a small woman who said she was from Canada, and whose name was Ann, and who posed as his wife; that they lived in this apartment



about two months; that Bentz received a large volume of mail and related that he was a salesman for several Eastern Novelty Companies; that Bentz while in Reno was organizing some sort of carnival and had a large quantity of toy balloons and other novelties which he was selling; that Bentz was living with a relative, believed to be a brother-in-law named Johnston, and that during the fall of 1932 Johnston was arrested at Bentz' apartment by the Reno Police Department.

The landlady of the Frandsen Apartments relates that Theodore Bentz disappeared at that time owing her \$75.00 rent and leaving his trunk as security; that several days after Johnston's arrest the Reno police searched the trunk, removing a large number of license plates and a set of dies used in changing motor numbers; that about two weeks thereafter Bentz returned to the apartment house, paid Mrs. Lusty \$50.00, went thru the trunk and removed most of his clothing. Agent was permitted to examine this trunk, which is a green colored wardrobe trunk and stored in the basement of this apartment house.

This trunk was practically empty with the exception of a ladies fur coat, some soiled underwear and ladies shoes. The labels and laundry marks had been removed from the wearing apparel and attempt had been made to remove all identification marks from the trunk. On the trunk appears an American Express Company label No. 16268, San Francisco; also there is an address on this trunk which was partially obliterated, attempt having been made to remove it, but an address of William D. Davison, San Francisco, Calif. was discernible.

This trunk also contained a notebook which bears the gold lettered inscription of "National Safe Deposit Company, First National Bank Building, Chicago," on the front cover, which proved to be a memorandum of expenditures and seemed to be several years old, which showed expenses for gasoline purchased on a trip to Yellowstone National Park and to Camp Joy (whereabouts not mentioned). However, under the notation Camp Joy appears a notation "Rental of Mountain Cabin, Black Hills".

A careful examination of this notebook, the original of which was obtained by the writer, disclosed no street addresses or other information other than a torn piece of paper bearing the name, in the handwriting of Bentz, "Francis R. Allegetti"; also the name of "L.M. Carlile S.S. 11/30/32".

George Harding, Detective, Reno Police Department, was interviewed, and stated that during the fall of 1932, he learned that Bentz' trunk was at the apartment house; that he went thru it and removed a number of license plates, a set of dies and other information; that he sent these to Jimmy Britt, Special Agent, National Automobile Theft Bureau, San Francisco, California, since Britt was seeking Bentz in connection with a stolen automobile. Harding stated that Bentz is known to him; that he has not seen him around Reno for more than a year and that he will continue to be on the lookout for subject's appearance at Reno.

J.M. Kirkley, Chief of Police, was shown photograph of Bentz and stated that Bentz is known to him and that he is positive that he has seen Bentz on numerous occasions in Reno more than a year ago and on one occasion Bentz called at the police station looking for some information.

Chief of Police Kirkley and Detectives of the Reno Police Department were also shown photographs of this subject, as well as other subjects of this investigation, and none of them could recall subjects or remember seeing them in Reno recently.

Chief of Police Kirkley relates that the Sierra, Nevada Mountains in the vicinity of Reno contains numerous mines, dude ranches and mountain resorts, especially thru the wild mountainous area directly west of Reno; that these places afford ideal hiding places for fugitives and that a few days prior to Agent's visit an Indian trapper, whose name is unknown to the Chief, reported to the Chief of Police that he had been hunting in the vicinity of Lake Tahoe, California, which is but 20 miles from Reno, and that he was traveling on a remote mountain road when he was stopped by a man driving a Buick car; that this man was heavily armed and had several weapons in the rear of his machine; that several weeks previous to this he was hunting in a mountain area and was turned back on a mountain road by several men who told him to keep away.

Sheriff Russell Trathen was interviewed and was shown photographs of subjects and stated that he is positive that none of these subjects are in Reno and if they are in the vicinity they are hiding in some remote mountainous hide-away. He further related that it would be practically impossible for an outsider to have access to these mountain resorts due to their inaccessibility and to the fact that their approaches are protected; that men of this type would not remain indefinitely in hiding but sooner or later would come into Reno, Nevada and patronize the gambling establishments; that

both the towns of Ely, Nevada, and Las Vegas, Nevada, were continually frequented by underworld characters and that both of these towns, as well as Reno, would prove ideal places to be on the lookout for subjects.

Sheriff Trathen states that he knows Bentz by sight and remembered him when he formerly resided in Reno more than a year ago and would continue to be on the lookout for him should he return to Washoe County, in which Reno is located.

It will be noted from report of reference that Ted Bentz and his brother, Ed Bentz, may be in hiding at some gold gravel mine or placer mine south of Reno, Nevada. The state of Nevada has a large number of placer mines over an extended area, located in remotemountainous areas and difficult of access. There are a number of mines in operation South of Reno in Virginia City, Silver City and the surrounding country some miles East of Carson City, Nevada.

#### AT CARSON CITY, NEVADA

Andrew Stinson, State Mine Inspector, relates that he has a number of mine inspectors operating thruout the state of Nevada, who would be glad to cooperate in an effort to locate Theodore Bentz. He was shown a photograph of this man but failed to recognize him. He stated that it would be practically impossible to check all the mines operating in the state of Nevada in this vicinity, since they are numerous and difficult of access and a great many are now abandoned or working with small crews.

Zeb Rey, U. S. Marshal, Carson City, relates that Ted Bentz is unknown to him and he had no information relating to him.

Sheriff J.H. Stearn, Ormsby County, Carson City, was also shown the photograph of Ted Bentz and was unable to recognize same.

The Post Office records at Carson City were searched but no record was found of Ted Bentz. The photograph of Bentz was displayed to employes of this Post Office but none of them recognized same.

Inquiry at the office of the Secretary of State, State of Nevada, was made relating to the Anglo Pacific Gold Mines Ltd. of which subject Bentz is reported to be President. There was no record whatever of the Anglo Pacific Gold Mines Ltd. at the office of The Secretary of State but a careful examination disclosed that there was a record of an Anglo Pacific Mines Ltd. This latter

company was incorporated on November 1, 1929, and the Articles of Incorporation were drawn up by Walter J. Bracking. No record at the Secretary of State's office was found of subject Bentz or any information as to the location of this mine.

AT RENO, NEVADA

Walter J. Bracking, Secretary of the Security Investment Company, relates that he was Resident Agent of the Anglo Pacific Mines, Ltd.; Mr. Bracking stated that he had previously been in difficulty with the Government relating to violations of the postal laws. He stated that he had no information whatever relating to this company except that it was incorporated by him; that he used dummy directors who were formerly employes of his office and that his son, T. Gordon Bracking, who operates the Corporate Service, 36 Thoma Street, Reno, might know something of this company.

Mr. T. Gordon Bracking, at this address, was interviewed and was shown the photograph of Ted Bentz. He immediately recognized it as a man known to him as Ted Richards and positively identified the photograph.

He stated that Ted Bentz had come to him and stated that he desired to incorporate the Anglo Pacific Mines Ltd. in the state of Nevada and that Mr. Bracking got his father, W.J. Bracking, to draw up the necessary papers and file the Articles of Incorporation.

Mr. T. Gordon Bracking related that after Ted Richards, who is Ted Bentz, obtained the Articles of Incorporation, he failed to pay for this service and still owes Mr. Bracking approximately \$25.00.

Mr. Bracking, after searching his records, found the original Articles of Incorporation, which he loaned to Agent.

From the original minutes of this company dated November 7, 1929, it was shown that Ted E. Richards was appointed President, and Director; Charles E. Brockington, Director; Frank H. Donovan, Vice President; A. Crocker, Assistant Secretary; Henry Hogile, Director and Ann Richards (probably Ann Bentz) Director. Ted E. Richards was also appointed General Manager.

The register of stockholders, which accompanied the Articles of Incorporation disclosed the addresses of Ted Richards, Charles A. Brockington and Henry Hogile as P.O. Box 509, Grass Valley, Calif., while the address of Frank H. Donovan was shown as Post Office Box 59, Grass Valley, Calif. and the address of Frank R. Donovan shown as 11 Maple Drive, San Anselmo, Calif. and the address of E. Campbell, 3446 16th Street, San Francisco, Calif.

Under date of November 7, 1929, appears an original proposal signed by Ted E. Richards (Ted Bentz) addressed to the Board of Directors of the Anglo Pacific Mines, Ltd., Reno, Nevada. This reads as follows:

"Gentlemen:

I desire to submit to you the following proposition:

In consideration of the transfer of the Company's Capital Stock, as hereinafter set out, I will convey and set over to the Anglo Pacific Mines, Limited, the following property:

Four Hundred Thirty-five acres of patented mineral lands, designated as Lots 44 and 45 in Sections 10-11-14 and 15, Twp. 19 North, R. 10 East, MtD. B. & M., in Sierra County, California, and also, The Machinery, equipment, supplies and stores that are located on the property, and also, The office equipment at the Commercial Bldg., Grass Valley, California, and the cash which is now on deposit in the First National Bank at Grass Valley, California; in said company's name.

And for the aforesaid property the Anglo Pacific Mines, Limited, is to cause to be issued and set over to me or to the persons whom I may from time to time designate, its capital stock in such amounts as I may from time to time request, until the entire capital stock of the said corporation has been issued according to the terms of this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed) Ted E. Richards"

It will be noted that the aforementioned mine is apparently in the vicinity of Grass Valley, California, and that one of the Directors is shown as E. Campbell, who may be identical with Harry Campbell, one of the subjects of this investigation.

On June 5, 1934, a telegram was sent to the San Francisco Division office advising of the location of this mine and the location of the officers.

The records of the Secretary of State, State of Nevada and the records of T. Gordon Bracking, do not disclose any information relating to this mine since 1929. T. Gordon Bracking is a reputable business man at Reno, Nevada, and relates that he has not seen subject Bentz in Reno since he was there at the time of incorporating this company.

Further examination was made of the records of the Police Department at Reno, Nevada, and it was shown that Earnest Robert Johnston was arrested by the Reno Police Department on November 4, 1932, while living with Theodore Bentz at the Frandsen Apartments, Reno, Nevada; that Johnston is said to be the brother-in-law of Ted Bentz and is believed by the police to have also resided with Albert Bentz, brother of Ted, at the same address. Ted Bentz is said to be a close personal friend of Albert Bates, the latter now serving a life sentence in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth for kidnaping and Bates is supposed to have been with Bentz at Seattle, Washington.

Earnest Robert Johnston, Reno Police No. 50381, was delivered to the Sheriff at Port Orchard, Washington, by the Reno Police Department, charged with bank robbery, he is described as follows:

Age	20 (1932)
Height	5'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium
Scars	Small scar on forehead
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(See circular dated Nov. 5, 1932, from Sheriff Blankenship, Port Orchard, Washington, on which the photographs of Albert Bates appear.)

Examination of the files of the Salt Lake City Division Office discloses that the information relating to Ted

Bentz and his prior activities is quite meagre and a telegram was accordingly dispatched to the St. Paul Division Office for the purpose of ascertaining whether there was any process outstanding against Ted Bentz in this case or any other case and what action should be taken in the event Bentz was located, since Bentz is reported to be now receiving mail at Reno and may be in Reno at the present time and in touch with his attorney, Harry Swanson.

Telegraphic information was received from the St. Paul Division Office that Theodore Bentz is wanted by G.B. Plowman, Special Agent, American Express Company, 58 East Washington Street, Chicago for criminal charge at several points; also wanted by the State Police, East Lansing, Michigan, for bank robbery and reported to be wanted by the San Francisco police for violation National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. The St. Paul Office also advised that in the event Theodore Bentz is located that he be interrogated as to his connection with this case, as well as to his knowledge of other subjects of this investigation.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE AT RENO, NEVADA: Thru the Postmaster and Post Office Inspector make further efforts to locate Theodore Bentz, who is reported to be now receiving mail at P.O. Box 2417, Reno, Nevada, which is the address of Harry Swanson, the attorney for Bentz.

THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE AT SAN FRANCISCO: Contact Jimmy Britt, Special Agent, National Automobile Theft Bureau, and the San Francisco Police Department for any additional information they may have relating to Theodore Bentz and his associates.

AT SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN ANSELMO, CALIF.: Endeavor to locate Theodore Bentz thru cautious inquiry of the Directors of the Anglo Pacific Mines, Ltd. of which Bentz is alleged to be President.

AT GRASS VALLEY, CALIF.: Endeavor to locate the mine described in the body of this report by metes and bounds, said to be located in Sierra County, Calif., keeping in mind that subjects and their associates may now be hiding in this location.

THE PORTLAND OFFICE AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON: Endeavor to locate Patricia Constance Bentz, minor child of Ted Bentz, probably now

residing with her mother, Mrs. Anna Bentz, divorced wife of Theodore Bentz, Tacoma, Washington; also furnish the Salt Lake City Office any pertinent information as to Theodore Bentz and particularly any of his relatives or correspondents since it appears that Bentz is receiving his mail at Reno, Nevada, and may be in turn writing to his relatives and associates at Tacoma from there.

THE ST. PAUL OFFICE: Will furnish the Salt Lake City Division Office any pertinent information relating to the activities and associates of Bentz, which information has not heretofore been furnished this office, particularly with reference to his connection with the subjects of this investigation.

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June 28, 1934

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Portland, Oregon.

JUN 29 1934

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR L. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. 1219,  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Louis  
D. Wine, dated Salt Lake City, Utah, June 11, 1934, wherein it is  
noted that Ernest Robert Johnston, Reno Police Number 50381 is  
said to be the brother-in-law of Ted Bents.

As of possible interest to this investigation there are  
transmitted herewith an abstract of the criminal record, and photo-  
graph, of this individual, Ernest Robert Johnston, whose descrip-  
tion, taken from the fingerprint card submitted by the Police De-  
partment, Portland, Oregon, November 21, 1932, is as follows:

Age: 20  
Height: 5' 11"  
Weight: 154 lbs.  
Build: Medium slender  
Complexion: Medium  
Hair: Light Brown  
Eyes: Light Blue  
Place of birth: Oregon  
Residence: Tacoma, Washington.

The Portland office is requested to take steps to locate  
Johnston so that he may be interviewed concerning the whereabouts  
of Ed and Ted Bents, who are wanted for questioning in connection  
with the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,

*Wes J. C. J.*

Director

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

I telephoned the Chicago Office and talked with Mr. Cowley with reference to the telephone call made to Mr. Nathan by Mr. Brantley on June 12th. Mr. Cowley stated that Mr. Brantley had furnished the Chicago Office with the information that Volney Davis had telephoned his sister from Hillside 912, which was believed to be the Hillside Police Station, Hillside, Illinois. Mr. Cowley stated that he and Agent McIntire had ascertained that the above telephone number is located in a saloon at Roosevelt and Mannheim Roads, where Mr. Cowley and Agent McIntire spent a little over a half hour yesterday. They learned that this saloon has been operated during the past month by an individual who formerly resided at Fox River Grove, where Louis Cernocky is located. This saloon is also located one-half block from the ~~Hills~~ <sup>North</sup> establishment which is operated by Doc Stacey, who was the Chicago contact man at the time of the Kansas City Massacre.

I suggested that if it were possible to do so that Volney Davis should be picked up and questioned in connection with the Bremer case. Mr. Cowley wanted to know what evidence the Division has implicating Davis in the Bremer kidnaping case and I advised him the only evidence thus far developed are statements made by Bessie Green and others which implicate him.

Incidentally, it is quite possible that Volney Davis participated in the Kansas City Massacre and that the photographs of Wilbur Underhill which have been previously identified by witnesses as one of the participants in the Massacre may have been mistaken for Volney Davis, inasmuch as Underhill and Davis resemble each other.

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Mr. Cowley stated that the inquiries being made by telephone with a view to locating a town possessing the sounds heard by Bremer so far as the Chicago district is concerned has developed information that the town of Woodstock, Illinois has some of the sounds heard by Bremer. I inquired of Mr. Cowley regarding the results of the investigation at Darien, Wisconsin and he had no information available concerning this. I suggested that the investigation in that vicinity be expedited and further that a recent report from the Chicago Office covering an investigation at Milton Junction, Wisconsin reflected that the fire siren was blown on January 28, 1934 at 11:15 A. M. which is coincident with the blowing of a fire siren at Whitewater, Wisconsin, a distance of 12 miles separating these two towns. I suggested that attention be given to this fire to find out where it occurred and which town responded to the alarm.

In connection with the telephone call which Special Agent Zimmer made to the Division yesterday regarding Jules Galatas, a cousin of Subject Richard Tallman Galatas, I called Mr. Cowley's attention to a letter of the Birmingham Office dated August 3, 1934 addressed to the Kansas City Office concerning the results of an interview had with Mrs. Henry H. Jones, 100 Forest Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama, wherein she stated that Jules Galatas was residing in Chicago using the alias of B. E. Gerson and that in view of this information, it is apparent that Jules Galatas and B. E. Gerson are identical.

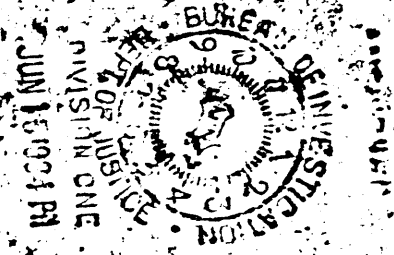
Respectfully,

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

P. O. Box 1908

Butte, Montana,  
June 12, 1934.

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



ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,  
with aliases, I. O. #1219, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
Kidnapping.

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Dear Sir:

I have had shown to [redacted] the photographs of Mary Kinder and Bernice Thompson, alias Opal Long, furnished the Butte Office by the Division, and he states that neither of these women is the Mrs. Long who visited in the Madison Valley, Montana, in 1928, as set forth in my report of June 8, 1934, Paragraph 4, Page 2.

Very truly yours,

D. H. Dickason  
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Director-3 ✓  
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P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

May 31, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Ill.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
I.O. 1218, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File 7-30

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of  
May 28, 1934, in connection with the above entitled case.

Contact was had with Warden J. J. Sullivan  
of the Minnesota State Penitentiary of Stillwater, Minnesota, who  
caused a very thorough search to be made of prison records and  
advised that it was not possible to locate any record for one Iszy  
Smith supposed to have been released from this penitentiary in  
September, 1933. Warden Sullivan further advised that, in his  
opinion, Arthur Peterson, Joseph Mariner and Pistol Pete are one  
and the same person; that person being J. E. Mariner alias A.  
Peterson, Minnesota State Prison number 9491.

You will find attached hereto photographs  
of J. E. Mariner alias A. Peterson, Minnesota State Prison #9491;  
Oscar Goetzberg alias Oscar Bennett alias Oscar Gettacy, Minnesota  
State Prison #9489; and Harry Williams alias Harry Lewis alias Harry  
Wagner, Minnesota State Prison #3490.

These three men were associated in crimes  
together and served time together at Stillwater; that they operated  
in Ashland, Wisconsin and vicinity.

There is being set forth below, criminal  
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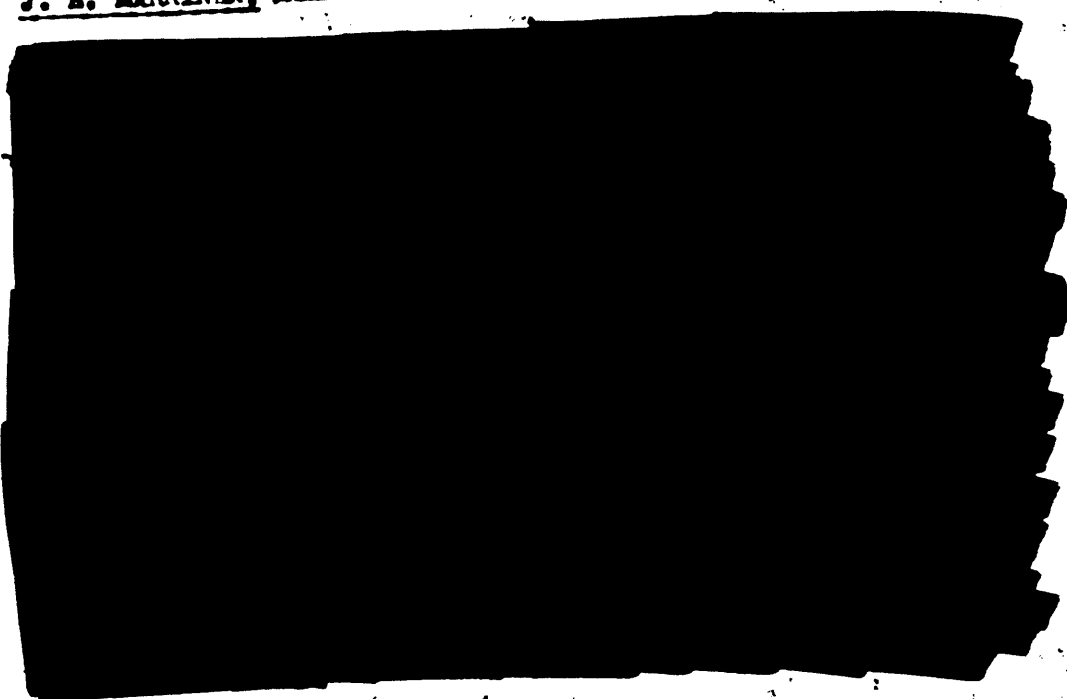
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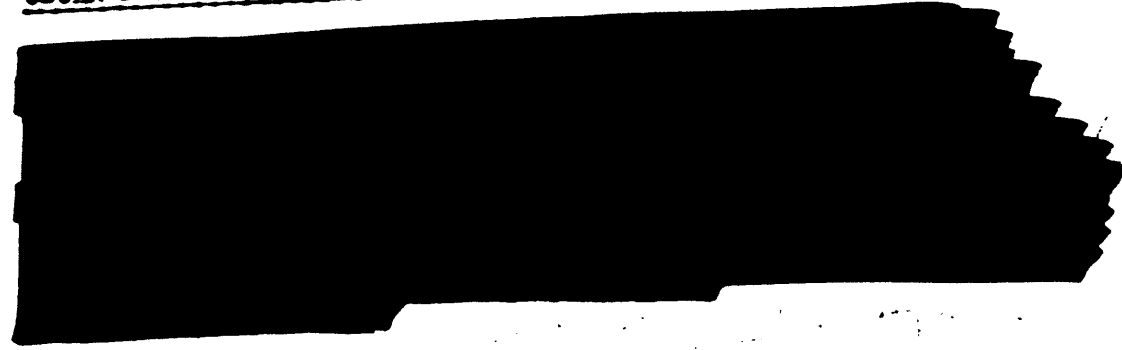
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✓ OSCAR PAUL GOETZENBERG, Minnesota State Prison #9489:



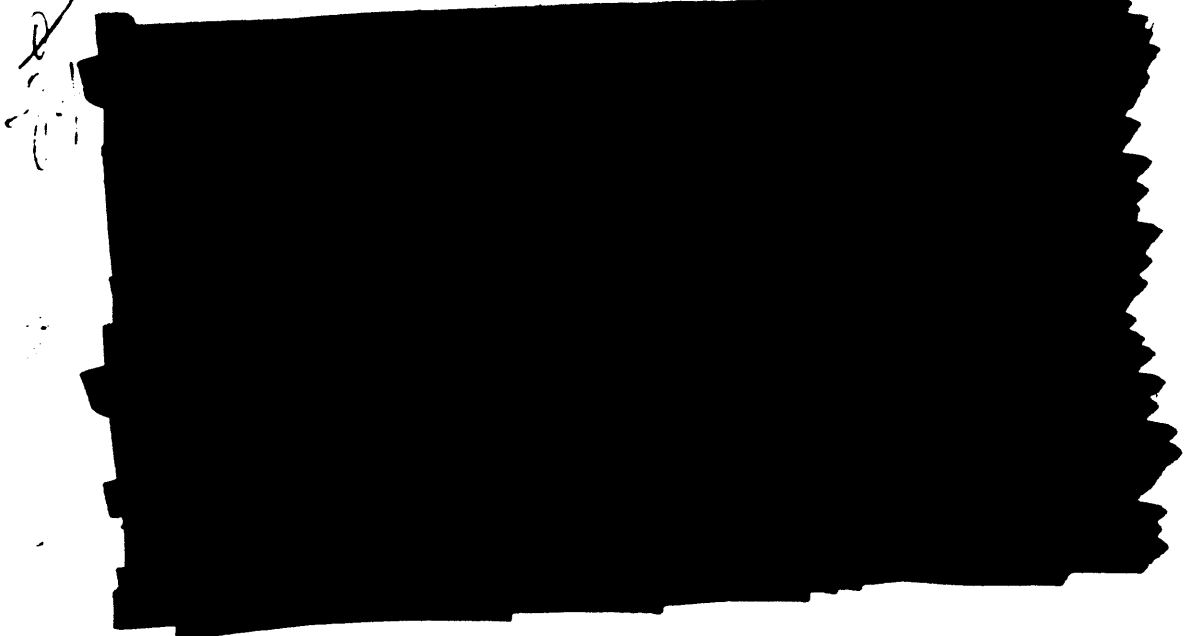
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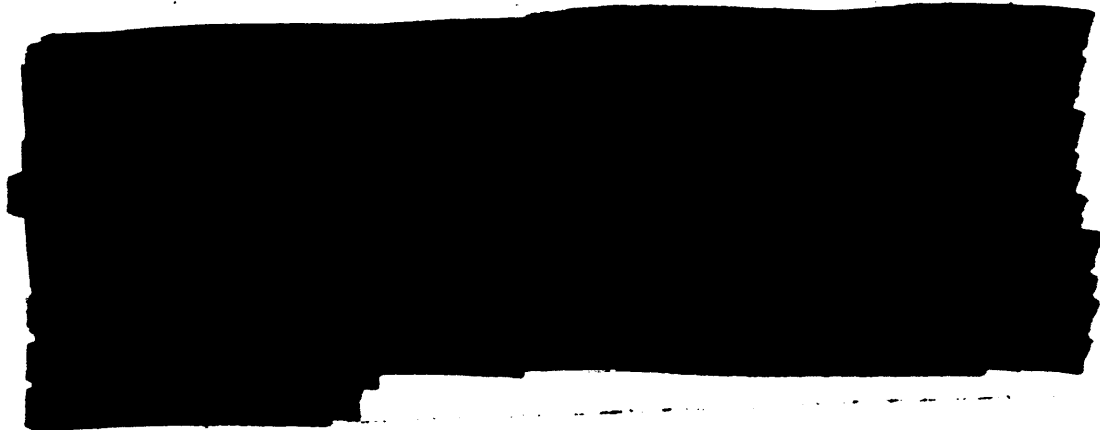


HARRY WILLIAMS, Minnesota State Prison #9490



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Very truly yours,

H. E. GLEGG,  
Inspector.

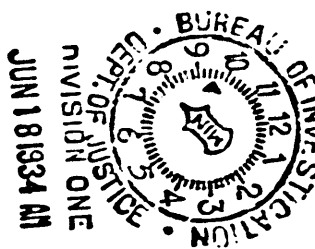
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326 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, La.  
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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. 1218,  
Arthur R. Barker, with aliases, I.O. 1219,  
et al. Edward George Bremer, Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to Division letter of May 28, 1934, enclosing copies of a letter dated "May 22, 1931", addressed to the Division by Mr. Verdi O. Wells, Ferriday, Louisiana, wherein he states that he can possibly furnish information relative to Subject Karpis.

On June 12, 1934, Special Agent L. A. Kindell, of this office, interviewed Mr. Wells, who is unemployed, at the Billiard Hall, Ferriday, Louisiana. He advised that during February or March of this year, while he was in the Billiard Hall at Ferriday, a man came in, and that although he, Wells, did not recognize the man at the time, he later, while reading a detective magazine, identified him as being Subject Karpis. Wells stated that the man in question remained in Ferriday for only one day, was alone, and is thought to have been driving a light car, either a Pontiac or a Chevrolet, which bore 1934 Louisiana commercial license plates. Mr. Wells is of the opinion that the man to whom he refers was possibly selling medicine or rubber supplies of a doubtful nature. Wells was unable to furnish any contacts, if any, which might have been made by the party to whom he referred, in Ferriday, and advised that the man whom he states is identical with Karpis, has not returned to Ferriday, and he was unable to furnish any further information whatever regarding this matter. Wells was particularly interested in securing a reward or compensation of some kind.

In view of the nature of the information set forth above, no further action is being taken in this matter in the absence of a request.

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Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago  
Mr. Clegg

June 14, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Further reference is made to the seventeen original negatives of latent fingerprints obtained by your office from the house occupied by Vernon C. Miller in connection with your case entitled Vernon C. Miller (Deceased), et al, Richard Tallman Gelatas, with aliases, Fugitive, I. C. #1201; Charles Arthur Floyd, with aliases, Fugitive, I. C. #112; and Com. Direct. to Belvoir Federal Prisoner.

In addition to the comparisons of which you have previously been advised, the latent prints remaining unidentified in connection with this case have also been compared with the fingerprints of George Lindsay, Police Sergeant, St. Louis, Missouri, and George Lindsay, Jr., Police Sergeant, St. Louis, Missouri, with negative results.

Comparisons of these unidentified latent impressions with the fingerprints of all other persons named in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer are going forward.

Very truly yours,

Director.

cc - Mr. H. H. Clegg.

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Mr. Nathan	
Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Cowley	
Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Lester	

*M. Hurley*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

During telephonic conversation this evening, Mr. Clegg, calling from Madison, Wisconsin, advised that they started on the phone calls this afternoon in connection with the search for the Bremer hide-out. He stated that they had several towns covered and found one where everything checks. He sent this information to St. Paul to be checked. He stated they also had quite a large number of charts of all the homes and residences in the State of Wisconsin, which they will have to look at the compare with the alleged diagram of the hide-out. He estimated that this will require several days. Agents Gross and Hurley are at Madison, and Mr. Clegg will be with them a day or two before returning to St. Paul.

He further stated they have found the residence of Pearl Elliott. She has not been definitely placed in the house since a week ago last Monday, at which time she was there, but is believed to be in town at the present time. At a lake, known as Beaver Dam, she also has another cottage, which would make a perfect hide-out. The Agents are going to do their best to get this covered.

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Respectfully,  
*E. A. Tamm*  
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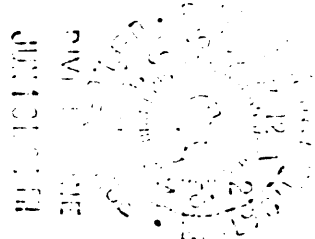
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San Francisco, California

June 13, 1934.

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

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Los Angeles Office to Inspector H. H. Clegg at St. Paul, Minn., dated June 5, 1934, a copy of which was sent to this Office and to telegram from the Division dated June 9, 1934.

Immediately upon receipt of reference letter and prior to receipt of reference wire from the Division, Agent W. R. Ramsey, Jr., of this Office interviewed Warden James C. Holohan at San Quentin, Calif., State Prison, at which time it was learned that Ed Davis had not as yet arrived from Los Angeles, Calif., for incarceration in San Quentin Prison.



Upon receipt of reference wire, it having been noted that Davis had not yet arrived at San Quentin, telephonic communication with the Los Angeles Office developed that he was still incarcerated in the County Jail at Los Angeles and that no information was immediately available as to his arrival at San Quentin, California, State Prison.

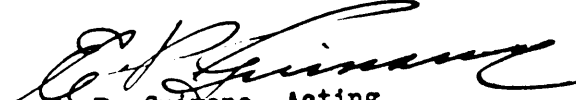
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This letter is for the purpose of confirming my wire of June 9, 1934 in answer to reference wire of same date and indicating the arrangements being perfected by this Office for handling of this matter on arrival of Ed Davis at San Quentin, California, State Prison.

Very truly yours,

  
E. P. Guinane, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

c.c. St. Paul  
c.c. Chicago  
c.c. El Paso  
c.c. Oklahoma City  
c.c. Kansas City

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Department of Justice

1900 BANKERS BUILDING,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

June 16, 1934.

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

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKIS with aliases, I. O. 1219 - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING  
CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Reference is made to your letter of June 14, 1934, in which you advise that no latent fingerprints could be developed on the Remington portable typewriter No. NM 34865, and you also request advice as to what disposition should be made of this typewriter. It is respectfully requested that said typewriter be returned to this office so that it may be returned to the proper parties in the event they may request it.

Very truly yours,

*S. P. Cowley*  
S. P. COWLEY.

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(Department or Establishment and Bureau or Service)

Depts. & Procs. of Crime, 1934  
(Appropriation chargeable)

U. S. Division of Investigation  
(Issuing office)

June 21, 1934  
(Date issued)

GOVERNMENT BILL  
OF LADING  
MEMORANDUM COPY

J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
(Name and title of issuing officer)

Received from U. S. Division of Investigation  
(Consignor)

by the Railway Express Agency the public property hereinafter described,  
(Name of transportation company)

in apparent good order and condition (contents and value unknown), to be forwarded subject to conditions stated on the reverse hereof,  
from Washington, D. C. to Chicago, Ill.  
(Shipping point) (Destination)

by the said company and connecting lines, there to be delivered in like good order and condition to Special Agent in Charge,  
(Consignee)  
Division of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice, 1900 Bankers Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

via Railway Express  
(Route journey only when some substantial interest of the Government is subserved thereby)

MARKS	NUMBERS ON PACKAGES	NUMBER AND KIND OF PACKAGES	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES (Observe strictly carrier's freight classification. Avoid trade or technical names)	WEIGHTS*
Address		1 box wood	Remington Portable Typewriter # N N 34865 (value \$50.00)	26 lbs.

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TARIFF AUTHORITY  
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(Name of transportation company)

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(Date) 19 .. Per .. (Agent)

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(To be filled out when this bill of lading is issued for use by contractor in making shipment)

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Mr. Cowley's letter of June 16, 1934, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1218; Arthur R. Barker with aliases, I.O. 1219 - Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

You are advised that under cover of Government Bill of Lading #J-57375, there is being transmitted to your office the Remington Portable typewriter No. MM 34965. The Bill of Lading is transmitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure #515722.



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P. O. Box #709  
Portland, Oregon

June 14, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
503-A U. S. Court House  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. 1218.  
Arthur R. Barker, with aliases, I.O. 1219,  
et al., Edward George Bremer (Victim)  
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

This will refer to report of Special Agent Louis D. Wine, dated June 11, 1934, Salt Lake City, in the above entitled matter. Particular attention is invited to that portion of the lead for the attention of this office to advise particularly as to relatives or correspondents of Theodore Bentz. From information available to this office, it appears the following persons will be the most likely correspondents of Theodore Bentz. You will note that all of them are relatives.

George Bentz, brother, last known address  
7124 Beldon Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Rose Bryson, mother, last known address  
1706 Steiner Street, San Francisco, Calif.

Mrs. Gloria Johnson, sister,  
1329 Laguna Street, Apt. 33, San Francisco, Calif.

Mrs. Frank Keller, sister  
616 S. Grant Street, Tacoma, Wash.

Mrs. Rosa Kelso, sister, last known address  
Dallas, Texas

The remainder of the lead for the attention of this office will be completed at Tacoma, Washington.

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It is suggested that particular emphasis be placed upon such arrangements as are made by mail at Reno either by Theodore Bents or Ed Bents. From repeated sources information has been furnished that George Bents is very close to Theodore and Ed and that Theodore and Ed maintain regular contacts with George Bents. It is believed that of those above named, George Bents would be the most likely to contact Theodore Bents at Reno either by mail or telegram. George Bents was recently reported to have left Chicago for Tacoma, Washington, to seek employment with a fish concern. Investigation at Tacoma failed to reveal a concern of the name given as George Bents's intended place of employment, and through informants at Tacoma it was learned that George Bents is most likely to be still in Chicago.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Spears  
Special Agent in Charge

CCS.B  
cc Division  
St. Paul  
San Francisco  
Chicago

P.O. Box 518,  
St. Paul, Minn.

June 16, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
1900-Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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DIVISION ONE  
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases IO# 1218;  
etal.  
Edward George Bremer-Victim.  
Kidnaping.

I am enclosing herewith copies of the affidavits presented in behalf of John Joseph McLaughlin, Sr.; William Edward Widler; and Philip J. Delaney requesting a reduction in their bonds. Arguments on these petitions are to be heard in Federal Court at St. Paul on June 20, 1934 at 4:30 PM.

The United States Attorney at St. Paul has requested that copies of these affidavits be forwarded to your in order that in the event you are able to secure any information which would be of value to him in resisting the efforts of counsel to obtain a reduction in bond, same may be received here prior to June 20th, 1934.

The United States Attorney has also requested that you obtain for his use certified copies of the U.S. Commissioners order setting bond for these subjects together with certified copies of the order of the Federal Judge concerning these bonds as well as certified copies of his order dismissing the writs filed at Chicago on behalf of the above named.

Very truly yours,

D.M. Ladd,  
Special Agent  
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in Charge of INVESTIGATION  
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DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA  
THIRD DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
-Plaintiff

vs.

Philip J. Delaney  
-Defendant

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
                          ) ss.  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

Philip J. Delaney, being first duly sworn on oath deposes  
and says:

That he is the Defendant above named; that he has been  
informed by his attorney, Thomas W. Malleekin, that his case, in all  
probability will not be tried until the November term of Court;  
that unless Affiant's bail is set at a reasonable sum, he will be  
compelled to spend the intervening months in Jail; and Affiant  
makes this Affidavit in support of his application for the setting  
of reasonable bail.

Affiant states, in support of his said application, that  
he is fifty-three (53) years of age; that his parents came to  
Chicago, Illinois in 1867 and lived there for the remainder of their  
lives; that Affiant has lived his entire life at the City of  
Chicago, Illinois; that he resided for the year previous to his  
arrest at No. 6345 Dante Street, in said city; that during the  
past twenty years, he has resided in the above mentioned neighborhood  
at all times.

That from his earlier years until the year 1921, Affiant  
was a railroad switchman; that from the year 1921 until the year  
1928, Affiant was in the furniture and moving business at No. 5910  
South State Street, Chicago, Illinois; that from 1928 until the

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fall of 1933 Affiant was in the restaurant business at the corner of Crawford and Washington Streets, Chicago; that more recently, Affiant was employed at the PALMER HOUSE, a Hotel in the City of Chicago, Illinois.

That Affiant is married and has one daughter, Kathleen, age thirteen (13) years. That Affiant's wife is living and is suffering from a heart ailment. That Affiant is the sole support of his wife and daughter, and that Affiant's said wife and daughter are now receiving public relief and groceries from charitable organizations in the City of Chicago, and will be forced to continue to do so as long as Affiant is confined in Jail.

That Affiant has one brother, Maurice, the owner and operator of a restaurant, and gasoline station, in Sacramento, California. That Affiant has one sister, Mrs. Frank Parise, the wife of the President of the Parise Detective Agencies of California, and that said sister is a resident of the State of California.

That Affiant sets forth the foregoing facts in order to show the improbability of his failure to appear for trial, in the event that his bail is set at a reasonable figure, and he is able to furnish the same.

(Signed) PHILIP J. DELANEY

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 16th day of June, 1934

T. W. McMEIKEN  
Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.  
My Commission expires: Aug. 27, 1938.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA  
THIRD DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )

-Plaintiff )

vs. )

John Joseph McLaughlin, )

-Defendant )

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY ) ss.

John Joseph McLaughlin, Sr. being first duly sworn on  
oath deposes and says:

That he is the Defendant above named; that he has been  
informed by his attorney, Thomas E. McKee, that his case, in all  
probability, will not be tried until the November term of Court;  
that unless Affiant's bail is set at a reasonable sum he will be  
compelled to spend the intervening months in Jail; and Affiant  
makes this Affidavit in support of his application for the setting  
of reasonable bail.

Affiant states in support of said application: that  
he is sixty-six (66) years of age; that his parents came to  
Chicago, Illinois in 1858, and lived there until the time of their  
death. That Affiant has lived his entire life in the City of  
Chicago; that he now resides, and has resided for the past five  
years, at No. 3553 Jackson Blvd., in said City. That prior to  
that time, Affiant resided at No. 3521 Jackson Blvd. That during  
his entire life, Affiant has resided in the above mentioned  
neighborhood; that for a period of thirty (30) years, he held  
elective office in the State of Illinois, during the greater part  
of said period of time, as a member of the State Legislature from  
the above mentioned district.

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That during his earlier years, Affiant was the owner of a grocery and market; that more recently, and up until the year 1929, Affiant was a contractor and dealer in real estate, and during normal times Affiant's business reached unusually successful proportions.

That during the years 1931 and 1932, Affiant was employed in the office of the Treasurer of the State of Illinois; that during the year 1933, Affiant was the owner of an interest in a restaurant at No. 20 West Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois.

That Affiant has one son, John, seventeen (17) years of age, and two daughters, Helen, eleven (11) years of age, and Gertrude, twenty-four (24) years of age, whose married name is Gertrude Fraser; that said children live with Affiant and his wife at No. 3553 Jackson Blvd., Chicago. That Affiant also has two sisters, one of whom is a school teacher in the city of Chicago; that the other is also a resident of said city, is financially independent and unemployed. That Affiant has a third sister, Mrs. Thomas E. McDonnell, wife of the President of the Canadian Express Company of Canada.

That Affiant is suffering with diabetes, and is otherwise physically disabled, as is more completely shown by the Affidavit of Dr. Harry Kay hereto attached, which Affidavit supports Affiant's belief that a confinement for a period of months would be fatal to Affiant.

That Affiant sets forth the foregoing facts in order to show the improbability of his failing to appear for trial in the event that his bail is set at a reasonable figure, and he is able to furnish it.

(Signed) JOHN JOS. McLAUGHLIN

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 16th day of June, 1934

T. W. McMEKIN  
Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.  
My Commission expires: Aug. 27, 1938.





That he was born in the City of Chicago, raised and educated there, and has spent all of his life in that city, residing there with his family at the time of his arrest.

Affiant states that he has, since his discharge from the army and practically all of his working life, been engaged in the automobile business, that is to say the sale of used and new cars.

Affiant further states that he has never resided elsewhere than in the City of Chicago except during the time that he served in the United States Army during the World War, and during a forty (40) month period of incarceration in the State Penitentiary of Illinois.

Affiant states that he has one sister now married residing in Chicago, and that his wife's relatives and family also reside in the City of Chicago.

Affiant states that this Affidavit is made for the purpose of showing to the Court cause and reason for his being admitted to bail in a reasonable amount and sum so that he may not be forced to remain in jail for a period approximating six (6) months awaiting trial, and for the purpose of showing to the Court all of the circumstances surrounding his life, family, location, employment, residence and so forth, which may necessarily have to be taken into consideration in determining the amount of bail.

Further Affiant saith not except that he prays the Court that he be admitted to bail in a reasonable amount so that he may, unless afforded an immediate and speedy trial, not be forced to spend six (6) months in jail before trial, and that he be, by means of being admitted to reasonable bail, permitted and placed in the position of being able to return to his home and family and support and care for them and assist in the preparation of his case; and to assure the Court that he, Affiant, is desirous and anxious to stand trial as soon as is possible and for the purpose of having a

determination of the charges against him; and to further assure the Court that regardless of the amount of bail to which he may be admitted, in the event said bail is made, that he will be anxious and desirous of returning to St. Paul for the purpose of having an immediate trial and determination of his innocence.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 1934.

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Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.

My Commission expires Nov. 2, 1939.

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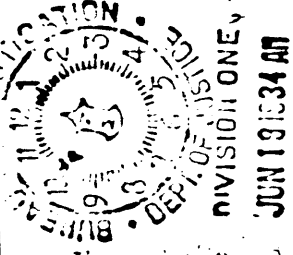
# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.**

FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>CHICAGO, ILLINOIS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6/15/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>5/26 - 6/14/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>K. R. McINTIRE MG</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">C. A. Westberg and Miss Gladys Wylde, voluntary informants advised that Doc Moran, Slim Gray and James Wilson might be at Jack Hermanson's cottage near Eagle River, Wisconsin. Undercover investigation there fails to disclose presence of said parties though Hermanson is there. Miss Wylde now advises Moran, Gray and Wilson may be located at cottage of Dr. Arthur Ochs near Minong, Wisconsin.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
<p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Ill., 5/16/34.</p>			
<p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">The investigation shown herein has been conducted by Special Agents J. R. Welles, E. L. Richmond and K. R. McIntire, and is submitted in the form of memoranda.</p>			
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<p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>S. J. Cowley</i> SPECIAL AGENT</p>		<p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> <p><b>7-576-2167</b></p> <p>RECORDED AND INDEXED <b>JUN 18 1934</b></p> <p>FILED <b>JUN 20 1934</b></p>	
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May 26, 1934

MEMORANDUM

On May 26, 1934, a man called Special Agent R.D. Brown and stated that his name was C. A. West and inquired from Mr. Brown if this office were interested in locating Doctor Joseph Moran. Mr. West gave his address as 6339 South Campbell Street, Chicago, and stated that at the time he called he was in a drug store located at 65rd and South Campbell Avenue and that he would wait there for an agent from this office to contact him.

Agents E. L. Richmond and J.R. Welles proceeded to the above address and there met Mr. West, whose true name is C.A. Westberg. Mr. Westberg has just finished working for the Shellman Products Company, 3501 West 48th Place, and is proceeding to Milwaukee where he has a position with the Milprint Products Company. Both of these firms are makers of cellophane.

Mr. Westberg stated that on the day that Dr. Joseph Moran disappeared from Chicago, three men entered the trolley car on which he, Westberg, was riding, at Kedzie and Madison Street. One of these men sat facing the rear of the car and also facing Mr. Westberg. This man he recognized as a Mr. Hermanson, a former Chief of Police of Forest Park, Illinois, and a former State Policeman at Joliet, Illinois, who had been discharged from the State Police at Joliet for accepting bribes.

Mr. Westberg says that he knows this Mr. Hermanson rather well and that he knows that Hermanson is a crook. He stated that to his knowledge Hermanson owns two small and one large lodges between Eagle River, Wisconsin, and Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin.

With Mr. Hermanson on the trolley were two men whom he spoke to as "Doc" and "Slim". Parts of the conversation between these three persons were heard by Mr. Westberg. He heard them say that they were going to Hermanson's lodge; that the one referred to as "Doc" said that his leave was quite hurried and he wondered what his patients would think of him for leaving his business and what the girl friend would think to whom he was going to be married in a few weeks. Hermanson made the statement "We will be sitting pretty when we get back". One of them asked the man referred to as "Doc" about some person and "Doc" replied by saying that it looked like a bad case of gangrene of the leg due to having no medical attention.

Mr. Westberg later learned from a girl friend that Dr. Moran is rather friendly to John Dillinger and Mr. Westberg appeared to think that we wanted Dr. Moran in the Dillinger case. He seemed to think that Dr. Moran was up at Hermanson's place near Eagle River, Wisconsin, to treat John Dillinger for his wound.

On Thursday night, May 24, 1934, Mr. Westberg was talking to a girl friend of his who was also a friend of Hermanson. She told Mr. Westberg that Hermanson came to her house the day that Dr. Moran disappeared and told her that he was going up north and that he probably would not see her in some time. Hermanson told this woman that he could make some easy money add that he needed it and that he was leaving with a man named Dr. Moran.

During the course of the trolley ride, Hermanson told the persons referred to as "Slim" and "Doc" that he had the car all set and ready to start. On the trolley with them these three men had two brown Gladstone type bags that were heavily packed and also one small black handbag.

The woman with whom Mr. Westberg talked told him that a Dr. Wilson was going north with Hermanson also. Mr. Westberg was unable to identify any pictures of the Karpis, Barker gang or Dr. Moran or "Slim". He stated that he did not get a very good look at these men as their backs were toward him and as he was trying to listen to their conversation without their knowing it. Westberg further stated that these men got off the Kedzie-Madison car at Austin Street and took an Austin Street car. Westberg did the same, and Westberg got off at Kenilworth Avenue and these men were still on the street car.

When asked how he knew that the Division of Investigation was looking for Dr. Moran, he said that while talking to this girl friend, whose name he does not wish to disclose but whose name he will later give us, she said that she took her daughter to the dentist in the building where a Dr. Moran had offices and that this dentist told her that Federal agents had been in Dr. Moran's office and were looking for him.

Mr. Westberg said that he didn't get a good look at any of the three men except Hermanson, whom he faced and whom he knew. His descriptions of the persons referred to as "Doc" and "Slim" were as follows:

SLIM

Height	Approximately 6 feet
Build	Didn't appear to be very slim
Complexion	Dark
Features	Had wrinkles in face; deep voice
Dress	Wore soft felt hat and light suit.

With reference to the man referred to as "Doc", whom he took to be Moran, he was unable to give any further description of him than that he was a medium sized man. His description of Hermanson was:

Age	About 55 yrs.
Build	Slight
Height	About 5' 10"
Weight	About 140 lbs.
Complexion	Ashy; badly wrinkled face
Hair	Sandy
Mustache or beard	None

Mr. Westberg is going to see the girl with whom he has been talking, referred to above, at noon today, and he will attempt to learn the character and description of Hermanson's car and any further information concerning the case.

Special Agent E. L. Richmond  
Special Agent J. R. Welles

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. L. Richmond and J. R. Welles in Belvidere, Illinois, on 5/25/34:

Agents Richmond and Welles made several attempts in Belvidere, Illinois, to locate the Miss Wylde mentioned by Charles Westberg as the person who could give some information regarding Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Slim, and Jimmy Wilson. It was ascertained at 1021 South Whitney that Miss Wylde is the daughter of Mrs. Sam Wylde, who lives there. In talking to Mrs. Sam Wylde it was learned that, while Miss Gladys Wylde is her daughter, she had not seen her this week-end. After a long conversation with Mrs. Sam Wylde, her daughter, Mrs. Mildred Adams, appeared and managed to get her mother to go back in the house. Mrs. Adams informed agents that she knew where her sister was and would tell us but she did not wish her mother to know. Mrs. Adams finally agreed to go with agents to the road house near Woodstock, Illinois, where she knew her sister, Gladys Wylde, was staying.

Miss Gladys Wylde was interviewed and stated that she was glad to give any information. She said that Jack Hermanson had been nice to her but that she believes he is a crook and wants nothing more to do with him. Miss Wylde appeared to be very sincere. She readily identified the pictures of Slim Gray and Doctor Moran and stated that as far as she knows, these two men went up to Jack Hermanson's place in Wisconsin, along with Hermanson and James Wilson. It is her belief that they were meeting other persons at that place. Miss Wylde, on being shown various pictures, said she was often in Dr. Moran's office and she believed that the pictures of Fred Barker and Harry Campbell looked like men she has seen there. She said the name "Izzy" was often spoken by Dr. Moran and Slim. These latter two she appears to know well. Miss Wylde says she knows Jack Hermanson has a machine gun as he showed it to her, in a bragging way, one time when they were riding in his Lincoln car. She says Slim Gray is desperate but has plenty of money and that he is not expected to live long due to his having tuberculosis. Jack Hermanson told her, on the night he left, that he and Dr. Moran were going to his place up North and that she should keep quiet. Miss Wylde says she believes Jack Hermanson, James Wilson, Slim Gray and Dr. Moran drove up to Hermanson's cottage in Hermanson's Lincoln car. This is a rather old Lincoln of dark blue color. It is a sedan. Hermanson also has a Chevrolet coach, about a 1930 model. Hermanson has been living in Forest Park with some people named Melville, on Ferdinand Avenue, and has been keeping his car in a garage behind the house.

There seems to be no doubt in the mind of Miss Gladys Wylde that all four of these men and probably more are at Hermanson's place. It was her idea that Dr. Moran is a friend of Dillinger's, and that Dillinger may be up there.

Both agents Richmond and Welles believe that Miss Wylde is honest and to be trusted.

J. R. Welles,  
Special Agent.



May 29, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR BPEKID.

Subsequent to the writing of memorandum on Sunday May 27 Agents Richmond and Welles obtained an address from Mrs. Mildred Adams at Belvidere which is believed to be that of Mrs. Glayds Wylde. This address is 501 Kenilworth, Oak Park. It is believed that this lady gave agents all information of value but it is possible a further interview will be desirable.

On Monday May 28 Agents Richmond and Welles contacted Game Warden William Elliott at Whitewater. Mr. Elliott was very glad to furnish Agents with any information desired. However, it was learned he is not familiar with lakes around Eagle River territory and the destination of Agents was not disclosed. Mr. Elliott furnished Agents with two complete fishing outfits which he obtained at his fishing lodge.

Agents Richmond and Welles proceeded to Tomahawk, Wisconsin, where a contact was made with Postmaster Thomas Kelly. Mr. Kelly placed Agents' credentials, badges, guns, and clothing bearing labels, in a large safe in the Post Office. The town of Tomahawk seems to be the nearest one to Agents' destination where messages may be sent without danger of any disclosure. For that reason Agent K. R. McIntire was advised to send any messages addressed to Agents Richmond or Welles to Western Union at Tomahawk. This is about an hours drive and an endeavor will be made to call there at least every other day.

Agents arrived in Tomahawk in the late evening and feeling that it would be better to arrive at destination in daylight than to appear to be sneaking in at night have stopped over at Tomahawk Monday night. Agents have obtained a good map of the Arbor Vitae territory and resorts and plan on arriving in that district around noon Tuesday, May 29. Information obtained will be sent the office at the earliest possible time.

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May 30, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR BREKID.

Agents Richmond and Welles proceeded from Tomahawk, Wisconsin to Minocqua, Wisconsin, Tuesday morning, May 29 arriving at Minocqua about 9:00 a.m. Several purchases of fishing tackle and bait offered an opportunity to inquire concerning fishing camps in this locality. The name of Hermanson was not mentioned. At the information bureau at Minocqua a map was obtained showing lakes and resorts in the Northern Wisconsin lake region. One of these maps is enclosed. The name of Hermanson is not shown thereon. At the information bureau Agents managed to get a look at the files without raising any suspicion but none of the resorts listed there showed the name of Hermanson. Agents then drove around Arbor Vitae Lake and Big St. Germaine taking especial notice of all bill boards and mail boxes for names. It might be well to note that a careful study is being made of all houses which in any way resemble the Bremer hideout. On learning that a Mr. and Miss Cummings from Chicago run the Big Woods Lodge on Big St. Germaine Lake and have run this place for fifteen years Agents decided to stay Tuesday night at one of their cottages. We believe that Miss Cummings coming from Chicago will eventually open a way to casually learn the other Chicago people having places in this locality. It is our opinion that Hermanson either does not advertise his resort or that he does not run a resort but merely has some cottages for himself and friends. Although it will probably take some time to learn the whereabouts of Hermanson's place without letting it be known that we wish to find it Agents feel sure that this can eventually be done. Due to the fact that very few of the hundreds of resorts on the lakes in this season cannot be seen without entering private driveways it is considered best to attempt to find the location by discreet conversation rather than by looking for the place. As soon as Agents determine the location they will immediately locate on the same lake. Should there be no resort available at the place a camping equipment will be procured. Agents feel that as soon as the lake is located the layout of the place and the inhabitants can surely be learned within a reasonable time.

Should the Office feel that Miss Gladys Wylde should again be interviewed concerning the location of Hermanson's resort her address is in yesterday's memorandum. However, she stated quite positively to Agents that she did not know the location. Along the same lines if the Office deems it advisable some information of Hermanson's resort or cottage location might be learned from the Melvilles on Ferdinand Street in Lake Forrest. It is one belief that such procedure would likely be dangerous as the Melvilles are probably in close contact with Hermanson.

SPECIAL AGENTS: E. L. Richmond

J. R. Welles.

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Confirming wire of May 31, 1934, Agents Richmond and Welles in searching the highways from Minocqua to Eagle River, arrived at Eagle River about noon. A complete map was obtained from the station agent at Eagle River and under the names of resort owners was Hermansen and Melville. The wire was dispatched in order to stop any investigation in the neighborhood of Melville's residence at Lake Forest, should any have been contemplated. The map which Agents have does not give the lake on which the resort is located, but shows it as being six miles out of Eagle River. With this information Agents will not have any difficulty in finding the resort without disclosing their identity.

Agents Richmond and Welles will determine the exact location and will arrange to stay at the nearest resort. If there is none on the same lake, arrangements will be made to camp somewhere in the vicinity.

Because of the fact that all resorts are set back from the lake amongst the trees, it will probably be necessary to visit the Hermansen resort, as soon as Agents have established themselves as fishermen in order to determine the layout and inhabitants. This will probably take until June 3rd or 4th. It will be safe to send messages to Agents care of Western Union, Minocqua, Wisconsin.

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Since the memorandum of May 31, 1934, confirming the wire of May 31, 1934, relative to the location of the resort operated by Jack Hermansen and Melville, Agents Welles and Richmond have conducted the following investigation:

On Friday, June 1, 1934, Agents upon learning that "Sportsman's Paradise" (the resort operated by Hermansen & Melville) was the only resort located on Bass Lake, near Eagle River, Wisconsin, went to the above named resort for the purpose of renting a cabin. When Agents arrived at the resort it was learned that the "Sportsman's Paradise" had moved out and that Hermansen and Melville had lost their interest in the resort on Bass Lake through a mortgage foreclosure. It was further learned that Hermansen and Melville had an interest only as that of assignees of the mortgagor.

From Jim Noy, the caretaker at "Tourist Paradise", it was also learned that Hermansen had another resort somewhere on State highway 70. Noy also informed Agents in a conversational way that Jack Hermansen had a sister-in-law who was the widow of Jack's brother, Chris

Hermansen and that the sister-in-law had a small fishing camp on Rice Lake near Eagle River.

On Saturday, June 2, 1934, Agents went to Rice Lake to the resort of Mrs. Hermansen. Here Agents rented a boat and fished and later entered into conversation with Mrs. Hermansen who is a very prolific talker. She informed Agents that Jack Hermansen has had two resorts since he left his location on Bass Lake. She was not clear as to his present location and in view of the nature of this assignment Agents did not question Mrs. Hermansen pointedly. However, Mrs. Hermansen did state that Jack was in Chicago and that she expected him up to her cabin on Memorial Day, but that he hadn't come. Mrs. Hermansen further stated that she and Jack did not "get along very well, because he is a sort of high-flyer". She also added that some time ago she had a letter from the owner of Nelson's resort, which resort Hermansen had rented, asking for Jack Hermansen's address, and stating that Jack had not paid his rent.

Agents then went to Eagle River to the "Information Bureau for Tourists" and inquired about a good place to spend the night where a bath could be obtained. While here Agents inquired whether Nelson's resort was on Nelson Lake. The clerk at the Information Bureau and an old settler of Eagle River entered into an argument about Nelson's Resort and during the argument Agents learned that "Sportsman's Paradise" was formerly at Nelson's resort until some time last summer, but that at the present time it was located somewhere on Little St. Germain Lake near a creek that leads to Muskelange Lake. Muskelange Lake was the old site of Nelson's resort. It was also learned that the nearest resort to the present supposed site of "Sportsman's Paradise" was a resort called "Red Oaks" operated by Mr. Walter De Haas of Eagle River.

On Sunday, June 3, 1934, Agents went to "Red Oaks" and rented a cabin. From the son of the owner, it was learned quite unexpectedly when inquiring about "Red Oaks" boats on Little St. Germain Lake that the boats are docked right beside "Sportsman's Paradise".

This afternoon, June 3, Agents visited the dock for boats. At a distance of about one hundred yards there is one large house. There may be other smaller ones hidden by the trees. It is the belief of Agents that the house is occupied since there appears to be furniture on the porch. Tonight Agents will fish near this cottage and endeavor to learn whether or not the place is occupied and, if so, who the occupants are.

Supplementing wire of June 5, 1934, Agents Richmond and Welles, yesterday, June 4th, learned that Hermansen on that date leased the property on Little St. Germaine Lake, which he occupied last summer. Agents are now well located to keep this place under close observation. Agents are staying at the Red Oaks Resort and the boat landing of the Red Oaks Resort is very near the place leased by Hermansen.

About six P.M. last evening June 4th one Agent walked up the road leading from the boat landing to Hermansen's place and asked the occupants if he might fill a thermos bottle which he carried with water. The other Agent rowed the boat up and landed at the Hermansen dock. At this time there were three people in the place, namely a rather heavy set man, who appeared to be a native, a woman whom he called Ruth, and a girl about five years old whom they called Mary Ellen. It might be noted that Mrs. Melville is named Ruth, according to previous information learned by Agents.

The man was about five feet, ten inches tall, weight 170 pounds, hair chestnut, parted on side, one large and one small mole on left cheek, deep voice, and deep lines in face. This man is not believed to be Hermansen.

The woman Ruth could not be closely observed, but she appeared rather stout, about five feet four inches tall, and had a rather coarse voice.

The child had very curly hair and resembled the woman Ruth.

While pumping water at the rear of the place the Agent noted a Ford V-8 coupe with 1934 Illinois license plates No. 127-474. This was the same model car as driven by Agent Newman while in Chicago.

After leaving the dock Agents trolled for pike in the direction of a boat anchored near the North shore of the lake. This boat was of a yellowish color and badly in need of painting. It was noted that there were two boats at the Hermansen place looking identically like it. Agents passed by this boat at a distance of about seventy-five feet. There were two men in the boat dressed in khaki clothes and they were very deeply tanned. The man in front resembled the description of Slim Gray. He was about six feet tall and very slim. The man in the back of the boat was hunched over considerably. He appeared to weigh around 185 pounds. As near as Agents can tell he would appear to fit the description of Jack Hermansen. These identities will, of course, be more fully determined, if possible, today (June 5, 1934). However, it is the belief of

Agents that they should now work even more slowly than in the past, based on the possibility that Hermansen will have more visitors soon. While rowing past the boat mentioned above, Agents made inquiry as to how the fish were biting. The person resembling Slim Gray said "Not so good".

In hearing of the lease of the property mentioned, Agents also heard that Hermansen put up collateral although it was not learned what he put up. Hermansen is very unpopular in these parts with nearly all the residents and resort keepers and has a very bad reputation. He had been forced to vacate several places because of the rowdy manner in which his resorts are run.

Agents Richmond and Welles acknowledge receipt of letter containing instructions concerning return of dog held by Vilas County Sheriff.

Enclosed will be found a rough map showing the location of Jack Hermansen's resort and the immediate surrounding territory. It will be noted that there is but one passable road leading to this resort, that being the one off #70, between Alma and Finley Lakes. There is an old log road leading up over the hill in back of Hermansen's resort around Finley Lake to the east and entering #70, but this road is impassable. There is a road from Route #155 leading past Found Lake that used to cross a bridge on Muskelunge Creek and lead to Hermansen's Resort, this being a continuation of the road now in use. The bridge on Muskelunge Creek is out and the road impassable. Agents traveled this road from Route #155 to Muskelunge Creek to see if there were any signs of a car being left there for a getaway. A person on foot could cross the bridge and the road is passable although very rough. It is about a half mile from Hermansen's Resort to Muskelunge Creek. There was no car on the west side of this creek and no signs of any having been there recently.

From the diagram it will be noted that as Agents enter boats at the landing near Hermansen's Resort they are able to see his place quite plainly. Agents have been fishing in the water marked with "x's". By trolling past Hermansen's boat dock all activities in the place can be observed. It has been very cold and windy the last two days and no one from Hermansen's place has been fishing except the man whom Agents talked to as noted previously. The child calls this man Jack, but it is a question whether he is Hermansen or not. This can soon be determined. The two men whom Agents saw fishing have not been at the place since the day Agents reported by wire and memorandum. These men appeared to answer the description of Hermansen and Gray. There is a possibility that the man called Jack is Hermansen and that the other two men were Moran and Gray.

Although Agents have watched closely, no cars have been seen entering or leaving Hermansen's place. Three outboard motors have recently been brought out of the cabin and hung on a tree near the dock.

It is Agents' understanding that this place is to be kept under surveillance, and unless instructed otherwise, this shall be done.

Subsequent to the mailing of report at Minocqua yesterday, June 8, 1934, Agents were fishing on Little St. Germaine Lake near the resort of Jack Hermansen. As Agents were watching the place a siren was sounded at the Hermansen resort. It appeared that the sounding was accidental, as there was but one very short blast. Agents were unable to tell where the siren was located and could not see anyone at the place at the time. This siren is not a small one and it sounded as near as Agents could tell like the fire sirens in use in small towns. Agents immediately thought of the siren in the Bremer case and wondered if there could be any connection. The only automobile at the place at the time was an old Dodge truck which Hermansen drives to town occasionally. There has been a gasoline motor running most of the time the last two days. Hermansen has an electric line connection with the town power system, but it is believed he is generating his own electricity. It has been definitely determined that there is no running water in the Hermansen resort. Agents have used the water pump in back of the resort to obtain drinking water. As has been stated before, this resort could not have been the Bremer hideout unless Bremer's description is entirely false. A train on the Northwestern Railroad can be heard occasionally when the wind is right. No factory whistle can be heard each day, although a whistle at Eagle River can be heard occasionally at noon and 1:00 P.M. if the wind is right.

In talking with Mr. DeHaas, who runs the resort where Agents are staying, the subject turned to Dillinger and Mr. DeHaas said he knew the Bohemian Emil who runs the resort where Dillinger shot his way out. He says he believed and that all others around here believe that Emil knew Dillinger was coming to his place. Emil's wife told him that Dillinger kept her guarded all the time and later told another member of the family that she was playing cards at a neighbor's the night of the shooting. Mr. DeHaas said he saw Emil in Milwaukee with a little red truck about a week before the shooting and Emil was putting in a supply of liquor.

Mr. DeHaas' daughter was at the Nightingale roadhouse somewhere in this neighborhood last night, June 8th, and she dropped the information that a man came in there and said that one of his best friends, Tommy Carroll, had just died. Agents will locate this place and look it over.

It might be noted that in every resort at which Agents have stopped, it eventually comes out that the owner has known for some several years that gangsters have been using this country for hideouts.



Mr. DeHaas' caretaker said that Hermansen and a party came into Hermansen's place a year ago this last winter while there were three feet of snow on the ground and they had to crawl in. It is common knowledge in these parts that Hermansen has had tough characters in his places up here for years. Who these people were cannot be determined.

Agents learned that Nelson's resort on Muskellunge Lake was leased by Hermansen prior to his present location. Nelson's place and all other resorts along the line were inspected by Agents this morning. The road to Nelson's place was blocked but Agents walked in and found it vacant, there being no furniture in the buildings and no evidence of persons having been there. Agents feel that Slim and Moran stay at some place other than Hermansen's, but are probably contacting Hermansen. Agents are planning on doing some baitcasting tonight, June 9th, in the neighborhood of the Hermansen resort, on the theory that Slim and Moran might come there on Saturday night.

June 8, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

Late last night Agents Richmond and Welles determined definitely by means of conversation with Mr. Walter DeHaas, owner of Red Oaks resort that Jack Hermanson is operating the resort known as "Sportsmen's Paradise" and that Jack Hermanson is there at the resort now. From the conversation with Mr. DeHaas, it was revealed that Hermanson is the man described in previous memoranda as having moles on his left cheek. At the resort also is Ruth Melville and Mary Ellen Melville, the wife and daughter of Mr. Melville who has been referred to in previous memoranda. It is not believed by Agents that Melville is at the resort. Nor is it believed by Agents that any one else is there at present.

Agents, believing that there is a possibility of Slim and Moran somewhere near Sportsmen's Paradise, are tomorrow going to fish on Muskelunge Lake, which was the site of the Sportsmen's Paradise before it located on Little St. Germaine Lake.

Aside from the furniture and those outboard motors previously mentioned, the only other goods or chattels observed at Sportsmen's Paradise is a bulldog with a white spot on its face and an old Dodge truck bearing Illinois licenses. The number could not be seen. The Ford coupe previously mentioned is no longer at Sportsmen's Paradise.

Special Agent J. R. Welles,  
Special Agent E. L. Richmond

June 12, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

Following the sending of memorandum of June 9, 1934, Agents Richmond and Welles fished on Little St. Germaine Lake in the neighborhood of Hermanson's resort, but observed nothing of interest; it being Saturday night, Agents felt that persons whom they are seeking might be visiting some of the roadhouses in this section. It might be noted that roadhouses are very numerous hereabouts and most of them contain gambling dens with all kinds of gambling devices and card games. Agents visited the Nightingale roadhouse located about five miles north east of Eagle River and the Spider roadhouse located about two miles south west of Eagle River. At neither place did Agents see any person wanted. All these places are open and rarely entered. The most common dress is fisherman's or woodman's clothes, although at the Spider there were quite a number of young couples dancing.

On Sunday agents again fished near Hermanson's resort. Four men, three women and two children visited the place for a while in the afternoon. It was impossible for Agents to get a close view of these people before they left. None of them made an appearance at the boat landing. They were on the porch and about all that could be noted was that the four men were all rather short and light in weight. Agents remained on the lake until 10:00 P.M. Sunday evening. About 9:00 P.M. a light car made two trips from the resort toward the place where the bridge is out across Muskelunge Creek. Agents felt that some one might be in a shack or tent out that road. The only way to get there is to go by Hermanson's resort. Agents felt that an investigation should be made and the road was approached yesterday by coming through the woods to the North. A deserted log cabin was observed just south of Muskelunge Creek where the bridge is out. No one was in this place or had been there. There was no tent or camp between there and the hill in back of Hermanson's resort and the reason for the cars going out this endless road could not be ascertained. Because of heavy rains Agents could not find where the cars had turned although they had to turn somewhere.

This morning one Agent watched the roads and cars coming into Eagle River while the other agent fished near Hermanson's resort. Hermanson came down to the boat landing and Agent talked with him for a time. When Agent returned from fishing he drove into Hermanson's place as it was noted that an old Lincoln sedan had been driven in during the night and Agent could not see the license. Agent obtained

a thermos bottle of water and again talked with Hermanson. The Lincoln had 1933 Illinois license 731-406. This car was not at the resort last evening and must have been driven in during the night. Hermanson still had his old Dodge truck and Agents believe some one else drove the Lincoln in. No one appeared to be staying at the resort today except Hermanson, Mrs. Melville and her daughter. However, Agent did not get inside the buildings.

It has been raining and very cold since last Friday and there have been very few fishermen on the lakes. It is not likely that Slim or Moran would be on the lakes under such conditions.

Agents feel that if Slim and Moran are in this vicinity they are staying at another resort than Hermanson's, but are contacting him. It is quite likely that one of them drove the Lincoln in last night. It is impossible to contact Hermanson without being "made". Hermanson did not open his place until June 2nd and it is for this reason that Slim and Moran are thought to be elsewhere.

It has been learned that Hermanson's best friend in these parts is a somewhat lawless bootlegger who lives the year around on Boot Lake. This person has boats to rent and Agents plan on going there in the morning prepared to fish and inspect the lake.

Although not definitely ascertained, from conversations overheard, it would seem that Hermanson sounded a siren on several occasions last summer. It is not used regularly.

Special Agent J. R. Welles  
Special Agent E. L. Richmond.

June 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

On yesterday morning, June 13, Agents went to Boat Lake to fish. A boat was rented from a Mr. Eckhardt who was mentioned in a previous memorandum. Although Eckhardt is a friend of Hermanson's and Agents believed that there was a possibility of "Slim" Gray or Dr. Moran being there, a morning's fishing on the lake resulted in no information. The three boats on the lake were inspected by Agents but the occupants of these boats in no way corresponded to "Slim" or "Doc".

At the resort of Mr. Eckhardt there was but one automobile, this being a Plymouth tudor sedan, bearing Illinois 1934 plates No. 271-035. This car, Agents believe, belongs to a guest at the resort called "Walter". Apparently Walter is the only guest there. Mr. Eckhardt is a man of about 45 years of age, height 6 feet, weight 250 lbs., build, heavy (sloppy), and hair dark.

After more fishing, in front of Hermanson's resort in the afternoon, without obtaining any information Agents visited several roadhouses near Eagle River. At the "Jack-O-Lantern", located three miles east of Eagle River, Agents saw a man who somewhat resembled Doc Moran, although he appeared younger than the photograph of Doc. He was introduced to a party as Mr. Moran. He had no freckles on his face, but these may have been covered by his tanned complexion. He appeared about 35 years old, 5' 10" in height, 160-170 in weight, well built and had reddish brown hair. It was learned by Agents that this man was from Chicago, as are very many visitors in this country.

It is rumored that the "Jack-O-Lantern" was formerly owned by Al Capone and is now owned by A. M. Taylor who is said to have had Capone connections. It is a rather large place accommodating 100 people in the cabaret style dining room which occupies one wing. The bar occupies the center of the building and the other wing is apparently devoted to gambling machines, such as roulette and faro. This is the most pretentious of the roadhouses of this type in this vicinity. It is estimated that there are probably six or eight others near Eagle River.

This morning Agents had difficulty with the lock on the car door while fishing. Hermanson spent about an hour helping Agents get in the car. During this time Agents learned that there is no other

person in "Sportsmen's Paradise" other than Hermanson, Mrs. Melville and her daughter. The license on the old Dodge truck is 1934 Illinois No. 30-467.

At the present time Agents believe they have exhausted any definite leads except to again check up at the "Jack-O-Lantern" and keep Hermanson's resort under surveillance.

Special Agent J. R. Welles,  
Special Agent E. L. Richmond.

June 15, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

In view of the fact that the undercover investigation of Special Agents E. L. Richmond and J. R. Welles in the vicinity of Hermanson's cottage has not disclosed that Roy Gray alias Slim, Dr. Moran and James Wilson are at present residing with Hermanson at said cottage, it was considered advisable to re-interview Miss Gladys Wylde. Miss Wylde is now living at 501 Kenilworth, Oak Park, Illinois, telephone number Village 7006. She informed that she is working for the Shellmar Products Company at 3501 West 48th Place, Chicago, Illinois, telephone Virginia 0247, and further stated that she may be reached at that phone if she is not at home. She stated that she does not know the exact residence of Hermanson when he is living in the vicinity of Chicago, but she stated that he does live on Ferdinand Avenue in Forest Park, Illinois, and is living with Mr. and Mrs. David Melville.

She stated that she has known Hermanson for about seven years and became acquainted with him through the Melvilles; that Hermanson was with the Illinois State Police about five years ago and that he was discharged from such duties approximately two years ago, the exact reason for his discharge not being known, but rumor has it that he was taking bribes from bootleggers; that Hermanson was once married and now has a son, name not known, about twentyseven years of age, and Hermanson himself is now divorced. Mrs. Wylde furnished the following personal description of Hermanson:

Age	54, but looks 35
Height	6'
Weight	180 lbs, once weighed 225
Hair	Sandy; full head of hair
Marks	Has numerous moles on face some of which have been taken off by Dr. Moran
	Is very spry.

Hermanson once told Mrs. Wylde that he stood in very well with the Sheriff of Eagle River, Wisconsin; that in fact he stood in so well that he could kill deer out of season. He did not intimate that he was engaged in any unlawful gangster activities.

Miss Wylde stated that in December, 1933, she mentioned to Jack Hermanson that her daughter, Rosemary Wylde, needed her tonsils removed, but that she, Miss Wylde, could not afford such operation. (Miss Wylde was once married, but is not known by her married name and goes by the name of Miss Wylde.) Jack Hermanson said "I can fix that all right. It won't cost you anything." He then mentioned Dr. Moran and stated "I have done a lot for him. In fact I was instrumental in getting him out of the penitentiary. He owes me a whole lot." Miss Wylde declared that

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Hermanson told her that Dr. Moran had been confined in the Joliet Penitentiary for an illegal operation. Miss Wylde declared that she started taking her daughter Rosemary to Dr. Moran in January, 1934, and that Dr. Moran was then located in the offices which he abandoned at the time he disappeared from Chicago on or about April 27, 1934. She stated that she continued to take her daughter to Dr. Moran until about April 27th, when she discovered that Dr. Moran had disappeared. She stated that she saw a large number of men in Dr. Moran's office on practically every occasion that she visited his office, which was always in the evening. She stated she never saw any women in Dr. Moran's office. The photographs of the principal suspects in this case were again displayed to Miss Wylde, but she said that she saw so many persons that she could not identify any persons from the said pictures.

She did reiterate, however, the information noted herein after which she gave to Agents Welles and Richmond concerning Roy Gray alias Slim and Izzy. She declared that she never did see Izzy, but that she had very frequently heard his name mentioned. Miss Wylde stated that she told Jack Hermanson of seeing so many men in Dr. Moran's office, to which Hermanson replied "Oh, he knows Dillinger". Miss Wylde stated that on one evening when she was in Dr. Moran's office, Dr. Moran and Jack Hermanson were talking in whispers at one side of the room. At this time she heard Hermanson mention that they, Hermanson and Dr. Moran and others not known, were to give a banquet, and that each person invited was to "cough up" \$50.00 per plate for defense money. To this Dr. Moran stated "You are talking too loud Jack", and Jack replied "Oh, she's all right". Miss Wylde could not state definitely whether this was defense money for Dillinger, but this conversation occurred after Hermanson had told her that Doc Moran knew Dillinger and was during the time that Dillinger was confined in the County Jail at Crown Point, Indiana. Miss Wylde declared that there was always much whispering between Jack Hermanson and Doc Moran.

Miss Wylde declared that during the latter part of April Jack Hermanson came to her to say goodbye. She asked him where he was going and he said to Eagle River; she then asked him if Dr. Moran was going along, to which Hermanson responded "Say, forget about that", but did indicate that he was going away with Dr. Moran. On this occasion she stated that when he came back he would have plenty of money, and that she, Miss Wylde, should forget all about Hermanson having told her that he was going to go away. Miss Wylde informed that Hermanson goes to a cottage in the vicinity of Eagle River, Wisconsin, each summer, but that he went at least two or three months earlier this year. Miss Wylde declared that Hermanson worships money and that he would do anything for money, and she stated that she believes him to be a cruel individual.



She stated further that on one occasion Roy Gray took her and her daughter home one evening; that he spent money lavishly upon her. She stated that she had no definite information that he was dangerous, but from his line of talk he indicated to her that he didn't have much longer to live and that he didn't care much what happened. She stated that he is extremely thin and is unquestionably tubercular. She repeated the story given to Agents Welles and Richmond that approximately two years ago Jack Hermanson showed her a machine gun; but stated that she does not know that he still has it.

Agent asked Miss Wylde where Dr. Moran and Roy Gray might be located in case they were not at the present time at the cottage of Jack Hermanson. She then stated that she has another friend who is a doctor, who lives a considerable distance from Hermanson's cottage, but she did not wish to say anything further along this line. Finally, very reluctantly, she stated that her friend is one Dr. Arthur Ochs, who has a cottage at Minong, Wisconsin (which is in the St. Paul territory). She advised that Dr. Ochs and Hermanson are very, very close friends; that Hermanson at one time drove 250 miles in order to have an infected finger treated by Dr. Ochs. She stated that Dr. Ochs has "gone to the dogs" within the last couple of years; that he is a dope fiend and that he may be so completely under the influence of dope that he would do practically anything. She intimated that she was at one time engaged to him and she now wears diamonds given her by him. She reluctantly stated that Dr. Ochs' cabin or cottage is located ten or fifteen miles from Minong, and that it was very inaccessible and difficult to approach. She stated, however, that Dr. Ochs has now built a road enabling an automobile to reach his cottage. She further declared that a couple of years ago Dr. Ochs was written up in the Chicago Tribune and charged in newspaper talk with having murdered his wife. In this connection, undoubtedly this office will be able to arrange to get photographs of Dr. Arthur Ochs from the Chicago Tribune newspaper.

Confirming the statements in the memoranda of Agents Welles and Richmond, Miss Wylde stated that Mrs. Ruth Melville and her five or six year old daughter, Mary Alice, are now with Hermanson in the vicinity of Eagle River, Wisconsin. She stated that Mrs. Melville is in love with Hermanson and that she goes to his cottage with him each summer, leaving her own husband, David Melville, in Chicago. He is working for the Chicago American. Mrs. Melville is a very coarse and crude woman, Miss Wylde stated, and would do anything for money. She stated that Mrs. Melville is the type who would be very willing to harbor criminals and to assist them in their activities. She is also believed to be

a merciless creature. Miss Wylde stated that she is a perfect type to get in with a mob. Miss Wylde furnished the following personal description of Mrs. Ruth Melville:

Age	40 to 45
Height	5' 4"
Weight	200 lbs.
Hair	Black
Eyes	Black
Appearance	Hard boiled and really hard. Would do anything for money.

Miss Wylde furnished Agent a post card sent to her by Dr. Ochs from Spooner, Wisconsin, on June 13, 1934, which is directed to "Mrs. G. Wilde, 501 S. Kenilworth, Oak Pk., Ill.", and the message is as follows: "Well been here for over a month and may stay all summer". Miss Wylde considered this statement significant. She declared that Dr. Ochs does not remain at his cottage all summer and believes that he has a reason for staying there all summer this year. She further informed that Dr. Ochs drives a 1932 black Ford sedan, but she does not know whether this is a tudor or a four door sedan. She described Dr. Ochs as follows:

Age	55
Height	5' 6"
Weight	170 lbs.
Hair	Normally medium brown, but now turning grey; has lots of hair
Eyes	Grey
Appearance	Looks like an insane person; wild looking eyes.
Dress	Untidy

Miss Wylde frankly admitted that while she has no love for him at the present time, she still hated to betray a friendship, but was willing to furnish this information to the Government in view of the fact that Roy Gray is very much sought. She stated that she really believes that Dr. Ochs has gone crazy within the last couple of years. She stated that in Oak Park, Illinois, Dr. Ochs lives with his brother and sister on the southeast corner of Randolph and Maple Streets; that his brother is Dr. Milton Ochs, who is on the staff of the Francis Willard Hospital in Austin, Illinois, and that his sister is Dr. Clara Ochs, who is also on the staff of some other hospital.

Miss Wylde advised that James Wilson, the nephew of Dr. Moran, posed as a doctor in Dr. Moran's office and had everyone believing that he was a doctor. She described James Wilson as a "cute kid", bearing the following description:

Age	26
Height	5' 6" or shorter
Weight	135 to 140 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown and very curly. Has an Irish smile

She advised further that approximately a week before Dr. Moran and Hermanson disappeared, Jack said to "Doc" in the latter's office "Have you got those instruments ready?", to which Dr. Moran replied "Yes. Here they are", and handed Hermanson the package. Miss Wylde could not state that they were in fact instruments because she did not see them. However, she spoke to Hermanson about this matter and he passed it off by saying that he, Hermanson, was a taxidermist and would need those instruments. She stated that she had never heard of Hermanson being a taxidermist.

Miss Wylde is well acquainted with Emil Wanatka, who is known to her in Oak Park as Emil Walke, and she stated that Emil is a very good friend of Dr. Ochs. She declared that Emil is a real hoodlum and that he knows numerous people both in Oak Park and in the vicinity of Spider Lake, Wisconsin, where he now has a resort known as "Little Bohemia". She stated that Emil is very friendly with a Catholic priest known as Father Tooisy (phonetic spelling), who is reported to have a parish at Rice Lake, Wisconsin. Father Tooisy is reported to be in the liquor racket with Emil Wanatka, and she stated that she believed Father Tooisy would bear watching. She stated that she has been out with him on one or two occasions and knows that he is not on the level. It is further observed that when Jack Hermanson told Miss Wylde that he was going to a cottage he declared that he would be gone a long time. It is also observed that in her conversation with Roy Gray, the latter told Miss Wylde that his wife had left him. Miss Wylde never heard the name of Roy Gray's wife, and when her various names were mentioned Miss Wylde did not recognize any of them.

The post card of Dr. Ochs is signed "Dr. A. J." Miss Wylde stated that she did not know the reason for such a signature, but she stated that he is crazy enough to sign a letter or a card

in any manner. This card is being forwarded herewith to the St. Paul office and may be of assistance in conducting investigation in the vicinity of Minong, Wisconsin. Miss Wylde advised that for a nominal consideration she would be willing to visit Jack Hermanson at his cottage and would also visit Dr. Ochs at Minong, Wisconsin, in order to ascertain the location of Dr. Moran and Roy Gray.

This matter was discussed by Special Agent McIntire with Mr. S. P. Cowley. It was thought, however, at this time that discreet investigation should be conducted by Agents in the vicinity of Minong and if it is not possible to locate Moran and Gray there, the visit of Miss Wylde may be used at a later date.

Agent McIntire made it clear to Miss Wylde that this was purely a business matter, and it was not intended as a vacation for her. She declared that she understood thoroughly, and that she would be very willing to cooperate with this Division. This matter will be taken up at a later date. She informed that she can take her vacation at practically any time she desires and may have as much as two weeks if necessary.

K. R. McINTIRE,  
Special Agent.

The information contained in the memorandum of Special Agent K. R. McIntire in this report was given to the St. Paul office by Mr. S. P. Cowley on the night of June 14, 1934. It is further observed that no pictures of Dr. Arthur Ochs were available at the Chicago Tribune newspaper, Chicago, Ill.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota.

St. Paul

FILE NO. 7-30

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE 6-14-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6/5 to 9/34	REPORT MADE BY: D.L. Nicholson
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.#1219; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREWER, Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER was interviewed at the St. Paul Division Office on June 5, 1934, by Inspector Clegg and Special Agent in Charge Ladd. VIDLER, at this time, furnished substantially the same information as previously furnished to the Chicago Division Office. MISS LAURA CAMPBELL, sister of HARRY CAMPBELL, suspect in this case, is presently receiving treatment at the Mayo Brothers Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota. Mail cover has been placed on her mail and hospital officials will advise the St. Paul Division Office if CAMPBELL, or his associates, visit LAURA CAMPBELL at Rochester, Minnesota.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent D.L. Nicholson, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated June 9, 1934.

DETAILS:

On June 5, 1934, Subject WILLIAM E. VIDLER was interviewed at the St. Paul Division Office by Inspector Clegg and Special Agent in Charge Ladd. He furnished substantially the same information as previously furnished to the Chicago Division Office.

Inspector Clegg's memorandum, quoted below, covers in detail this interview:

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>G.H. W. Clegg</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-2169	RECORDED AND INDEXED JUN 18 1934
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The following memorandum is submitted by Inspector H. H.

Clegg:

On the night of June 5, 1934, Subject WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER was interviewed at the St. Paul office by S. A. C. Ladd and Inspector Clegg. MR. VIDLER maintained that he had no information in addition to that which he had already disclosed and he indicated that he felt that it was unfortunate that he did not have additional information because he felt that it might be helpful to him in the event he were able to disclose information of help to the Division. He does recall, however, that on the occasion when the money was first delivered to him by McLAUGHLIN, SR., for exchange, he asked McLAUGHLIN whether the money was illegitimate, and McLaughlin stated that his handling this money would get him into no trouble at all. He maintained that McLAUGHLIN as a political boss, as a former man of means, had been known to him for years to have the confidence of citizens generally and he relied entirely upon McLaughlin's representations. He advised that he had known "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN for several years although he had just been introduced to him and did not become close to McLaughlin until a few months ago. On that occasion, there had been a third party who approached VIDLER in behalf of a police officer of Chicago to get the policeman restored to a position from which he had been discharged or dropped. A certain amount of money was delivered to VIDLER to aid him in this purpose and VIDLER talked to McLAUGHLIN about this situation and agreed to pay McLAUGHLIN the money when the officer was restored to his job. McLAUGHLIN asked for the money, or a portion of it, but VIDLER maintains that he held it and told McLAUGHLIN that he would continue to hold it until the position had been restored to the officer. The officer was not restored, he stated, and no money was paid to McLAUGHLIN.

VIDLER claimed that he was previously investigated by this Division, which he referred to as the "B of I", about four years ago, after he had purchased a car from a private individual and that this car had been represented to him as "O.K." by either a bondsman or a bailiff in Federal Court. He purchased the car and he was subsequently questioned and in fact accompanied a Special Agent, whose name he does not now recall, for a considerable time, aiding in making the investigation. He stated that he learned at that time that there was no viciousness on the part of the employees of this Division, and on that occasion the Special Agent treated him courteously, as they had throughout subsequent investigations, including this particular case. He intimated that he had been in a room adjoining McLAUGHLIN and that he heard a noise which indicated to him that someone had probably struck McLAUGHLIN twice, although he felt sure that it was not an officer of the Division who did so but rather a Special Agent, although

he saw nothing of the kind and admits being treated courteously himself throughout the entire scope of the investigation. He admits having a previous record which he completed about twelve years ago, stating that he now plays the horse races frequently and on the day of his arrest, he had won \$126 on a parley.

He was questioned rather closely as to what reasons he could ascribe for McLAUGHLIN'S having picked him out to pass the money and to exchange it for good money. It was pointed out to him that McLAUGHLIN was a "boss" in politics and finance; that he was once quite wealthy and there were undoubtedly many who were under obligations to him, upon whom he would feel at liberty to call and that it would appear reasonable to believe that unless he (VIDLER) had acted in some similar capacity previously, or was under obligation to McLAUGHLIN, McLAUGHLIN would not have taken the chance. He could give no satisfactory explanation for McLAUGHLIN'S having selected him.

On the way up to St. Paul, when he met McLAUGHLIN at the train, he asked McLAUGHLIN why McLAUGHLIN had picked on him, and McLAUGHLIN'S reply was, "Who the hell would have thought that it would have turned out this way." He claimed that he asked DELANEY since he has been at the Ramsey County Jail whether he (DELANEY) had known that the money was BREMER money and DELANEY had said, "No".

In the presence of both MR. LADD and MR. CLEGG, VIDLER admitted that he had given a statement to Special Agents in Chicago and that his statement was true and correct in every detail and that it was furnished at a time when his memory was fresh and while he was under no compulsions to give the statement.

He stated that if any of the money could be returned, which was taken from his possession, he is willing that it be returned to his wife.

MR. VIDLER indicated that his principal occupation is a purchaser of second-hand automobiles. He would purchase an automobile and use it as a trade-in for a new car which he would sell to a customer. Frequently, the cars which he purchased on a deal would be wrecked or worn taxicabs and rent-a-car automobiles. He usually purchased them from the Juniper Motor Sales Company and always they were Chevrolets; and when he sold these cars, he would sell them to the Emrich Motors, up-town Chevrolet dealer, in the 6000 block near Peterson on Broadway in Chicago.



MR. VIDLER was shown the photograph of C. D. HARRIS alias CLYDE NIMMERICK alias "DUTCH"; WILLIAM WEAVER; "IZZY"; and ROY GRAY alias "SLIM", but he claimed not to know any of these individuals.

HHC:EVS

On June 6, 1934, Mr. E. H. SCHLITZGUS, assistant personnel director, Mayo Brothers Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, called the St. Paul Division Office by telephone and advised that MISS LAURA CAMPBELL had registered for treatment at the clinic the previous day and was residing, at the Damon Hotel. This information was furnished as the result of a stop which had been placed on the clinic records by the St. Paul Division Office.

Special Agent R. L. Nalls proceeded to Rochester, Minnesota, and submitted the following memorandum:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. L. Nalls on June 7, 1934:

Agent contacted L. C. Baskin, desk clerk, Damon Hotel, Rochester, Minnesota, who produced registration card of LAURA LEE CAMPBELL, 818 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, which discloses that this person registered in the hotel on June 5, 1934, and checked out June 6, 1934. Mr. Baskin stated this lady occupied room #120 alone and was checked into the hotel by the manager, C. W. Eastman; that the room charge was \$2.00 per day and her account card showed no additional charges for incoming or outgoing telephone calls or other services.

C. W. Eastman was contacted but could furnish no information of value, advising that though he checked the lady in he could not recall her. Mr. Eastman called bellboy #2 into his office, which boy checked this lady in to her room. At first, the bellboy could not recall her but later advised that he recalled the occupant of room #120 as being a woman of average height, between twenty and twenty-five years of age, dark hair and thin face, very slender, who wore a medium dark blue coat and dark hat. He further stated that to the best of his knowledge this woman came to the hotel alone and arrived in a taxicab; also, that she took a taxicab when departing from the hotel.

Photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL was exhibited to C. W. Eastman, L. C. Baskin, and the bellboy, but none could recall having seen this man at the Damon Hotel during the time LAURA LEE CAMPBELL was registered.

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C.W. Eastman permitted agent to examine all registration cards for June 5 and 6, 1934, but no other guests were registered from Oklahoma, and the handwriting of none bore any similarity to that of specimen of HARRY CAMPBELL.

Mr. E.H. Schlitzgus, assistant personnel director, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, advised that LAURA LEE CAMPBELL, who gave as her address 818 South Rockford, Tulsa, Oklahoma, registered at the clinic on June 5, 1934, and gave the Damon Hotel as her local address; that on June 6, 1934, change was made in local address to 117-3rd Avenue Northwest, Rochester, Minnesota; that she gave as her occupation, cashier, Sun Rise Restaurant, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Louis Jacobs as employer's name; that the name, GEROGE CAMPBELL, father, 818 South Rockford, was furnished as the party to be notified in case of emergency. Mr. Schlitzgus further advised that LAURA LEE CAMPBELL was referred to the clinic by letter of DR. C.C. HOKE, whose address does not appear of record, but is believed to be Tulsa, Oklahoma; that MISS CAMPBELL is not hospitalized but is an outpatient and the duration of her contemplated stay in Rochester is not known to him. Mr. Schlitzgus explained that the nature of MISS CAMPBELL'S disability is not known to him and probably would not be disclosed if known. He has promised agent to endeavor to ascertain the approximate duration of her stay and stated that in most instances it does not require more than four or five days at the most for patients to pass through the diagnostic center. Mr. Schlitzgus has placed practice at the registration desk and will notify the St. Paul Division Office if any mail is received there for MISS CAMPBELL while she remains on the register of the clinic. He has also agreed to hold any money received as payment on her bill until an agent has an opportunity to inspect it for serial numbers.

Arrangements were made with D.L. Williams, postmaster, at Rochester, Minnesota, general delivery clerk, and John Tulare, carrier, whose route covers 117-3rd Avenue Northwest, to cover mail and obtain tracings of any letters addressed to LAURA LEE CAMPBELL care of general delivery, or to address indicated.

The Rochester City Directory discloses that one, C.E. MOORE, is the proprietor of a rooming house located at 117-3rd Avenue Northwest. Carrier John Tulare advised that C.E. MOORE has been at this address for the past thirteen years and to the best of his knowledge is a reputable citizen. In this connection the writer recalls that apartment 106-1290 Grand Avenue, mentioned in previous reports, was rented under the name of C.E. MOORE. The description of C.E. MOORE, as furnished by Carrier Tulare, somewhat fits that of J.J. BURNS, who was among the group who occupied apartments at 1280 and 1290 Grand Avenue for a short period during March, 1933. It may be that

the appearance of the name C.E. MOORE at this time is a mere coincidence but agent is taking appropriate steps to check on the reputation of C.E. MOORE, having in mind the fact that Victim BREMER was released at Rochester, Minnesota.

Should it be found that LAURA LEE CAMPBELL is to remain at Rochester for any period of time, she and her visitors could be observed by having an agent take a room at C.E. MOORE'S rooming house, or else obtain one at Wall's rooming house, 121-3rd Avenue Northwest, located next door. Both places cater to transients and an agent could easily rent a room by representing that he was in Rochester for the purpose of receiving treatment at the clinic. Room and board can be obtained at a reasonable rate.

It is my intention to make inquiry relative to C.E. MOORE through the police department and other sources which may suggest themselves in the morning.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Nalls and is supplemental to memorandum submitted relative to the same subject matter as on June 7, 1934.

MISS RUBY WALLS, bookkeeper, Kahler Hotel, who resides with her parents, who are proprietors of a rooming house located at 121-3rd Avenue Northwest, Rochester, Minnesota, which is next door to 117-3rd Avenue Northwest, where LAURA LEE CAMPBELL is now residing, was again questioned with reference to character and reputation of C.E. MOORE. She stated that as far as she knows, he operates a desirable rooming house which is listed by the Mayo Clinic, which would indicate that the proprietorship is all right with respect to reputation and services rendered. She also stated that for the past several years, C.E. MOORE has been having difficulties with his wife because of his drinking habits; that MOORE has gone on a number of sprees and has left the business cares to his wife; that, at the present time, he is somewhat embarrassed financially and is facing loss of his rooming house by foreclosure. MISS WALLS expressed the belief that C.E. MOORE is not in any way associated with organized crime, or underworld characters. She described C.E. MOORE as being a man about fifty years of age, or better, dark hair, slightly shorter than average height and medium heavy build.

Chief of Police Claude previously described C.E. MOORE to agent as being a tall slender man, bald-headed, 55-60 years of age, and thin face. When questioned today Chief Claude stated he had C.E. MOORE confused

with another CHARLIE MOORE, a barber, who resides in Rochester. Chief Claude stated that to the best of his knowledge neither of these two C.E. MOORE'S are connected in any way with organized crime, or underworld characters, and both have lived in Rochester for a number of years.

E.H. Schlitzgus, assistant personnel director, Mayo Clinic, was again interviewed and stated he today conversed with the doctor who has charge of LAURA LEE CAMPBELL'S case; that the doctor informed him that in all probability MISS CAMPBELL'S case would be a surgery case in which event it will be necessary for her to remain in Rochester for at least four weeks or better. Mr. Schlitzgus could give no more definite information at this time and expressed the belief that the operation would be for hemorrhoids or some similar disability. Mr. Schlitzgus described LAURA LEE CAMPBELL as follows:

Name:	LAURA LEE CAMPBELL
Age:	About 25 years
Height:	Medium tall
Build:	Slender
Hair:	Blonde
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Fair
Appearance:	Pleasing and refined; quiet and engaging.
Dress:	Wore light weight spring coat, color thought to be blue.

This description somewhat corresponds with that given by the bellboy at the Damon Hotel, only the bellboy expressed the belief that she was a brunette.

Mr. Schlitzgus has promised to advise the St. Paul Division Office when MISS CAMPBELL departs and to report any developments which he considers of value.

During the greater portion of the day and evening I have kept the premises at 117-3rd Avenue Northwest under surveillance but, as yet, have failed to observe any young lady corresponding with description as furnished by above parties for LAURA LEE CAMPBELL entering or coming from the premises. Nor have I seen any man resembling HARRY CAMPBELL.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R.L.Nalls on June 9, 1934:

Mr. E.H. Schlitzgus, assistant personnel director, Mayo Clinic, advised that LAURA LEE CAMPBELL was operated on the evening of June 8, 1934, and placed in the Worrall Annex Hospital at Rochester. He suggested that contact be had with [REDACTED] Worrall Hospital. b7d

[REDACTED] Upon being contacted, advised that LAURA LEE CAMPBELL is confined in room #131 Worrall Annex, where she will remain for a period of from ten days to two weeks; that following her release from the hospital she will probably remain at Rochester for an additional week or two in order to receive treatments. [REDACTED] has promised to give complete cooperation but is insistent that the matter be treated in strict confidence. A large photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL was left with [REDACTED] and he will arrange to have the nurses attending MISS CAMPBELL view the photograph. He has also promised to keep a close watch on all visitors of MISS CAMPBELL and should anything of importance develop to immediately notify the St. Paul Division Office.

Arrangements have also been perfected to [REDACTED] as well as LAURA LEE CAMPBELL and to have any currency received in payment of her bill held until same can be examined by an agent.

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I. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 15, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.C.# 1218;  
HERBERT A. BARBER, with aliases, I.C.# 1219;  
ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Referring to telephone conversation between Mr. Earl Conley  
and Special Agent in Charge D.M. Ladd on the 14th instant, relating to  
the possible location of DOC MORAN and BOY GRAY, with aliases, at the  
cottage of Dr. ADAM OGIS, Minong, Wisconsin:

MR. A. D. ADAMS, Postmaster at Minong, Wisconsin, who is  
in the real estate, restaurant, and miscellaneous business at that point,  
was interviewed and stated that DR. ADAM OGIS has occupied a cottage  
about six miles from Minong during the summer for a number of years.  
He resides at 30 South Maple Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois, and has an  
office at 809 Madison Street, Oak Park. He stated that it has been  
rumored that DR. OGIS' wife died under mysterious circumstances at Oak  
Park, and that he does not enjoy a good reputation there; that other  
physicians who spend the summer in the vicinity of Minong do not  
associate with him. Photographs of GRAY, the DILLINGER gang, and the  
BARKER-KARPIS gang were shown to MR. ADAMS, who did not recognize any  
of them. He stated that a MRS. FROOD POTTINGER of Minong was  
employed as housekeeper by DR. OGIS, and that she would be able to  
furnish some information as to the doctor's guests at his cottage, as  
she had but recently made a trip to Chicago with a party who had been  
staying in the cottage.

Accordingly, interview was had with MRS. POTTINGER, who  
stated that she has known the doctor for a number of years and that he  
came to Minong on May 26, 1934 with WILLIAM VOIGHT, a merchant police-  
man who resides two blocks from the DR. OGIS home in Oak Park, and  
MILTON VOIGHT, who is employed in a drug store in the immediate

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vicinity in Oak Park, and that they stayed until June 4, 1934, when she, accompanied by her husband and DR. COHEN, took the two VOIGHTS to their home in Oak Park, Illinois, and the doctor returned to Minong on June 8, 1934; that the only other guest the doctor has had this year is a MRS. EMMA WILIS, a woman of about 80 years of age who resides at 1111 Laurel Street, Chicago, Illinois. MRS. POTTINGER was unable to identify any of the photographs above referred to as of any persons she had seen in the vicinity of Minong.

It was noted at the post office that a GLADYS WILDE received mail at Minong in the Spring of this year.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota.**

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REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Paul, Minn.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6-15-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>5/29 to 6/11/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>D.L. Nicholson</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation conducted at the following towns in Wisconsin in an unsuccessful effort to locate the hideout in which Victim BREMER was held:

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| Altoona       | Lindon Station |
| Eagle River   | Prescott       |
| Rhineland     | Hammond        |
| Bangor        | Mondovi.       |
| Stoddard      |                |

DETAILS:

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent D.L. Nicholson, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 6-9-34.

DETAILS:

This is a joint report of the various Special Agents assigned to this case at St. Paul, covering investigation with view to location of the house in which Victim BREMER was held.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. H. Clegg</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-2171	RECORDED AND INDEXED: JUN 18 1934
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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John E. Brennan, at Prescott and Hammond, Wisconsin:

At Prescott, Wisconsin, interview was had with John E. Wehrman, postmaster, who stated that there was no siren or whistle in Prescott of any kind at the time the victim was held, nor were any church bells rung at that time. That a siren is, occasionally, heard from Hastings, Minnesota, but that it is blown at 9:00 P.M.

The station agent advised that there are four trains daily in each direction on the C.B. & Q., being #47, 49, 57, 45, and 52, 58, 48, and 50, but that there is no gas-electric car on this route and no bus line passes through Prescott.

Adolph Hankin, water meter reader, who covers the two hundred homes in Prescott and vicinity, and A. F. Mercoord, electric meter reader for the Northern States Power Company, both stated they knew of no dwelling in the vicinity that would fit the description given by the victim.

Photos of suspects were shown to postal employees, city employees, and at the Sinclair, Lake Street Garage, Standard Oil, 66, and Prescott Tin and Battery Service, filling stations, but no identification was made.

At Hammond, Wisconsin, a siren is sounded at noon, there is no factory whistle of any kind; no church bells are rung on Saturday. There are no water meters.

Mrs. Kate Conrad, postmaster, and clerks in the post office, examined photos of subjects but were unable to identify any of them. Train service on the C.M. & O., is as follows: 8:55 a. (Stops) 9:49 a.; 7:22 p.; 8:15 p. (stops).

Harry Erb, meter reader for Willow River Power Company, Hudson, Wisconsin, stated he knows of no place that would fit the description as given by victim.

Photographs were exhibited, of suspects, at the Hammond Lumber Company, I.G.A. Grocery, and Mobilgas, 66, and City Garage, filling stations, without identification.

JEB:TC

Re: 7-30

The following investigation was made by Special Agent John E. Brennan, at Mondovi, Wisconsin:

Walter Smith, postmaster, stated that Mondovi has a population of 1600 and is located at the terminus of the Chicago, St. Paul, and Minneapolis Railroad, running from Fairchild to Mondovi; that trains arrive at 8:55 A.M., and 2:45 P.M., and leave at 9:25 A.M., and 3:15 P.M.. There is a bus line passing through from Eau Claire to Winona, but the busses are converted sedans and are not equipped with air whistles. There are no gas electric cars on the railroad.

The stationary fire siren is sounded at noon only and for meetings of the volunteer fire department which are held irregularly. There is a canning factory now in operation, equipped with a steam whistle, but it was not in operation until May, 1934, consequently there were no steam whistles in town when the victim was being held.

Rev. A. G. HEMER, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and Rev. E. A. Norson of the Norwegian Lutheran Church, both stated that no church bell is rung on Saturday afternoon - church bells are rung at 9:45 A.M., and 10:45 A.M., on Sundays, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the First Congregational Church.

There are no water meters in Mondovi. Photos of suspects were displayed at the Otis Grocery, Red and White Store, Mondovi Mercantile Store, W. H. GILMORE, I. G. A. Store, the Gus Putzier Grocery, and to L. Stieber, meter reader for the Northern States Power Company, but none could identify any as known to them.

JEB:TC

Re: 7-50

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent G.F.Hurley between Tuesday, May 29 and June 3, 1934:

In an effort to locate the BREMER hideout, the following towns and investigations therein were conducted during the above period:

STEVENS POINT, WISCONSIN.

Stevens Point is a town of approximately 1300 people, and is located on the east coast of the Wisconsin River. There are arterial highways approaching this town and they are well trafficked. The town is approximately one hour's ride from Wausau, Wisconsin, at which latter place there are street car tracks and the general description of which might answer the city mentioned by Victim BREMER as he described his journey to the hideout.

Postmaster A.E.Redfield was interviewed by agent and, after disclosing the nature of the investigation, advised that there was no stationary siren located at Stevens Point. The various pictures of subjects in this case and suspects were shown to Mr.Redfield but no identification was effected. A list of the aliases of subjects involved were checked with the postmaster but he could give no information concerning the same.

Mr.F.F.Kirshing is the fire chief at Stevens Point and he advised agent that there is no stationary siren located at Stevens Point and that the only ones that he knows of are those attached to the fire apparatus and which are blown only on regular fire calls. He further stated that he had no knowledge of any stationary siren being blown at any stated intervals. There is a freight yard located in Stevens Point and the sound of shifting locomotive engines is quite audible on week days as freight is carried to and from several manufacturing plants. There are several factories in town and agent, during the course of his investigation, visited all of them in order to ascertain whether or not they blew whistles, and the time, and, if so, the time at which they were sounded.

The BAKE-RITE BAKING COMPANY sounds a whistle at 12:00 noon. The CONSOLIDATED PAPER AND PULP COMPANY sounds a whistle at 8:00 A.M., and at 4:00 P.M.. The JOERUS FURNITURE COMPANY'S whistle blows at 1:00 P.M., and 4:00 P.M.. The whistle on the VETTER MANUFACTURING COMPANY

sounds at 7:00 A.M.; 12:00 noon; 1:00 P.M.; and 5:00 P.M.. There are three other manufacturing plants at Stevens Point, namely, the FOLDING FURNITURE COMPANY, the LULLABY FURNITURE COMPANY, and the CITY PLANT, but no whistles are sounded at any of these places.

MR. DELBERT LILLIE, manager of the Wisconsin Power and Light Company of Stevens Point was interviewed and, after disclosing the nature of the investigation, called in the two meter readers for Stevens Point. Agent described the hideout house to these men and they stated positively that, to the best of their knowledge, no such house was located at Stevens Point. However, they stated that they were just about to make the monthly reading of electric meters in town and would bear in mind the description of this place and, if located, would communicate immediately with MR. LILLIE who would, in turn, communicate with this office.

MR. JOHN JAWORSKI, who is employed by the local water department, and who individually reads all the water meters at Stevens Point, during the course of the year, was interviewed by agent. Mr. Jaworski stated that there was only one home in town that in any respect fitted the description given and consented to go with agent to this house, located on the corner of Illinois and College Avenue. Mr. Jaworski advised that this house was occupied by one, DAN CLUCK, a well known bootlegger of Stevens Point. Agent was able to obtain a good description of this house and noted that while there was a basement to the house there was no outside entrance thereto and that in order to gain access to the lower floor it was necessary to enter a garage and pass through the second floor of the house. The house in question did not conform to the description given by Victim BREMER. Mr. Jaworski advised agent that he was certain that on several occasions he had heard a stationary siren blown at the CONSOLIDATED PAPER AND PULP COMPANY, mentioned above. Agent returned to this factory and, after talking with the foreman of this plant, was advised that they did have a signal which he classified as a CLAXON HORN, which sounded regularly at 8:00 A.M., and 4:00 P.M.. Agent was at the plant shortly before 4:00 P.M., and was thus able to hear the above horn sounded. The horn in question has a steady low tone neither increasing nor decreasing in tone. At the same time that this horn is sounded, a whistle is also sounded by one of the adjoining furniture company plants. The CLAXON HORN, in question, cannot be heard for a greater distance than 300 yards from the plant.

There are eight churches located in Stevens Point, two of which sound bells on Saturday evening and all of which sound bells on Sunday morning at various times.

The pictures of subjects were shown to the gas station attendants at Stevens Point by agent but no identifications were effected. Agent was advised that there were several individuals in town who were engaged in the business of hanging wall paper and that on various occasions men would visit Stevens Point from Wausau, Wisconsin, in order to hang wall paper. Agent, therefore, visited the local general store at which wall paper is sold but there was no similarity between the pattern in agent's possession and any that were on sale at this store. Air planes are known to pass frequently over Stevens Point but at no stated and regular intervals. There are bus lines passing through Stevens Point to Wausau and the highway is well traveled by trucks. Agent, during the course of the day, was able to view practically every house in town but was not able to find any house which would answer the given description.

ROTHCHILD, WISCONSIN.

The town of Rothchild is located on the main highway from Wausau to Stevens Point and on the east bank of the Wisconsin River. It has a population of approximately 500 people. There is only one factory at Rothchild, namely, the MARATHON PAPER MILLS COMPANY. This factory sounds a horn at 5:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M.; noon; 1:00 P.M.; 5:00 P.M.; and 9:00 P.M.. The horn is quite similar to that of a fog horn, having a slow, heavy, and constant tone, with no variations. The horn itself cannot be classified as a siren.

Mr. RUSSELL G. DRAKE, postmaster at Rothchild, was interviewed by agent and pictures of various subjects and suspects in this case were shown to him but no identification was effected. The aliases of the persons involved in this case were likewise given to Mr. Drake but he stated he had never seen or known of any mail being sent to Rothchild under any of these names. There is one switch engine which operates between the above mentioned factory and Wausau, which is fifteen miles away. There are no churches in Rothchild but agent was advised by the postmaster that church bells may be heard from the town of Scofield, Wisconsin, two miles from Rothchild, provided the wind is in the right direction. Mr. Drake advised that he had never heard these church bells sound on Saturday afternoon. Mr. W. A. Kersemier is chief of the Fire Department at Rothchild. There is one siren on the only piece of apparatus that the town has and this siren is only sounded when there is a regular fire call. There is positively no other siren in town. Mr. Drake and Mr. Kersemier, who stated they are well acquainted with all houses at Rothchild, advise positively that there is no house in town which in any way resembles the description of the hideout. There is only one gas station located at Rothchild, the Laughing Gas Service Station.

Pictures of the various subjects were shown to the attendant at this station but he stated that he had never seen any of these individuals. Air planes do pass, occasionally, over this town and trucks and busses pass frequently over the highway. No store could be found in town where wall paper was sold and in this respect agent was advised that wall paper was usually purchased at Wausau. Agent personally was able to view practically all houses in Rothchild and could find none answering the given description.

AMHERST, WISCONSIN.

Amherst, Wisconsin, is located on the main highway and has a population of approximately 570 people.

MISS EMILY BRANDT, postmaster at Amherst, was interviewed and pictures of the various subjects were shown to her without any identification being established. A list of the aliases of these subjects was also given to MISS BRANDT but she could not associate any of the names with any parties known to her.

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WILL DOMKE, chief of the fire department. The fire department does have a stationary siren which sounds at noon and at 6:00 P.M. Agent was advised that there had been no variation in time at which this siren is sounded during the past four or five years. Agent was likewise advised that there was no other stationary siren in town. There is only one business house at Amherst, the Amherst Creamery, and investigation disclosed that no whistle is sounded at the creamery. The Soo Line does run locomotives through Amherst but there is very little or no shifting of trains in Amherst. There are five churches located at Amherst, no one of which sounds its bell on Saturday afternoon.

MR. ARTHUR THOMPSON, who has been electric meter reader during the past thirteen years, at Amherst, was interviewed by agent and agent described at length the hideout house and Mr. Thompson stated positively that there was no such house located at Amherst. Mr. Thompson advised that he knew everybody in town and knew every house in town. The pictures of the various persons involved were shown to Mr. Thompson and he stated that he had never seen any of these individuals. There are two local gas stations but the attendants at these stations were unable to pick out any of the pictures of the various subjects. The proprietor of the local general store at which wall paper is sold, advised that he had no pattern, nor did he sell any pattern, similar to that picked out by Victim BREMER. Agent, during the course of the investigation, was able to inspect practically all of the houses at Amherst but could not find any answering the given description. Agent was advised that an occasional air plane did pass over Amherst and that the town is not on a regularly constituted air mail route.

ADAMS, WISCONSIN.

Adams, Wisconsin, is located on the main highway and has a population of approximately 1200 people. The town of Adams is not located near water. Mr. P. A. McBRIE, is postmaster at Adams, and was interviewed by agent and, after viewing the pictures of the various subjects, stated that he had a faint recollection of having seen DOC BARKER. Agent questioned Mr. McBrie as to the time and place and the circumstances under which he thought he had seen Subject BARKER but he could give no further information. At the close of the interview, McBrie stated that he was possibly mistaken about his having seen DOC BARKER but that he would try to recall any of the incidents surrounding his present recollection of having seen this individual and would notify this office if he could shed any further light thereon. Agent also described at length the hideout house and Mr. McBrie, although stating that he was personally acquainted with each and every home in town, was unable to pick out any house which, in any way, resembled the description.

Mr. WILLIAM WILSON is the chief of the fire department at Adams, Wisconsin. The town does have a stationary siren which sounds regularly only at 8:00 P.M.. The siren does not ring at any time during the morning, other than when there is a fire call. Agent ascertained that the program for ringing the siren at 8:00 P.M., had not been varied during the past three or four years except recently about one month ago when it was decided to have the siren sounded at noon.

There are three churches located in Adams, all of which sound bells on Sunday morning, but no one of which sounds its bell on Saturday afternoon. The noise of shifting locomotive engines can be heard frequently at Adams, as it is a terminal for freight trains. The roundhouse at Adams sounds a whistle at 7:00 A.M.; noon; and 4:00 P.M.. There are no factories located in Adams, Wisconsin, and with the exception of the whistle on the roundhouse, there are no other whistles sounded in Adams. There are several gas stations located in Adams and the pictures of the various subjects were shown to the gas station attendant but no identification was effected.

MR. FRED WOOD, president of the Adams County Bank, was interviewed by agent and the pictures of subjects were shown to him. He stated that he never recalled having seen any of these individuals in Adams. Mr. HERB HELGELSON, electric meter reader, at Adams, was interviewed and, after having heard a description of the hideout house, stated that there was only one home in Adams, which in any respect answered this description, to wit, that there was a lower basement with stairs leading down to it. Mr. Helgelson pointed out this house to agent and it was noticed that there was no outside entrance

from the ground to the lower basement of the house. Mr. Helgelson advised that in order to get into the basement it was necessary to enter the kitchen door of the house and then proceed downstairs. Occasionally, air planes do pass over Adams, Wisconsin. There is no regularly chartered bus line passing through the town but the highways are fairly well travelled by commercial trucks. There is only one store in Adams which engages in the selling of wall paper but the proprietor thereof stated that the pattern in agent's possession did not correspond with any style of wall paper that he had ever had in stock. Agent, during the course of his investigation, at Adams, was able to view practically all houses but could find none which in any way answered the given description.

LYNDON STATION, WISCONSIN.

Lyndon Station is located on a main highway and has a population of approximately 275 people.

Mr. JAMES TRAINER, acting postmaster at Lyndon Station, was interviewed by agent and, after viewing the various pictures of subjects and suspects of this case, stated that he had never seen any of them. Mr. TRAINER, after being advised of the various aliases used by these subjects, also advised that at no time had he ever received mail for anybody bearing the given names. The description of the hideout house was given in detail to MR. TRAINER and he stated that while he was personally acquainted with all of the houses at Lyndon Station, he could not recall any house which in any way answered this description. The town of Lyndon Station has a volunteer fire department. A stationary siren is attached to the fire house which sounds only at noon and this procedure has been in practice a long period of time with no variation. The town of Lyndon Station is located on a railroad line but there is very little, if any, shifting of locomotive engines. There are two churches in town but only the Catholic Church sounds its bell on Sunday to denote Mass. There are no factories located at Lyndon Station and no whistles are sounded regularly during the course of the day. The town itself is located on a regularly chartered mail route and air planes can be heard frequently passing over the town. There is only one garage at Lyndon Station and the pictures of various subjects in this case were shown to the attendant but no identification was effected.

MR. SAM ALLEN reads the electric meter in town but stated that he does not recall any house in town answering the given description. Agent, during the course of his investigation, had an opportunity to view most of the homes in town but could find none which in any way resembled the hideout house.



ELROY, WISCONSIN.

Elroy, Wisconsin, is located off the main highway from Mauston, Wisconsin, and there are no highways approaching the town. All roads entering Elroy are of a winding variety, graveled, and in very poor condition. The town itself is built on the side of a hill and, therefore, there was a possibility of some house having steps leading down to the first floor.

MR. A. LEE MARSH, postmaster at Elroy, was interviewed by agent and after viewing the pictures of the various subjects in this case, stated that he had no recollection of ever having seen any of them. MR. MARSH stated that he had lived in Elroy, Wisconsin, practically all of his life and was, therefore, well acquainted with all the houses in Elroy. He advised that he could not think of any house which answers the description of the hideout house. Mr. Marsh further advised that he does not recall any mail being received at Elroy under the names of the various aliases used by subjects.

MR. W. H. OEHLENS is the chief of the fire department at Elroy. There is a stationary siren located in Elroy but it is only sounded for regular fire calls. It is not sounded at stated intervals during the course of the day. The above siren is the only one located in this town. The sound of switch engines can be heard frequently at Elroy in view of the fact that it is a terminal and freight and passenger trains. The roundhouse whistle is sounded at 6:00 P.M.. The Elroy Creamery whistle is blown at 8:00 A.M.; 1:00 P.M.; and 4:00 P.M.. There are no factories in Elroy and no other whistles are sounded during the day. Agent was advised that occasional air planes did pass over Elroy. There are four churches located at Elroy. The Catholic Church bell is sounded daily at 7:00 A.M.; 12:00 noon; and 6:00 P.M.. The other three churches have bells which sound on Sunday morning. The two gas stations located at Elroy were visited by agent and pictures of subjects were shown to the attendants thereof by agent but no identification was effected. Agent, during the course of his investigation, had an opportunity to view practically all of the houses located at Elroy but could find none which answered, in any way, the description given of the hideout house.

GFH:TC

Re: 7-30

The following investigation looking toward the location of the hideout was conducted by Special Agent T.G.Melvin, on May 31, June 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6, 1934:

Interview was had with Mr. R.P. Kielty, postmaster, Altoona, Wisconsin, who stated that no siren can be heard in Altoona and the only whistle heard in the town is that located on the roundhouse of the Chicago Northwestern Railroad; Altoona, being a division point for this railroad; that the whistle on the roundhouse is also used as a fire alarm; that there is only one church bell in town, that being St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, which, he believes, rings only on Sundays, but that he did not know the exact time. Photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, the two BARKERS, CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, C.D. HARRIS, were displayed to Mr. Kielty, who was unable to identify the same.

Agent also interviewed Rev. M.J. Kasper, pastor of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, who stated that his church is the only one in Altoona that has a bell and that this is rung only on Sundays at 7:30 A.M., and 9:45 A.M.; that he has never heard a siren in Altoona but that he has, on occasions, heard air planes flying over the town.

Interview was had by agent with Mr. W.T. Landerger, shop foreman, Chicago, Northwestern Railroad. He stated that the whistle on the roundhouse blows at the following times:

12:00 midnight	12:00 noon
12:20 A.M.	12:55 P.M.
4:00 A.M.	1:00 P.M.
7:00 A.M.	5:00 P.M.
7:55 A.M.	7:55 P.M.
8:00 A.M.	8:00 P.M.

That this whistle blows at the times above indicated, daily, except Sunday.

Agent observed the numerous houses in Altoona, which has an approximate population of 1,000, but there appeared to be no house in Altoona which would answer the description of the Bremer hideout.

Interview was had by agent with Mr. J.B. Erblang, an accountant employed by the Northern States Power Company, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Mr. Erblang stated that the meter readers are under his supervision and that one, ODIN UDEGARD, is the meter reader covering Altoona.

Interview was had by agent with Mr. Udegard as well as Mr. E.A. EVANS, the collector for the Northern States Power Company, and they advised agent that, as far as they know, there is no house in Altoona, Wisconsin, answering the description of the BREMER hideout.

Passenger trains pass through Altoona, Wisconsin, at the following times:

1:46 A.M.	5:51 A.M.
2:00 A.M.	6:40 A.M.
2:27 A.M.	10:10 P.M.
4:45 A.M.	10:30 P.M.
	11:51 P.M.

Freight trains, departing from Altoona, are as follows:

1:45 A.M.	9:50 A.M.
2:30 A.M.	11:15 A.M.
7:45 A.M.	3:00 P.M.
8:30 A.M.	3:30 P.M.
	7:30 P.M.
	10:00 P.M.

Photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, the two BARKERS, CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, and C.D. HARRIS, were exhibited to various attendants at filling stations in Altoona, with negative results.

Agent interviewed Mr. H. LaRenzie, postmaster, Eagle River, Wisconsin, who stated that there is a stationary fire siren in Eagle River, which, in the winter months, blows at 6:00 P.M., daily, and at fires; that there is also a factory whistle that can be heard in Eagle River, which is located on the plant of the Wisconsin-Michigan Company, and which can be heard at 8:00 A.M.; 12:00 noon; and 4:00 P.M. daily; that the Catholic Church bell is heard three times daily for the Angelus, at 7:00 A.M.; 12:00 noon; and 6:00 P.M., and that this bell also rings on Sunday at 6:00 A.M.; 8:00 A.M.; 9:00 A.M., and 10:15 A.M.; that there is a Lutheran Church in Eagle River, the church bell on which is heard only on Sunday morning. Photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, the two BARKERS, CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, and C.D. HARRIS, were exhibited to Mr. LaRenzie and his clerks, FRED WOLFER, GEORGE FENTON, and LILLIAM FERGUSON. They advise that, as far as they know, these individuals have never appeared in Eagle River, Wisconsin.

Interview was had by agent with Mr. O.A. Priebe, secretary of the Eagle River Light and Water Commission, and meter reader for this organization, which is municipally owned. Mr. Priebe stated that he has been in every house in Eagle River, that has an electric meter, and ad-

vised that there is only one house in Eagle River which, in any way, answers the description of the BREMER hideout; that this house is owned by MART HIRZEL, who maintained a tavern in the basement.

Interview was had by agent with PAUL COOK, who is the superintendent of the Eagle River Light and Water Commission, and agent was advised by Mr. Cook that he knows of only one house in Eagle River which would possibly answer the description of the BREMER hideout, that being the home of MART HIRZEL, above referred to.

With Under-sheriff Dlebert McGregor, of Vilas County, agent interviewed MART HERZEL and the basement of his home was examined. This is a three room basement, two rooms being used as a tavern, the third room being bare. In the two rooms used as a tavern were located about six tables and approximately fifteen chairs. In the middle of the room was a large hot air furnace. The walls were painted and apparently had never been papered. It was observed that no toilet was located in the basement.

Interview was had by agent with Mr. FRANK HEEHN, a paper hanger, Eagle River, Wisconsin, who, after examining the sample of wall paper, identified by Victim Bremer as having been in the hideout house, stated that, as far as he knows, there is no house in Eagle River, or vicinity, in which this wall paper is found.

Interview was also had with OTTO MOLSTEAD, who, with MR. HEEHN, does practically all the paper hanging in Eagle River, and vicinity. Mr. Molstead stated, after examining the sample of the paper located in the hideout, that he had never hung this kind of paper in any house in Eagle River.

Photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, the two BARKERS, CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, and C.D. HARRIS, were exhibited to attendants at numerous filling stations in Eagle River, but agent was unable to secure any identifications.

Agent also interviewed Mr. GEORGE HALL of the Hall Lumber Company, Eagle River, Wisconsin, who advised that his company does not sell beaver board.

Interview was had by agent with Mr. PETER P. DANDONEAU, postmaster, Rhinelander, Wisconsin, who stated that, at Rhinelander, there is no stationary siren located; there is one factory whistle that is heard at 8:00 A.M.; 12:00 noon; and 4:00 P.M., daily; that this whistle is located on the factory of the Rhinelander Paper Company; that church bells

are heard at 7:00 A.M.; 12:00 noon; and 6:00 P.M., daily, these bells being rung to designate the Angelus and are located on the Catholic Church in Rhinelander; that these bells are also rung at 7:00 A.M.; 8:00 A.M.; 10:00 A.M.; 12:00 noon; and 6:00 P.M., on Sunday; that there is a German Lutheran Church located in Rhinelander, the bell of which is rung on Sunday morning only at about 11:00 A.M.. Mr. Dandoneau stated that the Wisconsin Valley Power Company is a utility company located in Rhinelander and that LESLIE BEHM is the meter reader for this company; that HERMAN WELK is the meter reader for the Oneida Gas Company. GEORGE SHANER, ALBERT BROULETTE, OSCAR GREGORY, ROY CLARK, and RAY CLARK, are the principal paper hangers located in Rhinelander. Photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, the two BARKERS, CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, and D.C. HARRIS, were displayed to MR. DANDONEAU and his mail carriers, ROBERT LITTLE, LESTER M. BYRNS, CLAUDE L. CARTER, and CHARLES HEED, together with the general delivery clerks, TRIGG ANDERSON and JOHN SCHLESINGER, but they were unable to identify the above individuals as ever having been in Rhinelander, Wisconsin.

Agent observed various houses in Rhinelander, but none appeared to answer the description of the BREMER hideout.

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Re: 7-30

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent G.J.Gross:

Portage, Wisconsin.

At Portage, Wisconsin, agent exhibited photographs of all suspects and subjects of the instant case to RUBEN GROSSMAN, R.F.D., Portage, Wisconsin, and to Deputy Sheriff Harry Hibner, Portage, Wisconsin, and to all gasoline station attendants in this city. All persons were interviewed, given descriptions, and photographs shown to all, but none of them were able to identify any of these suspects as ever having been seen by them before.

Middleton, Wisconsin.

At Middleton, Wisconsin, interview was had with Mrs. Laura R.Ort, postmaster. Mrs. Ort advised that she had received a form letter with reference to certain sounds which the victim in this case heard while confined and had answered same although she believes, at this time, that she had made a mistake in the time that the siren was blown in Middleton, she having previously stated that the siren was blown in the early morning of each day, except Sunday. However, the siren, in reality, is not blown in the morning but is blown at 6:00 P.M., each evening, except Sunday. From Mrs. Ort, names and location of other persons who might have information in this matter were obtained.

Otto Ahrens, the electric meter reader for Middleton, and vicinity, was interviewed. Agent gave a description of the hideout to Mr.Ahrens, who was unable to advise of any place which he knew, in this vicinity, which would fit same.

Ernest Carlson, water meter reader for Middleton, and vicinity, was also interviewed and the description of the hideout given Mr.Carlson who also was unable to advise of any place which he knew that would fit the description of the hideout. It was also ascertained that Herbert Scherve was the only person in Middleton, Wisconsin, who was in the wall paper business and the only one known to hang wall paper. Mr. Scherve was interviewed and shown a sample of the wall paper which has been identified as being in the room where the victim of this case was held. Mr.Scherve stated that he is certain that he has, at no time during the past several years, used this type of paper, claiming that he would absolutely remember any occasion on which he might have used this particular pattern of paper.

Agent then interviewed Orval Wittenburg, the rural mail carrier of Middleton, Wisconsin. The description of the hideout was also given to Mr. Wittenburg, who stated that he was unable to think of a single home which might fit this description. Mr. Wittenburg stated that he has been the rural carrier for approximately twelve years in this vicinity. Interview was then had with John J. Welch, fire chief, Middleton, Wisconsin, who stated that he, personally, blows a siren in Middleton, Wisconsin, each evening at 6:00 P.M., except Sundays; that the only other time that this siren is used is in event of fire.

That this arrangement was in effect during January and February, 1934. Mr. Welch further stated that, according to his records, there was a fire in Middleton, at which time the siren was blown four or five times, on Monday, January 29, 1934, there being no fire for three weeks previous to this time.

It was further noted that the Chicago, Milwaukee Railroad passes through Middleton, Wisconsin; that four trains stop at this place daily, there being other trains which pass through without stopping, during the course of each day. It was further ascertained that there was some switching of freight cars each day in the vicinity of Middleton. With reference to church bells, it was ascertained from each party interviewed that the only time a church bell is rung in Middleton, Wisconsin, is on Sunday morning, at which time the Methodist Church at this place rings its bell, there being no other churches in Middleton.

Agent then, personally, drove through each street in Middleton, Wisconsin, and around Lake Mendota, in the vicinity of Middleton, nothing being noticed which would compare favorably with the hideout description except a saloon owned and operated by CLARENCE FAUST. Upon entering the saloon of FAUST, which had steps leading down into his saloon, which is located in a basement beneath a general store, approximately one hundred yards from the Chicago Milwaukee Railroad tracks, it was noted that there were several rooms which are now used as card rooms, adjoining the saloon; that, under these rooms, there were formerly living quarters which were, according to FAUST, vacated on January 7, 1934. A driveway enters the side of this saloon and entry can be made to same, together with the rooms above described, by means of descending nine steps. It was noted that there was no wall paper on any of the rooms, however, there was a toilet located on this same floor which would favorably compare with the apparent description of the hideout. No information of any value could be obtained from CLARENCE FAUST at the time of interview other than that he knew nothing about his place of business, or the adjoining rooms, being used for any other purpose than card games, FAUST appearing nervous at the time he was questioned by agent.

Agent communicated this information to Inspector H.H.Clegg, who instructed Agent John E.Brennan to join this agent in Madison, Wisconsin, and also Special Agent R.E.Newby of the Division. On Sunday, June 3, 1934, this place, owned and operated by CLARENCE FAUST, was viewed by the writer, together with Agents Newby and Brennan, and a thorough investigation of the place conducted. It was agreed that the description of the hideout, as given by Mr.Brennan, did not fit the place above described.

Investigation was conducted at a Standard Oil Filling Station, same being the only one located in Middleton, Wisconsin, and photographs of all subjects shown the attendant at this station, who stated he was unable to identify any of these parties as having been seen by them before.

Edgerton, Wisconsin.

Agent contacted Postmaster Dickerson and from Mr.Dickerson obtained the names and location of all wall paper dealers, meter readers, and other persons to be contacted in this investigation at Edgerton, Wisconsin. While at the post office, agent contacted city carriers, there being but two of them, and two rural carriers, who operate out of the Edgerton, Wisconsin, Post Office. The description of the hideout, together with the photographs of subjects and suspects was shown to these carriers, none of whom were able to identify these parties, nor could any of them think of a place which would fit the description of the hideout as given by the victim in this case.

Agent then contacted Mr.Harry Maltress, chief of the fire department, who is also an employee of the Trailer Manufacturing Company. Mr.Maltress stated that the siren in Edgerton, Wisconsin, is blown each day at 12:00 o'clock noon, and that same was blown four or five times on January 28, 1934, at which time a fire occurred in this city. Further, that there are no whistles of any kind in Edgerton; that there are several trains of the Chicago, Milwaukee, St.Paul and Pacific Railroad, which stop at Edgerton daily. Mr.Maltress was shown photographs of the suspects and subjects of this case and given a description of the hideout, stating that he was unable to think of a place which would fit the description as given.

It was further noted that one, Martin Johnson, and Fred Clark and William F.Maves, are known to have the occupation of paper hangers in Edgerton, Wisconsin, each one being interviewed by agent and the sample of wall paper exhibited in each instance. Agent was advised by the above men that they had, at no time, handled this particular type of paper, each



claiming that if he had he would remember the occasion.

At the L.N. Pomeroy Paint Company, agent interviewed Mr. Pomeroy exhibiting the wall paper involved in this case, Mr. Pomeroy stating that he handles wall paper but that he had, at no time, handled this particular type of paper, claiming to buy all his wall paper from the Peerless Paper Company of Chicago, Illinois.

Interview was then had with Robert Burg and Harvey Davis, electric meter readers for the Wisconsin Gas and Electric Company at Edgerton, Wisconsin, and vicinity. Both of these men, upon being given a description of the hideout, stated that they know of no place in this vicinity that would fit such a description, stating further that once each month they enter each and every house in the vicinity of Edgerton, for the purpose of reading the electric meter. Photographs of the suspects and subjects of this case were shown to the above named meter readers, they claiming never to have seen any of these men previously.

Interview was then had with Mr. John Collins, superintendent of the Edgerton Water Works, Mr. Collins being the party who reads the water meters in Edgerton and vicinity. Mr. Collins was given a description of the hideout and stated that he was unable to think of any place in this vicinity which would fit the description as given him.

Agent, in company with Postmaster Dickerson, drove through each street of Edgerton, Wisconsin, observing the various houses and also over the rural routes in the vicinity of Edgerton, no places which would fit the description of the hideout being apparent.

Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin,

Interview was had with Mr. D. Q. GRAVILL, postmaster, and FRANK J. DIETZ, assistant postmaster, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin. Through the above named men, agent was able to interview the five city carriers and four rural carriers attached to the Fort Atkinson Post Office. Photographs of the suspects and subjects were shown these men and a description of the hideout, as given by the victim in this case, was also given the carriers, each one stating that they knew of no place around Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, which would fit this description, nor were they able to identify any of the suspects, or subjects, in this case as having been seen by them before. It was also ascertained that the siren in this town is blown only in case of fire. It is not blown each day for test purposes. It was further noted that the Northwestern Railroad passes through Fort Atkinson, several trains stopping at this point each day, some passing through without making stops.

Further, that there was some switching of freight cars in the vicinity of Fort Atkinson, which can be heard nearby the railroad.

As to church bells, it was ascertained that an Angelus is rung each day by the Catholic Church in Fort Atkinson, this bell, of course, ringing on Saturday evening. There are twelve churches in Fort Atkinson; that practically every one of them have church bells which are rung on Sunday morning and can be heard throughout the city proper of Fort Atkinson.

Through Mr. J. L. LEONARD, manager of the Wisconsin Gas and Electric Company, agent was allowed to interview the three electric meter readers who operate in Fort Atkinson and vicinity. Photographs of all suspects and subjects were shown these men and a description of the hideout given each of them, none of whom were able to identify any of the suspects, or subjects, nor could they think of any house which would fit the description as given by the victim in this case.

Mr. FRANK L. O'BRIEN, a water meter reader, was interviewed and description and photographs shown him, he stating that he knew of no place in Fort Atkinson, or vicinity, which would fit the description as given by the victim, nor could he identify any of the photographs of suspects, or subjects, as having been seen by him before. It was noted that the Badger Paint Company is the only store which handles wall paper in Fort Atkinson. At this place, the sample wall paper was shown the employees of the Badger Paint Company, each of whom stated that this particular type of paper had never been handled by their store. They are the only persons handling wall paper in this particular vicinity.

Agent called at each filling station in Fort Atkinson and exhibited the photographs of each suspect and subject to the attendants of these stations, none of whom were able to identify any of the photographs as persons they had previously seen.

#### Watertown, Wisconsin.

Interview was had with Mr. O. C. Wertheimer, postmaster, Watertown, Wisconsin. Mr. Wertheimer advised that Watertown has 11,000 inhabitants; that the Milwaukee Electric Railroad System and the Chicago Northwestern and the Chicago, Milwaukee St. Paul and Pacific Railroads each pass through Watertown, Wisconsin; that mail planes pass over Watertown, daily, three times each day. Through Mr. Wertheimer agent was allowed to interview his seven rural carriers and eight city carriers to whom the descriptions of the hideout and of suspects and subjects, as well as photographs, were given. None of these persons were able to identify any of the photographs, nor could any of them think of any place in the vicinity of Watertown which would fit the description of the hideout.

Interview was had with Mr. Robert Cristel, acting fire chief, who advised that the siren located in Watertown is blown only in case of fire and at no other time; that this custom was true during January and February, 1934; that on January 28, 1934, at 3:25 P.M., there was a fire in Watertown proper, at which time the siren gave one long blast, Mr. Cristel stating that he, personally, blew the siren. It was further ascertained through Mr. Cristel and persons interviewed that there is a factory whistle blown by a brewery, located in Watertown, at 7:00 o'clock each morning and 5:00 o'clock each evening. The following stores, which handle wall paper, were contacted by agent, each claiming that they had never handled the paper, as exhibited by agent, which has been identified in this case;

Albrecht's General Store  
William C. Rane Company  
Charles Heisman  
J. B. Murphy Company  
CHARLES DAVID AND SONS  
Julius Podalske.

Through Mr. E. T. Hornickle, manager of the Wisconsin Gas and Electric Company, three electric meter readers, operating under Mr. Hornickle, were interviewed, description of the hideout given them, and photographs of the suspects and subjects exhibited. None of these readers were able to identify any of the photographs, nor could they think of any house, which would fit the description as given of the hideout.

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Re: 7-30

The following investigation was made by Special Agent John E. Brennan, at Stanley, Wisconsin:

Frank Ver Weyst, chief of the volunteer fire department, stated that the stationary siren in the city hall is sounded every day, including Sunday, at 8:00 P.M., for test purposes and also in case of fire; that there is but one steam whistle in town, located on the Stanley Wooden Ware Plant, which is blown mornings and evenings. At the Stanley Wooden Ware Company it was learned that the steam whistle is blown at 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

The station agent, Soo line, advised that there are four trains per day: 12:00 M.; 12:30 P.M.; 9:30 P.M.; and 4:30 A.M.; that there are no gas electric cars on this railroad.

Martin Steivang & Lars Thompson, meter readers for the Northern States Power Company covering this territory, stated they knew of no house that would fit the description given by Bremer.

The buses running through Stanley are not equipped with air whistles.

Rev. J. Middlein of the Lutheran Church stated that the only church bells that may be heard during the week are rung at 6:00 A.M.; 12:00 M.; 6:00 P.M., at the Catholic Church.

Photos of suspects were shown at the Northwest Lumber Company, Lange's Food Shop, The Farmers Store, Korn's Sanitary Food Shop, and all filling stations, but none of them were identified as having been in Stanley, Wisconsin.

The following investigation was made by Special Agent John E. Brennan at White Hall, Wisconsin:

Miss Clara S. Erneson, postmaster, stated that the stationary siren is blown here at noon, except Sunday, and that the only whistle that can be heard in town is blown at the Trempleau County Asylum at 5:00 A.M., daily.

There are two trains daily on the Green Bay and Western Railroad: 10:32 A.M., and 1:15 P.M.; no gas electric cars. Buses operating between Maryland and Winona, and Eau Claire and La Crosse, passing through White Hall, are not equipped with air horns.

Rev. O. G. Birkeland of Our Saviors Lutheran Church stated that no church bell is rung on Saturday evening and the only bells heard on Sunday are from the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches and ring on Sunday only.

There are no water meters in town. Louis Schmutter, meter reader for the Northern States Power Company, stated he knew of no house that would answer the description given by the Victim.

Photos of suspects were exhibited at the Red and White Store, Schaeffers Market, Simonson's Market, Mobilgas, City Service and Standard Oil Stations, without identification.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan, from June 6 to 9, 1934:

H. C. Dowe, postmaster, advised that this town, which has a population of 834 people, has a siren which is blown at 7 AM, 12 noon, 1 PM and 6 PM. There are, however, no factory whistles in the town and none that can be heard here from other towns. Bangor is located one and one half miles from US Highway #16, and the only highway through the town is State Highway #162, which is a macadam road, not considered good, and has very little heavy traffic. There are two railroads through the heart of this town, one, the Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul and Pacific, being the main line from Chicago to St. Paul, Minneapolis, and the West Coast and over which numerous trains pass during the day. This is a double track. Very few of these trains stop at this town and agent observed during the course of this inquiry that many passed through during the space of a few hours. The Chicago and Northwestern, Black Hills Division, also goes through Bangor, parallel to the above named railroad. While not considered the principal line of this railroad, there are many trains each day passing over this track through Bangor. Agent was advised that most of the passenger trains pass through here during the night. Because of the speed with which some of the trains were noted to go through this town, in the day, agent made the remark to parties interviewed that most every house in town would shake when a fast train would go through at night. Various parties interviewed stated that such was so and that in the south part of town the plaster on most of the houses is cracked and needs frequent repairing. It was observed that the town is practically divided by the railroad tracks although the business district is located on the north side of the tracks.

With reference to church bells, Mr. Dowe advised that the Presbyterian, Baptist, Lutheran and Catholic Churches all have bells and that they all ring on Sunday and can be heard about the same distance. None of them ring on Saturday. This was verified through others in addition to Mr. Dowe.

John Brandt, advised that he was recently employed by the CWA and in such employment examined every house in Bangor for reassessment purposes. None of the houses in this town he stated would fit the description of the hideout. The same, he stated, would hold true of Bockland where he also performed the same work. As stated by both Mr. Dowe and Mr. Brandt, the only place where it was known that people lived in the basement was at the George Morgan home. The Morgans are an old couple and are well known and respected citizens and have not been away from Bangor in years. It was also stated that another old couple, Mr. and Mrs. S.C. Fauver, who reside about a mile out of town, north on #162, have one room fixed in the basement but this couple does not have electric lights or water in the house, and both are said to be about 90 years of age. Mr. Brandt stated that he has resided in Bangor over forty years and knows every house in the town.

Henry Ellingson, meter reader and manager of the local light plant, gave similar information to the effect that no house in town would fit the description of the hideout house. Mr. Ellingson mentioned the Morgan home and arranged so that agent accompanied him to this house for the purpose of reading the meter. This house is in the south part of town, faces south with the basement extending only about two feet above the ground at the south end but about eight feet at the north, being built on a slope. There are no steps into the house but the basement can be entered from the level. The basement is fixed into one large room which is used for a living and dining room by the Morgans. There is only a vegetable room adjoining this large living room in addition to a small furnace room wherein is an oilburner. There is however, a kitchen stove in the middle of the main room. The upstairs, that is, first floor and second floor, are well furnished and strictly modern. The Morgans use the upper floor for sleeping quarters. The reason given for the use of the basement was that it is cool in summer and warm in winter.

As a point of information, Henry Ellingson, meter reader, advised that two years ago this summer he went to Bemidji, Minnesota, and remained there until April 1933. While there he accompanied an electrician, Andy Lee, to the home on Turtle Lake of Mrs. Daniel Hogan, for

the purpose of making repairs to the electric plant at that place. She was not home at that time and the place was in control of two young men under twenty years of age. Mr. Ellingson heard at the time that the regular caretaker had left because of non-payment of wages and later did not return because he was afraid of the type of people who were staying there. Ellingson described it as a perfect hideout. He believes Andy Lee would know considerable concerning the arrangement of this place should information be wanted in the future concerning it.

The following paper hangers and interior painters in Bangor were consulted with negative results concerning both the wallpaper in question and the location of a house answering the description of the hideout:

William Fisher  
Andrew Lang  
John Freill.

Fisher advised that he did most of the commercial paper hanging in the town and sold most of the wallpaper locally.

W.E. Barnes, manager of the Bangor Lumber Company advised that beaver board of two or three different kinds was kept in stock but that the calls for it were rare and he did not sell any to any strangers at any time that he can recall.

Ray Chapiewsky of the Chapiewsky Brothers Coal Company, who handle all the coal sold and delivered in Bangor, likewise, could give no information of value.

Inquiry was made at the Tydol Filling Station, and of Arnold Gates of the Cities Service Oil Company, also of P.O. Wagner, manager of the Ford Garage where White Eagle and Mobile Gas is sold, and Louis Neidfeldt of the Chevrolet Garage, who sells Standard gasoline. Only Wagner ventured to recall having seen any of these parties and he felt certain that he had had some dealings with KARPIS but could not definitely recall the circumstances, time, or place.

Lana Meyer, telephone operator, who works till 9 PM each day could not recall ever having seen any of the persons whose photographs were shown to her. She advised that she turns on the electric siren each of the above four times mentioned and at the present time the evening curfew is blown at 8:30 PM, this being by the same siren.

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All of the above parties at Banger were shown the photographs of both BARKERS, KARPIS, DAVIS, CAMPBELL, HARRIS, WEAVER, CARROLL, GIBSON, alias GRAY, PAULA HARMON, and KATE BARKER. In addition, agent covered every street in the town making a personal outward inspection of each house but none appeared to answer the description of the hideout house. There is, at present, a canning factory operating which has a whistle but this was not in operation in January and February of this year.

At Stoddard, Wisconsin.

Arthur O. Nelson, postmaster, stated that this town which has a population of only 300 people has no siren or factory whistle and there are none that can be heard here. This town is located 13 miles south of La Crosse, Wisconsin, and is on state highway 35 which is only a gravel road and a very rough one. The main line of the Burlington Railroad runs through this town and is double track having three night passenger trains that pass through without stopping, the last one going at about 5 AM. There are many freight trains which pass through also. The town is located on the Mississippi River, that is, about a quarter of a mile away, and is more or less built on a sandbar and according to Mr. Nelson the whole town shakes and the windows in the postoffice rattle when a fast train goes through, this being noticeable in the whole town. There are two churches in the town, the Methodist and the Lutheran, both of which have church bells. The Lutheran bell rings in the forenoon on Sunday, and the afternoon the next Sunday, and the same is true of the Methodist Church which bell rings at 2 PM when it rings in the afternoon. Neither of these bells ring on Saturdays or any other time during the week except on some special occasion. Air planes pass over the town occasionally, particularly on cloudy days and seldom on clear days. There is no house in Stoddard, according to Mr. Nelson, which has a furnished basement and he knows of none that can be entered in the manner described of the hideout house.

William Burke, who is the only local party who makes a business of hanging wallpaper and painting, could not recall ever having seen the paper which was shown to him and he could not recall a house of the description of the hideout.

Joe Ronkoske, garageman, was of the opinion that some time ago he had worked on a Model T Ford Coach for VOLNEY DAVIS, who was alone in the car, but he could not recall the circumstances or time other than that it was within the past year.



James A. Wall, banker, Charles Rick, proprietor of the Skelly Oil Station, Tom Borge of the Pure Oil Station, and Lester Proches of the Standard Oil Station, could not recall having seen any of the parties herein. Mrs. S. Groth, rural mail carrier, knew an old house about three miles down the river which had a papered basement but it had no running water or electric lights.

H. Gerke, meter reader, located in care of the Northern States Power Company, La Crosse, Wisconsin, could not recall a house of the description sought although he has been in every house in Stoddard often.

Agent passed each house in this little town making an outward inspection and none were found having entrances as described by BREMER. It was learned that one, White, of De Sota, Wisconsin, had recently made the inspection of the houses for reassessment purposes but due to the other inquiry made in this case it was not considered necessary to contact him. As this is a very small town, some of the business men were present during some of these interviews and were shown the photographs of the suspects, BARKERS, DAVIS, KARPIS, CAMPBELL, WEAVER, GIBSON, KATE BARKER and PAULA HARMON, without obtaining any identification.

At Tomah, Wisconsin.

H. G. Hoag, postmaster, stated that the siren in Tomah is sounded only at 6 PM in the evening which fact was noted by agent during the time spent at Tomah. The siren also is sounded for fires but at no other time. There are four churches that have bells, the Lutheran, Catholic, Methodist, and Episcopal, and these bells are all of about the same volume and can be heard distinctly throughout the town. The Lutheran Church bell rings Saturday afternoon at 6 PM. The Indian School, which is located about a mile north of town, has a whistle which blows at noon and one PM, also at 8 AM, and about 5 PM. It is a steam whistle and blows just a short blast.

Hans Biegel, deputy sheriff, and other interviewed, stated that the Milwaukee Railroad Roundhouse also has a whistle which is blown at 8 AM, 12 noon, 1 PM, and 5 PM. Biegel and others gave a different time of the blowing of the Indian School whistle, than did the postmaster, stating that it was sounded at 5:55 AM, 6 AM, and 9 AM, 11:30 AM, 12:55 PM, 1 PM, and 5 PM, and that this is just a short blast used to summon the students to school instead of a bell. Biegel advised that he knows every house in Tomah and that none of them would fit the description of the hideout house. Postmaster Hoag was of the same opinion. With reference to air planes, these men advised that in January and February, 1934, a mail plane would pass over the town regularly at 11 AM or about that time going west and that one would pass over late in the afternoon going east, but did not seem to

have a regular time. These ceased to operate recently during the change made in the air mail program. Agent observed a mail plane going northwest about 6:30 PM, June 7, 1934.

R.G. Owen, Mr. Hendrickson, and Mr. Royston, Frank Mitteritter, and Earl Griffin, all of whom are known as paper hangers in Tomah, were unable to identify the wall paper shown to them. Mr. Owen thought that at one time he had paper answering the description of the paper in question, but was not sure and did not recall to whom he might have sold this paper. He never recalled putting any of this paper on any room.

H.J. Porter and Mr. McMullen, both of whom gather garbage from the homes in Tomah, advised that they could not recall any place that would answer the description of the hideout house. Similar information was obtained from Vern Bigelow and Mr. Davis, both of whom are engaged in the reading of meters in the city of Tomah. Mr. Davis advised that the same would hold true of the towns of Friendship, Adams, and Necedah, at which places he reads the meters, and he thinks the same is also true of Mauston, Wisconsin, where he used to read some of the meters. Mr. Drow, who reads the water meters, also gave similar information as to local houses. Mr. Pierre Aller, who had charge of the examination and measurement of houses for reassessment purposes, such work being carried on by the CWA, stated that he was in most every home in Tomah and did not find any that would answer the description of the hideout house. As stated by him and others there is only one place where the basement is used and that was formerly a speakeasy before the repeal of the prohibition law and never was furnished other than having the walls of cement blocks and one room fixed with a bar. This was in the basement of the Otto Francis home and was entered through the house itself.

Inquiry at the Tomah Lumber and Fuel Company failed to result in the identification of the suspects in this case with the purchase of wallboard, beaverboard, or fuel, from this company.

At the Ford Garage, inquiry was made of Donald and Robert Henry, Roy Steele, and a mechanic named Earl, and also at the Oakland Pontiac and Hudson Essex Garages of Bob Graewin and Clare Griggs, without obtaining any information of value. Mr. Jenke of the Chevrolet Garage could identify none of the suspects in this case. He volunteered that about three weeks ago a car, two or three years old, thought to be an old Lincoln or Hudson, with three men and a woman stopped at his station and got gas and the girl went across the street and bought three bottles of beer for the men and brought them back. One man was riding behind and Mr. Jenke said that the curtain on the side was down but he saw the man enough to feel sure that it was DILLINGER. The driver was a man he would judge to be taller than

DILLINGER, and the girl was of medium height and of slender build. Jenke stated that he called for deputy sheriff Biegel who was out at the time and he told him later about this. The car had a Minnesota license on it, and it left town going north on U.S. Highway #12. Mr. Biegel recalled discussing this with Jenke but no action was taken as it was a long time after this party had left.

Mr. Murphy of the Sinclair Oil Station, H. J. Skinner of the Standard Station and Mr. Sell of the Shell Station could not recall ever having seen any of the persons whose photographs were shown to them.

Ralph Taft of the Log Cabin Station felt sure that he had some dealing with Fred Barker about six months ago. He further stated that Fred Barker resembled the man with the driver of a Packard who stopped at this station May 11, 1934. They stopped quick at this station sliding the wheels on the pavement and backing into the station and out again when he went in after oil. This was also reported to deputy sheriff, Biegel, who called nearby towns in an effort to have the car stopped for questioning but the car was not located. Taft described this party as about 5'9" in height and about 30 years of age.

Bob Kern, proprietor of Phillips 66 Station outside of the limits of Tomah east on Us 12, stated that he was positive that he changed the oil in a car for Karpis about three weeks ago; that the car was a 1929 Pontiac Coach, powder blue color, with a trunk on the back. There were three or four parties in the car and they stayed at this station almost two hours. Kern claims that he remembers the one whom he says is Karpis because it is unusual that he gets an oil change from transients as he is outside the city limits, and that this party stayed around so long that he got many good chances to look at him. He could not describe the others except that one of them was about 60 years of age and that they were on a fishing trip. The elderly man he stated had on a hat which he pulled down over his eyes. Kern did not get the license number.

Merle Shutter of the Standard Station felt sure that he saw Campbell and Fred Barker, they being with two or three other men in a group that passed through Tomah recently. He could give no further facts or circumstances.

G. F. Krause of the Cities Service Station advised that the photographs of Doc Barker and Weaver resemble closely two men who were in his station but he cannot fix the time nor recall any other circumstances.

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Robert Lambert of the other Cities Service Station, and his helper, thought that Karpis closely resembled a man who had been in their station about a week ago looking for a ride and was dressed in overalls.

Mr. Thuro also of the Cities Service Station thought that Davis had been in that station about a month ago but could not fix the time any more definitely and could not recall the circumstances.

Mr. Gray, of the Deep Rock Filling Station, was positive that Fred Barker's picture was that of the man who had stolen some money out of the till while he, Gray, was cleaning the windshield of the car. At that time there were four in the car and they were arguing about some card game they had just had. This man kept his hand in his pocket and told Gray to stay in the filling station and not to report the matter. These men at that time were driving a Buick Master Six Sedan and had Indiana license on the car. They were going east. Gray reported it but the men were not located. This took place about a year ago.

Agent covered every street in Tomah viewing all the houses without finding any that could be entered in the manner described by Bremer. Tomah has numerous trains being located on the main line of the C.M. ST. P. & P. Railroad, both local and through trains.

At Kendall, Wisconsin.

C. G. Walter, postmaster, advised that the siren in this town sounds at 7 AM, 12 noon, and 6 PM (agent heard the noon siren) but there is no factory or other whistle that can be heard in this town. The Lutheran Church bell rings on Saturday afternoon at 5:30 PM and is the only church bell that rings on Saturday. The Catholic, Baptist, and Methodist Churches all have bells. The Catholic and Lutheran bells ring every Sunday but the other two are more or less indefinite as there is no regular pastor located in the town. The Chicago and Northwestern Railway passes through the town of Kendall. It is the Black Hills Division. There are two trains in the afternoon, a freight in the forenoon, and two night trains besides extra freights. Mr. Walter stated that there are no houses in the town that have furnished basements and he knows of no vacant houses or that were vacant in January and February of this year. Air planes pass over this town occasionally.

John Jirschle and Mrs. George Coles, who are in the wallpaper business, could not identify the wallpaper samples as any they had ever seen.

Roy Marquette who had charge of the measuring of houses for reassessment purposes in Kendall and Wilton stated that none of the houses in these two towns had furnished basements or could be entered in the manner described by Bremer. Similar information was obtained from Melvin Burger, meter reader, both the latter parties stating that they know every house in Kendall. Agent noted some houses that were built on side hills so that they had deep basements near the front but each was eliminated by these men who had made personal inspection of them. Inquiry at the Ford and Chevrolet garages, the only ones in town, and at the Mobilgas and Standard Stations, the only stations outside of the garages, failed to result in the identification of any of the suspects herein. The telephone operator who advised that she sounds the siren from her office advised that she had never seen any of the suspects in this case. Some of the local business men who were present during some of these interviews could likewise make no identification. A personal examination of all the houses in town failed to locate any that would answer the description of the hideout house.

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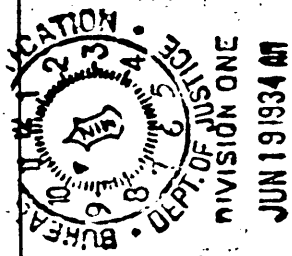
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REPORT MADE AT: <b>Chicago, Illinois</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6/15/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>5-11-16/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>K. R. McIntire - LJM</b>
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** The following towns in the state of Illinois have been investigated in an effort to locate the hideout:

Apple River Schapville Woodbine Roden Blanding Hanover Devinda Center Guilford Huntley Marengo Alden Chemung	Massbach Elmoville Pleasant Valley Galen Menominee East Dubuque Scales Mound Council Hill Woodstock Harvard Garden Prairee Big Foot Prairee
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Investigation was also conducted at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, April 23rd, 1934.

**DETAILS:** The information contained herein is reported in the form of memoranda submitted by the investigating agents as follows:

Investigation was made in the following towns by Special Agent M. F. Glynn in the State of Illinois in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout, without results: - Period, 5-11-12-14-15/1934 -

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Galena  
East Dubuque  
Menominee

Scales Mound  
Council Hill  
Guilford

Photographs of the following list of suspects were exhibited to persons shown to have been interviewed in this report:

Alvin Karpis  
Paula Harmon  
Morris Roisner  
Fred Barker  
Maurice Brown  
Curly Clause  
Mrs. Ed. Bentz  
Dorothy Slayman  
C. "Doc" Eaton  
Kate Barker

Leo Cellura  
Harry Campbell  
Eddie Bentz  
William Weaver  
Ted Bentz  
Sam Tarran  
Harry Sawyer  
Tommy Carroll  
William Weisman  
Volney Davis

Arthur Barker

The facts with reference to the hideout in this case were discussed in detail with Sheriff John E. Ehrler, Galena, Illinois. He was unable to give any information of value. He stated there was not a town in Jo Daviess County that would fit the description given by Bremer.

Galena, Illinois

The following information was secured from John E. Ehrler, Sheriff, Jo Daviess County. This town has a population of about 4500 people and is located on U. S. Highway #20, which runs between Chicago, Illinois and Dubuque, Iowa. There is no siren in the town. There are no factory whistles here and neither sirens nor whistles can be heard from nearby towns. Sheriff Ehrler was unable to identify any of suspects' photographs.

In the absence of Father Nilless, Pastor, St. Mary's Catholic Church, the janitor there was interviewed. He stated he rings the bell on St. Mary's Church at six, twelve and six daily; also at 8:00 A. M. daily during school; also rings the bell at 7:30 A. M., 8:00 A. M., 9:30 A. M., and 10:00 A. M. every Sunday. The janitor stated that the other Catholic Church in Galena did not have a bell. He stated the Lutheran Church bell rings at 6:00 P. M. on Saturdays, provided there are services next day. The janitor also stated that the Lutheran, Methodist, First Presbyterian and German Presbyterian ring bells at various times between 9:30 A.M., and 11:00 A. M. every Sunday.

John Redding, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Agent stated the eastbound Burlington train arrives at Galena 1:35 P. M. and the westbound at 4:10 P. M. He also stated his road operates a switch freight train between Galena and East

Dubuque, Illinois, which has no fixed schedule.

Thomas Houlihan, Agent, Illinois Central Railroad stated his road operates three passenger trains, east and west from here daily. He stated the eastbound trains arrive at 5:40 A. M., 12:26 P. M. and 5:23 P. M; the westbound at 5:25 A. M., 2:03 A. M. and 10:25 P. M.

L. B. Korte, Assistant Chief Clerk and Meter Readers K. Jeffery and F. Houy, Interstate Light and Power Company were shown photographs of suspects, without results. They were also shown the plans of the hideout house but were unable to give any information after viewing same.

W. J. Ehrler, Postmaster, was unable to identify suspects' photographs. He exhibited same to his clerks without results. Mr. Ehrler or his clerks were unable to recall if suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail at the Galena Post Office.

Photographs of suspects were exhibited to the following individuals without results:

Grocers

E. Alexander, Peter Speck, R. M. Bostwick,  
F. Alphileck, Miller Bros. and Mrs. Thode

Druggists

Roy Bench, A. Moes, H. Hollander

Gasoline Station Operators

Smiler Smith, W. Weise, E. M. Fedder, Robert  
Schubert

Wallpaper Hangers and Dealers

Al Bader, Charles Rosenthal, Guy Harris, Earnest  
Lind

Chief of Police, R. E. Barrett  
J. J. Warren, Galena Lumber Co.  
R. E. Stanley, Western Union Telegraph Co.

A personal inspection was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Illinois Central Railroad and Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad tracks in Galena in an effort to detect a house fitting the description of the hideout house, without results.

It should be noted that a specimen of the wall paper, said to be on the walls of the room where Bremer was held was exhibited to the wall paper hangers and dealers.

Menominee, Illinois

L. N. Kieffer, operator of the only grocery store and gasoline station here,



gave the following information: This town has a population of thirteen people and is located on a gravel county road about six miles northwest of Galena, Illinois. It is not served by a railroad, has no siren or factory whistle, has no post office - all mail is received from East Dubuque, Illinois. The Catholic Church rings a bell at 8:00 A. M., 12:00 noon and 6:00 P. M. daily; also at 8:00 A. M. and 10:00 A. M. every Sunday. Mr. Kieffer stated there are no lumber yards or paper hangers located here. He or his wife were unable to identify any of suspects' photographs.

Council Hill, Illinois

Postmaster, P. W. Merrifield, gave the following information. This town has a population of twenty people and is located on a very rough and hilly county dirt road. It has no churches, sirens or factory whistles. It is served by the Illinois Central Railroad which operates three trains east and west daily. There are no lumber yards located here. Mr. Merrifield in addition to being postmaster also operates the only store and gasoline station in town. He was unable to identify any of the photographs of suspects and could not recall if any of them had ever received mail here.

F. L. Sexton, Station Agent, Illinois Central Railroad was unable to recognize any of suspects' photographs.

The six houses in Council Hill were noted and none of them appeared to fit the description of the hideout house.

East Dubuque, Illinois

City Marshall, Frank Foht, gave the following information:- This town has a population of 1300 people and is located on U. S. Highway #20 just east of Dubuque, Iowa, on the banks of the Mississippi. There is a toll bridge between Dubuque and East Dubuque. There is a siren located here which blows only in case of fire. There are no factory whistles located here and none can be heard from nearby towns. The Methodist Church rings a bell at 9:30 A. M. and 10:00 A. M. every Sunday. No bells are rung on Saturday afternoon or evening. Very often it is possible to hear an aeroplane in this vicinity. However, Foht believes the plane to be privately owned by a Dubuque, Iowa citizen. Foht was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him. He likewise was unable to give any information regarding the hideout. He stated that this phase of the case had been previously discussed with him by another Agent.

Postmaster, J. E. Heffron and his clerks were shown suspects' photographs without results. Neither Mr. Heffron nor his clerks could recall suspects ever having received mail under their proper names or aliases.

D. C. Jeffrey, Telegraph Operator, Illinois Central Railroad gave the following list of trains passing daily through East Dubuque:

Illinois Central Railroad

Eastbound (Passenger)                      Westbound (Passenger)  
3:17 A.M., 11:59 A.M., 4:58 P.M.      5:44 A.M., 2:25 P.M., 10:45 P.M.

Eastbound (Freight)                      Westbound (Freight)  
6:47 A.M., 12:17 P.M., 3:57 P.M.      2:50 A.M., 11:10 A.M., 5:35 P.M.  
7:25 P.M. and 12:30 A.M.              12:40 P.M.

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad

Eastbound (Passenger)                      Westbound (Passenger)  
3:16 A.M., 4:12 A.M., 4:30 A.M.      4:51 A.M., 2:51 A.M., 3:40 P.M.,  
12:56 P.M., and 2:35 P.M.              4:51 P.M., 11:52 P.M.

Eastbound (Freight)                      Westbound (Freight)  
5:30 A.M., 5:24 P.M.                      8:45 A.M., 6:52 P.M.

Chicago Great Western Railroad

Eastbound (Passenger)                      Westbound (Passenger)  
4:11 A. M., 1:51 A. M.                      5:20 A. M., 10:54 P. M.

Eastbound (Freight)                      Westbound (Freight)  
6:52 A.M., 8:05 A.M., 2:25 P.M.      8:39 A.M., 4:29 A.M., 2:05 P.M.,  
6:50 P.M., 9:20 P.M.                      3:50 P.M.

Mr. Jeffrey stated there is considerable switching done in the yards in East Dubuque.

Photographs of suspects were exhibited to the following individuals without results:

Wall paper Dealers & Hangers  
W. A. Henry, Louis Kemler, John O'Rourke,  
Robert Chapman

A. J. Strands, Manager  
Meuser Lumber Company

Grocers  
Andy Gaffmand, H. Verburt, M. Farnam

Gasoline Station Operators  
Charles Callaghan and Mickey McGuire

A. L. Degenhardt, Zillig & Gertner Drug Store stated when shown suspects' pictures that a party who was a "dead ringer" for Volney Davis came into his store on May 8th, 1934 and purchased a package of Bull Durham tobacco. That this individual wore overalls, a white shirt opened at the collar exposing the upper part of his chest, which he noticed had considerable dark hair. Degenhardt stated he did not

pay any attention to this individual after he had left the store and therefore was not in a position to state which direction he went or his mode of travel.

A personal inspection was made of houses in the vicinity of railroad tracks in East Dubuque and it was found that all of said houses were more or less shacks and did not fit the description of the hideout house.

M. F. Houlihan, Station Agent and Western Union Telegraph Operator was shown suspects' photographs, without results.

The individual who reads the meters in East Dubuque, Illinois, works for the Dubuque, Iowa Gas & Electric Company. Said individual's name is unknown. The office of the above-named Company was closed when Agent called there and Agent had to leave Dubuque on a Sunday afternoon before said office was opened. Therefore should the St. Paul Office believe it advisable to call on above Company it may do so when next an Agent is in Dubuque, Iowa.

Scales Mounds, Illinois

Postmaster, L. H. Richards, gave the following information:- This town has a population of 388 people and is located on a rough, hilly, county dirt road about twelve miles northeast of Galena, Illinois. There is a siren located here which blows daily at noon only and also in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and none can be heard from nearby towns. The Methodist and Presbyterian Churches ring bells at 9:30 A. M., 10:00 A. M., 10:30 A. M., and 11:00 A. M. every Sunday and at no other time.

Mr. L. H. Richards or his clerk were unable to identify suspects' photographs. They were unable to recall if any of them had ever received mail under their proper names or aliases. Mr. Richards was unable to give any information relative to the hideout after this phase of the case had been discussed with him.

J. R. Sims, Station Agent, Illinois Central Railroad gave the following information relative to train schedules:

Eastbound (Passenger)	Westbound (Passenger)
4:03 A.M., 12:46 P.M., 5:48 P.M.	4:59 A.M., 1:39 P.M., 10:03 P.M.
Eastbound (Freight)	Westbound (Freight)
8:00 A.M., 1:59 P.M., 5:08 P.M., 8:55 P.M., 3:00 A.M.	1:45 A.M., 10:45 A.M., 3:55 P.M., 10:30 P.M.

Photographs of all suspects were exhibited to the following individuals, without results:

Grocers  
E. Grebner and E. S. Bray

Gasoline Station Operators

C. H. Knapp, Dudley Beckwith, R. J. Gessner,  
M. G. Rittweger

E. C. Rummell, Manager, Barker Lumber Company  
J. R. Lambe, Wall paper dealer and hanger

There are no druggists located in this town.

R. W. Manton, Illinois Northern Utility Company, was unable to recognize any of the photographs shown to him. He was likewise unable to give any information regarding the hideout after having viewed the hideout house plans.

J. R. Sims, Station Agent and Western Union Telegraph Operator, was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him.

Miss Daniels, Telephone Operator, was unable to identify the photographs shown to her. She stated she blew the town siren daily but had no record of a fire being in Scales Mounds on January 28th, 1934.

Investigation was made in the following towns in the State of Illinois by Special Agent M. F. Glynn in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout, without results: -  
Period May 15th and 16th, 1934:

Apple River  
Schapville  
Woodbine  
Roden  
Blanding

Hanover  
Derinda Center  
Massbach  
Elmville  
Pleasant Valley

Apple River, Illinois

Mrs. F. Craig, Assistant Postmaster, gave the following information:- This town has a population of 400 people and is located on a rough and hilly county dirt road. It has a siren which blows at 12:00 noon daily and at no other time except in case of fire. It has no factory whistles and none can be heard from nearby towns. The Methodist and Presbyterian Church bells ring at 9:30 A. M., and 10:00 A. M., every Sunday. None of the Church bells ring at any other time during the week.

Mrs. Craig was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to her; neither was she able to recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, had ever received any mail in Apple River. Mrs. Craig was unable to give any information regarding the hideout.

The Illinois Central Railroad Station Agent at this point gave the following information relative to train schedules:

Eastbound (Passenger)  
4:30 A.M., 1:00 P.M.,  
6:00 P.M.

Westbound (Passenger)  
5:20 A.M., 1:50 P.M.,  
10:50 P.M.

Eastbound (Freight)  
8:30 A.M., 2:00 P.M.,  
6:10 P.M., 9:00 P.M.

Westbound (Freight)  
2:00 P.M., 10:30 A.M.,  
3:55 P.M., 2:04 A.M.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

Grocers

Mrs. Stadel, E. A. Estorf, George Dittmar

Gasoline Station Operators and Garage Men

George Dittmar, Chris Steignor, James Russell

James Hummel, Manager, Apple River Lumber Co.  
J. R. Kruse, Meter Reader, Northern Illinois Utility Co.  
John Blaine, F. R. Knox, paper hangers and dealers  
Station Agent, Illinois Central Railroad, who is also  
the Western Union Telegraph Operator

The Town Marshal, who works only at night, was in Galena, Illinois, during this visit. There are no druggists or water works in this town.

Personal inspection was made of the houses in the vicinity of the Illinois Central Railroad tracks to determine if any of them fitted the description of the hideout house, without results.

Schappville, Illinois

Tony Schapp, grocery store and gasoline station proprietor, gave the following information:- This town has a population of twelve people and is located about eighteen miles east of Galena, Illinois, on a very rough, hilly, county, dirt road. It has no post office, railroad, siren, factory whistle. The Lutheran Church bell rings at 6:00 P. M. on Saturday and at 9:00 and 11:00 on Sunday morning. There are no drug stores, garages, wall paper dealers or hangers located here. Mr. Schapp or his son were unable to identify photographs shown to them.

Mrs. Mary Schultz, grocer, was unable to identify the photographs shown to her.

Personal observation was made of the five houses in this town and it was noted that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house. There are no lumber yards located here either.

Woodbine, Illinois

Postmaster, W. F. Hermann, gave the following information. This town has a population of one hundred people and is located on U. S. Highway #20, about seventeen miles east of Galena, Illinois. It has no siren or factory whistle.

The Evangelical Church bell rings at 7:30 P. M. on Thursday and at 9:30 and 11:00 every Sunday morning and at no other time. It is not possible to hear other sirens, factory whistles or church bells from nearby towns. This town is served by the Chicago Great Western Railroad, which operates two trains daily at 3:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. It also operates a local freight train through here about noon daily.

Mr. Hermann was unable to identify photographs shown to him; neither was he able to recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail in Woodbine. Mr. Hermann was unable to give any information regarding the hideout.

Photographs of suspects were shown to the following people, without results:

Grocers

W. F. Hermann and N. W. Rider

Gasoline Station Operators and garage owners

Frank Fisher, Abe Dittmar and Robert Dittmar

Albert Heidenreich, wall paper dealer and hanger

There are no water works, no town marshal and no lumber yards in this town. It should be noted that Robert Dittmar, above-mentioned, is also the meter reader for the Interstate Light & Power Company.

Personal observation was made of the few houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

Roden, Illinois

Postmaster, R. A. Semrow, gave the following information:- This town has a population of twenty-four people and is located on a very rough and hilly county dirt road about fifteen miles southeast of Galena, Illinois. It has no churches, sirens, factory whistles, lumber yards, water works, paper hangers or dealers, drug stores or town marshals. It is served by the Chicago & Great Western Railroad which operates passenger trains through here at 2:25 P. M., and 4:40 A. M. daily.

In addition to being postmaster, Mr. Semrow is also the proprietor of the only store, garage and gasoline station in town. He is also the Station Agent on the Chicago & Great Western Railroad. Neither Mr. Semrow or the two farmers who were with him during this interview were able to recognize any of the photographs shown to them. Mr. Semrow could not recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail in Roden. Mr. Semrow was unable to give any information regarding the hideout.

Personal observation was made of the houses in this town and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

Blanding, Illinois

Mrs. E. Sandin, proprietor of the only house in this hamlet, gave the following information: - The population of this hamlet is five people and is located on a very rough and hilly county dirt road about twenty miles southeast of Galena, Illinois. The main line of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad runs through here. However, none of the trains stop here. The town has no churches, sirens or factory whistles. There are no other stores of any kind in town; no gasoline stations or garages; in fact, as previously stated, Mrs. Sandin's store is the only building in town. Photographs were shown to Mrs. Sandin and to the mail carrier, Richard Cliff, who had just arrived from Hanover, Illinois, with the mail, without results.

Hanover, Illinois

Postmistress, Mrs. May Williams, gave the following information:- This town has a population of 700 people and is located near the Mississippi River on a very rough and hilly county dirt road some sixteen miles south of Galena, Illinois. The siren here blows only in case of fire. The factory whistle blows at 7:00 A. M. and 3:00 P. M. daily, except Sunday. None of the three churches bells ring during the week. However, they ring on Sunday morning at various intervals between 8:00 A. M. and 11:00 A. M. This town is served by the Little Hanover Railroad, which is a spur track of the Chicago Great Western Railroad. One train a day is operated on this line. It leaves Hanover at 2:00 P. M. and returns at 4:00 P. M.

Mrs. Williams or her clerk were unable to identify any of the photographs shown to them; neither were they able to recall any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever having received mail in Hanover. Mrs. Williams was unable to give any information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following individuals, without results:

Grocers

J. H. Graham, C. H. Bray, E. C. Binniger,  
J. J. Miller

Gasoline Station Operators & Garage Owners

A. R. Spear, C. F. Graham, Edward Linage

Druggists

R. W. Stakes, John Davis

Wall paper Dealers & Hangers

Edward Linage, Thomas Wright

Meter Reader, William Hunt  
W. L. Linage, Hanover Lumber Company  
H. S. Hunt, Town Marshal

There are no water works in this town. Personal observation was made of all the houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks and it was found that none of said houses fitted the description of the hideout house.

Derinda Center, Illinois

Frank Hass, proprietor of the only store and house in town, gave the following information:- The population is five people - no churches, railroads, factories, sirens, drug stores, lumber yards, wall paper dealers. This town is located on a very rough and hilly county dirt road about eighteen miles south of Galena, Illinois. Mr. Hass or his wife were unable to identify any of the photographs shown to them.

Massbach, Illinois

In the absence of Postmistress, Miss Sophia Geidler, Emil Haring, the proprietor of the only store in town, gave the following information:- This town has a population of thirty people and is located on a rough and hilly dirt county road about twenty miles southeast of Galena, Illinois. The Lutheran Church bell rings on Sunday mornings only, at 9:30 and 10:00 o'clock. This town has no railroad, factory whistle, siren, drug store, lumber yard, water works, wall paper dealer, garage or town marshal.

Mr. and Mrs. Haring; John Lord, Meter Reader, and Thomas Gates were shown pictures, without results.

Personal observation was made of all houses in this town and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

It should be noted that the writer arrived in the town about noon and the Postmistress was not expected to return until about 6:00 P. M. in the evening.

Elmville, Illinois

George V. Gothard, proprietor of the only house here, was shown photographs of suspects. He was unable to identify any of them. This is an inland town with a population of six people. Gothard operates the only store in the place. There is no post office or any other building there.

Pleasant Valley, Illinois

This is an inland town. It has no post office and Mrs. Byers, the owner of the only house here, failed to identify any of the photographs. The population is four people.



The following investigation was conducted on May 11th and 12th, 1934, by Special Agent J. A. Murphy:

Garden Prairee, Illinois:

This is a town of two hundred population, situated in Boone County on U. S. Highway #20 and is served by the Chicago & North Western Railroad. Horace Porter, husband of the Postmistress, stated that only two trains pass through here each day - the eastbound, due at 5:40 A. M. and the westbound at 10:15 A. M. There is also an occasional freight train passing through.

There is a factory in Garden Prairee known as the United Milk Products Company, which has a whistle which blows at 7:00 A. M., noon, 1:00 P. M., and 5:00 P. M. However, this whistle was not in operation during January or February of this year. There is no siren here and neither whistles nor sirens from elsewhere can be heard here.

There are two Congregational churches which have bells that ring Sunday mornings but not on Saturdays.

Mr. Porter was shown the available photographs and a list of the names and the aliases of the subjects of this case with negative results. C. C. Hendrickson and H. C. Gooch, who operate the two stores in Garden Prairee were likewise unable to identify any of the photographs. Mr. Porter, who performs the duties of the postmaster, stated that there is no house in Garden Prairee which possesses the characteristics incident to the Bremer hideout.

Harvard, Illinois

This is a town of 3300 population, located in McHenry County at the junction of State Highway #173 and U. S. Highway #14. The Chicago & NorthWestern Railroad operates several trains through here.

Previous investigation conducted at Harvard is reflected in the reports of Special Agent K. R. McIntire dated at Chicago, March 15th, 1934, page 14, and March 29th, 1934, page 23.

A schedule of trains, all of which stopped at Harvard as of January 1934 was obtained from T. O'Connor, Station Agent:

<u>East Bound</u>	<u>West Bound</u>
5:08 A.M.	12:02 A.M.
5:47 "	1:38 "
6:08 "	1:46 "
6:10 "	3:14 "
7:02 "	3:35 "
8:03 "	11:18 "
9:45 "	11:21 "
1:16 P.M.	3:05 P.M.
2:03 "	4:50 "
4:28 "	5:33 "

<u>East Bound</u>		<u>West Bound</u>
5:36 P. M.	freight	6:14 P. M.
6:03 "		6:30 "
7:32 "		7:18 "
10:40 "		11:50 "
		11:52 "

Photographs were shown to Mr. O'Connor but he was unable to recall ever having seen any of the people.

R. B. Cook, Acting Postmaster, stated that there is only one factory whistle at Harvard which was in operation January last and that blew as follows:

7:00 A. M., one blast; 7:55 A. M., two blasts; 8:00 A. M., one blast; 12:00 noon, one blast; 12:55 P. M., two blasts; 1:00 P. M., one blast; and 5:00 P. M. one blast.

This whistle is located on the "Starline Inc." factory.

There is one siren here, that being located on the fire station. It blows only at noon on Saturday and on occasions of fires, when the blast is continuous and of long duration. Whistles or sirens located in other cities and towns cannot be heard in Harvard.

There are four churches here with bells; namely, Catholic, German Lutheran, Methodist and Presbyterian. The bells toll only on Sunday mornings and never on Saturday.

Considerable switching is performed here, generally during the entire day and during most of the night.

During January an airplane passed over Harvard at approximately 5:30 P. M. each evening.

Mr. Cook was furnished with the data concerning the Bremer hideout. He stated that he cannot think of any house in Harvard which would suit this description. The several letter carriers of this post office were likewise asked if they knew of any such house but they, too, answered in the negative. Mr. Cook was unable to identify either the photographs or names presented to him.

Hugh Wakeley (not Wigley as previously reported) who is in charge of the Harvard office of the Illinois Northern Utilities Company, substantiated the information as to whistles, etc. furnished by Mr. Cook. The Harvard office covers the towns of Harvard, Channing, Capron and Poplar Grove. The two meter readers who cover this territory both as to gas and electricity - William Holliday and J. R. Robertson - were interviewed and a thorough picture of the hideout, as far as is known, was given to them. They claim to be familiar with every house in their district and stated that they are "positive no house in our district has

the characteristics of the Bremer hideout." The photographs and sample of wall paper were not recognized by Messrs. Wakely, Holliday or Robertson, although Holliday thinks he has seen "Curly Clause" and "Maurice Brown", whose photographs were among those submitted. He could not, however, give any definite information in this regard; and Johnson thinks that he has seen "Harry Campbell" in either Harvard or Crystal Lake but he, too, could not elaborate on this or furnish any idea as to when or where he may have seen him.

Mr. Holliday stated that there is a house in the southeast end of Woodstock, Illinois, which has most of the characteristics of the Bremer hideout. He described its location as at the southeast end of Woodstock and while going south on U. S. Highway #14, it is across the railroad tracks to the left, just before a sharp bend to the right on the highway; it is a square house of two stories and a basement.

C. E. Nelson of the National Tea Company and G. Veit of the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, both located in Harvard, were shown the various photographs with negative results.

Agent examined each house for four blocks on either side of the railroad tracks in Harvard, but only one was found having an entrance from the outside to the basement or cellar. This was at the corner of W. Park and S. Eastman Streets. However, Mr. Holliday of the Illinois Northern Utilities Company informed Agent that although this place presents the outward appearances of the Bremer hideout, as it is understood, the stairway in this instance leads to a boiler room. The remainder of the cellar is unfinished and he knows that it was in this same condition during January and February.

#### Chemung, Illinois

This is a community of 155 people. It is situated in the Northwest corner of McHenry County, on State Highway #173. The Chicago & North Western Railroad runs through here and the following is the schedule of trains for January last:

<u>Eastbound</u>	<u>Westbound</u>
7:40 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
2:00 P. M.	11:50 A. M.
6:40 P. M.	5:00 P. M.
	5:40 P. M.

Mr. C. E. Ambler, Postmaster, advised that there is one factory whistle in this town which blew in January at 7:00 A. M., noon, 1:00 P. M. and 5:00 P. M. It is located on the plant of the Dean Evaporated Milk Company. There is no siren here and neither whistle nor siren located elsewhere can be heard in Chemung, except that the siren located on the fire station in Harvard can be heard in Chemung every Saturday at noon.

Airplanes were heard over Chemung about 5:00 P. M. each day in January. Mr. Ambler

believes one went east and the other west.

There is only one church here, a Methodist, which has bells and they are rung on Sunday morning only. Mr. Ambler stated that no house in Chemung answers to the description of the Bremer hideout. Agent personally examined the few houses here and none appeared to be a likely prospect. Mr. Ambler failed to identify any of the photographs shown to him.

Big Foot Prairie, Illinois

This is a small place of 75 population, located at the northwest end of McHenry County, adjacent to Wisconsin, and on U. S. Highway #14.

Ray Wilkinson, the Postmaster, stated that the nearest railroad is two and one-half miles away and trains passing cannot be heard as a rule. Neither can factory whistles nor sirens be heard. In January a mail plane going northwest flew overhead at about 5:00 P. M. each day. There are not any church bells here.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that there is no house in Big Foot Prairie answering to the description of the Bremer hideout. Both he and Russell Woodrich, Manager of the local Red Crown Gas Station, failed to identify any of the photographs exhibited to them.

Woodstock, Illinois

With reference to the house in the southeast part of Woodstock which Mr. Holliday of the Illinois Northern Utilities Company furnished as a suspicious one, Agent inspected this place and found it to be located on a hill off a side road and about 300 feet from the railroad. Approach is made to the basement of this two-story, gray, wooden house by descending on three stone steps located at the rear. After descending, there is a space of about six feet before entrance to a combination kitchen and living-room. By looking through the windows it could be observed that none of the rooms was furnished or papered except the living room, which was exceedingly dirty and untidy. A very elderly woman lives here but does not occupy any except this living-room.

An Italian family living across the road advised Agent that this old lady was born in this house and for many years has lived there as a hermit and resents the presence of any strangers. There is no modern plumbing in this house. This Italian family is positive no strangers have ever been around or in the house in question.

Huntley, Illinois

This is a town of 520 population, situated in the southern part of McHenry County about seven miles from paved roads, which are state highways five and nineteen. The Chicago & Northwestern Railroad runs through here. There are only two trains passing through each day, one going east at 6:02 A. M. and the other west at 11:15 A. M. There is no train switching.

Postmaster Raymond J. Kelley stated that there are neither factory whistles nor sirens in this town and none can be heard. The Chicago-Rockford plane can be heard overhead at 10:00 A. M. and the eastbound plane at 4:00 P. M. This was true in January. There are no lumber stores, wall paper stores or paper hangers here. There are only three stores. Mr. Kelley was unable to identify the photographs shown to him or recall any of the names or aliases of the various subjects of this case. He stated there is no house in Huntley answering the description of the Bremer hideout.

W. L. Farley, Mrs. Vann Ness, and W. H. Smith, who operate the only three stores in Huntley could not identify any of the photographs.

Agent made a personal inspection of all the houses in Huntley. No likely one was found.

Marengo, Illinois

Previous investigation relative to this city will be found on page 2 of the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated at Chicago, Illinois, March 2nd, 1934.

This is a city of 2000 population, situated in the southwest part of McHenry County at the intersection of State Highways Nos. 5 and 23.

Photographs of the various suspects and associates in this case were shown to the following individuals:

Paul Metcalfe - Postmaster  
C. F. Kitchen, Clerk at the post office  
T. W. Abell, local manager of the J. H. Patterson Lumber Company  
C. E. Havens of Havens Drug Store  
Penn Oil Station - Standard Oil Station  
E. J. Carlson of the A. & P. Tea Company  
Frank Mack of the local hardware store

None of the above recognized any of the photographs submitted.

Frank Mack sells wall paper and he was shown a sample of the wall paper which was in the Bremer hideout but he could not recall ever having seen such a pattern and is positive he never carried it. The above individuals are the regular clerks in the only stores in Marengo. There are no wall paper hangers here. Postmaster Metcalfe stated that the residents of this vicinity do their own papering, excepting those who employ either of the two paper hangers in Harvard, Illinois. There are only two lumber concerns here which are included above.

Postmaster Metcalfe stated that for twenty years he delivered ice in Marengo and he can say with certainty that there is not any house here which answers the description of the Bremer hideout. He consulted his carriers, however, and they

denied knowing of the layout in question.

William Bruyn, local manager of the Illinois Northern Utilities Company, was shown the photographs with negative results. He was likewise unable to recall ever seeing wall paper similar to that shown to him by Agent. He could not think of any house in or near Marengo having the essentials of the Bremer hideout. He read meters in Marengo and vicinity for ten years ending in 1932.

Harold Ward and Carl Ferguson, the two present meter readers who have been covering Marengo, Union and Huntley, Illinois for several years were shown the photographs and wall paper and informed in detail of the Bremer hideout layout. They, too, could not identify or recall the photographs or wall paper pattern and were unable to detect one having an entrance leading below the ground level.

#### Woodstock, Illinois

Previous investigation relative to this city may be found on page 23 of the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated at Chicago, March 29th, 1934, and on page 14 of Agent McIntire's report dated at Chicago April 7th, 1934.

Photographs of the suspects and associates in this case were shown to the clerks at the several stores in Woodstock with negative results. There is only one store carrying wall paper, namely, the Bohn Hardware Company. The wall paper in question was never handled at this store, according to Mrs. C. E. Bohn, the proprietor.

The only two lumber companies here are the Dacy Lumber Company and Hall & Eckert Lumber Company. Photographs were shown to Messrs. D. F. and P. E. McConnell of the former concern and W. H. Eckert of the latter, with negative results.

The only paper hanger in Woodstock is David Rattray of 343 Vine Street, who was shown the wall paper and he stated that he has never hung anything of that type and has not seen it anywhere.

Agent presented the photographs to the attendants of the following gas stations in Woodstock and vicinity, with negative results: Shell, Texaco, Standard and Sinclair.

Agent inspected each house in Woodstock without observing any having steps leading down from the ground and having other attendant features incident to the Bremer hideout. One house in Woodstock was carefully examined by Agent, as noted previously.

It may be further noted that the photographs were exhibited to Postmaster Lucy H. Renich, who was unable to identify any of them.

Harvard, Illinois

Previous investigation in this city is set out in the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated at Chicago, Illinois, March 15th, 1934, page 14 and Agent McIntire's report dated at Chicago, March 29th, 1934, page 23. Investigation has also been conducted by this Agent at Harvard recently and the following is supplementary thereto:

There are two lumber companies here, namely, Lake & Harris Lumber Company and W. D. Hall & Company. J. M. Harris of the former and W. D. Simons of the latter were shown the photographs of the suspects and associates in this case but they could not identify them.

The only store carrying wall paper is Marshall Hardware Company. J. C. Harris, the proprietor, was shown a sample of the wall paper and the photographs, with negative results in each case. There are only two paper hangers here; namely, Clifton Staab and Neil Hawver, both of whom were shown the wall paper and the photographs, with negative results.

The photographs were also exhibited to clerks in the following drug stores: Baird Brothers, Rexall Drug and Richardson Drug, these being the only remaining ones in Harvard.

As stated before, Agent made a careful examination of the outside of each house in Harvard but could find none with the necessary aspects.

Alden, Illinois

This is a town of 170 population, located in the northwestern section of McHenry County on State Highway #173 and served by the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad. L. G. Nigh, who is postmaster and operates the only store in Alden, stated that in January and February there were only two passenger trains and an occasional freight train passing through here each day, and no switching is done. The westbound train was due at 10:30 A. M. and the eastbound at 2:30 P. M. The freight trains generally passed through at 2:00 A. M. and 9:45 P. M. There is neither a factory whistle nor siren here and none can be heard. There is only one church but it hasn't bells. There are neither lumber companies, wall paper supplies, nor paper hangers in Alden. There is but one gasoline station located off the highway, operated by Irvin and Glenn Bartelmy. Postmaster Nigh was unable to recognize either the names or photographs of the suspects. He felt sure there is no house here answering the description of the Bremer hideout. The photographs were shown to Irvin and Glenn Bartelmy of the local gasoline station with negative results.

There are forty-six houses in Alden, all of which were inspected from the outside by Agent but no likely one was observed.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. G. Gillespie:

Madison, Wisconsin - 5/13/34

An informant stated to Agent Gillespie that about two years ago a man by the name of Touhy came to Madison, Wisconsin from Chicago, Illinois and built a roadhouse about two miles south of Madison; that he understood the building cost about \$23,000.00; that the place was operated by some connection of the Roger Touhy gang of Chicago; that the place had a shady reputation and was presently being run by a man by the name of Touhy. Informant stated that while he had no definite facts he strongly suspected that this was the place where Edward George Bremer was held captive by his kidnapers.

Agent visited the above mentioned place, which is located on highway 12-18 and is situated about two miles south of the city of Madison; Lake Monona lies about 400 yards north of the Garden Lunch, the name of the Roadhouse, and the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad main line runs between the lake and the Garden Lunch; about two miles away is the Madison Municipal Airport, which serves as a stopping place for the Northwest Airways Line. The building is a two-story brick and stucco structure. Entrance is made into the bar-room, the bar being to the left and the balance of the large room being used as a dining room where patrons are served meals.

A woman appearing to be about forty years old, reddish blond hair, scar on left side of face, fair complexion, and identified later as the wife of the proprietor, waited on the bar. To the rear of the Garden Lunch is an infrequently used road that forms a V with Highway 12-18. The rear of the building is on a lower level than the front and there is a drive-in garage underneath the rear of the building. Agent was unable to observe whether there were any rooms on the basement floor other than the garage. To enter the main floor from the rear there are about ten steps up made of wood. Entry to the basement floor apparently would be made through the garage door, which is on the rear ground level.

Captain Howard Mowery, Manager, Municipal Airport, Madison, Wisconsin, stated that his place of business is about two miles from the Garden Lunch and that the place has been known as a hideout for criminals. Captain Mowery stated that for the past six months the place has been apparently very quiet and during this latter period he had not heard anything concerning the place.

Sheriff Fred T. Finn, Dane County, residence at County Jail, Madison, Wisconsin, stated that the Garden Lunch was built about two years ago by William Toey (not Touhy) and that he understood William Toey was a brother or cousin of Roger Touhy of Chicago; that Toey and his wife and sixteen-year old daughter came from Chicago and paid \$22,000.00 cash in the construction of Garden Lunch; that on one or two occasions he was suspicious of the place and on one occasion about a half year ago an informant told him to watch the place as a certain car was coming into the place frequently and would always remove the license plates as soon as it arrived; that the place was watched for several weeks but nothing was learned. Sheriff Finn stated that he had seen Toey, who is a small, slender built man with sandy hair and partly bald.



By letter dated May 11th, 1934, Jack Cusack, Police Officer, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, informed this office that he believed a house to be located in his vicinity which would answer the description of the hideout. Accordingly the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Rice of this office:

J. R. Hopkins, Officer, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, was contacted by Agent Rice concerning the information he had furnished by letter to the Chicago Office. Hopkins stated that several months ago, Deputy Sheriff, Cecil Gardiner, at Elkhorn, Wisconsin, advised him that Agent Brown had contacted their office at Elkhorn and had furnished certain information relative to the characteristics of a hideout in which a victim in a recent kidnaping had been held. Hopkins advised that he was well acquainted with the country surrounding Lake Geneva and with the information furnished him by Deputy Sheriff Gardner, he believed that some of the characteristics suited a house located on the William Wrigley, Jr. estate, which is near Lake Geneva.

Agent accompanied officer Hopkins to the Wrigley estate where I. D. Bailey, the manager of same, was located and permission was granted to examine the estate. This estate is situated about two miles west of Lake Geneva on what is known as the "Old Snake Road" and which is reached by proceeding one mile west on State Highway #50 from Lake Geneva. Inspection of the house officer Hopkins had reference to, disclosed that same is the servant quarters of one of the guest houses on the estate and is located at the entrance to the estate. This house was built in 1930 and has a basement, four rooms on the first floor and two rooms on the second floor, same having not been occupied since last summer. The floor plan in no way is similar to that furnished by the victim. The walls of this house are painted and it is heated by an oil furnace. It would be impossible to hear automobile traffic on State Highway #50 due to the fact that a hill separates the distance of about half a mile; neither could any noises similar to those of a locomotive be heard as the railroad is one and a half miles from the estate. There is hardly any automobile traffic on Old Snake Road.

Mr. Bailey stated that he lives on the estate, which consists of eighty acres on Lake Geneva, and it is his duty to inspect each day all the houses that are not occupied. Inspection of the houses on the estate disclosed that none of them contain any of the distinguishing elements reflected in the victim's statement; also, that further investigation disclosed none of the outstanding noises present.

Photographs of Subjects and their associates were exhibited to Mr. Bailey and Officer Hopkins but they were not successful in identifying any of them as parties known to them.

Mr. Bailey stated that he has been employed by his present employer, Mr. Wrigley, since 1917. It was ascertained that Mr. Bailey has an excellent reputation in this community and has never been known to associate with questionable characters.

The following memorandum is submitted by Special Agent T. E. Billings:

On May 12th, 1934, Mr. H. F. Brueggemann, Fire Chief of Tinley Park, Illinois, called at the Chicago Division Office and advised Special Agent T. E. Billings that he had received a letter from the St. Paul Division Office, making inquiry as to whether on January 28th, 1934 a fire had occurred at that place and if so, whether or not the siren was sounded on that date.

Mr. Brueggemann advised that Tinley Park is approximately twenty-three miles out of Chicago on the Rock Island Railroad; that there is no railroad yard in the town, but that there is a side track on which locomotives switch cars on each day of the week. This switching is done one day in the morning and the following day in the evening. Trains on the Rock Island Railroad run into Chicago at 6:50 A.M., 9:26 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 12:18 P.M., 2:34 P.M., 4:05 P.M., 6:30 P.M., and 9:50 P.M.; and trains run out of Chicago through Tinley Park at 1:20 A.M., 2:00 A.M., 8:10 A.M., 12:36 P.M., 1:50 P.M., 4:45 P.M., 5:55 P.M., 6:30 P.M. and 7:22 P.M.

Mr. Brueggemann stated that there are two churches in the town, one a Methodist and the other a Lutheran, and that on Saturday afternoons about six or seven o'clock, the Lutheran Church bell is rung, and that on Sunday morning at about nine or nine-thirty the Methodist Church bell is rung, and at about nine-thirty and ten-thirty the Lutheran Church bell is rung. He stated that there is no Catholic Church in Tinley Park.

He stated further that there are no factories in Tinley Park and that no whistles, resembling factory whistles, are audible in the town.

He stated that no fire occurred on January 28th, 1934, and that the siren was not sounded on that date, unless possibly it was sounded at the noon hour, as was the practice for a considerable period of time each day prior to about the last month.

Mr. Brueggemann stated that he is familiar with almost every house in Tinley Park, having inspected most of them in connection with his duties as Fire Chief and that he knows of no house which would fit the description of the hideout house, as related to him by Special Agent Billings.

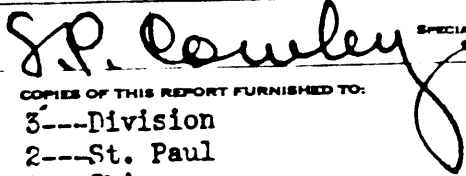
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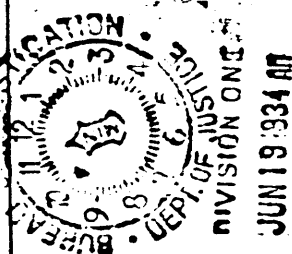
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois,  
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DETAILS: Investigation conducted in the towns noted in the synopsis  
of this report without disclosing the hideout in which  
Bremer was held.

Investigation was made in the following towns in the State  
of Wisconsin by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on 5/29/31 and 6/1/2/-1934  
in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout, without results:  
Dunbarton, Gratiot, South Wayne, Wiota, Woodford, Argyle,  
Blanchardville, Fayette, Shullsburg, New Diggings, Benton,  
Leadmine, Seymour Corners, Leslie, Belmont, Truman, Lamont,  
Red Rock, Calamine, Meekers Grove, Darlington.

DUNBARTON, WISCONSIN:

Fred Blackburn, Postmaster, gave the following information:  
This town has a population of 15 people and is located on a rough gravel  
county road. It has no sirens or factory whistles and it is not pos-  
sible to hear any from nearby towns. There are no churches, drug stores,  
lumber yards, meter readers, garages, wallpaper hangers or city marshals  
located here. Mr. Blackburn stated that this town is served by the C.  
M. St. P. & P. R. R. which operates three freight trains weekly through  
here, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week.

Mr. Blackburn in addition to being Postmaster also operates  
the only store and gasoline station in Dunbarton. Neither he or his  
son, Fred Jr., could identify any of the photographs shown to them.  
Mr. Blackburn could not recall if any of the suspects in this case  
ever received mail in Dunbarton. Mr. Blackburn was unable to give any  
information regarding the hideout. None of the four houses in Dunbarton  
fitted the description of the hideout house.

GRATIOT, WISCONSIN:

Assistant Postmaster, J. A. Brannan, gave the following in-  
formation: This town has a population of 250 people and is located on  
State Highway #11 which is a rough gravel highway. There are no sirens

or factory whistles located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Catholic church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 7:30 A.M. daily and at 7:30 A.M., 8:00 A.M., 9:00 A.M., and 9:30 A.M. on Sunday. It does not ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C.M.St.P.& P. Railroad, which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 1:20 P.M. and 3:15 P.M.

Mr. Brannan was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail here. Mr. Brannan could not give any information that might lead to the location of the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following individuals, without results:

Larry Gile, Oscar Levsch, R. W. Munger, Grocers.  
Joe Ayers, Gasoline Station and Garage owner.  
John Marriott, Druggist.  
W. R. Woolworth, Wallpaper hanger.  
B. J. McGinnis, City Marshal and Meter Reader.  
L. DeLorimer, Station Agent and Telegraph Operator,  
C.M.St.P. & P. R.R.

William Stevens, attendant, Standard Oil Station, when shown the photographs of suspects, picked out the photograph of Volney Davis as the likeness of a person who called at his gasoline station about three months ago driving a new Ford Coupe. Mr. Stevens could not place the exact date and could only recall that it was very cold weather about three months ago. Mr. Stevens could not recall what license plates the car in question bore, except that he believed they were not Wisconsin plates. Mr. Stevens could offer no further information.

It should be noted that a specimen of the wallpaper and house plans of the hideout house were shown to McGinnis and Woolworth, aforementioned.

There is no lumber company located in Gratiot.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was noted that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

SOUTH WAYNE, WISCONSIN:

Charles Arnot, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 315 people and is located on State Highway 11, which is a rough gravel highway. The siren located here blows daily at

noon and also in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist Church and Bible School bells ring at 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. every Sunday. The Catholic Church bell rings at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday. None of the church bells ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C.M.St.P. & P. R.R., which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 12:45 P.M. and 3:42 P.M.

Mr. Arnot was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail in this town. Mr. Arnot could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following individuals, without results:

H. J. Heel, G. Huffman, H. Homb, E.E.Chapman, Garage and Gasoline Station operators.  
L. Webster, wallpaper hanger.  
E. J. Lacey, D.W. Howery, S. Johnson, Grocers.  
J. Hartsough, City Marshal and Meter Reader for the Water Works.  
J. Donke, Station Agent and Telegraph Operator, C.M.St.P. & P. Railroad.  
A. A. Schaefer, Druggist.  
C. W. Chapman, Chapman Bros. Lumber Co.

Earl Weckerly, Meter Reader, Illinois-Wisconsin Light & Power Company, is located in Monroe, Wisconsin, and consequently he was not interviewed.

A specimen of the wallpaper, together with the house plans of the hideout house, were shown to J. Hartsough and Leo Webster, aforementioned.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

WIOTA, WISCONSIN:

Thomas Knewstubb, general Grocer and Gasoline Station operator, gave the following information. This is an inland town with a population of 50 people and is located on a gravel country road. There are no sirens or factory whistles located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. There are no churches, lumber yards, drug stores, wallpaper hangers, meter readers or town marshal here. There is no Post Office here, all mail being delivered from Darlington, Wisconsin. Neither Mr. Knewstubb or Edward Johnson, Garage and Gasoline Station operator, were able to identify any of the photographs shown to them.

WOODFORD, WISCONSIN:

F. A. Jacobs, Assistant Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 80 people and is located on a gravel country road. It has no siren or factory whistle and it is not possible to hear either from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, and at no other time during the week. This town is served by the I. C. Railroad, which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 8:00 A.M. and 1:40 P.M.

Mr. Jacobs was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Jacobs could give no information relative to the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

W. B. Morton, R. Seeler, Grocers and Gasoline Station operators.  
G. R. Stelter, Garage owner and Meter Reader.  
H. Lovejoy, Lovejoy Lumber Company.

There are no water works, drug stores, wallpaper hangers or city marshal here.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

ARGYLE, WISCONSIN:

Ora Thompson, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 690 people and is located on State Highways Nos. 14 and 78, both of which are of rough gravel. The siren here blows at noon daily and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Lutheran and Methodist Church bells ring at 9:00, 9:30, 9:45, 10:15 and 11:15 A.M. every Sunday morning and at no other time during the week except for some special services. This town is served by the Illinois Central Railroad, which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 8:30 A.M. and 1:35 P.M.

Mr. Thompson or his clerk were unable to identify any of the photographs shown to them. Neither could they recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Thompson was unable to give any information relative to the hideout after this phase of the case had been discussed with him.

Photographs were exhibited to the following individuals, without results:

V. E. Nelson, V. Rossling, W.C. Langman, Grocers,  
C. A. Ripley, M. J. Smith, P. Philipsons, J. Johnson,  
J. Hanson, Garage and Gasoline Station operators,  
P. Flanagan, Arthur Lumber Company.  
C. Penniston, Meter Reader for Gas and Water Works Companies.  
M. Thompson, Town Marshal.  
R. Pickett, wallpaper hanger.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the hideout house plans were shown to the meter reader and wallpaper hanger,

There is no druggist in this town.

Personal observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

BLANCHARDVILLE, WISCONSIN:

L. H. Henderickson, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 700 people and is located on a rough gravel State Highway #78. The siren here blows at noon daily and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Catholic Church bell rings at 7:30 A.M., 8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. every Sunday. The two Lutheran Church bells and the Methodist Church bell ring at 9:30, 10:00, and 11:00 A.M. on Sunday. None of the church bells ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the Illinois Central Railroad, which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 9:05 and 12:55 P.M.

Mr. Henderickson or his clerk were unable to identify any of the photographs shown to them. Neither could they recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Henderickson could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

H. M. Henderickson, H. R. Bergdorff, G.M. Ingwell,  
J. Burns, Grocers.  
E. W. Soper, G. Ingwell, P. Jackson, L. Martin,  
T. Jacobson, O. Syse, Gasoline Station and Garage  
operators.  
C. Lien, Lien Lumber Company.  
C. Taylor, City Marshal.



A. L. Saveason, Meter Reader for Gas and Electric Company.  
J. C. Haldiman, Meter Reader for Water Works.  
Chris Wahl, Wallpaper hanger.  
Wm. Granberg, Druggist.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the plans of the hideout house were shown to the meter readers and wallpaper hanger.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was noted that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

FAYETTE, WISCONSIN:

This is an inland town with a population of 10 people. There are no sirens or factory whistles here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. There is no post office here. Mrs. Martha Tinker, owner of the only store and filling station in town, could not identify any of the photographs shown to her. There are no churches, garages, paper hangers, water works, meter readers or city marshal here.

SHULLSBURG, WISCONSIN:

Postmaster W. S. Wuron gave the following information. This town has a population of 1040 people and is located on State Highway #11, a rough gravel road. The siren here blows at noon daily and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell rings at 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday. The Catholic Church bell rings at 7:00 A.M. daily and at 7:30, 8:00, 9:30 and 10:00 o'clock every Sunday morning. Neither of the church bells ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C.M.St.P. & P. Railroad, which operates three freight trains weekly through here on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Mr. Wuron or his clerk could not recognize any of the photographs shown to them. Neither could they recall any of the suspects ever having received mail here. Mr. Wuron could give no information relative to the hideout.

Photographs of suspects were shown to the following individuals, without results:

George Whitechurch, A. Hevenstreet, T.R. White, Grocers.  
H. Nethery, F. Moore, W. Mayfield, E.J. Fox, V. Montell,  
Gasoline Station and Garage operators.  
M. L. Hodgson, F. McGinley, wallpaper hangers.

R. J. Edwards, Meter Reader, Northern States Power Company.  
H. G. Craig, Meter Reader, Water Works.  
R. Harwick, City Marshall.  
M. S. Henderson, Henderson Lumber Company.  
H. D. Bock and W. F. Kane, Druggists.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the plans of the hideout house were shown to the wallpaper hanger and meter readers.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

NEW DIGGINGS, WISCONSIN:

D. W. Redfern, Postmaster, gave the following information. This is an inland and practically abandoned zinc mining town, with a population of about 50 people, which is located on a country gravel road. There are no sirens or factory whistles located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. There are no church bells here. There are no drug stores, water works, meter readers, lumber yards, garages, wallpaper hangers, or town marshal located in this town.

Mr. Redfern could not recognize any of the photographs shown to him. He did state, however, that the photograph of Volney Davis was a likeness of a fellow who used to work around the mines some years ago. Mr. Redfern could not recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail here.

J. A. Robson, Grocer and Gasoline Station operator, failed to recognize any of the photographs shown to him.

BENTON, WISCONSIN:

G. E. Alderson, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 800 people and is located on State Highway #11, a rough gravel road. The siren here blows on Saturday at noon only, and also in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Primitive Methodist and the Methodist Episcopal Church bells ring at 9:30, 10:00 and 11:00 on Sunday morning. The Catholic church bell rings at 7:30 A.M. daily. Also at 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday. The C. & N.W. Railroad operates two mixed trains through here daily at 6:30 A.M. and 1:55 P.M.

Mr. Alderson could not identify any of the photographs shown to him. He did, however, pick out the photograph of Volney Davis as the likeness of a person he had seen some place before. He could give no further

information regarding this individual. Mr. Alderson could not recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Alderson could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following individuals without results:

D. Williams, City Marshal and Meter Reader, Gas and Water Works.  
C. S. Peacock, Druggist.  
W. Q. Elberts, Station Agent and Telegraph Operator, C. & N.W. Railroad.  
R. F. Carter and R. H. Harris, wallpaper hangers.  
S. J. Kearns, A. B. Moriaty, J. L. Bowman, Grocers.  
M. Piquette, A. Hartfield, Gasoline Station and Garage operators.  
E. Anderson, Lovejoy Lumber Company.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the hideout house plans were shown to the meter reader and wallpaper hangers.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was noted that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

LEADMINE, WISCONSIN:

L. McKenna, Postmaster and only Store owner here, gave the following information. This is an inland town with a population of 10 people and is located on State Highway #11, a rough gravel road. There are only four other houses located here, beside Mr. McKenna's, all of which are dwelling houses. Mr. McKenna could not identify any of the photographs shown to him. Neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. There are no churches, sirens or factory whistles here.

SEYMOUR CORNERS, WISCONSIN:

James Smith and wife, the owner of the only store and house here, failed to identify any of the photographs shown to them. This place is nothing more than a country store located on the corner where State Highway #14 and country road "U" intersect.

LESLIE, WISCONSIN:

Nelson Arthur, the only resident here, failed to identify any of the photographs shown to him. Mr. Arthur stated the C. & N.W. Railroad operates two trains daily through here, at 8:05 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Mr.

Arthur used to be Postmaster here.

BELMONT, WISCONSIN:

Ray Sornberger, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 450 people and is located on State Highway #126, a gravel road. The siren here blows at noon and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Lutheran Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday. It does not ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C.M.St.P & P. Railroad, which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 2:05 P.M. and 3:30 P.M.

Mr. Sornberger or his clerk were unable to identify any of the photographs shown to them, neither could they recall if any of the suspects ever called for or received mail here. Mr. Sornberger could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

O. J. Henneman, M. J. Sweet, Grocers.  
J. H. Snyder and Mrs. J. Album, Garage and Gasoline Station operators.  
C. H. Pegg, wallpaper hanger.  
T. B. Huggins, Station Agent and Telegraph Operator, C.M.St. P & P. Railroad.  
G.H.Nodoff, Nodoff Lumber Company.  
F. H. Webb, City Marshal and Meter Reader for Gas Company and Water Works.

There is no druggist in town.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the plans of the hideout house were shown to the meter reader and wallpaper hanger.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

TRUMAN, WISCONSIN:

Frank Fink, the only Grocery Store owner in town, stated this town has a population of 10 people. There is no railroad, Post Office, siren, factory whistle, garage, wallpaper hanger or city marshal here; neither are there water works or meter readers. The Catholic Church bell rings at 7:30 and 10:30 on Sunday morning and at no other time during the

week. Mr. Fink was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him.

LAMONT, WISCONSIN:

This is an inland town with a population of 20 people. It has no Post Office, drug store, water works, lumber yard, meter reader, wallpaper hanger or city marshal. R. O. Hunter, owner of the only store and gasoline station here, was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him.

RED ROCK, WISCONSIN:

K. J. McMurray, the only storekeeper and gasoline station operator here, stated that this town has a population of 30 people and is served by the C.M.St. P. & P. Railroad, which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 3:15 P.M. and 12:05 P.M. Mr. McMurray was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him. There are no garages, drug stores, sirens, factory whistles, wallpaper hangers, lumber yards, meter readers or city marshal here.

It was noted that none of the houses in this town fitted the description of the hideout house.

CALAMINE, WISCONSIN:

W. L. Deery, Postmaster and Grocer, gave the following information. This town has a population of 125 people and is located on a rough gravel country road. It has no siren or factory whistle and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Catholic Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 7:45 and 9:45 every Sunday morning and at no other time. This town is served by the C.M.St.P. & P. Railroad which operates two trains daily through here at 1:50 P.M. and 2:35 P.M.

Mr. Deery was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Deery was unable to give any information that might lead to the location of the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following individuals, without results:

- P. J. Murray, Station Agent and Telegraph Operator,  
C.M.St. P. & P. Railroad.
- G. E. Wickler, Garage and Gasoline Station Operator.
- L. Fleming, Grocer.

There are no lumber yards, water works, drug stores or city marshal in this town.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

MEMBERS GROVE, WISCONSIN:

The only two buildings in this town is a General Store and Schoolhouse. Mrs. Lamb, operator of the store, failed to identify any of the photographs shown to her.

DARLINGTON, WISCONSIN:

William Riley, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 1700 and is located on State Highways Nos. 62 and 14, both rough gravel roads. The siren in this town blows at noon daily and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Swiss Lutheran, Congregational, and Methodist Church bells ring at various intervals between 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. on Sunday. They do not ring during the week. The Catholic Church bell rings at 7:30 A.M. daily and at 7:30 and 9:30 on Sunday morning. This town is served by the C.M.St. P. & P. Railroad, which operates four mixed trains daily at 8:00 A.M., 1:35 P.M., 2:45 P.M. and 5:00 P.M.

Mr. Riley or his clerk were unable to identify any of the photographs shown to them. Neither could they recall if any of the suspects ever called for or received mail here. Mr. Riley could give no information that might lead to the location of the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following individuals, without results:

F. A. Williams, H. D. Schneider, Wm. McGettigan, Grocers.  
L. Donahue, E. Virtue, H. Moore, G. Johnson, R. Ohmstead,  
A. C. Poole, A. A. Stuart, Gasoline Station and Garage  
owners.  
M. Cleary, H. Harkinson, wallpaper hangers.  
J. Proctor, Darlington Lumber Company.  
P. S. Thewbe, Station Agent and Telegraph Operator,  
C.M.St. P. & P. Railroad.  
Ed. Cummings, Darlington Water Works.  
C. Fieh, Meter Reader, Gas and Electric Company.  
W. T. Woodward, Druggist.  
Joe Rielly, Sheriff.

Edw. Rielly, Deputy Sheriff.  
H. J. Beardsley, District Attorney.  
H. O'Neil, City Marshal.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the plans of the hideout house were shown to the meter readers and wallpaper hangers.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. H. Rice on June 1st, 1934, at Footville, and Orfordville, Wisconsin.

Footville has an approximate population of 300, and is situated on State Highway #11, which is concrete. There is no public sanitary system. Orfordville has an approximate population of 500, situated on State Highway Nos. 11 and 13, which is concrete. There is no public sanitary system at Orfordville.

Hideout information and photographs of subjects and associates were exhibited to the following without results:

AT FOOTVILLE

C. M. Honeysett, Postmaster.  
McKinley Snyder, Electric Meter Reader.  
F. Lowery, Plumber.  
Ray Johnson, Fire Chief.

Ray Johnson, Fire Chief, advised that the Fire Department has no stationary fire siren but that the fire truck has one; same is blown for fires only and there is no fire record for January 28, 1934. There also is no public water system at Footville.

Photographs were exhibited at the following places without identification:

O. W. Braeger, Barber Shop.  
John Zeilke, Barber Shop.  
W. J. Owen, Owen Lumber Company.  
E. A. Silverthorn, Grocery.  
Pete Palmer, Grocery.  
Brone Walsh, Grocery.  
Lou Canary, Tavern.  
Ed. Mattice, Tavern.  
Nick Frendahl, Garage.  
C. E. Morris, Garage.  
A. E. Jones, Garage.  
Honeysett Oil Station.

Elmer Jensen, Manager of the Pet Milk Factory, stated that the steam whistle of that factory blows at 7:00 A.M., 12:00 noon, 1:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M., except on Sunday.

There are no hotels or landing fields for airplanes at Footville. The fire siren at Orfordville can sometimes be heard at Footville.

Personal inspection of houses by Agent failed to disclose any similar to that of hideout.

Rev. L. M. Hattlestadt, of the Methodist Church, advised that the bell of that church is rung Sunday only at 9:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. Rev. William Carry, of the Christian Church, stated that the bell of his church is tolled only on each Sunday at 11:00 A.M.

The following is a schedule of the trains for Footville on the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad:

East Bound

1:20 P.M.- Freight  
7:38 P.M.- Freight

West Bound

4:20 A.M. - Freight  
9:35 A.M. - Freight

There is no police officer located at Footville.

ORFORDVILLE:

Hideout information and photographs exhibited without results to the following:

Harry Holden, Postmaster,  
Thomas Corbitt, Constable.  
John Olmstead, Fire Chief.  
Will Tomlin, Electric Meter Reader.

John Olmstead, Fire Chief, stated that the stationary fire siren sounds at noon each day except Sunday, and for fires. There is no record of a fire for January 28, 1934. There is no public water system at Orfordville.

Photographs were exhibited to the following but no identification was made:

John Eggen, Ford Garage.  
E. Burtness, Chevrolet Garage.



A. B. Gerry, Gunnerson Meter Co.  
Otis Gooch, Honeysette Oil Company.  
Onsgard Grocery.  
Ringley & Christensen Grocery.  
Triangle Tavern.  
O. A. Keeseey, Grocery.  
E. J. Clemston, Grocery.  
F. Fuller, Orfordville Lumber Company.  
Beall Drug Store.  
Atkinson Gasoline Station.  
M. C. Satrang, Plumber.  
J. O. Olmstead, Barber.

The only bell that is tolled is that of the Lutheran Church. Rev. L. M. Gremmestad, pastor of that church, stated that the church bell is tolled each Sunday at 9:30 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M., and 12:00 noon.

Following is a schedule for the trains for Orfordville on the C.M.St.P. & P. Railroad:

<u>West Bound</u>	<u>East Bound</u>
9:30 A.M. - Freight	4:52 P.M. - Freight
11:33 A.M. - Freight	5:00 P.M. - Freight

There are no hotels or landing fields for airplanes located at Orfordville. The steam whistle of the Pet Milk Factory at Footville can sometimes be heard at Orfordville.

Agent personally inspected houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and was unable to locate any similar to the hideout house.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. H. Rice on June 1st and 2nd, 1934, at Evansville and Brooklyn, Wisconsin.

Evansville has an approximate population of 2300, and is situated on State Highway #13 and Federal Route #14, both concrete. Brooklyn has an approximate population of 400 and is located on State Highway #92.

Hideout information and photographs of subjects and associates were exhibited to the following without results:

AT EVANSVILLE:

A.C.Holmes, Postmaster, and all postal employees.

F. W. Gilman, Chief of Police and Fire Chief.  
A. A. Farrell, Electric and Water Meter Reader.

AT BROCKLYN

S. S. Chandler, Postmaster.  
Ray Allen, Constable.  
Archie Yarwood, Fire Chief.  
Gene Leary, Electric Meter Reader.

Photographs were exhibited at the following places without identification:

AT EVANSVILLE:

Gasoline Stations

H. H. Loomis.  
H. Main.  
Clindesmith and Wheeler.  
John Feldt.  
Charley Rasmussen.  
Sam Jordall.  
Frank Maxwell.  
H. O. Walton.  
Jim Gibson.  
A. M. Wynn.  
L. L. Thompson.  
Harry Innman.  
Art Carnes.

Lumber Company

Evansville Lumber Company.

Garages

Lloyd Heffel, Chevrolet.  
Perry Burnett, City Repair.  
E. G. Hart, Studebaker.  
Roy Hyne, Buick.

Barber Shops

Art Dake.  
Christensen and Speary.  
Art Devine.  
Upton.

Groceries

Grange.  
Royal Blue.  
City Food Shop.  
Carr's.  
Economy.  
Peterson Grocery & Bakery.  
Universal.  
Finnane.

Hotels

Central - Mrs. Linton.  
Commercial - George Matakak.

G. W. Gilman, Fire Chief, stated that the stationary fire siren at Evansville blows for fires only. The fire record discloses that same sounded at 7:00 P.M. on January 28, 1934.

William Snyder, Manager of the Baker Mfg. Company, advised that the steam whistles at that plant sounds at 8:00 A.M., 12:00 noon, 1:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. except Saturday and Sunday.

Following is a schedule of the tolling of the church bells, information being furnished by the pastors, for desired period:

Baptist - 9:30, 10:00, 11:00 A.M., 6:30, 7:00 P.M. Sunday only, Rev. Kitzmiller.

Free Methodist - 9:30, 10:00 A.M., 7:00, 7:30 P.M., Sunday only, Rev. Donahue.

Catholic - 10:00 A.M., Sunday only, Fr. McCollow.

Methodist - 9:30 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M., Sunday only, Rev. MacInnis.

A. T. Smith, Agent, Chicago and Northwestern Railroad Company, furnished the following schedule of trains for Evansville. Mr. Smith advised that 10 minutes should be added to the time of West Bound trains and 10 minutes should be subtracted from the time of East Bound trains to arrive at the schedule for the trains at Brooklyn on the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad:

West Bound.

12:35 A.M. - Passenger  
5:00 " - Freight  
5:56 " - Passenger  
10:55 " - Freight  
12:57 P.M. - Passenger  
4:57 " - Passenger  
8:47 " - Passenger  
9:30 " - Freight  
11:34 " - Passenger

East Bound.

3:47 A.M. - Passenger  
6:22 " - Passenger  
8:24 " - Passenger  
10:30 " - Freight  
3:40 P.M. - Freight  
3:57 " - Passenger  
5:34 " - Passenger  
6:50 " - Freight

At Brooklyn, photographs were exhibited to the following without results:

Deitz Drug Company.  
L. A. Rasmussen, Grocery.  
Roberts Brothers, Grocery.  
L. E. Roberts, Grocery.  
H. B. Chrestensen, Grocery.  
John Odegard, Grocery.  
Vernon Mortensen, Brooklyn Oil Company.  
W. B. Rasmussen, Gasoline Station.  
Harin Ellis, Garage.  
A. J. Hansen, Chevrolet Agency.  
Leland Graves, Garage.  
C. P. Morgan, Morgan Lumber Company.

Archie Yarwood, Fire Chief, advised that the stationary fire siren sounds at 6:00 P.M. each week day and for fires. Also at 7:00 P.M. the first Monday of each month for the firemen's meeting.

Rev. H. A. Waste, Pastor of the Brooklyn Methodist Church, stated that the church bell is tolled only on Sunday at 9:30 A.M., 10:00 A.M., and 11:00 A.M., and occasionally on Thursday evening at 7:00 P.M.

There are no airplane fields at Brooklyn or Evansville, There is no public water or sanitary system at Brooklyn.

L. E. Claflin, Manager Bowman Milk Plant, stated that the whistle of that plant is blown at 8:00 A.M., 12:00 noon, 1:00 P.M., and 4:00 P.M. on week days.

On some occasions the whistle and fire siren at Evansville can be heard at Brooklyn and vice versa.

Agent personally inspected all houses at Brooklyn and Evansville that are in the vicinity of the railroad, but found none that resemble the hideout.

Investigation was made by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on June 4th, 5th, and 6th, 1934, in the following towns in the State of Wisconsin in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout, without results:

Edmund, Cobb, Shea, Highland, Muscoda, Blue River, Avoca, Standard, Clyde, Hillside, Arena, Wyoming, Barneveld, Ridgeway, Hollandale, Walwich, Mineral Point.

EDMUND, WISCONSIN:

Postmaster P. Martin gave the following information. This town has a population of 125 people and is located on U. S. Highway #18, a gravel road. There is no siren or factory whistle located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Lutheran and Methodist Church bells, the only bells in town, ring at 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, and 11:00 A.M. every Sunday. They do not ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C. & N.W. Railroad, which operates two motor trains daily through here at 10:26 A.M. and 1:26 P.M.

Mr. Martin failed to identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail here. Mr. Martin was of the opinion that the hideout would not be found in this town.

Photographs were exhibited to the following individuals, without results:

Peter Martin, C. Rhinason, Grocers and Gasoline Station Operators.  
E. Christianson, C. Johnson, Garage and Gasoline Station Operators.  
B. Crane, Meter Reader, Wisconsin Light & Power Company, Dodgeville, Wisc.

There are no water works, city marshals, wallpaper hangers, drug-stores or lumber yards located here.

Personal observation was made of the few houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them

fitted the description of the hideout house.

COBB, WISCONSIN:

Mrs. G. Keyes, Assistant Postmaster, gave the following information: This town has a population of 220 people and is located on U. S. Highway #18, a gravel road. The siren here blows daily at noon and in case of fire. There is a Canning Factory here, however, the whistle on this factory has not blown since last September. The Methodist, Luthern and Bohemian Presbyterian Church bells ring at various intervals between 9:00 A. M. and 11:00 A. M. on Sunday. They do not ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C. and N. W. R. R. which operates two motor trains through here at 9:55 A. M. and 2:10 P. M. daily.

Mrs. Keyes could not identify any of the photographs shown to her; neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mrs. Keyes could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

C. Hickock, L. H. Fingerhut, -Grocers  
J. B. Bray, H. Fox, P. Ritchie, E. Aweda, -Garage and Gas  
Station Operators.  
E. Eastman, -Eastman Lumber Company.  
H. Phillback, - Wallpaper Hangers.  
B. Cramer, -Meter Reader, Wisconsin Light and Power Co., -  
Dodgeville, Wis.

There is no town Marshal, drug store, water works, located here.

Observation was made of the homes in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

SHEA, WISCONSIN:

This place is located on State Highway #80, between Cobb and Highland, Wisconsin. There is nothing here only an abandoned Cheese Factory and Store.

HIGHLAND, WISCONSIN:

In the absence of Postmaster, A. J. McGuire, his Assistant, Miss G. Egan, gave the following information: This is an inland town with a population of 900 people and is located on State Highway #80,

a rough gravel road. The siren here blows at noon daily and in case of fire. The Sevrud-Bush Brewery whistle, prior to April 1st., 1934, blew at 7:30 A. M., 12:00 Noon, 1:00 P. M. and 5:00 daily except Sunday. St. Anne's Catholic Church bells ring at 6: A. M., 7:55 A. M., 12:00 Noon and 6: P. M. daily except Sunday. On Sunday this bell rings at 6:00 A. M., 7:30 A. M., 7:55 A. M., 9:45 A. M., 10:15 A. M., 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P. M. St. Phillips Catholic Church bell rings at 7:30 A. M. daily. On Sunday it rings at 7:50 A. M., 7:55 A. M., 9:00 A. M., and 9:25 A. M. These are the only two Churches located here with bells.

Miss Egan was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail here. Miss Egan was unable to offer any information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

Mrs. A. Mattys, A. Lewis, J. Pierick, ---Grocers  
J. Abdo, A. Kroll, H. Krakora, E. Zembick, ---Gas Station  
and Garage Operators.  
F. Shiefel, ---Wallpaper dealer and hanger.  
F. H. Brown, J. F. Mahoney, ---Druggists  
J. Chab, City Marshal, and Meter Reader for City Water Works.  
P. W. Hennessey, ---Hennessey and Sons Lumber Co.  
B. Cramer, ---Meter Reader, ---Wis. Light & Power Co., Dodgeville,  
Wisconsin.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the plans of the hideout house were shown to the meter readers and wallpaper hangers.

It should be noted, as previously stated, that this town is not served by a Railroad, the nearest railroad being 7 miles distant from here.

MUSCODA, WISCONSIN:

In the absence of Postmaster, H. J. Vruwrik, his assistant, Mrs. Nell Mither, gave the following information. This town has 900 inhabitants and is located on State Highway #80, a rough gravel road. There is no siren located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Furniture Factory whistle here blows at 8:00 A. M., 12:-- Noon and 5:00 P. M., daily, except Sunday. The Methodist Church bell rings at 9:30 and 10:00 A. M. on Sunday morning only. The Catholic Church bell rings at 6:00 A. M., 7:00 A. M., 12:00 Noon and 6:P. M. daily, except Sunday. On Sunday this bell rings at 6:00 A. M.,

7:30 A. M., 7:55 A. M., 9:00 A. M. 9:25 A. M., 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P. M.

Mrs. Mither(or Miller) was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received or called for mail here. Mrs. Mither could give no information of value regarding the hideout.

Edw. Bender, Station Agent, C. M. St. P. & P. R. R. gave the following information regarding trains operated by his company through here. The Eastbound trains arrive at 3:09 A. M., 6:05 A. M., 2:52 P. M. The Westbound arrived at 11:41 A. M., 8:30 P. M., and 10:48 P. M. All of these trains are operated by steam locomotives.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

J. O. Postel, S. Marcus, G. Garner,---Grocers  
A. L. Kroetchwill, E. A. Duffy, Ted Glass,---Gas Station and  
Garage Operators.  
A. J. Tichenor,---Wallpaper hanger.  
A. B. Gabler,---Druggist  
J. Linchled,---Meter Reader, Wisconsin Light & Power Co.  
R. Young,---Young Lumber Co.

Willis Brigg is the City Marshal here. He was not interviewed due to the fact that both he and the postmaster were absent from the City during Agent's visit.

There is no water works located here.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the hideout house plans were shown to the meter reader and paper hanger.

Personal observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them compared with the description of the hideout house.

BLUE RIVER, WISCONSIN:

In the absence of Postmaster, F. Bartells, his Assistant, Miss Ethel Shore, gave the following information: This town has a population of 350 people and is located on a rough gravel county road. There is no siren or factory whistle located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 10:00 A. M., 11:00 A. M. and 7:00 P. M. every Sunday. This bell does not ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by



the C. M. St. P. & P. R. R. which operates 6 trains daily through here. The Eastbound trains at 3:00 A. M., 5:50 A. M., 2:40 P. M. The Westbound at 11:55 A. M., 8:45 A. M., and 11:00 P. M.

Miss Shore was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received or called for mail here. Miss Shore could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following people, without results:

E. Godager, L. Dowley, R. Murley, ---Grocers  
L. J. Eveson, H. B. Hammer, J. Gasser, ---Gas Station and  
Garage Operators.  
R. Black, Station Agent & Telegraph Opr.-C.M.St.P.&P.R.R.  
D. Morgan, City Marshal.  
D. Hendrickson, Meter Reader, Galena Light & Power Co.  
J. O. Shattuck, Druggist.

There is no water works, wallpaper hanger, or lumber yard located here.

Observation was made of the few homes in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

AVOCA, WISCONSIN:

J. R. Frost, Postmaster, gave the following information: This town has a population of 350 people and is located on a rough gravel county road. The siren located here blows at noon. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Catholic Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 6:00 A. M., 7:50 A. M., 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P. M. daily except Sunday. On Sunday this bell rings at 6:00 A. M., 7:50 A. M., 7:55 A. M., 8:50 A. M., 8:55 A. M.; 12:00 Noon and 6: P. M. This town is served by the C. M. St. P. & P. R. R. which operates the following trains through here: Eastbound- 3:30 A. M., 6:27 A. M., 3:17 P. M.; Westbound- at 11:26 A. M., 8:00 P. M., 10:15 P. M.

Mr. Frost was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received or called for mail here. Mr. Frost was unable to give any information relative to the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

D. Bohan, Station Agent, C. M. St. P. & P. R. R.  
Wm. Schlump, F. Denickson, Grocers.  
M. Michlick, Chas Pechan, Gas Station & Garage Operators.  
H. F. Kopelke, City Marshal & Meter Reader.  
J. B. Eagan, Eagan & Sons, - Lumber Yard.

There are no drug stores, wallpaper hangers or water works located here.

Observation was made of the homes in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was noted that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

STANDART, WISCONSIN:

There is nothing here but a closed Cheese Factory and a Store operated by G. A. Robinson, who could not identify any of the photographs shown to him.

CLYDE, WISCONSIN:

There is nothing here but a Cheese Factory and a Store operated by F. Shelton. Mr. Shelton could not identify any of the photographs shown to him.

HILLSIDE, WISCONSIN:

There is nothing here but the Taliesin School.

ARENA, WISCONSIN:

Mrs. Julia Quigley, Postmistress, gave the following information: This town has a population of 275 people and is located on U. S. Highway #14. The siren located here blows at noon daily and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Congregational Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:30 A. M., 10:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. every Sunday. It does not ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C. M. St. P. & P. R. R. which operates three (3) trains through here daily: The Eastbound trains at 4:00 A. M., 6:55 A. M., 3:40 P. M.; The Westbound at 11:00 A. M., 7:30 P. M. and 9:45 P. M.

Mrs. Quigley could not identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail here. Mrs. Quigley could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

G. Arnold, Station Agent, C. M. St. P. & P. R. R.  
F. M. Allen, Geo. Hamilton, -Grocers  
T. Johnson, A. Pollard, H. Roberts, -Gas Station & Garage Oprs.  
Geo. Arnold, - Wallpaper Hanger.  
John Denby, City Marshal.  
R. Salzman, Salzman Lumber Co.

C. Pope, Meter Reader, Wisconsin Power & Light Co. lives in Spring Green, Wisconsin.

There are no water works or drug stores located here.

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

WYOMING, WISCONSIN:

There is nothing here except a Church and a vacant store.

BAREVELD, WISCONSIN:

Mr. A. G. Campbell, Postmaster, gave the following information: This town has a population of 500 people and is located on U. S. Highway #18, a gravel road. There is no siren or factory whistle located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Lutheran and Congregational Church bells, the only bells in town, ring at 9:30 and 10:00 A. M. every Sunday morning. This town is served by the C.&M. W. R. R. which operates two trains daily through here at 9:00 A. M. and 2:55 P. M.

Mr. Campbell was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Campbell could give no information relative to the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following individuals, without results:

D. Harris, F. Starry, - Grocers  
J. Grabner, F. Klusendorf, T. Jones - Gas St. & Gar. Oprs.  
O. Christopherson, Lumber Co.  
B. Cramer, Meter Reader, Wisconsin Light & Power Co. -  
Dodgeville, Wisconsin.

There is no city marshal, water works, drug store or wallpaper hanger here.

Observation was made of the few houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

RIDGEWAY, WISCONSIN:

H. S. Strutt, Postmaster, gave the following information: This town has a population of 250 people and is located on U. S. Highway #18, a gravel road. The siren here blows at noon daily and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell rings at 10: and 11: A. M. on Sunday. The Catholic Church bell rings at 7:30 and 10: A. M. on Sunday and the Methodist Episcopal Church bell rings at 10:30 A. M. on Sunday. None of these bells ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the C. & N. W. R. R. which operates two trains daily through here at 9:20 A. M and 2:30 P. M.

Mr. Strutt could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Strutt could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

E. Williams, A. J. McIllwee, - Grocers  
E. Davis, J. Harrington, Gas Station and Garage Operators.  
G. H. Thorman, Station Agent, C. N. W. R. R.  
B. Cramer, Meter Reader, Wisconsin Power and Light Co. -  
Dodgeville, Wisconsin.  
W. H. Paul, Town Marshal.

There are no water works, drug stores, wallpaper hangers or lumber yards located here.

Observation was made of the houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

HOLLANDALE, WISCONSIN:

Miss Leone De Muth, Postmistress, gave the following information: This town has a population of 200 people, is located on State Highway #39, a rough gravel road. There is no siren or factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Luthern Church bell rings at 9:00 and 9:30 on Sunday mornings. The Catholic Church bell rings at 7:00 A. M., daily and at 7:50 and 9:30 on Sunday morning. This town is served by the I. C. R. R. , which operates two mixed trains daily through here at 8:30 A. M. and 2:10 P. M.

Miss De Muth could not identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Miss De Muth could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

L. Morgan, H. Hegland- Grocers.  
H. Azzalino, O. F. Campbell, -Gas. Station & Garage Operators  
E. Rickey, City Marshal.  
O. Thompson, Thompson Lumber Co.  
O. F. Campbell, Meter Reader, Wisconsin Power and Light Co.

There is no drug store, water works or wallpaper hangers in this town.

Observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

WALWICH, WISCONSIN:

This is an inland town and there is nothing located here with the exception of a school and general store operated by Mrs. Doris Doney. Mrs. Doney could not identify any of the photographs shown to her.

MINERAL POINT, WISCONSIN:

M. J. Brown, Assistant Postmaster, gave the following in-

formation: This town has a population of 2200 people and is located on U. S. Highway #118, State Highways #62 and 23 all of which are gravel roads. The siren here blows at noon daily and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. This town is served by the C. M. St. P. & P. R. R., which operates two trains daily through here at 2:20 P. M. and 2:25 P.M.

Mr. Brown could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects, under their proper names or aliases, ever received mail. Mr. Brown advised that he believed the hideout would not be located here.

Re. A. Frisch, Pastor, St. Mary's Catholic Church gave the following information regarding the ringing of bells: The bell on St. Mary's Church rings daily, except Sunday, at 6:30, 7:30, 8: A. M., 12: Noon and 6: P. M. On Sunday this bell rings at 6: A. M., 7:30 A. M., 8: A. M., 9: A. M., 9:30 A. M., 10: A. M., 12: Noon and 6: P. M. The bell on St. Paul's Catholic Church rings at 7:45 A. M. daily and at 7:45 A. M. and 9:45 A. M. on Sunday. The bell on the Episcopal Church rings at 9:30 and 10: A. M. every Sunday morning.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without result:

A. Walgreen, Meter Reader, Wis. Power & Light Co.  
J. Griger, R. Poynter, G. Schweger, W. C. Compton, -Grocers  
J. Finley, O. Gillman, N. J. Kieffer, J. P. Poynter, -Gas  
Station and Garage Operators.  
W. E. Prish, H. J. Bray, - Wallpaper Hangers.  
A. J. Metz, C. L. Ivey, -Druggists  
Geo. Towlsen, City Marshal.  
R. Fessenden, Meter Reader, City Water Works.  
B. T. Miller, G. E. Martin, -Lumbermen.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the hideout house plans were shown to the meter readers and wallpaper hangers:

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

Investigation was made by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on June 6, 7, 8, 9, 1934, in the following towns in the State of Wisconsin in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout, without result:

Dodgeville	Rewey
Arthur	Livingston
Linden	Mifflin
Liberty	Fennimore
Preston	Montfort
Castle Rock	Quinson
Homer	Stitzer
Mount Ida	Werley
Mount Hope	

At Dodgeville, Wisconsin.

Art Hoskins, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 2,000 people and is located on United States Highway number 18 and 118, both rough gravel roads. There is no siren or factory whistle located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Congregational, Methodist, Lutheran and Baptist church bells ring at 9:00, 9:30, 10:00 and 11:00 every Sunday morning. The Catholic church bell rings at 7:30 A.M. Daily. On Sunday it rings at 7:30 and 7:55 A.M. the first and third Sunday of the month and at 9:30 and 9:55 A.M. the second and fourth Sunday of the month. This town is served by two railroads. The Chicago Northwestern Railroad operates two trains daily through here at 9:20 A.M. and 2:20 P.M.. The Illinois Central Railroad also operates two mixed trains here at 10:55 A.M. and 11:55 A.M.

Mr. Hoskins or his clerk were unable to identify any of the photographs shown to them nor could they recall if any of the suspects ever received or called for mail here. Mr. Hoskins was of the opinion that the hideout would not be located in the vicinity of Dodgeville.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without result:

C. Bilkey, H. James, W. D. Elliott, J. Fisher - Grocers.  
J. A. Sullivan, A. J. Anderson, J. Laneville, J. Martin,  
Geo. Statin - Garage operators.  
W. J. Wilcox, G. A. Davis - Wallpaper hangers.  
C. Smith, Meter Reader - City Water Works.  
F. Kepke, L. Miller - Druggists.  
M. S. Price - City Marshal.  
D. Lewis - Deputy Sheriff.  
L. S. Smiley - Sheriff.  
D. Cretney - Dodgeville Lumber Company.  
W. Deyon, Meter Reader, Wisconsin Power and Light Company.

A specimen of the wallpaper together with the hideout house plans were shown to the meter readers and wallpaper hangers.

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the Railroad tracks in an effort to locate the hideout house.

At Rewey, Wisconsin.

A. J. Whitney, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 300 people and is located on a gravel county road. There is no siren or factory whistle located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist church bell rings every Sunday morning at 9:30 and 10:00. The Tabernacle church bell rings every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 P.M. Neither of these bells ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. The Chicago and Northwestern Railroad operates two trains through here daily at 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

Mr. Whitney could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Whitney could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without results:

S. J. Cook, S. A. Gonsala - Grocers.  
S. A. Jonsala, R. Wilbas - Gas station and Garage operators.  
F. Thompson, Thompson Lumber Company.  
F. Jones, Station Agent, Chicago & Northwestern R.R.  
H. J. Carpenter - Town Marshal and Meter Reader.

There are no drug stores, wallpaper hangers or water works located here.

All houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks were carefully observed.

At Arthur, Wisconsin.

The only buildings located here are two cheese factories and a general store operated by Mrs. D. Thomas. Mrs. Thomas could not identify any of the photographs shown to her.

At Livingston, Wisconsin.

Miss Mildred Biddick, Assistant Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 450 people and is located on a rough gravel road. There is no siren or factory whistle located here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:30, 10:00 and 11:00 every Sunday



morning and at no other time. This town is served by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad which operates two trains daily at 8:45 A.M. and 10:45 A.M.

Miss Biddick was unable to identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without result:

L. Thomas, H. Young, W. Watson - Gas Station and  
Garage operators.  
J. Allen, H. Marshall - Grocers.  
H. Rundell - Constable.  
E. Alton - Eastman Lumber Company.  
B. Cramer - Wisconsin Light & Power Company.

There are no wallpaper hangers, water works or drug stores located here.

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the railroad tracks in an effort to locate the hideout.

At Mifflin, Wisconsin.

This is an inland town of 50 people. There are no sirens, factory whistles or church bells here. W. Stephanson or R. D. Fowler, owner of the General Merchandise Store and Gasoline Station failed to identify any of the photographs shown to them.

At Linden, Wisconsin.

H. Goldsworthy, Assistant Postmaster gave the following information. This town has a population of 400 people and is located on State Highway number 62, a rough gravel road. The siren here blows in case of fire only. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:30 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M., 7:00 P.M. and 7:30 P.M. every Sunday and at no other time. This town is not served by a railroad.

Mr. Goldsworthy could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Goldsworthy could give no information relative to the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without results:

T. Hicks, C. A. Paul - Grocers.  
J. Goldsworthy - Constable.  
F. Holman, William Carrott - Gas Station and  
Garage operators.  
J. Summers - Summers Lumber Company.  
B. Cramer - Meter Reader - Wis. Light & Power Co.

There are no water works, drug stores, wallpaper hangers in this town.

Sheriff Harry Green and Deputy Sheriff Manning, Lancaster, Wisconsin were both of the opinion that the hideout would not be located in Grant County, after this phase of the case had been discussed with them.

Liberty, Wisconsin.

There is nothing here with the exception of a Standard Oil Station operated by T. Ringwald. Mr. Ringwald could not identify any of the photographs shown to him.

Fennimore, Wisconsin.

A. Soulder, Assistant Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 1300 people and is located on United States Highway number 18 and 61, both of which are gravel roads. The siren here blows at noon and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Catholic church bell rings at 7:00 A.M., 7:45 A.M., 12:00 noon and 6:00 P.M. daily, except Sunday. On Sunday this bell rings at 7:00 A.M., 7:30 A.M., 8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 12:00 noon and 6:00 P.M. The Methodist and United Bretheran and Lutheran church bells ring at 9:30, 10:00, 10:30 and 11:00 every Sunday morning. They do not ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad which operates two trains daily at 10:25 A.M. and 12:38 P.M.

Mr. Soulder could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Soulder could give no information relative to the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without results:

- V. C. Eisele, W. J. Doeringsfeld, G. Grogen - Grocers.
- B. L. Payne, F. J. Edge, H. Plattner, A. J. Mason,  
Gas Station and Garage operators.
- L. E. Adams - Druggist.
- W. Dillie - Wallpaper hanger.
- W. R. Decker, Meter Reader, Light and Water Works.
- R. Smyth - City Marshal.
- C. J. Lewis - Cutter Lumber Company
- A. B. Steinhoff - Station Agent - Chicago & Northwestern R.R.

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the railroad tracks in an effort to find the hideout house.

At Preston, Wisconsin.

There is nothing here excepting a General Grocery Store operated by H. W. Buening. Mr. Buening or his wife could not identify any of the photographs shown to them.

At Montfort, Wisconsin.

W. Franklin, Postmaster gave the following information. This town has a population of 600 people and is located on United States Highway number 18, a gravel road. The siren located here blows at noon. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist church bell rings at 9:30, 10:00 and 11:00 A.M. on Sunday. The Catholic church bell rings at 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 every other Sunday. Neither of these bells ring on Saturday afternoon or evening. This town is served by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad which operates two trains daily at 10:05 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.

Mr. Franklin could not identify any of the photographs shown to him. Neither could he recall if any of the suspects were ever in this town or ever received mail here. Mr. Franklin could offer no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without results:

L. Turner, B. Monteith - Grocers.  
A. R. Manley, G. Nevendorf, J. Bowes - Gas Station  
& Garage operators.  
H. Yara - City Marshal and Meter Reader.  
J. L. Ritchie - Ritchie Lumber Company.  
H. DeVoe - Wallpaper hanger.  
L. A. Hild - Druggist.

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the railroad tracks in an effort to locate the hideout house.

At Castle Rock, Wisconsin.

There is nothing here except a few farm houses and a gasoline station. The station operator could not be found during Agent's visit here.

At Quinton, Wisconsin.

This is an inland town with a population of 20 people. There is nothing here with the exception of a Catholic church which has a bell that rings at 8:30 A.M. on Sunday only. Mrs. E. DeVoe, proprietor of the only store and gasoline station here could not identify any of the photographs shown to her.

At Homer, Wisconsin.

There are only two buildings here, a closed Cheese factory and a Lutheran church.

At Stitzer, Wisconsin.

W. F. Finnegan, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 250 people and is located on a rough gravel county road. There is no siren or factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:30 and 10:30 every Sunday morning and at no other time. This town is served by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad which operates two trains daily at 11:02 and 1:16 P.M.

Mr. Finnegan could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Finnegan could give no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without results:

H. Schuppner, H. Kelbar - Grocers.  
W. Lind, W. Gratz - Gas Station and Garage owners.

There are no drug stores, water works, lumber yards, city marshals, wallpaper hangers located here. The meter reader for the Interstate Power Company comes from Dubuque, Iowa.

Observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks.

At Mount Ida, Wisconsin.

L. Speaker and L. Smith, owners of the only buildings here; namely, a General Store and Gasoline Station, could not identify any of the photographs shown to them.

At Werley, Wisconsin.

Mrs. A. Newberry owner of the only store and gasoline station in town could not identify any of the photographs shown to her. There are no sirens, factory whistles or railroads here.

At Mount Hope, Wisconsin.

D. A. Lynn, Postmaster, gave the following information. This is an inland town with a population of 250 people and is located on United States Highway number 18, a rough road. There is no siren or factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:30, 10:00 and 11:00 on Sunday mornings.

Mr. Lynn could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here.

Photographs were shown to the following persons without results:

Mrs. M. Matthews, E. Koselhe - Grocers.  
M. J. Wilson, O. Patch - Gas Station and Garage owners.

There are no water works, drug stores, wallpaper hangers, lumber yards, city marshals, or meter readers in this town.

P E N D I N G

P. O. Box # 987  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

June 1, 1934

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

~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. # 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. # 1219  
ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 26, 1934, addressed to the Charlotte Office, copy of which was forwarded to this office, concerning the information relative to the allegedly proposed kidnaping of Andrew W. Mellon.

In this connection please be advised that at the invitation of Mr. Paul Mellon, son of Andrew W. Mellon, I talked with him and his cousin, R. B. Mellon, today, at which time they asked whether additional precaution should be taken. I reiterated what I had said the other day, that the Division could not vouch for the authenticity of the information which we had furnished them but that if they felt that a bodyguard was necessary such action should be taken by them.

At the conclusion of the conference it seemed to be the opinion of the Messrs. Mellon that any unusual precautions would probably arouse the suspicion of persons who know the family and consequently it was decided that members of the family themselves would be more alert than usual and will report to this office any unusual activities either in the vicinity of the Mellon household or at any of the summer places.

Both of the gentlemen requested me to convey to you their sincere appreciation and thanks for your courtesy in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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JUN 20 1934

JAMES J. WATERS, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

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June 14, 1934

Mr. A. Bruce Bielaski,  
The National Board of Fire Underwriters,  
88 John Street,  
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Bielaski:

Further reference is made to your personal letter dated May 22, 1934, transmitting a report of one of your agents, dated at Sumter, South Carolina, May 18, 1934, wherein information obtained from an informant is set forth relative to the operation of certain members of the underworld.

In connection with the statement contained in the report submitted by your agent to the effect that the information contained therein had been offered to a Special Agent of this Division, but that the Agent did not appear to be interested in, nor appreciative of the information offered him, please be advised that I am now in receipt of a letter from the Charlotte Office of this Division, explaining that your Mr. J. H. Forbes and Special Agent D. K. Brent had made several attempts to arrange a meeting with the informant of Mr. Forbes for the purpose of developing further the information which he had previously furnished to Mr. Forbes. Failing to arrange this meeting, an effort was made to obtain the name of the informant but Mr. Forbes refused to disclose the source of his information, and apparently took the position that this Division was not interested in obtaining the information as indicated in his report.

Because of your interest and cooperation in the work of this Division, I wanted to bring this matter to your attention so that you will understand the situation referred to by Mr. Forbes in his report to you dated May 18, 1934. Please be assured that this matter is receiving the attention of this Division, and your continued cooperation is very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Director.  
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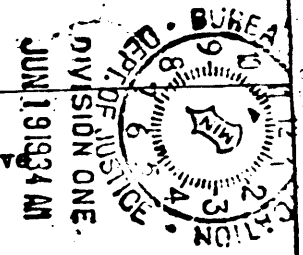
# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

FILE NO. **7-27**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Salt Lake City, Utah</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6-15-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>6-6-34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>LOUIS D. WINE</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. #1218 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases - I.O. #1219; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Talmadge Smith and Clyde Beecher, Reno, Nevada, have no information concerning subjects.</b> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: <b>Letter from Special Agent in Charge R. E. Vetterli, San Francisco, Calif., dated 4-21-34.</b>			
DETAILS: <b>AT RENO, NEVADA</b>			
<p>Talmadge Smith, former United States Attorney, Byington Building, Reno, Nevada, was interviewed. Mr. Smith apparently has no information whatever relating to this case. He is seeking to be elected City Attorney at Reno, Nevada, and is eager to have an Agent of this Division make investigations at Reno, Nevada, which have no bearing whatever on this case, relating to narcotics and other matters. He stated that some of the prominent Government officers in Reno were corrupt and that he wanted the Government to clean up Reno.</p> <p>Mr. Smith brought Clyde Beecher, a close personal friend of his and who controls most of the slot machines in Reno, to his office. Mr. Beecher related that he had lost \$42,000.00 in the Wingfield Banks and that he was bitterly fighting the Graham-McKay group and in his opinion Frisch was faken for a ride by agents of Graham and McKay. Mr. Beecher stated that he followed Graham all over San Francisco immediately after the Frisch disappearance in order to get something "on him".</p> <p>Neither Beecher nor Smith had any information of value. From</p>			
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the manner of conversation of Smith and Beecher and the leading questions they propounded to Agent, it was apparent they were seeking what information the Government may have and particularly in learning what information was in the Government's possession regarding the activities of Graham and McKay. Of course, Agent declined to give them any information whatever relating to this case.

Agent subsequently made cautious inquiry as to Talmadge Smith and learned from several sources which were thoroughly reliable, that it is said in Reno that Smith is a Graham-McKay man and that Graham and McKay, the two leading gamblers and operators at Reno, are instrumental in having Smith elected City Attorney.

In view of this situation it is believed it would be advisable to not further contact Smith in any subsequent investigations.

PENDING

June 16, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of June 5, 1934, concerning latent fingerprints developed on articles found in an apartment at 7137 Yates Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, in connection with the case designated as BREKID.

The forty-five latent prints developed on the paper material have, in addition to the comparisons previously reported, been compared with the fingerprints of Paula Harmon, our #105880, Clyde Nimerick, our #77961, William Weaver, our #17920, Russell Gibson, our #57685, William E. Vidler, our #783202, Phillip Delaney, our #782787, John J. McLaughlin, our #781836, and John J. McLaughlin, Jr., #12371 USM Chicago, Illinois, with negative results. Eleven of these latent fingerprints which were of sufficient detail to permit classification, have been searched through the single fingerprint file, but no identification was effected. They are being placed in the unidentified section of this file with a view to possible future identification as additional fingerprints are absorbed therein.

In addition to the identifications previously reported, fourteen latent finger impressions appearing on the beer bottles and miscellaneous glass articles have been determined to have been made by Alvin Karpis, our #199217. The remaining unidentified latent fingerprints developed on the glass material, of which three have been searched through the single fingerprint file with negative results, have been compared with the fingerprints of the following individuals, but no identification was effected.

Alvin Karpis, our #199217.  
Alvis Fayton, our #676983.  
Russell Gibson, our #57685.  
Dorothy Slayman, our #524620.  
Clyde Nimerick, our #77961.  
Arthur Barker, our #289428.  
Volney Davis, our #400441.  
John J. McLaughlin, our #781836.

Fred Barker, our #59163.  
Paula Harmon, our #105880.  
Phillip Delaney, our #782787.  
Bernard Phillips, our #328905.  
William E. Vidler, our #783202.  
Harry Campbell, our #419856.  
William Weaver, our #17920.  
John J. McLaughlin, Jr., #12371 USM  
Chicago, Illinois.

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It is requested that an effort be made to secure and forward to the Division a set of fingerprints of John J. "Boss" McLaughlin, inasmuch as those now in our files are poorly inked and blurred.

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Charted photographic enlargements on several of the Karpis identifications are being prepared, and will be available for use by your office at such time as they should be needed.

Under separate cover there are being returned to your office the various articles brought from the Chicago office to the Division by Mr. Kohn on May 19, 1934.

Very truly yours,

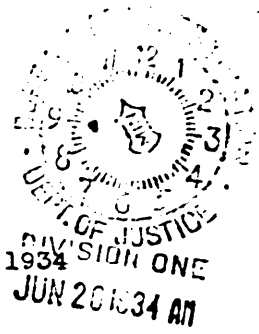
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cc - Mr. H. H. Clegg.

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**U. S. Bureau of Investigation**

**Department of Justice**  
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June 15, 1934  
DIVISION ONE  
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Director  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter dated June 9, 1934, requesting that a complete statement be obtained from Special Agent D. K. Brent, Jr., concerning his contact with a representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters at Sumter, South Carolina, at which time it has been alleged that Agent Brent did not appear interested in information furnished him concerning the activities of a group of gangsters who were planning the kidnaping of various individuals, including Andrew Mellon, please be advised that Mr. Reed, former Acting Special Agent in Charge of this office, has already discussed this with Agent Brent, and advised the Division by letter under date of May 31, 1934, in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, Identification Order 1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM, KIDNAPING.

There is enclosed a copy of Mr. Reed's letter, wherein it will be noted that Agent Brent states that the information alleged to have been furnished him by Mr. Forbes was never given him. I have again discussed this matter with Agent Brent, and he states that he has contacted Mr. Forbes on several occasions in an effort to have him divulge the source of his information. Mr. Forbes refuses to do this, but states that he will accompany an Agent to interview his informant, who resides in Greenville, South Carolina. Agent Brent states that he has offered to carry Mr. Forbes to Greenville, but Mr. Forbes has declined the invitation, stating that an interview can not be arranged with his informant until he, Forbes, has occasion to visit Greenville on some of his business.

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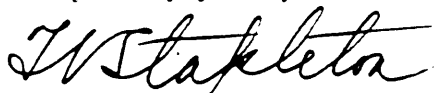
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According to Agent Brent, shortly after his last personal contact with Mr. Forbes, Mr. Forbes called him by telephone and stated that he would be in Greenville, South Carolina, in a day or two, and would see an Agent there. The file reflects that Agent Brent immediately furnished this information by telephone to Mr. Reed, but due to other emergency matters it was not possible to have an Agent in Greenville at that time.

With reference to Mr. Forbes' statement that he had given his information to Mr. W. Fred Newman, State Detective, Governor's Office, Columbia, South Carolina, in order that Mr. Newman could proceed to Washington for a personal interview with the Director, I might state that several attempts have been made in the last three weeks to contact Mr. Newman in various places without success, due to the fact that he travels over the entire state of South Carolina. Every effort is being made to have Mr. Forbes and Mr. Newman interviewed for all information which they have in order that this matter may be given thorough and vigorous attention.

Very truly yours,



T. N. STAPLETON, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

ENCLOSURE  
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c o p y

1806 First National Bank Building  
Charlotte, North Carolina

May 31, 1934

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

Dear Sir: RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification  
Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
Identification Order 1219, et al; EDWARD  
GEORGE BREMER - (Victim). Kidnaping.

Reference is made to your letter dated May 26, 1934, with which were transmitted copies of a letter from Mr. A. Bruce Bielaski of The National Board of Fire Underwriters, 25 John Street, New York City, New York, together with copies of a letter dated at Sumter, South Carolina, May 18, 1934, addressed to Mr. Bielaski by Mr. J. H. Forbes, an Agent of that company. Mr. Forbes states in his letter that Special Agent Duncan K. Brent of this office was "not interested in and did not appreciate the information which was contained therein". I wish to call to your attention the fact that this information was never given to Agent Brent by Mr. Forbes, and furthermore that the investigation in this matter has been considerably delayed by Mr. Forbes' attitude. As evidenced by the Charlotte Office file in this case entitled Charles Arthur Floyd, with aliases, Fugitive, Miscellaneous, Mr. Forbes has refused to divulge the name of his informant in Greenville, South Carolina, stating that he himself must be present when this woman is interviewed by an Agent of the Division. When questioned by Agent Brent, Mr. Forbes advised that he could not make a special trip to Greenville for this purpose, but would wait until called there on business.

On May 2, 1934, efforts were made to interview Mr. Forbes, but it was learned that he was absent from Sumter, South Carolina, at that time.

Shortly after this, Agent Brent received a telephone call from Mr. Forbes, advising that he had further information concerning this matter, and he was advised that an Agent of the Division would call upon him in the near future. At the same

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time he was informed that it was imperative that he furnish the name of his informant, which disclosure he nevertheless refused to make. He did state, however, that he expected to be in Greenville, South Carolina, the next day or the day following.

Agent Brent informed me immediately by telephone of the above conversation, but owing to the condition of work in the office, it was not feasible to have an Agent meet Mr. Forbes in Greenville at that time, and this is doubtless the source of Mr. Forbes' grievance.

Investigation in this matter is being continued, and the identity of the informant in question will be ascertained as soon as suitable arrangements can be made with Mr. Forbes.

Very truly yours,

L. B. NEED, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minn.

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REPORT MADE AT: Washington, D.C.	DATE WHEN MADE: 6/15/34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6/11&6/12/34	REPORT MADE BY: C. STEIN MBL
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218; ARTHUR R. BARTER, with aliases, I.O.#1219; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

William E. Mead and L. F. Schrader not the same man. Schrader now resides in Washington. He retired from the Government General Accounting Office 6/30/33 after service of 34 years.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent James O. Peyronnin of New Orleans dated May 30, 1934.

**DETAILS:** AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mrs. Mary Anne Johnson, 916 H St. N.W., Washington, D.C. was interviewed. She is the owner of the house at this address. She appears to be a reputable woman having been employed as a buyer by Woodward & Lothrop's for forty-two years and is now living on a pension given by them. She stated that the photograph of William E. Mead very closely resembled L. F. Schrader but that she felt certain it was not he. She stated that L. F. Schrader was formerly employed by the Government in an accounting capacity and had roomed at her house for the past 22 years, with the exception of the trip he took to New Orleans last winter. She further stated he appeared to be a very pleasant sort of gentleman, was very quiet and kept to himself. He retired about a year ago and since that time has stayed around Washington, with the exception of the trip last winter to New Orleans for his health. She stated he occasionally played golf and drove a small car.

Mr. Newby of the Division and agent interviewed Schrader on June 12, 1934. Schrader stated that he had been employed by the General Accounting Office for about 33 years and retired in June, 1933.

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He readily admitted that he had made a trip to New Orleans, last winter stating it was done for his health. He denied ever having been in Chicago or St. Paul. Comparison of Schrader with photograph of Mead indicates that there is a very close resemblance but that their features are similar enough to predicate the statement that they are not the same person. Mr. Newby had previously advised the agent that Mead has an extensive criminal record. Schrader also advised that he maintained a postal savings account in Washington, D.C. at the F Street station and that three of his fingerprints were impressed on same for identification.

Miss H. B. Roushe, assistant to the Chief of Personnel, General Accounting Office, advised agent over the telephone that Schrader was employed by the Accounting Office for a period of 34 years, prior to his resignation on June 30, 1933. In view of subject's lengthy government service and the fact that observation of him refuted the idea of his being Mead, no further investigation will be conducted.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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June 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM.

Mrs. Bartley advises that on last Saturday, June 9, as she was proceeding in a car out Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E. at about 3:30 PM she noticed another car travelling in the same direction which contained three men, one of whom was riding on the back seat. The car was a Ford V8 carrying Michigan license number 5260. The man on the back seat was very thin and wore a gray suit and a cap and had medium dark hair. He very closely resembled, in the opinion of Mrs. Bartley, the pictures of Karpis. The man driving the car resembled Dillinger and wore a blue suit and straw hat.

Mrs. Bartley said that the resemblance of these men to the pictures of Karpis and Dillinger were so striking that she stared at them, whereupon the man driving the car made a "face" at her, turned the car sharply and drove in to either 10th or 11th Street, apparently headed back toward town.

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June 16, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Sherman Burns telephoned late this afternoon from Ossining, New York, to state that Gordon is in Oklahoma City and reports that Mr. Brantley is out of town, and Gordon did not think that the man at the Oklahoma City office is experienced enough in the matter in question to handle it, and thought perhaps they had better wait until Monday, at which time he thinks Mr. Brantley will be back to the office. I stated I did not know about this, as no information was available at the Division in Washington as to when Mr. Brantley would return to his office. I advised I would, however, call Kansas City immediately and endeavor to get Mr. Brantley back by airplane tomorrow morning.

Mr. Burns advised they have located Clark, and probably Barker and Karpis are with him, although they may have left by this time, so they thought they had not better wait too long. Mr. Burns further stated if Mr. Brantley is not going to be back in Oklahoma City on Monday we should have somebody else contact Gordon, who is at the Kingkade Hotel, as W. S. Gordon.

I stated I would immediately endeavor to reach Mr. Brantley by telephone and make arrangements for Gordon to be contacted at the Kingkade Hotel.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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June 16, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned Agent in Charge Blake, who was at Midlothian, Texas, which is about 25 miles from Dallas.

I informed him that Mr. Gordon, of the Burns Detective Agency, is at Oklahoma City; that Mr. Brantley is at Kansas City and I have been unable to reach him; that we still desire to carry out the same arrangement previously made, in other words, he isn't aware of the fact that we know all about the matter. I told him that Gordon claims he has located Clark, and possibly Barker and Karpis; that he, Gordon, stated he contacted our Oklahoma City Office and that the man he contacted wasn't acquainted with the matter, whereupon he called Sherman Burns, who in turn called me, inquiring as to whether we could bring somebody into Oklahoma City immediately who could take care of the matter. Upon my inquiry, Mr. Blake stated he could get to Oklahoma City in about 8 hours, and would be there by tomorrow morning. I instructed Mr. Blake to proceed to Oklahoma City and contact Gordon at the Kingcade Hotel. I told him the original plan was for Gordon to contact our Oklahoma City Office, informing it as to where these people were, and we would assemble a large enough force to make the drive. I told him I would call Mr. Black, instructing him to have enough men available so that when he, Mr. Blake, arrives, he will be able to take immediate action. I cautioned Mr. Blake not to indicate to Mr. Gordon that he knows anything about the background, but to keep his eyes open. Mr. Blake will proceed by train, contacting Gordon immediately upon his arrival there. I told him to do anything he felt necessary.

I called Mr. Brantley at Kansas City relative to this matter, and informed him that Clark had been located with Karpis and Barker, according to Mr. Burns, but that by reason of the delay in getting anybody in our office to function, they think Karpis and Barker have disappeared. I expressed my displeasure at being unable to locate him, Brantley, at Kansas City, as well as being unable to reach Mr. Black at Oklahoma City. I called his attention to the fact that when the Agent in Charge of an office leaves the office he should by all means leave word as to where he can be reached by phone. I told him that Mr. Blake is taking care of the matter, since I had been unable to reach him, Mr. Brantley. Mr. Brantley stated he could proceed to Oklahoma City tonight, returning to Kansas City Monday morning. I told him he should do this, and in the meantime to make some arrangements

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to have Agents available at the Oklahoma City Office. Mr. Brantley stated he would immediately get in touch with Mr. Black to make these arrangements.

Mr. Brantley stated it would be necessary for him to be back in Kansas City Monday morning. I instructed him to leave the matter in charge of Mr. Blake.

I told Mr. Brantley that Gordon is stopping at the Kingkade Hotel, and Mr. Brantley made the remark that this hotel is a "joint."

I asked Mr. Brantley why we had received no word that Gordon left McAlester. Mr. Brantley replied that he was not under surveillance there, which was according to his instructions from Mr. Blake.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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June 13, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

*Walter P.*

Mr. Frank Blake telephoned from Dallas, Texas, this morning at approximately 9:50 and read to me the following conversation which took place between Mr. Gordon, of the Burns Detective Agency, at present in Paris, Texas, and Sherman Burns in New York:

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Gordon



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Gordon

*CHAS. F. ED. W.*

stated that he is particularly concerned about the remarks, [redacted] He stated that of course Delgado is not [redacted] no having left early yesterday morning from Texarkana, apparently for Chicago. I asked Mr. Blake if there is any other indication than the above statements, that Gordon suspects that we are watching him. Mr. Blake replied that Delgado acted as if he expected somebody was "on to him" before he left Paris. Mr. Blake suggested that if any question is raised about that, we might be able to say that in our investigation of the robbery of the National Bank of Atlanta, we found out about this party arriving in Paris just about the time that he could have gotten there, and in our investigation we found he was an ex-convict and didn't know who either of them was until we went into the matter; that after going into it we obtained some idea as to who they were, and then withdrew. I told Mr. Blake that I wasn't very much concerned about that; that the Burns people haven't communicated with me since the first time, when they stated Gordon would be at Oklahoma City; and that they have never let us know that Gordon and Delgado are in the Texas

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territory, and as a matter of fact we learned, independent of them, about the warrants which they got at Mason City, Iowa, and also learned at Paris that they had been talking to the Chief of Police about working on the Dillinger case. I stated to Mr. Blake that it is entirely reasonable and possible that a Chief of Police would call him, Mr. Blake, in, in which event he would have to look into the matter; that it is not a case in which I'm in the least concerned about keeping track of these men, although it is desired that it be done without their knowing about it, if possible, because if the Burns people had dealt openly and honestly with us, it would be quite different. I told Mr. Blake that of course I desired to avoid being "spotted" on this matter, but that if we were "spotted," and the Burns people protested here, we would simply state that we had been awaiting word from them; that we didn't know they were working on this; that they didn't tell us anything about Delgado and about having men at Paris, Texas; and that we didn't know it was the same crowd that they talked to us about two weeks ago; further, that the Burns men had been advertising the fact that they were working on the Dillinger matter, having done so at Mason City, at McAlester, and at Paris.

Upon Mr. Blake's inquiry, I stated I believed Dillinger was involved in the Mason City bank robbery. I told Mr. Blake I am particularly concerned about the story concerning "Sonny" and that crowd, and am interested in ascertaining where they are. I suggested that they may be in that particular place in Oklahoma. Mr. Blake stated that the country around Hugo, Oklahoma, is a gangsters' hideout, and he believes that if there is anybody there at all, it is the Barkers. Upon my inquiry, Mr. Blake stated he had talked with Mr. Brantley, who had sent men into the vicinity of Clarksville, just east of Paris, which is in Mr. Blake's territory. Mr. Blake stated that Mr. Brantley has some very good connections in that "broken-bow" country, and that is where this fellow (apparently meaning Delgado) was going. Mr. Blake advised that he had arranged with Mr. Brantley to have some one from his, Mr. Blake's, territory meet him at Clarksville and "set him in" with a man there who is well acquainted with the country and will be able to render valuable assistance. Mr. Blake said that both he and Mr. Brantley felt this would prove of value. I stated to Mr. Blake that the Burns people have only said that their man would get in touch with Mr. Brantley at Oklahoma City; that he never has gotten in touch with Mr. Brantley and we aren't supposed to know where he is, and that we have a perfect right to check up on anybody who is doing anything on the Dillinger or Barker cases. I told him to caution Mr. Brantley to be very careful, but to "keep an eye" on the matter.

Mr. Blake stated he had removed all of the Agents from this assignment with the exception of one. He is staying close under cover and Mr. Blake has instructed that if Gordon leaves he should be sure to find out where he is going. I told Mr. Blake I desired this Agent to "keep a general eye" on Gordon and



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to keep him, Mr. Blake, advised of any move which Gordon makes out of town. Agent Fred Dunn is assigned to this matter at Paris.

Mr. Blake stated he was rather concerned about the possibility of Gordon's informing his headquarters of the fact that he was being shadowed. I told him that if Mr. Sherman Burns called me about this matter I would tell him that we had received information that his men were making inquiries at Paris and that we had a right to make a check of it; that if he had confided in us as to what they were doing, we would have not gone into the matter. I further called attention to the fact that Mr. Gordon, who is in charge of the Burns Agency at St. Paul, is an ex-convict.

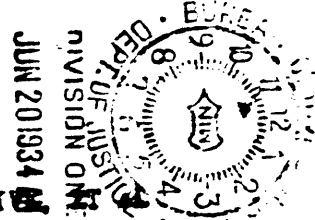
Mr. Blake will advise me as to any further developments.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Los Angeles, California  
June 14, 1934

Mr. H. M. Clegg, Inspector  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box 515  
St. Paul, Minnesota



Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, FUGITIVE,  
Edward G. Bremer, Victim  
Kidnaping  
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Referring to letter of Acting Special Agent in Charge B.E. Sackett,  
Los Angeles, June 5, 1934, Special Agent J. G. Findlay has made further in-  
vestigation at Los Angeles, and reports the following information:

On June 5, 1934, Mrs. Davis, persons ~~synne~~, ~~William~~ ~~Offis~~, ~~Hollis~~  
Morris and Ruth ~~purson~~ were arrested at 250 South ~~Stalpa~~ Street, Los  
Angeles, by police officers E. L. Slope, W. Drayer, G. A. Salah, D. B. Gilmore  
and H. L. Bergeron of the Wilshire Station, suspected of burglary and robbery  
of a tailor shop at 3721 North New Hampshire Street, and the Safeway Stores  
located at 256 North New Hampshire, 5300 West Washington and 1560 South Western.

When these parties were arrested, they had in their possession two  
Colt automatic .45 calibre, one .380 Colt Automatic and another automatic, some  
black leather gloves and a pair of pigskin gloves. At the time of the arrest,  
they were in a Chevrolet Sedan which was claimed by synne. The disposition of  
the Chevrolet car is not known, but it is stated that Mrs. Davis had a 1933  
model Chevrolet in her possession after the arrest of these parties. The license  
tag on same is not known, and it is not known whether or not this is the Chevro-  
let which was occupied by the parties at the time of their arrest. The two  
women were booked, but no prosecution was begun against them, and they were re-  
leased.

Charges of robbery in six counts, charges of burglary in four counts  
and charges of kidnaping in two counts were filed against Davis, synne and  
Morris. A separate charge of an habitual criminal was filed against Davis.

The case against Morris was dismissed on motion of the County District  
Attorney. The investigators stated that their investigation showed that Morris  
had just arrived in Los Angeles from the Imperial Valley, and that the investi-  
gators of the District Attorney had come to the conclusion that Morris was not  
guilty, as the offense had been committed prior to his arrival in Los Angeles.

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Defendant Herschel Wynne pleaded guilty on March 26, 1934, and was sentenced to five-years-to-life on the first degree robbery charge, and five-years-to-life on the burglary charges, in San Quentin Penitentiary - sentences to run concurrently.

Ed Davis was tried May 22nd to 26th, 1934, and was convicted on all charges, and was sentenced on May 28th to serve seven life sentences in Folsom Penitentiary to run concurrently, without possibility of parole. A stay of execution was granted until June 8th, at which time it was further extended until June 18th, and later until June 21st, 1934. The last stay of execution was granted in order that Davis' son, Sebron Davis, nine years of age, might be brought from San Diego to see his father before he was taken to Folsom Penitentiary.

The trial was had in Superior Court No. 42 before Judge Elliott Craig. Assistant District Attorney G. A. Nelson handled the case for the State, and Donald Mackay represented Davis.

At the time of the arrest of Davis, March 5, 1934, his wife, Loma Davis, under the name of Loma Joe, and the nine-year-old son, Sebron Joe (Davis) were living at 1106 Harold Street, Lancaster, California, but from information which the officers obtained at the time they made the investigation, Davis, alias Joe, was seldom seen in Lancaster. The boy, Sebron Joe, under the name of Sebron Joe, was in school at Lancaster at the time. After the arrest, the boy was sent to San Diego and placed in school there. The school which he is now attending is not known, and his address in San Diego is not known, and it is reported by the officers that the boy is going under a different name at San Diego. Mrs. Davis is now living at the Cumberland Apartments, Apartment 212, under the name of Vivian Joe - telephone MUTual 0435.

Clem Peoples, the Los Angeles County jailer, stated that he had an order from Davis that he, Davis, did not want to see anyone except his wife, and that Davis receives no mail, and has sent out no mail. Mr. Peoples stated that they keep no record of the mail coming in or going out; that they censor it, and if there is nothing suspicious, it is sent through, and no record is kept.

Copies of the photographs of the five-above-named parties were obtained from the Identification Bureau in the Sheriff's Office, and the Identification Bureau in the Police Department, and same are being forwarded to you with this letter.

Very truly yours,

JGF:AB

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B. L. SHERITT, Acting  
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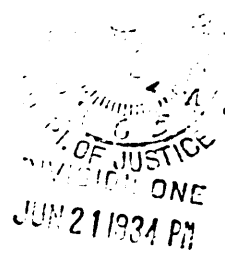
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June 18, 1934.



Director,  
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.#1219;  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

In accordance with the Division's letter addressed to the Chicago Office under date of June 16, 1934, I am attaching hereto two copies of the fingerprints of JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN alias "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN.

It will be noted that the prints are not of the clearest type; however, owing to the fact that the lines in McLAUGHLIN'S fingers are hardly visible, no better print can be secured.

Very truly yours,

*H.H. Clegg*  
H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

June 18, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM. *EV/ly*

Confirming telephonic advice furnished Mr. Newby on June 15, 1934, you are advised that an examination of the file of the Identification Unit for Volney Davis who is wanted by the Kansas City Division office reveals that there is no indication that Davis is wanted by any agency other than the Division.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

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1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois

June 18th, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
P. O. Box #515  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

In reply to the teletype from the St. Paul Office dated June 16th, 1934, stating that the United States Attorney at St. Paul desires certified copies of United States Commissioner's order setting bond for John Joseph McLaughlin, Sr., William Vidler and Phillip Delaney, together with certified copies of the Federal Judge's order setting bond for their removal and of his order dismissing the writ filed in their behalf, this Office is hereby enclosing certified copies of the order of removal in the above cases, together with certified copies of the order dismissing the writ of habeas corpus filed in behalf of the above-named men.

The Clerk of the Court for the northern district of Illinois, eastern division, has stated that since there is no order by the Federal Judge setting bond for the removal of these men that he believes that the order of removal in which the recitation of the bond as set by the Commissioner will suffice.

Inasmuch as a writ of certiorari was served upon United States Commissioner Edwin K. Walker shortly after the hearing before him in this case, Commissioner Walker was compelled to send all his records to the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the northern district of Illinois, eastern division. Today, by a court order, Commissioner Walker got permission to get back his original documents of the proceedings before him and today has forwarded these documents to the Clerk of the United States Court in the Third Division of the District of Minnesota.

In the letter accompanying the original documents of the United States Commissioner, the United States Commissioner explained that he was merely sending these documents for the use of the United States Attorney at St. Paul and that when the United States Attorney had finished with them that

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he would like them back in the office of the Clerk of the District Court  
for the northern district of Illinois, eastern division.

Very truly yours,

S. P. COWLEY

ELR:IJM  
enc.

cc - Division ✓



June 17, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SAC Brantley called from Oklahoma City at 9:00PM and asked that you be advised of the following:

Following his conversation with you yesterday, Mr. Brantley returned to Oklahoma City this morning to contact Gordon who is the Burns representative from Minneapolis and sent down to that part of the country to do some work for his organization. Mr. Blake, of the Dallas Office is there with Mr. Brantley at the present time.

Yesterday morning, Mr. Huff, the local Burns representative, called the office at Oklahoma City and asked for Mr. Brantley. He was informed that Mr. Brantley was out of town. Mr. Black talked to Mr. Huff whereby an appointment was made by Mr. Huff with Mr. Black for 11:15 AM. Mr. Black remained at the office for several hours but Mr. Huff did not show up.

This morning, on his arrival in the city, Mr. Brantley got in touch with Mr. Huff and Mr. Huff advised that the man who wanted to see Mr. Brantley or Mr. Black was their office manager, Gordon, from Minneapolis. Mr. Huff stated that after he had talked to Mr. Black, Huff asked Gordon if he wanted to go over and Gordon said to let it go. No one came to the office yesterday and the only conversation with anyone was what he related and took place over the telephone. Jim Clark was the only subject mentioned in the conversation between Mr. Brantley and Mr. Huff.

Mr. Brantley further stated that after trying all morning to locate Gordon, he was finally found at his hotel at about 12:35PM. Gordon went to the Division Office and related the following to Mr. Brantley:

That he has been down in that part of the country with some "stools" trying to get some information out of some speaker; that out of fifteen men he was selected to be the contact man; that he has some information on one Jim Clark who might be contacting someone around Shamrock, Texas, at one Bill Schlegel's farm, located fourteen miles northeast of Shamrock. Gordon stated that Doc Barker might have been down there also. He further stated that all of the law enforcements are crooked down there and that his information is coming from a convict who is in the McAlester State Penitentiary. Gordon stated that Clark

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was there on Tuesday, June 12th and that he got this information on Wednesday 13th. Gordon stated that he arrived in Oklahoma City June 16th and has received no information since then. Gordon stated that he had not received any information on Karpis and Barker but thinks that Doc Barker might have gone down there.

Mr. Brantley stated that during his conversation with Gordon, Gordon said that he has been in that part of the country for three weeks and Mr. Brantley knows that he has not been ~~there over a period~~ of two weeks. Mr. Brantley expressed the opinion that Gordon is giving ~~us~~ the run-around because Gordon had this information on June 13th and did not advise any official of the Division until the 16th.

Mr. Brantley asked to be advised as to whether he and Mr. Blake should proceed to Shamrock, Texas. Mr. Tolson then advised Mr. Brantley and Mr. Blake to use their own judgment. Mr. Brantley said that he would not go down to Shamrock, Texas, but that Mr. Blake will make the necessary investigations.

In the absence of Mr. Tamm and Mr. Smith, Mr. Tolson talked ~~to Mr.~~ Brantley regarding the trip to Shamrock, Texas.

Respectfully,

R. L. Moore

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Mr. Sherman Burns,  
Burns International Detective Agency,  
370 Lexington Avenue,  
New York City.

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Dear Mr. Burns:

Following your telephone conversation with me this afternoon, I immediately contacted my Oklahoma City Office to determine why the Acting Agent in Charge of that office, Mr. Black, had not been prepared to handle the matter upon which Mr. Gordon was in Oklahoma City, and upon which I understood from you, Mr. Gordon had called our Oklahoma City Office. I am advised that Saturday morning, Mr. Huff, your local representative at Oklahoma City, called the Oklahoma City Office by telephone and asked for Mr. Brantley. He was informed that Mr. Brantley was out of town, and an appointment was made by Mr. Black to see Mr. Hunt at 11:15 a.m. Mr. Black remained at the office for several hours after the time for the appointment, but Mr. Huff did not further communicate with him. At no time did Mr. Gordon communicate with Mr. Black. Mr. Brantley, the Agent in Charge at Oklahoma City, who was advised of the confidential matter some weeks ago, had been called by subpoena to Kansas City, Missouri, but before leaving Oklahoma City, he had made the necessary arrangements with Mr. Black for the handling of the matter should Mr. Gordon contact our Oklahoma City Office.

I wanted you to know of this, so that you would understand that the proper arrangements had been made by the Oklahoma City Office of this Division for the handling of this matter, had Mr. Gordon or Mr. Huff communicated with the Acting Agent in Charge. I directed Mr. Brantley, who was at Kansas City, to return to Oklahoma City for Sunday. He cannot remain at Oklahoma City beyond Sunday, as he is required to be in Court at Kansas City on Monday morning. However, Mr. Frank Blake, Agent in Charge of the Dallas Office, is also at Oklahoma City, and between Mr. Blake and Mr. Black, I am quite certain that the proper attention can be given to any matters brought to their attention by your representative, Mr. Gordon.

Cordially yours,

Director.

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370 Lexington Avenue  
New York

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June 19, 1934

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Chief Clerk
Mr. Tamm

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

*w. d.* Acknowledging receipt of your letter of June 16th, I think probably I am responsible for Mr. Gordon not contacting Mr. Black in Oklahoma City on Saturday. Although I understood over the telephone that he had, I can see from your letter that evidently our Mr. Huff merely made contact with Mr. Black on the telephone, and inquired for Mr. Brantley.

Probably the reason Mr. Gordon did not contact Mr. Black and take the matter up with him was because of my specific instructions at the outset to discuss the matter with no one but Mr. Brantley, and I was not aware of the fact that any other person than Mr. Brantley was prepared to handle the matter. In talking to Mr. Gordon on the telephone on Saturday, I informed him I was going to contact with you, and that if he did not hear from me again that Mr. Brantley would get in touch with him either Sunday or Monday, and when you informed me that you would have Mr. Brantley in Oklahoma City on Sunday I of course did not again get in touch with Mr. Gordon; so probably I was responsible for the mix-up.

I appreciate your calling this to my attention. With best wishes,

Yours very truly,

W. SHERMAN BURNS

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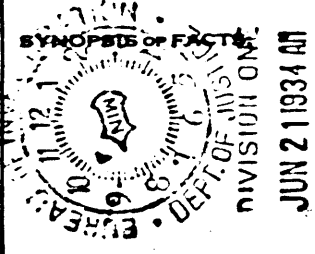

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

St. Paul, Minn.

FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT: Cincinnati, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE: 6-18-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6-10-34	REPORT MADE BY: S.J. VanLandingham
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. #1219; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<div style="float: left; width: 20%; text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="float: right; width: 80%;"> <p>Harry Campbell, Delaware, Ohio, is a respectable citizen, owner of a retail shoe store in Delaware, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and active in community affairs. Robert Barker, Richwood, Ohio, 22 years of age, is a wild young man, but photographs of Karpis and Barker, Subjects in this case, exhibited to reliable citizens, failed to disclose any identification with Robert Barker of Richwood, Ohio.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent H. D. Harris, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated 4-4-34.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> <u>AT DELAWARE, OHIO</u></p> <p>Agent interviewed C. A. Gillett, 577 N. Franklin St., Delaware, Western Union telegraph operator, who stated that he was well acquainted with Harry Campbell, 72 Griswold St., Delaware. He stated that Mr. Campbell had lived in Delaware practically all his life; that he had worked his way through school, working at the L. Banereis Shoe Company and after finishing at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, he had become a partner in this shoe company and later had acquired sole possession of same. Mr. Gillett stated that Mr. Campbell was a member of S. A. E. fraternity and was at the present time a trustee of this fraternity; that he was active in civic affairs and was a member of the Methodist Church in Delaware. He gave his description, as follows: 72 years, 5' 9" in height, 160 lbs. in weight, light complexion, medium brown hair. He stated he had known him for 17 years and that he was a clean cut type of man and one of the most reputable citizens in Delaware.</p> </div>			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: 3 Division 2 St. Paul 1 Detroit 2 Cincinnati COPIES DESTROYED 840 MAR 22 1965	7-576-2191 UNITED STATES JUN 20 1934 AM BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE	RECORDED AND INDEXED: CHECKED OFF: JUN 23 1934 JACKETED:	

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Mr. Allen T. Watson, part owner, The Hotel Allen, Delaware, stated that he had lived in Delaware and had been in the hotel business there for 26 years; that he had known Harry Campbell during this entire period and that Mr. Campbell was an active church member, took a great interest in school affairs, being a member of the Parent Teachers Association, and had aided and pushed the Boy Scout organization in Delaware; and that he was a good respectable citizen. He stated that Mr. Campbell had married Miss Ruth Chaney, daughter of former Probate Judge Chaney of Champaign City, Ohio.

Mr. Robert E. Watson, who is part owner of the Allen Hotel, Delaware, and who has been in this business for 26 years, stated that he was next door neighbor to Harry Campbell; that he had always regarded him highly as he was a good neighbor and a highly respected citizen in the community. He verified the facts as stated by his brother, Mr. Allen T. Watson.

This agent contacted Dr. B. P. Hall, Richwood, Ohio, who advised that he had been a practicing physician in this city for over 50 years; that he knew Robert Barker to be a rather wild young fellow; that Robert's father, Mr. J. D. Barker, is a retired school teacher and former preacher; that Mr. J. D. Barker is a highly respectable citizen in that community. The photographs of Subjects Karpis and Arthur Barker were exhibited to Dr. Hall and he stated positively that Robert Barker of Richwood, Ohio, was neither of these Subjects.

Dr. J. S. Rambo, Richwood, Ohio, stated that he had been a practicing physician in Richwood for 12 years and that he knew Robert Barker; that Robert did not seem to be able to hold any job very long; that about a year ago he had become involved in an auto deal which involved the selling of a mortgaged car; that he understood this had been fixed up. Both Dr. Hall and Dr. Rambo stated that Robert Barker had never been in the penitentiary and so far as they knew had never been arrested; that Robert had at one time lived with his sister in New Jersey, address unknown. Dr. Rambo gave the following description of Robert Barker: 22 years of age, 5' 8" in height, 135 lbs. in weight, black hair, dark eyes, nice looking, erect posture; education: completed high school course about three years ago; neat dresser.

Dr. Rambo advised that Robert Barker had married a girl from Dunkirk, Ohio, about nine months ago. He did not know the name of this girl but she had been in Richwood helping the liquidation of a failed bank, the Farmers Depositors Bank, Richwood, Ohio; that Robert Barker was the youngest son of J. D. Barker and that there were two other brothers, Ed Barker and Kenneth Barker. He stated that Kenneth Barker had gone to New Mexico several years ago for asthma trouble and while there had become a dope addict. Dr. Rambo said that Kenneth was now residing at Prospect, Ohio. Dr. Rambo was not able to identify any member of the Barker family

of Richwood, Ohio, by the photographs of Subjects Karpis and Arthur Barker in this case.

Mr. Owen Livingston, Postmaster, Richwood, Ohio, was contacted and stated that he had never known Robert Barker to be in any trouble other than being involved in the auto deal of selling a mortgaged car, as described above. He verified the fact that Kenneth Barker was a drug addict and at one time lived in New Mexico and was now living in Prospect, Ohio. He stated that Robert was now helping to deliver food to C C C Camps. Mr. Livingston advised that he had been Postmaster at Richwood for 12 years and had lived there for 65 years; that J. D. Barker, the father of Robert Barker, was a highly respectable citizen and a member of the Methodist Church at Richwood, Ohio.

Mr. Livingston gave practically the same description of Robert Barker as given by Dr. J. S. Rambo.

Upon being shown the photographs of Subjects Karpis and Arthur Barker, he stated positively that no one of the Barker family of Richwood, Ohio, resembled either of these Subjects.

This agent, without revealing his identity, called at the home of Mrs. J. D. Barker, Richwood, Ohio. She stated that Robert was not at home at the time but was in Dunkirk, Ohio, visiting his wife's relatives and that he spent a great deal of his time there. She further advised that they had no relatives living in Oklahoma.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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I telephoned Mr. Blake at Dallas this morning to state that we had received Mr. Brantley's telegram that Blake was proceeding back to Dallas, and that the Director wanted to know why he returned instead of taking charge of the situation at Oklahoma City. Mr. Blake stated they talked with Mr. Tolson yesterday afternoon, about three o'clock, concerning this procedure; that they first called the Division and Mr. Moore was here, and they gave to Mr. Moore the complete details, and about 15 or 20 minutes later Mr. Tolson called Mr. Brantley back, and Mr. Brantley repeated the details to Mr. Tolson, at which time Mr. Tolson advised that if in their judgment they should not go out to Shamrock, Texas, not to do so; in other words, to exercise their own judgment.

I asked Mr. Blake just what the situation was, and he advised that he and Mr. Brantley talked with Gordon and Gordon said that he had been to McAlester and talked to a friend of his there, who told him that on June 12 Jim Clark was at Shamrock, and that he believed Doc Barker is out there. Mr. Blake stated they asked him, Gordon, twice specifically why he believed Barker was there, and he said "Well, I just think so". Mr. Blake stated he asked Gordon if he had heard that Jim Clark was running around with Barker or Karpis, and he said "No, but I just think he would be out there". Mr. Blake stated he gave them nothing to go on, and had only information from a convict that Clark was at a certain place on June 12, and told them the name of the place at which he would probably be found. Mr. Blake further stated it was their judgment that before taking any men out there, they should send a man up there to look the situation over and see if there is anything to it, as Gordon had said he had no reason to believe that Clark is there at this time, but that he had been there on the 12th. Mr. Blake stated that is the reason they did not go, and he is going to send a man from Dallas there. He stated this was explained to Mr. Tolson who said it would be alright for them to use their own judgment, this being his judgment and also that of Mr. Brantley.

I advised Mr. Blake that we had not had a memorandum from Mr. Tolson this morning regarding this matter. Mr. Blake stated that this information was first given to Mr. Moore, and he had heard Mr. Brantley tell him to be sure and see that this was "drawn up and brought to the Director's attention". I advised Mr. Blake that this was not done. Mr. Blake stated that then Mr. Tolson called them back, and it was so obvious to them that there is nothing to Gordon and nothing in his story to indicate that Jim Clark would be in the place mentioned, that it was considered "too wild" to go there at this time.

*Memo  
6-18-34*

*This is the first knowledge received of this. It is most unfortunate Blake & Brantley didn't take Gordon & go to Shamrock & either prove or disprove his story. We are withholding*



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Memo - Director.

Mr. Blake advised that Gordon had stated they could not trust the local authorities in that section, but Agent Dowd knows the officers he can trust, and Mr. Blake stated it was his judgment that the best thing to do was to send Dowd there and have him make a survey of the situation and determine whether in his opinion there is anything there at all. Mr. Blake stated that Dowd is out at Eastland on an extortion case, but he is getting him in today and will tonight send him to Shamrock. I advised Mr. Blake this would be satisfactory. I stated to Mr. Blake he should warn Mr. Dowd to be very cautious. Mr. Blake stated that Mr. Dowd has worked that territory all along and knows just how to handle it.

Mr. Blake advised that he was sure that the Director had known about this situation, or he would be up there yet. I advised him we knew nothing about the matter.

Respectfully,

*I never heard of it.*

*J. E. N.*



E. A. Tamm.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 19, 1934.

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Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Cowley	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

With regard to the attached memorandum, I desire to respectfully advise you that at the time I received the telephone call from Mr. Brantley, I was unable to issue specific instructions to him in the matter because of my unfamiliarity with it. I was told that Mr. Tamm was at the ball game and that he intended to return to the office. I told Mr. Moore to write up the conversation and place it on your desk and to give it to Mr. Tamm when he called in as I understood he was to do. I note Mr. Tamm's statement that he had no memorandum concerning this matter and your notation that this was the first knowledge you received of it. I have checked this matter with Mr. Kleinkauf, who states Mr. Moore wrote up the telephonic message and placed it on your desk and later placed it on Mr. Tamm's desk at 6 o'clock last night. I have not read the report of the telephonic conversation but naturally assumed that the matter when brought to your attention and Mr. Tamm's attention would receive attention in the light of the previous developments in this matter of which I had no knowledge so that if other instructions were desired they could be issued to the Oklahoma City and Dallas Offices. I am sure that I told Mr. Brantley that in view of my lack of familiarity with the situation, I would take their recommendation as to whether they should go to Shamrock having in mind that if other instructions were necessary, they would be issued by the Division.

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Respectfully,

  
Clyde Tolson.

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May 31, 1934

Personal Attention

Mr. H. H. Clegg,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Clegg:

I talked with Mr. Ladd when he was here relative to the situation at St. Paul, and I would like to have you give him, of course, the benefit of all of your observations upon the various matters in that district, not only the Bremer case, the Hamm case, and the Dillinger case, but all other angles, and particularly the press situation. I told Mr. Ladd it was my desire that as soon as possible he become thoroughly familiar with all of the investigative matters in that district, in order that he might be able to relieve you of the supervision of the Bremer, Dillinger and Hamm cases. I would like to have you return to Washington to resume your duties here, but I do not want you to leave St. Paul until Mr. Ladd has become thoroughly acquainted with all angles of these cases. I do want to obtain a very vigorous activity in order that we may bring to an early conclusion the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping cases, and, of course, an early apprehension of all or any members of the Dillinger gang. Please keep this in mind and work out the appropriate plan with Mr. Ladd so that this can be accomplished.

Very truly yours,

Director

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Edward H. Bremer

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 4, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 31, 1934, with reference to my aiding Mr. Ladd to become acquainted with the Bremer, Hamm, and the Dillinger cases, as well as other matters and observations in the territory covered by the St. Paul office. You are advised that I am giving this matter my constant attention in accordance with your request.

I have already made Mr. Ladd acquainted with the newspaper reporters who cover the Federal Building, and have made arrangements whereby we are to both call upon the Managing Editors of the three principal papers in St. Paul, at an early date. We are now concerning ourselves with the continued organization of personnel and plans for locating the Bremer and the Hamm hideouts in this territory; and I have been keeping Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, the No. 1 man at the St. Paul office, in close and constant touch with all details and developments in the special assignments here so that he too can be of service to Mr. Ladd at the latter's request. Now that Mr. Nicholson has been designated as No. 1 man at the St. Paul office, we are giving to him benefits of any observations and instructions possible with reference to the administrative control and operation of an office as I feel that Mr. Nicholson possesses potential ability along administrative lines. I have also arranged with Mr. Ladd whereby Mr. Nicholson can be given as much experience as possible in this connection.

Very truly yours,

*H. H. Clegg*  
H. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.

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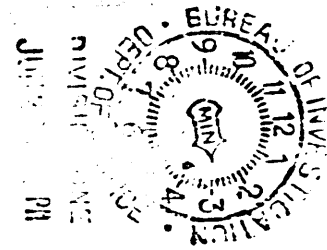
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

St. Paul, Minn.,  
June 18, 1934.

F. J. BLAKE,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.



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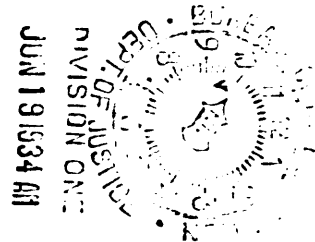
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P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio

June 2<sup>15</sup>, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
502 Fletcher Savings and Trust Bldg.,  
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Re: **Alvin Karpis with aliases, et al;**  
**Unknown Subjects;**  
**EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim;**  
**KIDNAPING**

Dear Sir:

Due to the re-allocation of the territory of the Cincinnati Division Office, there are attached hereto the necessary serials in the above entitled case, inasmuch as further investigation is necessary in this matter in the Indianapolis territory.

**St. Paul**

The Office is the Office of Origin in the instant matter.

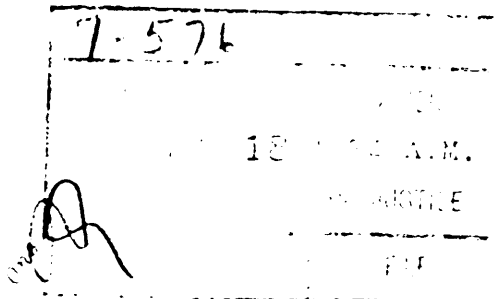
Very truly yours,

*M. B. Klein*

M. B. KLEIN, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc **St. Paul**

*Division* ✓



1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
JUNE 16, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers' Building  
Chicago, Illinois

JUN 18 1934 PM  
DIVISION ONE  
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219,  
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING.

Please refer to your letter to the St. Paul Office dated May 28, 1934, in the above captioned case, copy of which was furnished the Kansas City Office in order that inquiry could be made in an endeavor to locate pertinent record of one Izzy Smith, who was said to have served time in the United States Penitentiary, at Leavenworth, Kansas in 1915.

Through communication with the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, information has been received that a complete search of the records of that penitentiary failed to reflect the name of an inmate ever having served time at that institution by the name of Izzy Smith.

In the event the St. Paul Office is unable to obtain a pertinent record of this individual at the penitentiary at Stillwater, Minnesota, pursuant to lead in your letter, it is suggested that upon receipt of any further information relative to Smith, such as the nature of the crime for which he served, the time of the sentence, etc., be furnished this office for further search at the penitentiary at Leavenworth.

Very truly yours,

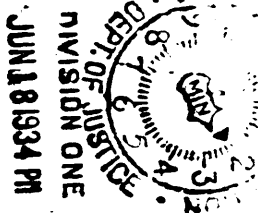
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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
JUNE 14, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
318 Hewes Building  
San Francisco, California



ANSWERED

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO. 1218, ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to your telegram of June 11, 1934,  
and my reply of that date concerning a letter received at San  
Francisco bearing the return address "John Dillinger, Liberal,  
Missouri".

Inquiry was made by telephone of Postmaster James T.  
Moore at Liberal, who stated that the fact that communications have  
been mailed from his office with the above return address was well  
known to him. He advised that the individual mailing the letter  
in question has mailed other letters in which he has given the re-  
turn address of "Pretty Boy" Floyd and other known hoodlums. Mr.  
Moore stated that this individual is Warren Strickland, who formerly  
resided at Liberal and who is now reported to reside at 1326 Jessie  
Street, San Francisco, California. Mr. Strickland has recently been  
in Liberal on a vacation and on the day I talked with Mr. Moore was  
supposed to be in Kansas City, Missouri, mail having been forwarded  
to him at General Delivery, this city.

Mr. Moore stated he has known Strickland for approximately  
25 years and that the letters involved were apparently mailed by  
Strickland in a joking mood. He described Strickland as being be-  
tween 50 and 54 years of age; 5'7" to 5'8" in height; heavy set;  
gray hair; one white eye.

In view of the information developed further inquiries  
were not made by this office.

Very truly yours,

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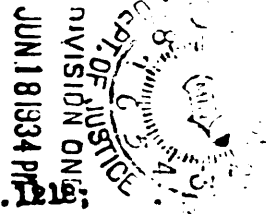
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Special Agent in Charge



P. O. Box 51L,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 16, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
I. O. 1219, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul file No. 7-30.

This office has been advised by the officials of the  
Mayo Bros. Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, that Miss Laura  
Campbell has received letters from the following individuals:

Edith Stephens, 818 South Rockford,  
Rochester, Minn.  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
Edith Stephens, 818 South Rockford,  
Rochester, Minn.

This office has also been advised that on the postal  
[Redacted] to Miss Campbell, he stated that  
he goes to bed at 10 o'clock at night; that he had a good Saturday  
(June 9, 1934) at Sun Rise.

It is requested that appropriate inquiry be made con-  
cerning the identity of these individuals.

Very truly yours,

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E. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.  
*[Signature]*

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1900 BANKERS BUILDING,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

June 14, 1934.

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

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O.  
1219; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Please be advised that the following towns  
having four possibilities have been covered by Agent  
Rice in Wisconsin, without disclosing the hideout in  
which Bremer was held:

Beuver Dam  
Horicon  
Fox Lake

The following towns with three possibilities  
have been covered in Wisconsin by Special Agent Rice:

Slinger  
Iron Ridge

You will be advised promptly as each of the re-  
maining towns is covered.

You are further advised that certain of the towns  
in Wisconsin having three and four possibilities were as-  
signed to Special Agent M. F. Glynn, who was recently sub-  
poensed to Des Moines, Iowa. It is expected, however, that  
he will return within the near future, at which time he  
will cover such towns.

Very truly yours,

M. F. GYNN,

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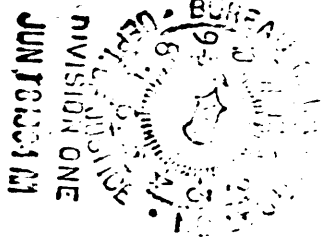
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P.O. Box 815, St. Paul, Minn.

June 14, 1934.



Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
422 Midland Savings Building,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.  
#1219; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

As a result of a mail cover which has been placed on the  
mail of ~~the above named individuals~~ in this case, it is presently being ascertained at the Mayo  
Brothers Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, in tracing has been received  
with the return address of E. KESTER, U.S. Veterans Hospital, Fort  
Lyon, Colorado.

It is requested that appropriate inquiry be made at the  
Veterans' Hospital, at Fort Lyon, Colorado, to ascertain the iden-  
tity of E. KESTER, and any possible connection he might have with  
this case.

Very truly yours,

H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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CC Division  
Chicago

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Room 1403  
370 Lexington Avenue  
New York City

THT:RD  
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June 15, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 515  
St. Paul, Minn.

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

Dear Sir:

Please refer to my letter to the Chicago office under date of April 28, 1934, submitted in connection with the kidnaping case involving Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. #1218, et al. That letter had to do with Bernard Phillips, I.O. #1196.

Will you kindly advise if there is any information in St. Paul or Minneapolis concerning the whereabouts of Edward Radick.

Very truly yours,

F. I. FAY  
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Division ✓  
Chicago

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
JUN 15 1934
<i>[Signature]</i>

422 Midland Savings Bldg.  
Denver, Colo.

JUN 12 1934

June 12, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
203 U. S. Court House & P. O. Bldg.,  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. No. 1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. NO. 1219  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER--Victim  
Kidnaping--File No. 7-5

Please furnish this office a copy of the report  
of Special Agent E. J. Howd dated at Dallas, Texas, March 7,  
1934, which is mentioned in Serial 104 of your file.

Very truly yours,

JAY C. NEWMAN, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Division ✓

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June 18, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

On Saturday afternoon, June 16, Mr. Sherman Burns, of the Burns Detective Agency at New York City, called me by telephone and stated that their representative, Mr. W. S. Gordon, about whom I had previously communicated with you, was in Oklahoma City, and had communicated with the Oklahoma City Office, but that the party he talked with did not seem to be familiar with the situation in which he was interested, and did not seem to be in a position to properly handle the matter. Mr. Sherman Burns stated that Mr. Gordon had located Jim Clark, the convict who escaped from the Lansing, Kansas, State Penitentiary, and had also located Karpis and Barker, though it was possible that the latter two had now left the place where they had been located, in view of the delay. Mr. Burns requested that I have some one arrive at Oklahoma City who could deal with Mr. Gordon and properly handle this matter by not later than Monday morning, as it was quite urgent. He stated that Mr. Gordon had been informed by the Oklahoma City Office of this Division that Mr. Brantley was out of the city. I would like to have you advise me at once with whom Mr. Gordon talked, and exactly what conversation transpired. As I had advised you of the situation concerning Mr. Gordon, I assumed that in the event you left Oklahoma City, you would acquaint the Acting Agent in Charge with the details in this matter, so that it could be intelligently and effectively handled. I do not know whether Mr. Gordon talked with the Acting Agent in Charge, as Mr. Sherman Burns did not mention the name of the person with whom he did talk, but he did state very definitely that Mr. Gordon had communicated with our Oklahoma City Office and that no arrangements had been made to take care of the matter, as had previously been discussed.

Please let me have a prompt reply concerning the above.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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OKLAHOMA CITY

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
JUN 19, 1934.

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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BANNER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING.

There are being transmitted herewith two copies of a memorandum submitted by R. H. Simons, of this office, relative to information obtained from one Michael C. Jones, an inmate of the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, relative to an address alleged by Jones to be a hangout for criminals.

This information is being submitted to you for whatever value it may be in connection with the above captioned case.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN, Acting  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION	
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	

Kansas City, Missouri.  
June 18, 1934.

MEMORANDUM.

While at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, Agent was handed a slip of paper bearing the following address:

"Ivan's Resort,  
Walker, Minnesota,  
250 Miles north of Twin Cities,  
Prop. Lon Ivans,"

by E. C. Bokholdt, Secretary to the Warden at the Penitentiary.

Upon inquiry it was ascertained that one Michael C. Jones, register 48855, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, had given the address above set out to the Deputy Warden with the statement that the address might be of some interest to the Department of Justice. Through Mr. Bokholdt, it was made possible for Agent to interview Michael Jones, and the information given by him is set out herein for whatever value it may have:

Michael Jones was sentenced from the Western District of Missouri under Number 10239 in 1931 for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. Jones stated that he had many associates in the prison who were connected with the gangs about the country, and that the address given above was one which he believed was "especially good," as it had been given to him by a gangster from Kansas City, who had completed his sentence at the institution. He said that this place was a hide-out and was used as a "cooling-off" place for wanted persons.

This information is being furnished to the St. Paul office for further reference in the location of hide-outs.

The original memorandum handed to Agent containing the address in question, is attached to copies of this memorandum being forwarded to the St. Paul office.

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Respectfully submitted,

E. H. SIMONS, SPECIAL AGENT

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.**

FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>CHICAGO, ILLINOIS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6/19/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>5/22/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>K. R. McINTIRE MG</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">                     ... instead of having the serial numbers                      ... by a counterfeit. O'Brien also                      ... have made several calls from                      Money's place.                 </div>			
DETAILS: <p style="text-align: center;">Reference is made to a letter received in this office, dated May 17, 1934, from Thomas J. Callahan, Principal Operative of the United States Treasury Department, Division of Secret Service.</p> <div style="background-color: black; width: 80%; margin: 10px auto; height: 100px;">                     [REDACTED SECTION]                 </div>			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>S.P. Cowley</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-2197	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JUN 21 1934</b>
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This letter stated that O'Brien also made fifteen or twenty calls from the pay station and seemed somewhat intoxicated and also exceedingly nervous.

Agent interviewed Joe Thoney, who owns and operates a beer tavern located at 7504 South Exchange Street. Thoney stated that about two weeks ago a person by the name of W. W. O'Brien appeared in his tavern along about 11:00 o'clock in the evening and began drinking. Thoney stated that O'Brien remained in his establishment for about two hours, and during this time he would have different remarks to make to him (Thoney). Thoney stated that he was busy waiting on other customers and that two gentlemen came in and asked him if he knew the gentleman that was sitting over at a nearby table, whereas they remarked that it was W. W. O'Brien, who had the reputation of being quite a famous criminal lawyer.

Thoney stated that O'Brien made several remarks to him about how foolish it was for "snatchers" to try to pass hot money in and around Chicago, and that he believed it would be very easy to have the serial numbers changed on this money and in that way dispose of same.

Thoney stated that he has known O'Brien for a number of years, although O'Brien hardly ever frequents his place of business. Thoney stated that O'Brien has a shady reputation and that by putting together what he has read in the papers pertaining to Evelyn Frechette, he is of the opinion that this is the O'Brien Evelyn Frechette seemed to have asked Special Agent Falkner if she could get in communication with.

Thoney stated that O'Brien lived at 2666 East 73rd Street, and his phone number was Saginaw 3827. Thoney related to Agent that O'Brien stated that his phone appeared to be out of order and that on one occasion he left his place and upon returning got a \$20.00 bill changed, whereas he bought a few drinks and proceeded to call quite a few times over the telephone. Thoney was unable to hear any of the numbers that were called or any names that O'Brien mentioned over the phone.

Thoney stated that he would try and ascertain the exact date that this incident happened and inform this office, whereas a check will be made of this phone number, which is Saginaw 5248.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE CHICAGO DIVISION OFFICE will again contact Thoney in the near future and efforts will be made to trace the calls made by O'Brien.

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Post Office Drawer 1457  
Saint Louis, Missouri  
June 15, 1934

Personal and  
Confidential.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 9, 1934, concerning information furnished by a representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters pertaining to an alleged operation of a gang which had planned to kidnap various individuals, including Andrew Mellon, which information is said to have been given Special Agent D. K. Brent, Jr., of the Charlotte, North Carolina Office.

When the original information was received by the Charlotte Office, the matter was assigned to Special Agent Brent for investigation at Columbia, South Carolina, and he was told to go into the report thoroughly. A day or so thereafter, while conferring with Agent Brent over the telephone about other matters, he told me that he had interviewed the original informant, whose name I believe was Newman, and that Newman stated that the person from whom the information would have to be obtained was a woman in Spartanburg, South Carolina. Agent Brent stated that he endeavored to obtain the name of the woman from Newman; but Newman refused to give it, stating that he, Newman, would have to be present while the woman was interviewed. Brent informed me further that he offered and requested that Newman accompany him, Brent, to Spartanburg, where they could jointly interview the woman, and that Newman declined to make the trip, stating that he would meet Brent there some other time. When Agent Brent returned to Charlotte I again asked him about the matter, and he stated he had been endeavoring to get in touch with Newman. Thereafter Agent Brent was assigned to a number of special investigations concerning applicants for appointment, such as judges and U. S. attorneys, in which cases the Division instructed that investigation be made immediately and that telegraphic summaries be furnished. Consequently, the matter in hand, as well as other assignments Agent Brent had, did not receive the attention they should have had. Agent Brent then received a long distance call that his father had died in Ruxton, Maryland, and he immediately left Charlotte for his home.

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The information contained in the memorandum submitted to the Charlotte Office by Special Agent Brent should have been forwarded to the Division; however, it was felt that the information was rather vague and indefinite, and it was also believed that continued efforts on the part of Agent Brent would result in more accurate and definite information which, it was planned, would be transmitted to the Division without delay. Agent Brent kept me fully advised of his attempts to obtain all information in this case, and the writer assumes full responsibility for not forwarding Brent's memorandum.

Relative to the criticism that has been directed in this matter towards the attitude taken by Special Agent Brent in his contact with the representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, it is my profound belief that Special Agent Brent was unjustly and unduly criticized. I base this statement on the fact that Brent was deeply concerned in the matter, and showed every possible interest, and kept me fully advised. It is quite possible that the representative of the National Board of Fire Underwriters misunderstood and misconstrued the attitude of Agent Brent.

Very truly yours,

L. B. REED,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Charlotte

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June 18, 1934

WERNER HENRI  
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 629 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING  
 OMAHA, NEBRASKA

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 DIVISION ONE  
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INSPECTOR CLIFF SAINT PAUL WIRE QUOTE BREKID RECHUCK AND PURSUE  
 ALL LEADS VIGOROUSLY AND BE OPENLY FOR LOCATION BY TELEPHON  
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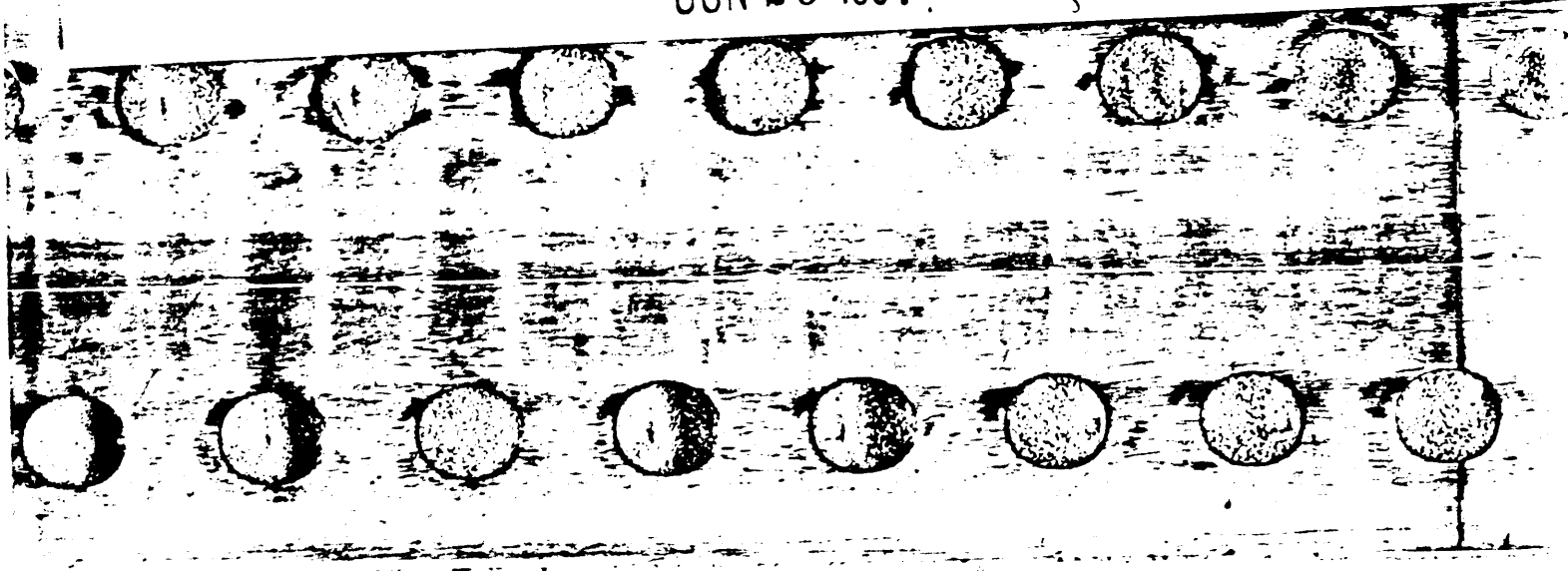
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St. Paul, Minnesota  
June 18, 1934

R. B. NATHAN  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1610 Federal Reserve Bank Building  
Kansas City, Missouri

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BREKID RECHECK AND PURSUE ALL LEADS VIGOROUSLY AND DISCREETLY FOR LOCATION OF  
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CLEGG

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THIS IS LIV INVEST STPAUL 6-18-34 9.00 PM RWM

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE PURVIS

*See Serials 1267 and 1278*

BREKID INFORMATION RECEIVED BY TELEPHONE FROM MADISON WISCONSIN  
THAT OCONOMOC WISCONSIN HAS ALL POSSIBILITIES INCLUDING SIMULTANEOUS  
✓ SIREN AND ✓ WHISTLE

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois

JUN 21 1934 PM

June 18th, 1934

Mr. H. H. Clegg, Inspector  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
P. O. Box 515  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,  
I. O. 1218  
Arthur R. Barker, with aliases,  
I. O. 1219, et al  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
Kidnaping - File #7-32

Reference is made to your teletype of even date with regard to  
the possibility of the hideout being located at Oconomowoc,  
Wisconsin. Please have reference to the report of Special Agent  
K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, March 15th, 1934, on page 21  
of which is noted an investigation of Oconomowoc by Special  
Agent S. K. McLee.

*See Serial*  
1267 and  
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You are informed, however, that a more thorough investigation  
will be conducted in said town immediately.

Very truly yours,

S. F. COLLEY  
Special Agent

KRM:IJM

cc - Division ✓

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
JUN 21 1934
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June 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

During telephonic conversation with Mr. Black at Oklahoma City today, he advised that Mr. Brantley is expected to return to Oklahoma City Thursday or Friday of this week.

Upon my inquiry, Mr. Black stated that he attended the conference which Mr. Blake and Mr. Brantley had with Gordon. I inquired as to Gordon's attitude as a result of this conference. Mr. Black stated that they knew Gordon was "all wet," but treated him courteously, told him that if he ever had any information to get in touch with us, etc., and that Gordon was apparently well pleased. Gordon has gone to St. Louis, and advised that if he found out anything additional, he will send the Oklahoma City Office a wire from St. Louis. Gordon left for St. Louis Sunday night. He didn't state his purpose in going to St. Louis, but Mr. Black stated the purpose apparently was to contact Delgado.

Mr. Black advised a letter had been forwarded to the Division relative to this matter. He stated that Mr. Brantley and Mr. Blake decided that before any investigation was made in Texas, a preliminary survey should be made before a raid was undertaken.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

June 19, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C MILLER, with aliases,  
(deceased); MICHAEL TAILMAN GILATAS,  
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.#1801;  
CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1194, et al.  
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER A FEDERAL PRISONER.  
St. Paul File No. 62-898.

Reference is made to the memorandum, dated June 8, 1934, addressed to the Special Agent in Charge of the Kansas City Office by Special Agent W.E. Miller in connection with the above entitled matter. In this connection, there are enclosed herewith the following data which were transmitted with the copies of the aforementioned memorandum, which were transmitted to this office:

1. Four negatives for photographs of individuals, whose identity is not known, and it is suggested that, in the Division's laboratory, prints of these negatives be prepared and transmitted to the Kansas City Office, in duplicate, for the information of that office and such investigation made as the facts may appear to justify.
2. Letter dated February 16, 1931, addressed to Mrs. G.E. Barker, with salutation, "Dear Mother", and signed by Fred Barker, 98360-B-2. This letter may be in the handwriting of Fred Barker and, if so, will be of value in connection with this matter as well as in connection with the BREMER kidnaping case. It is suggested that the Kansas City Office verify the number following Barker's signature to determine if this, in fact, is the actual prison number for Fred Barker as of the date of the letter in the Lansing, Kansas, Penitentiary.

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3. Photograph of handwriting in ink showing signature of Ray K. Hamilton, believed to be the handwriting of Alvin Karpis. It is suggested that this specimen of handwriting, if determined in the Division's laboratory to be identical with the handwriting of Karpis, be added to the collection of the known handwriting of this subject.
4. Photograph of Mr. and Mrs. George Barker who, in the photograph, are flanked on either side with the photograph of two individuals whose identities are unknown.
5. Photograph of Mrs. George E. Barker and A.W. Dunsley. This photograph appears to be of value as it may aid in the location of Doc and Fred Barker through their mother.
6. Photograph of Mr. and Mrs. George Barker, seated on the front porch of a shack. To Mr. Barker's right are the photographs of two individuals whose identities are unknown.
7. Photograph of Dorothy Karpis, wife of Alvin Karpis. It is suggested that duplicates of this photograph be made and transmitted to the Chicago, Kansas City, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, and St. Paul Offices, for use in the event Alvin Karpis is found in company with Dolores Delaney, as this picture, shown to Dolores Delaney, might cause her to furnish information she might not otherwise desire to furnish.

It is also suggested that copies of the photographs of Mrs. George E. Barker be prepared and furnished to appropriate field offices having primary interest in this investigation.

There are also enclosed the following newspaper clippings which accompanied the above mentioned memorandum, which clippings are being transmitted to the Division to complete the history of the subjects in the instant case:

1. Clipping with heading, "Valney Davis is wanted in Okmulgee Also",
2. Clipping with headline, "Fred Barker is Shot by Police".
3. Clipping with headline, "Life Sentence Gi on Davis on Murder Charge".
4. Clipping with headline, "Beggs Murder Mystery to be Solved Again".
5. Clipping with headline, "Davis Trial is Marked by Tilts".
6. Clipping with headline, "Officers Put Seven Men in Institutions".
7. Clipping with headline, "Testimony Begins at Davis Trial".
8. Clipping with headline, "Law Stalls on Last Lap of Preliminary".
9. Clipping with headline, "Charged with Rifling Mail".
10. Articles of Divorce Asked and Divorce Granted.

There is returned herewith to the Kansas City Office of this Division, the following:

1. Photograph of A.W. Dunlop and unknown woman.
2. Photograph of unknown individual with foot on rear bumper of Studebaker automobile. It is suggested that the identity of this individual might be established by making inquiries of the Thomas Motor Company of Tulsa, as well as the registration of Studebaker automobiles bearing the license number, five digits of which are legible on the photograph, and also by inquiring at the Mumroe Studio at Tulsa, Oklahoma, where the photograph was developed.

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3. Photograph of George Barker.
  4. Photograph of Mrs. George Barker and Arthur Dunlop.
  5. Photograph of unknown individual, thought to be Phoenix Donald alias William Weaver. ( Even though this be true, more recent photographs of this individual are available.) The identity of the above individual is otherwise unknown to the St. Paul Office.
  6. Photograph of George Barker and unknown woman.
  7. Photograph of Mrs. George Barker.
  8. Photograph of Eric Barker.
  9. Photograph of George E. Barker, in chicken yard.
  10. Group photograph of unknown parties.
  11. Photograph of three individuals, identities unknown.
  12. Letter signed by "Dorothy".
  13. Letter signed by "Mrs. R".
  14. An envelope addressed to Mrs. W.A. Dunlop, West Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Very truly yours,

H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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Enc.  
CC Kansas City (Enc.)

June 19, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Blake today at Dallas and advised him I would like to know the exact situation with reference to the conference with Gordon, as to what he had said and particularly what his attitude was when he left him. Mr. Blake stated Gordon's attitude was very friendly.

Mr. Blake advised that they sent to the Division a four-page letter, which I stated had not been received as yet. Mr. Blake stated it should have reached here by today, as it was mailed when he left Oklahoma City.

I asked Mr. Blake if they had concluded that there was no basis for his belief that those boys were down in there, what arrangements they made about re-contacting him. Mr. Blake stated he told them he was leaving that night for St. Louis on another matter, the identity of which he did not disclose, and told Mr. Blake if he got anything further he would wire him. Mr. Blake stated if he was not satisfied with the cooperation given him in this regard, he gave no indication of this feeling. Mr. Blake stated they were very cordial to him and treated him with all possible consideration. I inquired whether Gordon thought they should have gone down there immediately on this matter, and Mr. Blake replied that he did not express any opinion, although of course they did not advise Gordon what they expected to do about it. Mr. Blake states he asked Gordon specifically whether he had any information which led him to think that those men, any or either of them, may be there at this time and he replied that he did not, and of course our men did not tell him what they proposed to do. Mr. Blake stated Gordon evidenced no curiosity as to our plans, and made no suggestions. Mr. Blake stated further that he turned the information over to us to do with as we saw fit and evidenced no further interest, other than to say that if he received any additional information he would wire them.

I inquired of Mr. Blake whether this was to his knowledge the first contact Gordon had with the Division, and he said it was according to the statements of Gordon and Mr. Huff - that the first contact they had attempted to make was on the day before (Saturday) when they made an ap-

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pointment with Mr. Black through Mr. Huff. I inquired why they had not kept that appointment and Mr. Blake stated that they did not say anything to Gordon about it, but Huff said that the reason he did not keep it was that after he told Gordon that Mr. Brantley was out of town but that an appointment had been made with Mr. Black for 11:15 that morning, Gordon said to "pass it up" and they did not even telephone Mr. Black that they did not intend to keep that appointment, and did not keep it. I stated it was now my understanding that Gordon was entirely satisfied with our attitude in the matter and does not know whether we acted immediately upon the information. Mr. Blake stated this was right - that Gordon does not know but that we accepted it one hundred per cent., and does not know what we did with the information, and that they only thanked him for giving the information to them and told him they hoped if he got any other information he would let them have it.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.



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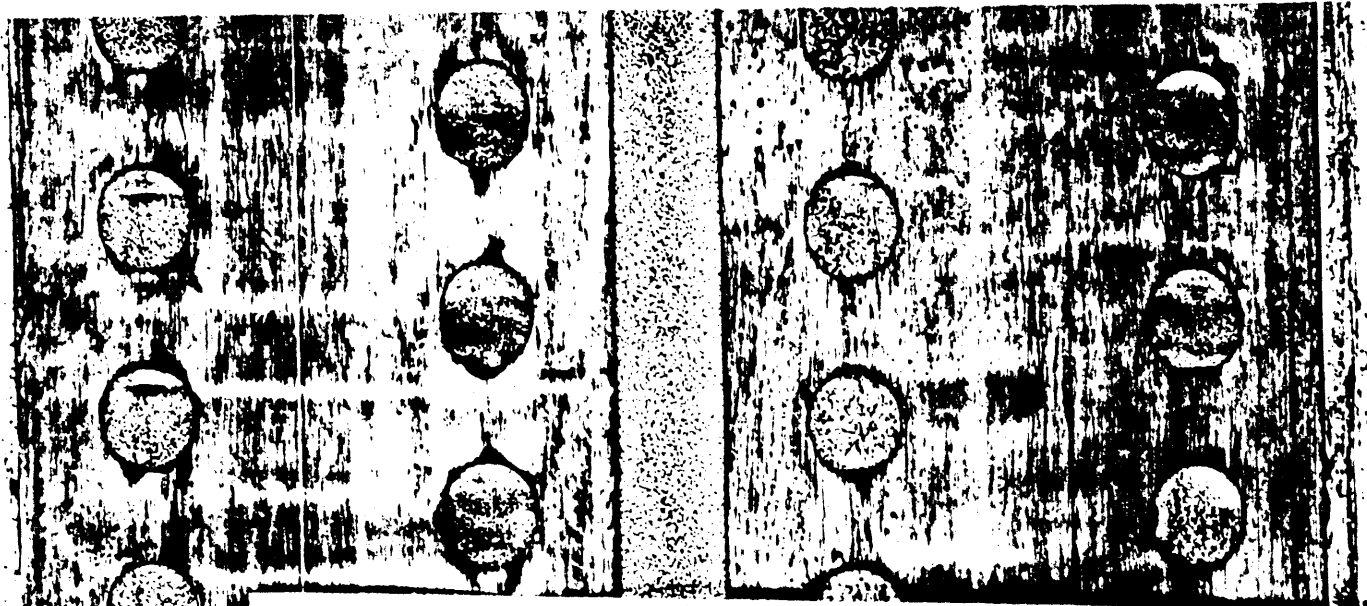
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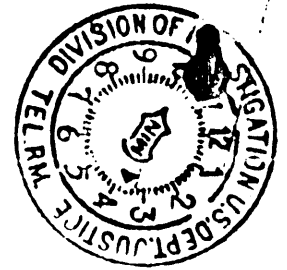
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

"Boss" McLaughlin, Vidler, and Delaney removed from Chicago to St. Paul, May 21, 1934. Investigation conducted at Irving Hotel, Chicago, and Spring Valley, Illinois regarding Dr. Joseph P. Moran. Apartment of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, examined on May 2, 1934. Numerous articles secured show addresses through which he might be located. Many have been checked to date without results. Numerous telephone calls being checked.

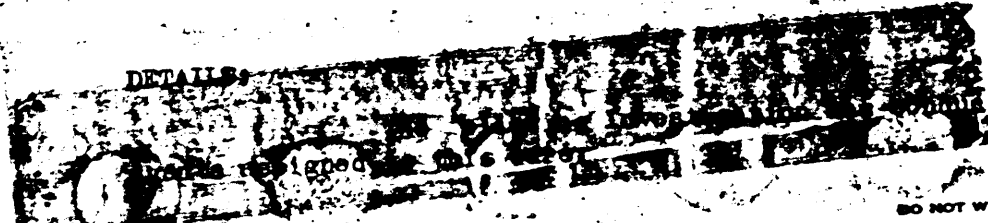
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The following information is being reported by Special Agent R. D. Brown, relative to preliminary prosecutive action in the removal from Chicago, Illinois to St. Paul, Minnesota of John J. McLaughlin, Senior, John J. McLaughlin, Junior, William A. Vidler, and Philip Delaney.

Report of Special Agent E. R. McIntire dated May 16, 1954 records the prosecutive action up to and including May 15, 1954, on pages 75, 76, and 77.

On May 17, 1954, a hearing on the writ of habeas corpus before Federal Judge Philip J. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, was adjourned until May 21, 1954. On May 21, 1954, the hearing on the habeas corpus proceedings was convened at 11 A. M. and at the conclusion of the hearing, Judge Sullivan dismissed the habeas corpus petitions for the release of subjects, but permitted defense attorneys until 2 P. M. of that date to file writs of error, should they so desire. At 2 P. M. the hearing was again convened, but writs of error had not been filed by defense attorneys and Federal Judge Sullivan then signed the orders of removal of all four subjects. Federal Judge Sullivan requested the United States Marshal to refrain from removing John J. McLaughlin, Junior, to St. Paul, Minnesota until 11 A. M. on the following date, May 22, 1954. On the afternoon of May 21, 1954, bond was furnished in the amount of \$5000.00 for John J. McLaughlin, Junior, and he was released. His bond calls for his appearance in St. Paul, Minnesota when his presence is desired in Federal court.

At 11:45 P. M. May 21, 1954, the United States Marshal of Chicago, Illinois removed Subjects McLaughlin, Senior, Vidler, and Delaney from Chicago, Illinois to St. Paul, Minnesota, arriving there at 8:40 A. M. on the following date.



On April 23, 1934, Special Agent E. L. Richmond, accompanied by Special Agent (A) A. E. Sweeny, called at the Howard Trust and Savings Bank, 1737 Howard Avenue, Chicago, at the time the bank opened, 9:00 A.M.

Mr. D. K. Hall was interviewed by Agents and stated that he is the President of the bank, but that he knew nothing of the money, which was later identified as Bremer ransom money, being changed at his bank the preceding day. Mr. Hall introduced Agents to Mr. Vincent W. Becking, Cashier of the Howard Trust and Savings Bank.

Mr. Becking stated that one of the tellers of the bank, a Mr. Chester Hooker, informed him after he, Becking, had received a call from the Chicago Division Office relative to Bremer ransom money, that he, Mr. Hooker, had, at about 9:15 A.M. been requested to change a number of five dollar bills into bills of larger denomination. These bills were still in packets in the drawer of Hooker's cage. Becking then checked these bills against the list of Bremer ransom bills furnished to the Bank. Becking stated that 259 - of these five dollar bills checked as being bills listed on the Bremer list.

Mr. Becking also stated that Hooker told him that he had cashed \$1,350.00 in five bills. Becking stated that ten of these bills had been mingled with the other currency but that - 260 - of them, or \$1,300.00, which he had checked had been segregated and would be kept by the bank until further notice from this office.

Agents interviewed Mr. Chester Hooker, teller at the Howard Trust & Savings Bank. Mr. Hooker stated that at about 9:05 A.M., on Monday, April 22, 1934, a man presented a pack containing two hundred five dollar bills at his window and asked for one hundred dollar bills in exchange. Hooker did not have that many one hundred dollar bills, but had one one thousand dollar bill, which he gave the man. The man then gave him another pack containing two hundred five dollar bills and asked that they be changed. Hooker cashed \$350.00 of this package by giving the man three one hundred dollar bills and one fifty dollar bill. Hooker then put these five dollar bills in a drawer in his cage, where they remained for about two hours, until Mr. Becking told Hooker of the call from the Chicago Division Office, at which time Mr. Becking took these bills and checked them with the Bremer ransom list. At the time these bills were checked, only \$1,300.00 could be found.

Mr. Becking told Agents that one \$5.00 of this \$1,300.00 did not check with the Bremer list. This was a Five Dollar Federal Reserve Note, of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, No. 106318661A.

Agents then procured the packet containing the \$1,300.00 in five dollar bills and Agent Sweeny read the numbers of these bills, while Agent Richmond checked the numbers corresponding on the list furnished by the Chicago Division Office. Of the \$1,300.00, all of the bills, except one, checked and that one is as above stated, No. I06318661A, of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Following is a list of the five dollar Federal Reserve notes, on the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, which were checked by Agents:-

I00069077A	I 04644307A	I05584176A
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I00071973A	I04734057A	I05598504A
I00378236A	I04742822A	I05619336A
I00493156A	I04748877A	I05640727A
I02687436A	I04778964A	I05658364A
I02867687A	I04827685A	I05665180A
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These notes are now in the vault of the Howard Trust and Savings Bank, where they are being held and segregated until further orders from the Division.

Mr. Chester Hooker gave the following description of the man who passed the bills at the Howard Trust and Savings Bank:

Height:	5 ft. 9 or 10 in.
Weight:	180 lbs.
Build:	Stout
Eyes:	Horn rimmed glasses worn; color of eyes not known.
Hair:	Gray, where not covered by hat.
Complexion:	Ruddy, smooth shaven.
Voice:	Soft
Nationality:	Probably German descent

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Agents then covered this bank until 3:00 P.M., Agent Sweeney waiting in a flower shop where by a prearranged call, Mr. Hooker could summon him if the man reappeared and Agent Richmond waited at a desk in one of the private offices of the bank.

On the following day, Agent Richmond went to the bank alone, where he took a station in Zender's Florist Shop during the hours from 9:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.

On Thursday, April 27, 1934, Agent Richmond again was stationed in Zender's Florist Shop where he remained until about 1:00 P.M., at which time he was called by Special Agent T. E. Billings and instructed to bring in Mr. Hooker to identify a man.

Mr. Hoeker observed WILLIAM E. VIDLER in the Chicago Division Office and stated he believed Vidler to be the man who had passed the money in question at the Howard Trust and Savings Bank.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on May 2nd and 3rd, 1934, in an effort to corroborate Philip J. Delaney's statement relative to his having exchanged \$24,000.00 ransom money at the Mutual National Bank, 7844 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The following tellers employed at the Mutual National Bank, above mentioned, were interviewed:

Stanley Houle,  
1553 W. 94th Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Harry Stocks,  
737 E. 80th Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Otto Rodemann,  
7812 Normal Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

John W. Adams,  
9914 Winston Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Charlotte Schnoor,  
7749 Aberdeen Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Miss Ingles Erickson and  
Marie Brinkman,  
Savings Department.

All of the above persons deny having exchanged any of the \$24,000.00 ransom money into larger denominations for Delaney. Each of the above individuals were questioned separately in the presence of Mr. Korthauer, Vice-President, and John J. Lyons, Assistant Cashier, Mutual National Bank.

After the above interviews were conducted, agent called on Mr. Delaney at the County Jail, Chicago, Illinois, and asked him which of the tellers above mentioned exchanged the money for him. He stated that he was not acquainted with any of the tellers and that he believed the teller in the second cage on the left hand side of the bank from the entrance was the party or individual who exchanged the money for him. Delaney declined on two different occasions to accompany agent

to the Mutual National Bank for the purpose of identifying the teller who exchanged the money for him. He stated that he did not care to get any of the tellers or clerks into trouble and at one time during the questioning stated that he believed that when he had the money exchanged he was of the opinion that the teller who exchanged the money for him was "fixed".

In company with Special Agent (A) A. H. Johnson further investigation was made at the Mutual National Bank in an effort to determine which of the tellers actually exchanged the money for Delaney. Agent Johnson carefully examined the records of the various tellers and same failed to reveal any such transactions as narrated in Delaney's statement.

During the investigation all of the currency both in the tellers' cages and in the bank vault was checked and it was found that the following five dollar bills were found in the various tellers' cages:-

- I00663177-A
- I00061338-A
- I00056421A
- I00469065-A
- \*I00047131-A
- \*\*I00299264-A
- \*\*I00319957-A
- \*I00598132-A
- I00405296-A
- I00237071-A
- I00408042-A
- I00067200-A
- I00454602-A
- I00325378-A

\* It was determined that these bills were received and deposited by the bank from the Franks Department Store, 813 W. 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

\*\* It was determined from investigation that these bills were received in a deposit by the bank from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., 6908 South Halsted, Chicago, Illinois.

It was impossible to determine the identity of the depositors of the remainder of the bills, above described, and it was the opinion of Mr. John J. Lyons, Assistant Cashier of the bank, that the bills in question were received in deposits.

Mr. John J. Lyons, Assistant Cashier, was of the opinion that all of his tellers were honest and was not willing to believe that Delaney had exchanged the ransom money at his bank, as indicated in his, Delaney's, statement. It is very possible that if the teller who exchanged the money for Delaney was aware that the money was ransom money, that on receiving same he immediately paid it out to the various customers of the bank, as all of the tellers in the bank are both receiving and paying tellers. It also appears that the ransom money must have been circulated in and around 78th and Halsted Streets, in Chicago, in view of the fact that several of the bills are now being returned to the bank in deposits. It should be noted that none of the ten dollar bills was found in the possession of the Mutual National Bank.



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Special Agent E. B. Montgomery, San Francisco Office, communicated with Special Agent V. W. Peterson by telephone at 10:25 P.M., May 2nd, 1934. He advised that telephone number, Capitol 2537, Sacramento, is the telephone number of Frank S. Parise, who operates a detective agency. Parise was formerly in the Prohibition Unit and worked in Sacramento and Reno. The man who sent the wire to the Delaney at Chicago and who signed his name as Morris, apparently is a brother of the Phillip Delaney who is in custody in Chicago. Morris Delaney is a clerk for Parise's detective agency. His wife, Helen, and himself reside with Parise in the same home. The wife of Phillip Delaney was Secretary and Manager of the Parise-Moulton Detective Agency. Either the Delaney who is in custody in Chicago, or Morris Delaney, who now resides in Sacramento, was formerly in the Prohibition Unit. Parise has been involved in a lot of trouble with the Prohibition Unit and they have a long record concerning him. The reputation of Parise in Sacramento is very bad and they say he will do anything.

Special Agent in Charge Vetterli phoned the above information to the San Francisco Office. He further stated that Parise is friendly with McKay and Graham of Reno, who are involved in the Frisch kidnaping case. Vetterli stated that if the Chicago Office desires to obtain further information that he can be reached at the Hotel Californian, Sacramento, until he returns to the San Francisco Office some time tomorrow. In the event it is impossible to reach him at the Hotel Californian in Sacramento his whereabouts may be determined through the San Francisco Office.

Mr. J. O'Brien, Woodlawn Body Company, 6629 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois (telephone 3621) communicated with Special Agent V. W. Peterson by telephone on the morning of May 1, 1934, at which time he provided the following information:

He stated that one FRANK J. PRINDVILLE is the brains for McLaughlin. He stated that Prindville was formerly associated with Tommy Holden and Francis Keating, and that he was recently tried in the City Court for operation of a confidence game. The name of the person whom he defrauded on that occasion is not known to Mr. O'Brien but he stated it was some real estate concern at 55th and Merrill Avenue. Prindville is alleged to have resided at the Pershing Hotel until approximately two or three weeks ago, at which time he is supposed to have departed for California. It is stated that Prindville was in Chicago this past winter, at which time he disposed of a large amount of "hot" money and bonds. Presumably a part of the money consisted of the ransom money. O'Brien stated that Delaney is well aware of McLaughlin's connection with Prindville, and that the information provided by Mr. O'Brien can be further developed by questioning Delaney. McLaughlin, Delaney and Prindville are alleged to have frequently visited the business place of Gordon Hoffman, real estate dealer, 96th and Ashland Avenue in Chicago. It is believed that Hoffman can provide information of value to this investigation.

The following description was obtained from O'Brien:

Name:	FRANK J. PRINDVILLE
Age:	40 years
Height:	5 feet 8 inches.
Weight:	155 pounds.
Wears horn rimmed glasses;	flashy dresser.
Complexion:	Light.
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Light brown, turning gray
Build:	Stocky
Peculiarities:	Always grinning

Special Agent S. K. McKee has been assigned to interview O'Brien, informant in this case, and also to contact Gordon Hoffman at 96th and Ashland Avenue, who is supposed to have information of value with reference to Prindville. Agent Brown will question Delaney thoroughly relative to Prindville.

James T. O'Brian, 6629 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, was interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee on May 3rd, 1934. He stated that the Gordon Hoffman for whom Frank J. Prindeville formerly worked operates the Hoffman Chevrolet Company at 92nd Street and South Ashland Avenue, and that Prindeville worked for this concern from about August, 1933, until about November, 1933, as a sales manager. He stated that the alleged victim of Prindeville in a confidence game was located at 75th Street and Merrill Avenue. O'Brian was unable to furnish the name of this person.

O'Brian stated he had known Prindeville for some ten years and that prior to the conviction of Francis Keating and Thomas Holden on a mail robbery charge, he had seen Prindeville with these persons at a used car establishment which was then located at 6350 Cottage Grove Avenue. O'Brian related that Prindeville left Chicago about eight years ago and remained out of the city until last summer, at which time he returned and went to work for the Hoffman Chevrolet Company.

He stated that about three months ago, because of some difficulty with his employers, Prindeville left the city and went to California with a woman named Brown; that Prindeville's wife learned of his location and went to California and brought him back to Chicago, following which they had living quarters at the Pershing Hotel. It was stated that Prindeville again disappeared about three weeks ago; that his wife does not know where he is and feels very bitterly towards him because of the treatment she has received at his hands. O'Brian stated that Mrs. Prindeville is on the "outs" with her husband and would be in the mood to tell all she knows about him. O'Brian furnished the telephone number of Mrs. Prindeville as Cedarcrest 3624. It was also stated that at the time Prindeville recently disappeared, he skipped his bill at the Pershing Hotel and his baggage and personal effects are presently held by the hotel.

O'Brian also said that Prindeville is known to T. G. Callaghan head of the United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois.

With respect to "Boss" McLaughlin and Phillip Delaney, O'Brian advised that these two individuals about five years ago operates a saloon on the 4200 block of Halsted Street known as the Horn Cafe. O'Brian also said he believes Phillip Delaney has served a liquor sentence at Omaha, Nebraska.

Gordon Hoffman, manager of the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, 9220 South Ashland Avenue, when interviewed advised he employed Frank J. Prindeville as sales manager of his organization on or about August 1st, 1933. He stated the only knowledge he had of Prindeville's prior

activities was his own statement to the effect that he had been connected at one time with the Serf Stutz Company. He stated that he made inquiry of the Stutz Company and was told that Prinderville was an exceptionally good salesman. It was stated that during the time Prinderville worked as sales manager, he, Hoffman, found it necessary to be away from the company headquarters most of the time, and for that reason Prinderville handled the office affairs of the company; that after he had been with the company about two or three months, it was learned, through complaints made by customers, that Prinderville had been embezzling funds received through sales; that he was confronted with this matter and for several days drank very heavily and during the first part of November, 1933, he disappeared. It was stated that his wife located him in Los Angeles, California, where he was living with a Mrs. Marion Brown, the wife of one Brown, who is connected with the Tivoli Theatre located in the 6300 Block of Cottage Grove Avenue. It was stated that Mrs. Prinderville persuaded him to return with her to Chicago, where they lived for a short time at the Pershing Hotel; further, that after the Prindervilles had been at the Pershing Hotel for a short while, Mrs. Brown came to the hotel and told Prinderville that he could either go away with her or spend the rest of his life in the penitentiary. According to Mr. Hoffman, this statement came from Mrs. Prinderville, and her husband did go away with Mrs. Brown at that time.

Hoffman was asked for information regarding the residence address of Mrs. Prinderville, and he stated she lived at 94th Street and Stony Island Avenue with a brother-in-law, whose name is Stanley Houle.

Mr. Hoffman was asked for information regarding possible associations between Prinderville, "Boss" McLaughlin and Phil Delaney, and he stated that the names of McLaughlin and Delaney were familiar to him but he could not place the men. Following interview with H. B. O'Donnell, a salesman at the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, Mr. Hoffman was able to place both McLaughlin and Delaney and advised that he remembered both of these men having visited with Prinderville during the time of his employment at the automobile company.

H. B. O'Donnell, salesman for Hoffman Chevrolet Company, upon interview with respect to Prinderville, "Boss" McLaughlin and Phil Delaney, stated that while Prinderville was sales manager he was visited from time to time by both McLaughlin and Phil Delaney. He stated he could not say just how often these two men visited Prinderville but that he knows they came to see him quite a number of times. In this connection O'Donnell said that neither McLaughlin nor Delaney ever had any automobile dealings

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with the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, and that the nature of their visits with Prindeville would, therefore, of necessity have to be of a personal nature.

O'Donnell said he first met Phil Delaney in about 1924, at which time Delaney and his brother, Morris Delaney, were operating a warehouse at 59th and States Streets. O'Donnell said that he operated a Paige sales agency during that period, and that Phil Delaney used to buy cars from him. He said he first became acquainted with McLaughlin in about 1926 at a used car lot which he, O'Donnell, ran at 64th Street and Cottage Grove Avenue. O'Donnell said that he had seen McLaughlin from time to time but had never had any business dealings with him.

During the above interview with H. B. O'Donnell, it was learned that although there had been no business dealings between the Hoffman Chevrolet Company and Phillip Delaney, that Morris Delaney, brother of Phillip, had a Packard 7-passenger limousine financed through the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, and in this connection it had been necessary to repossess the car. O'Donnell said this car bore California license plates and explained this by saying that Morris Delaney formerly lived in California.

With further respect to Phillip Delaney, O'Donnell advised that Morris and Phillip Delaney some time ago operates a saloon located on Halsted Street between 68th and 69th Streets. It is noted that in this vicinity the Mutual National Bank is located.

Following the interviews above set out, Gordon Hoffman informed that he was of the understanding that Frank Prindeville at one time operated a Stutz agency on a partnership basis with Thomas Holden. He advised that he could not furnish the basis for this statement, merely stating he had that understanding.

Efforts will be made to contact and interview Mrs. Prindeville for such information as she can furnish regarding not only her husband but "Boss" McLaughlin and Phil Delaney.

On May 11, 1934, William E. Vidler was reinterviewed at the Cook County Jail by Special Agents K. R. McIntire and R. D. Brown. The information furnished in his signed statement was discussed with him again. He admitted that the party called Phil in said statement is Philip Delaney, who is being held as a defendant in this case, and that he did not know Delaney prior to the dealing in money which proved to be Bremer money.

In his signed statement on page three, Vidler stated that on several occasions he, Phil and McLaughlin would drive to the south side of Chicago, where Phil would park near 79th and Halsted, would be gone for about one half hour, would return and give an envelope to McLaughlin, without saying anything. On this point no information of value could be secured from Vidler. He at all times expressed ignorance of the point to which Delaney had gone. He advised that McLaughlin at no time confided in him, or in Delaney in his presence.

Vidler stated that he has known McLaughlin, Sr., for about seven or eight years, that he met the latter through a casual friend, name not disclosed; that he had very little to do with McLaughlin at any time until about two or three years ago, when a friend of Vidler was discharged from the Chicago Police force, at which time he attempted to enlist the services of McLaughlin to get this friend back on the police force. Vidler stated that he had little or nothing to do with McLaughlin after this episode. In spite of the only casual relationship between Vidler and McLaughlin, Sr., the former did not think it unusual that the latter would call upon him, Vidler, to pass money, and saw nothing unusual in the fact that McLaughlin furnished him with no details as to the nature or character of the money. He declared that no conversation was ever held with regard to the nature of this money, or the source from which it was coming or the identity of the parties who were issuing it. He admitted having driven McLaughlin to the vicinity of the Irving Hotel each afternoon, and that McLaughlin would be gone for between fifteen and thirty minutes, but he stated that McLaughlin never stated where he was going, or whom he would see. Vidler stated that he never saw anyone in company with McLaughlin in or about the Irving Hotel. Vidler confided that he thought that McLaughlin was getting this money each night from some deal, and when asked if he thought it was a legitimate deal he declared that he did not wish to answer that question.

On the person of Vidler was found a hunting license, year 1933, for the State of Illinois, issued at Crystal Lake, Illinois. In the belief that he might know Louie Cernocky, a prominent harbinger of hoodlums in Fox River Grove, Illinois, in close proximity to Crystal Lake, he was questioned on this matter. He advised that the license was issued

to him in Crystal Lake because he had a friend there, one Herendean, who owned a farm in that vicinity, and that he wanted to hunt pheasants in that vicinity. He could not provide the first name of Herendean, and stated that the latter no longer lives in the vicinity of Crystal Lake. He declared that he has eaten at Louis's place, but that he is not acquainted with Louis. He further stated that he knew no other parties in that vicinity.

A yellow sheet of paper containing numerous addresses was found among the personal effects of Vidler. Questioned as to this matter he stated that these were the addresses of numerous banks he had looked up, in the hope of disposing of money. He then said "That's just some more evidence against me". These addresses are found on page 19 of the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, 5/16/34.

Professing the belief that the money was all right he was asked why he did not make efforts to have all the money changed at one bank instead of going to numerous banks. He could not make answer to this.

Vidler had previously informed that he had been handling liquor. Among his effects was found a small note book containing numerous entries indicating the sale of liquor to several parties. When questioned about this he declined to make response, advising he did not wish to get his friends into trouble.

Information has come to this office from an anonymous source indicating that one Charles L. Hall, Horse and Jockey, might be handling Bremer money. Questioned on this, Vidler advised that Hall is the publisher of the Horse and Jockey, a publication, that he has his offices at 2337 Devon, Chicago, Illinois, and that Vidler came to know him when the latter was working for the North Town Auto Finance and Bonding Company, located across the hall from the office of Charles L. Hall. Vidler disclaimed any possibility that Hall could be handling any of the Bremer money. He could furnish no further information as to Hall.

All the photographs playing any part in the Bremer case were shown to Vidler, but he disclaimed any knowledge as to any of the parties, identifying only "Yellow Kid" Weil. He alleged that he last saw Weil at the "Club Royal" in Chicago about a month ago. He either could not or would not furnish any further information concerning Weil.

Information has also come to this office from an anonymous source that the Ruben Cigar Store, 155 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, "handles lots of that money". Questioned on this, Vidler disclaimed all knowledge.

The following is a personal description of Vidler secured from personal observation and interview:

Name	WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER alias Williams
Age	34
Height	5' 9"
Weight	200 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown, turning gray; gray at temples; wavy
Eyes	Blue
Race	White
Nationality	American
Marital Status	Married, wife Dorothea (Buechler) Vidler; now at 5001 Ashland Ave., Chicago. Wife's mother, Mrs. Mabel Selle
Marks	Tattoo of "MARIAN" on left wrist inner, also on right wrist inner; tattoo of butterfly on left arm inner; deep dimple in chin
Build	Stocky
Beard	Clean shaven, but beard very heavy and black
Eyeglasses	Wears horn rimmed glasses when reading
Relatives	Parents both deceased; sister, Mrs. Agnes Treptow, 7023 South Park Avenue, Chicago, Ill.
Schooling	Attended Holland Public School, Chicago, Ill., through grades; Attended Wendell Phillips High School, Chicago, Ill.
Army Record	Enlisted Chicago, Illinois, 1917, 33rd Division, 131st Infantry. Headquarters Company; Army serial #1385958; mustered out 1919
Criminal Record (Furnished voluntarily)	Sent to Joliet Penitentiary 1920, charge auto larceny; sentence 1 to 10 years; served forty months.
Fingerprints	Sent to Division April 30, 1934, by United States Marshal, Chicago, under number 12366.



Mr. John J. McLaughlin, Patent Attorney, Room 1147, 53 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, was interviewed by Special Agent Arthur McLawhon following his telephone call to this Office, volunteering that he might have information of benefit in connection with the present case against "Boss" McLaughlin.

Mr. McLaughlin stated to Agent McLawhon that he had on several occasions received mail addressed to his name, but which after he had opened and examined it, he discovered was not his. He had ascertained that there was another man in town bearing an identical name to his. Nothing in the mail that he had seen would indicate that the McLaughlin to whom it was addressed was anything but an upright citizen.

However, he stated that approximately two years ago, evidently the man bearing his identical name, namely "Boss" McLaughlin, became rather difficult to find, not being listed in either City Directory or telephone book, and that on two or three occasions men came to his office and identified themselves to him as being gangsters of different types, stating that they had been sent to him by people whose names they mentioned, but which names he could not recall at this time, saying that he would very likely have a job or two for them. In each case he said that it did not occur to him at first that it was another man whom they had in mind, and he would, therefore, question them concerning the type of work that they would expect to do for him, and concerning the man who had sent them to him.

Mr. McLaughlin did not recall distinctly the number of visits of this kind that came, nor the exact conversations, inasmuch as the last of them has been approximately eighteen months ago, but he did recall very distinctly the last call of this nature that was made. A man came and stated to him that he was from St. Louis and has been sent by some person (McLaughlin did not recall the name) who had told him that he, McLaughlin, would have a couple of jobs for him to pull. McLaughlin questioned the man very thoroughly as to who the man was who had sent him, and what type of work he would expect him to have for him. The man informed him that he did all kinds of jobs, stating that he had been connected with rackets in Kansas City and St. Louis, and that he had been hired to bump off a couple of fellows in Kansas City, and that he was connected with the last deal in St. Louis with the man who had sent him to McLaughlin. Mr. McLaughlin stated that it then dawned upon him that this man had made a mistake and he informed him that there was another man in this city whose

name was identical to his, and that it was evidently this man whom he sought. The man stated that he was sorry, but he did not seem abashed at all at having disclosed his identity and purpose to a stranger.

Inasmuch as Mr. McLaughlin could furnish no names in connection with his story, Agent McLawson exhibited to him photographs of all of the known suspects in the Bremer case, and likewise photographs of various members of the Dillinger mob, none of which he could identify.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated May 16, 1934, which sets forth in detail the verbal admissions of Subject John J. McLaughlin, Sr., in which he advised that he obtained the Bremer ransom money from persons known to him only as "Slim" and "Izzy" at Room 210, Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago.

On the night of April 28, 1934, Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and Special Agent R. D. Brown conducted an under cover investigation at the Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Boulevard, after registering in to the hotel under fictitious names. The only information obtained at that time was to the effect that Room 210 was unoccupied on that particular night.

On the following night, April 29, 1934, Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin registered at this hotel and during the evening he had a conversation with James Franklin, colored bellboy.

On the following morning, April 30, 1934, James Franklin appeared at the Chicago Division office and furnished the following signed statement, the original of which is being retained in the files of the Chicago Division office:

Chicago, Illinois  
April 30, 1934

I, James Franklin, residing at 5250 Indiana Avenue, telephone Drexel 8347, employed as a bellhop at the Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, having been questioned by Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice relative to certain rooms, and individuals being in said hotel, do make the following statement:

I have seen a man who is known to me as Slim, who is about 30 years old, 6'3" tall, and the last time I saw him wore a light gray hat, gray topcoat, gray suit and black shoes. He is usually accompanied by a man whom I do not know, but who I refer to as Slim's old man. This individual is about 50 years old, hair gray at temples and mixed on top; height about 5'6"; face kind of rough; heavy built with potbelly. These above individuals have frequented the rooms of Dr. Joe Moran. This doctor resides in room 210 with Dr. Jim Wilson. Dr. Moran occasionally rents the room opposite his, which is 211.

Office  
4849 Irving Park Blvd  
Res.  
4849

Slim and his old man do not reside at the hotel, but have been calling there since about Christmas. Slim drives a Ford V-8, coupe dark red or maroon in color. It is a late model, possibly a 1938 or 1933. I do not know whether he owns this car or not.

The last time I have seen Dr. Moran was Friday afternoon, about 7:30. I was not in there when he left, and do not know whether he took any baggage with him or not.

The last time I saw Dr. Wilson was at 6 P. M. Friday afternoon, and he was at the hotel when I went off duty, and I have not seen him since.

The last time I saw Slim was Friday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock, and he was on his way up to Dr. Moran's room.

The last time I saw the old man was in room 211, I believe, Thursday, and brought him up a paper he was reading.

Slim and the old man to my knowledge have never stayed in room 211 over night. I have seen Slim and his old man in 211 a number of times and also in room 210. Last week I saw the old man in there on 2 occasions, but did not see Slim in there. These 2 rooms are rented by Dr. Joe Moran; and Slim and his old man are not registered at the hotel.

Dr. L. J. Mackey, a dentist has offices with Dr. Moran. The last time I saw him was Sunday afternoon. He was in the lobby of the hotel, and later that evening I saw him in the tavern near the door. Dr. Mackey is about 32 years old, slender build, about 5'7" in height, dark hair and dark complexioned, wears glasses. He is a frequent visitor of Dr. Moran at the hotel. Dr. Moran and his room mate, Dr. Wilson, do not associate with any other guests at the hotel to my knowledge. They have a number of callers, and usually the doctors have them wait in the lobby except Slim and his old man.

Dr. Moran to my opinion, is about 35 years old, about 6' in height, weighs about 190 lb., is well dressed, usually in dark clothes; has red hair and drives a new Pontiac sedan. I believe he is single and engaged to a very good looking girl, whose picture is in the room.

Dr. Wilson is about 28 years old, about 5'8" in height, auburn or dark brown hair, stocky build, weighs about 150 lb. Has no automobile and lives with Dr. Moran.

There has been no one living in room 209 to my knowledge for over 3 months, and no one has occupied room 206 or 234, which is a suite, except transients, and a Mr. Barrett from St. Louis, who was there about 2 weeks ago. He is a young punk, and does not know Dr. Moran or any of this other crowd.

The hotel is managed by N. J. Raskin, who also operates the Martinique Hotel, 4526 Sheridan Road, and the Sheridan Eastwood Hotel, 4581 Sheridan Road. I believe this man to be absolutely honest and reliable.

His brother, H. B. Raskin, commonly referred to as Hymie, is night clerk in the hotel and the precinct captain of the Democratic party of the 38th ward. I believe him to be absolutely honest and trustworthy too.

The hotel has 103 rooms, and the day clerk's names are Joe Saunders and Lou Lane. Saunders has only been there a short time and would not know what would be going on. Lane has lived there for the past 2 years, but would not furnish much information, but I can vouch for Mr. Raskin the manager, and his brother Hymie Raskin.

Dr. Moran has offices in the building adjoining the hotel, going west on Irving Park Blvd.

All records pertaining to telephone calls going out of the hotel are kept by the clerk and some of them as long as a year.

This is all the information I have to the best of my knowledge and belief at this time.

I am a poor boy and married, have no children, but have a widowed mother. I am willing to do every thing possible for my Government, and will assist in any way that they might desire. I know what the penalty might be in the event of doublecrossing the Government in this connection.

(Signed) JIMMIE FRANKLIN  
JAMES FRANKLIN

WITNESS:

(Signed) J. T. McLaughlin  
J. T. McLAUGHLIN, Special Agent  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois

On May 1, 1934, Special Agents R. D. Brown and L. D. Nichols conducted the following investigation with reference to the Irving Hotel.

It was learned that N. J. Raskin operates the Irving Hotel, the Martinique Hotel and the Sheridan Eastwood Hotel.

N. J. Raskin was interviewed at the Sheridan Eastwood Hotel, 4581 Sheridan Road, at which time he informed agents Brown and Nichols that rooms 210 and 211 at the Irving Hotel had been "plugged", meaning that no one could enter these rooms without a special key, which was in the possession of the manager; that the manager of this hotel is his brother, H. B. Raskin, commonly referred to as Hymie. N. J. Raskin, when requested to open these two rooms for investigation by agents, declined the request, saying, "We have no authority to permit this without a search warrant". However, agent Brown furnished Raskin with the statement that that agent would take all responsibility in connection with the examination of those two rooms.

At the Irving Hotel, H. B. Raskin was contacted, and he opened room 211 for agents. It was found that the same contained nothing whatsoever other than a pair of men's slippers. In room 210 were found a quantity of shirts with the laundry mark "D.R.", four men's hats, three men's suits, one tuxedo and one topcoat. There was also located a quantity of cards and papers in a bureau drawer and in a desk. Those appearing to have some value to this investigation were taken to the Chicago Division office and are listed hereinafter. These papers and cards indicate that Dr. Joseph B. Moran was the only person occupying this room, but Raskin stated that in addition to Dr. Moran, Dr. Moran's nephew and assistant, James Wilson, occupied rooms 210 and 211. He also advised that they had many callers, both men and women, and that he recalls a man answering

the description of the person referred to by Subject McLaughlin, Sr. as "Slim", spending quite a bit of time in room 210 for two or three weeks previous to Friday, April 27, 1934, on which day it appeared that all the persons who had been occupying or visiting rooms 210 and 211 had left the hotel in haste. He further stated that on Monday, April 30, 1934, someone called during the afternoon and stated he had often visited Dr. Moran's room and had left some personal property and desired to be permitted to enter and obtain it. Raskin advised he told this man he would be unable to enter the room because Dr. Moran owed a substantial bill. Papers and cards found in room 210 indicated that Dr. Moran's office telephone number is Palisade 7180 and is located at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard.

Raskin stated that when Dr. Moran first moved to the hotel, together with Jimmie Wilson, on August 8, 1933, he heard some comment from some person, whose name he does not recall, to the effect that Dr. Moran formerly practiced medicine in Maywood, Illinois, and was forced to leave that vicinity due to illegal practices. Several cards were found in his office, showing that he once practiced in Maywood.

After examining his records, Raskin stated that Dr. Moran rented rooms 334 and 306 for the dates April 23, 25, 26 and 27, 1934, at which time the person referred to as "Slim" occupied these rooms on those dates, together with other strangers whom he thought to be friends of Dr. Moran; that the party did a great deal of drinking and had many strange women in the rooms. He further stated that Dr. R. L. Mackey, a dentist who occupies professional quarters with Dr. Moran, also spent considerable time in room 210, and that room 211 was occupied occasionally by Dr. Moran when Jimmie Wilson had a woman companion for the night. No further information of value could be obtained from Mr. Raskin or other employees.

Telephone calls emanating from rooms 334, 306, 210 and 211 were checked from January 1, 1934 to the date of this investigation, and they are listed as follows: The Illinois Bell Telephone Company furnished the names and addresses of the subscribers of the telephone numbers. It will be noted that several of the numbers were unlisted and information concerning the subscribers of these numbers was confidentially obtained from the Illinois Bell Telephone Company.

<u>Telephone Number</u>	<u>Name and Address of Subscriber</u>
Avenue 7070	Nelson and Hirschburg, 5135 W. Irving Park
Albany 7462	Unlisted Jos. Tracey, 2718 N. Ridgeway
Ardmore 2741	Armin Kuhn, 5248 Winthrop Ave.
Ardmore 2701	Martin Larson, 854 Eastwood Ave.
Bittersweet 4208	G. H. Nolan, 535 Cornelia Ave.
Bittersweet 1408	Roy Gray (R. Gray Evans), 626 Waveland, First Floor, Apt. 11

Telephone Number

Bittersweet 0408  
Buckingham 8000

Belmont 8108  
Canal 7048  
Delaware 0454  
Greenleaf 8000

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Palisade 6920  
Palisade 7180  
Juniper 0885

Kedzie 3958  
Kedzie 5055  
Kildare 4340  
Keystone 6080

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Lincoln 5725  
Lawndale 1707

Longbeach 2032  
Edgewater 5785  
Maywood 7766  
Midway 10092  
Nevada 2711  
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Monroe 2356  
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Rogers Park 6100  
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State 1942  
Sunnyside 5811  
State 3615

State 2000  
Seeley 6723  
Village 7006  
Wabash 1412  
Vincennes 6080

Name and Address of Subscriber

Gorhan, 509 Aldine Ave., Apt. E C.  
Paulina and Roscoe Bldg. Corp.,  
1650 Roscoe St.

Harry C. Bennings, 2808 N. Whipple St.  
F. J. Repp, 2831 Union Ave.  
Six Fifth Avenue  
Mail Box Cleaners, 1734 Sherman Ave.,  
Evanston, Ill.

Fred Myer, 4407 Leland Ave.  
Leo Mackey, 4861 Irving Park Blvd.  
Checker Cab Co.  
Joseph Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd.  
Belmont Material and Coal Co.,  
5310 Belmont Ave.

John J. McLaughlin, 3523 W. Jackson Blvd.  
Thomas O'Connell, 4109 W. 5th Ave.  
Almberg, 5077 Catalpa Ave.  
Martha Washington Hospital, Irving  
and Western Ave.

Martha Carlson, 4414 N. Kimball St.  
Pinewood Hotel, 2744 Pine Grove Ave.  
Mahoney Skirovka (Arts Dealers),  
5312 Cicero Ave.

Nicholas Cisener, 4400 N. Hermitage  
Joseph I. Morrison, 4531 N. Campbell St.  
B. C. Bollman, 1404 S. 12th Ave.  
Siabo Apts., 1524 E. Marquette  
Pete Pera, 356 So. Crawford Ave.  
John E. Clifford, 1456 N. Mason  
Frank Freemuth, 1426 N. Mansfield  
Abel Fign, 1523 W. Austin St.  
City Hall

Builders Service Employers' International  
Union, 150 N. Wells St.  
Henry Bergantz, 900 Montrose (Basement)  
Highlands Apts., 7455 Greenview  
Lord's Department Store, Evanston, Ill.  
Victor Fisher, 4600 Lincoln  
Thomas Kluzynski, 111 W. Washington St.  
Sheirgyle Apts., 930 Argonne  
Central States Finance Corp., 209  
N. La Salle St.

Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co. Department Store  
Bernard Leben, 1836 W. Jackson  
Gladys Wilde, 501 So. Kenilworth  
Equitable Finance Co., 332 So. Michigan  
Irving Jenks, 8000 Drexel

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It will be noted from the above numbers that Subject John J. McLaughlin, Sr.'s telephone number is Kedzie 3958. It was noted that on Friday, April 27, 1934, the date Dr. Moran and James Wilson disappeared from the hotel, the number Kedzie 3958 was called from room 210 and then immediately thereafter Bittersweet 1408, then Palisade 0920. The telephone number Bittersweet 1408, it will be noted, is the unlisted telephone in the name of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland. The telephone number Palisade 0920 is the telephone number of the Checker Taxicab Co., 4009 1/2 Cicero Avenue. Mr. Raskin advised that Dr. Moran, when using a taxicab, always called this number. It is presumed that Dr. Moran, after reading the Chicago newspapers on the afternoon of Friday, April 27, 1934, immediately called the home of Subject McLaughlin, then called the apartment of Roy Gray alias "Slim", then called the Checker Cab Co.

The following is a list of the cards, papers and letters found in room 210, Irving Hotel, by Special Agents R. D. Brown and L. D. Nichols on May 1, 1934.

1. Photostatic copy of passenger car transfer from Secretary of State, State of Illinois, dated 6-9-33, for Plymouth Sedan, motor No. PD52656, 1933 Model, in the name of James E. McFadden. Same contains the signature of James E. McFadden.
2. State of Illinois Motor Vehicle Registration Card showing that on 6-1-33, Oldsmobile Coupe, motor No. 8C230008, was registered under the name of James O'Connell, 4109 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ill. and Illinois 1933 license No. 846614 issued to him.
3. Receipt stub of the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois to Dr. J. P. Moran, 503 Main Street, Maywood, Ill., dated 6-22-33.
4. Letter signed Larry O'Connell, dated 4-14-34 at the Cook County Jail, Chicago, Ill. in substance advising Dr. Moran he, with others, known to Dr. Moran, had recently been arrested on a "stick up" but that he, Dr. Moran, had nothing to worry about; that Dr. Moran should send someone up to see him, Larry O'Connell, to get the story of the arrest.
5. Letter to Dr. J. P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, dated 1-26-34 from George T. Scully, Supt. of Supervision, Division of Supervision of Parolees, Illinois Department of Public Welfare, requesting that Dr. Moran give treatment to the bearer of the letter, James Patrikus, who was alleged to be a parolee.

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6. Printed Bill form of Dr. Jos. P. Moran, Maywood, Ill., with the telephone numbers "Randolph 8615 and Edgewater 9701 thereon and the names Mr. Randall and Mr. Pennick, 2318 Eastwood Ave., written in pencil thereon in the handwriting of Dr. Moran.

These documents are being retained in the Chicago Division office file for future reference.

On the following date, May 2, 1934, Special Agents R. D. Brown and L. D. Nichols interviewed Dr. Leo Mackey, a dentist who shares offices with Dr. J. P. Moran on the second floor of the premises located at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard.

Dr. Mackey, when first interviewed, stated that Dr. Moran and his assistant, James Wilson, were visiting relatives at Spring Valley, Illinois, and were expected to return in a few days. He further stated that he had shared offices with Dr. Moran since approximately November 1, 1933, but that he knows very little concerning Dr. Moran and has always believed him to be a reliable, professional gentleman. However, after considerable pressure, Dr. Mackey finally advised that he last saw Dr. Moran and Jimmie Wilson on Friday afternoon, April 27, 1934, at which time no conversation was had indicating that Dr. Moran and Wilson expected to leave Chicago; that he understood that Dr. Moran has a sister who resides in Spring Valley, Illinois, and that she is very ill, and that when Dr. Moran failed to return, he naturally suspected that he had been called to Spring Valley to visit his sick sister. However, he stated that since Dr. Moran has not returned, and since he had received no word whatsoever from him, he had become anxious concerning him; that he has been forced to tell patients of Dr. Moran that he expects Dr. Moran's return in a few days after visiting a sick sister. He admitted to agents that his, Mackey's, weakness is liquor, and that he has often had drinking parties in the room of Dr. Moran at the Irving Hotel. However, he steadfastly maintained that he knows very little concerning Dr. Moran but admitted that his actions have sometimes been suspicious due to the fact that strange men sometimes frequent his office, and that Dr. Moran receives many telephone calls, more telephone calls than the average professional man would expect to receive. He indicated that Dr. Moran is considered a good physician and surgeon, but that he is quite unreliable due to the fact that he drinks heavily and often fails to keep his appointments. He further stated that he believes James Wilson, Dr. Moran's assistant, is Dr. Moran's cousin from La Salle, Illinois, but

that James Wilson is not a physician, although he has attended Northwestern University College of Medicine. He stated that he has never heard anything to the effect that Dr. Moran has ever been convicted on any charge whatsoever. However, he understands that Dr. Moran is divorced from his wife, but that he has met a young lady, introduced to him as Betty Tracy, who is Dr. Moran's present fiancée and who often calls at Dr. Moran's office.

He advised that Dr. Moran is the owner of a 1933 model Pontiac sedan but he was unable to furnish the license number. He was also unable to furnish any information regarding Dr. Moran's relatives, friends and contacts.

Numerous photographs of suspects in the Bremer kidnaping case were shown to Dr. Mackey, but he was unable to identify any of them as persons whom he had seen in company with Dr. Moran. He was then asked if he had ever treated, or had ever seen in Dr. Moran's company a tall slim man of about thirty years of age, who would be referred to as "Slim". Dr. Mackey then turned to his records and stated that he recalls that he has treated a person of such description, and that he has heard Dr. Moran speak of this man as "Slim"; that this man often frequented Dr. Moran's offices since approximately January 1, 1934, and that "Slim", Dr. Moran and Jimmie Wilson appeared to be very close friends. He further stated that this "Slim" used the name of R. Gray Evans, when he, Dr. Mackey, performed some dental work for him about two months ago. He was then questioned closely as to a short, Jewish appearing man of about forty-five to fifty years of age, who may have accompanied Evans to Dr. Moran's office. However, he was unable to recall such an individual.

Dr. Mackey advised that he would be more than willing to cooperate with the Government in any way. He became unnecessarily frightened during the course of this investigation and interview.

With the assistance of Dr. Mackey, Dr. Moran's personal effects contained in his desk were closely examined, and the following letters, cards and documents were located, which are being retained in the Chicago Division office files for future reference.

1. Letter dated 4-12-34, written in pencil, addressed to "Dear Joe", and signed "Less". Letter advised he was in jail and asked Dr. Moran to furnish him with \$200.00 as he hoped to beat the case and stated he would do anything for Dr. Moran if the loan were made; that a lawyer Murphy in the office of lawyer W. W. O'Brian could beat the rap for \$200.00.

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2. Pass book of the Prairie State Bank, Oak Park, Ill. in account with Dr. Jos. P. Moran showing deposit of \$120.00 on 11-29-32.
3. Letter signed Mrs. A. Wilhelm, 5243 W. 24th Place, Cicero, Ill. addressed to Dr. Moran, dated 4-30-34, advising she had a job and requesting Dr. Moran to send her the balance due her of \$6.00.
4. Undated letter written in ink signed Kate, addressed to Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, advising Dr. Moran she hoped he would visit her over the week end and that she had a letter from "Anne". It should be noted that "Kate" is Dr. Moran's sister who resides at 314 E. Dakota Street, Spring Valley, Ill., Dr. Moran's home town.
5. Letter postmarked Princeton, Ill., April 19, 1934, to Dr. Moran, 2841 W. Irving Park Blvd., signed Reta Orland, expressing pleasure at Dr. Moran's request that she come to Chicago where he, Dr. Moran, had a position as nurse for her. The return address is given as Reta Orlandini, 224 W. 2nd Street, Spring Valley, Ill.
6. Final Notice Before Suit dated 4-26-34 in the matter of the claim of Frank S. Betz Company, Chicago, Ill. and Dr. J. Moran, with reference to Dr. Moran's debt in the amount of \$53.42.
7. Letter postmarked Akron, Ohio, Dec. 28, 1933, written in pencil, addressed to Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., signed by John (Schnozz) Hauser, advising he was arrested upon arriving in Akron and was photographed and printed. Letter indicated he was then released as he states "Got a kite off for Murph, T. H. and F. K. last night". He also states "Doe, if there is anything I can do for you in any way 'regardless' just let me know. I don't know what to have Murph and them do but told them to just stand by and wait for word - by the way burn all this stuff up and tell Mickey not to perspire too much - I'll wait for word in some form or other so as to let them know what to do at that end".

8. Letter dated 4-23-34 from Dr. J. W. Lyman, 3211 Glenwood Ave., Chicago, to Dr. Moran, introducing Miss Irene Davenport as a very practical and competent nurse.
9. Letter written in ink, without envelope, addressed to "Joe and Betty" and signed Anne. "Anne" is Dr. Moran's sister, Mrs. Anne La Chappelle, who with her husband has a winter lodge at Tabernash, Colorado. The letter contains thanks for Christmas gifts and tells of a visit to Cripple Creek during Christmas week. Cripple Creek is located near Tabernash, Colorado. There is a strong possibility that Dr. Moran is now hiding at the home of this sister at Tabernash, Colorado.
10. Letter dated Oct. 5, 1932, from M. F. Walsh, Director, Ill. Dept. of Registration and Education, Springfield, Ill., to Hon. Phil Collins, 7544 Phillips Ave., Chicago, Ill., which advised that the case of Dr. Moran was still in the hands of the Parole Board and no action could be taken toward his reinstatement of his Illinois medical license until Parole action had been taken.
11. Letter addressed to Dr. Moran, dated Feb. 25, 1934, from James E. Edwards, 125 1/2 N. Main Street, Ottawa, Ill., representative of the Travelers Insurance Company, advising certified copy of Dr. Moran's birth certificate was desired.
12. Letter dated October 5, 1933, to Dr. Moran from Eugene R. Schwartz, Supt. of Registration, Ill. Department of Registration and Education, advising his application for reinstatement would be taken up at the next meeting of the Medical Committee. (Evidently Dr. Moran had not been reinstated at this time although investigation indicates he was practicing medicine).
13. Postcard postmarked La Salle, Ill., 2-7-34, to Dr. Moran from Austin W. Mitchell, 404 Schuyler St., Peru, Ill., advising "Let us hear about the matter I've written you. We need --- so let us hear from you".
14. Letter from Michael Fahy, State Senator for Illinois, Toluca, Ill., dated 9-29-33, advising he would see the Superintendent of Registration soon and see what could be done.

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15. Letter, written in ink, addressed to "Parole Board", dated 3/29/34, signed by George Bedords, proprietor of Bedords' Hand Shop, Electrical Shop, written in behalf of one Mr. Dennis O'Keefe, 1816 W. 33d Street, Chicago, who was applying for parole.
16. Similar letter in behalf of the same person from Louis A. Donn, Auto Dealer, 7140 Stony Island Ave., Chicago.
17. Similar letter in behalf of same person from L. M. Smith, Smith's Drug Co., N. E. Corner Indiana Ave. and 31st Street, Chicago.
18. Similar letter in behalf of Dennis O'Keefe from John O'Brian, Funeral Director, 3159 Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.
19. Letter, written in pencil and without envelope, dated Sept. 18, 1933, to Dr. Moran from Mrs. John Gessner, telephone Haymarket 0326, Apt. #3, asking him to establish an alibi for her husband, John Gessner, and one McBride, who was to be tried on some serious charge. The letter is partly destroyed and important sections of the letter could not be located in Dr. Moran's desk.
20. Receipt on plain piece of paper, dated Feb. 28, 1934, as follows: "Received on account for Joe Ryan and William Hunke one hundred dollars", signed, Charles A. Bellows, 10 South La Salle Street, Chicago, telephone Franklin 7900.
21. Order for Discharge of prisoner Joseph B. (should be P) Moran, from Division of Paroles and Pardons, Illinois Department of Public Welfare, dated Jan. 17, 1934. Document shows Dr. Moran was known as prisoner #2362-E and was sentenced at La Salle, Ill. on Nov. 16, 1928, to the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill., for the crime of abortion; that he served a term of 27 months and was paroled on 4-7-30 and returned to the Penitentiary on 1-23-31, after parole had been revoked and was again paroled 12-15-31. Discharge is signed by Robert B. Phillips (Clerk).

22. Personal card of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Boulevard. On the back of this card is the following: "Mickey O'Halleran, 1244 N. Dearborn Street, Room 517, Telephone Superior 4980".
23. Letter dated Chicago, Ill., Feb. 23, 1934, addressed to Dr. Moran, from William Schull, Attorney, 16 N. Clark St., Chicago, Ill., advising that his client, Mrs. Emilia Kowalik, had charged that the cause of her husband's death was malpractice on his, Dr. Moran's, part, and he was therefore bringing suit.
24. Card of the Two Hundred Twenty-five Club, 225 East Superior Street, Chicago. On back of card is penciled notation "Douglas 1710, Charlotte Ledy, 556 E. 34th Street".
25. Card of the Horn Palace Cafe & Restaurant, 4165 S. Halsted Street, Chicago, on back of which is penciled notation, "Bart Golden, Auburn Inn, 815 W. 74th Street".
26. Card of Andrew J. O'Donnell, Attorney of firm, O'Donnell & Platka, 3166 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago. On back is penciled notation, "Johnny Murphy, Hyde Park 2471, Apt. 202".
27. Card of Arthur Karneli, General Bar Plumbing, 2643 Armitage Ave., Chicago, Ill., on back of which is penciled notation, "Jimmy -- Dearborn 4953".
28. Card of James T. DeVere, Attorney at Law, 105 N. Clark Street, Chicago, telephone Central 4438. On back of this card is following penciled notation: "Austin 1829 Stork Dept." "Flo. Rendall, Edgewater 0701", "Lawndale 5465".
29. Small snapshot of Dr. Moran at age of about 20 years. On back is written in ink, "Your son Joe".
30. Receipt, dated 3-15-34, Chicago, Ill., from William Schull by Josephine Evens, "Received of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, sum of \$25.00 on account (note)".
31. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran with following notations in ink: "Call Kate at the Killaurm". "Larry O'Rourke, Merrimac 9506 or Dearborn 7350". The word "Bonds" is penned several times.

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32. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran with following notation: "Paddy Dugan about Ed".
33. Billhead of Dr. Moran with following notation in ink: "Mrs. Ellis - Brockfield 1915".
34. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran bearing penciled notation: "3233 1/2 Warren Blvd., Apt. 305".
35. Card with following notation in ink: "Bill -- 4106  
Dickins, north of Armitage one block -- Albany 4408".
36. Resident Hunting license for State of Illinois #291983 for year 1933, for James J. Wilson. License describes Wilson as being 26 years of age, 5 ft. 7 in., weight 145 lbs., brown hair and gray eyes.
37. Identification card of James J. Wilson, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago. Contains notice to call Dr. Joseph P. Moran, same address, in case of accident.
38. Business card of Garland C. Coone, 444 St. James Place, Chicago, Ill., on back of which is written in pencil: "E. H. Swanson, Austin 8216".
39. Business card of Diversey Motor Sales and Service, Inc., 824 Diversey Parkway, E. T. C. Holden, Oldsmobile salesman, telephone Buckingham 0604.
40. Business card of James E. Edwards, 629 Marcey Street, Ottawa, Ill.
41. Slip of paper with following notation: "Dr. Moran, call Mr. Weston, Longbeach 3969".
42. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran with following notation in ink: "Louis Peacock, 4915 Belle Plaine".
43. Business card of the Service Rental Libraries, Inc., 4821 Diversey Avenue, Chicago, telephone National 1093. Jack Miller.
44. Piece of cardboard bearing telephone number Lafayette 4181 and the name "Fred" underlined.



45. Piece of torn card, evidently of some financial concern. On one side, in pencil, appeared the following: "Whitehall 4290 - 236 Lena". This is evidently a New York City telephone number. There is also printed the words "Toledo, Ohio". On the opposite side in ink is the following notation: "Land. 7038, 4809 N. Lockwood, PO - 8097"

46. Order blank of The Larry O'Rourke, Inc., Automobile Dealers, 945-51 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill., dated 12/12/33, reading as follows: "To Dr. Moran - Received payment of 225.00 down payment. Balance \$100.00 12/15/33 - signed, Larry". In ink appear the following notations "C. S. 6022 and motor 6580686"

47. Letterhead of Larry O'Rourke Auto Finance Company, 945-51 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill., dated March 15, 1934, as follows: "Sold to Dr. Jos. Moran, 4849 Irving Park Blvd., one Pontiac sedan, 1933 model -- \$650.00  
Cash 165.00  
\$485.00  
Plus 171.00  
Balance 656.00  
Payable to Equitable Finance Co. -- 16 mos. at \$41.00 each - (Signed) Henry Sexton"

Examination was made of Dr. Moran's office. It was found that same is elaborately furnished and equipped with the latest medical devices. The office itself is well appointed and is quite expensive.

Mr. Mackey advised that Dr. Moran specializes in venereal and maternity cases and has been considered reasonably successful for the length of time he has practiced in this section of Chicago.

Dr. Mackey has often called the Chicago Division office from the time of this interview to date, advising in substance that he has been unable to obtain any information relative to the present whereabouts of Dr. Moran or James Wilson. He is unable to explain their absence and stated that Dr. Moran has lost the major portion of his practice as a result of his absence; that patients are continually calling at the office, asking for an approximate date of his return; that most of them have become disgusted and have terminated their associations with Dr. Moran.

The following investigation with respect to Doctor Joseph P. Moran, a physician and surgeon who has been practicing medicine in Chicago, Illinois at 4341 Irving Park Boulevard, was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison on May 2nd and 3, 1934 at Springvalley, Illinois and vicinity.

Mr. Joseph Hausch, Postmaster, LaSalle, Illinois, stated that Doctor Joseph P. Moran moved to LaSalle to practice medicine from Springvalley, Illinois, where Moran's relatives resided. He stated that Moran had practiced medicine for several years in LaSalle, but in 1928 he had become involved in difficulties due to an abortion he performed, and later that year he was sentenced to serve a term at Joliet penitentiary; that after serving two or three years at Joliet he had been paroled and had then resumed the practice at Depue, Illinois. At Depue he again got into trouble, with the result that his parole was revoked and that thereafter he had gone to Chicago, Illinois.

With reference to Moran's family, Mr. Hausch advised that he had a brother, James Moran, who also practiced medicine at Springvalley, Illinois; that he has several sisters and that his family all had the reputation of being respectable persons. Mr. Hausch advised that he, Joseph P. Moran, had married a girl by the name of Annie Brown, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Brown of Marquette, Illinois; that Brown was quite wealthy, having been interested in Public Utilities Company, but that Brown had died about two years ago, and his widow now lives at St. Petersburg, Florida at the Martha Washington Hotel. He stated, however, that the Brown family still has a home at 1216 St. Vincent Avenue, LaSalle, Illinois.

Mr. Hausch advised that Annie Brown, the wife of Joseph Moran, had separated from him when he first got into trouble and was later divorced and is now thought to have re-married and to be living in Louisville, Kentucky, but her second husband's name is not known. Mr. Hausch further advised that Joseph Moran has a married sister who runs a health resort or sanitarium at Tabernash, Colorado.

Relative to Joseph P. Moran, Mr. Hausch stated that he was a heavy drinker and was sometimes thought to be a dope addict; that no one in LaSalle would extend him any credit and that it appeared that in spite of the fact that Moran had a good practice, his wife was forced to pay all their bills.

Mr. Peter Wallock, Chief of Police, LaSalle, Illinois, stated that Moran was a kind of man who might be mixed up in almost any shady activities. He stated that Moran practiced medicine in LaSalle for several years before his arrest in 1928; that he was an excellent physician and had worked up a big practice but in spite of that fact, he was always broke. He stated that Moran was a heavy drinker and was always running after women.

Chief Wallock's arrest record shows that on August 16, 1928 he arrested Joseph P. Moran, Mary Bowers and Vera Kubera, on a charge of murder. Chief Wallock advised that both Moran and Mary Bowers were sentenced to Joliet, after being convicted of abortion, and that both were later paroled, and he is under the impression that Mary Bowers' parole was also revoked.

Relative to Mary Bowers, he stated that she is now living in LaSalle with her husband, but that it would be injudicious to interview her.

Mr. Hausch, Postmaster, LaSalle, Illinois, advised that Mary Bowers lives with her husband, Herman Bowers, at 427 LaHarpe Street, LaSalle, Illinois; that Vera Kubera lives with her. He stated that the Bowers' were a shifty lot and that Herman Bowers was formerly a hotel porter, but is not now employed, but does such odd jobs as he can find.

Chief Wallock advised against interviewing the Chief of Police at Springvalley, Illinois, William Doig, stating that Chief Doig is a political ally of Doctor James Moran of Springvalley and that any inquiries of Doig would no doubt be reported to James Moran and probably reach his brother, Joseph Moran.

Chief Wallock described Joseph P. Moran as follows:

Age: 40 to 41 years  
Height: 5 feet 10 inches  
Weight: 150 to 160 pounds  
Complexion: Sallow  
Hair: Sandy  
Eyes: Blue  
Clean shaven  
Does not wear glasses  
Is a good dresser, usually wearing light brown suits.  
His face is thin, but has a rounded chin.  
Walks with long strides and is a very rapid walker.

Chief Wallock stated that Moran, if picked up, would undoubtedly talk freely, particularly if he were given several drinks of whiskey. He also stated that he would keep the inquiry in strict confidence; that he would be on the look out for Joseph P. Moran, and if he obtained any information as to his present location or his presence in the vicinity of LaSalle, Illinois, he would telephone the Chicago Division Office.

Mr. James Doyle, Assistant Postmaster, Springvalley, Illinois, stated that he knew Doctor Joseph Moran and his family intimately and gave the following information with respect thereto:

Father and mother - dead for several years.

Brother - James Moran, resides at 112 West Cleveland and has an office at 130 1/2 East St. Paul, Springvalley, Illinois.

Sister - Mrs. Kate Lauer, residing at 314 East Dakota Street, Springvalley, Illinois - a widow. She has a widows' pension and is also supported by her brother James Moran.

Sister - Mrs. Leslie Brock, living at Fairfield, Illinois.

Sister - Mrs. Annie Chappell, living at Tabernash, Colorado.

In addition to these relatives, there is another brother, John Moran, who was last heard of 7 or 8 years ago as a Chiropractor in Kewanee, Illinois. This brother is thought, however, to be dead.

Doyle advised that Joseph P. Moran graduated from grade school in Marquette, Illinois; is a graduate of the high school in Springvalley, Illinois, and attended Tufts College at Boston, Massachusetts. He is a catholic and enlisted during the World War. It is Doyle's information that he was a First Lieutenant in the Aviation Corps. Doyle stated that Moran married Annie Brown, who left him immediately after his arrest in 1928. This woman has a sister, Mrs. Hugh Black, whose husband is a dentist and resides in LaSalle, Illinois.

The LaSalle, Illinois telephone book shows that Hugh E. Black resides at 1321 Argyle Road, with offices at 153 Marquette Street, LaSalle, Illinois.

Doyle stated that Moran was in Springvalley about/fourteenth or fifteenth of April as he had seen the name mentioned in the Springvalley Newspaper.

The newspaper file at the Post Office was examined and the following item in the Springvalley Gazette dated April 19, 1934 was found: "Doctor Joseph Moran and Miss Betty Tracy of Oak Park, and John Lauer of Springfield, Illinois, were week-end visitors of Mrs. Kate Lauer, who is quite ill at her home on East Dakota Street".

The John Lauer mentioned in this item is said to be a son of Mrs. Kate Lauer.

Doyle further advised that James Moran, brother of Joseph Moran, is politically active and is a former member of the Springvalley school board. Doyle stated that James and Joseph do not correspond with each other, and Joseph is reported to have forged some checks in James' name. Doyle doubted that James Moran would hide Joseph out, but stated that Mrs. Kate Lauer corresponds with Joseph quite frequently and would no doubt conceal him if she were asked to do so.

Relative to Reta Orland, Mr. Doyle advised that this woman was formerly a nurse employed by a Zinc Company at Depue, Illinois. Her maiden name was Reta Byer and she married an Italian, Prima Orlandini and she is known both as Orlandini and Orland. She has one child, a daughter, five years old. Reta Orland also has a sister, Ide Byer, who teaches in the Springvalley high school and is a close ally of James Moran.

Reta Orland left Depue, Illinois before 1928, and so far as is known, was not involved in any of Joseph Moran's difficulties. Her husband is now unemployed and she lives with her husband's mother at 224 West Second Street, Springvalley.

Mr. Doyle stated that it would be inadvisable to contact either Reta Orland or Chief of Police Doig, due to their contacts with Doctor James Moran.

Doyle described Reta Orland as follows:

Age: 33 to 35 years  
Height: 5 feet 7 inches  
Weight: 135 to 140 pounds  
Hair: Dark brown, wavy  
Complexion: Fair  
Build: Well built  
Good looking  
No glasses  
No visible scars  
Eyes: Not known, but are thought to be blue.

Arrangements were made with Mr. J. Valletti, postmaster at Springvalley, Illinois, to provide an immediate mail cover on the mail of Mrs. Kate Lauer and Mrs. Orland, as that of Doctor James Moran.

Mr. Doyle stated that it would be inadvisable to contact the telephone company at Springvalley as a request for information would undoubtedly not be held in confidence, and further stated that they found it necessary to go to LaSalle to telephone in the event they had confidential information they wished to transmit over the telephone. He

stated, however, that he had a friend at the telephone company, a girl operator, who was reliable and discreet, and that he would make inquiries of her that night. Mr. Doyle further advised that Joseph Moran had a friend named Emmett Glynz who was a bar tender at a saloon and restaurant on First Street in LaSalle, Illinois, and that he, Doyle, would be able to secure information at that place that evening as to whether or not Joseph Moran had been in that vicinity recently.

Mr. Doyle further stated that there is a Shell Gasoline Station on Route 6 near Kate Lauer's home, which is run by R. J. Conway, a personal friend of Doyle's; that Conway could be trusted to keep a look out for Joseph Moran.

Agent and Mr. Doyle, therefore, interviewed R. J. Conway, who stated that he had seen Doctor Joseph P. Moran get out of an automobile in front of Kate Lauer's home several weeks ago; that the automobile was dark blue or black, sedan, but he did not know the make of the automobile or the license number. Mr. Conway agreed that if his name was not mentioned or if he would not be in any way involved, that he would immediately telephone Doyle in the event he saw Doctor Moran at Kate Lauer's home.

Relative to Jimmy or James Wilson, Mr. Doyle advised that he is a son of James M. and Elizabeth Wilson who live at 117 West Cleveland Street, Springvalley, Illinois. The relationship of James Wilson to the Moran's comes through marriage, as James Wilson's mother is a sister of Doctor James Moran's wife, Anna, now deceased. Jimmy Wilson married a girl named Lindemeyer or Lindemier, who formerly resided at Peru, Illinois, but they are now separated. At the present time, the father of Jimmy Wilson is not working. Doyle furnished the following description of James "Jimmy" Wilson:

Age: 26 to 28  
Height: 5 feet 6 or 7 inches  
Weight: 130 pounds  
Build: Medium slim  
Hair: Brown, wavy  
Complexion: Fair  
Good looking  
Good dresser  
Has an Uncle, Jim Barrowman, who is a member of the Chicago Police force.

Later that night Mr. Doyle called on the writer and stated that he had visited Tom Cawley's place in LaSalle, but had been unable to obtain any information about Joseph Moran. So far as Doyle was able to learn, Moran had not been about that place for a long time.

Doyle further advised that he had been able to talk with Jimmy Wilson's mother and he had told her that his brother Vince Doyle had just gone to Chicago and that it would be very nice if he could see Jimmy and Mrs. Wilson replied that they did not know just where Jimmy was; that the last time they had heard from him he had stated that he was going to Toledo and from there on East; that the last address they had was 4841 Irving Park Boulevard, and that if they heard from Jimmy again they would let Doyle know where he was.

Doyle further advised that two letters were mailed by Mrs. Kate Lauer that evening, one to a Mrs. M. Zebarth, 3701 Addison Street, Chicago, Illinois; Doyle stated that Mrs. Zebarth is a former resident of Springvalley, Illinois, and a friend of Mrs. Lauer; and the other letter was addressed to Mrs. L. A. Chappell, Tabernash, Colorado. This is a sister of Joseph Moran, previously referred to.

Doyle also advised that a letter had been received, addressed to Mrs. Elizabeth Orlandino. This letter bore no return address but was post-marked Jackson Park Station, Chicago, Illinois.

On the following morning the writer examined this letter to Mrs. Orlandino and secured a tracing, which is attached hereto. The letter was examined by holding it to a strong light, but due to the fact that it was written on very heavy paper, only a few words could be deciphered. One of the words, however, appeared to be the name "Moran". Due to the conditions under which Agent was working, he was unable to get further information as to this letter.

Mr. Doyle later advised that he had contacted the telephone operator, referred to above, who told him that neither the Orlandini's nor the Wilson's had a telephone, but that Mrs. Kate Lauer had a telephone installed two weeks ago, but that she had made no calls on this telephone while she had been on duty.

This Agent found Mr. Doyle to be very desirous of giving every possible assistance to this Agent, and Doyle has stated that he will telephone the Chicago office immediately if anything of importance concerning Joseph P. Moran, Kate Lauer or Reta Orlandino is obtained.

Miss Ruth Glover, an employee at the Post Office, Depue, Illinois, was interviewed in the absence of Mr. F. E. Peterson, Postmaster, who was out of town on the day Agent called. Miss Glover stated that about two years ago Doctor Joseph Moran had opened an office over a grocery store in Depue; that he did not stay regularly in Depue, but had kept office hours at that place. She stated that Moran had practiced for about a year and then the body of a new born child had been found in a swamp and that Doctor Moran was accused of having performed another abortion and having concealed the body of the child in the swamp, but due to lack of evidence he was not prosecuted on this charge. However, his parole was revoked and he was remanded back to Joliet. This child was reputed to be the child

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of a Jewess, [redacted] who is thought to be living in Chicago. The father of the child is reputed to be [redacted] Spaniard who lives in and around Depue, Illinois. [redacted] according to Miss Glover, is tall, dark, heavy build and is a bum living wherever he can find a place to sleep.

Miss Glover stated that Doctor Joseph Moran, while in Depue, drank heavily and went out with a number of girls; that his closest girl friend in Depue was a Miss Odessa Helmer. Miss Glover stated that Miss Helmer is a girl of good character and is a personal friend of her's, Miss Glover. Miss Glover stated that she doubted that Doctor Joseph Moran would ever return to Depue as he had no interest there, but that if he did, he would undoubtedly contact Miss Helmer. Miss Glover stated that she did not know whether or not there had been any correspondence between Moran and Miss Helmer. She also stated that if Doctor Moran returned to Depue, she would undoubtedly hear of it and would immediately telephone the Chicago office.

Miss Glover further advised that Reta Orland was also a personal friend of her's, Miss Glover; that she had seen Reta Orland on Monday, April 30, 1934; that at this time Mrs. Orland stated she was going to leave Springvalley the latter part of that week and go to work for a Doctor in Chicago, but Mrs. Orland did not say where this Doctor lived or what his name was.

Mr. E. J. Welter, Sheriff of LaSalle County, Ottawa, Illinois, stated that he knew Joseph P. Moran and that the latter was absolutely no good and would be a willing confederate in any criminal action. Welter stated that Moran has been in and out of LaSalle and Springvalley, Illinois occasionally and that once or twice he had been accompanied by a man who appeared to be of a very questionable character. Welter stated that he was a parole officer at Joliet, Illinois while Moran was confined there, and that Moran was an expert surgeon, losing only two patients out of more than one hundred operated on at Joliet. Welter stated that Moran had many opportunities to meet hoodlums while confined in Joliet and that he did not doubt but that he had many such contacts in Chicago. It was Welter's opinion that, since resuming practice in Chicago, Moran has become a professional abortionist; that he also thought that Mary Bowers, after her first parole, had performed a number of abortions and he also thought that her parole had been revoked.

Welter stated that Moran's brother and other members of his family were respectable persons and he doubted that James Moran would attempt to conceal his brother. Welter further advised that Mr. Skelly, Chief Parole Officer, Transportation Building, Chicago, Illinois, should have a complete file on Moran.



The records of the Circuit Court of LaSalle County, were examined, and file number 31724 shows that on October 12, 1928, an indictment was filed against Joseph P. Moran, May Bowers and Vera Kubera. This indictment is in four counts, charging murder by abortion and alleges that on or about the second day of July, 1928, the three persons named in the indictment, performed an abortion on Tillie Bartel, who died as a result on July 25, 1928. The Docket Book shows that on November 18, 1928, Moran and May Bowers pleaded guilty to the second and fourth counts, the abortion counts of the indictment, and each was sentenced to serve one to ten years in the Joliet penitentiary. The case as to Vera Kubera was nol-prossed on November 19, 1928. The record further shows that May Bowers and Vera Kubera were represented by M. J. Falletti, attorney. No attorney was entered on the records for Joseph Moran.

Mr. John Hart, Acting Postmaster, Ottawa, Illinois, was interviewed concerning James E. Edwards, who is stated to be a friend of Joseph P. Moran. Mr. Hart advised that James E. Edwards was formerly a driver for the Sanicula Mineral Springs Company and that he had married a Miss Mary Brown, whose father, Walter Brown, is a District Manager for the Illinois Public Service Company. He also advised that Edwards had just been elected Democratic Precinct Committeeman; is now an insurance broker with offices at 127 1/2 West Main Street, LaSalle; that he resides with his father-in-law at 629 Marcey Street, Ottawa, Illinois; is of good habits and character and could be trusted to keep an interview confidential.

Mr. Edwards was then interviewed and he stated that he had known Joseph P. Moran casually for several years but had never been an intimate friend. Edwards stated that in January, 1934, he had gone to Chicago to see Moran and to try to sell him an insurance policy. At that time he took an application from Joseph Moran for a \$5,000.00 policy in the Travelers Insurance Company. Edwards produced this application, number 6434300, which is dated January 12, 1934. This application gives Moran's birth date as May 8, 1895, his age as 39 years, place of birth as Springvalley, Illinois. The application further states that Moran is single, by occupation is a physician and surgeon, and his address as 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago. The application further sets out that Moran has \$10,000.00 of Government Insurance, issued in 1917. The Travelers Insurance Company declined to issue this policy due to the hazard involved.

Edwards also produced a copy of a statement of Moran's personal history which had been prepared on December 9, 1933 for the

Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company in an endeavor to secure a \$5,000.00 policy. This statement gives Moran's height as 5 feet 11 inches, weight, 175 pounds, states that his father and mother and four brothers are dead, and that one brother and three sisters are still living. This application was also declined on account of the moral hazard involved.

Edwards stated that he last saw Moran about the middle of February, 1934, at which time Moran stated he was making over \$600.00 a month and was then buying furniture in preparation of marrying a Chicago girl.

Edwards stated that he has seen James Wilson around the office and that he was assisting Dr. Moran with his office practice. It was Edwards' belief that James Wilson was studying medicine at Illinois University and that Dr. Moran was assisting him by paying his tuition fee.

It is this Agent's opinion that Dr. Joseph P. Moran has not returned to Spring Valley or that vicinity at this time and that if he does appear there, this office will be promptly notified.

On May 1st, 1934, Special Agent K. R. McIntire, telephonically requested the Superintendent of Identification, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, to furnish the Chicago Division Office with Dr. Joseph P. Moran's record while a prisoner at that institution, copies of his fingerprints, and six photographs, including a handwriting specimen.

On May 2nd, 1934, a letter was received from W. L. Petty, Superintendent of Identification of the above mentioned institution, in which he advised that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was known at this institution as inmate No. 2382-E; that he was received on November 17th, 1928, from LaSalle County, Illinois, on a charge of abortion, and received a sentence of from one to ten years; that his last parole was December 15th, 1931, and was discharged on final parole January 17th, 1934. Enclosed with this communication were two copies of Dr. Moran's fingerprints, six photographs, and a specimen of his handwriting, which are being retained in the Chicago Division Office file.

On May 3rd, 1934, a communication was received from Frank D. Whipp, Warden, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, advising that the following persons corresponded with Dr. Joseph P. Moran while incarcerated in that institution:

Mrs. Kate Lamb, 212 E. Basora Street, Spring Valley, Illinois.  
Thomas J. Moran, West Cleveland Street, Spring Valley, Illinois.  
Mrs. Anna B. Moran, [redacted] Illinois.  
Miss Dorothy [redacted] Peru, Illinois.  
Dr. James J. Moran, Spring Valley, Illinois.  
Mrs. Anne LaChappelle, Tabernash, Illinois.  
Mr. Con Brown, Wyanet, Illinois.  
Miss Odessa Helmer, [redacted] Illinois.  
E. J. Welter, [redacted] Illinois.  
Harry Cox, Wyoming, Illinois.  
Lou Zegras, [redacted] Illinois.  
Hugh [redacted] Chicago, Illinois.  
Hon. Michael Fabey, Toluca, Illinois.

On May 22nd, 1934, the Chicago Division Office requested the Division to furnish the criminal record of Dr. Moran. On May 29th, 1934, the Division reported by letter advising that Dr. Moran's criminal record is as follows:

Subject, as Joseph "B". Moran, alias Joseph "C". Moran, No. 2382, received State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, November 17th, 1928, from LaSalle County, Illinois; crime, abortion; sentence, one to ten years; paroled; returned from parole January 23, 1931, again paroled December 15th, 1931.

The Division advised that a notation has been made in the files of the Division to the effect that Moran is wanted and the Chicago Division Office will be advised immediately in the event subsequent information is received relative to his whereabouts.

From a telephone call sheet at the Irving Hotel, located at Cicero Avenue and Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, which is the residence of DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN and his Assistant, JAMES WILSON, and which rooms are also frequented by persons referred to as "SLIM" and "IZZY", it was learned that DOCTOR MORAN, when calling for a taxi cab, always called the Checker Cab Company, telephone number PALISADE 0920 and asked for CAB NO. 5379; further, that this number was asked for sometime during Friday afternoon, April 27, 1934, on which date, it was ascertained by Special Agents L. D. Nichols and R. D. Brown, Doctor Moran and his Assistant left the hotel hurriedly, sometime during the afternoon or evening.

With a view to determining the place to which Doctor Moran and his Assistant, Wilson, went upon leaving the Irving Hotel, Special Agent H. H. Reinecke called at the general offices of the Checker Cab Company, 1401 West Jackson Blvd., and learned that Cab No. 5379 is owned and operated by EARL SCHEIDLER, 5358 Waveland, known as Driver No. 3967, and by AMBROSE PAROWSKI, 3935 North Kilbourn Street, known as Driver No. 8106. These men were brought to the Chicago Division Office and interviewed by Agents Brown and Reinecke.

AMBROSE PAROWSKI stated he met Doctor Moran approximately three months ago, at which time Doctor Moran stated he had recently had an automobile accident and had been injured, and that he intended to make more liberal use of taxicabs in the future instead of driving his own car; that his automobile had been wrecked and he was about to purchase a new automobile. Parowski stated he often took Doctor Moran to the Washingtonian Hospital; that on one occasion, two or three months ago, while discharging Doctor Moran at this hospital, a man walked up to the cab before Doctor Moran emerged and Doctor Moran gave him some money and told him he would see him again later. The description given by Parowski of this man was similar to the description of the person referred to in this case as "IZZY". He stated he has not seen this man since.

PAROWSKI stated that Doctor Moran gave to the desk clerk at the Irving Hotel, his (Parowski's) cab number and telephone number and told the desk clerk to call him whenever he (Moran) needed a cab.

When asked concerning the calls from Doctor Moran for services on Friday, April 27, 1934, Parowski stated that about 4:30 A.M., Friday morning, he received a call from Doctor Moran's apartment and took a woman to a point on South Elizabeth Street, which he believed

to have been about 5529. He stated this woman was fairly attractive, with brown hair, wearing a small black hat, but he was unable to furnish any better description. He also stated that on Friday, April 27, 1934, about 7:00 P.M., he received a call from Doctor Moran's apartment, at the Irving Hotel, and that his fare was a stunning blonde woman, about 25 years of age, of medium height and build, whom he took to 1450 West 69th Street, which is a beauty parlor, that he had conversation with this girl and she stated she owned the beauty parlor at this address. He stated she was very liberal and gave him a 50¢ tip. He was unable to state whether she wore a wedding ring. This appears to be of some significance, in view of the fact that "SLIM" is supposed to be married to a beauty parlor operator. This fact will be closely developed.

PAROWSKI was questioned as to whether he ever received a call from DOCTOR MORAN, at which time his fare or one of his fares was a person whose description is similar to the description of "SLIM" referred to in this case, which description was furnished Parowski. He stated he picked up a person of this approximate description, about two months ago at the Irving Hotel, as a result of a call from Doctor Moran's room, and drove this person to some point in Evanston, Illinois; that he became lost in trying to find the address this person wanted and he is unable to state now even the approximate address. He stated he has not seen this person since that time.

EARL SCHEIDLER, the joint owner of the aforementioned taxicab, stated he was unable to recall DOCTOR MORAN, JIMMY WILSON, or persons fitting the descriptions of "SLIM" or "IZZY". He further stated he had had only one call from the Irving Hotel during the past three months.

Both Scheidler and Parowski stated it is entirely possible Doctor Moran could have called PALISADE 0920 and asked for Cab No. 5529 but had been unable to obtain this cab, either because it was out on a fare or because some other driver was ahead in the line.

The address and telephone number of the Chicago Division Office was furnished both these drivers and they promised to immediately call this office should they again receive a call from Doctor Moran, Jimmy Wilson, or have occasions to drive the persons referred to as "Slim" and "Iszy". It is believed that they are both reliable. They desire that their names not be mentioned in connection with any calls which they may make.

Chicago, Illinois  
May 9, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

Re: BREKID CASE

Under instructions from Special Agent K. R. McIntire, agent conducted the following investigation:

An attempt was made to determine who the occupants of 1450 W. 69th Street are, in connection with Dr. Moran, who is wanted in the above-entitled case. Accordingly, Agent made a survey of the premises at 1450 W. 69th Street, and it was determined that the property is occupied by a barber shop operated by a Mr. Carmine Lurgio. While Agent was having a hair cut in the barber shop operated by Mr. Lurgio, he entered into a conversation with him and ascertained the following: that this property is divided into two small stores, both of which are owned by Mr. Lurgio and that he rents out the second portion of his store to two young ladies, who operate the Ruth Permanent Wave Shop. He stated that that shop was originally operated by a young lady named Ruth, whose last name, of Polish derivation, he could not recall, and that she operated this shop for about nine years. He stated that she recently sold the shop to her two sisters, who are named Sophie and Belle. Both of these young ladies are married to men of Polish extraction, one of whom is a minister.

Mr. Lurgio stated that despite the fact that these two young ladies are married, he knows that they go around quite a lot, and that it might be possible that one of these young ladies may have been mixed up in some affair with Dr. Moran. After determining that Mr. Lurgio could be relied upon, Agent introduced himself in his official capacity and questioned Mr. Lurgio quite extensively concerning the actions of these young women in their Beauty Shop. Mr. Lurgio stated that quite a few men call at various hours at this shop, but to his knowledge, these relationships are conducted on a very friendly, but quiet basis, and that the young women have never caused him any trouble. Agent showed Mr. Lurgio a picture of Dr. Moran, but he was unable to definitely say that he could recall seeing this person. He stated, however, that it is possible that Dr. Moran may have called at the Beauty Shop at some time or other, during a rush hour at his shop, and he therefore would not remember seeing his face. He did recall, however, that he had heard one of the young ladies discuss some doctor, but the exact nature of the conversation, he did not remember. Agent ascertained that the Phone Number of the Ruth Permanent Wave Shop is Hemlock 2660. Arrangements were made with Mr. Lurgio to notify this office if Dr. Moran should call at that shop, or if he should hear any more conversation concerning him, of a vital nature.

Agent noticed a third young lady appear in the barber shop, and upon questioning Mr. Lurgio, it was determined that this young lady was a cousin of the girls who operate the beauty shop, and whose name Mr. Lurgio did not know. He stated that she, at various times assists in the beauty shop during rush periods.

The following descriptions were gained from Agent's personal observation:

SOPHIE (Last name unknown)  
 Age: 26 years  
 Height: 5'6"  
 Hair: Yellowish  
 Complexion: Fair  
 Build: Large

BELLE (Last name unknown)  
 Age: 25 years  
 Height: 5'2"  
 Hair: Peroxide Blonde  
 Complexion: Dark  
 Weight: 105#  
 Build: Small

COUSIN (Name unknown)  
 Height: 5'1"  
 Hair: Medium Brown, bobbed  
 Weight: 100#  
 Build: Small

Agent interviewed Mr. Mose Pelletier, who is Vice President of the Peabody Coal Company of this city, who stated that he knew Dr. Joseph Moran, the party involved in this case, but that he had not seen him for about thirty years. He stated that he knew this man while he was a young boy back in Spring Valley, Illinois, but that he has not seen him for the period above-mentioned. Mr. Pelletier also stated that he knows Dr. James J. Moran, a brother of suspect, who resides in Spring Valley, Illinois.

In conducting neighborhood investigations concerning Miss Elizabeth Tracey who resides at 2718 N. Ridgeway, and who is supposedly engaged to marry Dr. Moran, Agent ascertained the following information: A family by the name of Tracey, who reside at 2718 N. Ridgeway Avenue, consists of the following members:- An elderly lady who is probably the Mother, and head of the family, a young couple whose name is Tracey and who have a baby, and an unmarried young lady who is called Mary. This young lady is probably the person in whom we are interested.

While parked in his car near this residence, Agent started a conversation with a young man by the name of Teddy, who stated that he lived across the street from the Tracey family. This young man seemed to be above the average in intelligence and was very courteous. Accordingly, Agent questioned him at length concerning the Tracey family, and the following information was obtained. The information set out above, concerning the family was repeated



and in addition to this, Agent was informed that a Pontiac sedan bearing a doctor's insignia, had been parked at different times in front of the home. It was the belief of Teddy that the elder Mrs. Tracey was ill, and that this doctor was called to attend her. He stated that the last time he noticed the car was about two weeks ago. He also stated that the unmarried lady at this address spends quite a bit of her time in the company of other young ladies, and that he sees her leaving the house almost every evening, in their company. To his knowledge, he stated that the young lady spends most of the day at home. Agent informed Teddy that he was from the Department of Justice, but did not give him any indication of the nature of and reasons for these inquiries. Agent asked this young man to be on the lookout for this Pontiac car, and to make a note of the license number, and that Agent would probably contact him at some time in the near future. While Agent was parked in the car, talking to this boy a Lincoln Sedan, bearing license 701-829 Illinois 1934 license, drove up and stopped in front of the Tracey home. In the car were the young couple referred to above as the young married couple living at this address. Teddy informed Agent that neither of these persons were employed, and that they left the home early each morning, returning late in the afternoon.

M. CHAFFETZ,  
Special Agent

MC/dr

Chicago, Illinois,  
May 10, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:-

Re: BREKID CASE

Agent interviewed Frank Vitacco, 8745 S. Paulina Avenue, who is a postman who delivers mail to 1450 W. 69th Street. These premises are those in which is located the Ruth Permanent Wave Shop, the operators of which are under surveillance. Mr. Vitacco, upon questioning, stated that he has delivered mail to this address, addressed to Miss Sonia Khyuava, which person also receives mail under the name of Sophie Conlon. Mr. Vitacco stated that this lady has been married twice, and that the name of Conlon was her first married name. He also stated that he has, on various occasions, heard this woman named Conlon say that she was divorced from this man named Conlon, whose first name he does not recall, who is now in a prison in Indiana for auto theft. He also stated that she receives letters on the average of one a month from Conlon, and addressed to Sophie Conlon. Upon request, Mr. Vitacco stated that he has seen other letters come from the State of Indiana, but does not recall exactly from what town. He also stated that he knows that this young lady receives mail from her first mother-in-law, Mrs. Conlon.

Mr. Vitacco also informed agent that a woman by the name of Belle, whose last name he did not recall and who is a sister of Sophie Conlon, also receives mail at this address, but only on the average of one a month. He also stated that he delivers mail at this address, which is addressed to Ruths Permanent Wave Shop. Agent questioned Mr. Vitacco as to whether he has ever noticed any letters bearing the name of Dr. Moran, but he answered in the negative. Agent advised Mr. Vitacco that should he ever notice this name appearing on any mail delivered to this address, that he would retain a copy of it, including the postmark, and return address, and that he should immediately report the information. Mr. Vitacco stated that he would retain a copy of the postmarks and return addresses of all mail delivered to this address from the State of Indiana.

If this office should desire to contact Mr. Vitacco, the phone number to be used is Prospect 2818, which phone is located in the floor above Mr. Vitacco's residence, and upon asking for him, he will be called to the phone.

M. CHAFFETZ,  
Special Agent.

MC/dr

In the report of Special Agent W. O. Ryan, Chicago, Illinois, dated November 1st, 1933, in the case entitled, "William Sharkey with aliases, Roger D. Touhy with aliases, et al, John Factor, Victim, Kidnaping," the following information relative to Dr. Joseph Patrick Moran is contained and is being listed in the body of this report:

"On August 23rd, 1933, Dr. Joseph Patrick Moran, who had been located by Sergeant Frank Freemuth and who, as shown by the records of the Oak Park Hospital, Oak Park, Illinois, operated on Charles Connors in June, 1932, called at the Chicago Division office and was interviewed by Special Agent Jay C. Newman. He stated that he practices medicine at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, and can be contacted any time by leaving a message at Avenue 2300.

"Dr. Moran, who claimed to be single, stated that in 1928 he was sentenced at LaSalle, Illinois, to serve from one to ten years in the Joliet Penitentiary for performing an illegal operation while practicing medicine and surgery at LaSalle. His Joliet number was 2382 and he was paroled in December, 1931. He claimed to have been engaged in medical work while in Joliet and to have operated upon approximately 4500 persons including prisoners and officials. While here he met various labor leaders visiting from Chicago and was informed that when paroled he could come to Maywood, Illinois, and do work for the Chicago Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Union.

"Upon being paroled from Joliet, according to Moran, he went to Maywood, Illinois, and contacted Jim Farmer, agent for the Chicago Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Union, which union had offices in the Union Building located at 503 Main Street. Timothy J. Lynch, former head of the union, had been killed in November, 1931, and there did not seem to be any head at the time Moran reported. Soon after he arrived he met Edward J. McFadden, (known to him as Eddie McFadden). McFadden had been a friend of Lynch's. Later he met Michael Morris (or Mickey Norris), a labor man who was a friend of McFadden's. At that time the union had a sick benefit system in operation and it was Moran's work to take care of union members who were in need of medical attention.

"In February or March, 1933, according to Dr. Moran, the supposed Capone Syndicate (Murray Humphries, "Three Fingered Jack" White, et al) kicked McFadden, Norris and the others out of the Chicago Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Union, and took over the same. Moran continued on as the union physician under the new arrangement until about the first of August, 1933, when he was told to "get out" and did so very obligingly. He then went to his present location without leaving a forwarding address.

"Relative to his contacts with various hoodlums, Moran stated that while in the Joliet Penitentiary he had occasion to examine Martin Durkin and found him to have a mitral murmur in his heart. It is Moran's opinion that Durkin will not live much longer.

"Some months after arriving at the Union Headquarters in Maywood, according to Moran, he met Charles E. Connors, who came to his office suffering from stomach trouble. At that time Connors had a sub-acute appendix and about two days later, in about June, 1932, he operated on him at the Oak Park Hospital in Oak Park, Illinois, removing his appendix. Connors was in the hospital ten days and visited him at his office two or three times during the next month or two, but has not been seen by Moran since the Capone Syndicate allegedly took over the union in about March, 1933. Moran stated that he did not know anything about Connors' personal history, activities or connections. Likewise, he did not know where Connors resided at the time he was given the medical attention. He informed that he had seen Connors around the Union Headquarters with Eddie McFadden two or three times but that they did not appear intimate. Moran stated that Connors' stomach is in pretty bad shape and that he might be bothered now with bowel trouble. He recalls having removed a small part of the bowel near the appendix at the time of performing the appendicitis operation. Moran stated that Connors did not have any visible cancer on his tongue at the time he operated on him. He was asked if a five percent solution of silver nitrate such as that found at the Glenview house would be used for cancer and he stated positively that it would not, adding that such a solution would no doubt be used as an eye wash or for a social disease.

"Dr. Moran further stated that he had also operated on Eddie McFadden's son, James E. (Andy) McFadden, for appendicitis, also on Johnnie Ryan, a relative of Morris, for the same trouble. Both of these operations were performed at the Oak Park Hospital during the Summer of 1932. Moran denied knowing Roger Touhy or other reputed members of the Touhy gang and stated that he had not seen any of the persons mentioned for many months and knew nothing about their activities.

"Moran stated that he was engaged to marry a sister of Matt Tracy or Tracey, whose name appears as a reference on the car papers of Eugene Crotty (Charles E. Connors) at the Litsinger Motor Company, but he disclaimed knowing of Tracy's activities."

On May 2nd, 1934, Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis, was advised by an anonymous person that the godfather of Joseph P. Moran is Mose Pelletier, who is Vice President of the Peabody Coal Company,

Chicago, Illinois, and is reported to be residing at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, Illinois; that Pelletier was formerly a partner of Dr. Moran's brother in Spring Valley, Illinois; that Betty (or Elizabeth) Tracy, who is the fiancée of Dr. Moran, resides at 2718 North Ridgeway, Chicago, Illinois, and is employed by the Civil Service Commission, City Hall, Sixth Floor, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Purvis was further advised that one Jimmie Tracy, a brother of Elizabeth, is connected with a new Coal Teamsters Union, of which "Lefty" Lynch, who is forming the new union, is the head. This union is recognized by the American Federation of Labor. He was also informed that "Lefty" Lynch was sent to the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, several years ago for robbery and he is now a subordinate of States Attorney Courtney, Chicago, Illinois, and has quarters on South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, south of Harrison Street, near Polk Street, and is generally regarded as being "wrong". He was further advised that Matt Tracy is a brother of Betty and Jimmie Tracy, and these are the nephews and niece of "Eddie" McFadden, a former subject in connection with the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr.

Chicago, Illinois  
May 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

RE: BREMER CASE

Agent interviewed Mr. Roy Woods, salesman for the Larry O'Rourke Auto Finance Company of 945 Washington Blvd. who stated that he recalls a Dr. Joseph Moran calling at his automobile company about two weeks ago to negotiate a deal on a car but that this deal was never completed.

He also stated that he knows that the Equitable Finance Company is trying to locate Dr. Moran because he has failed to make his payments on a car purchased by him from the Larry O'Rourke Company. While talking to Mr. Woods, Mr. O'Rourke himself came in and furnished agent with the following information:

That he had sold Dr. Moran a Chrysler in the fall of 1933 but that Dr. Moran had wrecked that car, the purchase of which was financed through the Automobile Bonding Company of this city and which company took the car after its being wrecked because it had not been entirely paid for. He also stated that he again sold Dr. Moran an automobile March 15, 1934. This car is described as follows: 1933 Pontiac 8 Sedan, Black Body, Motor No. 935155 and Serial No. 815227. Mr. O'Rourke stated that this car was financed through the Equitable Finance Company located at 332 South Michigan Avenue, and that this finance company was also trying to locate the car because Dr. Moran had failed to make his payments on it.

Other information furnished by Mr. O'Rourke was to the effect that he once overheard Dr. Moran say that he was engaged to marry a girl who is working at the City Hall and it was customary for him, on numerous occasions, to call for this young lady. He also recalled that Dr. Moran at one time had an office in Maywood, Illinois. He also recalled that a party by the name of McKenna had recommended him to Moran on information furnished by McKenna that Moran was interested in buying a car. Mr. O'Rourke did not recall any other information pertaining to Mr. Moran, but stated that he would try to locate it and furnish this office with that information.

Agent informed Mr. O'Rourke to keep in touch with this office concerning any new information he may ascertain concerning Dr. Moran and his whereabouts.

Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Woods were shown pictures of "Slim" and they stated that they were pretty positive that he was the person who called with Dr. Moran on various occasions at the Larry O'Rourke Company.

Agent interviewed Mr. P. E. Herst of the Equitable Finance Company, located at 332 South Michigan Avenue. Mr. Herst showed agent his company's files reporting Dr. Moran's application for credit and the finance of the car purchased by him from Larry O'Rourke. These records disclose the following information:

Dr. Moran gave as his address 4861 Irving Park Blvd. His prior address was given as 503 Main Street, Maywood, Illinois. He listed his nearest relative as Dr. James Moran, a brother living in Spring Valley, Illinois. References given by Dr. Moran on his application were: Jim O'Keefe of the O'Keefe Bros. Coal Company - Phone Lawndale 0637; Dr. Mackay - Pensacola 7702. This information appeared on an application filed by Dr. Moran through the G. M. S. Finance Company, dealers in used automobiles located at 4635 Washington Blvd. This application was made out when Dr. Moran was going to buy a Buick car from this finance company but records show that this car was never purchased. It was also noticed that on this application Dr. Moran stated he owned \$11,000. worth of property in LaSalle, Illinois.

On the application signed by Dr. Moran through the Larry O'Rourke Company on the purchase of the car that he purchased on March 15, 1934 from that company, the following information appeared in addition to the facts already set out in the prior application: Address was given as 4849 Irving Park Blvd. References: The Public Loan Company - Pensacola 8814 and Dr. Hall Billeg, 503 Main Street, Maywood, Illinois - Phone, Maywood 1235.

This application also showed that Dr. Moran stated that he carried a \$15,000. life insurance policy with the Massachusetts Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Herst also informed agent that his company is conducting an investigation in an effort to locate either Dr. Moran or his car. He stated that they are not interested in the doctor personally since they are privileged to snatch the car off the street when they locate it. Agent informed Mr. Herst that this office is attempting to locate Dr. Moran but gave Mr. Herst no inkling as to the nature of the case in which the doctor is involved. Mr. Herst informed agent that his company would be glad to cooperate with the Division in any manner that we might suggest. Agent informed Mr. Herst that he would discuss the situation with the supervisor of this case here in the office and would call him back in order to give him the information obtained.

Mr. Herst stated that in conducting their investigation he had personally called Dr. James Moran in Spring Valley, Illinois and inquired whether Dr. Joseph Moran is located there, but did not inform Dr. James Moran as to the nature of his inquiry. He received a very curt answer to his question that Dr. James Moran had no information concerning his brother.

He also stated that one of their investigators who is planted in the Irving Hotel had been informed by Dr. Mackay that Dr. Moran was downstate because of the death of a member of his family.

Agent informed Agent Brown concerning the investigation being conducted by the Equitable Finance Company as soon as he returned to the office. Accordingly Agent Brown called Mr. Herst on the phone and asked him to suspend their investigation for a few days and that this office would inform Mr. Herst concerning any developments that might arise concerning the car that Mr. Herst is trying to locate. Mr. Herst informed Agent Brown that he would be glad to comply with the Division's request and would be willing to cooperate to the fullest extent.

MC:EH

M. CHAFFETZ  
Special Agent.



Chicago, Illinois,  
May 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Re: BREMER CASE

Agent, with prior permission obtained from Mr. Herst of the Equitable Finance Co., represented himself to Miss Elizabeth Tracey as a representative of that company. This interview with Miss Tracey took place at the offices of the Civil Service Commission of the City of Chicago. Agent represented himself as being interested in the location of a car driven by Dr. Moran and upon which the above company has a lien.

Miss Tracey stated that she was once engaged to Dr. Moran, although it was noticed that she is still wearing an engagement ring. She also stated that she has not seen Dr. Moran for three weeks, during which period she has not heard anything from him. Miss Tracey also remarked that she does not know anything about the doctor's whereabouts nor can she explain his absence.

Miss Tracey gave Agent the impression that she does not know Dr. Moran's true character and would, upon proper questioning and handling, cooperate with this office. She also informed Agent that she would call the Equitable Finance Company should she get any information concerning Dr. Moran.

From personal observation the following description of Miss Tracey is set out:

Height	5' 3"
Weight	130 lbs.
Hair	Black
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Fair
Build	Medium
Eyeglasses	Was wearing white gold rimmed glasses
	Dressed very neatly and was wearing a quite prominent engagement ring - appeared to have large feet.

MC:MG

M. CHAFFETZ,  
Special Agent.

On April 15, 1934 Special Agents H. B. Brown and H. Chaffetz called at the office of the City of Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago City Hall, and requested Miss Elizabeth Tracy, fiancée of Dr. Moran, to call at the Chicago Division office for interview relative to Dr. Moran.

Miss Tracy advised that she resides at 2718 North Ridgeway Street, Chicago, Illinois, and that she is employed as a stenographer for the Chicago Civil Service Commission.

She stated she first met Dr. Moran at a house party in January, 1932; that she saw him occasionally and in July, 1932, became engaged to him; that since that time she has been with him approximately four nights each week until Wednesday, April 25, 1934, which was the date she last saw him. She stated that on that night she had a quarrel with Dr. Moran due to his being intoxicated, and that liquor is Dr. Moran's worst enemy and she will positively not tolerate it, and was able to keep him comparatively sober for the past two years. She stated that on Thursday night, April 26, 1934, she talked on the telephone to Dr. Moran, at which time she again told him she could not tolerate his drinking, which conversation was in effect a continuation of the quarrel.

Miss Tracy was closely questioned as to Dr. Moran's present whereabouts but she stoutly denied knowing where he is now located or having heard from him since Thursday, April 26, 1934; that she has been under the impression that he is angry with her and that he will soon call her again, but due to the lapse of time since the last call, she has become worried about him; that she has called his office on several occasions (this was confirmed by Dr. Mackey), and was told by Dr. Mackey that Dr. Moran had not been at the office for several days. She also stated she has called the Irving Hotel on numerous occasions but was informed on each occasion that Dr. Moran has not appeared at the hotel. She also stated that Dr. Moran's failure to call her, she being his fiancée, has been very embarrassing as her friends and relatives ask her continuously concerning him, and she has been unable to account for his failure to call her. Miss Tracy stated that she knows Dr. Moran is embarrassed financially and has informed her that this is the reason for his failure to set a date for their marriage; that they had recently decided to be married sometime during the fall of 1934, and she has been preparing her trousseau for the event.

When asked if she had often accompanied Dr. Moran to his room, room 210 Irving Hotel, she stated that she had on several occasions after February 18, 1934, on which date he was severely injured in an automobile accident, at which time she was slightly injured.

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Photographs of the various suspects in this case were exhibited to Miss Tracy but she was either unwilling or unable to identify any of them. She was closely questioned concerning a friendship between Dr. Moran and a tall slim young man about thirty years of age, who is commonly referred to as "Slim", but she stated she had never met such a person. Similar questioning concerning one Izzy, before referred to, was had without results. She claimed to know very few of Dr. Moran's friends. However, she stated that on Easter Sunday, 1934, she accompanied Dr. Moran in his automobile, which she stated is a Pontiac sedan, from Chicago, Illinois to Spring Valley, Illinois, where they visited Dr. Moran's sister, Mrs. Kate Lauer; that she has corresponded on several occasions since that time with Mrs. Lauer; that Mrs. Lauer is very ill, and she knows that Dr. Moran has recently had a telephone installed in Mrs. Lauer's home in Spring Valley for his convenience in calling her relative to her condition. She also advised that Dr. Moran has a brother who is a doctor in Spring Valley, Illinois, whose name is James Moran, but that Dr. James Moran and Dr. Joseph Moran are not friendly towards each other, but that the reason for this is unknown to her.

Miss Tracy claimed that she was told by Dr. Moran that he once served a term in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, for illegal abortion.

No other information of value could be obtained from Miss Tracy. During the interview she continually requested to be informed as to Dr. Moran's present whereabouts and as to the reason for the Government's inquiries. She was informed that he was wanted for questioning in connection with a very serious matter, and at that time she expressed extreme sorrow and anxiety and shed many tears, indicating her extreme affection for Dr. Moran. Miss Tracy appeared to be a very charming and well mannered young lady, and she gave agents Brown and Chaffetz the impression that she is not in contact with Dr. Moran and does not know his present whereabouts. She was advised that the Government would spare no expense in locating Dr. Moran in connection with this charge, and that he will be hunted for the remainder of his life unless he calls the Chicago Division office and explains the reason for his absence from Chicago, and certain other actions which could not be disclosed to her. She appeared to agree with agents that it would be much to Dr. Moran's benefit should he agree to questioning as he might prove himself entirely innocent in connection with the case for which he is wanted. She promised to call the Chicago Division office immediately should she obtain any information which might lead to Dr. Moran's whereabouts.

Since the interview with Miss Tracy, Special Agent Brown has called her telephonically on several occasions, and she has steadfastly maintained that she has heard nothing whatsoever concerning Dr. Moran's whereabouts since last interviewed.

Acting on information received from Mr. J. P. Doyle, Assistant Postmaster, Spring Valley, Illinois, that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was expected to visit his sister, Kate Lauer, at Spring Valley, Illinois, on Mothers Day, May 13, 1934, Agents W. C. Jamison and J. H. Rice proceeded to that city on the afternoon of Saturday, May 12, 1934.

Mr. R. J. Conway, an attendant at the Shell Oil Station in Spring Valley, Illinois, was interviewed Saturday evening, but stated that he had not seen Dr. Moran or Dr. Moran's car in the vicinity of the Lauer residence.

Mr. A. J. Falletti, Postmaster, Spring Valley, Illinois, and Mr. J. P. Doyle, Assistant Postmaster, were then interviewed and stated that they had seen no evidence of Dr. Moran being in Spring Valley up to that time. Mr. Doyle advised that a woman employed by the Post Office at Spring Valley resided next door to Mrs. Kate Lauer and that Mrs. Lauer had informed this woman that Dr. Moran would be in Spring Valley on Mothers' Day. Mr. Doyle stated, however, that he did not believe that Dr. Moran would show up as Mrs. Lauer had just received a Mothers' Day greeting card from Elizabeth Tracy of Chicago, Illinois, who is the fiancee of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. Mr. Doyle advised that the attendants at the Shell Oil Station, near the Lauer residence, and the woman employee of the Post Office, who resides next door, were keeping a watch on the Lauer residence and that he, Doyle, would be immediately advised if Dr. Moran appeared.

On May 13, 1934, Agents R. D. Brown and M. Chaffetz arrived at Spring Valley, Illinois, and Mr. Doyle was again contacted. Mr. Doyle stated that there had been no evidence of Dr. Moran's presence in the town but that he, Doyle, was keeping a careful watch and would immediately notify the agents if he should appear. Agents remained at Spring Valley and LaSalle, Illinois, until 6:30 p.m. Sunday night, at which time Mr. Doyle was again interviewed, and he stated that Moran had not appeared in Spring Valley during the day and that it was his opinion he would not come to that town.

The attendants at the Shell Oil Station were also re-interviewed but stated that neither Moran nor his car had been seen about the town during the day. Agents therefore returned to Chicago.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison with reference to Dr. Joseph P. Moran at the office of George T. Scully, Superintendent of the Illinois State Parole Board. The records of the Board show that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was committed to Joliet Penitentiary November 17, 1928, from LaSalle County, Illinois, after a plea of guilty to abortion, to serve from one to ten years. Dr. Moran was paroled on April 7, 1930. This parole was revoked and Moran was returned to Joliet Penitentiary on January 23rd, 1931. He was re-paroled December 15, 1931, and discharged from parole on January 29, 1934. The records further show that the first sponsor of Dr. Moran was Urban J. Ehrhardt, 143 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; that on June 28, 1930, Ehrhardt ceased to act as sponsor and Con Brown, Wyanet, Illinois, succeeded him. The last sponsor of record is Chief of Police Bailey of Maywood, Illinois, who assumed that duty on April 15, 1932.

According to Moran's history, as set out in the parole file, Moran, after graduating from high school, worked in an automobile repair shop in Boston, Massachusetts while attending Tufts Medical College in that city; that when the United States entered the World War, Moran volunteered and was made a lieutenant in the air service; that he was wounded several times in the service and after his discharge returned to Tufts Medical College where he completed his medical education. Further information in the file with respect to Dr. Moran's family history verified the information previously obtained at Spring Valley, Illinois, which has already been reported.

Mr. P. J. Barry, Parole Officer, stated that it was his information that Dr. Moran, after receiving his second parole, had been a physician for the Touhy mob in Chicago; that he knows a great deal about gang activities in and about Chicago, which information, if he were properly approached, he would no doubt divulge. Barry stated, however, that Moran could not be coerced or intimidated. Barry further advised that he understood that Moran was about to be married to a young woman, whose name was not known to him, but that he understood she was a cousin of Edward Hughes, Secretary of State of Illinois. Barry further stated that Dr. Moran was a very skillful physician and that on the last day of his incarceration at Joliet he had successfully performed thirteen major operations.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M. Chaffetz and E. L. Richmond on May 22, 1934.

Interview was had with Hugh Mulligan, 7640 South Michigan Avenue, based upon information received in a letter addressed to the Chicago office by the Warden at Joliet showing that Dr. Joseph Moran had written to this party while in Joliet. Mr. Mulligan, upon questioning, stated that he left Spring Valley about twenty-five years ago and that although he was acquainted with the Moran family, especially Dr. James Moran, he did not recall ever having known Dr. Joseph Moran. He did, however, state that he knew of him and that he was practicing medicine in Chicago and that he had also served a term at Joliet.

Upon further questioning Mr. Mulligan stated that he did recall having received a letter from Dr. Joseph Moran while he was in Joliet, this letter asking Mr. Mulligan if he would be able to do anything for Dr. Moran, in obtaining a parole for him. Mr. Mulligan stated the reason he may have received this request was the fact that he is Business Agent for the Asbestos Union, Local #17, of Chicago, Illinois. He also stated that he did not take any action on this letter since it was impossible for him to do anything for Dr. Moran. Mr. Mulligan stated that is his entire connection with Dr. Moran and that he has not seen him recently, nor did he think that he would see or hear from Dr. Moran since he had never done so in the past.

Reference is made to serial number R-156, in which is listed a phone number, Maywood 7766, and which is recorded in the name of B. C. Bollman, 1401 South 12th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois.

This telephone number had been located in the personal effects of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents W. C. Jamison and Mr. Chaffetz on May 24 and 25, 1934, in order to determine Mr. Bollman's connection with Dr. Moran.

Captain Engel, 613 North 7th Street, Maywood, Illinois, was interviewed and he stated that he is a mail carrier and that he covers the route in which Mr. Bollman has his home.

He stated that this party has lived at this address for about four years and that he has a wife and daughter who are the only people who receive mail and reside at that address. He stated that Mr. Bollman receives only 5 or 6 letters a week, addressed to only members of the immediate family.

He further stated that he did not know the nature of Mr. Bollman's employment but that from observation he observed that Mr. Bollman drove a Cadillac and Ford car and seemed to live in a rather fashionable manner.

He also stated that Mr. Bollman is never at home during the day but had knowledge that they were in the habit of going out almost every evening in the week.

He also stated that so far as he knew Mr. Bollman was perfectly respectable and one who would furnish any information that he could.

Agents interviewed Chief of Police Bailey of Maywood, Illinois, concerning Bollman.

Chief Bailey stated that the only information he had concerning this party was that he had been a business agent with the Teamsters Union, which Union had been known as an outlaw organization.

When this organization was disbanded Mr. Bollman took a position with the International Union, which position he now holds.

That was the only information Chief Bailey had concerning this party and his records showed that this party never had caused any trouble in the city.

Agents interviewed Lieutenant Johnson of the Chicago Police Department, who stated that he did not have any knowledge concerning Mr. Bollman, but referred Agents to Captain D. Gilbert of the State Attorney's Office.

Captain Gilbert stated that Bollman had been associated with the Teamsters Union, but that after pressure had been brought to bear on this Union organization by the State Attorney's office it had been dissolved. He stated that Bollman had later joined the International Union and had been given the position of covering outlying districts.

Captain Gilbert stated that it had been brought to his attention that Bollman was continuing to shake down union members in small suburban towns and was acting contrary to union regulations.

It was Captain Gilbert's opinion that if Mr. Bollman had any contacts with Doctor Moran that he would not be the proper party to interview since he would furnish no information whatever.

Captain Gilbert stated, however, that he would be very willing to arrange to have Mr. Bollman at his office for questioning, which procedure he was going to undertake on his own accord, because of Mr. Bollman's activities at the present time, and that he would be very willing to have an Agent of this office present at this questioning so that any information that Mr. Bollman could furnish concerning Doctor Moran could be ascertained without Mr. Bollman having any knowledge as to who this Agent was or the reason for his being present. Arrangements were made with Captain Gilbert for Agent Chaffetz to be present at his office at ten A.M. May 28, 1934, where he is to meet Sergeant Kelly, an Officer in Captain Gilbert's office, who is to conduct this interview and questioning of Mr. Bollman.

It is noted here that Captain Gilbert was not informed of the true purpose or reason for this office desiring to question Mr. Bollman.



Reference is made to file or serial number 132, which is a letter from Frank D. Whipp, Warden at Joliet Penitentiary, furnishing this office with information that Mr. R. H. Bailey, Chief of Police, Maywood, Illinois, was one of the parole officers for Doctor Joseph Moran.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents W. C. Jamison and M. Chaffetz on May 24, 1934.

Mr. Henry D. Oakland, Postmaster at Maywood, Illinois, informed Agents that in his opinion the local police force had attained an excellent record and had a reputation of conducting themselves in a very reputable manner, not affiliating themselves with politics or allowing any outside influence to interfere with the quality of their work. He recommended Mr. Bailey, Chief of Police, very highly.

Accordingly, Agents interviewed Chief of Police Bailey concerning his relationship with Doctor Moran, and especially in regards to his position as parole officer.

Mr. Bailey informed Agents that the only contact he had with Mr. Moran was in the following manner:

He stated that he had been asked to be a parole officer of Doctor Moran by Chief Parole Officer Berry, who covers that district. Because of this request Chief Bailey accepted the position in which he only had to sign Doctor Moran's parole paper every two or three months, verifying the fact that Doctor Moran was conducting himself in the proper manner.

After accepting this position, Chief Bailey made various inquiries in order to determine the reputation of Doctor Moran in the city. He found that as far as his ability as a physician was concerned, he was regarded very highly. However, on further inquiry, it was determined that Doctor Moran conducted himself in a very suspicious manner in that he never kept very regular office hours and despite the fact that he was enjoying a very good practice, he lived in a very cheap hotel.

It also came to the attention of Chief Bailey that Doctor Moran was passing bum checks.

Chief Bailey also stated that at one time he noticed Tom McFadden, who was connected with the Touhy gang, and his son, visiting Doctor Moran's office.

Because of all of these circumstances Chief Bailey refused to continue as parole sponsor for Doctor Moran and gave up that position.

He informed Agents that it was his understanding that after he gave up this position, Boss McLaughlin became parole sponsor for Doctor Moran about one year ago.

Chief Bailey informed Agents that Doctor Soffel, dentist, who occupies offices in the same building at the corner of Lake and 5th Streets, in which Doctor Moran had his office, had furnished him with quite a bit of information concerning the activities of Doctor Moran.

He also stated that about one year ago the police inspectors were looking for Doctor Moran, after having traced a stolen bond to his possession.

Chief Bailey stated that he had located Doctor Moran in Chicago at the Irving Park Hotel at that time.

Chief Bailey appeared to be very willing to cooperate in obtaining any information that he may be able to collect because of Doctor Moran's associations in Maywood.

He stated that he would call this office at the earliest opportune time if he should ascertain any information leading to the location of Doctor Moran at the present time.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison on May 11, 1934.

Reference is made to two tickets #40830 and 40831 issued on January 11, 1934, by the Stearns Loan Bank, 2345 W. Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, which were found in the personal effects of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. The Stearns Loan Bank, 2345 W. Madison Street was found to be a pawn shop. Ticket #40830 shows the loan on January 11, 1934, of four dollars made on a tuxedo suit, Hart Schaffner & Marx make. Ticket #40831 shows a loan of one dollar made on the same date on a blue coat and white flannel trousers, Carson Pirie Scott & Company make. These articles were pledged by J. O'Connell of 4109 Fifth Avenue. The record shows his age was given as 35 years and his height as 5'8". 4109 Fifth Avenue was found to be an apartment house and a card in the mail box in the hall gave both the names of O'Connell and Crowley. This building is managed by the Mallon Real Estate Company, 4010 West Harrison Street.

Mr. Charles Mallon was interviewed and he stated that he had known T. F. O'Connell, who resides at 4109 Fifth Avenue, for the past seven years as O'Connell had been renting from him during that period of time. Mallon stated that O'Connell was a real estate man associated with Moran and Sullivan at 123 West Madison Street. Mallon stated that Moran and Sullivan had been in business in Chicago for several years and that he thought both were Chicago men. He stated that he understood Sullivan was an attorney and was under the impression that Moran was also an attorney. Mallon stated that T. F. O'Connell was single, 45-50 years old, height about 6', ruddy complexion; that he had a sister living with him and also a niece, whose name was Mona Crowley. Mallon further stated that O'Connell was prominent in the activities of Catholic Youths Organization.

123 Madison is the Madison Square Building. At the office of this building, Room 801, agent was unable to contact the manager, Mr. Pancee. He was informed, however, by a girl employed in the office, that Moran and Sullivan had been in the building for about five years.

Agent was also informed by Ben Ellis, elevator starter, that Moran was a real estate man and that Sullivan was an attorney; that they had been in the building for a number of years and appeared to do a fairly good business.

Mr. Pancee will be interviewed later for any additional information he can supply.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent  
W. C. Jamison on May 11, 1934.

Dr. Mackey, 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, was interviewed  
and stated he had heard nothing further with reference to Moran or  
Wilson. He advised that on May 10, 1934, Mr. J. D. Yarus of the  
Victor Storage Warehouses, 4809 West Lake Street, had called at the  
office and removed all the furniture from the reception room in  
accordance with the provisions of the Conditional Sales Contract.  
Dr. Mackey stated he had telephoned this information to the office  
on that same evening and therefore this agent did not check with the  
Victor Storage Warehouses as he was uncertain as to whether or not  
this lead had been assigned to other agents.

Rita Orlandini, 1594 E. Marquette Road, Chicago, Illinois, was contacted by Special Agents M. Chaffitz and E. L. Richmond on May 22, 1934, as a result of information furnished by Assistant Postmaster Doyle of Spring Valley, Illinois, who informed us that this young lady may possibly be in contact with Dr. Joseph Moran.

Miss Orlandini furnished the following information: She stated that her connections with Dr. Moran started approximately four years ago when she worked as a private nurse on cases of his at Spring Valley Hospital. She also stated that she has not seen him since that period, and upon questioning as to why she was in Chicago to see Dr. Moran she gave the following story. She said that about one month ago she met a Dr. Steele, a dentist, of Depue, Illinois, who told her that if she wished to work here in Chicago she might come to the city since Dr. Moran would be able to employ her because of his extensive practice. She further stated that she came to Chicago about three weeks ago after first writing to Dr. Moran concerning her employment by him, but without awaiting a reply from him. Upon arriving in Chicago she called Dr. Moran's office but did not receive a reply. She also stated that on one occasion she called at his office but did not gain admittance since the office was locked. She stated that that was all the effort she has made in trying to locate Dr. Moran, and upon extensive questioning stated that she did think it odd that Dr. Moran had not been in the city for such a long period of time, but that she had no information whatever as to his whereabouts.

Miss Orlandini stated that she knew the nature of the violation that Dr. Moran had committed in the past and about his sentence in Joliet. She would not elaborate upon this phase of her questioning but added that it was her belief that he was not involved in the second trouble that he was supposed to be in in Depue, Illinois, following his parole from Joliet.

Miss Orlandini was questioned extensively but insisted that she knew nothing concerning Dr. Moran's present whereabouts.

Miss Orlandini stated that she has a nurse's certificate in the State of Illinois, having graduated from the Augustana Nursing School in Chicago. Her maiden name was Miss Rita Beyer, and her married name is Mrs. Primo Orlandini. Her husband at the present time is employed in Marseilles, Illinois, after having been unemployed for quite some length of time. She gave the unemployment of her husband as the reason for her coming to Chicago to work for Dr. Moran.

Description of Miss Orlandini from personal observation

of agents:-

Height:	5'8"
Weight:	140 lbs.
Build:	Large
Hair:	Light brown, bobbed.
Eyes:	Blue
Nationality:	Apparently American, and husband probably Italian.
Occupation:	Registered nurse.
Scars and marks:	Cleft in chin.

On May 1, 1934, Special Agents L. D. Nichols and R. D. Brown conducted an investigation at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, which is the location of the office maintained by Doctor Joseph Moran and Doctor Leo J. Mackey, Dentist, telephone number Pensacola 7702. Said Agents learned from Doctor Mackey that he was familiar with a party described as "SLIM" and he furnished his books showing he had given dental treatment to "Slim" in the name of R. GRAY EVANS.

Further investigation through the personal effects of Doctor Joseph P. Moran, at the Irving Hotel, disclosed that Moran had called the telephone number Bittersweet 1408 on several occasions. This telephone is unlisted and confidential investigation, through the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, disclosed that this telephone is issued to ROY GRAY, address 626 Waveland Avenue.

On May 2, 1934, Special Agent L. D. Nichols conducted investigation at 626 Waveland Avenue and through Otto Schroeder, Manager of said building, he ascertained that ROY GRAY occupies Apartment No. 11 on the third floor, which is the apartment on the right-hand side, going up. This apartment is not numbered, however. Agent Nichols also observed one letter in the mail box of Roy Gray, said letter being a bill from the Graceland Garage, 3729 Broadway, telephone Buckingham 1779.

Under pretext of being a racketeer, Agent Nichols interviewed parties, names not disclosed, at the said garage and ascertained that GRAY is considered a racketeer; that he is known to be a "bookie"; that Gray drives a new 1934 Ford V-8 Coupe. Nichols also learned that Estelle Gray, the wife of Roy Gray, has a 1932 Buick Sedan now at the Graceland Garage. The garage attendants informed Agent Nichols that Estelle Gray is believed to be a beauty parlor operator and is believed to own a shop located on the North Side of Chicago, which may be the Gladys Beauty Shop, 5029 Winthrop Avenue, telephone Sunnyside 1752.

It was further ascertained by Agent Nichols that the Grays have been living at the above mentioned apartment since November, 1933 and that they have with them, a brother-in-law, whose name and description have not been learned.

Agent Nichols learned that the Buick Sedan, now in the Graceland Garage, is black in color and is the largest type of Buick Sedan manufactured in 1932. It bears 1934 license plates No. 520-157, issued to Estelle Gray, 5248 Winthrop, on January 30, 1934. Proper investigation will be conducted at this address.

Further and more detailed description of the Buick Sedan in question is as follows:-

Motor number 2778426; factory number 2687133; City of Chicago license No. 969, issued to Estelle Gray.

Agent Nichols also learned that in 1932, Estelle Gray lived at 541 Wellington Avenue, Chicago.

The attendants at the Graceland Garage informed Agent Nichols that Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gray usually have their car sent to them at their apartment and that Gray, himself, was last seen on Friday, April 27, 1934. He has not been seen since, nor has his Ford V-8 Coupe been brought to the garage since that date. This Ford V-8 is black in color.

The best available description of Gray's wife, furnished by the attendants of the Graceland Garage, is as follows:-

Age:	30-35 years
Build:	Short or medium
Hair:	Blonde, with tendency to be red.

The brother-in-law is described, as follows:-

Age:	25-26 years
Height:	5 feet 7 inches
Hair:	Dark
Build:	Medium

Special Agent Nichols also learned that ROY GRAY alias "Slim" is a former tenant of Nick Smith, address not known, but whose telephone number is Graceland 8211. Agent Nichols also learned that Mrs. Gray is known as "Clara" in addition to the name Estelle.

At the apartment, Nichols ascertained that Roy Gray gave as references - Doctor Moran, telephone number Palisade 7180; Mr. Miller, Graceland Garage, Buckingham 1779; and gave as his business address - "27 East Monroe Street, telephone Randolph 9176". Miller has already been interviewed and the information secured will be reported in proper memorandum. Immediate investigation will be conducted at 27 E. Monroe Street. It was later ascertained by Agent Nichols that the Ford V-8 Coupe of Roy Gray is carrying 1934 Illinois license No. 605-583, and that the Grays first commenced renting space at the Graceland Garage in August, 1933. At that time, the Grays lived at 3638 Pinegrove Avenue.



On information secured from Otto Schroeder, Manager of the Apartment Building located at 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, to the effect that ROY GRAY and his wife and brother-in-law were not in their apartment, No. 11 on the third floor, right-hand side, and after consultation with Assistant Director Harold Nathan, it was deemed advisable that this apartment be examined for any information of value to the investigation and prosecution of this case.

Accordingly, permission was secured by Special Agents K. R. McIntire and H. H. Reinecke, from Mr. Schroeder, to enter this apartment and he provided said agents with the keys thereto. Agents McIntire and Reinecke were accompanied by Special Agents T. E. Billings, J. A. Murphy, J. T. McLaughlin and J. J. Metcalfe. The apartment was examined carefully on May 2, 1934, for information of value, at which time quantities of articles were picked up bearing latent fingerprints. Following is a list of the articles removed from the apartment of ROY GRAY at this time:-

- 1 Colt .25 automatic pistol, serial #327503;
- 1 set of two automobiles keys - one #RT243 and the other FC467, enclosed in a leather case bearing inscription "Verba Motor Company, 5100 West 25th Street".
- 1 Eastman Kodak No. A-130, containing a film on which 4 pictures have been exposed;
- 1 Eastman Kodak Ensemble, containing mirror, on which latent fingerprints may be observed, a camera, a compact and a lipstick;
- 1 Octagonal shaped mirror, on which latent prints may be observed;
- 1 Small bottle of "Eush", a non-perspirant liquid, on which latent prints may be observed;
- 1 Elgin Watch, #4451043; case "Wadsworth, 14 carat gold filled, #6762085;
- 1 Box of Arden Playing Cards;
- 1 Bottle of medicine, purchased at the Waveland Drug Co., 3665 Broadway, Chicago, telephone Wellington 0140; prescribed by Dr. Moran under No. 380006. (Forwarded to the Division for analysis.)
- 1 Set of three nickle-plated liquor cups ("jiggers") in leather container; cups have latent prints;
- 1 Green perfume atomizer on which prints can be observed;
- 1 Ring and watch combined; type of watch - Milos;
- 1 White gold dinner ring - three sets.

- 1 Small jeweled picture frame, 1½ x 2 inches
- 1 Cylindrical bottle, about 6" tall, containing an unknown solution; bottle believed to bear latent fingerprints;
- 1 Cylindrical bottle, about 3½", containing brilliantine; bottle seems contain fingerprints;
- 1 Silver covered box, 9½" x 7½", on which fingerprints may be found. This box contains the following papers:

- 1 rental lease issued by the Waveland Avenue Bldg. Corp., L. E. Hoeps, Agent, on Apartment #11, 3rd floor, 626 Waveland Avenue, to ROY GRAY, dated Nov. 1, 1933. This lease has the signature of Roy Gray alias "Slim" and same will be photostated.
- 1 Apartment Inventory, dated March 16, 1934 carrying as name of building, "3638 - 40 Pinegrove", on which the names of two tenants appear, one - R. Gray (printed in pencil; the other, John Thieroff or Thieroff.
- 6 Rent receipts, issued for Apartment #11, 626 Waveland Avenue, dated 10/30/33; 12/1/33; 1/2/34; 2/1/34; 3/1/34; 4/2/34.
- 1 Receipt No. 1075, issued by the Martha Washington Hospital to Roy Gray, dated January 26, 1934, showing payment of \$20.00;
- 1 Cash sale receipt No. 21176-23, issued by O'Connor & Goldberg, dated 4/14/34;
- 1 Sears-Roebuck cash receipt No. 1764421, dated 1/8/34, in the sum of \$48.20, showing purchase of four 700 x 18 super-All State tires;
- 1 X-ray report No. 1817, dated 1/26/34, showing examination of Roy Gray, 541 Wellington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; examination by Dr. Moran, report signed by Dr. B. D. Braum;
- 5 Illinois Bell Telephone Company receipts issued to Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, dated - 11/11/33, 12/11/33, 1/11/34, 2/11/34, 3/11/34.
- 5 Commonwealth Edison Electric Light bills, issued to Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, for 11/21/33, 12/21/33, 1/22/34, 2/20/34, and 3/22/34.

Contents of Silver Box - Continued;

- 5 Gas receipts, showing purchase of gas from the Peoples Gas, Light & Coke Company, Chicago, Illinois, issued to Clara Gray, dated: 12/1/33, 1/4/34, 2/2/34, 3/5/34, 4/3/34.
- 1 Statement of account with Commonwealth Edison Company in the name of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue. It is not known whether this is in the handwriting of Roy Gray;
- 1 Business card, disclosing the following information: "Carmen Beauty Shop, 808 Wilson Avenue;
- 1 Business card of Lightning Cleaners, bearing the name H. E. Heywood. This card has the following telephone numbers written on it: "Lakeview 1881 + Wellington 0140 (Drug Store)".  
Several letterheads of H. H. Zimmerli Co., 705 Broadway Exchange Building - 1425 South Racine Avenue. This appears to be a dealer in potatoes and onions.
- 1 Letterhead of H. H. Zimmerli Company, containing the telephone number, Longbeach 9851;
- 1 Small snapshot of an unknown woman, on the back of which is written, "This is for my darlings";
- 1 Business card of Ruth's Beauty Shop, 929 Wilson Avenue, Telephone Edgewater 0226, bearing address, "3521 Stewart" written in pencil on face of the card;
- 1 Business card of Acorn Store & Van Company, Main Office 1332 South Kedzie Avenue, Chicago;
- 1 Business card of United Fruit Market, phone Graceland 1120 -- 1325, located at 3829 Broadway;
- 1 Business card of Dr. Maurice S. Altus, dentist, telephone Longbeach 4694, 1200 Sheridan Trust Bank Bldg; also 4753 Broadway at Lawrence;
- 1 Business card of J. M. Houston, M.D., 1614 Roosevelt Road, phones Seeley 6124 - Saginaw 2031;
- 1 Business card of Henry C. Lytton & Sons, bearing name "Jack W. Ford - Men's Clothing";
- 1 Little Giant Webster Dictionary;

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1 Blue celluloid covered memorandum book for telephone numbers, containing the following names and numbers:-

Maj. Alb. 8516  
Bet. Edg. 3140  
Gra. 8211  
Sel. 4291  
An. 7585 - Cal.  
Sue Lak. 10534  
Pauline - Longbeach 2185  
Edgewater Exchange - Edg. 9900  
Bit. 5230  
Cal. 5196

Stones, 71st & Jeffrey - Mid. 8850.  
"1520" - Edg. 3140 - Betty;  
Lak. 10534 - Sue  
Apt. 2J at Paulton 6:30 7-730

401 Fullerton Apartment,  
501 Grossberg - Moh. 1610

Berkshire 6603 - Shortall, Miller  
June -- Newcastle 5027;  
Bel. 2956;  
Pearl's Beauty Shop, Wellington 5706  
Sun. 3414  
Longbeach 7241  
Cal. 5196;  
Stu. 3521;  
Mary Blue - Long 7230;  
Doc & Lou - Lin. 8215;

- 1 Speed-writing Shorthand book, in which the name "Clara Moore" appears;
- 1 Ever-ready shaving kit, on which prints may be found;
- 1 Small brown coin purse, in which several pills are contained. A laboratory analysis of the pills is to be made at the Division;
- 3 Small mirrors on which latent prints may be found;
- 1 Snapshot of an unknown woman holding a dog, on the back of which is written, "For Sue";
- 1 Snapshot of a dog, on back of which is written "Tyro for Sue";

- 1 Business card of Lightning Cleaners, Buc. 0440, on the back of which is written: "Delivered gloves this A.M. - no answer - (s) Yost";
- 1 Christmas card on which is written in ink - "For my daughter and son - lots of love from Mamma";
- 1 Pair of gray-rimmed sun glasses;
- 1 State of Illinois Resident Hunting License #228649, issued to Roy Gray, containing original signature of Roy Gray - dated Nov. 9, 1933;
- 1 Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company Receipt, No. 41314, issued to Mrs. Clara Gray, for rent of safe deposit box No. 2670, for term of one year from January 7, 1934, signed by John C. Witts;
- 1 Birthday card, bearing inscription in pencil - "April 8 - With love - Mamma";
- 1 Sales slip, No. 8536, in amount of \$7.50, on Seeder & Seeder, Men's Furnishings, 4006 Sheridan Road - 1743 Howard Ave., dated April 28, 1934;
- 1 Small black address book containing following:  
"Gretta, Highland 7795; 5821 Virg.;  
J.L. - Lo. 6400 - 300 EA";
- 1 Box of Allonal, containing pills; sent to Division for analysis;
- 1 Key, bearing address "Sheridan Edw. Co., 5821 Broadway - Lakeview 1168;
- 1 Red enamel compact;
- 1 Large photograph of an unknown woman, believed to be the mother of Mrs. Clara Gray;
- 1 Small kodak picture of a boy holding a dog; identity unknown;
- 1 Book "Professional Business English and Business Letters" - containing the name "Miss Clara Moore, 6 East Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois". (This was probably Mrs. Gray's name before her marriage);
- 1 Photograph in red imitation leather frame, of a man believed to be "Slim";
- 1 Snapshot of two young men, identity unknown;
- 1 " " unknown woman; one of woman sitting in a chair;
- 2 Snapshots of two different men standing alone;
- 2 Snapshots of the same young men, one in cadet uniform;
- 1 Snapshot of an elderly woman and man;
- 1 Snapshot of an elderly man with derby hat;
- 1 Snapshot of an unidentified elderly woman;
- 1 Snapshot of a young man looking through door of an automobile;

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- 1 Snapshot of an elderly man and woman and a young boy;
- 1 Snapshot of woman sitting on the ground;
- 1 Snapshot of woman dressed in Hudson Seal Coat;
- 1 Snapshot of young woman standing beside automobile;
- 1 Snapshot of three women near filling station;
- 1 Snapshot of elderly woman and two young boys;
- 1 Snapshot of elderly woman standing beside car and an elderly man sitting in the car;
- 1 Snapshot of elderly woman with hand on basket of flowers;
- 1 Postcard picture of two women, standing beside a liquor bar;
- 1 Tintype photograph of two women, on the back of which is written in pencil "Susie & Kid, 1170 So. Norton";
- 1 Christmas card to "Sue and Roy, from Mamma";
- 1 Marshall's Business Speller, in which the name "Miss Clara Moore, #8 East Lake Street, Chicago" appears;
- 1 Gregg Shorthand book;
- 1 Photograph of a baby, taken by Granata Studio, 1551 Taylor Street, corner Ashland Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.;
- 1 State of Illinois Certificate of Title, issued to Estelle Gray, 5248 Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Ill., on Buick Sedan, Motor No. 2778426, 1932 model, factory #2627133, title 520157;
- 1 Brown leather billfold, containing the following papers:

Car invoice 6676, on North Shore Buick Co., 1030 Davis Street, Evanston, Illinois, 110 So. 1st Street, Highland Park, Ill., showing sale to Estelle Gray, 541 Wellington Ave., Chicago, of a 1932 model Buick, five passenger sedan, motor #2778426, serial 2627133; sale price, \$2,099.00;

Business card of Louis P. Piquett, Attorney, 100 No. La Salle Street (Attorney for John Dillinger);

Business cards (3) of Edw. A. Reynolds, North Shore Buick Company, Evanston & Highland Park Ill., one containing pencil notation "10161 and Gren. 9849 - Service";

Business cards (2) of Al's Place, Park Falls, Wis;

Business cards (2) of Henry C. Lytton & Sons, Chicago, one bearing pencil notation "Gre.0900";

Business card of Art Schmidt, "Muskelunge Fishing Camp, Park Falls, Wisconsin";

Business card of Robinson Novelty Co., 160 North La Salle Street., 810 Burnham Bldg., Chicago;

(Contents of billfold - continued)

- 1 Resident hunting license No. 0249793, State of Illinois, for Roy Gray, year 1931, issued at Aurora, Illinois - same containing following description of Gray: Age, 30 years; height, 6 feet; weight, 155 lbs.; eyes, brown; hair, brown.
- 1 Business card of T. Tobie, 214 Institute Place, Chicago, Illinois, telephone Whitehall 6153;
- 1 Card of Midway Motor Radio Service, 1216 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago; telephone, Monroe 1050, with notation - "Barber-Long 1811";
- 1 Card of Jacob Harold Cohen, Attorney, 160 North La Salle St., with some writing on the back that has been partially erased;
- 1 Card of the Club Southland, 6243 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago;
- 1 Card of Broadway Buick Company, 5701 Broadway, Chicago, Longbeach 7700;
- 1 Card of Harbro Club, 22 & Elm Avenue, North Riverside, Illinois;
- 1 Card of The Embassy Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin;
- 1 Card of Alemite Corporation, for Buick car bearing license 248904 of the year 1932; firm name - North Shore Buick Company, 1572 Maple Avenue;

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- 1 Large photograph of an elderly woman, unidentified, picture unframed;
- 1 Small pocket mirror, containing latent fingerprints;
- 1 Cosmetic handbag, containing several bottles and a mirror, same to be examined for latent prints;
- 1 Ladies' brown beaded pocketbook, containing a compact and mirror; to be examined for latent fingerprints;
- 1 Jewelry box, containing .38 caliber bullets;
- 1 Bulova electric clock;
- 1 Green enamel compact, on which latent fingerprints may be observed;
- 1 Box of .25 caliber bullets;
- 1 Box of .38 caliber bullets;
- 8 X-ray negatives of Roy Gray, taken January 26, 1934 by Doctor Moran;
- 1 Remington Shotgun, model 10, serial 255202 (Pump gun 12 gauge);

1 Remington Portable Typewriter - being forwarded  
to the Division for analysis and fingerprints;  
machine case locked - Agents unable to open it.

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On the morning of May 8, 1934, four Agents of the Chicago Division Office were placed in the apartment of Roy Gray, with the permission of Mr. Schroeder, the Manager, in the hope of apprehending Roy Gray, alias "Slim", or other members of the family or gang, should they reappear at the apartment.



On May 2nd, 1934, Special Agents of the Chicago Division Office entered the apartment rented under the name of Roy Gray, 628 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; and from that date until May 14th, 1934, Chicago Division Office Agents remained in the apartment under instructions from Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis.

On May 4th, 1934, Special Agents Chaffetz, Mussey, and McLaughlin were in the apartment and about 1:00 P.M. called the Chicago Division Office and advised that someone had tried to enter the apartment; that the manager, Otto Schroeder, subsequently informed them that two men had called at the apartment house and had paid the rent for one month, the amount being \$35.00, and stated they had been requested by the person residing in the apartment to obtain some clothing therefrom. They were unable to enter the apartment due to the fact that a double lock was attached to the door but stated to Mr. Schroeder that they would return.

At about 2:30 P.M. these two persons returned to the apartment of Roy Gray, at which time Special Agent R. D. Brown and J. R. Welles had stationed themselves near the entrance of the apartment house and noticed a Lincoln Sedan drive up to the apartment house and two men get out of the car and enter the entrance leading to the apartment of Roy Gray, one man remaining in the Lincoln Sedan.

One of the men, who was later found to be Matthew McNamara, pounded profusely at the door and attempted to kick in this door. Special Agent Chaffetz then unlatched the door and McNamara was ordered into the apartment. When this took place, the other man who attempted to gain entrance to the apartment, who was later found to be Sidney Lewis, immediately ran down the stairs and was caught by Special Agent R. D. Brown when he attempted to leave the apartment house. Special Agent J. R. Welles had, in the meantime, detained the driver of the Lincoln Sedan, who was later found to be Simon D. McDonnell. All three men were then taken to the Chicago Division Office for questioning.

Simon D. McDonnell, Jr., was questioned by Special Agent K. R. McIntire and advised that he is an attorney and a member of the firm of McDonnell and McDonnell, office 736 at No. 221 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, residence 7438 Elmwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, telephone Rogers Park 8474. He advised that Sidney Lewis was a law clerk employed in his office; that Lewis has a number of criminal connections and is able to refer considerable business to the firm. He further stated that Matthew McNamara is

totally unknown to him and that he had never met McNamara before that day, but believes that his brother, Frank A. McDonnell, once represented McNamara in some sort of criminal suit.

He advised that on May 4th, 1934, he arrived at his offices at 9:00 A.M. and saw no one except the office girl, Elizabeth Lynch; that he then left for Chancery Court and was occupied in Judge Labuy's court at about 9:15 A.M., which court is located in the Cook County Building at Clark and Randolph Streets, seventh floor, South wing. He stated that he filed a motion and petition for an order to show cause in the case that he was working on. He stated that he presented the matter to the court at about 10:00 A.M., was unable to obtain a certified copy of the order at that time and made arrangements to have the certified copy delivered to his office later. He stated that he returned to his office about 11:15 A.M. and found no one in the office other than his stenographer; that he remained in the office about fifteen minutes. He stated that he is unable to recall whether Sidney Lewis, his clerk, called him shortly after his arrival at the office or whether his stenographer informed him that Lewis had called and asked that he meet Lewis at Polk and Paulina Streets. At this point he stated that he had had an appointment to meet Lewis at Chancery Court and from Chancery Court, they, Lewis and McDonnell, were to go to the Criminal Court building to interview a prisoner in the County Jail, but that Lewis failed to make an appearance. He further stated that he had no idea as to why he was to meet Lewis at Polk and Paulina Streets, but that he did meet Lewis at the Northeast corner of Polk and Paulina Streets about 11:45 A.M.

He further stated that he inquired of Lewis as to his reason for failing to appear at the Chancery Court and Lewis told him that he had obtained a new case. He stated that Lewis informed him that he did not know much about the case but thought that he could make a hundred dollars and that it would be necessary to find out if the subject of this new case was wanted by the Police or by the Federal Government; that Lewis then told him that a woman had seen him and had given him \$75.00 and instructed him to go to the apartment of Roy Gray at 626 Waveland Avenue and pay a month's rent and get some women's clothes out of the apartment, and after doing this and learning on what charge the man Gray was wanted, they were to consider turning him over to the Police or to the Federal Government, and to find out how much bond would be required for his release. He further stated that they then proceeded to 626 Waveland Avenue, where they paid a month's rent, \$35.00, to the manager of the apartment house, which transaction took place between Lewis and the manager, and Lewis, who had a key to the apartment, told them that they could go on up to the same, where it was found that they were unable to enter the apartment as the key did not appear to fit. He then informed Lewis that he did not wish to

bother with the case and to let the people get their own clothes. They decided then to go back to the Criminal Court building.

Upon arriving at Polk and Paulina Streets again, they stopped at a tavern located on Polk Street near Paulina, where they obtained some beer, and met McNamara. He further stated that Lewis had some conversation with the bartender and that McNamara overheard the conversation, and being a friend of Lewis', volunteered to accompany them to the apartment and stated that "he would get in all right." He advised they then returned, in his Lincoln Sedan, to 626 Waveland Avenue, at which time he stopped the car and Lewis and McNamara went up to the apartment, which resulted in their detention. Mr. McDonnell was closely questioned during the remainder of that night and the following day until approximately 6:00 P.M., but he steadfastly insisted that he knew nothing more concerning the transaction and that Sidney Lewis previously made all of the arrangements.

McDonnell advised that he is a graduate of Northwestern University of Law and has been practicing in Chicago since 1911; that his reputation in Chicago as a attorney has been good and that he would be willing to assist the Government in any way possible rather than for any reflection to be cast upon his legal reputation.

Sidney Lewis was interviewed by Special Agent R. D. Brown and advised that he is 31 years of age and a graduate of Webster School of Law; that he is married and resides at 3307 Warren, apartment 401; that for the last six years he has been employed by McDonnell and McDonnell, lawyers, 221 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

During the first period of questioning, Lewis insisted that he knew nothing more in this case than that some woman on the day before, May 1st, 1934, had called at his office and asked that he go up to 626 Waveland Avenue and pay a month's rent on the apartment of her brother, whose name was Gray, and to obtain from the apartment a valuable fur coat; that she told him that the place was being watched by Police and that she did not care to go around there personally. However, after several hours of questioning, Lewis advised that he is acquainted with the person, whose name and address he refused to give, who is connected with the criminal element in Chicago, and whom he contacts in the vicinity of Polk and Paulina Streets, and who called him some time during the morning of May 3rd, 1934, and informed him that a young woman would be down to see him about a new case and to take care of her. He stated that he waited around in his office until 5:00 P.M., that day and the woman failed to appear, but the next morning he returned to the office early and a young woman, who failed to state her name, came in and said that she was the sister of the Mr. Gray who had an apartment at 626 Waveland Avenue, and that she wanted him to go to the manager of the apartment house, pay a month's rent, and obtain a valuable fur coat and some dresses. He stated that at this time the young lady informed him that the Police were watching the place and her brother was wanted

in connection with some automobile case, either by the City Police or Federal Government, and further requested him to learn the nature of the charges against her brother, whose name was Roy Gray, and to ascertain the amount of bond necessary should he turn himself in. He further stated that this young lady gave him \$75.00, \$35.00 of which was to be paid for the rental of the apartment, and an additional \$25.00 to be paid when the coat and dresses were obtained. He stated he obtained a key to the apartment, not from the young lady but from the person who originally referred the case to him, whose name and address he refused to furnish. He claimed that to furnish the name and address of this person would mean that this person would fail to refer other cases to him and might mean that he would be "taken for a ride", and that he would rather go to jail than reveal this person's name.

He advised that he proceeded to a point in the vicinity of Polk and Paulina Streets where he made a contact with the unnamed person who referred the case to him, and obtained a key to the apartment, and that he then called Mr. McDonnell and requested him to meet him at that point in his automobile, and that they then proceeded to the apartment located at 626 Waveland Avenue, paid the rent, and went up to the apartment but were unable to enter due to the fact that the key did not appear to fit. He advised that he and McDonnell then decided to go to the Criminal Court building but enroute stopped at a tavern on Polk Street near Paulina, where they had some beer and where he had some conversation with the bartender, which was overheard by Matthew McNamara, who was then more or less under the influence of liquor, and who volunteered to accompany them to the apartment and said he would have no difficulty in getting in. He stated he then induced McDonnell to return to the apartment in an attempt to gain entrance, which they did and were apprehended.

Matthew McNamara was interviewed by Special Agent M. F. Glynn, and he advised that his residence is 1028 South Aberdeen Street, Chicago, Illinois; that he is 22 years of age and resides with his father and mother at the above mentioned address, and his father's name is John McNamara, and that he has no brothers or sisters, and his father is a contractor in the City of Chicago. He admitted that he is not employed and has never held a city job. He also admitted previous arrests. He refused to make any statement whatsoever in connection with his visit to the apartment at 626 Waveland Avenue and denied that he knows Roy Gray. He was exceedingly bitter and absolutely refused to make any comment concerning this case to anyone. He has the appearance and manner of the regular Chicago gangster.

McNamara's fingerprints were submitted to the Division on May 5th, 1934, and on May 9th, 1934, the following record was obtained from the Division:

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On the record is the following notation:

[REDACTED]

Sidney Lewis, Simon D. McDonnell, Jr., and Matthew McNamara were released at 6:00 P.M. on May 5th, 1934. Before being released, Sidney Lewis promised to attempt to locate Roy Gray and convey the information to Special Agents of the Chicago Division office.

On several occasions prior to May 15th, 1934, Sidney Lewis and McDonnell were interviewed at their offices at 221 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, and they both maintained that they were unable to secure any information concerning the whereabouts of Gray. A photograph of Mrs. Roy Gray was shown Sidney Lewis and he identified her as being the young lady who appeared in his office on the morning of May 4th, 1934, and requested him to obtain a fur coat and dresses from the apartment at 626 Waveland Avenue. Both Lewis and McDonnell were warned that adverse publicity might result in their failure to assist the Government in this matter. Special Agent R. D. Brown was requested by Lewis to call at his office on May 15th, 1934, at which time he believed he would have some information of some value.

On May 15th, 1934, Sidney Lewis informed Agent Brown that he had had a conversation with the person who originally referred the case to him, whose name and address he refused to furnish, and that this person had told him that the woman who he had sent to his office in connection with the matter at 626 Waveland Avenue, was the wife of Roy Gray, and that some months ago he had met some people in St. Paul, Minnesota, who assisted him when he got into some difficulty there, and that it was these people who communicated with him and had referred Mrs. Roy Gray to him. Mr. Lewis claimed to know nothing further concerning the matter but upon further questioning, he probed this question to Agent, "Is there someone in St. Paul that they call 'Frisco Dutch?', and then stated, "I think it was a man whom they called 'Frisco Dutch' who referred Mrs. Roy Gray to my informant." He was either unable or unwilling to furnish any further information

relative to "Frisco Dutch."

Further contacts will be had with Sidney Lewis  
in an attempt to obtain more information from him.

From the Illinois Bell Telephone Company it was learned that the following long distance and unlisted telephone numbers were called from Bittersweet 1408, located in the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
1/18/34	Aurora 6451
3/3/34	Cicero 194
3/4/34	Euclid 1033
4/11/34	Cicero 194

It was learned from the above mentioned telephone company that Cicero 194 is listed under the name of the Vrba Motor Co., 5100 West 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois.

The telephone number Aurora 6451, it was found, was discontinued on February 14, 1934, but was formerly listed under the name of Guy M. Walls, 359 Galena Avenue, Aurora, Illinois.

The telephone number Euclid 1033 was discontinued on April 3, 1934, and was formerly listed under the name of Arthur A. Hale, 1080 Pleasant Street, Oak Park, Illinois. Special Agent R. D. Brown was informed by an employee of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company that when Arthur A. Hale had his telephone discontinued, he requested that the notation be made on his record to the effect that he could be reached at Longbeach 8500. It was found that Longbeach 8500 is the Edgewater Beach Apartments, 5555 Sheridan Road, which address is an unusually fine apartment building.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. A. Murphy on May 5 and 7, 1934:

Several photographs were obtained at the apartment of R. Gray, alias R. Gray Evans, who is known as "Slim", and these photographs are being identified at this time as A to H, inclusive.

They were shown to Dr. Leo J. Mackey, a dentist, with offices adjoining Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 West Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, and he identified photograph H as that of R. Gray Evans, who was introduced to him by Dr. Moran and who called at his, (Dr. Mackey's) office on April 17, 1934, for treatment. He gave his address as 541 Wellington Avenue and is described by Dr. Mackey as approximately 35 years of age, 5'10 or 11" in height, 140-150 pounds, dark hair, slim build and fair complexion. This individual is generally known as "Slim". Dr. Mackey was unable to identify any of the other pictures as persons he had seen.

William Miller, manager of the Graceland Garage, 3729 Broadway, Chicago, identified the photograph A as that of Mrs. R. Gray, "Slim's" wife; photograph F as Mrs. R. Gray; photograph H as Mrs. R. Gray's brother; photograph K as a Mr. Pratt or Mr. Childs, who he believes formerly lived with "Slim" and who called at his garage about one year ago and had some repairs performed on his automobile; and photograph N as R. Gray, who was also known to him as "Slim".

Fred Carey, assistant to Mr. Miller at the Graceland Garage, also identified the same photographs as Mr. Miller.

James Franklin, a negro porter at the Irving Hotel, 4845 West Irving Park Boulevard, where it will be recalled Dr. Moran formerly maintained a residence, identified the man on the right of photograph E as "Slim's old man". Franklin was unable to identify any of the other pictures with the exception of photograph H which he readily recognized as "Slim".

These photographs should also be exhibited to Sam Margolis, owner of the apartment at 539 Addison Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and to taxi driver Ambrose Parowski, 3935 North Kilbourn Street, Chicago.

Mrs. E. A. Prints, manager of the apartment house located at 525 Cornelia Street, Chicago, was interviewed inasmuch as previous investigation had indicated a Mrs. Mabel Guymon was living there and that this person is believed to be a sister of Mrs. Gray. Mrs. Prints



stated that Mr. and Mrs. George Guymon and moved into Room 304 in this apartment house on April 15, 1934, having formerly lived in a small hotel which she believes is nearby. She cannot recall the name of this hotel but thinks she will remember it and will subsequently advise this or some other agent of the Chicago Office.

Mr. and Mrs. Guymon were recommended to her by a Mrs. Masoncup, who has been living in apartment 309 at this address for the past two months. Mrs. Masoncup lives in apartment 309 with her husband, daughter and son-in-law.

When the Guymons moved in they had only a few grips and trunks, apartment 304 being a furnished one. Mrs. Prints recalled that Mrs. Guymon told her that they had an automobile but that it has been in the shop for repairs. Mrs. Prints has not seen this car and knows very little about the Guymons, having seen Mr. Guymon only once and having been told by Mrs. Guymon that he is a Certified Public Accountant. Likewise she sees very little of Mrs. Guymon. When shown the various photographs Mrs. Prints identified photograph B as that of Mrs. Guymon, photograph C (woman on right) as Mrs. Guymon, photograph D as Mr. Guymon, and photograph E (picture on left) as Mr. Guymon. She did not recognize any of the other pictures.

Mrs. Prints should be contacted in the future for any further information she may be able to obtain concerning the Guymons as she has promised to observe them carefully and to obtain what information she can.

Special Agents J. T. McLaughlin and D. P. Sullivan, located at the Graceland Garage, 5728 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois, Buick Sedan Motor 2778426, factory number 2627155, registered in the name of Estelle Gray. It bears 1934 license 520157. The registration card for 1932 found in said automobile reflects Mrs. Gray's address to be 5848 Winthrop Street. The 1933 registration found on said auto reflects that her address is 541 Willington Street.

The 1932 registration reflects the same address. There was also found city of Chicago vehicle tag for 1932, 1933 and 1934 for said car. From the records in the garage it was ascertained that the rental for the space is under the name of R. Gray, address at the time he entered the garage, (August 1, 1932), 3638 Pine Grove Avenue, and there is a notation of change of address to 626 Waveland Avenue.

It was ascertained from these records that he is also owner of a Ford V-8 coupe, Illinois license 605-583.

Special Agent Nichols ascertained from Mrs. Louise Hoeppe, manager of the apartment house at 626 Waveland Avenue, that R. Gray, gave the following references when leasing the apartment:

Nick Smith, Graceland 8211  
Clare Gray  
Doctor Moran, office Palisade 7180  
Mr. Miller, Garage, Buckingham 1779,  
business 273 Monroe, Randolph 9176.

William Miller is manager and owner of the Graceland Garage and he advises that one Sam Miller (no relation) who resides at 539 Addison Street, telephone Bittersweet 0566, came to his garage upon the recommendation of R. Gray. He had in his possession Chevrolet Coach, Illinois license 796944; that he recently traded this car for a Ford V-8 Coach. He describes Mr. Sam Miller as being a man about 40 or 42 years old; 5 ft. 4 or 5 inches; stocky build; brown hair; rough face; pot-belly; Jewish. He states that R. Gray is a man about 5 ft. 5 or 6 inches, very thin; about 120 pounds, neat dresser, pasty complexion; bookie by occupation. He also advised that Sam Miller is in the same line of business.

In the Chicago Office file will be found the various registration cards and other data found in the car belonging to Estelle Gray.

Agent Sullivan ascertained from Mr. Miller at the garage that Mrs. Sam Miller called and requested that an attendant come for her auto at 11:10 P.M. He immediately notified Special Agent McIntire, who was in charge of a detail at the residence of R. Gray at 626 Waveland Avenue, that Mrs. Miller had made this call. Agent Sullivan returned to the garage and the attendant stated that after informing him he went to Sam Miller's address and found no car there, and that there was no one at home. The Miller car was not in the garage all night.

As per instructions, a Buick Coach, motor number 2778426, bearing 1934 Illinois license number 52017, was kept under surveillance by Agents McLaughlin and D. P. Sullivan at the Graceland Garage, 3927 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois.

The above automobile is the property of E. Gray, and upon advice of Special Agent R. D. Brown, the above Buick Coach, at 4:15 P.M., May 5, 1934, was taken from the Graceland Garage and delivered to the Van Buren Street Garage.

The receipt for the delivery of the above car was obtained and will be found in the files of the Chicago office.

Information secured from the Manager at the Graceland Garage, 3729 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois; telephone Buckingham 1879, indicates that one SAM MILLER, now living at 539 Addison Street, is a friend and close associate of "Slim", whose correct name is believed to be ROY GRAY.

On May 3, 1934, Special Agents K. R. McIntire, H. E. Hollis, J. A. Murphy and R. C. Suran visited 539 Addison Street, with the expectation of inspecting the contents of the apartment for information leading to the location of "Slim". It was ascertained through Samuel Morgolis, also living at 539 Addison Street and who is manager and owner of the building; that Sam Miller lives on the second floor south and his apartment would be the door on the left-hand side, going up; that Sam Miller moved into said apartment about one year ago this coming June; that the apartment is not furnished and all furnishings in said apartment are owned by Sam Miller.

It was ascertained the apartment was locked and that some several months ago, Sam Miller placed an additional lock on the door so that no one could enter. Miller is married, but his wife was not home at the time of this call. Morgolis advised she has been gone from home for something over a week. Morgolis was unable to inform as to the occupation of Sam Miller. He stated that practically the only visitors the Millers have are the two brothers of Miller's wife, their identity and names being unknown. Morgolis stated that Sam Miller went to school with the brother-in-law of Morgolis, one Doctor B. Sayre, who has offices in the Monroe Building in Chicago. He stated further that Doctor Sayre does not recall Sam Miller.

Morgolis stated that Sam Miller cannot possibly be over thirty-three years of age and is approximately 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighing perhaps 160 pounds. No further description could be secured.

It appears that Sam Miller is not identical with the "Izzy" sought in this case but in view of the fact he is a close associate of "Slim", alias Roy Gray, the latter having recommended the Graceland Garage to Miller, it is considered desirable and advisable to follow this matter closely, believing that Roy Gray, alias "Slim" can be located through Miller.

Accordingly, Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. A. Murphy were left at the Miller apartment until about 11:00 P.M. on the night of May 3, 1934, but Sam Miller did not put in his appearance. It was ascertained by Agents Suran and Murphy that Sam Miller is often gone from his home for several days at a time. This matter is being followed closely in the hope of locating Sam Miller.

Morgolis also informed that Mr. and Mrs. Sam Miller have three small Boston bull dogs. Miller's telephone number is Bittersweet 0566.

Sam Miller formerly owned a Chevrolet Sedan, bearing 1934 Illinois license tags No. 706-944. He recently traded this car for a new Ford V-8 Coach; further identification not known.

The Buick Sedan at the Graceland Garage has been disabled and the keys to same have been delivered to Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin by the management of this garage. Two agents are being kept at the garage, twenty-four hours daily, in the hope of apprehending any person returning for this car. The car is the property of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gray.

It was ascertained that the telephone of Sam Miller, 539 Addison Street, a close contact and friend of Subject Gibson alias Slim alias Gray alias Evans, is Bittersweet 0566.

Information obtained from the Illinois Bell Telephone Company by Special Agent R. D. Brown shows that from this number the following long distance telephone calls were made:

- 5/16/34 call to Strasburg, Mo. - No. 12-L-2
- 5/2/34 telephone message to Western Union Telegraph Co., Chicago, Illinois, signed "Marie"
- 5/5/34 long distance call to Strasburg, Mo. - No. 12-L-2

The Kansas City Division office was requested by letter to ascertain all information relative to the persons who are subscribers to Strasburg, Mo. No. 12-L-2, and their connection with Sam Miller.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. H. Rice on May 15, 1934.

Mrs. Emily Thieroff, Manager of the apartments at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue, advised that she has been manager of that apartment house since December 1, 1933. She advised that Nick Smith was the former manager of same and now could be located at 142 N. Humphrey Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois, telephone Village 5692-R. She stated that Clara Gray and Roy Gray were unknown to her.

Mr. O. P. Curran, Jr., real estate operator, 4521 Broadway, stated that their real estate company took over the management of the apartment house at the above address last November; that their records relative to this apartment house are complete from November and that same reflect that R. Gray lived at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue for the first two weeks in November, 1933. For further information relative to this angle it is reported that Clara Gray and Roy Gray lived at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue on 6/7/33 and that they are supposed to know former manager, Nick Smith. It is possible that Nick Smith might have some information concerning Clara Gray and Roy Gray, and if interviewed relative to his knowledge of the activities of the Grays, same might be done under the pretext that the Grays have asked for credit, paying particular attention to any information relative to any business the Grays might have been interested in and any addresses for the Grays.

It was reported that Clara Gray had a sister, Mrs. George Guymon, now residing at 511 Melrose Avenue. Investigation at 511 Melrose Avenue disclosed that Mrs. George Guymon had moved from that address to the Sheldrake Hotel, 4518 North Clarendon Avenue. Inquiries made at this address disclosed that the Guymons have moved to 525 Cornelia Avenue.

Investigation at 525 Cornelia Avenue disclosed that same is an apartment building and that it was observed the name of George D. Guymon appears on the mail box for apartment 304. Also underneath this name, which appears to be cut from a personal card, appeared, "Certified Public". Inspection of the surrounding neighborhood failed to disclose Ford Coupe bearing above mentioned Illinois license plates. No inquiry of the resident manager was made at this address.

Special Agent (A) Small secured the following information for Agent Rice: That George D. Guymon is a CPA of Illinois, certificate No. 981, issued in 1932, by the State of Illinois; that he is not a member of the American Society of Certified Public Accountants, nor a



Member of the American Institute of Accountants, and that no Illinois Certified Public Accountant's certificate has been issued to George D. Guymon up to the present date. This information was secured by Agent Small through Duncan Rice, who is a Certified Public Accountant, and has an office in the Bankers Building. Mr. Rice was unable to secure a business address for George D. Guymon.

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May 10, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Re: BREKID CASE

Upon checking with the telephone company it was learned that the telephone Cicero 194 was called from the apartment of Slim Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, on two different occasions, being on 3/3/34 and 4/11/34.

Telephone Cicero 194 was checked by this Agent and found to be the phone of the Vrba Motor Company, Ford dealers, 5100 W. 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois.

Special Agent Chaffetz on this date, interviewed Mr. A.J. Newquist, Manager, Vrba Motor Company, 5100 W. 25th Street, Cicero, who advised, after identifying the photograph of Roy (Slim) Gray, that Gray's wife, Clara Gray, had purchased three different automobiles from his firm. He stated the first Ford car purchased by her was on 5/27/31, when the car was purchased under the name of Clara Gray, 7840 Kingston Avenue; that she traded this car on 6/7/33, for another Ford and gave her address as 3638 Pine Grove Avenue, and on 4/19/34, she traded this second car on a third Ford, a Black V-8 coupe, at which time she paid \$228.00 in addition to the old Ford, and gave her address as 5248 Winthrop Avenue.

He further stated to Agent Chaffetz that Clara Gray called on him on Tuesday, May 8, 1934, and asked that the bill of sale for the new Ford V-8 be changed to the name of Irene Rogers, supposedly an aunt, 4679 Lake Park Avenue; that Clara Gray stated that she was doing this as she expected some legal difficulty. He further informed that Clara Gray's husband, Robert Gray, was in the garage to see him on Friday, April 6, 1934, at which time he had the new V-8 serviced and greased. However, he stated to Agent Chaffetz that all business relations were

with Clara Gray. He positively identified the photograph of Clara Gray's husband as being suspect R. Gray. He informed the license obtained for Clara Gray for the new V-8 is Illinois (1934) #605-683; that he believes Clara Gray's second Ford was financed through the National Bond and Investment Co., 160 N. LaSalle Street.

Mr. Newquist appeared very cooperative and volunteered to telephone the Chicago office should Mr. or Mrs. Gray appear for service on the new car; that Mr. Gray owes him \$5.00 for service on the car on 4/4/34 and he believes they will return. He recommended that Agents contact only himself or his secretary Miss Johnson.

Descriptions of Mr. and Mrs. Gray as furnished by Mr.

Newquist:

Name	CLARA GRAY
Height	5' 1"
Weight	120 lbs.
Hair	Reddish or auburn
Build	Medium
Eyes	Brown
Dresses very fashionably; has good taste in clothes.	

Name	R. GRAY
Height	5' 10"
Weight	150 lbs.
Build	Very slender
Complexion	Very pale
Wears grey suit	
Very quiet	
Last seen wearing smoked glasses	
Protruding lips - sunken cheeks.	

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Special Agents Brown and McIntire on May 10, 1934, called at the office of the National Bond and Investment Company, 160 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, and ascertained that this company had an account with Clara Gray, opened on June 9, 1933, which contains the following information:

That she purchased through the Vrba Motor Company, 5100 West 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois, on or about 6/9/33, a new Ford V-8 coupe, motor No. 40-315980, and financed the balance of the purchase price after turning in a used Ford car, \$342.33; that she paid the sum of \$36.47 toward this account on 6/27/33 and paid the account in full on 7/8/33.

Clara Gray on her application for credit stated her husband's name was Roy Gray but failed to state his address or occupation except that he managed a traveling carnival. She stated that her occupation was that of making and selling ladies' hats and operated a shop in her home which she gave as being located at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue.

Clara Gray gave the name of her landlord as being Nick Smith, 3638 Pine Grove Avenue. She gave as references a sister, Mrs. George Gymon, 511 Melrose Avenue, a Mrs. Bradley, 511 Melrose Avenue, a Mr. Miller, 3729 Broadway (Graceland Garage) and a Mr. E. Reynolds, North Shore Buick Company, 1030 Davis Street, Evanston, Illinois.

The file of the National Bond and Investment Company failed to reveal any further information concerning Mrs. Clara Gray.

Chicago, Illinois  
May 31, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

Re: Bremer Case.

Reference is made to file R, serial #158, in the above entitled case, which sets forth a list of telephone numbers found in a notebook in the apartment occupied by Roy Gray at 626 Waveland Avenue. Included in that list of numbers were the following, which were found to be unpublished, namely, Sunnyside 3414, Lakeview 10534, and Newcastle 5027. The above unpublished numbers were checked through the Illinois Bell Telephone Company and it was ascertained that Sunnyside 3414 is listed in the name of Patrick J. Looby, residing at 4616 North Hazel Avenue, Apartment 114. The Telephone Company's records also show that on March 12, 1934, a long distance call was made from this number to Mrs. Louis Elmendorf, Paducah, Kentucky, telephone number 3223, and further that on March 14, 1934, a long distance telephone call was made from this number to Paducah, Kentucky, #1957J, no name appearing for this latter call.

Mrs. Monsen, manager of an apartment building at 4616 North Hazel Avenue, was discreetly interviewed with reference to Patrick J. Looby. Mrs. Monsen stated that Mr. and Mrs. Looby had resided at that address for approximately four years; that Looby was not steadily employed but did occasionally engage in some sales work and she was under the impression that he might have formerly been engaged in bootlegging. Mrs. Monsen stated that Looby was interested in politics and had once been an unsuccessful candidate for alderman. Mrs. Monsen stated that Looby's personal habits were good and that neither he nor his wife received a great deal of company and did not go out a great deal. Mrs. Monsen stated that Mrs. Looby had been steadily employed in a beauty shop known as Ruth's Beauty Shop at 929 Wilson Avenue for the past four years. Mrs. Monsen described Looby as being about 40 years of age, height 5'10", medium dark complexion, dark hair, partially grey.

Mr. and Mrs. Looby were interviewed on the morning of May 22, 1934, with reference to their acquaintance with Gray or with his wife, Clara. Both denied that they knew anyone by the name of Gray or Evans, and on being shown photographs of Gray and his wife, denied that they were acquainted with them. They stated that they had never known anyone who lived at 626 Waveland Avenue and stated that they were

unable to account for the fact that their telephone number had been called from Gray's apartment. They were shown photographs of Gray and his wife, Dr. Moran, Karpis, Barker, Davis and Campbell, but stated that they did not recognize any of them as being persons known to them or with whom they had any contacts. Looby did state that the photograph of Gray resembled someone he has seen but denied that he had any personal acquaintanceship with him. Mrs. Looby stated that she did not know anyone by the name of Clara Gray or Clara Evans and did not know of any beauty shop operated by anyone bearing that name.

Relative to the telephone calls to Paducah, Kentucky, Mr. and Mrs. Looby stated that the occupants of the adjoining apartment, named Thomson, had an uncle residing in Paducah, Kentucky, who has been quite ill and that the Thomsons had used the Looby telephone to make one or two calls to Paducah, Kentucky. Looby further stated that a friend of his named "Red" Heitz was a frequent caller at his apartment and received quite a few calls from his friend over his, Looby's, telephone, and that possibly Heitz might have some information and that he would have Heitz telephone this agent at the Chicago Division Office.

The records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company show that Lakeview 10534 was listed in the name of Harriet M. Quadbach, residing at 1614 Berbeau Avenue, Apt. 2. The telephone records further show that this number was called on January 26, 1934, by Harriet Owen from Northbrook, Illinois, telephone number 218, and that on February 18, 1934, a call was made from this number to Northbrook, Illinois, telephone number 218, and that on March 28, 1934, telephone call was made from this number to Northbrook, Illinois, telephone number 85. A check of these numbers was made and it was found that Northbrook 218 is listed in the name of the Holy Ghost Academy, Techny, Illinois, and that Northbrook 85 is listed in the name of the Holy Ghost Institute at Techny, Illinois, these two institutions apparently having some connection with each other.

Agent N. O. Scott has conducted an investigation with reference to Harriet M. Quadbach at 1614 Berbeau Avenue.

The records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company show that Newcastle 5027 is listed in the name of Mrs. Betty Wilson, 6651 Ottawa Avenue, and that this address is a residence. The telephone records also show the following calls were made from this telephone number:

Park Ridge 88 on February 5, 24; March 26, 1934. This number was checked and found to be listed in the name of the Northwest Oil Company, Inc., 207 Grace Street, Park Ridge, Illinois.

University 2217 was called on February 15, 23; March 5 and 27, 1934. This number is listed in the name of Fred Wahl, 829 Case Street, Evanston, Illinois.

Park Ridge 1024-P was called on February 28, 1934.

The Park Ridge telephone operator stated there was no telephone number Park Ridge 1024-P but that Park Ridge 1024-J was listed in the name of W. A. Bracken, 927 S. Washington Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois.

Park Ridge 958-B was called on March 11. This telephone is listed in the name of Benjamin F. Wupper, 908 Courtland Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois.

Park Ridge 28 was called on March 6, 1934. This number is listed in the name of the Citizens State Bank, 14 South Northwest Highway, Park Ridge, Illinois.

University 7969 was called on March 12, 1934, which number is an unpublished number and a letter has been sent to the Telephone Company requesting that they advise as to the party in whose name this number is listed.

Greenleaf 9013 was called on April 20 and 28, 1934. This number was listed in the name of the Sigma Nu Fraternity, Northwestern University, Evanston campus, Evanston, Illinois.

The following investigation was conducted with reference to Mrs. Betty Wilson residing at 6631 Ottawa, Edison Park, Illinois. 6631 Ottawa Avenue is the address of a yellow brick bungalow of excellent appearance; which is situated on a street occupied exclusively by small homes.

Mr. C. H. Wiechman, mail carrier attached to the Norwood Park Branch Post Office, and who delivers mail at 6631 Ottawa Avenue, was interviewed. Wiechman, however, could furnish little information. He stated that he recalled delivering mail to a Frank and a Julia Wilson and that they received on an average of three or four letters a week. However, he had no recollection as to where these letters came from. He could not recall delivering any mail to a Betty Wilson. Wiechman stated he seldom saw anyone about the place; that the occupants appeared to be out most of the time and he could not recall that he had ever seen either Frank or Julia Wilson personally.

At the Northwest Oil Company, 207 Grace Street, Park Ridge, Illinois, Mr. Paul Rush stated that Frank Wilson had bought fuel oil from them for about four years; that he understood that Wilson was a business agent for some union but did not know with which union he was connected. Rush stated that Wilson always paid in cash and that he had seen either a Cadillac or LaSalle car parked in front

of the residence. He stated that Frank Wilson was about 40 years of age, about 5'9" in height, medium build, dark complexion, and so far as he knew he was a reputable citizen and he thought that they owned the home at 6631 Ottawa.

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[REDACTED] stated that both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were very reticent about their personal affairs and consequently he knew little or nothing about them. [REDACTED] stated he had one day asked Mrs. Wilson what Wilson's business was and Mrs. Wilson replied that he was a Business Agent for a union but evaded the question of what particular union he was connected with. [REDACTED] stated that Wilson appeared to have a steady income and that he owned the home at 6631 Ottawa and believes Wilson recently paid off the mortgage on it. [REDACTED] stated that a woman friend of Mrs. Wilson appeared to have some business connection with Mrs. Wilson.

[REDACTED] was unable to recall the name of this woman, but stated he believed he could get this information from [REDACTED] when it was secured he would telephone the information to the Chicago Division Office. [REDACTED] further stated that about a year ago the Chief of Police at Evanston, Illinois, had telephoned him one night and stated that he had Wilson and his wife under arrest and inquired if [REDACTED] knew that they had a criminal record in other cities. [REDACTED] stated that evidently no prosecution had ensued as he had seen Wilson a couple of days later. [REDACTED] was shown photographs of Moran, Karpis, Barker, Campbell and Davis.

A check was made at the Bureau of Identification of the  
Evanston Police Department, where the following data were obtained:

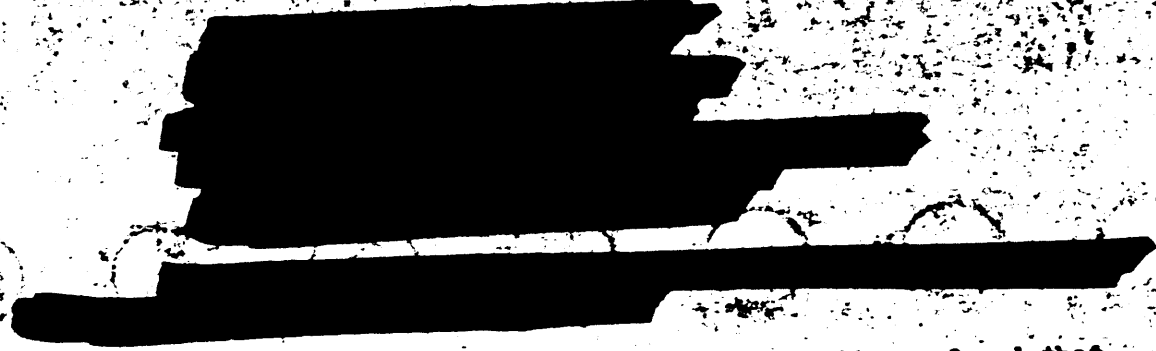
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Their records give the following data:

The Evanston records give the following description:-



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Her description is as follows:



At 829 Case Street, Evanston, Illinois, it was found that this number is the address of a large apartment building and inquiry of the janitor disclosed that this apartment building is owned by Mr. Fred Wahl, whose telephone number was called from the number listed in the name of Betty Wilson. It was deemed inadvisable, under the circumstances, to interview Mr. Wahl directly.

W. C. JAMISON,  
Special Agent

Chicago, Illinois,  
June 2, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Re: Brenner Case

Agents McLaughlin and Jamison conducted the following investigation with reference to telephone numbers found in the apartment of Roy Gray, Waveland Avenue:

- (1) Margaret Lichtenstein, 3855 W. Fullerton - At this address it was learned that Miss Lichtenstein was employed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at Fullerton and Cicero Avenue. She was interviewed at that place, but denied that she knew Roy Gray, or his wife, and further denied that she had ever received any telephone calls from them. She stated that she knew no one who resided at 626 Waveland Avenue, and was unable to identify photographs of Mrs. Gray and others in this case. She stated that she had two brothers, one married, the other single, but that they did not live at her home, and she was unable to account for the fact that Gray had her telephone number in his possession.
- (2) Pearl Watts, Beauty Shop, 3555 Broadway - Agents were advised that Pearl Watts was out of town and would not return until Monday, May 28.
- (3) Wilson Hazel Apartments, 4552 Hazel Avenue, Mr. Frank Walker, manager of this hotel, above, stated that he knew no one by the name of Gray or Evans, and that so far as he recalls no one by either of those names had registered at his hotel. The registry lists were checked, but no names similar to those appearing in this investigation were found. Mr. Walker was unable to identify photographs of Gray, Mrs. Gray, or other suspects in this case.
- (4) Mary E. Blue, 4701 Sheridan Road. Miss Blue operates a dress-making shop and after checking her books, found that the only Evans she had done work for was a Mrs. Evans living at 1673 Pratt Boulevard, for whom she had done work in January, 1934. Miss Blue stated, however, that the photograph of Mrs. Roy Gray Evans did not resemble that of her customer. Miss Blue stated that she got a great deal of trade from residents of her neighborhood, a great

percentage of which were kept women, and that she had a wide acquaintance with such persons. She stated that the "hottest" spot in the neighborhood was the Silver Slipper, a restaurant located at Leland Avenue near Kenmore Avenue. Miss Blue was unable to identify any photographs of the suspects in this case and stated if she got any information regarding the whereabouts of Gray, she would notify this office.

(5) Homer Day, 62 W. 74th Street. At this address, which is a two-family flat, the tenants contacted reported that Homer Day had moved sometime ago, and that they had no idea where he might now be found; they stated that the owner of this flat, Mr. Shactel, who lived on the second floor, might be able to furnish Day's address. Agents called several times at the Shactel flat, but he was not found at home.

(6) I. G. Wood, 2009 Howe Street. This is an apartment cut up into a rooming house. Miss I. G. Wood occupied the third floor apartment. Living with her are a Carol Rasmussen, Miss Stewart, (Miss Rasmussen's roommate), Anthony Pantschink, and Otto Hewer. Miss Rasmussen stated that Miss I. G. Wood worked for the Norris Grain Company, and that she, Miss Rasmussen, was thoroughly familiar with Miss Wood's business and personal friends. She stated that so far as she knew, Miss Wood was not acquainted with either Mr. and Mrs. Gray.

Miss Rasmussen was shown photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Gray and other suspects in this case, but was unable to identify them as anyone who had visited Miss Wood. Miss Stewart was also questioned, but had no information.

Anthony Pantschink stated that he is a musician and plays three nights a week at a night club at 1925 W. Halsted Street. He stated that the photographs of the two Barker brothers resembled persons he had seen about the night club, but he was unable to make a positive identification.

The other occupant of this place, Otto Hewer, was stated to be a motor winder.

No further information was obtained by questioning these people, and they did not appear to be the type of persons with whom Gray was apt to have contact.

W. C. JAMISON,  
Special Agent.

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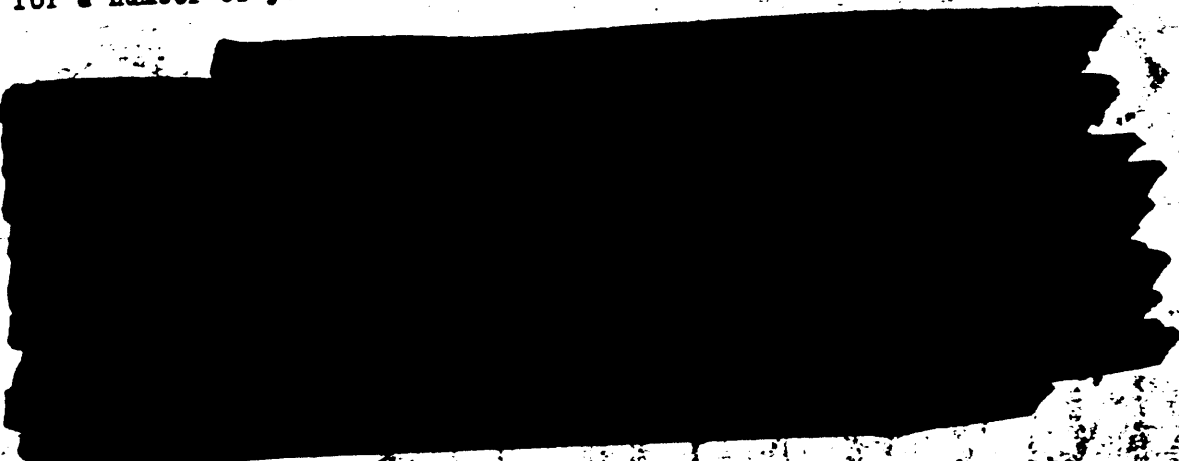
Chicago, Ill.  
May 15, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

In re: BREMER CASE

Mr. L. J. Oram, Manager, Edgewater Beach Apartments, stated that Arthur A. Hale had resided at the Edgewater Beach Hotel for a number of years and that he had an excellent reputation.

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Mr. Arthur A. Hale was interviewed by Agent Rice, who exhibited photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Gray. Mr. Hale stated that Clara Gray and Roy Gray were unknown to him or his wife. Mr. Hale was advised that Gray's telephone records reflect that a party from telephone assigned to Gray on 3/4/34 called Euclid 1033. Mr. Hale stated that this telephone was assigned to him while he resided at 1020 Pleasant Street, Oak Park, having resided at that address from January to April 1st, 1934, at which time he returned to the Edgewater Beach Apartments. Mr. Hale advised that possibly his butler, Harry Lee, colored, might have received this telephone call. He stated that Lee had been in his employ for eight years and that he had always found him to be honest and trustworthy.

Harry Lee was located at Mr. Hale's apartment at the Edgewater Beach Apartment hotel, by this Agent, but he was unable to recognize the photographs of the Grays and stated that he knew of no white people by the name of Gray. He further stated that he had never

received personal calls over Mr. Hale's telephone. Through further questioning of Lee it was ascertained that Dr. Strawbridge occupied the apartment just prior to the time the apartment was rented by Mr. Hale at 1020 Pleasant Avenue, Oak Park; that Dr. Strawbridge was a middle aged doctor and had offices in the Medical Arts Building in Oak Park, this building being located at Euclid and Lake Streets. Lee was of the opinion that possibly the telephone number, Euclid 1033, which was assigned in January, 1934, to Mr. Hale, had previously been assigned to Dr. Strawbridge, who resided at that address in Oak Park, namely, 1020 Pleasant Street. Lee stated that it is possible that the call might have been made to telephone number Euclid 1033, while Mr. Hale resided at that address, making inquiry for Dr. Strawbridge, but that he could not recall any such instance.

It is believed that a further check should be made of Dr. Strawbridge as the Grays might have some contact with this party.

Reference is made to memorandum of Special Agent E. R. McIntire disclosing the information secured as a result of an examination of the apartment of Roy Gray on May 2, 1934.

Agent N. O. Scott interviewed Miss M. C. Smith and Miss Elsie Thorsander, who are clerks at the Trojan Laundry Company, located at 2834 Broadway. Miss Thorsander, upon being shown pictures of Roy Gray, with aliases, stated that she is positive that Gray has been in the laundry and had some work done in the last four months. Miss Thorsander, although very undecided as to any dates, stated that it appears to her about two months ago that Gray came in the laundry and had a small bundle of shirts washed and returned the next day and received same. Agent Scott checked all the records of the laundry very carefully with Miss Thorsander and Miss Smith and they were unable to identify any of the names as being connected with Gray.

Miss Smith was rather vague in her memory of Gray, stating that she did not wait on the customers as often as Miss Thorsander; however, that she had a slight recollection of seeing Gray in the laundry about two months ago.

Pictures of the suspects were shown to Misses Thorsander and Smith, and they were unable to identify as ever having seen any of them.

Agent interviewed M. C. Smucker, druggist of the Waveland Drug Company, located at 3665 Broadway. Smucker was unable to identify any pictures of the suspects in this case and could not give any pertinent information whatsoever.

Agent called at the residence of Mrs. B. Townsend, located at 4408 M Alden Street. Mrs. Townsend's mother stated that Mrs. Townsend was working and would not return until evening. However, she may be interviewed at that address any time in the evening. Mrs. Townsend's mother appeared very reluctant to Agent and would not give the address of the place where her daughter was working, or her own name. Mrs. Townsend's mother was unable to identify any of the pictures shown her of the suspects in this case and stated that she had never heard of the name Gray with alias.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Rex Tucker, located at 4805 West Walton Street. Mrs. Tucker is the wife of Rex Tucker, who is the proprietor of the Rex Carpet Cleaning Company. Mrs. Tucker stated that her husband was at work but could be interviewed at any time in the evening should it be desired; however, that she could not identify any of the pictures shown her of the suspects in this case, and Agent checked over her records, as she is her husband's bookkeeper, and there was no information pertaining to Gray or any of the other suspects in this case.

Agent Scott interviewed Mrs. M. E. Baldwin, manager of the Patrician Apartments, located at 405 Fullerton Place. Mrs. Baldwin was unable to identify any of the pictures of suspects shown her; however, she stated that she has a vague recollection of seeing Subject Roy Gray with alias. Mrs. Baldwin could not furnish Agent with any specific date but stated that she thought she had seen this person sometime in the last year.

Agent Scott interviewed Miss Margaret Maughan, manager of the Stone Beauty Parlor, located at 6725 Stony Island Avenue. Miss Maughan was unable to identify any of the pictures shown her of the suspects in this case and could not give any information whatsoever.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent  
M. F. Glynn.

Among the various articles found at the home of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was a certificate indicating that Mrs. Clara Gray had rented safety deposit box #2670 on January 7, 1934, from the Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company, Michigan Boulevard at Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. J. P. Witts, Vice-President and Manager of the Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company, Michigan Boulevard and Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, was interviewed. Mr. Witts produced records which indicated that on January 7, 1932, Mrs. Clara Gray rented safety deposit box #2670 from the above named company; that on January 18, 1932, she introduced her sister, Mrs. Mabel Guymon to Mr. Witts, above mentioned, stating that she desired that the box, above described, be accessible to both she and her sister, Mrs. Guymon. Accordingly, both Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Guymon signed the application in their handwriting and on the said application the following information appeared: Mrs. Clara Gray, 511 Melrose Street, Chicago, Illinois, telephone number, Lakeview 10225. It also appeared that Mrs. Gray was married to one Roy Gray, who could be located care of The Mighty Davis Shows, Davenport, Iowa; that she is 5'2" tall, weighs 115 pounds, has brown eyes and red hair, and her mother's maiden name was Eubanks.

With reference to Mrs. Mabel Guymon, the above described application indicated that Mrs. Guymon was married to one George D. Guymon, address, 511 Melrose Street, Chicago, Illinois; that Mr. Guymon could be located care of the Interstate Company, 71 E. Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois. The following description of Mrs. Guymon appeared on the application:

Height: 5'3"  
Weight: 120 lbs.  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Brown  
Mother's maiden name - Eubanks.

The records of the Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company were checked further and same reveal that neither Mrs. Gray nor her sister, Mrs. Guymon, appeared at the office of the said safe deposit company during the months of January, March, April, or May, 1934. The records further indicated that Mrs. Gray was given access to her safety deposit box #2670 on February 9 and 17, 1934.



It was learned from Mrs. Witts, above mentioned, that the safety deposit box in question is 22 inches long, 5 1/4" wide, and 8 1/2" deep.

Mr. Witts declined to give agent access to the safety deposit box in question, due to the fact that said box is rented both under the names of Clara Gray and Mabel Gaymon. Mr. Witts was very anxious to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Chicago Office and in furtherance of this plugged the lock on the safety deposit box so that in the event Mrs. Gray, or Mrs. Gaymon should call for access to said box, he will immediately notify this office before permitting her access to the box.

The Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company is in the sole business of renting safety deposit boxes and as a result are somewhat reluctant to allow anyone access to any of the rented boxes. Mr. Witts stated that in the event a court order was obtained it would be necessary to drill the lock on Mrs. Gray's safety deposit box.

Further investigation by Agent Glynn revealed that Mr. and Mrs. George Gaymon moved from 511 Melrose Street to 4518 Clarendon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and moved from there to 525 Cornelia Avenue, telephone number, Bittersweet 4771, where they are now said to be residing.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on Monday, May 7, 1934, at 5248 Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the address given by one Estelle Gray, believed to be one and the same party as Clara Gray. Mrs. H. Kuhn was interviewed at this address. She stated about two or three months ago a Mr. Gray and his wife resided at this address and remained about three or four weeks. She described Mr. Gray as being rather tall and slender, and she believed he had medium brown hair. She stated she was not acquainted with him and did not know his first name. She further stated he posed as an insurance man. Mrs. Kuhn further stated that Mrs. Gray was a blond, was about 5'3" in height, and was rather slender. Mrs. Kuhn stated she was not personally acquainted with Mrs. Gray and as a result did not know what her first name was. Mrs. Kuhn stated further that Mr. Gray apparently went to work every day and Mrs. Gray remained at home; that they rented a two room furnished apartment from her and that the reason she did not become acquainted with them was because they always paid her in advance. Mrs. Kuhn stated further the Grays had a large automobile, the make or model she did not know. She stated, however, that she recalled they received their license plates for the car while at this address. Mrs. Kuhn was unable to give any information of value whatsoever.

Inquiry was made of Mrs. Heller, the manager, and Mr. Foss, the janitor, at 541 Wellington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, to determine whether or not the Grays had resided at this address. Both of these individuals denied knowing the Grays.

The records of the John C. Bowers Company, real estate firm, 4642 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois, the owners and operators of the apartment located at 541 Wellington Avenue, were checked and same failed to reveal that the Grays resided at this address from 1928 to 1933.

Efforts were made to determine the names of the operators of the Grays Beauty Shop, 1100 Leland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, without success. It was learned that Mr. Thomas Bell, 1102 Leland Avenue, was the real estate agent handling the building in which the beauty shop, in question, is located. However, it was found that he was absent from the city when agent called at the said real estate office.

Agent was requested to call at 1524 East Marquette Road, to determine if Rita Orlandini was living at this address. However, before this investigation was made agent was requested to discontinue same.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison on May 11, 1934.

Reference is made to a report and X-Ray examination made by a E. D. Braun, which were found in the personal effects of Roy Gray, the original of which is on file in the Chicago Division Office.

Mr. R. D. Braun in the X-Ray Department of the Martha Washington Hospital, 2318 Irving Park Boulevard, stated that his X-Ray record #1817, dated January 26, 1934, shows that on that date he had made an X-Ray chest examination for Roy Gray, 541 Wellington, who had been referred by Dr. Moran. Braun stated he did not know Gray personally and did not recall anything about him, but thought he had come in with Sergeant Freimuth of the Police Department, who had also been referred to him by Moran. Braun, however, retracted this statement later and said that Gray had not been in the company of Freimuth.

Braun stated his acquaintance with Dr. Moran was purely a professional one but stated that he considered Moran to be a very fine fellow. Braun further advised that Moran had referred a number of patients to him for X-Ray examinations, but that he had not heard from Moran since April 23, 1934, on which date Moran had sent to him Miss Ruth Kuhn of 5248 Winthrop Avenue for an ankle examination.

The following investigation was conducted on May 11, 1934,  
by Special Agent W. C. Jamison.

Reference is made to medicine bottle found in the home of William Gray, 626 Waveland, bearing the label of the Borovik Drug Store, 3958 North Cicero Avenue, and filled by that store on December 1st, 1933, for Ben Evans, the prescription number being 53260, and issued by Dr. Moran. Mr. Walter Borovik, proprietor of this drug store, stated that he did not recall Ben Evans or the circumstances under which this prescription was filled. Borovik checked the prescription and found that it called for six ounces of elixir bromide and had been filled for 75%. Borovik stated the regular price for filling such a prescription was \$1.50, and that the cut price indicated the prescription had been personally brought to the drug store by either Dr. Moran or Jimmie Wilson to be filled. Borovik stated that Moran and Wilson were a couple of chiselers and that Moran now owed him \$13.00 for drugs which he had been unsuccessfully trying to collect, and that he had not seen Moran or Wilson for several weeks. Borovik also stated that Jimmie Wilson had been practicing medicine and that as he was not a licensed physician he had no legal right to do so.

There was located in the premises of Roy Gray by Agents of the Chicago Division office on May 2, 1934, a card of the Embassy Dine and Dance located on Port Washington Road near Dean Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Recently, while Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin was in Milwaukee on other business he visited the Embassy, which is located about five miles out of the city limits of Milwaukee in Milwaukee County, and under the pretext of looking for a brother, he exhibited the photograph of Roy Gray with aliases to the bartender, clerks and other individuals in the place, including the manager, who is a Polish boy known as Joe. None of these people could assist Agent McLaughlin in locating his alleged brother, each stating that the individual in question was entirely unknown to them.

It was noted while at this place that there were stacked on the cashier's counter numerous cards of a like nature, apparently used for advertising the Embassy, which is nothing more than a liquor joint.

In the apartment of Roy Gray, as is previously stated, a model was found in which there was a film with four exposures. These films were developed by the Chicago Division Office and it was found that in one of the pictures there appeared a Cadillac Sedan with 1933 Illinois license tag 1236804.

With a view to establishing the ownership of this automobile, a letter was directed to the Automobile License Division, office of the Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, on May 31st, 1934, requesting information as to whether or not this car, bearing motor number 1001172, had been assigned license for 1934 in the State of Illinois. Special Agent J.P. McLaughlin had previously learned from the Chicago Police Department that this Cadillac Sedan bearing 1933 Illinois license 1236804 bears motor number 1001172, and that the licenses were issued to one Ermnia Varain, 509 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Special Agent McLaughlin conducted an investigation at 509 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, where interviews were had with the elevator operators and in numerous offices located within the building, and no one appeared to know anyone by the name of "Varain". The mail man who delivers mail in that building was also interviewed and advised he did not know anyone by that name in the building, and that no mail at the present time is being delivered to anyone in the building by that name.

A letter was directed to the Detroit Division Office on May 31st, 1934, requesting that an investigation be conducted at the home office of the Cadillac Car Company, Detroit, Michigan, to determine to whom Cadillac Sedan motor number 1001172 was sold.

On June 14th, 1934, a letter was received from the Detroit Office advising that Mr. C. E. Ferrell, office manager of the Cadillac Motor Car Company, Detroit, had been interviewed and advised that this car is a 1930 model, series 370, 12 cylinder Town Sedan, black in color with an ivory stripe and was equipped with six wire wheels, two extra wheels being carried in the fender wells; that it had metal mirrors on each side of the car/on the braces holding the tires in the fender wells. It was learned that this car bore the following component part numbers:

Body - #365  
Steering gear - #10-1225  
Transmission - #10-1040  
Chassis - #101241  
Generator - #882  
Front Axle - #10-1298  
Rear Axle - #10-1344  
Secret No. - #31152  
Tool key - #XC-394  
Ignition key - #XC-491  
Radiator ornament - #1098123

The records of the Cadillac Motor Car Company, Detroit, Michigan, show that this car was shipped on October 31st, 1930, to Madison Smith Cadillac Company of Little Rock, Arkansas, and that it was sold on April 17th, 1931, to V. C. Miller, 921 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

A copy of the letter containing the above information from the Detroit Division Office was submitted by the Detroit Office to the Oklahoma City Office of the Division with the request that the officials of the Madison Smith Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, be interviewed for additional information.

It is highly probable that the V. C. Miller, who purchased this car, is Vernon C. Miller.

On May 20th, 1934, Special Agent T. E. Billings, while examining the "ticklers" of the various cases in the Chicago Division Office, was examining Chicago file 28-555A, which is a case entitled, "Russell Gibson, alias "Rusty" Gibson, Fugitive, I.O. 1213, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act".

Agent Billings had previously viewed photographs of Roy Gray, alias Roy Gray Evans, and immediately noticed a resemblance.

The Chicago Police Department fingerprints of Roy Gray with aliases were obtained and the same submitted to the Division for comparison with the fingerprints of Russell Gibson. The Division has advised that Russell Gibson with aliases, and Roy Gray with aliases, are one and the same person.

The office of origin in the case entitled, "Russell Gibson with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1213, is Oklahoma City, and Oklahoma City has been advised by letter on May 22nd, 1934, that Gibson and Gray are one and the same person.

The Kansas City Division Office was also advised of this identification and requested to give all leads appropriate attention in their territory.

In the apartment of Gibson, alias Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was found a large photograph taken in 1932 by the Witzel Studios, Los Angeles, California, bearing number 97451. The Los Angeles Division Office was requested by letter dated May 21st, 1934, to attempt to determine the identity of the person in this photograph and were furnished complete information concerning the circumstances under which this photograph was obtained. With the photograph was that of an elderly lady.



On May 15, 1934, Sergeant Thomas Alcock, telephone Wabash 5151, an officer of the Chicago Police Department, informed Special Agent W. G. Jamison, that he understood the Government was looking for a man known as "SLIM" and a man known as "IZZY". Alcock advised Jamison he also is looking for "SLIM", otherwise known as ROY GRAY, on jewelry robberies in Chicago.

Alcock stated he believed "IZZY" to be identical with one EDWARD "ITCHKE" ROSENBERG, a brother of the late Moe Rosenberg. Alcock informed that "Itchke" is now living at 1250 Stone Street, Apartment 307, Chicago, Illinois. He stated that Mrs. Edward Rosenberg, within recent months, was living at the Manhattan Towers Hotel, at 76th and Broadway, New York City, but that she has now returned to Chicago. He also informed that "Itchke" was in New York at the said hotel from approximately April 8 to April 15, 1934. "Itchke" is now in Chicago.

Alcock advised that until recently a Mrs. Johnson, was in charge of the apartments at 1250 Stone Street, Chicago, and that it was possible for the police to work through her, but that within recent days an unknown woman has taken charge of the apartment and she is said to be friendly with Rosenberg.

Alcock informed that "Itchke" is friendly with one Louis A. Sachs, 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois, whose telephone number is not known and is supposed to be unlisted.

Alcock secured from the apartment house where "Itchke" resides, a list of all the telephone calls made by "Itchke" during recent weeks, and the said list has been furnished to Agent Jamison of this office, who will submit a memorandum on the same. Alcock advised that on Friday, May 11, 1934, he called the following numbers from his (Rosenberg's) telephone:-

Rockwell 3271; Mohawk 2384; Harrison 4300;  
Nevada 8677.

On Saturday, May 12, 1934, he called Diversey 4178; Juniper 8927, Nevada 8677; Wabash 4400; and Rockwell 3271.

Alcock was advised that "Itchke" went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, about two weeks ago, the purpose of the trip not being known. He also informed that he intended to place a wire tap on the telephone of "Itchke", but he later informed that this had become impossible, because the new manager of the apartment house is friendly towards Rosenberg.

Alcock further stated that a man by the name of Gustav, 159 North State Street, a jeweler, partially identified the photograph of ROY GRAY as the man who robbed him of a considerable amount of jewelry.

Alcock stated that in 1934, Roy Gray was living at 2038 Pinegrove Avenue, Chicago, and that at that time, his wife, Kaye, was known as a shoplifter. It is noted that Alcock is correct in the above address.

"Itchke" is reported to have a brother-in-law, Martin Edelstein, 411 Fullerton Parkway, telephone Mohawk 2384. "Itchke" is reported to have very few visitors but it is understood ROY GRAY visited him on numerous occasions, usually in the evening, at which times Roy Gray carries a suitcase.

A few days after Agent's interview with Alcock, McIntire had an opportunity to observe "Itchke" on the streets of Chicago and Agent obtained at that time the following personal description of that party:

Name:	EDWARD "ITCHKE" ROSENBERG
Age:	38 years
Height:	5 feet 8 inches
Weight:	190-200 lbs.
Hair:	Brown, completely bald on top; no evidence of gray hair on temples.
Eyes:	Probably blue
Face:	Full, fat, has jowls
Marks:	Has deep indentation on lower left jaw, rear, as though flesh was pierced at one time.
Peculiarities:	Wears hat well back on head as though trying to keep cool; has a deliberate walk, appearing never to be in a hurry. Hangs around Sherman Hotel and in the Rialto Barber Shop on Randolph near Clark Street; very friendly with barbers there. Wearing gray felt hat and gray suit with black shoes.

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From the observations of Special Agent McIntire, he is confident that "Itchke" Rosenberg cannot be identical with the "IZZY" reported to have handled the Bremer ransom notes with "SLIM", McLaughlin and others.

On May 23rd, 1934, a letter was sent to the Salt Lake City Division Office requesting that they conduct an investigation at Tabernash, Colorado, where Dr. Joseph P. Moran has a sister, Mrs. L. A. Chappell, who operates, with her husband, a resort at that point.

The Salt Lake City Office was furnished with a photograph, description, and details concerning this case, particularly with reference to Dr. Moran, and was requested to determine whether or not Dr. Moran is now visiting his sister at Tabernash, Colorado, which would offer an ideal hiding place.

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It is observed that certain notations are made from page 75 to page 82 to the effect that certain articles have been sent to the Division for fingerprint examination. In view of recent instructions from the Division, these articles will be retained in the Chicago office and examined here.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO DIVISION OFFICE will carry out all leads suggested in this report.

Offices receiving copies of this report are requested to examine it carefully for such leads as may be outstanding in their districts.

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June 28, 1934.

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ENCLOSURE

JUN 29 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, Identification Order 1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

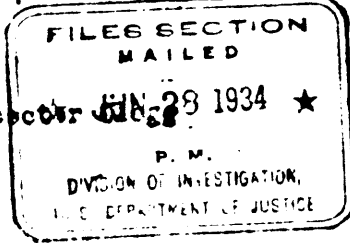
The Division is in receipt of the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, June 20, 1934, Chicago, Illinois, and it is noted that the period of investigation covered by this report is April 20, to June 20, 1934. It appears from a review of this report that much of the information contained therein could have and should have been submitted more promptly in separate reports as the investigation progressed.

The Division feels that by submitting shorter reports and setting out at the end of each report undeveloped leads suggested by the contents of the report, the investigation will be conducted in a more thorough manner than by submitting a lengthy report and setting out a blanket undeveloped lead to the effect that the reporting office "will carry out all leads suggested in this report".

The Division desires an expression of your opinion regarding the above comments.

Very truly yours,

Director.



CC Inspector *W. J. E. A. 7*

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BANNER, with aliases, Identification Order 1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM KIDNAPING.

The Division has received a report from the Chicago Office rendered by Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated June 23, 1934 in the above entitled case consisting of 125 pages. No copies of this report were designated for your office. The Chicago Office is now endeavoring to locate one Mr. Joseph P. Moran, who resided at the Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, and who had offices on the second floor of the building located at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard. It appears from the investigation conducted by the Chicago Office that Mr. Moran is closely associated with "Slim", one of the passers of the Bremer ransom money, who has since been identified as Russell Gibson, subject of Identification Order 1213 and that on April 27, 1934 when publicity was given to the arrest of J. J. "Boss" McLaughlin and others, Mr. Moran disappeared and has not been seen since then.

On May 2, 1934 Special Agents of the Chicago Office entered the office of Dr. Moran and among the papers found in his desk was a piece of torn card on one side of which appeared the words "Whitehall 4200-236 Lena". This notation evidently refers to a New York City telephone number and the New York Office is requested to make a check of this information. There is printed on this torn card the words "Toledo, Ohio" and on the opposite side of the card in ink in the following notations: "Land 7022, 4209, W. Lockwood, 70-2097". In connection with this notation the Detroit Office should refer to page 2 of the report of Special Agent M. W. Weerins, dated at

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

*was for E. A. J.*

Detroit, Michigan, April 18, 1934, wherein it is noted that one C. W. Woods, who accompanied a member of the Barker-Karpis gang to the firm of Lyman Arnold, Incorporated at the time Ford V-8 Sedan #18-43080 was purchased, resided at 4209 North Lockwood Street, Telephone Lansdale 6282, according to the records of the Arnold Motor Company. A subsequent report of Special Agent K. W. Meekins dated at Detroit, Michigan, May 3, 1934 reflects the results of an interview had with C. W. Woods, who, according to the report, resided at 4211 North Lockwood Street and who denied acquaintanceship with members of the Barker-Karpis gang and also failed to identify their photographs.

From the above it would appear that there is some connection between Woods and members of the Barker-Karpis gang or that members of the Barker-Karpis gang resided for a time in Toledo, Ohio. The Detroit Office is instructed to give this matter further and immediate attention and every effort should be made to develop through reliable sources of information at Toledo, Ohio any information which will tend to establish the presence of members of the Barker-Karpis gang in that city, and the reasons for their presence there. The identity of C. W. Woods should be definitely established as well as his connection with this mob.

Very truly yours,

Director.

CC Chicago  
New York  
Inspector Clegg

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Chicago, Ill.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>6/19/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6/8/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>E. R. McINTIRE</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation conducted in following towns in Wisconsin in an effort to locate the hideout:  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">Patch Grove Bagley Milleville Woodman</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Boscobel Bloomington Wyalusing</div> </div>			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent E. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated 6/15/34.			
DETAILS: Investigation was made in the following towns in the State of Wisconsin by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on June 8, 1934, in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout, without results:  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">Patch Grove Bagley Milleville</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Bloomington Wyalusing Woodman</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Boscobel</div> </div>			
<p>DETAILS:</p> <p><u>AT PATCH GROVE, WISCONSIN:</u></p> <p>J. J. Saunders, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 200 people and is located on a rough country gravel road. There is no siren or factory whistle in this town, and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell rings at 9:50 and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>S.P. Cowley</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-2209 JUN 22 1934 A.M.		RECORDED AND INDEXED: JUN 23 1934 CHECKED OFF: JUN 23 1934 JACKETED:
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The Catholic Church bell rings at 8:00 A.M. every other Sunday. Neither one of said bells ring on Saturday afternoons or evenings. This town is not served by a railroad.

Mr. Saunders could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Saunders could offer no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

F. H. Booth, O. Pohle, Grocers  
R. Patch, Wallpaper hanger  
W. Andrews, City Marshal  
J. D. Sannoy, R. Patch, Gasoline Station & Garage Operators  
E. Ammarman, Meter Reader, Interstate Power Co.

There are no lumber yards, drug stores, water works, located here.

AT BLOOMINGTON, WISCONSIN:

This is an inland town of 500 people. Miss C. Whitcomb, Postmistress, gave the following information. Their siren, located here, blows at noon and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist and Congregational Church bells ring at 9:00, 9:30, and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday morning. The Catholic Church bell rings at 6:30 and 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P.M. daily. On Sunday this bell rings at 6:30 A.M., (8:00 and 10:00 A.M. on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, 8:00 A.M. on the first Sunday of the month, and 10:00 A.M. on the third Sunday of the month) 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P.M.

Miss C. Whitcomb could not identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:



F. B. Porter, A. R. Sterns, Grocers  
A. E. Welsh, C. Hillary, F. Dagnon, Gas Station & Garage  
Owners  
H. L. Pohle, Wallpaper hanger  
C. Cassen, City Marshal & Meter Reader for Water Works  
H. L. Walling, Meter Reader, Interstate Power Co.,  
O. Hatch, Druggist

There is no lumber yard located here.

AT BAGLEY, WISCONSIN:

H. Newman, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 250 people and is located on a gravel country road. There is no siren or factory whistle here, and it is not possible to hear either from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:00, 9:30 and 10:50 every Sunday morning, and at no other time. This town is located on the main line of the C. B. & Q. R. R. However, only two trains a day stop here at 10:30 A.M. and 2:15 P.M.

Mr. Newman could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Newman could offer no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

F. A. Glass, C. D. Calkins, L. Dawson, Grocers  
J. Behlman, L. Orr, Gas Station & Garage Owners  
R. Willard, Wallpaper hanger  
F. A. Glass, Deputy Sheriff  
Ed Walz, Mueser Lumber Co.  
H. L. Walling, Meter Reader, Interstate Power Co., Bloomington,  
Wisconsin.

There are no drug stores or water works located here.

Observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks in an effort to locate the hideout house.

AT WYALUSING, WISCONSIN:

There is nothing here with the exception of a general store and gasoline station operated by J. R. Snow. Mr. Snow and his wife could not identify any of the photographs shown to them.

AT MILLEVILLE, WISCONSIN:

Dorothy Horafall, in the absence of Postmaster George Brown, who operates the only store and gasoline station here, gave the following information. This town has a population of about 15 people and is located on a rough country highway. There are no sirens, factory whistles or railroads in this town. The Methodist Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 8:30 and 9:30 A.M. every Sunday morning, and at no other time.

Miss Horafall could not identify any of the photographs shown to her and she could not recall if any of the suspects ever called for mail here.

AT WOODMAN, WISCONSIN:

Mrs. Marian Lull, Postmistress, gave the following information. This town has a population of about 80 people and is located on a rough country road. It has no siren or factory whistle and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. There are no church bells located here. This town is served by the C.M. St. P. & P. R.R. which operates two trains through here daily at 5:15 A.M., 12:00 Noon, 12:09 P.M. and 9:15 P.M.

Mrs. Lull could not identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mrs. Lull could offer no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

M. Kelly, Eida Van, Grocers  
H. Glynn, J. Kelly, Gasoline Station & Garage Owners  
R. Kelly, Kelly Lumber Yard

There are no meter readers, drug stores, lumber yards, wallpaper hangers or city marshals in this town.

Observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

AT BOSCOBEL, WISCONSIN:

Fred Scheinpflug, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 1,760 people, and is located on U. S. Highway #61, a gravel road. The siren located here blows daily at noon and in case of fire. There are no factory whistles here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Catholic Church bell rings daily at 7:00 A.M. On Sunday it rings at 7:30, 8:00, 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. The Methodist Church bell rings at 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday and the Congregational Church bell rings at 10:00 and 11:00 A.M. on Sunday. This town is served by the C. M. St. P. & P. R.R. which operates six trains daily through here at 5:45 A.M., 11:57 A.M., 2:40 P.M., 9:00 P.M., 11:00 P.M. and 2:45 A.M.

Mr. Scheinpflug could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he or any of his clerks recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. He could not give any information relative to the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

G. Schoellig, R. Spiegelberg, W. Kland, Grocers  
E. Murray, C. Mead, L. Perry, H. Johnson, P. Ferrell,  
Gas Station & Garage Owners  
C. A. Bowers, City Marshal  
R. R. Williams, Meter Reader, Water Works & Gas Co.  
C. E. Yahn, Taylor Lumber Co.  
A. J. Seaman & F. V. Ketner, Druggists  
B. Baldwin, Wallpaper hanger

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the railroad tracks in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout.

No investigation was made in the following towns in Grant County, Wisconsin, due to the fact that Agent was instructed to dis-

continue further investigation in said County:

Platteville  
Glenhaven  
Bestown  
Rockville  
Potosi  
Kieler

Cuba City  
Andover  
Cassville  
British Hollow  
Lafayette  
Fairplay

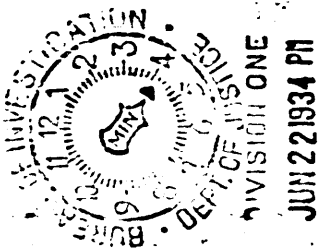
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Burton  
Dickeyville  
Hazel Green

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REPORT MADE AT: Portland, Oregon	DATE WHEN MADE: 6-18-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6-13-34	REPORT MADE BY: W. K. Bowling
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER (VICTIM)			CHARACTER OF CASE: Kidnaping

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency, Seattle, Wash., or Luke S. May, Acting Chief of Detectives, Seattle, has no information to effect Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker, Fred Barker or Harry Campbell are in this vicinity.



REFERENCE: Division letter dated June 7, 1934, with enclosure.

- At Seattle, Washington -

DETAILS:

Attached to Division letter of reference was a copy of a letter from Luke S. May, Acting Chief of Detectives, Seattle, in which he advised that the Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency at Seattle had informed him that they had information that Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker and Harry Campbell were supposed to be in the Seattle territory.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-2210 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION JUN 22 1934 A.M. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	RECORDED AND INDEXED JUN 22 1934 CHECKED OFF: JUN 23 1934 JACKETED:
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Acting Chief of Detectives Luke S. May, Seattle, upon interview advised that Mr. Marshall, in charge of the Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency, Seattle, advised him some time ago that he had obtained information that above named parties were possibly in this territory; that he was unable to locate an identification order on any of above parties except Alvin Karpis and Arthur R. Barker, and wondered if all of the parties named by Mr. Marshall were wanted by this Division; that this was the reason he wrote the Director the above mentioned letter.

A. D. Marshall, in charge of the Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency, located in the Vance Building, Seattle, was interviewed and advised that some time during May of this year he received a letter from their office in Memphis, Tennessee, advising that an Agent of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, had shown them a circular or group picture with the above named parties' photographs on same and advised that these parties were possibly somewhere in the northwest but that nothing was said about them being in the Seattle territory or in the state of Washington. Mr. Marshall further advised that he had no information that any of the above named parties were or had been in this section but should at any time his office obtain any information as to these parties, the information would be immediately passed on to the writer.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

On July 26, 1932 the Cloud County Bank at Concordia, Kansas, was robbed and the loot included approximately \$240,000.00 which bonds were returned to the officials of the bank for the sum of \$15,000.00 and the negotiations for the return of these bonds were made through Mr. W. S. Gordon, who for a number of years has been in charge of the Burns Detective Agency at Minneapolis, Minnesota. There is every indication that Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker were among the participants in this robbery.

As a typical example of how "hot" bonds are recovered in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota, whereby no investigation is ever made in an effort to trace the source of the stolen bonds beyond the barrier set up by the Burns Detective Agency in the person of W. S. Gordon, the following is a quoted portion taken from a memorandum dated March 1, 1934, submitted by Special Agent D. L. Nicholson in the Bremer case:

"Agent interviewed Mr. W. S. Gordon, who is in charge of the Minneapolis Branch of the Burns Detective Agency with offices at 650 McKnight Building, Minneapolis. He advised that on July 26, 1932, the Cloud County Bank at Concordia, Kansas, was robbed by unknown individuals; that shortly thereafter, he established contact at Minneapolis, Minnesota, with a confidential informant and began negotiations for the return of the bonds, valued at approximately \$240,000, for the sum of \$15,000. He further stated that between September 1, 1932, and September 25, 1932, all of these bonds were returned to him, part being returned at the Ryan Hotel in St. Paul and part at the Nicollet Hotel in Minneapolis.

Gordon further advised that in his own mind, he is convinced that Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker participated in this bank robbery although he has never been able to have them identified as participants; that during the negotiations for the return of the bonds, he had photographs of these individuals forwarded to the Cloud

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"County Bank at Concordia, Kansas, but no identification of Karpis and Barker as being participants in the robbery was made.

Mr. Gordon further advised that his confidential informant was not one of the thieves but in his opinion is removed four or possibly five people from the actual thieves and holders of the bonds; and that in his opinion, it would be impossible to trace these negotiations back in order to definitely know the direct contact in the Twin Cities of the holders of the bonds. It was Agent's intention to make an effort in tracing these negotiations back. However, Mr. Gordon stated that his confidential informant was in no way a criminal but did at times associate with gamblers; and that the disclosure of his name to this Agent would serve no purpose to him and he would lose thereby a valuable confidential informant. For this reason, Mr. Gordon refused to furnish the name of his confidential informant, as result of which the contacts in the negotiations for the return of the bonds could not be traced.

Mr. Gordon further stated that he is unaware of any of the contacts beyond his confidential informant and has no knowledge relative to the location of the bonds at the time the negotiations were under way. Mr. Gordon was asked whether or not negotiations were not made by him in the vicinity or at White Bear Lake, Minnesota. He advised that as far as he knows, White Bear Lake at no time figured in the negotiation, and as far as his knowledge goes, all negotiations were made in the Twin Cities.

Respectfully submitted,  
D. L. NICHOLSON,  
Special Agent.

ADDENDUM:

The chances are that Mr. Gordon's informant and contact is Frank Sommers, ex-Chief of Police of St. Paul, who, according to rumors I have heard for the past year and a half, is a middle man in this type of transactions. Of course, I can not prove this and I do not believe that there is much use in asking Mr. Gordon point blank.

O. G. HALL,  
Special Agent."



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In connection with the above, it would be an interesting observation to know the total amount of bonds and securities recovered by banks throughout the country through the medium of the Burns Detective Agency at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and also the number of bank robbers and the like, who have been identified through the investigative activities of that agency. I have gathered the impression through reading numerous reports submitted through all the field offices of the Division that the total amount of recoveries is considerable, whereas the number of identifications is negligible.

If it is possible to obtain these figures through the American Bankers Association or some confidential source it would throw much light on the situation in St. Paul and Minneapolis with reference to the tie-up between the underworld and the police officials there. Of course, under this set-up whereby the Burns Detective Agency receives large commissions on recoveries it is easy to understand why no cooperation can be expected from that quarter in establishing the identity of the criminal for the purpose of preventing further robberies.

Respectfully,

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

P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

June 29, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.



Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

Reference is made to your letter dated May 19, 1934, addressed to the Director with reference to the above entitled matter, listing articles delivered to fingerprint expert, Mr. Aaron Kohn, for examination in the Division's laboratory.

From information obtained from Mrs. Bessie Green, during the course of interviews with her, it was learned that gangsters usually stopped at apartment houses where the manager, or owner, was considered friendly to the gangsters and their interests. With this in mind, the suggestion is made that in an effort to ascertain the whereabouts of ALVIN KARPIS further inquiries might be made at the headquarters of the rental agency which rented the apartment to KARPIS under the name of LOHMAN. This suggestion is likewise based upon observations that there was a list of other real estate establishments which, apparently, had been prepared by the manager of the apartment building in which KARPIS lived.

It is likewise suggested that inquiries be made at the offices of the McCall Company Magazines to determine if there has been a forwarding address left in connection with the subscription for his magazine, apparently subscribed to by Dolores Delaney under the name of Mrs. W.B. Johnson.

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Very truly yours,

H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR

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June 20, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O.#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,  
with aliases, I.O.#1219; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

There is enclosed herewith a copy of communication dated  
June 14, 1934, addressed to the St. Paul Office by Special Agent  
Fortenberry.

Copies of the above are being furnished the Salt Lake  
City and the San Francisco Offices of the Division.

Very truly yours,

*H.H. Clegg*  
H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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Reno Nevada  
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Mr. D. M. Ladd  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I have just talked to the office there, while you and Mr. Clegg were both out to lunch. I had overlooked the change in time, otherwise I would have called when I was sure you were in. \*\*\*

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(ADMINISTRATIVE)  
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It seems that there is going to be plenty of action in this state during the summer. All the politicians are getting into action, and it looks as if they are going to attempt in a big way to rescue the state from the control of Graham and McKay. I had quite a long talk today with the Chairman of the Democratic Party of this county, and he is greatly worked up over the matter of beating Graham and McKay regardless of party lines. It seems that both the parties of this state have been ruled for fifteen or twenty years by the same individuals, as both National Committeemen used the same telephone and office, and both were subject to the call of Graham and McKay. It seems that Senator Pittman is sure to be beat this year if anyone can raise the money to make a campaign against him. It is generally known here that he made trips to New York in an attempt to have the indictment of Graham and McKay nol-prossed, and I understand that they are only waiting until the time is ripe to spring the surprise on him.

Kindrick Johnson here is contemplating running for the Senate against Pittman, and he is a good friend of mine, as he is a frequenter of all the night clubs around here, and I have known him since arriving here. He informed me today that he knew of plenty of instances where Graham and McKay had hid out people, and that he would give me the low down later. I insisted that I had no interest in politics in this state or any other but still he insisted on telling me of the many things they had pulled in the state. The general public here seems to be against the combination of Graham, McKay, Wingfield, Thacher and Woodburn; however I doubt if they are able to beat them in all the races of the state, for the simple reason that the Graham, McKay combination still largely control the financial end of the state, as well as the political machine. I merely give you all this information for what it may be worth, and in case you are interested in further developments of this type it will be an easy matter to obtain all the political scandal. I have been solicited on numerous occasions to contribute money for the purpose of ousting the machine that has been in power so long. It may be through

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conversation with them, that I will be able to find out where these boys are hiding their fugitives.

I have just listened to the fight, and it is the general impression around the Bank Club that Graham and McKay probably won a couple of hundred thousand on the fight. This is not certain by any means; however Jack Price former Manager of Dempsey told me that he was sure that they won at least that much.

Very truly yours,

F.T. Berry

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box 1276  
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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
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Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219;  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir :

Reference is hereby made to Division letter dated June 14, 1934, and letter from the Chicago office over the signature of Special Agent S. P. Cowley, dated June 14, 1934.

Bill Eads, Deputy Sheriff and criminal investigator for the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, advised Special Agent Paul Hansen that the persons involved in connection with the bank robbery charge for which Russell Gibson is wanted at Oklahoma City are: Russell Gibson, James M. Hayes alias "Cowboy" Hayes, Charles Merritt, Doc Thompson and Bobby Thompson. Charles Merritt has been convicted and given twenty years in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Doc Thompson was acquitted by a jury, although it is Mr. Eads' opinion that Doc Thompson planned the robbery. Bobby Thompson, son of Doc Thompson, turned state's evidence and has helped the state considerably. He is now employed at the Oriental Drug Company, Tenth and Robinson Streets, Oklahoma City. Gibson and Hayes are still wanted by Oklahoma County for this robbery. Mr. Eads advised that Gibson's wife is not wanted, and no other woman is wanted in connection with this robbery.

Bobby Thompson was interviewed at the Oriental Drug Company by Special Agent Paul Hansen in the presence of Deputy Sheriff Eads, and Thompson identified the photograph of Russell Gibson, and also identified the photograph of Estelle Gray alias Clara Gray alias Mrs. R. Gray Evans, as being Gibson's wife. Thompson was positive of this identification, and further advised that her maiden name is not Clara Moore as heretofore thought, but is Clara Fisher. She was, according to Thompson, formerly married to Lonnie O'Froni of Kansas City, and while O'Froni was serving time in Jefferson City, Missouri, she married Gibson. Thompson had no further information concerning this woman except that she is well known in Kansas City where Gibson has had most of his contacts. He said that

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Gibson's father, first name not known, was a building contractor in Miami, Florida, five or six years ago, when he was closely connected with Gibson.

The Jacksonville office is not being asked to endeavor to locate Gibson in Miami, but this is being left to the discretion of the St. Paul office which office may be in possession of information which is more definite concerning Russell Gibson's father and his location.

Deputy Sheriff Eads advised Agent Hansen that a Mr. Dutton, Burns representative in Kansas City, Missouri, had a lot of information regarding Russell Gibson at one time, and it is suggested that the Kansas City office interview Dutton along this line. The Kansas City office is also requested to make some inquiries concerning Russell Gibson's wife, who usually goes by the name of Clara which, according to Thompson, is her real name, keeping in mind the information contained in the report of Special Agent W. M. Bott, Los Angeles, California, dated 6-7-34.

The Oklahoma City office will review its file in the case titled RUSSELL GIBSON - FUGITIVE; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, at the earliest possible time with a view of obtaining some information that will be of assistance in apprehending Gibson alias Gray.

Very truly yours,

*Earle M. Black*  
Earle M. Black, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc St. Paul  
Chicago  
Kansas City  
Los Angeles  
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P. O. Box 1296,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,  
June 17, 1934.

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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Dept. of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases - FUGITIVE  
I.O.#1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I.O.#1220;  
HOMER V. MINTON, with aliases, I.O.#1222; ALBERT  
W. REILLY, with aliases, I.O.#1225; LESTER L.  
GILLIS, with aliases, I.O.#1223; THOMAS LEONARD  
CARRALL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1224; et al;  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.  
Obstruction of Justice (Conspiracy to Harbor Fugitives)

Dear Sir:

Following our telephonic conversation yesterday afternoon, I proceeded to Oklahoma City from Kansas City arriving here the morning of June 17th. I met Mr. F. J. Black of Dallas at the office. Mr. E. M. Black was also at the office. I discussed with Mr. Black any conversation or conference he had with a representative of the Burn's Detective Agency on June 16. Mr. Black informed me that on the morning of June 16, J. A. Huff, local Burn's Representative called the office by phone and asked for me and he was informed that I was out of the City. Huff asked when I would return and Black informed him about the middle of the following week. Mr. Black then asked Huff if he could do anything for him. Huff's reply was "wait a moment", following which he informed Black that he would see him at the office at 11:15 a.m. Mr. Black informs me that he remained here until 5:40 p.m. and Huff failed to appear or to contact him by phone or in any way to cancel the appointment. Mr. Black informs me he also asked all of the Agents if they had any contact with any of the Agents of the Burn's Agency and that he was informed in the negative.

Several attempts were made this morning to get in touch with W. S. Gordon at the Kingkade Hotel in Oklahoma City but without results until 12:35 p.m. in the meantime however I called J. A. Huff and asked him whether he desired to discuss any matters with me yesterday or today. He informed that yesterday he made an attempt to get me but was informed that I was out of the City and that he talked to Mr. Black and made an appointment with Mr. Black to meet him in the office at 11:15 a.m. but that he failed to keep the appointment for the reason that W. S. Gordon of the Burn's Agency of the Minneapolis Office was the

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man who really wished to contact me in the office, as Gordon is alleged to have some information concerning the possible whereabouts of one Jim Clark, notorious outlaw in this section. Mr. Black states that at the time of his conversation with Huff on June 16 he mentioned something about Jim Clark and possibly had some information concerning him, but the names of Karpis and Barker were not mentioned. I queried Huff this morning as to whether he wished to discuss any persons other than Jim Clark and he said that he did not. I asked why Huff did not fill the appointment with Mr. Black and he replied that after he finished his conversation with Mr. Black he informed Gordon that I was not in but that Mr. Black would discuss the matter with him and Gordon replied "Oh, well, let the matter drop". In his conversation with me Mr. Huff intimated that he does not think much of Gordon and that he does not propose to have anything further to do with him during his stay in Oklahoma City.

Gordon came to the office about 1:20 p.m. today and introduced himself as a Representative of the Bureau Agency out of St. Paul and Minneapolis. He began his conversation by stating that he has been in this part of the country, naming the states of Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma, for three weeks (which is untrue, as the Division knows when he left St. Paul). He said that he has been working with some "stools" in an effort to locate some criminals, not naming any, and that his presence here on this mission was brought about in the following manner: Some man in Chicago, he didn't name him, went to Lloyd's Insurance Company in Chicago and informed them that he could locate some stuff that had been stolen but that the Police nor any enforcement officials could handle the matter; that out of about fifteen men who were not named, he, Gordon, was selected for the job. He did not go into details as to the nature of the stolen property or from where it was stolen.

He stated that in the State Penitentiary at McAlester there was one Buck Adams, who at one time was an associate of Bob Brady, and that last week Adams' wife went to the farm of one Bill Schlegel, located fourteen miles North and East of Shamrock, Texas and that information is to the effect that Jim Clark and possibly Frank Delmar have been hiding out at this farm; that also Doc Barker might be there. He was questioned closely as to why Doc Barker would be there and his best explanation was a surmise. He said that practically all of the law officials around Shamrock were dishonest and could not be trusted, and harped on this for sometime. He also stated that one Rex Warr of Shamrock is the contact man for the outlaws frequenting Schlegel's farm and that Rex Warr's father is an ex-sheriff at Shamrock. Gordon said that his information is that Jim Clark was supposed to be at the Schlegel farm on Tuesday June 12 and that he learned of that on June 13. It should be observed here that Gordon said that he obtained

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this information on June 15, yet he apparently made no attempt to report it to any one connected with the Division until the 16th and any attempt made then was a very poor one.

Gordon was questioned as to any information that he might have in connection with Karpis and Barker. He stated that they were in Arkansas about fourteen days ago near a place called Cove but that they were not there now. He was asked the source of his information in this respect and replied that he was not in a position to reveal it.

Gordon informed us that he could get a letter from the convict Adams to one Rex Wain of Shamrock but said that his "stool" who would be in a position to get this letter is now in St. Louis on a "lead" but the "stool" to whom Gordon refers is none other than Leo Delgado mentioned in previous correspondence concerning Gordon. Gordon was at a loss as to what useful purpose any letter might serve from Adams.

Gordon said that he informed Mr. Sherman Burns by telephone yesterday of the information he had obtained as to Jim Clark and that Mr. Burns informed him he would apprise you of it.

Gordon was asked if he had any further information concerning Jim Clark, the Barkers or Karpis and he replied that he had none. In our interview with Gordon we studiously refrained from referring to John Dillinger but waited until he brought up his name. He said that his Agency is not particularly interested in Dillinger but it is believed that possibly if they wanted to they could make a bank robbery charge against him at Mason City, Iowa. We then asked him if he had any information as to Dillinger's location. He believes that he is in Southern Illinois.

The foregoing constitutes the extent of the information furnished us by Gordon and I believe it speaks for itself.

We extended every courtesy and cooperation to Gordon. He was asked how long he expected to be in the City and he replied he is leaving for St. Louis tonight by train. We told him that this office or any representative of the Division would be glad to cooperate with him and receive from him any information that he might have relative to criminals mentioned in this letter or any others and he countered with "I'll wire you if I get anything further".

The foregoing was furnished the Division by long distance telephone on June 17.

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With respect to the Schlegel farm in Shamrock, Texas it is the best judgment of Mr. Blake, Mr. Black and myself that before any group of men are taken there to make a raid that the necessary preliminary investigation should be made and Mr. Blake proposes to have this done immediately.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley  
Special Agent in Charge

- cc 1 Chicago
- 1 St Paul
- 2 Dallas

Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minn.

June 20, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

I am attaching hereto copies of a form letter sent by this office on June 19, 1934, to all sheriffs in the territory covered by the St. Paul Division office. This form letter requests information as to the names and addresses of all tourists camps in each county and is being compiled in order that Identification Orders in connection with the JODIL and BRKID cases may be forwarded to these tourists camps.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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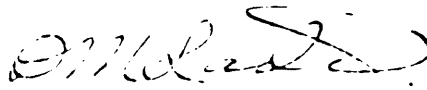
June 19, 1934.

Dear Sir:

I would greatly appreciate if you would furnish me with the names and addresses of all tourist camps in your County, in order that the records of this office will be complete.

I am enclosing a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage, to assist you in replying.

Very truly yours,



D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 20, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 1376,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,  
with aliases, I.O. #1219; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

St. Paul File No. 7-30

Confirming telephone conversation with your office, today,  
you are advised that Mr. EDWARD G. BREMER received the following  
letter this morning and immediately turned it over to me:

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Ft. Smith  
Ark  
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Mr Edward G. Bremer  
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Dear Sir:

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I have been asked by a prisoner in the Okla  
State Prison to write you this letter. He wants to  
get in touch with Department of Justice in regards  
to your kidnaping. Says He can locate men accused.  
He does not trust any local officials for fear of  
connection with this Gang. I do not know any De-  
partment of Justice operative here. So if interested  
Have one get in touch with me here. And I will explain  
all to him. This man is a former county official and  
is now serving time for Harboring this Gang. Thanking  
you for your attention to this

Respectfully  
Ed Williams  
Ft Smith Ark  
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It is suggested that appropriate investigation be made.

Very truly yours,

HEC:TC

H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR

OO Little Rock  
Division

June 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Clegg at St. Paul this afternoon and gave him the following information: We have a communication addressed to the Department of Justice from the Fulton Thermometer Company at Brooklyn, New York. This concern sent a circular letter to a number of drug stores and hospitals in Minneapolis and on the back of one of the circular letters, which was returned to them, is the following communication, dated June 14, 1934, Minneapolis, Minnesota, signed "Sincerely, John Dillinger." (I then read to Mr. Clegg the letter referred to).

I told Mr. Clegg that you thought possibly the reference in this letter that Dillinger is occupying the home of a friend of his while the latter is at Washington, might refer to a Congressman with a previous criminal record. Mr. Clegg offered the suggestion that it might apply to "some Senator who can't see well out of one of his eyes."

I informed Mr. Clegg that the Fulton Thermometer Company, in its first communication, stated that this circular letter was mailed to seven drug companies in Minneapolis, although a subsequent letter of the same date stated that the circular letter was sent to a limited list of hospitals in Minnesota; that this Company sent to the Division a number of gummed stickers of various homes and hospitals in Minnesota to which the circular letter was mailed. I gave Mr. Clegg the names and addresses of the various drug stores mentioned by the Fulton Company.

I stated that since the letter had been handled so much I didn't believe anything could be accomplished by searching for fingerprints; that the envelope in which it was returned was postmarked at Minneapolis, June 16, 1934, 10:30 a.m. Mr. Clegg indicated that he didn't place any credence in this story, and suggested that all of the material be transmitted to the Crime Laboratory to ascertain whether the letter was written on the same typewriter that the Bremer notes were written on. He felt this would be the greatest value the letter might be.

I asked Mr. Clegg if he felt it advisable to assign Agents to make a check of the various hospitals and drug stores mentioned. Mr. Clegg stated his reaction would be that if we had nothing else to do, this action might be taken, but that to accomplish this investigation now, it would be necessary to remove some of the Agents who are looking for the Bremer hide-out. He mentioned, incidentally, that as a result of the telephone calls made in this connection in the first eleven counties in Southern Wisconsin, in the St. Paul district only, twenty-two towns were located where a siren and whistle blow simultaneously, and likewise blow in January and February. Mr. Clegg stated that they feel encouraged by this, and are concentrating their efforts.

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in that direction.

Mr. Clegg stated that if the letter referred from the Fulton Company were a "hot" lead he felt it would be worth while to make the investigation at the hospitals and drug stores, but from the standpoint of relative value, he felt this communication "just clutters up the files" unless there is some evidence that Dillinger did write it. He stated that of course if we felt here that it would be best to check it, he would be glad to do it. I told him that we would send it immediately to the Crime Laboratory to be checked.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

RE:ips

June 20, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Special Agent Val Zimmer of the Chicago Office telephoned on June 19, 1934 to advise that information had been received showing that B. E. Gerson had returned to his apartment, 1117 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois and requested advice whether the Division desired Gerson, whose true name is Jules Galatas, trailed by Agents of the Chicago office. I told Mr. Zimmer that I could see no reason for placing a trail on Galatas at this time, but suggested that arrangements be made to cover his activities very closely through a mail cover and a check on all long distance telephone calls and Western Union and Postal telegrams. Mr. Zimmer stated that they had a very good contact at the apartment where Galatas is residing and in the event any strangers are seen about the apartment, the Chicago office will be promptly notified. He also stated that arrangements are being made with the telephone company to cover all long distance calls made from the apartment.

In connection with the Bremer case I suggested to Mr. Zimmer that attention be given to the fire which occurred at Williams Bay, Wisconsin on January 28th, pointing out that Williams Bay is about six miles from Marion, Wisconsin and also in the vicinity of the Hotel Como owned by Hermanson, an ex-Chief of Police of Forest Park, who is now vacationing with Russell Gibson at Arbor Vitae, Wisconsin. The Chicago Office has also ascertained that the towels found in the possession of Tommy Carroll were taken from this Hotel Como. Mr. Zimmer stated that he would call this matter to the attention of Mr. Cowley and Mr. McIntyre.

Respectfully,

R. E. Serby

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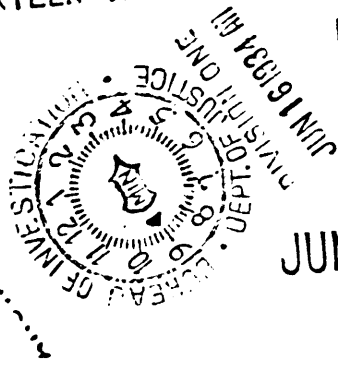
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1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir: RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219,  
ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM

Reference is made to your letter of June 18th, 1934, in the above entitled case in which you call attention to a letter sent to your office by this office on May 23, 1934, which letter recites that the apartment of Sam Miller located at 539 Addison Street, Chicago, has been unoccupied since April 25th, 1934, and further that a telephone call was made from said apartment on May 5th, 1934, to telephone number 12-L-2, Strasburg, Missouri.

Please be advised that the information in this respect contained in the Chicago letter of May 23rd, 1934, is a mis-statement of fact. The apartment of Sam Miller was not in fact unoccupied but was occupied only at frequent intervals when Sam Miller chanced to be in Chicago. It then appears that there is no question but that the telephone call made on May 5th, 1934, was made from the telephone at Sam Miller's apartment located at 539 Addison Street.

Reference is made to the memorandum of Special Agent R. G. Reed in the above entitled matter, which accompanied your letter of June 18th, 1934. It is observed that Earnest Gates has identified the photograph of Roy Gray as being the husband of one of the daughters of Herbert Wamsley living on a farm near Strasburg, Missouri. It is also observed that very little is known concerning Herbert Wamsley and his family. It is noted, however, that he is working for Fry and Pringle, live stock commission merchants, no doubt located in Kansas City, Missouri.

It is desired that a thorough investigation be made concerning the family of Herbert Wamsley in order to ascertain definitely whether or not any daughter of Herbert Wamsley can now be living in Chicago, or can now, or could formerly have been married to or living with Roy Gray. It is

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believed that a portion of this information might be secured through Fry and Pringle.

There is nothing in the memorandum of Special Agent R. G. Reed to indicate that Earnest Gates was interviewed by an Agent and it is desired that the picture of Roy Gray be again presented to Gates to determine definitely whether he can make a positive identification of Roy Gray.

I now call your attention to the report of Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, entitled Russell Gibson, Fugitive, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, in the undeveloped leads of which the attention of the Kansas City Office is called to the mother-in-law of Roy Gray, who is said to be Mrs. Joseph Fisher, 802 Myrtle Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Obviously there is a discrepancy between the information contained in this report and the information contained in the memorandum of R. G. Reed aforementioned.

It is observed that your office has been furnished with a photograph of Mrs. Roy Gray and it is desired that you ascertain whether she could possibly be one of the daughters of Herbert Wamsley.

You are further advised that recent investigation in Chicago disclosed that Clara Gray, also known as Estelle Gray, rents a safety deposit box together with her sister, Mrs. George D. Guymon. In the application for the rental, each, Mrs. Clara Gray and Mrs. George D. Guymon, gave the maiden name of their mother as "Tubanks". No further information as to her name or address is given in the application.

It is desired that you bear all of these things in mind in conducting this investigation.

Very truly yours,

S. P. COWLEY,

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P. O. Box 1276,  
Oklahoma City, Okla.,  
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AIR MAIL

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
252 Post Office Bldg.,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

RE: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218,  
Arthur R. Barker, with aliases,  
I. O. #1219, et al  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to telephonic conversation of even date with Inspector Clegg, wherein he advised that Mr. Edward G. Bremer had received a letter from Ft. Smith, Ark., dated June 17, 1934, signed by Ed Williams, Ft. Smith, Ark., General Delivery.

This is to advise that immediately upon receipt of the information from Inspector Clegg, Special Agent Frank Smith proceeded, upon my instructions, to Ft. Smith, Ark., and I have just received a telephone call from Agent Smith advising that Ed Williams is unknown at the General Delivery window of the Post Office at Fort Smith. He is also unknown to the police and county officials, and investigation at Fort Smith discloses that there is no such party as Ed Williams there. Agent Smith was instructed to address a letter to Ed Williams, care General Delivery, Fort Smith, Arkansas, advising him the address of this office and requesting that he communicate with us relative to information he claims to possess in connection with the above titled case.

Very truly yours,

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Dwight Brantley,  
Special Agent in Charge

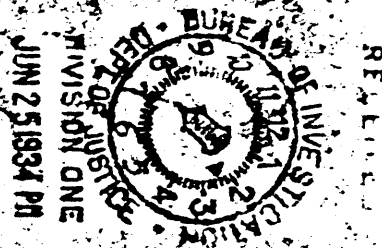
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326 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Hurley-Wright Building,  
Washington, D. C.



Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. #1219;  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM;  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the report of Special Agent James O. Peyromin, New Orleans, Louisiana, dated 5-30-34, attached hereto is a receipt which Mrs. F. B. Hymel, of 1002 Jackson Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, gave to L. F. Schrader for \$5.00 deposit for linen furnished his apartment, and which receipt L. F. Schrader returned to Mrs. Hymel on March 31, 1934, at the time she returned the \$5.00 deposit to him, on which date he returned the linen and gave up the apartment.

Mrs. Hymel states that all the writing on the face of the receipt was her own, with the exception of L. F. Schrader's signature, and that Schrader wrote his forwarding address on the reverse side.

The receipt is submitted for your convenience in conducting investigation requested.

Very truly yours,

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

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June 20, 1934.

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

Dear Sirs:

I was present at Madison, Wisconsin, from June 14, through June 17, 1934, for the purpose of organizing the work in that particular territory and aiding the agents there in connection with their activities in the BREMER and BILLINGS cases. On the date of my arrival at Madison, the marshal transported JEAN DELANEY CROPTON to the Amerson, West Virginia, institution for women.

Prior to her departure, I talked with this girl. She informed me that JOHN HAMILTON was dead. She subsequently modified this statement to state that he was either seriously hurt or dead. She indicated that, after she had rejoined TOMMY CARROLL, she inquired of him relative to the whereabouts of other members of the mob who were at Little Bohemia. She stated that she asked specifically if anyone had been hurt in the get-away from Little Bohemia and Carroll told her that no one had been hurt. She later inquired specifically concerning HAMILTON and, from the appearance and expression of Carroll, as well as certain comments of an indirect character made by him, she feels sure that HAMILTON either died or is severely injured. She had no idea what disposition had been made of him or his body. She stated it should be borne in mind that she had been with Carroll a comparatively short length of time prior to the raid at Little Bohemia and that it was natural that Carroll did not confide in her to a great extent and that it was because of the unusual indications that there had been no recent contacts with HAMILTON, and she could give nothing definite as to such indications, that she was bold enough to make the very unusual request for information as to the whereabouts of HAMILTON.

She stated that after she joined Carroll he left the hotel and stated that he was going to Cincinnati and she stated that it was reasonable to believe that he would contact, during this trip, certain members of the Dillinger gang, which

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particular ones she did not know and had not heard. She was definite in her statement that Carroll stated that he was going to Cincinnati.

She stated, likewise, that during her initial incarceration at Madison, Wisconsin, prior to being placed on probation, through some indirect source the identity of which she would not describe, Carroll had sent \$100.00 to BABE KEILLY, JEAN'S sister, for delivery to JEAN but that BABE delivered to her only \$30.00. She stated that they spent only one night at the tourist camp near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and then went to Waterloo, Iowa. The primary purpose of the trip to Waterloo was to obtain some glasses for JEAN. She stated that Carroll claimed to have worried considerably about her while she was in jail thinking that she would spend most of her time reading and he worried about her eyes and the trip to Waterloo was primarily for the purpose of getting correct glasses. She stated that it was their subsequent intention, as has been previously reported, to come into St. Paul and, through some friend of Carroll, if they were able to locate him, they would send word to BABE KEILLY, JEAN'S sister, where they could be located and JEAN'S mother could come to the spot designated and see JEAN. They did not plan to remain here any length of time. She advised that, after the shooting of EDDIE GREEN, she and TOMMY CARROLL remained in St. Paul for several days before going to Chicago.

In connection with the shooting at Waterloo, she stated that she and Carroll both saw two men standing near Carroll's car and she volunteered to go over and get in the car while he could be watching her to see if they were officers but Carroll would not permit her to go alone stating that, if there were any danger, he wanted to share it with her.

She expressed the opinion that VAN METER would not subsequently call for MARIE COSTELLO CONFORTI as VAN METER was known as a man who was "girl crazy" and, likewise, he was not so crazy about this girl in particular so it would be unlikely that he would undertake the risk of trying to locate this girl. She stated that HELEN NELSON GILLIS would obviously, if she had not already done so, contact JIMMY GILLIS as they were very devoted to each other and HELEN wanted to die at the same time JIMMY died; that both felt that they would be killed together. She stated that Carroll told her, on the occasion of his escape at Little Bohemia, that he was at the bar when the shooting started and he immediately made his escape out the rear of the building and went north. He had quite a bit of money on him at the time

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but he was practically broke at the time of his death and she stated that he claimed to have spent practically all of his money in the North after leaving Little Bohemia. I asked her the occasion for his spending money and she said it was necessary for him to spend money to keep people from reporting his whereabouts and to pay for the services which it was necessary for him to obtain. I asked her to whom this money had been paid and she stated that she did not know the name of any of the parties but that they were evidently local people north of Little Bohemia, but she did not know how far north.

While in Madison, a telephone call was received from Mr. Cowley at Chicago advising that a confidential informant of Mr. Larson had, while interviewing PAT CHERINGTON, learned that some stolen bonds were in possession of someone in Madison who was interested in obtaining the probation for the three girls who had been placed on probation there. I conferred with Assistant United States Attorney Hanson, the only representative of the United States Attorney's Office in Madison on the day of this telephone call, and he informed me that outside of Attorney Newman from St. Paul, or Minneapolis, BABE RILEY and Attorney Hill of Madison, he knew of no one who had interested themselves in obtaining this probation and that, in fact, he, himself, was surprised that two of the girls had entered a plea of guilty.

While talking with United States Attorney Ryan previously about the abuses of pardon, parole and probation powers, Probation Officer McGrath of Chicago telephoned Mr. Ryan while I was with him and informed him that MARION CONFORTE had left with VAN MEYER.

A communication which the St. Paul Office had received indicated that the C.W.A. funds, or P.W.A. funds, had been utilized in Wisconsin to make a reassessment of taxable property and it was suggested that special agents examine the charts which had been prepared by the assessors for the purpose of aiding in the location of the hideout house.

In this connection, I conferred with Mr. R.A. Fredinick, supervisor of assessments, 402 Cantwell Building, Madison, Wisconsin. He advised that these charts were available at each county seat but that he had in his office the charts for Madison and Dane Counties. An examination was made of these charts in order to arrange for the organization of the assignment of agents to study such charts. It was ascertained that in only one town, and that a small village, had the diagrams prepared on the charts been prepared so as to show the

interior construction of the houses. Quite a bit of detailed information was shown with reference to these houses but, after examining a number of these charts, it was obvious that it would serve no real purpose to make an examination of these charts unless there was some suspected house to which entrance might not be easily obtained. Therefore, the agents were instructed not to spend any time examining these charts in a general way unless it became necessary to select a chart for a particular house and, in view of the pretexts which the agents are using, that of being C.W.A., or P.W.A., workers, water and electric meter readers, et cetera, it is felt that it would be quite unnecessary for even frequent reference to be made to the charts. It would require one agent in each county to spend several days' time examining the charts and it is not believed that the possible results would be worth this effort, particularly in view of the fact that the detailed information being sought does not appear upon the charts.

Mr. Tredimick agreed to be of any aid and assistance possible and stated that he, personally, would examine several thousand houses during the course of the next several months and the men working under his jurisdiction would, likewise, do similarly. I left with Mr. Tredimick, in accordance with the suggestion contained in the letter addressed to the St. Paul Office by Mr. Newby, a rough sketch of the interior construction of the house in which Mr. Bremer was held a kidnap victim. I also furnished Mr. Jenks, his assistant, and Mr. Tredimick a photostatic copy of the wall paper and a specimen of the color scheme appearing in the border of the wall paper in the house. I also left the telephone numbers of the St. Paul Office with Mr. Tredimick and Mr. Jenks and asked that the telephone be used to advise this office in the event any important discoveries were made.

Special Agents Hurley and Gross were in Madison and initiated a program of calling exchanges as well as all towns listed in the postal guide to propound questions as to the possibilities of sound existing in the various towns. Although all the questions were asked, immediate surveys are being made only in those towns where a siren and whistle are sounded simultaneously at or before noon each week day. To date, there have been twenty-two such towns located. These towns are located in the St. Paul Office territory in Southern Wisconsin and the telephone calls are likewise to be made in fifteen counties north of the first eleven called. Special Agents Gross, Hurley, and Noonan, are making investigations in the various towns designated. As a matter of record, it is believed that this plan of using the telephone, although more

expensive, is more productive of results and leads toward the obtaining of more direct and specific information than the method of correspondence heretofore adopted.

Information had been received prior to my departure from St. Paul that PEARL ELLIOTT, one of DILLINGER'S contacts, was in Madison, using the name of MARGARET WILLIAMS. Sheriff Finn, at Madison, advised that he had been trying to get something on MARGARET WILLIAMS for the past two years. He has sent undercover men into her residence on the outskirts of Madison at the end of a blind street but had been unable to obtain any results through such efforts. Information was also received that this woman, MARGARET WILLIAMS, believed to be PEARL ELLIOTT, had a place which would afford a suitable hideout at Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. Discreet inquiries disclosed that the chief of police at Beaver Dam would probably not be interested in interfering with her activities. This was verified by an invitation given the chief to accompany us on a raid and he refused to do so after the house had been looked over. Agents Gross and Hurley, Sheriff Finn, and myself raided the house in Beaver Dam and discovered it to be a house of prostitution. Fingerprints were taken of the inmates and investigation was made of the premises without any evidence of value on the DILLINGER or BREMER cases. Inmates of the house were shown a photograph of PEARL ELLIOTT on the Chicago Police Circular and all of them were firm in their statements that MARGARET WILLIAMS, although equally as ugly, was not identical with PEARL ELLIOTT.

It was then decided to make sure on this point so MARGARET WILLIAMS' house was raided by the same parties in Madison and there, too, it was found to be a house of prostitution and Sheriff Finn threw the three girls, practicing prostitution in this house, in the county jail and made an arrest of the man in charge of the house for whom he already had a warrant. MARGARET WILLIAMS was not there but has, since, made overtures to contact agents of the Division outside of Dane County, where Sheriff Finn would not have jurisdiction, in order to prove that she is not identical with PEARL ELLIOTT. The inmates of the Beaver Dam houses of prostitution stated that MARGARET WILLIAMS had been aware for some time that she was suspected of being an associate of DILLINGER and this caused her considerable concern because, although she was not guilty, it was feared that the Federal agents might interfere with her operations locally. They did.

Concerning the Ford automobile which was left near Portage, Wisconsin, by "BABY FACE" NELSON and his wife while they, together with CARROLL and JEAN CROMPTON were proceeding to Little Bohemia, United States Attorney Ryan, at Madison, advised that, in view of the fact that HELEN GILLIS had left and violated her probation, a bench warrant has been is-

for her arrest, and in view of the further fact that the automobile had been registered under a fictitious name in St. Paul, Minnesota, he felt that there would be no likelihood of the GILLISSES either directly or indirectly, or through their attorneys, ever being able to obtain possession of this car and he would gladly resist vigorously all efforts in this direction. He advised that he felt that it would be safe to make the necessary repairs to this car so that it could be used for the Government. This information was furnished Special Agent in Charge Ladd who will communicate with the Division, giving an estimate as to the amount of repairs necessary and requesting authorization to make the necessary expenditures.

Very truly yours,

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M.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

In connection with the phone call from Mr. Clegg to you today, wherein he stated that he was in receipt of a letter from one Ed Williams, Little Rock, Arkansas, indicating that a former prosecutor of Arkansas is now serving a sentence in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, having been convicted on a charge of harboring kidnapers, please be advised that I have no personal recollection of a former County Attorney in Arkansas who is serving a sentence under the above circumstances. There is, however, a memorandum in the Kanmo case, submitted by Special Agent L. M. Chipman, dated September 16, 1933 at Little Rock, Arkansas, wherein he states that an informant [redacted] advised him that a former prosecuting Attorney, whose name he believes to be Fred Green, is an associate of Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd. There is nothing in the memorandum to indicate that Green has been prosecuted and I caused the files of the Identification Unit to be checked under this name, as well as the index of the Division. An examination was also made of the list of gangsters submitted by the Oklahoma City Office, without locating the name of any individual who may be serving a sentence under the circumstances above related. I requested Mr. Coffey to examine the personal appearance sheets submitted by the Oklahoma City Office and he furnished me with the following names of known kidnapers who have an Oklahoma State Penitentiary record:

- W. A. McClatchey, #20207
- R. G. Williams, #27364
- Troy White, #26740
- Eddie Clanton, #17669

The above names were checked with the Division index without success, these individuals apparently being subjects of State kidnaping cases.

Incidentally, Langford P. Ramsey is an attorney who was prosecuted and received a sentence of two years and six months in [redacted]

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connection with his harboring George "Machine Gun" Kelly.  
The file does not show where Ramsey is serving his sentence  
but it is presumed that he was sentenced to the Leavenworth  
Penitentiary.

Respectfully,

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



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY

During telephonic conversation this morning, Mr. Clegg stated he had in his possession a letter which had just been received by Edward Bremer from one Ed Williams, Fort Smith, Arkansas, stating that there is a prisoner serving time in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, for harboring a gang of kidnapers, who was formerly a county official. It was stated in this letter that this prisoner has information as to how to locate the kidnapers of Bremer. Mr. Clegg stated he had just called the Oklahoma City Office on this matter, but that he thought possibly the files here might indicate what county official in Arkansas had been sentenced for harboring this particular gang. He suggested that if information in this regard is found here, it might be well to transmit it to the Oklahoma City Office for its information.

Will you please take care of this matter.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*

Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
190 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: **VERNON C. MILLER** with aliases, deceased;  
**RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS** with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1201; **CHARLES ARTHUR**  
**FLOYD** with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.  
#1194; et al Conspiracy to Deliver Fed-  
eral Prisoner  
and  
**ALVIN KARPIS** with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
**ARTHUR R. BARKER** with aliases, I.O. #1219;  
**EDWARD GEORGE BREMER** - Victim;  
Kidnaping

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 16, 1934, concerning Cadillac Sedan, Motor #1001172. From inquiry made of W. A. Moore, Auditor of the Automobile License Division, State Revenue Department, it was ascertained that the aforementioned automobile has not been registered in the state of Arkansas during the year of 1934.

Very truly yours

E. E. CONROY  
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE 8-22-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/1 to 6/34	REPORT MADE BY: D.L. Nicholson												
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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. E. Brennan at Abbotsford and Nekoosa, Wisconsin:

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ABBOTSFORD, WISCONSIN:

Interview was had with MR. E. T. KETCHAM, Postmaster, who stated that a siren sounded at the Whitehouse Milk Company each day around noon, but no whistle is blown in Abbotsford; that there are but two trains daily on the Soo Line, 4:00 A.M. and 10:26 A.M.; but no gas or electric cars are run on this railroad. The Northland buses passing through Abbotsford are not equipped with air whistles. There is no running water in any of the homes in Abbotsford.

MR. M. HILLS of the Whitehouse Milk Company stated that a siren is sounded on the condensery at twelve noon and 1:00 P.M. daily, and such schedule was maintained during the time that victim was held.

WILBUR KUEHNASTA, meter reader for the Northern States Power Company covering this territory, stated that he knows of no house which would fit the description given by victim. There are three churches, the Lutheran, St. Bernard's Catholic Church, and Presbyterian Church in town, but none of them ring a bell on Saturday.

Photographs of suspects were shown at the Bell Mercantile Company, William Bogar Bakery, Fleischman Market, and at the Texaco, Diamond, and Pure Oil Company filling stations, without their having been identified.

NEKOOSA, WISCONSIN.

MR. J. E. BRAZEAU, Postmaster, stated that the only time the stationary siren is sounded at Nekoosa is on the first Monday of each month at

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6:00 P.M., calling for a meeting of the volunteer fire department, or in case of fire; that a whistle may be heard from the paper mill at 7:00 A.M., 12 noon, and 4:00 P.M.; that there are two trains on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul at 5:30 A.M. and 5:37 P.M., and at 4:00 P.M. on the Soo and Northwestern to Wisconsin Rapids, but that there are no gas electric cars, and no buses running through Nekoosa.

ALBY STOLEY, IRVING HINKLE, water meter readers, and LESLIE THESTAD, meter reader for the Northern Electric Power Company, stated that they knew of no house which would in any way fit the description as given by victim.

Photographs of suspects were shown at the Model Bakery, E. Brandt Market, Fehhelm Grocery, and at the Standard Oil, Mobile Gas, City Service, and Dixie filling stations, but none were identified as those of any persons seen at Nekoosa.

During the course of this inquiry it was ascertained that there are no church bells heard in Nekoosa on Saturday.

JEB:ACF

The following investigation was made by Special Agent John E. Brennan at Lake Tomahawk, Wisconsin:

This village, population 100, is located about twenty miles north of Rhinelander, Wisconsin, on Highway 47, in a state forest preserve. Mr. R.H. Worth, postmaster, and proprietor of the general store, stated that he is personally acquainted with all of the inhabitants and that the conditions described by the victim do not apply here. There is no fire department and no stationary siren to be heard. There are no factories, but the state tuberculosis camp nearby has a steam whistle which is blown at 5:30 A.M., 7:00 A.M., 11:30 A.M., 12:00 M., and 11:00 P.M. daily. There are no church bells in the community and none can be heard from any other point. The Chicago and Northwestern Railroad operates trains arriving at 5:30 A.M., 9:24 A.M., 2:56 P.M., and 8:44 P.M., daily, except Sunday. None of the dwellings have running water. Photographs were exhibited at the Thunder Lake Lumber Company, Texaco and Standard Oil Filling Stations, and general store above referred to, without identification.

JEB:TC

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R.T. Noonan under dates of June 11, 14, 15, 16, and 18, 1934:

JOE KELLY, postmaster, and FRANK WALSH, chief of police, advised that the siren in this town blows or sounds only in case of fire and at no other time except occasionally in the summer time at 7:00 P.M., when fire practice is held, this on Monday nights. This siren is operated from the telephone operator's office. From Mr. Kelly and various other parties it was learned that the Carnation Milk Company in Richland Center has a whistle which blows at 6:55 and 7:00 A.M., in the summer, and at 7:55 and 8:00 A.M., in the wintertime, and in the afternoon at 4:00 P.M., only, this being just short blasts. The city electric plant has a whistle which sounds at 9:00 P.M., each night, the evening curfew, and also in case of fire. Mr. Kelly and others advised that the Catholic Church bell rings daily at 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and 6:00 P.M., and that there are six other churches in the city with bells, but none of them are rung on Saturday only during the week. All can be heard on Sunday with about the same degree of sound. There are many planes that pass over at irregular hours. Formerly a mail plane made a regular trip over the town but does not do so any more and has not for some time. Richland Center is located on a branch of the Lake Superior Railroad and the only trains are as follows: Out at 10:00 A.M., at noon; out at 2:00 P.M., and back at 5:00 P.M., these being mixed freight trains, the branch line being from Richland Center to Lone Rock, Wisconsin. Richland Center has a population of 3700 people. It is located on

U.S. Highway 14 and also on State Highway 80.

ROBERT STRANG, fire chief and superintendent of the city Light and Power Plant, advised that his records show that there were three fires in this town on January 28, 1934, one at 10:00 A.M.; one at 11:30 A.M.; and one at 12:30 P.M., and the fire siren sounded several times for each fire. In addition to the regular fire siren the whistle at the city electric plant, which is a steam whistle, can be operated with a slide so that it has a siren effect in case of fire. This whistle is blown regularly at 9:00 P.M. and is considered the evening curfew. Mr. Strang also advised that there is a box factory which blows a small whistle at 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., but has only been operating for about six weeks. Mr. Strang advised that he has been associated with the city light company for about twenty years and that he formerly read meters and has installed and repaired hundreds of them and has been in most of the houses in Richland Center. None, however, answer completely the description of the hideout house. Upon later interview Mr. Strang advised that he had driven all over the town after first conferring with agent to see if any house that he was not acquainted with might answer the description but was unable to find any.

Dale Johnson, present meter reader, advised that he did not know any house that would answer the description, but advised that he would not be certain as there were about one thousand houses in this town and the companies records show fourteen hundred meters.

LOU TAINTOR, the man who reads the water meters, advised that he could not recall a house that would closely fit the description of the one sought but advised that Judge Fogle's house, this man being a former police justice and about seventy-five years of age, had a furnished basement but there was no bedroom or bathroom in this basement. This place was closely inspected from the outside and it is a small house which sets up on a terrace from the street making it necessary to go up about ten steps to reach the level of the house and then the basement is entered only after one first enters the house. Judge Fogle, his wife and two grown daughters reside in this house and there are no children around and no dogs. Mr. Taintor and others previously interviewed advised that on Court Street in this town there are some houses where it is necessary to go down some steps first before entering, at least on the lower floor. Only one house seemed to answer the description at all, this being rented by one, ART BERRY, who operates a restaurant and is a questionable character. He lives in the upstairs of this house which is about level with the street. Agent accompanied Mr. Taintor under the pretext of ~~checking~~ the water meter in this house. It

stands about ten feet off the street. The curb of the street ends just before this house is approached and one can go direct on a level to the front porch without taking any steps up. To the east side and starting from the sidewalk which runs by this house are about eight cement steps leading to a small cement platform in the rear and to a door entering the house on the east side near the south end. These steps are long steps, that is, such that a small stride can be taken on each step before going down the next one. In this house is a small kitchen, about six by eight, and a small living room directly north of the kitchen, the living room being about the same size as the kitchen. Both these rooms are papered but not with the pattern of the hideout. A door leading to the north out of the living room, that is, toward the street, leads into an unfinished part of the basement, with rafters protruding, also containing a furnace, coal bin and wooden stairway leading upstairs. There is no bedroom and no bathroom in this basement. The house next door was observed and it has only one large room furnished in the basement and there is no entrance to this basement by steps from the outside. These houses are on Court Street, are next to each other, and are referred to as the Lincoln houses.

MYRON EWERS and ED JACKETT, garbage haulers, both advised that they knew of no house in the town that might fit the description of the one sought except the above houses on Court Street.

CHARLES KRASKY and HERMAN DEITELHOFF, two of the men who were employed by the C.W.A. measuring houses for reassessment purposes, could recall no such house. They knew of some that could be entered by going down steps but the steps led into unfurnished basements and were the ordinary cellarways.

ED JAMES, furniture dealer, and who sells most of the wallpaper in this town, never handled the design in question but has had some very similar. WILLIAM PAINT of Burhams Drug Store, Pratt Brothers Hardware Dealers, also advised likewise they also being dealers in wallpaper.

FRANK HARTMAN, paper hanger, advised that he had handled a design close to this one but not exactly like it. LOU PECKHAM, another paper hanger, never used or saw the pattern.

SID OSTRANDER, paper hanger, advised that he had hung this identical pattern on some house in Richland Center in the past but could not recall what house he had put it on. He distinctly recalls the border and the paper itself. He further advised that at the time he put this on the



people who had it told him they got the paper from Sears Roebuck and Company. With reference to the houses on Court Street, he advised that he had papered these houses in the past but not with the pattern referred to herein. He promised to do his best to remember the house in which he had put this paper. Further search is being made by this agent for the house in question.

OSTRANDER advised that there was a house in Sparta, Wisconsin, which about nine years ago had a furnished basement, all papered, with at least one bed room, and which could be entered by going down five or six steps from the outside. There was at that time no driveway to the side of the house but there was an alleyway. He stated that there is or was also an entrance to the kitchen from the ground floor. At that time, nine years ago, one family lived downstairs and two lived upstairs. It is known as the old Burkum house and at one time FRED KANOBLE lived there. The house is now painted cream, trimmed in white. It has a big double garage in the rear. The house can be reached by going up Water Street north to Dodge and Davis Store, turning right there and across a cement bridge at the city market, and then a left turn and it is the third house north on the left hand side of the street. Search for and examination of this house will be made.

Inquiry was made at the following filling stations without results: Mobilgas, Fred Havelarud, Skelly, Millard Station, Cities Service, Mr. Schneider, Standard, Mr. LaRue, Standard, Don Weiden, Cities Service, another Standard and Mobilgas, and the Mobilgas Station of Mr. Mitchell. Inquiry was made at the Dodge, Plymouth, Buick, and Ford Garages without result. Ray Guthrie of the City Service Company identified VOLNEY DAVIS as having been in his station this spring but could give no other details. At the Chevrolet Garage, Mr. Jones and three mechanics thought KARPIS bore a close resemblance to some one who had stopped there recently but the details could not be remembered. A bystander advised that the photograph of KARPIS looked exactly like the man who had just started tending bar at Johnie Martin's at the Birchwood Tavern, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. One LEO COLLINS, was located, he being a tavern proprietor and an enemy of MARTIN, and he advised that MARTIN was still at Mount Sterling, Wisconsin, and would be there at least until July 1, 1934, when his beer license runs out and he has been refused a new permit. COLLINS advised that MARTIN would do anything, but he does not know anything of MARTIN'S employees. KARPIS' picture looked familiar to COLLINS but he could not place this suspect.

Various business men who were available during the contacts made herein were interviewed for assistance in this matter but they could give no help nor could they make any identifications.

Agent, in company with the postmaster, meter readers, and alone, covered this town on each street observing the houses outwardly but found none that might be considered as answering the description of the hideout house. Inquiry was also made at some of the tourist camps without obtaining any information of value.

At Potosi, Wisconsin,

MRS. ANDY HYMER, acting postmaster, advised that the siren in this town sounds at 12:00 noon only and at no other time during the day except in case of fire. There is, however, a brewery which blows a whistle numerous times during the day. The hours of the blowing of this whistle were obtained from other parties, these hours being 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and 5:30 P.M., but as this brewery is located one mile down the valley from the town the whistle is seldom heard inside of doors. The main line of the Burlington Railroad runs through the town, Mrs. Hymer advising that most of the fast through trains go by between 12:00 midnight and 4:00 A.M.. From personal observation it was noted that the railroad is about two miles from the center of this small town and from inquiry it was established that trains are seldom heard except, by their whistle, and sometimes not at all, in the center of the town. Potosi has a population of about 450 people and while the town has electric lights there is no water system. Mrs. Hymer advised that there are two churches with bells in the town, the Catholic and the Congregational Church, and that these two bells are rung on Sunday but not on Saturday or at any other time during the week, except occasionally on Sunday afternoon and evening when there is some special service. This postmaster could not think of any house in the town or vicinity that would answer the description of the hideout house.

C.W. SCHROEDER, who had charge of the C.W.A. work recently in measuring houses for reassessment purposes, advised that he personally inspected all the houses in the town and that none would fit the description of the one sought. There are no furnished basements in this town. He also advised that there are very few houses in the town which have one bathroom and none that he knows of that have two. Those that have them, as his own, have a private force system of their own and the water does not have much force. Mr. Schroeder further advised that there have been no houses for rent in this town since the return of beer in April, 1935, and that there have been no strangers who stayed more than a day or two. He advised that at his home which is on the east edge of town he cannot hear the trains on the Burlington Railroad unless the wind is in the west. He advised that there are airplanes which pass over the town occasionally. However, it should be noted that this town is only about fifteen miles from Dubuque, Iowa, by air, and there is a large airport in Dubuque. Potosi is located

in a valley and is a mile off any main highway, the only one close being U.S. 61, which runs about a mile east of the town. Mr. Schroeder advised that he can hear the Catholic Church bell at Tennyson, about two miles away, when the wind is in the east, and that this bell rings at 7:00 A.M.; 12:00 Noon; and 6:00 P.M., each day.

LEO STOHL, proprietor of the Chrysler Garage, and also the party who reads the electric meters in Potosi, advised that he knows every house in this town and that none would fit the description of the hideout house. Mr. Stohl was unable to identify any of the suspects whose pictures were shown to him. With reference to the ringing of the church bells, Mr. Stohl advised that the Catholic Church rings bells at the following hours on Sunday: 9:30; 9:50 A.M.; also 7:30-7:50 A.M., the year around, and the Congregational Church rings its bell at 10:30 A.M., in the winter and 9:30 A.M., in the summer, on Sundays. The bells in Tennyson, Wisconsin, can be heard down town in Potosi only occasionally and then one must be outside, according to Mr. Stohl.

MRS. JAKE AMIS, who hangs most of the paper that is hung on a commercial scale in Potosi, advised that she had never hung any paper of the pattern shown to her, and never saw any similar paper on any room.

J. A. SKATON, business man, advised that he sold about all the paper that was sold locally in Potosi and never handled the type which was shown to him and never hung any of a similar kind, he advising that he occasionally hangs paper.

WALTER DURLEY, proprietor of a clothing and general store, could not recall ever having had any dealings with any of the suspects in this case.

Inquiry was made at the White Rose, Koolmotor, and Standard Oil Stations, the only ones in town, and also at the other garage, the Chevrolet Garage, without securing any information concerning the suspects in this case, after displaying photographs.

Agent personally covered the town without finding any house that appeared to answer the description of the hideout house.

At McFarland, Wisconsin.

T. B. Ottum, postmaster, advised that there is no fire siren in this town, but that there is only a bell. There is a siren on the fire truck but this is not used except in case of fire and the using of the truck. The bell is operated from the office of the telephone operator, which was later verified, and this bell tolls three strikes at noon, the same at 6:00 P.M.,

and also at 9:00 P.M., the latter being considered the curfew. There is no factory whistle, or whistle of any kind, in this town. McFarland is about eight miles from Madison, has about three hundred people, and is about one half mile from United States Highway #51, and is located on County Trunk Highway M. Mr. Ottum advised that there are numerous trains through the town as it is situated on the Milwaukee Railroad line that runs through Northern Wisconsin, through Northern Iowa, to the Black Hills. There are passenger trains at the following hours: Eastbound 5:55 A.M.; 8:42 A.M.; 9:40 A.M.; 5:10 P.M.; Westbound, 8:42 A.M.; 12:02; 6:35, and 9:09 P.M. There are four regular freights, numbers 161, 163, 168, and 164. Mr. Ottum advised however, that there are no church bells which ring on Saturday afternoon; that there are two which can be heard on Sunday morning. He further advised that the town has no waterworks and that bathrooms in the town are very few. He knows of no house that has two bathrooms and knows no house that would in any way fit the description of the hideout house although he has lived practically all his life in McFarland. Mr. Ottum made inquiry of a few parties who came into the postoffice, some of whom own cottages on Lake Waubesa, part of which cottages are within the limits of this town.

TED THOMPSON, local hardware store proprietor, who had charge of the C.W.A. work measuring the houses in this town for reassessment purposes, advised that there was no house in this town which would answer the description of the hideout house.

AUGUST YANKE, telephone exchange operator, and who formerly read the electric meters in this town, could not recall any house that might answer the description of the one sought.

The only paper hanger in the town, JOE McFARLAND, was out of town for the day but due to the other circumstances it does not appear that he can offer any information. Of the parties interviewed none could make any identification of the pictures shown to them. Filling station proprietors, likewise, could offer no information of value. Postmaster Ottum, as a point of information, is suspicious of a letter he has mailed June 7, 1934, at Shell Lake, Wis., for "Mr. Earl Hamilton", McFarland, Wis., who is unknown and who has not called for the letter.

At Verona, Wisconsin.

J.F. Matts, postmaster, advised that Verona is a town of about 450 people, is ten miles from Madison, Wisconsin, has a siren which sounds at 12:00 noon and 6:00 P.M., each day, not sounding at any time in the morning except in case of fire. There is only one railroad, a branch line of the Chicago and Northwestern, which has a passenger train at 8:10 A.M. and

3:40 P.M., and a freight at about 10:00 A.M., and 3:00 or 4:00 P.M., none of which stop long or do any large amount of switching in this town. There are two churches which ring bells on Sunday and there are two school bells on week days. The Lutheran Church bell rings every other Saturday at about 6:00 P.M. It is noted that others later advised that there are three bells in Verona, namely, the Catholic, Lutheran, and Baptist, and that the Lutheran Church rings one the Saturday preceding the Sunday on which services are held, this being every second Sunday. Planes go over the town often but at irregular intervals. Mr. Matts advised that there are no houses that can be entered in the manner described for the hideout house. He also advised that the city water was just put in in Verona in the fall of 1933 and is just being completed and that many places do not have it yet and few, if any, have two bathrooms or toilets.

WERNER TASHER, who had charge of the measurement of houses for reassessment purposes recently advised that he had been in every house in Verona and that none of them have furnished basements or entrances to furnished floors as described by Victim Bremer. Mr. Tasher was assessor in this little town for many years also.

W.R. HINRICHES, proprietor of the general store, advised that he also sells wallpaper and hangs much of the paper also; that he never saw or handled any paper of the pattern displayed to him. Mr. Hinrichs advised that he read the meters for years in Verona and has been in every house and that none answer the description of the hideout house. Casper Kahn of Belleville, Wisconsin, now reads the meters in Verona.

MRS. JOHN SCHEITLER and CLARA MAURER, telephone operators advised that they sound the siren in this town from their office at 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P.M., and not in the morning. They could offer no other information.

H.C. GENTZ, paper hanger, advised that he now hangs most of the paper in Verona that is done on a commercial scale and that he does not recall ever having handled the pattern displayed to him. He is also acquainted with the entrances to each house in Verona and advised that none would answer the description of the house sought.

Inquiry was made at the Batker Brothers Garage, the Chevrolet Garage, and the Barnsdall, Standard, and Johnson Brothers Stations; R.P. Burgenske of the latter station was certain that DAVIS had been in this station about two weeks ago with some other party in a coupe, but other than that he could offer no information.

Inquiry at Verona developed that the County Poor Farm and Asylum is located less than a mile out of town and that the whistle there is blown at the following hours, each sound being only a short blast; 5:00 A.M. (two blasts); 5:45 A.M., 6:00 A.M., 11:45 AM, 12:00 Noon, 5:45 P.M., 6:00 P.M., and 8:00 P.M.,

Agent drove around the town and personally observed each house and found none that appeared to answer in any way the description of the hideout house.

At Soldiers' Grove, Wisconsin,

DONALD C. McDOWELL, postmaster, advised that the siren in Soldiers' Grove is sounded daily except Sundays, at the hours of 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and 6:00 P.M.. There is also a creamery whistle which sounds at the same hours although this is a little irregular in that sometimes it is forgotten and does not sound. Agent heard both while in this town and at noon they were sounded about the same time, the creamery whistle continuing a short time after the siren. This is on a branch line of the Milwaukee Railroad, which runs from LaFarge to Wazeka, a train going down at 9:20 A.M., and back about 4:00 P.M., these hours being irregular as this is a mixed train handling freight. There are three church bells in town and they all ring on Sunday but not on Saturday as a regular custom and only when there is something unusual going on. There are three Lutheran Churches about four miles out of town and located only a mile apart but their bells are not often heard in this town. Airplanes pass over the town at irregular intervals. The town has a population of 710 people, and is located on U.S. Highway #61. No house in the city would answer the description of the one sought according to Mr. McDowell.

S.M. BERGH, who had charge of the recent measuring of houses for reassessment purposes felt certain that no house in this town would answer the description of the one sought. He stated that he has lived here for forty years and has helped to build a good share of the houses and has been in each personally and knows most all of them.

JAP NEWTON, electric meter reader also felt certain that no house in the town would answer the description of the one sought. None of the men interviewed knew of any furnished basement or any floor that could be entered as Victim Bremer described. Mr. Newton advised that this was true also of Gays Mills, Seneca, and Eastman, all in Wisconsin, and nearby in which towns he also reads the meters.

BRANT HILL, water meter reader and city marshal, advised the same as Mr. Newton, stating that he knew every house in the town and none would answer the description.

PETER FOSS, paperhanger who does most of this work in this town, advised that he had never handled the pattern shown to him. Mr. Myra of the Myra Drug Store, who handles and is familiar with the various types of paper around the town, also advised that he did not think any of this paper would be found in Soldiers' Grove.

Inquiry was made at the Ford, Chevrolet, and Farmer Garages without obtaining any identification with the pictures which were displayed. Similar inquiry was made at the Mobilgas, Pure Oil, and two Standard Stations, inquiry being made at all the stations in town. CHRIS HALVERSON and his son at the Cities Service Station were positive that they had seen DAVIS in this station recently and also thought that they had seen FRED BARKER but could place no time or other circumstance with the appearance of these men. One of the Standard Stations has the only cabin camp of the town in connection with it and photographs were displayed at the station to the attendants thereof without obtaining any information of value. Agent covered all the streets in town, inspecting the houses, front and rear, without noting any that would answer the description of the hideout house.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent  
T. J. Dodd:

On May 30, 1934, MR. J. FEENEY, Postmaster at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, was interviewed. MR. FEENEY was shown photographs of suspects in this case and failed to identify any of them as persons he had seen in the Post Office at Prairie du Chien. MR. FEENEY showed the photographs to the various clerks employed in the Post Office, who were also unable to identify them. All the known aliases of the suspects were given to MR. FEENEY and he found that no such names were on record in the Post Office as having received mail in the General Window or any particular address.

At the offices of the electric light and power company located in Prairie du Chien, the writer interviewed MR. LECHNER, who is the sole meter reader for that company. He selected the pictures of WILLIAM WEAVER and C. D. HARRIS as individuals whom he believes he has seen in the vicinity of Prairie du Chien. He was unable to amplify his statements, however, nor could he place the time or the date on which he believes he saw these individuals.

In discussing the description of the hideout with LECHNER, he advised that to his knowledge, there is only one house in that vicinity that would answer the description of the house used as a hideout and that is the house occupied by MR. ZEIL located at 111 North Main Street, Prairie du Chien.

Accordingly, agent visited the premises under the pretext of a fire insurance salesman seeking to insure the premises against fire loss. He observed that in some respects, the house did answer the description. However, it is a one-family house with electrical facilities only in the upper portion; furthermore, the basement walls were plastered and the general layout of the basement was not at all similar to the place described by Victim BREMER. Further investigation revealed that MR. ZEIL is a man who has lived the greater part of his life in Prairie du Chien, works in a factory near at hand, has a large family, and is known as an industrious and conscientious person.

Former Fire Chief MARR was interviewed and he advised that on January 28, 1934, there was a fire in the town of Prairie du Chien at approximately 3:00 p.m.; he further advised that a stationary fire siren is blown only at 12:00 noon and at no other time and that this practice has been in effect ever since the siren was purchased some years ago.



During the time agent was in Prairie du Chien, he observed that a factory whistle blows at 8:55, 11:55 and at 4:55.

A canvass of the gas stations located in Prairie du Chien reflected that at the Perfect Oil & Gasoline Station, operated by MR. CLEM VOTH, the proprietor picked out the pictures of FRED and DOC BARKER as individuals who had called at this station off and on during the past three months and that they were supposedly driving a new Ford Sedan. MR. VOTH further stated that approximately May 27th at about six or seven o'clock in the evening, this car was at his station and it bore Oklahoma license plates 309A700 and that he believed the same two men were in the car; that they picked up two girls by the name of MESSLING.

Subsequently, agent interviewed the MISSES MESSLING at their home at 203 Fisher Street, Prairie du Chien. They advised that as stated above, they accepted a ride with the strangers, and on being shown photographs of various suspects, both girls selected a picture of VOLNEY DAVIS as the driver of the car. They were unable to identify the other occupant; however, they stated that the two men drove them outside the city limits to the vicinity of the Prairie du Chien Cemetery; that they parked for a while and later returned to the city. They stated that the men gave the name of GEORGE ALLEN of St. Louis and that the man they identified as VOLNEY DAVIS gave the name of BOB HANSON. They both stated they were stock salesmen and that they were on their way to La Crosse, Wisconsin. The girls stated that they had not seen these individuals since and did not expect to see them again.

A check of four other gas stations in the vicinity of Prairie du Chien reflected that the attendants selected the pictures of VOLNEY DAVIS and the BARKERS who they believed had purchased gas from them during the last two or three months.

It was ascertained that the Mississippi River is the nearest water to Prairie du Chien. Agent made frequent trips along the banks of the river in the vicinity of Prairie du Chien for the purpose of observing cabins located there and learned that none of the cabins were equipped with electrical facilities and none of them have basements and practically all of them are occupied by well known citizens of Prairie du Chien.

A check was made of the various grocery stores in Prairie du Chien, with negative results.

It may be noted, however, that a gasoline train passes through Prairie du Chien each afternoon and it blows a horn similar to that described by Victim BREMER.

At the railroad stations in Prairie du Chien, the writer was advised that all trains passing through Prairie du Chien make a stop there, that there is a little switching done in the vicinity of the town, and that the regular passenger trains pass at 2:04 a.m., 2:53 a.m., 1:25 p.m., 4:49 p.m., 1:20 a.m., 3:56 a.m., 12:47 p.m., 10:35 p.m., 11:53 p.m., 4:26 a.m., 1:23 p.m., 2:11 a.m., and that the local gasoline train arrived at Prairie du Chien at 11:12 a.m., 6:00 a.m., and at 6:30 p.m.

At the Henry Kozelka Hardware Store, the writer exhibited samples of wall paper and was advised by the proprietor that he had never seen wall paper of similar design; that at the Prairie City Furniture Company, the writer was similarly advised.

On June 1, 1934, at Iowa City, Iowa, the writer visited the offices of the Iowa City Light & Power Company and there interviewed the man in charge of the meter readers and made arrangements whereby various pictures were exhibited to all meter readers, but they were unable to identify said pictures. At the offices of the water company, the same pictures were also exhibited to the water meter readers, with negative results.

The Fire Marshal of Iowa City advised that in the course of a year, he visits practically all houses in Iowa City. After hearing the description of the hideout, he volunteered to aid the writer in locating said place and accordingly, accompanied this agent to approximately fifteen or twenty houses, all of which proved not to be the place sought for. He further advised that the fire siren is blown only when there is a fire and not at any regular time during the day.

The church bells in Iowa City correspond favorably with the ringing of bells heard by the victim during the time that he was held.

Factory whistles blow at the customary hours of 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 5:00 p.m., each day.

Trains pass through Iowa City frequently during the day and night, and there is very little switching done in the freight yards.

A check of the wall paper stores in Iowa City reflected that they are entirely unfamiliar with the pattern exhibited to them.

A check of the gasoline stations in Iowa City and vicinity failed to produce any identifications of the photographs of the known suspects in this case. The same situation prevailed in relation to small grocery stores in the suburbs.

At the United States Post Office, inquiry was made as to whether or not mail is being received by any of the suspects under their own names or their known aliases, with negative results. Pictures of the known suspects were shown to officials of the Post Office and to the clerks, but no identifications were made.

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PENDING.

1900 BANKERS BUILDING  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

JUNE 23, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O.  
1219; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

This will advise you that this office has now completed calling all of the towns in Wisconsin in this district south of Green Bay. I am transmitting herewith to the St. Paul office and to the Division, a copy of the answers to the questions put to each chief operator or to a prominent official in each of the towns called. The counties covered are as follows:

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| Racine     | Manitowoc   |
| Milwaukee  | Winnebago   |
| Waukesha   | Washington  |
| Kenosha    | Dodge       |
| Walworth   | Ozaukee     |
| Green Lake | Marquette   |
| Sheboygan  | Fond du Lac |
| Waushara   |             |

It is observed that no town has been found fitting the description of the hideout town.

Very truly yours,

S. P. CONLEY

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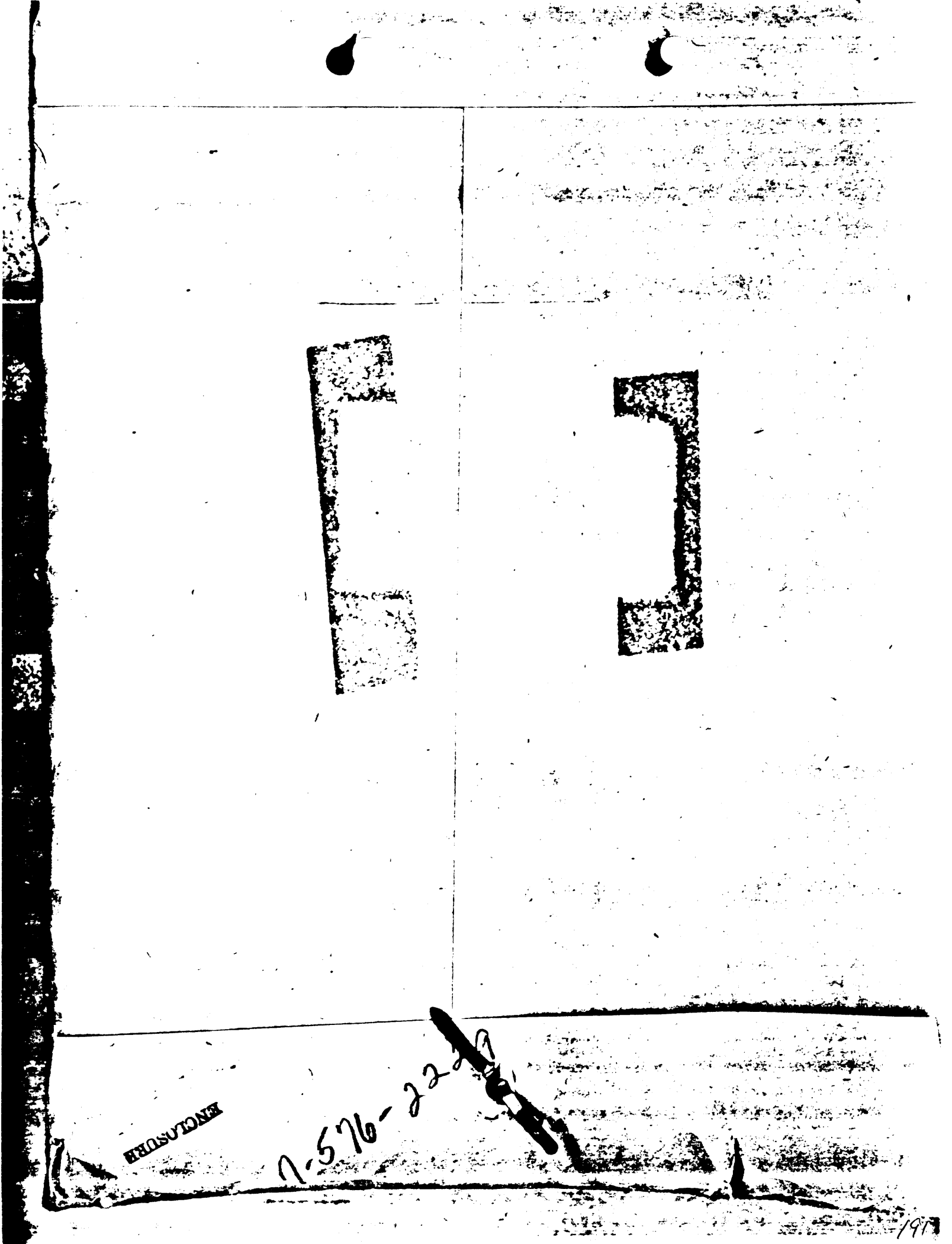
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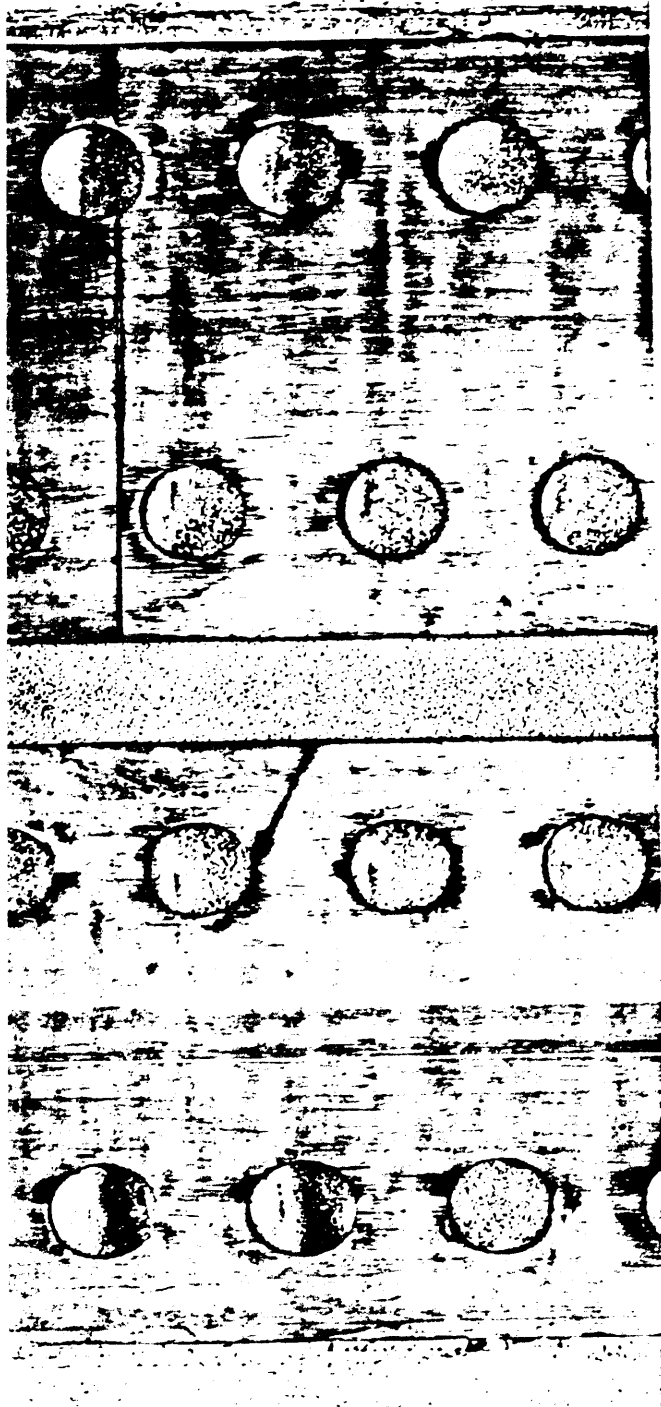
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Woodland 100

- 1 No
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 None
- 5 None
- 6 1-Church - set at 6 pm  
and Sunday am.
- 7 No
- 8 Yes
- 9 No
- 10 No.

Theresa - 437

1 No

2 -

3 -

4 - siren at noon daily

5 None

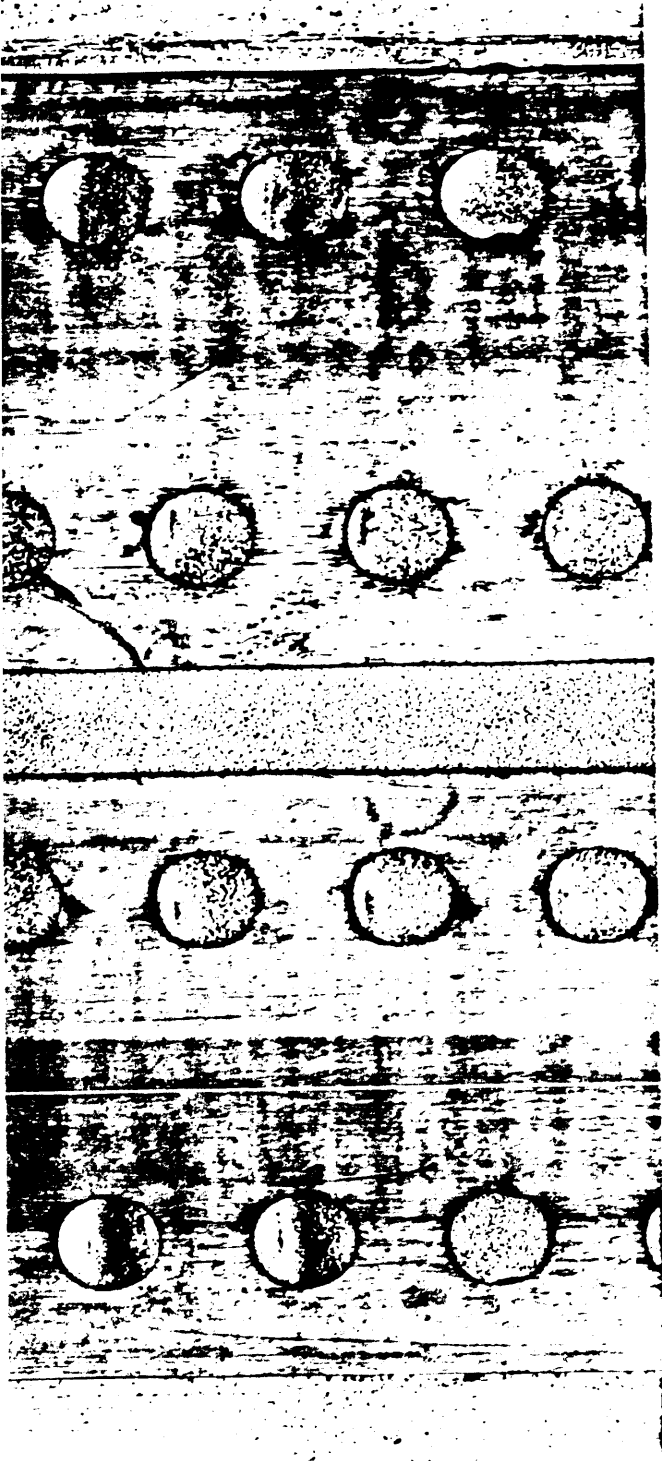
6 { 1 - Church - 6-12-6 daily  
1 - Church - 6 pm on sat  
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7 No railroad

8 yes

9 no

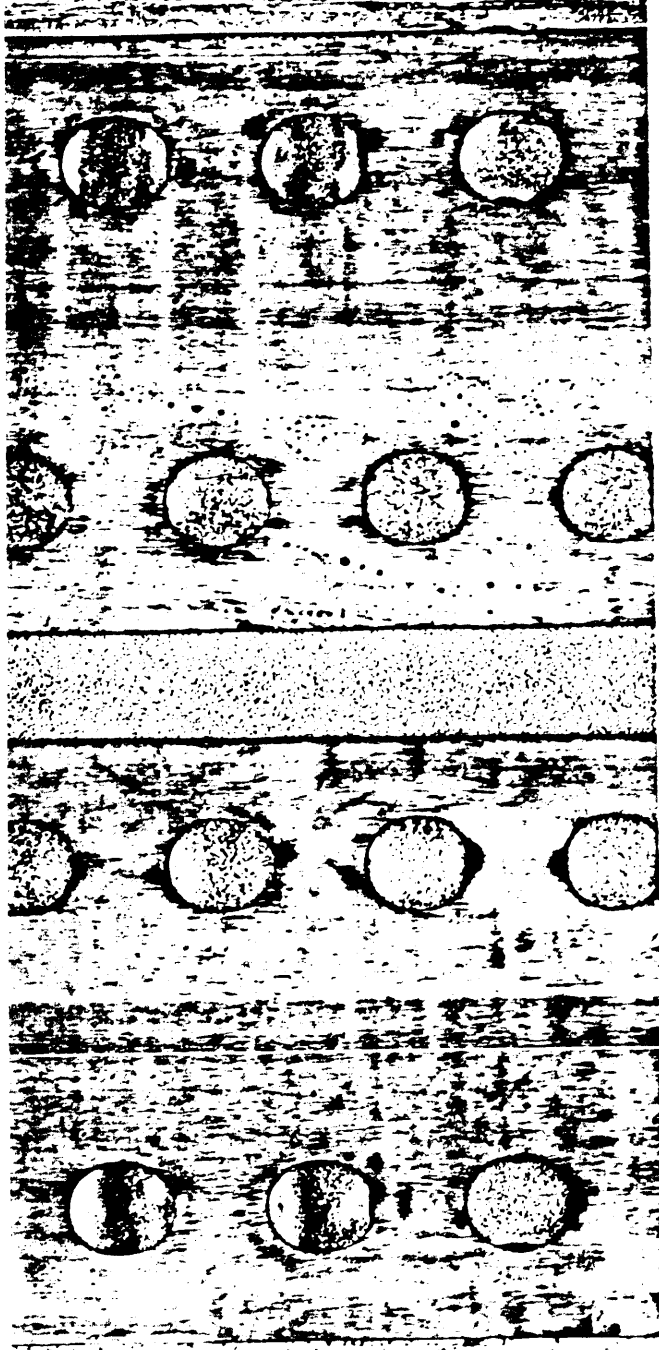
10 Only sanitary



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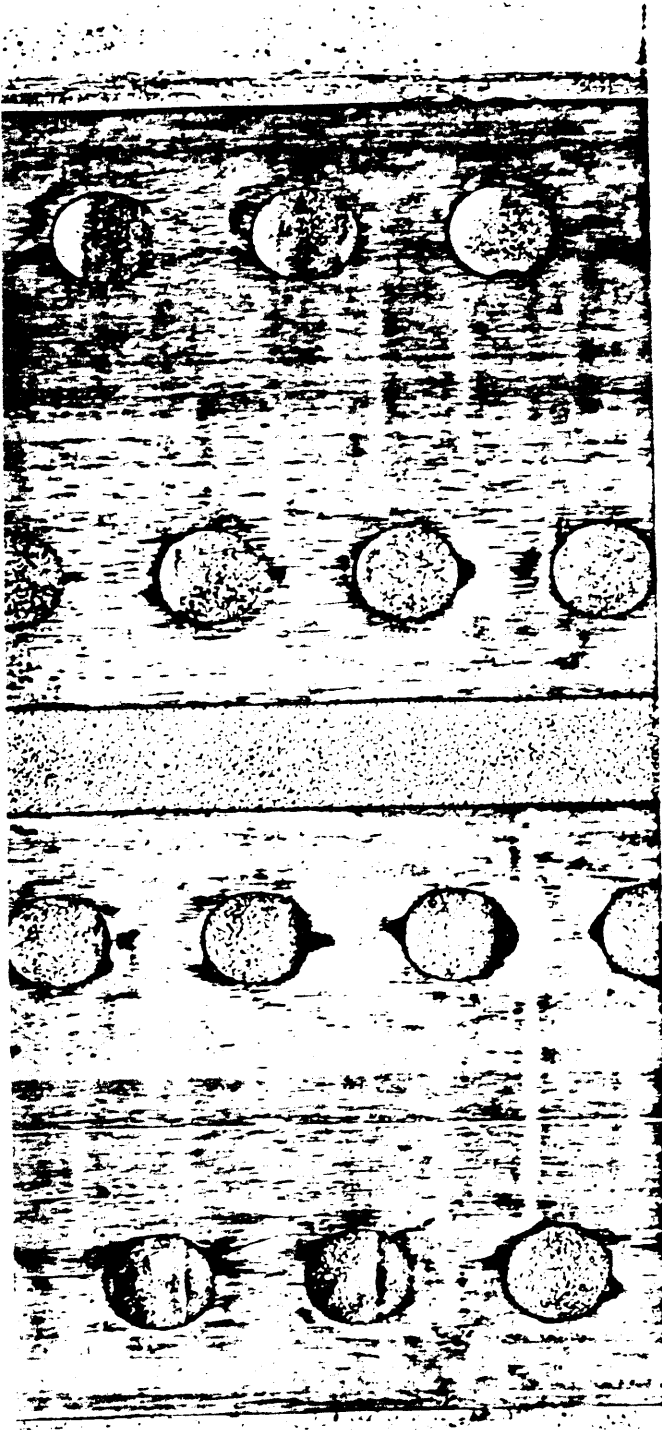
- 1 No
- 2 —
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- 4 None
- 5 None
- 6 1-church 6-12-6-daily
- 7 No
- 8 yes
- 9 No
- 10 No





Rolling Prairie

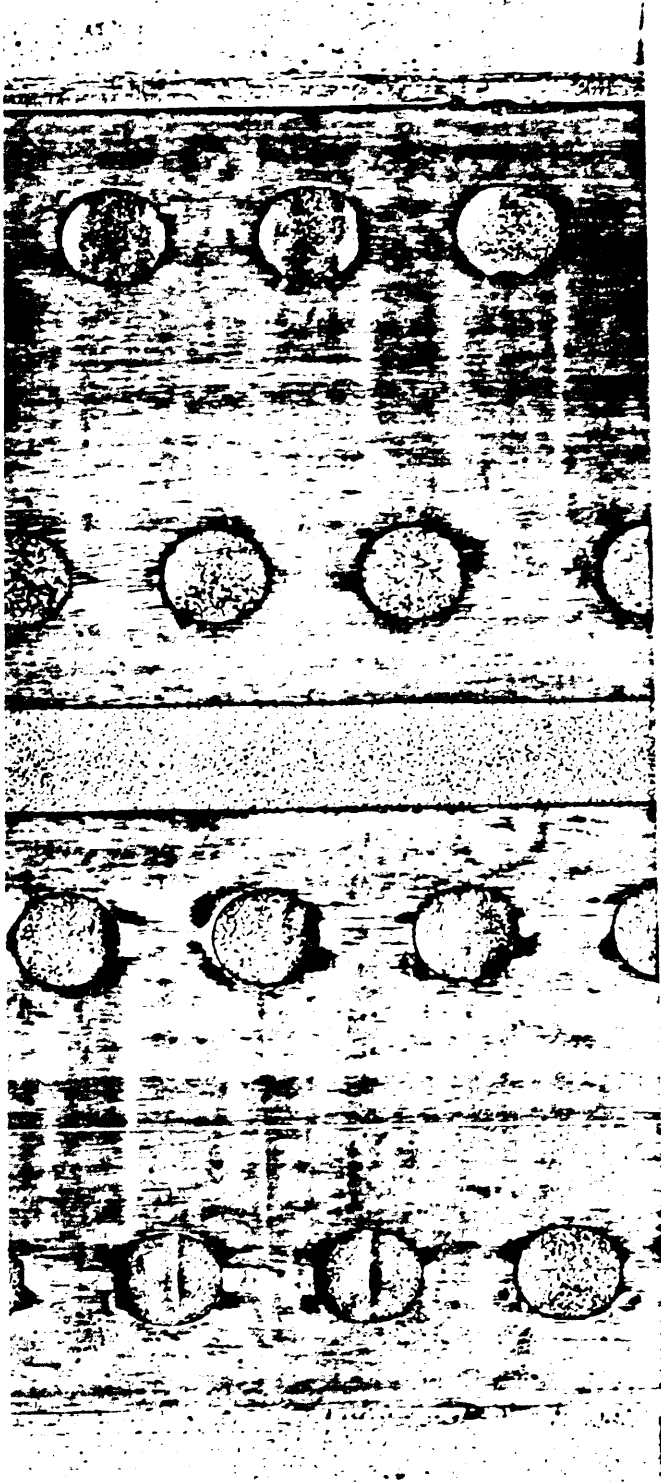
- 1 no
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 none
- 5 none
- 6 none
- 7 no
- 8 yes
- 9 no
- 10 no



Neosho

285

1. Yes
2. Yes
3. Siren and 1 whistle, each sounds at noon on week days
4. None
5. None
6. 1 - church - 6-12-6 daily  
2 churches - 6pm sat + Sunday (am)
7. No railroad
8. Yes
9. No
10. No



Minnesota Junction  
100

1 No

2 -

3 -

4 None

5 None

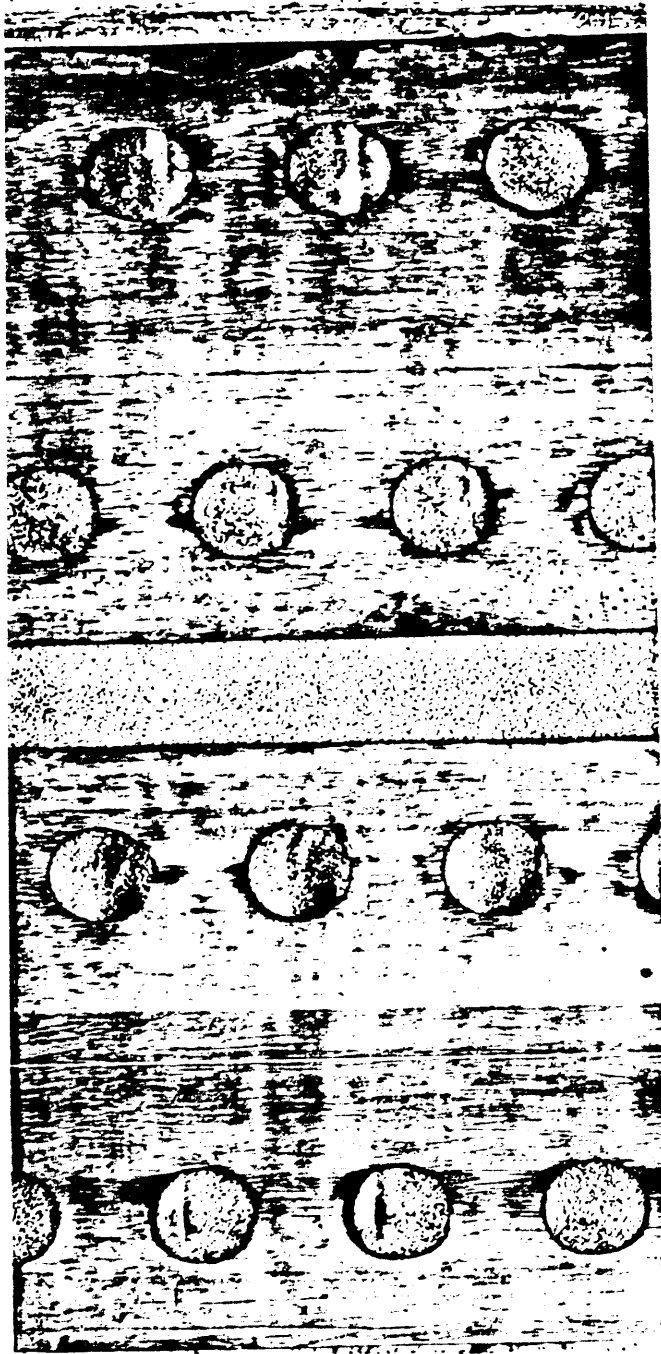
6 No Churches

7 No

8 Yes

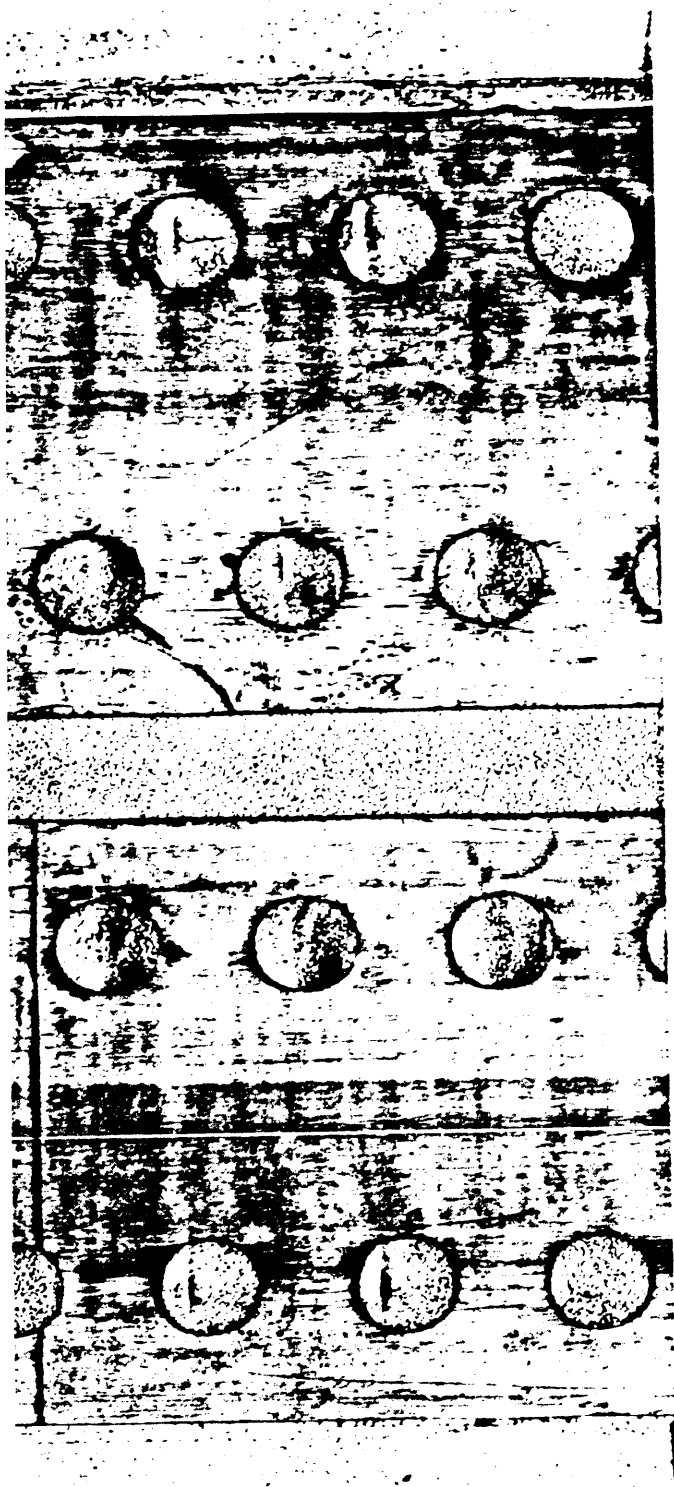
9 No

10 No



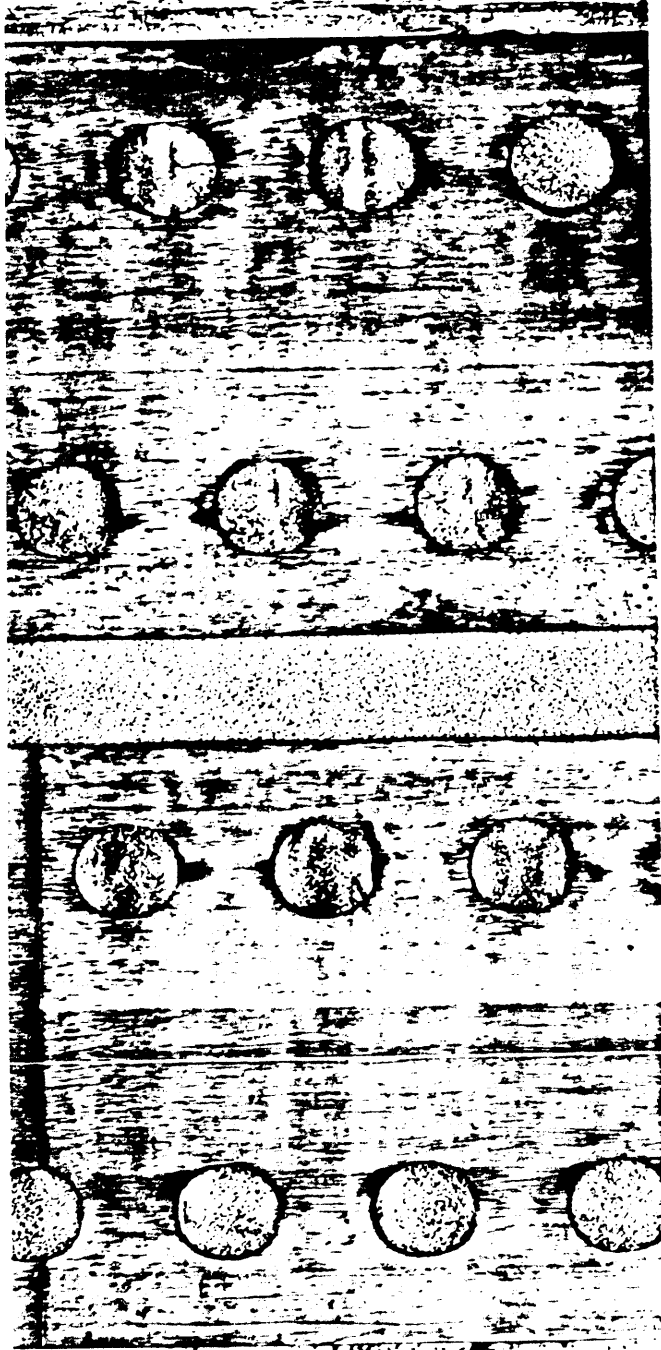
Marshallville 30

- 1 no
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 none
- 5 none
- 6 no
- 7 no
- 8 yls
- 9 no
- 10 no.



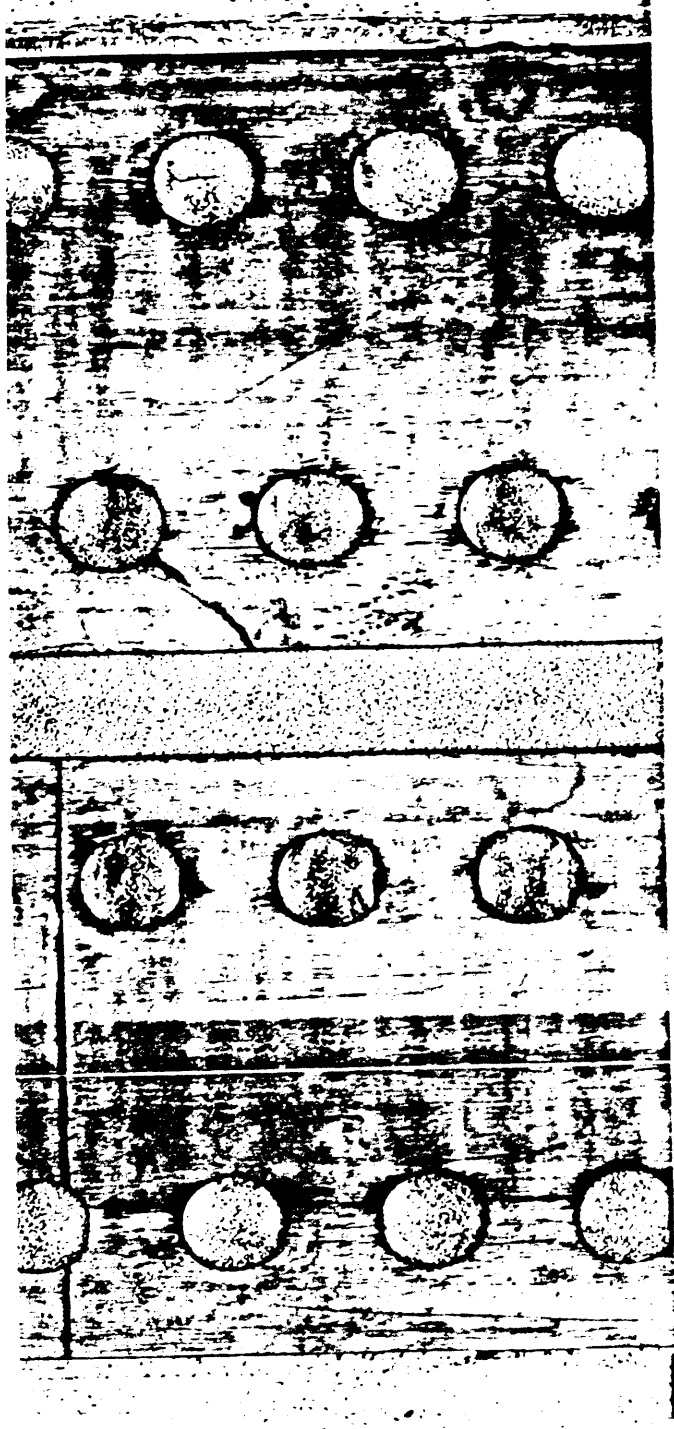
Mayville 2000

- 1 No
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 - Fire siren - at noon week day.
- 5 1 - whistle at 6 am week day.
- 6 { 1 - church - bell at 9-12 - 6 days  
2 churches - bells at 6 pm sat a  
9-10 Sunday.
- 7 No
- 8 yes
- 9 No
- 10 yes



Lomira 600

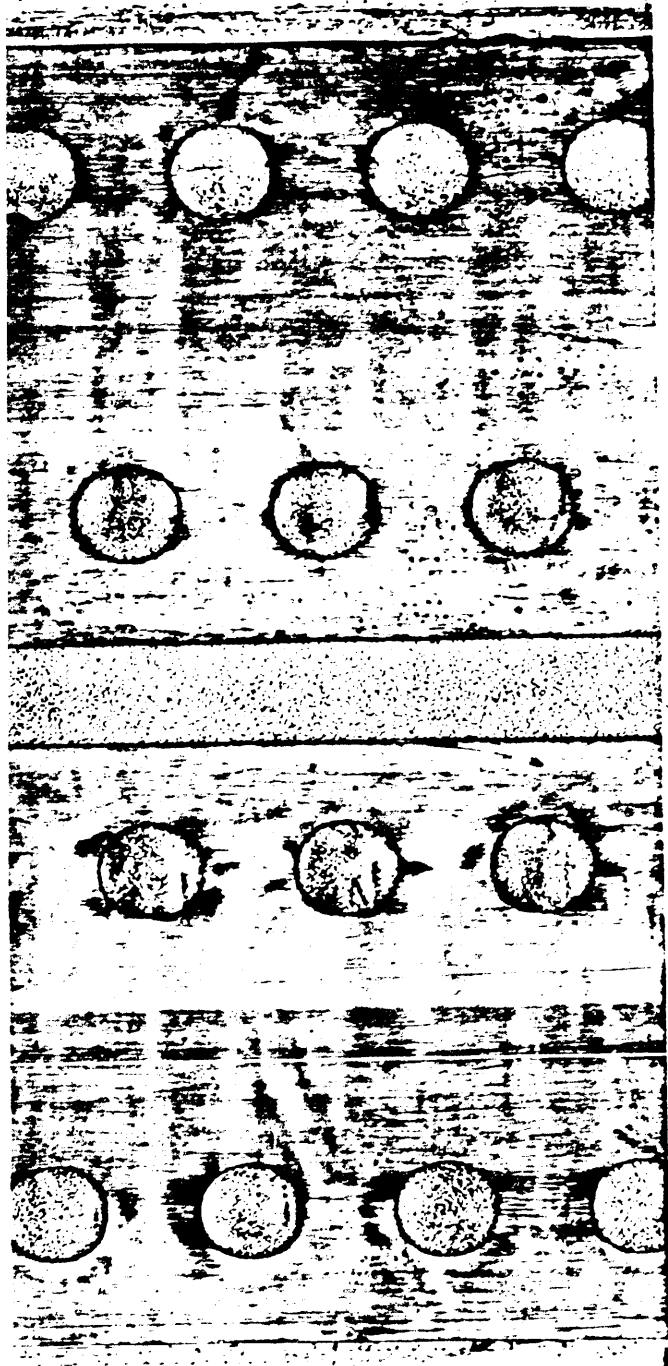
1. Yes
2. Yes
3. 1 whistle at 8am & 12- WK. da  
Fire siren at noon " "
4. None
5. None
6. 2-Churches - bells - 6pm sat and  
Sunday am  
1-Church - bell Sunday am only  
Tower Clock - strikes every  
15 minutes and tells the hour
7. some switching
8. yes
9. no
10. no



Lowell

350

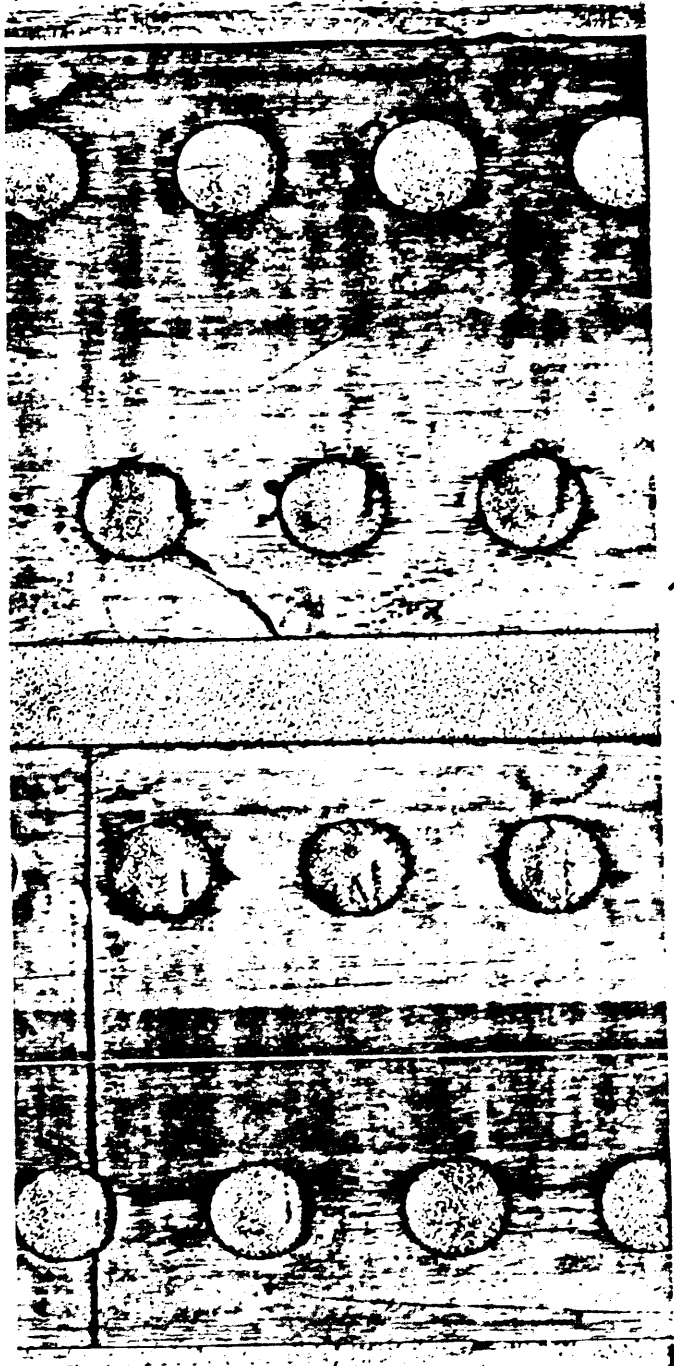
- 1. No
- 2. -
- 3. -
- 4. Fire siren at noon on
- 5. week days
- 6. none
- 7. no
- 8. no railroad
- 9. yes
- 10. no



Lebanon 100

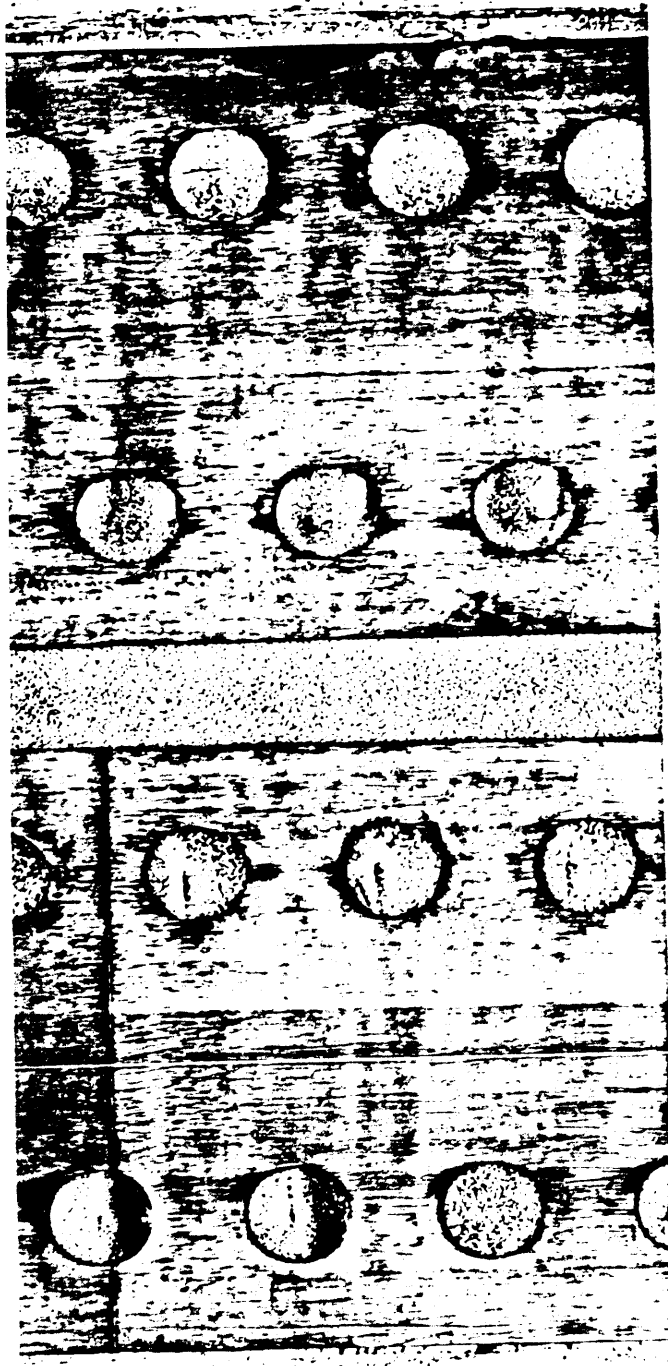
- 1 no
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 for fires only
- 5 no
- 6 1-Church Bell Sat 5<sup>30</sup> pm  
and 9<sup>00</sup> on Sunday only
- 7 no
- 8 yes
- 9 no
- 10 no





Knowles 170

- 1 no
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 none
- 5 1 whistle blown at noon on week days
- 6 no
- 7 no
- 8 yes
- 9 no
- 10 no



Juneau 1200

- 1 No
- 2 -
- 3 -

4 Fire siren blown noon  
EU week days

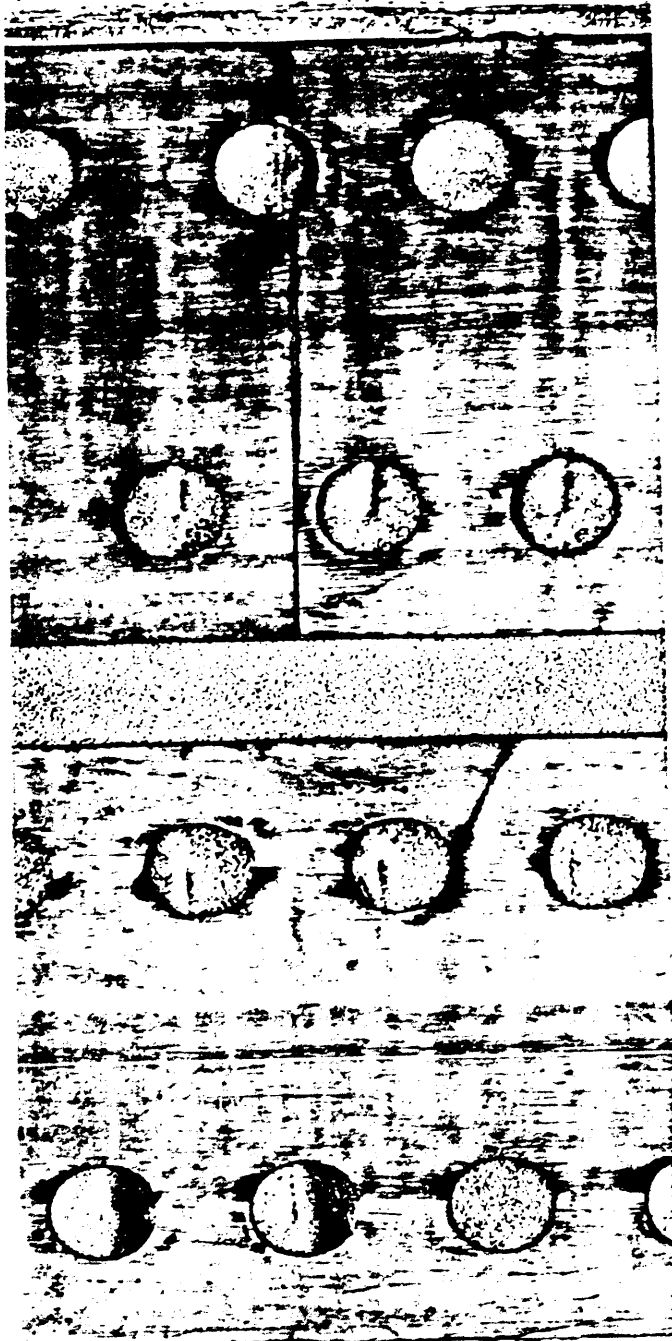
5 No

6 } 1 - Church 6 - 12 - 6 pm daily  
7 } 3 - " bells at 9 - 10 - 11 - 12  
on Sunday

8 Yes

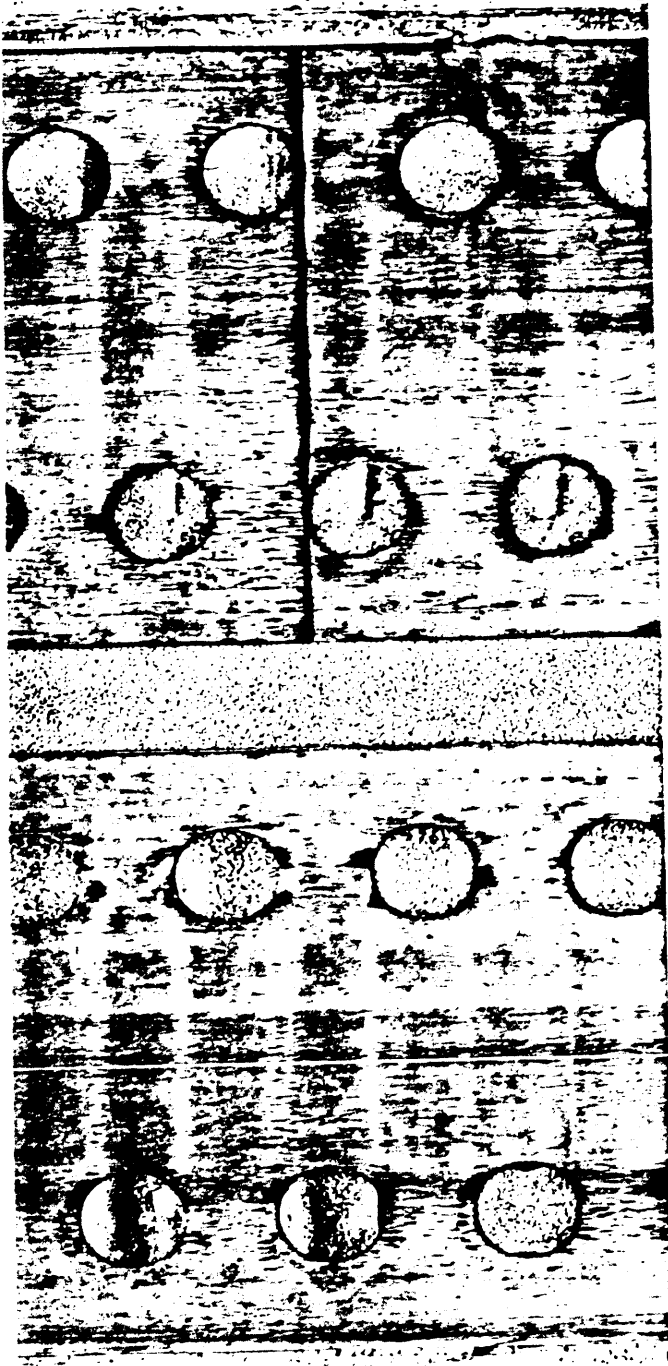
9 No

10 Yes



Iron Ridge - 287

- 1 No -
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 Fire siren - at noon on week days
- 5 no
- 6 yes -
- 7 no
- 8 yes
- 9 no
- 10 no



Fox Lake 900

1 No -

2 -

3 -

4 at noon + 6 pm wk. da  
for fire

5 - No.

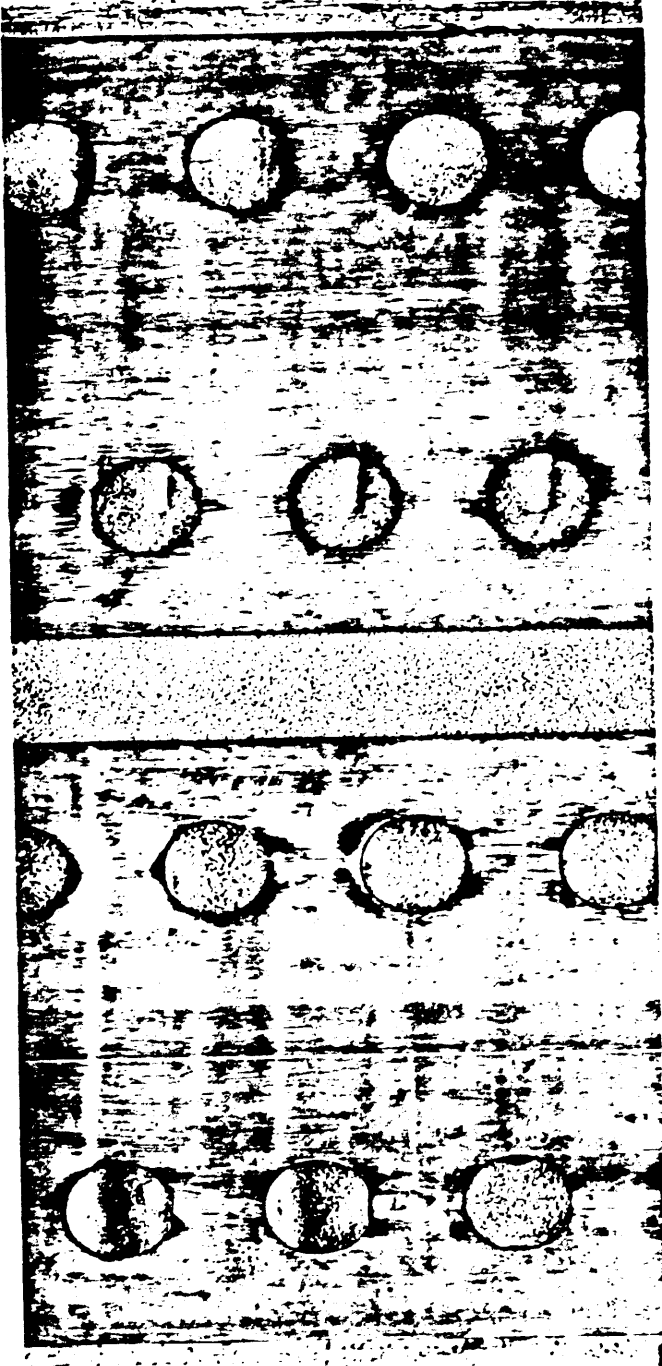
6. No

7. No

8 yes

9 No

10



Hustford 600

- 1 No
- 2 -
- 3 -
- 4 at noon & for fires
- 5 No
- 6 yes
- 7 no railroad
- 8 yes
- 9 No
- 10 No