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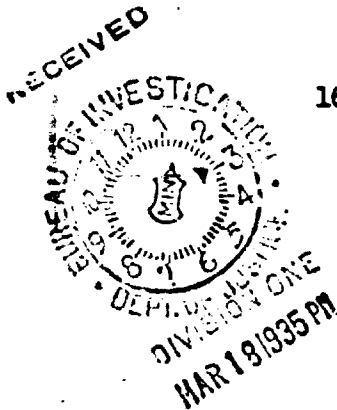
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Kansas City, Missouri  
March 15, 1935



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

Dear Sir:

RE: HARRY C. STANLEY  
MARY STANLEY  
MISCELLANEOUS (Harboring of  
Federal Fugitives)  
KIDNAPING

In accordance with Bureau letter of March 4, 1935, there are attached to each copy of this letter copies of the photographs of the above subjects which were obtained from the Sheriff's office at Fort Scott, Kansas.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*

R. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago  
St. Paul

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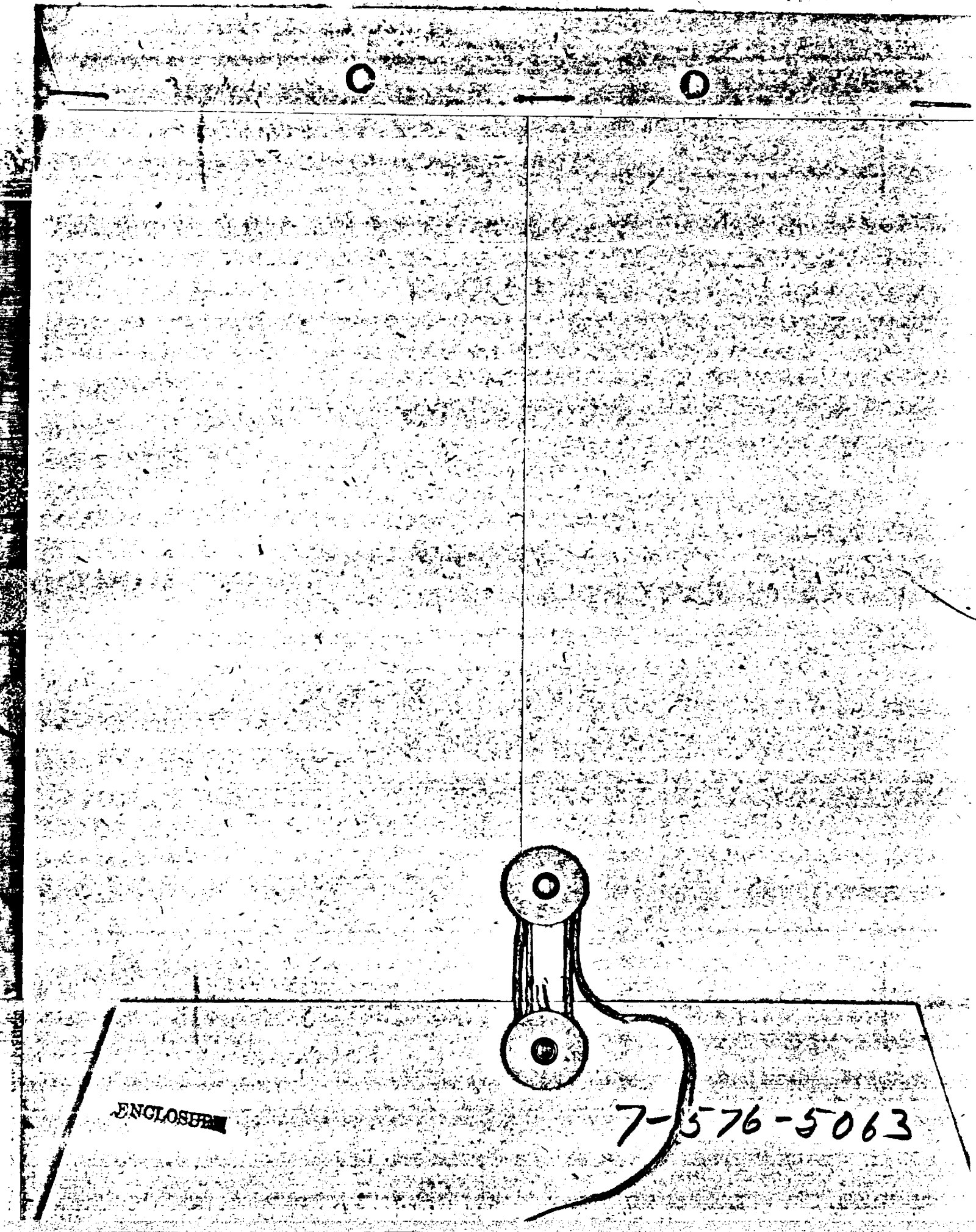
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POST OFFICE BOX 829,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

March 16, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.  
1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.  
1237; WILLIAM E. EVER with aliases, I.O.  
1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases,  
I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases,  
I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON with aliases,  
I.O. 1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

Reference is made to teletype from this office, dated  
3/15/35, concerning the surveillance of Alice Conrad, intimate  
friend of Gladys Sawyer, by Special Agent R. C. Suran who left  
Chicago at 11:00 A.M., 3/15/35, via Great Eastern bus, for  
New York City, arriving there at 11:00 P.M., 3/16/35, where  
Alice Conrad will depart from the bus at 59 West 36th Street.

For the use of the New York office, there are attached  
three photographs each of Harry and Gladys Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

March 16, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:-

This is with reference to your telegram of March 14, 1935, in the case of ALVIN KARPIS; et al - Bremer Kidnaping, advising that Frankie Foster, a well known hoodlum, was reported as presently residing at the Fleetwood Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and requesting discreet inquiry, etc., in an endeavor to locate Harry Sawyer.

In my letter to you of March 14, confirming receipt of your telegram I advised that Special Agent E. F. Fitzsimons at Miami, Florida, had determined that Frankie Foster was not registered at the Fleetwood Hotel, etc.

This will confirm my long distance telephone conversation with you on March 16, 1935, in which I informed that Special Agent Fitzsimons had advised the Jacksonville Office that he has now determined that Frankie Foster is registered at the Fleetwood Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, under the name of Frank Frost. He checked in on January 3rd, 1935, giving his address as New York City. He is accompanied by a woman supposed to be his wife. She is about twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet four inches in height, weighs 135 pounds, rather stout build, dark hair and medium complexion.

Agent Fitzsimons advised that he has not had an opportunity to observe Frank Foster, alias Frank Frost or his alleged wife, however, the Manager positively identified Frank Frost from the picture of Foster.

The Manager stated that Frost appears to be vacationing and leading an easy life, remaining at the Hotel most of the time with his wife.



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To Mr. Connelley  
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Agent Fitzsimons exhibited a photograph of Sawyer to the Manager and other Hotel Attaches but none could identify him as being any person who had called at the Hotel. The Manager stated that Frost had no callers.

Pursuant to your request Agent Fitzsimons has been instructed to closely check the activities of Frost and to learn from his informants and contacts at the Hotel whether Sawyer is contacting Frost.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau ✓  
St. Paul  
New York  
Los Angeles

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3-18- 1935.

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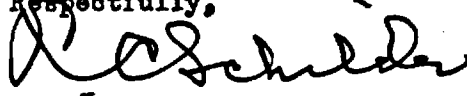
Washington, D. C.

March 22, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith five copies of abstract of criminal record and ten copies of photograph as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Frank Foster, Police Department, Chicago, Illinois, #C-26580.

Respectfully,



L. C. Schilder.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida,

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1212, et al  
Edward G. Bremer, Victim,  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs and criminal record of one Frank Foster, alias Frank Foreman, the full length photograph having been taken by the Chicago Police Department under date of December 2, 1930 and the profile and full face photograph having been taken by the Sheriff's Office, Los Angeles, California, on September 18, 1931. Recent reports received at the Bureau indicate that this individual is an associate of Harry Sawyer and that possibly through him Sawyer can be located.

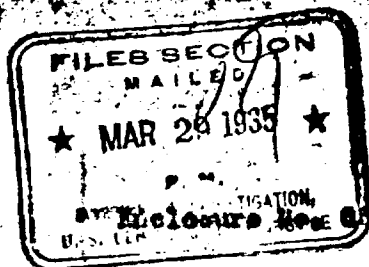
Under date of March 16, 1935, the Jacksonville Office in a letter addressed to Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago, advised that Foster is presently registered at the Fleetwood Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, under the name of Frank Frost.

The enclosures transmitted herewith will be of possible assistance in placing this individual under surveillance should he proceed to some other district.

In order to complete the Bureau's files, it is desired that the dispositions be obtained in the cases where it is not reflected in the abstract of criminal record.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



cc-J. J. CONNELLEY  
ST. PAUL  
LOS ANGELES

San Francisco  
New York

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "L. W. ...".

ALICE CONRAD LEAVING FOR NEW YORK 11-AM TOMORROW VOLUNARILY ADVISED US  
OF HER INTENDED TRIP TODAY AND ALSO EARLIER IN WEEK WHEN ARRIVING IN  
CITY AND TELEPHONING OFFICE. BELIEVE TRIP TO BE FOR CONTACT GENTLEMAN  
FRIEND, HOWEVER, PLAN FOR AGENT SURAN TO COVER HER MOVEMENTS INTO NEW  
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*Edw. J. Bremer*

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*E. J. Bremer*  
*R. Newby*

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minn.

J&K FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT: Jacksonville, Florida	DATE WHEN MADE: March 14, 1935	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: March 12, 1935	REPORT MADE BY: J. P. Lacombe
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1238 HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1238 VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1237 WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239 SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: T. D. Sawyer, driving a 1935 gunmetal gray Packard Sedan, Model 1200, Motor # 286154, Serial # 803800, had same repaired at the Henry Wallin Company, St. Petersburg, Florida, February 2, 1935, for renewal of oil bearing seal. Sawyer and wife stopped at Sorano Hotel, St. Petersburg, Florida, giving address 96 Jason St., Arlington, Mass. License number of instant automobile 1846 Mass. 1935. Hand writing of T. D. Sawyer and physical description are not identical with those of Subject Harry Sawyer.			
REFERENCE: Letter from the Detroit Office dated March 8, 1935.			
DETAILS: AT ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA: Mr. Henry Wallin, president and general manager of the Henry Wallin Company, St. Petersburg, Florida, stated that he would not have come in contact with the T. D. Sawyer who had his Packard automobile repaired at that establishment on February 2, 1935, as reflected from his record, and referred the Agent to I. J. Pickman, Service Manager of the Henry Wallin Company. Mr. Pickman stated that T. D. Sawyer, driving			
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Packard Sedan, Motor # 286154, Serial # 803800, Model 1200, appeared at that garage February 2, 1935, requesting that adjustments be made on the starter, and that the grease retainer be renewed, stating that this grease retainer is technically known as the pinion bearing oil seal. Mr. Pickman further stated that the automobile in question was a gunmetal gray Packard Sedan, and that the mileage on this automobile at the time of the repairs was 3368, and that the automobile was sold to Mr. Sawyer on December 21, 1934.

Pickman stated that T. D. Sawyer was a man of approximately sixty years of age, 5' 8" in height, weighing about 165 pounds, gray hair with some black showing, and that he bore all the marks of being a gentleman, and appeared in no wise suspicious, and that Mr. Sawyer was staying at the Soreno Hotel. Pickman further advised that the pictures of Subject Harry Sawyer, as exhibited to him, did not bear the slightest resemblance to Mr. T. D. Sawyer.

Inquiries were made at the Soreno Hotel and it was ascertained that no one at that point remembered T. D. Sawyer well enough to offer any information of value. However, the Agent was allowed to observe the registration card of this party, and the same reflected that Mr. T. D. Sawyer and wife, of 96 Jason St., Arlington, Mass., were assigned to Room 732 on February 1, 1935, leaving February 15, 1935; that Mr. Sawyer had an automobile which was stored at the North Side Garage located a block away from the Soreno Hotel.

At the North Side Garage, Andrew J. Price, Storage Clerk, stated that he recalled Sawyer and recalled his automobile, and from his records produced information concerning the said automobile, which reflected, in addition to that previously mentioned, that the said car bore License # 1846 Mass. 1935. Mr. Price stated that the pictures of Harry Sawyer, as exhibited to him, in no way resembled Mr. T. D. Sawyer, and the description given by Price tallies in practically every detail with those mentioned by Mr. Pickman of the Henry Wallin Company.

No lead is being sent out to the Boston Office to check the identity of T. D. Sawyer of 96 Jason Street, Arlington, Mass., the same being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 14, 1935

Time - 10:00 A.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Backus	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
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Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Smith	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Mr. Alt telephoned from the Jacksonville Office informing that he had just talked to Mr. Connelley at Chicago, who suggested that he call me about the matter. Mr. Alt stated that in talking with Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette the day before yesterday at the jail, they indicated that they will plead guilty. These women are in Jacksonville, and the United States Attorney at Jacksonville will endeavor to make arrangements to have them plead at Jacksonville rather than return to Miami, because of the Judge down there. Mr. Alt believes, as does Mr. Connelley, that this would be a better procedure.

*Edward L. Brennan*

The question arose as to whether it would be advisable to have them plead guilty before the trial at Miami of the others who are indicted down there. Mr. Alt stated that he as well as Mr. Connelley believes that this procedure would be advisable under the circumstances. I told Mr. Alt that this is a matter which should be taken up with the United States Attorney, since he is the one who has to try the other persons in Miami. Mr. Alt stated that the Assistant United States Attorney in Jacksonville who is handling this matter is very cooperative and suggested that he might abide by the desires of the Bureau in this regard. I told him that the Bureau would have to be guided by the judgment of the Attorney as to whether it would be advisable to accept or not to accept a plea before the other trial; that while the Bureau realizes the advantages and disadvantages of of either procedure, we will place the matter entirely in the hands of the Attorney and abide by his decision. Mr. Alt stated that the Assistant who is handling this matter is of the opinion that they should plead in Jacksonville, for the reason that he is afraid that the judge in Miami will put the women on probation.

With reference to the investigation performed by the various Agents at Miami, Florida and Havana, Cuba in regard to McDonald, Adams, Randall and the others, Mr. Alt informed that he is now in receipt of a letter from the Assistant United States Attorney at Miami requesting re-interviews with various witnesses at Miami and at Havana, stating that when the Agents go to Havana to

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conduct this additional investigation, he, the Assistant United States Attorney, wanted to go along. Mr. Alt stated that this man is a "publicity hound" and a "rank politician", and since Mr. Alt believes that the investigation conducted by the various Agents was a very thorough one, he does not think this additional investigation is at all necessary. He further stated that the Assistant United States Attorney does not specifically state what additional facts or information he wants.

Mr. Alt stated that he is sending an Agent to Miami to have a conference with this man, and will advise the Bureau further. I instructed Mr. Alt to forward to the Bureau a copy of this letter so that the Bureau might be fully advised as to its contents..

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

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POST OFFICE BOX 829,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232;  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236;  
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237;  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1238;  
HARRY CARTER with aliases, I.O. 1239;  
MYRTLE LATCH with aliases, I.O. 1240;  
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREWER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE 67-82

On the evening that Ruth Heidt, ex-wife of William Harrison, was apprehended at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, at which time Russell Gibson was killed in resisting arrest by Bureau Agents, she was in possession of a Chow dog. Ruth Heidt has been interviewed and she stated that this dog was purchased for her in September, 1934, by William Harrison at the Steed Chow Kennels at Temperance, Michigan. The pedigree of this dog was that it was bred by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Steed, who are apparently the owners of the above kennels. The name of the dog's sire is given as Steeds Chandy, No. 842847; this dog's dam was Steeds nee Lou, No. 781789.

It is suggested that investigation be made at the above kennels and in Temperance, Michigan, to ascertain whether Harrison or other members of the Karpis-Barker gang were living in Temperance or in that vicinity, and obtain any information that may be valuable in locating any members of the Karpis-Barker gang. In this connection, it is suggested that should Harrison be located, he be kept under constant discreet surveillance, inasmuch as it is believed that he will keep in contact with other members of the Karpis-Barker gang. The Chicago Bureau office, in such event, should be immediately notified.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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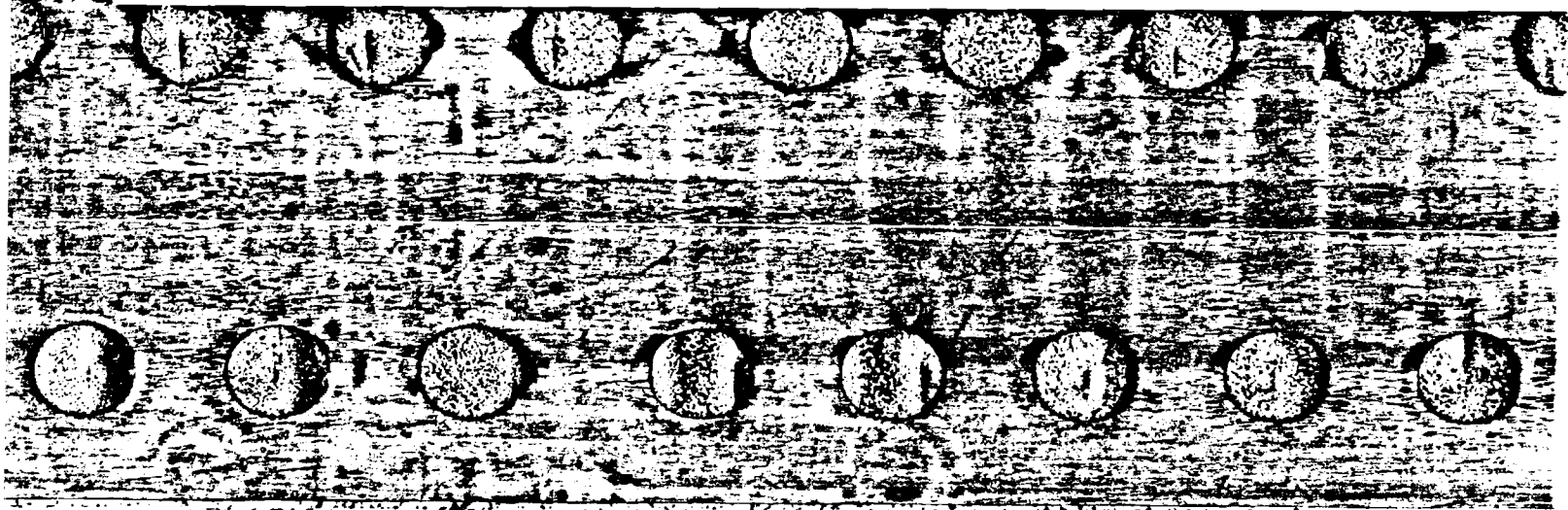
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MAR 20 1935

Mr. E.J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
P.O.Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218;  
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,  
I.O.#1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,  
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with aliases, I.O.#1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,  
with aliases, I.O.#1239; MYRTLE EATON, with  
aliases, I.O.#1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE; REAL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 12, 1935, request-  
ing that BYRON BOLTON be interviewed for the purpose of determining whether  
5800 West 111th Street, was the address he had in mind when he gave the  
information as set out in the report of Special Agent J.E. Brennan, St. Paul,  
Minnesota, dated March 11, 1935, paragraph 4, page 4.

BYRON BOLTON was interviewed at the Ramsey County Jail during the  
afternoon of March 14, 1935, during which time he stated he never saw the  
place and knew nothing about the occupants and the only information he re-  
ceived regarding same was that conveyed to him by FRED GOETZ. He stated  
that 5800 West 111th Street is in the general vicinity of the place that  
GOETZ described to him, being only a short distance from the place given  
in his previous information and that he is not in a position to say whether  
this address is correct. He further advised that he knew no one named  
GOETZ and he had no way of knowing whether the place in question, frequented  
by KARPIS, was GOETZ's place. He stated that he doubted very much that the  
place frequented by KARPIS was a house of prostitution but that he had no  
way of knowing and the above statement is merely a guess on his part. He  
stated that, since thinking of the foregoing, he has been unable to supply

any additional information. However, if additional information comes to his mind in the future, he will advise a representative of the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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D.M.LAD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

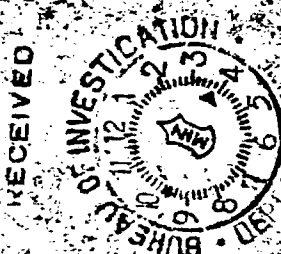
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P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

March 15, 1935.

Mr. E.J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
P.O.Box 529,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:



DIVISION ONE  
MAR 19 1935 PM

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218, FUGITIVE;  
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O.#1235;  
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O.#1237, FUGITIVE;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232;  
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O.#1238;  
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O.#1240;  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.#1239;  
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O.#1242;  
OLIVER A. BLOOM, with aliases, FUGITIVE; ETAL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -  
NATTO AL FIREARMS ACT.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

Reference is made to your letter of March 13, 1935, relative to the above entitled matter wherein you request that EMIL C. NOVOTNY, 324 Jackson Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, be interviewed relative to the sawed-off twenty gauge auto and burglar gun, #361,601, recovered from the apartment of RUSSELL GIBSON alias "SLIM" GRAY.

I beg to advise that Special Agent T.O. Melvin interviewed Mr. EMIL C. NOVOTNY, 324 Jackson Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, who, after examining his records, stated that he had no correspondence with the Stuart-Jeffries Hardware Company, Amboy, Indiana, or with Mr. C.R. Stuart, personally, in his files at the present time. He advised, however, that his files do not go back beyond January 1, 1930. All files prior to that date having been burned some time ago. He does not keep an individual record for each gun and does not recall ever having sold this gun to RUSSELL GIBSON, or any other members of the BARKER-KARPIS GANG, photographs of this gang being exhibited to him with negative results. He advised that, as nearly as he can recall, he sold approximately twelve of these guns, all of which were sold to banks or law enforcement officials.

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In order to make a further check on this matter, it is requested that the files of the Stuart-Jeffries Hardware Company, Auboy, Indiana, and the files of C.R. Stuart, personally, be searched in order, if possible, to locate the correspondence, or some memoranda, of the transaction between Mr. C.R. Stuart and Mr. Novotny in an effort to fix the date that the gun came into the possession of EARL C. NOVOTNY.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LAID,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 8, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: KILLING OF FRED AND KATE BARKER  
AT OKLAWAHA, FLORIDA WHILE RE-  
SISTING ARREST.

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

Subsequent to the raids conducted at Chicago, Illinois on January 8, 1935, which resulted in the death of Russell Gibson, who resisted arrest with fire arms and the apprehension of Arthur R. Barker and Byron Bolton, alias Monte Carter, information was obtained concerning the hide-out used by members of the Barker-Karpis gang in Florida. Bolton, who was found residing with Gibson at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, furnished information that he visited the place as recently as December 18, 1934, but could not furnish specific directions as to how to reach the place. There were found in the apartment occupied by Arthur R. Barker, 432 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois, two maps of Florida, on one of which Ocala, Florida was marked and on the other map Lake Weir was surrounded by a penciled ring. These maps were exhibited to Bolton, who advised that it appeared that the markings indicated where the hide-out could be found. He further advised that the place is reached by way of highway No. 41 and that the lake on which the hide-out is located is famous among local residents because its waters are inhabited by an alligator known as "Big Joe". He also advised that members of the gang had endeavored to catch this alligator, but without success; that members of the gang had participated in deer hunting and had recently killed three deer; that when Gibson and Arthur R. Barker returned to Chicago, Illinois shortly before the raids of January 8, 1935, they brought with them portions of the deer carcasses. The foregoing information was obtained from Bolton on January 11, 1935.

On the following day, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, accompanied by Special Agents R. D. Brown, G. C. Campbell and R. L. Jones proceeded to Jacksonville, Florida by plane, followed on the train by a squad consisting of Special Agents V. J. Wolfe, T. M. McDade, S. K. McKee, T. M. McLaughlin, J. L. Madala, W. C. Ryan, D. F. Sullivan, Thomas G. Melvin, J. C. White, A. A. Muzzey and C. B. Winstead. On January 13, 14 and 15, the Agents conducted under cover investigations in the vicinity of Ocala, Florida, for the various circumstances referred to by Bolton. On January 15, 1935, the house of Carson Bradford was located and from inquiries conducted, it was ascertained that Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker, using the name T. C. Blackburn, occupied this place. The

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photograph of Harry Campbell was identified as an occupant of the place known under the name of George F. Summers. Other persons had occupied this house, together with the Barkers, but could not be identified as resembling the photographs of other members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Special Agent in Charge Connelley, together with Agent Brown, observed the place discreetly and noted Fred Barker and his mother on the place and thereafter made arrangements to immediately withdraw the other Agents who were conducting investigations in the vicinity of Ocala, Florida, where plans were formulated to raid the place on the following morning, hoping that in the meantime, Campbell and any of the other associates would return to the house. A rough sketch of the property and vicinity was drawn and studied by the various Agents who were to take part in the raid and each Agent was designated to his respective post. In accordance with plans, a squad of Agents proceeded to Oklawaha, Florida, arriving there at 5:30 A.M., and took up their respective positions to prevent the escape of any one from the house. The Agents waited until daybreak, approximately 7:00 A.M.. In order to insure innocent travelers from being hurt, should any shooting become necessary, Agent T. M. McLaughlin was stationed a considerable distance west of the property on which the house was located on highway No. 41, to divert automobiles from this road, should any shooting start. Agent Melvin was likewise stationed to the east of the property on highway No. 41, for the same purpose. Agents Winstead, Wolfe, Campbell and Sullivan were stationed along highway No. 41 at the north edge of the property, in order to cover the exit of any of the occupants of the house to the north or east. Agents Brown and McKee were located to the east of the property beyond the cover of a house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Westberry, to cover the exit of any one through the lane which runs from the Bradford house to highway No. 41. Agents White, Jones, Muzzey, Madala, McDade and Special Agent in Charge Connelley were stationed to the southwest corner of the property, where there was located a house occupied by the colored care taker of the property, Willie Woodbury. This house was approximately thirty yards from the Bradford house. As soon as it was light enough to observe any one leaving the house occupied by the Barkers, Special Agent in Charge Connelley called to the occupants, advising them that the house was surrounded by Agents of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice and that they were to leave the house one at a time and provided they did so in this manner, would not be injured, otherwise, if they did not immediately leave the house, it would be necessary to gas the place and drive them out. The Agents waited for a period of approximately fifteen minutes and no answer was received from the occupants, although it was noted that some one was moving about within. After about twenty minutes had elapsed, a tear gas shell was shot at the house and at this time a woman, who later proved to be Kate Barker, screamed. For a few minutes everything was quiet. During the interval above described, the other Agents surrounding the house called to the occupants to surrender, however, no response was obtained. Special Agent in Charge Connelley again called to the Barkers, addressing them by name, and commanded them to come out of the house and Kate Barker called out in a rather distinct tone of voice "All right - go ahead". When she



made this remark, it was interpreted to mean that the occupants were planning to come out, at which time Mr. Connelley instructed that Freddie Barker should come first. Immediately thereafter, some one in the second floor front bedroom on the southeast corner of the house fired twenty-five to thirty machine gun bullets at Special Agent in Charge Connelley, who was standing approximately thirty yards from the house. After this, some one, apparently Fred Barker, fired a rifle from the front lower floor of the house through the front door toward Agents stationed at the southwest corner of the property. As soon as the firing started from within the house, Special Agent White, who was covering Mr. Connelley, immediately shot into the house with a .351 rifle. Mr. Connelley fell back and fired into the house with a 30.06 rifle and at this time, the occupants of the house were concentrating their fire on the tree beyond which Agent White was located. Machine gun fire from the house was spread over the side yard and through a little grove in which were located Agents Jones and Muzzey, who had also commenced firing into the house. Agents Madala and McDade, who were also located on the west side of the house, fired into the house. The machine gun fire from the house was spread in such a manner as to cover an area of a distance of about three hundred yards to the west of the house, extending approximately to the place where Agent McLaughlin was located in the highway to divert traffic. While the firing was concentrated on Agent White, Special Agent in Charge Connelley moved into a position in front of the care taker's house at the southwest corner of the property and fired several shots through the front of the house, which were answered by a number of machine gun bursts in the direction of Mr. Connelley. The firing continued from the house at intervals in all directions and subsequent observation of the screens disclosed that they had fired from all windows on the second floor in all four directions, apparently endeavoring to locate some of the Agents. The firing continued for approximately two hours.

As the firing continued, it became evident that the parties in the house were endeavoring to conserve their ammunition, as they lengthened the period between their fire and reduced the number of shots in the machine gun bursts coming from the house. Apparently while firing out of the east side of the house, Barker shot about four bullets from a .33 caliber Winchester rifle through the house of Mrs. A. T. Westberry. During the early stages of the firing, Agents Muzzey and McDade, who were stationed on the west side of the house, endeavored to fire gas shells into the house and were successful in getting approximately four shells into the house. Due to screens and misfire, the shells were not placed in the upper southwest corner room, from which most of the firing was coming. During the latter stages of the firing, Agent White with a .351 rifle, Agent Jones with a 30.06 rifle, Agent Muzzey with a shotgun and Agents Madala and McDade with machine guns and Agent Connelley with a 30.06 Springfield rifle, concentrated on the second floor bedroom in the southwest corner of the Bradford house. It is estimated that Agents fired approximately five hundred rounds of ammunition into the house and that Fred Barker and his mother fired about two hundred and fifty rounds. During the firing, the Agents stationed on highway No. 41 and to the east of

the property also shot into the house from the north and east side in answer to shots coming from the house.

After the firing had ceased from within the house, a reasonable period of time was allowed to elapse and after checking all of the Agents who were taking part in the raid, to establish that no one had been hurt, Willie Woodbury, the colored care taker of the property who had been engaged by the Barkers at \$5.00 per week, was instructed to call to the Barkers and invite them out of the house if they were injured, in order that they might be taken care of and at the same time, assure them that they would not be harmed should they come out in the proper manner. Woodbury agreed to go into the house for the purpose of ascertaining whether the Barkers were still alive. He tried both the front and rear doors and found them locked. Woodbury was instructed to force his way into the house and not finding any one downstairs, he went to the second floor and called out the second floor bedroom at the northeast corner of the house and advised that he could find no one in the house. He thereafter entered the southwest corner bedroom and called from the front window to advise that Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker, were both dead.

Upon entering the house, it was found that Fred Barker had moved a cot to the first floor of the house and placed it in the front room near the front door and was sleeping there, apparently to intercept any one who might approach the house. This is the point from which he first fired the .33 caliber Winchester rifle. On the second floor, there were four bedrooms and from the bullet holes in the screens, it appeared that they had fired in all four directions from all four rooms. Kate Barker and Fred Barker were found in the southwest corner bedroom. Fred Barker was lying in the middle of the room, face down, a .45 automatic pistol under him and a machine gun with a 50 shot drum beyond his left hand. Kate Barker was found in the northeast corner of this same room, lying on her back, with a machine gun at her left hand, which gun was equipped with a 100 shot drum. There was also found a 50 shot drum in the southeast corner bedroom of Kate Barker, which had evidently been completely fired. A 50 shot drum in the gun used by Fred Barker was entirely empty and the 100 shot drum on the gun found beside Kate Barker had fired approximately thirty or forty shots.

Due to the lapse of time between the first burst of machine gun fire from the house and the second burst, it is believed that Fred Barker probably reloaded the 50 shot gun at least once. In connection with the .45 automatic pistol found under his body, same was loaded with a clip containing seven bullets. One bullet, which was still in the chamber, had been fired but a shot from a 30.06 rifle had cut away part of the steel butt of this pistol, causing it to jam on this one shot and rendering it useless. Fred Barker, judging from the position in which his body was found, was apparently facing the front of the house or the southwest window on the west side of the house and had wounds of ten bullets in his left shoulder and his chest and one wound through the back of his head, which was probably the fatal wound, from

either a .351 rifle or a 30.06 rifle. Kate Barker had three bullet wounds in the chest, one of which had apparently gone through the heart. All of the bullets had passed completely through the bodies.

After the firing ceased and the bodies had been located, same were left untouched until the necessary arrangements were consummated with the coroner. Shortly after the shooting, the sheriffs from the surrounding counties appeared on the scene and offered their cooperation, as well as did Wallace E. Sturgis, County Attorney, A. P. Buie, District Attorney, A. P. Meadows, Prosecuting Attorney and L. E. Futch, County Judge, who also acts as coroner. During the course of the shooting, Sheriff S. C. Thomas arrived on the scene and assisted in diverting traffic from highway No. 41.

On January 17, 1935, a coroner's hearing was conducted, at which time the coroner's jury held that Fred Barker and Kate Barker came to their death at the hands of Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, in the protection of their own lives; while the decedents were resisting arrest.

The arsenal of Fred and Kate Barker, recovered after the shooting, consisted of

- Four bullet-proof vests.
- One Thompson Machine Gun - 1921 model - number illegible.
- Two Thompson Machine Guns- 1921 models - numbers illegible;
  - one gun equipped with a 50-shot drum and the other with a 100-shot drum.
- Two .45 Caliber Colt Automatic Pistols, numbers C-160657 and C-161841.
- Nine .45 Automatic Pistol Clips.
- One .380 Caliber Automatic Colt Pistol - number illegible.
- Five .380 Automatic Pistol Clips.
- One Browning 12-Gauge Automatic Shotgun, number 92870.
- One Remington 12-Gauge Pump Shotgun, number 272907.
- One Winchester .33 Caliber Level Action Rifle - number illegible.

There was also recovered one Buick Coupe belonging to Fred Barker and obtained by him under the alias of T. C. Blackburn at St. Charles, Illinois. There was also recovered \$14,312.00, four \$1,000 bills of which were recovered from a money belt of Fred Barker. Ten \$1,000.00 bills were recovered from the pocketbook of Kate Barker. The other money was found in the clothes of the deceased. None of this money could be identified as part of the Bremer ransom money.

The fingerprints of Fred and Kate Barker were taken and forwarded to the Division. The prints of Fred Barker, although badly mutilated in an apparent effort to prevent identification, were positively identified as the prints of Fred Barker, who was being sought for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer. Kate Barker had no previous criminal record.

A set of twenty-four photographs taken of the exterior and interior of the Bradford house, showing the results of the gunfire, has been furnished to the Division. The house was a two-story, frame, structure which fronted on Lake Weir.

Respectfully,

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

POST OFFICE BOX 829,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 14, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1818;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.  
1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.  
1237; WILLIAM CLAVER with aliases, I.O.  
1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases,  
I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases,  
I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON with aliases,  
I.O. 1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent W. P. Ellwood, Omaha, Nebraska, dated 3/11/35, containing information relative to an individual by the name of Glidden and his wife who had been staying at the home of C. A. Gotschall, Sioux City, Iowa, which information was furnished by one Silas Moline.

The report of reference advises that Glidden acted suspiciously while at Sioux City, Iowa and it was thought possible that he might have some connection with the Bremer kidnaping. The description of Glidden and the circumstances of his visit to Sioux City, Iowa, indicate possibly Glidden may be in fact William Elmer Mead, who is suspected of being associated with members of this so-called Karpis-Barker gang.

Previous reports in this case, copies of which have been submitted to the Omaha Bureau office, show that William Elmer Mead is a confidence man and has criminal connections in many parts of the country. A photograph of Mead is being enclosed herewith and it is suggested that same be shown to Mr. Silas Moline of Sioux City, Iowa, for the purpose of determining whether or not Glidden is in fact William Elmer Mead.

Very truly yours,  
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E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box #812  
Chicago, Illinois

March 15, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Louis, Missouri



RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236  
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237  
WILLIAM STAVR with aliases, I.O. 1238  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239  
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240  
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim-KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above styled case it is requested that the records of the Motor Vehicle Registration Department at the Secretary of State's Office, Springfield, Illinois, be checked to ascertain if 1935 Illinois license plates have been issued to one T. C. Clark for a 1927 Dodge 6 Coupe, Motor #7-10579, 1934 Wisconsin license #102467.

Any other pertinent information in the files concerning this party should be ascertained.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CORNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Special Assignment)

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 15, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,  
I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of  
criminal record as appearing in the files of the  
Identification Division of Bruno Austin, our file #783173.

Respectfully,

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

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

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REPORT MADE AT: <b>DALLAS, TEXAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>3-15-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1-20-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H.T. ARTERBERRY</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - I.O. #1218; DR. JOS. P. MORAN, w.a. - I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - I.O. #1233; VOLNEY DAVIS, w.a. - I.O. #1237; WM. WEAVER, w.a. - I.O. #1238; WM. J. HARRISON, w.a. - I.O. #1239; HARRY SAWYER, w.a. - I.O. #1240; MYRTLE EATON, w.a. - I.O. #1241; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER (Victim)</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Paula Harmon committed Texas Hospital for Insane, Rusk, Texas, January 20, 1935.</b>			
DETAILS: <b>While the writer was at Port Arthur, Texas, effort was made to locate and interview Paula Harmon, but information was had from her parents that she had been committed to a private sanitarium for nervous disorders but declined to reveal her whereabouts.</b>			
<b>Information was obtained from Deputy Sheriff Goldsmith, Beaumont, Texas, who is a close friend to Paula Harmon's family at Port Arthur, Texas, and who was a former schoolmate of Paula Harmon, to the effect that she had been at the Greenwood Sanitarium in Houston, Texas for several weeks. The Greenwood Sanitarium is a private institution for people suffering from mental and nervous disorders.</b>			
DETAILS: <b>On January 19, 1935, Deputy Sheriff Goldsmith further advised that Paula Harmon had been tried at Houston, Texas before a jury in County court at that place, who adjudged her of unsound mind and ordered that she be committed to the State Hospital for the insane. On January 20, 1935, Deputy Sheriff Goldsmith was selected as the officer to take Paula Harmon to the Texas State Hospital for the Insane at Rusk, Texas.</b>			
<b>PENDING</b>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>P.J. Bearse</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-5176	
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 1, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,  
I am transmitting herewith three copies of abstract of  
criminal record as appearing in the files of the Identifi-  
cation Unit of Cassius Michael McDonald, our file  
#887465.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

*Edwards & L. Schilder*

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COLUMBIAN BROWN GLASP NO. 808  
PAT. 1,299,883 PAT. 1,593,848  
THE UNITED STATES ENVELOPE CO. SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

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CASSIUS McDONALD

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March 16, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
New York, New York.

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

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has received a copy of a letter directed by the Philadelphia Office to Post Office Inspector H. W. Graham, New York City, under date of February 20, 1935 advising him that the Bureau has no record of an arrest of one Cassius M. McDonald of Detroit, Michigan at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

The file in the above entitled case reflects that Post Office Inspector Graham, through the Chief Post Office Inspector at Washington, transmitted a full report concerning McDonald's activities in Havana, Cuba, and McDonald was subsequently arrested by Special Agents of the Bureau at West Palm Beach, Florida, on charges of harboring subject Alvin Karpis.

There are transmitted herewith copies of an abstract of the criminal record of this individual together with copies of his photograph, and you are instructed to furnish Inspector Graham with a copy of each for his information.

No copies of the inclosures are being furnished to the offices indicated below inasmuch as this information has been previously furnished to those offices.

This matter should receive your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Incl. #818982

cc - Philadelphia  
St. Paul  
Mr. Connelley

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; et al. - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> Review made of all reports in Omaha office which is assuming supervision in the effort to locate Harry Sawyer and Myrtle Eaton who originated in this district. Sawyer's brothers and sisters reside at Lincoln, Nebraska, and contact made with them, but they claim not to know his whereabouts. Mrs. Sawyer's maiden name Gladys Bundy, and her parents reside at Sidney, Nebraska. Myrtle Eaton originally came from Des Moines, Iowa where she has relatives, and her maiden name was Myrtle Hubbard. William Weaver, as J. A. Orhood, purchased new Chevrolet coupe, motor #4135550 at Des Moines, Iowa, March 23, 1934; this car has never been located. Myrtle Eaton reported to have separated from Weaver and returned to Des Moines, Iowa. Effort being made to locate her.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> This report is a review of all reports on file in the Omaha office on the above captioned matter. The report is confined solely to the activities of Harry Sawyer, who originally came from Lincoln, Nebraska, and Myrtle Eaton, who originally came from Des Moines, Iowa. There is set forth some information relative to Bill Weaver, who originally came from near Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, and where he still has relatives residing, as Weaver for sometime past has been the companion of Myrtle Eaton.</p> <p>In so far as possible, information concerning these particular subjects is set out in chronological order from the time of their birth to the present time.</p>			
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HARRY SAWYER'S correct name is Harry Sandlovich and so far as has been ascertained, he was born in the year 1890 in Russia of Jewish parentage. The date of his parents immigration to this country is unknown; however, the family has lived for a great many years at Lincoln, Nebraska. Subject Sawyer's father, David Sandlovich, died March 27, 1927, and his mother, Gertrude Sandlovich, died May 5, 1934, both at Lincoln, Nebraska where they are buried. The brothers and sisters of Sawyer are as follows:

Albert S. Sandlovich, part owner and operator of the Standard Meat Market, 1535 O Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, and residing at 2828 Sheridan Boulevard, Lincoln;

John L. Sandlovich, part owner and operator of the Standard Meat Market, 1535 O Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, and residing at 1319 R Street, Lincoln;

E. Ray Sandlovich, part owner of The Nebraska Auto Exchange, 1724 O Street, and residing at 2111 Sewall Street, Lincoln;

Sam Sandlovich, part owner of The Nebraska Auto Exchange, 1724 O Street, and residing at 1319 R Street, Lincoln;

Mrs. Bessie Kattelman, (widow), residing at 1319 R Street, Lincoln;

Mrs. Belle Hillman, (widow), residing at 1319 R Street, Lincoln;

Mrs. George (Elizabeth) Lehnhoff, resides at the Normandy Hotel, Los Angeles, California. Her husband was formerly a trunk manufacturer in that city.

The early history of Harry Sawyer is lacking, but records at Lincoln, Nebraska reveal that he was in trouble with the law some 20 years ago when he was first arrested on December 12, 1914 with one Thomas Carr and charged with breaking and entering the office of the Standard Oil Company at Lincoln, Nebraska and attempting to rob the safe thereof with the aid of explosives. On December 23, 1914 he entered a plea of guilty, and the Court ordered him released on parole to the probation officer at Lincoln, Nebraska for a period of three years.

It is further noted, that on March 27, 1918 Sawyer stole a car at Lincoln, Nebraska and disappeared. He was subsequently arrested at St. Paul, Minnesota, and on September 11, 1918 was fined \$100.00 for attempted grand larceny. Records at Lincoln, Nebraska disclosed that on February 11, 1920 charges were filed against Harry Sawyer for the theft of the automobile on March 27, 1918; that he was released on bond but failed to appear in court on April 16, 1920, and his bond was thereupon forfeited.

On December 31, 1919, the Farmers & Merchants Bank at Benson, Nebraska, now a part of Omaha, was robbed of \$150,000.00, and Harry Sawyer was identified as one of the parties making this holdup. He was arrested on January 2, 1920 and an information filed against him at Omaha on January 30, 1920. His two companions in this robbery were one John Finn, and his brother Mike Finn who were subsequently arrested at St. Paul, Minnesota, but the Chief of Police of the



city refused to release the two men to the Nebraska authorities.

Sawyer was then turned over to the authorities at Lincoln, Nebraska where he was charged with jumping his bond. However, he advised that his failure to appear in court was due to the fact that his attorney had failed to advise him. A new bond was thereupon filed by his parents, and Sawyer was released. The other theft charges were finally dismissed at Lincoln, Nebraska on December 31, 1925, and the bank robbery charges at Omaha, Nebraska were finally dismissed on May 10, 1921 because of insufficient evidence.

Very little appears to be known concerning subject Sawyer's wife, Gladys Sawyer. According to her own statement, she married Harry Sawyer at Lincoln, Nebraska eleven years ago (1923). No definite information is available as to her maiden name, place of birth and the location of her parents. According to Bessie Green, Mrs. Sawyer's full name is Gladys Rita Bundy Mason Sawyer, and she has a half-sister by the name of Bundy who is thought to live in St. Paul. The brothers of Harry Sawyer are unable to give any detailed information regarding Mrs. Sawyer. A friend of the family was of the opinion that she came from Murdock, Nebraska, which is 25 miles northeast of Lincoln. Dr. Henry Hall of St. Paul advises that her father is believed to be W. A. Bundy of Sidney, Nebraska.

Following his trouble in Nebraska, Sawyer appears to have moved to St. Paul, Minnesota where he became associated with Danny Hogan, underworld boss of that city. Hogan was later killed about 1927 when a bomb was attached to the starter of his automobile, and Sawyer subsequently assumed his position in that city.

During Sawyer's residence in St. Paul, Minnesota, he operated saloons at 545, 543 and 541 Wabasha Avenue. The buildings located at these addresses are said to be owned by the Schmidt Brewery Company, which concern is owned by the Bremer family. The Sawyers are said to have owned the property at 1878 Jefferson Avenue, St. Paul, where they resided and to have later purchased a 40-acre farm on the outskirts of St. Paul at Dayton Bluffs Station, located on the Hodgson Road. The Sawyers have no children of their own, but for over a year they have had living with them a little girl known as Francine, whom they obtained from a friend of theirs by the name of Saugman, with the intention of adopting her.

Upon the release of Edward Bremer by his abductors on February 8, 1934, Harry Sawyer remained in St. Paul for approximately two months. Mrs. Sawyer, in her signed statement, admitted that Harry Sawyer had revealed to her that he was the "finger man" in the Bremer kidnaping case, and when he heard that the Department of Justice was looking for him he immediately left town. Reports

indicate that all of the subjects in this case as well as all the members of the Dillinger gang frequented Sawyer's saloon in St. Paul.

Sawyer and his wife left St. Paul shortly after April 1, 1934 in their Plymouth coupe and drove to Fremont, Nebraska. Here, this car was traded for a Plymouth coach which was brought to Fremont, Nebraska by subject Sawyer's brother, Ray Sandlovich, who operates the Nebraska Auto Exchange at Lincoln, Nebraska. This car was later registered in the name of Frank James in the State of Nebraska. The traded in coupe was registered in the same name in the State of Minnesota. From Nebraska, the Sawyers went to Las Vegas, Nevada and stopped at the Boulder Hotel and then at various tourist camps. About the middle of May, 1934, Mrs. Sawyer returned to St. Paul by train to see her doctor, Dr. Harry Hall, then residing at 1878 Jefferson Street, which was the property owned by the Sawyers. Mrs. Sawyer remained in St. Paul a few days, and upon leaving left word that mail should be forwarded to the address of a party near Sioux City, Iowa, whom she and her husband had previously stopped with and made arrangements with them to forward any mail to them at Las Vegas, Nevada. This arrangement was apparently made on their first trip from St. Paul to Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mrs. Sawyer left St. Paul to return to Las Vegas by way of Omaha, Nebraska and rejoined her husband. Two weeks later, they received a letter from Alvin Karpis through the above mentioned forwarding agent, who, from information developed by the St. Paul office, is believed to be Abe Kroloff, 919 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa. Kroloff operates the Pullman Grocery Store, and at the same address operates the Iowa Vending Machine Company which distributes gambling devices throughout this section.

According to information received from a confidential source in St. Paul, the mail intended for the Sawyers is placed in an envelope marked "Rita", and this envelope placed in another envelope addressed to Abe Kroloff, who in turn forwards it to the Sawyers. It will be noted that in the signed statement given by Mrs. Sawyer at Chicago on September 15, 1934, she gives her full name as Gladys Rita Sawyer. Following the receipt of the letter from Alvin Karpis, the Sawyers sold their Plymouth coach at Las Vegas, Nevada and proceeded to Cleveland, Ohio by train, arriving there about June 16, 1934 where they registered at the Cleveland Hotel and remained there until June 19, 1934. On that date, they were contacted by Alvin Karpis and his girl friend, Dolores Delaney, who had located a house for them in the 48-hundred block on Flamingo Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio where they remained.

About July 1, 1934, Fred Barker drove Mrs. Sawyer from Cleveland, Ohio to Chicago, Illinois where they contacted Mrs. Kate Barker. Mrs. Sawyer then proceeded on to St. Paul and was confined in the Midway Hospital there from July 7 to July 25, 1934. She returned to Cleveland about August 1, 1934 and went

to live at 10515 Parkhurst Drive with her husband. A short time later, she and subject Sawyer moved to a house at 4419 W. 171st Street, at which place she was living at the time of her arrest on September 5, 1934. Following her arrest, a signed statement was secured from Mrs. Sawyer relating some of her connections and activities both before and after the Bremer kidnaping. On September 25, 1934, she was released by the Chicago Bureau Office and immediately proceeded to Cleveland, Ohio with Paula Harmon where she collected her personal effects left in that city at the time of her arrest, and then returned to St. Paul, Minnesota.

On October 9, 1934, she was reported living with Mrs. Paul Conrad at 601 South 9th Street, Minneapolis and at Two Harbors, Minnesota in a cottage.

According to Mrs. Conrad, on October 18, 1934, she returned with Mrs. Sawyer to Minneapolis, and the latter, shortly thereafter, received a telephone call, and she left in a Chevrolet coach, motor #2029084, serial #21AD76236, bearing 1934 Minnesota license B-89155. A check at the Kennedy Chevrolet Company in Minneapolis revealed that on October 6, 1934, the above mentioned car had been purchased by Mrs. Conrad for cash and registered in her name.

On November 6, 1934, Dr. Harry Hall of St. Paul, advised the bureau office in that city that efforts were being made by one Euly Gordon to secure an affidavit from him that Mrs. Sawyer was not competent to make a statement to the Chicago Bureau agents, during her incarceration, due to her recent illness. On November 11, 1934, Dr. George Earl, also of St. Paul, reported that efforts were being made to secure an affidavit from him to the same effect.

On December 7, 1934, Mrs. Alice Conrad advised that about the first of December, 1934 she was visiting friends in Chicago and while there received a communication from Mrs. Sawyer's attorney, name unknown, asking her to return home. Upon returning to St. Paul, she was visited by another attorney who attempted to have her transfer the title of the Chevrolet coach, which Mrs. Sawyer had taken away with her, to Mrs. Sawyer, but on advice of Bureau agents she declined to do so.

On January 24, 1935, Mrs. Alice Conrad wrote to the St. Paul Bureau office, advising that she had received a letter from Mrs. Sawyer at Des Moines, Iowa, saying that she had left the car at the Walker Garage in Omaha, and for Mrs. Conrad to dispose of same. Investigation by the Omaha office revealed that this Chevrolet coach in question was left at the Walker Garage, 1313 Farney Street, Omaha, Nebraska on January 3, 1935 by a person answering the description of Harry Sawyer. The car bore 1935 Minnesota license 919-348. The car was released by the Walker Garage on January 23, 1935 to one Ervin Thorpe of Lakeview, Iowa, who advised that he had purchased same from Mrs. Alice Conrad for \$125.00.

A recent report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated 2-20-35, indicates that Harry Sawyer has been in Miami, Florida and Havana, Cuba from September 1, 1934 to January 7, 1935; that during the time he was in Miami, Florida, he was driving a new 1935 Packard, standard sedan, black in color with New Jersey license tags.

Monty Carty in his statement, advises that Harry Sawyer is also known as the "Sealion", and that he and his wife are now with Frank Foster in New York City, the latter being the gang's connection there.

Information previously obtained by this Agent and Special Agent in Charge Hanni of the Omaha office, from an informant, [redacted] elicited the information that Sawyer was very close to Sam Seigel, alias Sam "The Killer" and Louis Litky. The informant [redacted]

It was also learned from this informant that Bernard Phillips quarreled with Sawyer, and Phillips then went to New York; that Sawyer contacted Seigel and Litky, and Phillips was later killed.

The following herewith is a recent investigation made at Lincoln, Nebraska by Special Agent J. R. Green of the Omaha Bureau office:

Mrs. M. K. Tripp, assistant, temporarily in charge of State Automobile Registration Bureau, Lincoln, Nebraska, advised that an examination of their records failed to disclose registration of 1933 Pontiac Coach, motor #935155 for 1933 or 1934; nor for 840 DeLuxe Packard Club Sedan, motor #189533 for years 1930 to 1934; that they have no available records yet for 1935; and that their office will place a stop notice on these two cars, and will immediately advise the Omaha Bureau office, if same are later shown as being registered in Nebraska.

On February 23, 1935, Agent conferred with W. C. Conditt, Chief of Police, Lincoln, Nebraska, with whom the Omaha office had been quietly working on instant matter relating to apprehension of subject Sawyer, since first advised his apprehension was desired by the Bureau. The Bureau's Identification Order for Sawyer had not yet reached Agent or the law enforcement officers at Lincoln; however, while in conference with Chief Conditt, a Lincoln representative of the Associated Press telephonically communicated with Chief Conditt and this Agent that the Associated Press from St. Paul had asked for information concerning relatives of Harry Sawyer or Harry Sandlovich at Lincoln, but no information was furnished. The evening papers of February 23rd at Lincoln (so Agent was later advised on his return to Lincoln) and the evening edition of the World Herald at Omaha, on that date, ran news items concerning subject Sawyer, known as Harry

Sandlovich, being wanted by the Bureau, and giving names of some of his relatives at Lincoln. Chief Conditt had been unable to secure further information concerning subject Sawyer, other than that his brothers at Lincoln, Nebraska owned a farm somewhere near Lincoln or Denton, Nebraska (same county) and listed in the Lincoln telephone book as Sandlovich Bros. Farm, Denton 1711; that he had no reason to believe that Sawyer had been in Lincoln or at said farm, but would quietly work on this matter and advise the Omaha office should he secure any further information, and would cause his apprehension should Sawyer appear there. His confidential officer, Detective Valentine, was present at the time of this interview, and he advised he would give this matter his earnest attention.

[redacted] confidential informant, advised he would secure the location of the Sandlovich farm and would advise this Agent on his return to Lincoln, which he later found to be located three or four miles south of Emerald, Nebraska, and approximately two and a half miles north of Denton, which would make the farm about eleven or twelve miles southwest of Lincoln. When later contacted by Agent, but after interview with John and Albert Sandlovich as hereinafter recorded, [redacted] stated that they had a hired man on aforesaid farm by the name of Page, who is red headed, and this farm is frequently used by various members of the Sandlovich family for giving "steak-fry parties"; that confidential inquiry of friends and relatives of the family disclosed no information as to Harry Sawyer's present whereabouts or his being in communication with his relatives at Lincoln, he well knowing Sawyer and his brothers. He further stated that from a close friend of Harry Sawyer's by the name of Pearlman, who is a travelling optician out of St. Paul or Minneapolis, and who comes into his cigar store now and then, and who has furnished glasses to a member of the family of one of his clerks, he was advised that relatives of Harry Sawyer's wife are said to reside at Murdock, Nebraska, which is approximately twenty-five miles northeast of Lincoln on the Rock Island Railroad; that this Pearlman has a brother who he claims is a Deputy Sheriff at St. Paul, Minnesota, but might be Minneapolis, and if so, [redacted] believes he would furnish Sawyer with information coming to that office from the Bureau; that Ray and Sam Sandlovich besides operating the Nebraska Auto Exchange at 1724 O Street, Lincoln, operate what is known as the McBride Sales Barn on Highway at College View, which is a suburb of Lincoln.

On February 27th and again on March 1st, Agent interviewed Albert S. Sandlovich and John L. Sandlovich, each personally known to this Agent, at the Standard Meat Market, operated by them at 1535 O Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. Each advised that they had no sympathy with their brother Harry (subject SAWYER) in his criminal operations and present predicament, they no longer recognizing him as their brother, and his conduct had caused their family much grief; that they desired the apprehension of subject Sawyer, as it would be much better for him as well as their family if he was in Federal custody, and would do everything in their power to assist in locating him, and requested Agent to assure the Bureau of their earnest co-operation and assistance in every way possible in instant

matter; that their brothers, Ray and Sam, who operate the Nebraska Auto Exchange at 1724 O Street, and the other members of their family would likewise assist. Agent called their attention to it being a Federal Criminal Violation, subject to penitentiary sentence to harbor or assist a fugitive, such as Subject Sawyer now was, which they stated they and the other members of the family so knew.

Albert Sandlovich, who is the eldest of the family, is a business man of splendid reputation, is a Shriner, and considered one of the higher type of the Jewish race at Lincoln, stated that he cut Harry Sawyer off as a brother when he first started his criminal activities in 1917, and when arrested later for automobile theft about 1920, he refused to sign his bonds, though same were later signed by his father and mother; that he had not seen Harry in recent years nor had he been in Lincoln to his knowledge; that there had been no communication in the past few years between the family at Lincoln and Harry Sawyer at St. Paul or the latter's wife, excepting that on Mother's Day, Harry had always sent his mother a large bouquet of flowers from St. Paul, and no one of their family had heard from him since Mother's Day of 1933, when the last flowers were sent by him to their mother; that their father, David Sandlovich died March 27, 1927, and their mother died at Lincoln, Nebraska, May 5, 1934. When questioned relative to whether Harry was at their mother's funeral, each stated that he was not; that on account of having no recent word from him, they did not know where to reach him, and none of their family had any word from Harry Sawyer or his wife, at that time nor later, and that they did not come to Lincoln at that time.

John Sandlovich informed that he had not seen his brother Harry since he got into trouble in connection with the robbery of the Benson Bank at Omaha in 1920, until about three years since, when passing through St. Paul, he went to the place he was then operating and talked with him for probably an hour, and he had not seen nor heard from him since, and that he had lost all love for him since, his first trouble at Lincoln.

When questioned as to their relatives and their addresses, the brothers of Harry Sawyer jointly furnished the following information:

An Uncle, a brother of their father, now 80 years of age and retired, who shortened the name to Sandlo, and known as Benjamin Sandlo, resides at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and has a son there, named Morey Sandlo in the automobile business under his own name;

Cousins on their father's side, by name of Morris and Charles Giesenfield, Attorneys, also residing at Milwaukee;

An Aunt, Mrs. Sarah Poska, who is their mother's sister and resides at Lincoln, Nebraska; another Aunt, Mrs. P. Polsky, mother of Lou Polsky, residing at Lincoln, this aunt being the widow of P. Polsky, now deceased, and who was a brother of their mother, Mrs. Gertrude Polsky Sandlovich.



They further stated that they had no other relatives, nor any known friends elsewhere that Harry Sawyer might contact, unless it was M. R. Cohen, brother of Jack Cohen, a Lincoln attorney and friend of Sawyer's, whose address they later secured and furnished Agent, which is as follows: M. R. Cohen, 2832 E Street, San Diego, California. It should be noted, this was the party, or rather the name used, by a man and woman at the Harry Sawyer farm near St. Paul, when it was raided last summer by Bureau Agents.

When questioned relative to connections of Harry Sawyer's wife, and her maiden name, Albert Sandlovich stated that Harry Sawyer married some girl outside of Lincoln, after he left Lincoln, and sometime after he was in the bank jam at Omaha in 1920, and that they had had no relations with Harry's wife, he having only seen her once, when she came to Lincoln, years since, and wanted him to sign Harry's bond in connection with his automobile trouble at Lincoln, in its latter stages, neither could he or John remember her maiden name; that he understood Harry's wife, had a married sister residing at St. Paul, Minnesota, but do not have her name or address; that he understood her parents were dead, that she had had a grand-mother whom he believed once lived between Omaha and Lincoln, but believed she was now deceased, and did not know what other relatives she had. John Sandlovich said he was quite certain that Harry married his wife, either at Omaha, Nebraska or Council Bluffs, Iowa.

On Agent's last interview, they each stated that they had been greatly grieved by the newspaper publicity given to this matter, or rather their relationship to Sawyer, and Agent assured them this did not come from the Bureau; also, they did not see the reason why their names were published as brothers of subject Sawyer on the Bureau's Identification Order, which had since prior interview come to their attention, as they no longer considered him as a brother. Agent advised them that they were not singled out in this particular instance, but that it was always the practice on such Identification Orders to list the known relatives of the Subject of such Identification Order.

A prior search of the marriage records of Lancaster County, in the County Judge's office, Lincoln, Nebraska, for the past twenty years failed to disclose the marriage of subject Sawyer under the name of Sandlovich, Sawyer or Porche. A similar search of the records since 1913 at the office of the Bureau of Vital Statistics for the entire State of Nebraska disclosed no marriage record which could be that of subject Sawyer.

In the absence of Claude Hensel, Sheriff of Lancaster County, Lincoln, Nebraska, his Deputies, E. C. Ward, G. A. Hughtart, Henry Craig and Vancel Greer, were interviewed. Each were familiar with Sawyer's prior arrests at Lincoln and his family connections there, while the former three personally knew Sawyer. Each stated that they would do everything possible to secure his apprehension and secure information which would assist in same, and watch possible Lincoln contacts of Sawyer.



An examination of the arrest blotter, by jailor and Deputy Sheriff Henry Craig, disclosed his arrest as Harry Sawyer, January 4, 1920, for auto theft, released on bond January 6, 1920 and arrested May 17, 1920, released on bond May 19, 1920. His address in the first instance was recorded as 2117 Sherman Avenue, Omaha and later arrest as 2107 Sherman Avenue, Omaha, but is believed former was in error, and that the latter address is correct.

A confidential informant, whom Agent considers absolutely reliable and in the best possible position to furnish information concerning subject Sawyer's past connections at Lincoln, Nebraska and whose name Agent promised not to reveal to other than the Bureau, furnished the following information:

That about five years ago an investigation was made by LaGuardia, then in charge of the Narcotic Bureau at St. Paul, Minnesota, at Lincoln, Nebraska, and it was ascertained that Harry Sawyer was then head of a dope ring which was running narcotics from St. Paul to Sioux City, Iowa, Lincoln, Nebraska, Denver, Colorado and possibly other points, and that the Lincoln contact was Guy Orcutt, whom Sawyer formerly knew, and then and now operating a cigar store in the 100 block on North 14th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska; that Orcutt was still a shady character at Lincoln and would probably be Sawyer's most likely contact there; that he understood that contacts of Sawyer at Sioux City, Denver and other points were also found during that investigation; that one Louis Benaro a former Lincoln retired Italian fruit merchant, who has formerly had contacts with Ray and Sam Sandlovich at the Nebraska Auto Exchange, 1724 O Street at Lincoln, is also a former friend of Harry Sawyer, and is now believed to be residing at Santa Monica, California, but visits in Lincoln, now and then, and might be a possible contact between Harry and these two brothers, or might be visited by Harry in California; that the son of Ike Cooper, deceased, many years since Chief of Police at Lincoln, known as "Babe" Cooper and formerly worked on the ice wagon of the old Lincoln Cold Storage Company, later merged with the Beatrice Creamery Company, is said to frequently drive automobiles from the Nebraska Auto Exchange out into the state, and might also be a possible contact between the Sandloviches and subject Sawyer; that while he has heard rumors that Harry Sawyer was at his mother's home one night, just after her death, in May, 1934, he has been unable to secure any definite information on this; that through various avenues available to him he would make discreet inquiry and secure such further information possible which would assist in the apprehension of Sawyer, including Guy Orcutt's operations and possible contact with Sawyer and his brothers; street address of Louis Benaro at Santa Monica, California, and employment of "Babe" Cooper by the Nebraska Auto Exchange.

Agent arranged to see this informant on his next return to Lincoln, which he had expected to be the following week, but emergency matters have interfered, but expects to see him shortly. It was arranged that Agent communicate telephonically in making appointments for contacts with this informant.

While Agent is not well acquainted with Guy Orcutt, yet many years since he had some business dealings with him, is familiar with his local reputation and believes is a very likely contact for Harry Sawyer. However, it is not the opinion of the various parties interviewed, that Sawyer would risk coming to the vicinity of Lincoln.

On March 2nd, Agent arranged with Trev Gillespie, Postmaster, Lincoln, Nebraska, for a fifteen-day cover on all mail coming to the following addresses:

2828 Sheridan Boulevard, residence of Albert Sandlovich;  
2111 Sewell Street, residence of E. Ray Sandlovich;  
1519 R Street, residence of John L. and Sarah Sandlovich, and their sister;  
Mrs. Belle Hillman;  
Mrs. Rose Kallander Market, operated by Albert Sandlovich;  
1724 G Street, Nebraska Auto Exchange, operated by Ray and Sam Sandlovich.

All of the above addresses are at Lincoln, Nebraska. Tracing is to be made of all first class mail coming outside of Lincoln to these addresses and forwarded to the Omaha Bureau Office as secured.

On February 27th, Mr. Jack Cohen, Attorney of Lincoln, Nebraska, called at the Omaha office and stated to SAC Hammi that he was representing the Sandlovich family of Lincoln, Nebraska, and that he had come to this office for the purpose of assuring the Government that the relatives of Harry Sawyer at Lincoln, Nebraska have absolutely nothing to do with him, would not harbor him or give him refuge of any sort, and that if they at any time should come in possession of information as to Harry Sawyer's whereabouts, they would immediately communicate by telephone with the Omaha Bureau Office. Mr. Cohen himself stated that he would urge the brothers of Harry Sawyer as well as his sisters to assist the Government in locating Harry Sawyer, and that he, Cohen, would undertake steps on his own effort to learn where Sawyer may be located.

An opportunity was taken to inform Mr. Cohen that the Government desires the apprehension of Harry Sawyer and would be severe with anyone found to have given Harry Sawyer aid and refuge since he has been publicly announced as being a fugitive from justice. He was also informed that no matter who the person may be that harbored Sawyer, he would be prosecuted under the Federal Harboring Statute. Cohen was questioned for the purpose of learning whether or not he or Sawyer's brothers in Lincoln have any information or idea as to where Harry Sawyer is located. However, no information in that respect could be obtained.

On January 22, 1935, an indictment was filed in the United States District Court in the District of Minnesota, Third Division at St. Paul, against Harry Sawyer, alias Harry Sandlovich, charging that between December 1, 1933 and May 1, 1934, he conspired with Alvin Karpavicz alias Alvin Karpis, Arthur Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and several others to transport the kidnap victim Edward G. Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensonville, Illinois and to hold him for \$200,000.00 ransom. On January 24, 1935, a bench warrant was issued, and his bond fixed at \$100,000.00.

MYRTLE EATON was born in Des Moines, Iowa, March 14, 1902, her maiden name being Myrtle Hubbard. Her father died a number of years ago, and her mother re-married a man by the name of Alvin Baber with whom Myrtle and her sisters never got along, so they left home at an early age. Myrtle's father died a few years ago, and Baber is said to have left Des Moines but occasionally returns for a visit. Myrtle is not on speaking terms with her step-father. Myrtle had two sisters - Elsie Hubbard, who married Lawrence Bud Joyce of Des Moines and who later served a sentence in Minnesota State Penitentiary for robbery, and about three years ago while Elsie was enroute to see her husband, she was killed in an automobile accident. The younger sister, Ruby Hubbard Peterson Jones is divorced from her husband, Richard Jones, but they are now residing together in Ruby's house at 1113 Southeast Kirkwood Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Myrtle as a young girl was known to hustle and walk the streets in Des Moines. She later started living with one Muriel Rolls of Des Moines, who about ten years ago killed a man and disappeared and has not been heard from since. She then started living with "Boots" Frow, and upon separating from him went to live with Clarence "Doc" Eaton. When "Doc" Eaton was sent to the Minnesota State Penitentiary on a bank robbery charge, Myrtle moved to St. Paul, Minnesota and became the paramour of Andy Rothmeyer. About two years ago when she became acquainted with William Weaver, subject of this case, she became his paramour. Myrtle Eaton is known to the Police as a shoplifter and fur booster and has the following record of arrests:

As Myrtle Eaton, #5805 PD, Des Moines, Iowa, arrested in 1927 for liquor investigation, at which time she was associating with Andy Rothmeyer. They were picked up at the Fort Des Moines Hotel, but were subsequently released;

As Ruth Martin, #3113 PD, Minneapolis, Minn., arrested on 2-27-30, charged with grand larceny in connection with shoplifting. She was fined \$100.00 on March 10, 1930 when the charges were changed to petty larceny;

As Sue Bond, #22402 PD, St. Paul, Minn., arrested on 12-9-30, charged with shoplifting. On December 19, 1930 these charges were dismissed by the County Attorney;

As Alice Martin, #5805 PD, Des Moines, Iowa, arrested on 12-29-31 for investigation but was not held. At the time of this arrest she was in company with Clyde Nimerick and his wife, who were known as Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Harris, John Waters alias "Go-About" Riley and his wife, Nina Snyder. Myrtle was in company with "Doc" Eaton who was not arrested at the time. All of these subjects were found in the Northwestern Hotel in Des Moines. Clyde Nimerick was the only one held, and he was turned over to the authorities at Kansas City, Missouri on a bank robbery charge and subsequently jumped a bond of \$20,000.00.

In connection with the two arrests of Myrtle Eaton in Minneapolis and St. Paul, she was accompanied by an Elsie McHenry of Des Moines, Iowa, who is now living with Jimmy Murphy a gambler, and they reside in the New Albany Hotel in Des Moines, Iowa.

Myrtle Eaton as the paramour of Andy Rothmeyer resided in an apartment at 565 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota for approximately six or seven years. Rothmeyer maintained this apartment for her, he being a well-to-do saloon keeper, with a place of business at 949 W. 7th Street, St. Paul. He is married, has several children, one of whom is a nurse in a hospital in Duluth, Minnesota.

It is not known just when "Bill" Weaver became acquainted with Myrtle Eaton, but it appears from reports that he became intimately acquainted with her during the summer of 1933 when they made various trips together to lake resorts in and around St. Paul. About the middle of September, 1933 "Bill" Weaver rented a flat above 777 Selby Avenue, St. Paul, which was over the beer gardens known as the Moonlight Gardens, and operated by one Harry Miller. Myrtle Eaton is known to have stayed with him in his flat at various times.

On October 28, 1933, Myrtle Eaton was in an automobile accident with a girl known as Madeline and was somewhat seriously injured. They were attended by Dr. Henry Hall. On December 7, 1933 Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver called at Dr. Hall's office and paid \$50.00 on account and advised that they were going to Des Moines, Iowa to visit some of Myrtle's relatives and then were going to Galveston, Texas. An address was given to Dr. Hall at the time, but he subsequently was unable to find it. Dr. Hall identified the picture of Marjorie Keeting as being the Madeline with Myrtle Eaton and who also accompanied her to Galveston, Texas.

A check of Myrtle Eaton's telephone for the fall of 1933, up until the time she left St. Paul in January, 1934 reveals the following telephone calls made:

11-21-33, Main 3710 Minneapolis, Morts Lumber Company, 707 Pents Building;  
11-21-33, Regent 6633 Minneapolis, A. G. Morts, 2529 Garfield Avenue;  
11-29-33, a call from a Hubbard at Des Moines, telephone #4-3310, calling Miss Eaton;  
12-24-33, a telephone call to the Sportsman Club, Des Moines, Iowa, telephone #3-7505 - this place was then operated by Dewey Burlovich and "Go-About" Riley;  
12-25-33, a call to Locust 7750, Minneapolis, Oland P. Wells, waiter, 3641 Fourth Avenue, South;  
1-12-34, Locust 9948 Minneapolis, Mrs. J. B. Davenport, 4109 Columbus Avenue.

Reports indicate that all of the Barker-Karpis gang was in St. Paul from January 1 to 15, 1934; that shortly thereafter nearly all of the women members of the gang moved to Chicago, Illinois or vicinity. It is known that Bill Weaver took an active part in the kidnaping of Edward Bremer and was at the hide-out a good deal of the time. In the statement of Paula Harmon, dated at Chicago, Illinois, September 15, 1934, she mentions that she moved to Chicago, Illinois from St. Paul about January 15, 1934 and secured an apartment at 67th & Stoney Island Avenue; that about January 26th William Weaver visited her at this apartment, and about February 1, 1934, Myrtle Eaton came to Chicago and stayed with Bill Weaver. From this statement it would appear that about February 14, 1934 most of the Barker-Karpis gang moved to Toledo, Ohio; however, Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver appear

to have broken away and gone to Aurora, Illinois to live. The first definite address of Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver in Aurora, Illinois was obtained from Frank Burkell, 50 So. 4th Street, who advised that about the first of March, 1934 he rented this couple a sleeping room in his home for about two weeks; that they used the name of Mr. and Mrs. William Thornton and later rented an apartment at 14 Claim Street, Aurora, Illinois and remained there until about the end of April, 1934.

During this period information was received that Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver were also in Des Moines, Iowa. This information is verified by the fact that on March 23, 1934, Bill Weaver, under the name of J. A. Orhood, purchased a Chevrolet coupe, motor #4135550, serial #1DA0313359, with black body and steel-drummed tire cover, regular equipment with front and rear bumpers with bumper guards and had a Sportlite spotlight installed. Weaver secured 1934 Iowa license tags #77-34648 under the name of J. A. Orhood, 317 E. 5th Street, which address is fictitious. About ten days after purchasing this car Weaver returned to the O'Day Chevrolet Company and had same serviced. This car has never been located to date. There appears to be quite a lapse of time from February 8th, which was the date of Bremer's release, until March 23, 1934, that the whereabouts of Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver is not definitely established, with the exception of two appearances in St. Paul, Minnesota. According to the statement that Edna Murry made at Kansas City, Missouri on February 12, 1935, after the others left for Toledo, Ohio about the middle of February, 1934, Edna Murry and Volney Davis returned to Chicago and remained there for a week or ten days and then moved to Aurora, Illinois; that it was about three or four weeks thereafter that Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver came to Aurora. From the fact that Weaver purchased a new car in Des Moines on March 23rd and ten days later had it serviced there would perhaps indicate that they had both lived in Des Moines, Iowa after leaving Chicago.

Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver resided as shown in Aurora, Illinois until April 28, 1934 and then drove to Toledo, Ohio where the other members of the Barker-Karpis gang were living. Reports do not show clearly where Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver resided, but that they were in contact with the gang. About the end of May, 1934 they moved to a cottage on Lake Erie not far from Sandusky, Ohio, but according to the statement of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Willgrube at Grand Forest Beach near Sandusky, Ohio, they did not rent a cottage to Mr. and Mrs. Orhood which was the alias used by Myrtle and Bill until the latter part of June. They took the cottage until September 4, 1934. The Orhoods gave their previous address as 1711 F Street, Toledo, Ohio.

During July, 1934 this Agent interviewed Charles Eaton at 1609 S.E. 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa and was advised by him that his 13-year old daughter, Myrtle Winnie Eaton was then visiting her uncle, Clarence "Doc" Eaton at Burlington, Wisconsin. According to the statement of Mrs. Willgrube on or about July 1, 1934,

Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton left Sandusky, Ohio ostensibly for Eau Claire, Wisconsin to pick up their two small children. They returned about five days later with little Winnie and Bettie Eaton. From information appearing in reports Myrtle and Bill left Grand Forest Beach near Sandusky, Ohio about the end of August and took the two children with them and headed for an unknown destination.

Other reports indicate that some time in September Edna Murry and Vi Gregg went through Aurora, Illinois and advised parties there that they were on their way to Des Moines to see Myrtle Eaton who was very ill, and that Vi Gregg was intending to take the train from there to Montana. Later towards the end of October, one Lloyd Hobson, a bootlegger of Aurora, Illinois, claims to have seen Myrtle Eaton in Des Moines. Myrtle Eaton at the time was reported to have separated from Bill Weaver because the Government was looking for him. From time to time during the late fall, word was received by Agent from various sources that Myrtle Eaton was in and out of Des Moines, but no definite information could be obtained as to where she was actually living.

During the course of this Agent's investigations at Des Moines in an effort to locate Myrtle Eaton, word was received that she and Bill Weaver were in town with a girl known as "Big" Marie and her man; that they had come from St. Paul. "Big" Marie was described as being in her early twenties and weighing around 200 pounds, and is reported to have been a former prostitute in Des Moines but now working her trade in St. Paul. Interview was had by this agent and other agents of the St. Paul office with Harry Miller of 777 Selby Avenue, St. Paul during July, 1934, at which time he gave information that Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton came to see him in St. Paul a few weeks after Bremer was returned and paid Weaver's rent. They again dropped in to see him about two months after Bremer was returned. Miller further states that during June, 1934, Myrtle Eaton telephoned to Andy Rothmeyer on two occasions, and about ten days prior to the interview, which would be around the first of July, Myrtle called Rothmeyer from Des Moines and told him where the Buick car which he had given her was located. This, therefore, coincides with the story of Mrs. Willgrube of Grand Forest Lake near Sandusky, Ohio that Weaver and Myrtle Eaton left Sandusky about July 1st ostensibly going to Eau Claire, Wisconsin. However, it appears very possible that they came to Des Moines, Iowa and picked up the two children and then returned to Sandusky, Ohio. The statement of Charles Eaton about the middle of July to this agent that his small daughter, Winnie Eaton, was in Burlington, Wisconsin would appear to be untrue.

In an interview with Andy Rothmeyer who came to the St. Paul Bureau Office on June 21, 1934 with victim Edward G. Bremer, who introduced Rothmeyer as a life-long friend, he claimed that he last saw Myrtle Eaton in February, 1934 and had not heard from her since then. She told him upon leaving town that if she was not back by June 15th he should remove the furniture from her apartment and store same. It would appear that Rothmeyer, shortly before coming to the St.



Paul office, accompanied by victim Bremer, had received a telephone call from Myrtle Eaton instructing him to store her furniture. On June 22, 1934, the furniture of Myrtle Eaton was moved and placed in storage at the Ballard Storage Garage & Transfer Company 6 E. 4th Street, St. Paul.

Dr. Henry Hall of St. Paul, mentioned in an interview that Myrtle Eaton had connections in her shoplifting activities in New York City and Philadelphia; that he later met a friend of hers, only known to him as Clara, who was caught near Philadelphia while boosting a fur coat; that the gang in St. Paul raised \$1,000.00 in order that she might be released.

In the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, dated 11-12-34, pages 58 and 59 there appears an interview with Joe Fisher, brother of Clara Gibson, the latter being a shoplifter. Clara Gibson frequently made trips to New York and stayed with a Rose Atkins, who originally came from Newark, New Jersey, her husband being Jack Atkins. Rose is known as "Big" Rose and is now reported operating a house of prostitution in Kansas City, Missouri.

In this Agent's investigations at Des Moines, Myrtle Eaton was reported running with a shoplifter from New York by the name of Daisy who had good connections there.

As previously shown in this report, Special Agent in Charge Hammi and this Agent interviewed [redacted] South Dakota [redacted]

The following information was secured from [redacted] is set forth as follows:

The informant [redacted] was contacted on December 19th, 1934 at the Martin Hotel, Sioux City, Iowa, at which time [redacted] stated that he had just returned from [redacted] Kansas City; that he had talked with her off and on and had secured the following information:-

"That Verne Miller had nothing to do with the Hamm Kidnaping case but that he had purchased a Terraplane car for Barker and Karpis and that the license plates on this car were supposed to have been used in the Hamm Kidnaping Case and were later placed by a member of the Barker-Karpis Gang in Verne Miller's home at Kansas City. Verne Miller went to Chicago and there saw Volney Davis, at which time they had a violent quarrel over the Hamm Case, which nearly ended in a killing. Miller accused the Barker-Karpis Gang of trying to put him on the spot in this case. According to Vivian Mathews, both Barker and Karpis are "Junkers".

The informant [redacted] also stated that Harry Sawyer and Barker and Karpis pulled the Hamm Kidnaping; that Sawyer was the finger man. Miller was said to be very close to Harry Sawyer and after the shooting in the hotel at Chicago,



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Vivian Mathews believes that Miller went to New York, where he contacted Sam Seigel, alias Sam the Killer, and Louie Litky. These two men were very close with Harry Sawyer. Vivian Mathews claimed that when Miller left Chicago that was the last time she had seen him.

"Bernard Phillips is alleged to have quarreled with Sawyer and later went to New York. Sawyer is said to have contacted Seigel and Litky and Phillips was later killed. Sam Silver was also killed in New York and Verne Miller killed in Detroit, in the same way.

"One Yen Yen Ryan, alias John Burke, is a close friend of Barker and Karpis. The wife of Earl Chrisman, the latter being killed in the Fairbury, Nebraska Bank Robbery, is now said to be living with Ryan and Ryan is thought to be with Barker and Karpis.

*The informant*  
[redacted] also stated that Doc Stacey of Chicago, and Herbert Farmer, of Joplin, Missouri are very close to the Barker-Karpis Gang; that Barker and Karpis put up the money to get Farmer out on bond in connection with the Kansas City massacre. Barker and Karpis are also said to have the machine gun used in the Kansas City massacre and have same hidden out somewhere.

*The informant*  
[redacted] also stated that Blonde George Ziegler and Jack Pfeiffer are alleged to have killed two women. One of these women is said to have been the one involved in the Denver Mint robbery. This is thought to be Indian Rose and it is believed that George Ziegler and his wife later adopted this woman's little daughter. When this woman got out of the penitentiary she is said to have gone to St. Paul (in about 1932) and was later killed and buried.

*The informant*  
"According to [redacted] Doc Eaton, the former husband of Myrtle Eaton, has a car that Harry Sawyer bought and made the down payment for Doc. However, Doc was never able to complete the payments and they were later completed by Harry Sawyer.

*The informant*  
[redacted] also stated that Lillian Holden, wife of Thomas Holden, now confined in the Leavenworth Penitentiary, is supposed to be in contact with this gang and is around Kansas City and Chicago.

*The informant*  
[redacted] also stated that Verne Miller was an enemy of the men convicted in the O'Connell Kidnaping Case. [redacted] stated that he is well acquainted with Harry Sawyer and was likewise acquainted with Danny Hogan and that it was always his belief that Bill Peterson put the bomb in Hogan's car. [redacted] stated that he was acquainted with Jack Glickman but was not acquainted with Leon Glickman; that at the time that he was running alcohol, the prize territory was North Dakota; that [redacted] and Verne Miller, had this territory and secured their alcohol in St. Paul. Verne Miller, through this connection, was very close to Frisco Dutch.

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\_\_\_\_\_ further advised that Abe Kaplan and Frank Nitti, and other Capone men, are now around Omaha. Frank Nitti formerly had the Valley Springs Rectifier and when the code went into effect, this place was closed down. Nitti is now supposed to be using the Arrow Rectifier near Omaha as a front and is putting Manhattan Whiskey on the market. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he had received information that it was Frank Nitti's gang which put Hanfelt on the spot, Hanfelt being one of the large liquor dealers in Omaha, who was recently killed.

"Deputy Marshal Dawson at Des Moines advised Agent that about a year ago Harold "Whitey" Anderson, with his wife and his wife's sister, were arrested in Des Moines on a Federal liquor charge; that he believes there was also a nurse arrested at the same time with these parties, who came from St. Paul. Dawson is said to have taken the rap for the crowd in Federal Court. Dawson believed that a check of the Prohibition Agent's report would reveal the identity of the nurse from St. Paul, who might be acquainted with Myrtle Eaton. Harold Anderson and his wife are well acquainted with Myrtle and now reside next to Winnie Eaton in Des Moines. Dawson also stated that he is certain he saw Winnie Eaton, about September or October in Des Moines, riding around with Gertrude Turnipseed, who is the wife of Moxie Turnipseed, a former Des Moines bootlegger.

"Detective Loren Miller, Des Moines Police Department, advised Agent that he had an Informant who had advised him that Myrtle Eaton had been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Walters at Sioux City; that Walters was very close to the man who runs the dance pavilion at Arnolds Park, Iowa, and that Walters and this man were recently seen in Des Moines together. Miller also advised that Myrtle is a close friend of Maude Wells, of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and that James B. "Fat" Claypool, now resides at 2129 Cottage Grove Avenue, Des Moines.

"Detective Fred Gagen, of the Des Moines Police Department, advised Agent that Bud Joyce and Go About Riley were constantly together; that they are alleged to be in the alcohol and dope racket. He has an Informant who is endeavoring to obtain from Joyce the whereabouts of Myrtle Eaton."

In connection with the above regarding Frank Nitti, an anonymous letter was received February 10, 1934, postmarked at Des Moines, stating that a Dick or Harold Moore, a hail insurance salesman at Creston, Iowa had sold a farm to some gangsters. In this connection, the report of Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, Detroit, Michigan, dated September 11, 1934 covers an interview had with a Gus Kahn in the Michigan State Penitentiary to the effect that Frank Nitti, an Al Capone gangster, had a place near Creston, Iowa. Efforts by the Omaha office to locate this farm have not been successful. In this connection, information has been obtained from time to time in Des Moines to the effect that Frank Nitti flies to Omaha, Nebraska from Chicago and lands at the Ft. Crook flying field. The various contacts in Omaha are said to be Sam House, who operates the Diamond Cigar Store on

16th Street near Howard Street and maintains a gambling place in the Carlton Hotel. House is reported to be the head of the dope racket in Omaha. Charles Hutter is reported to be the owner of the New Maryland Club on Albright Road. This was formerly known as Hyatts Place. Geo. "Dutch" Volker, an ex-convict, is reported to be the operator of the Clover-Leaf Club on 15th Street near Douglas. Dick Lindsay is reported to be running a joint at 24th & L Streets in South Omaha. Several months ago Harry Hanfelt, reported to have been head of the liquor racket in Omaha, was killed in front of his home. His partner, Cy Silver, is reported to live at Room #323, Paxton Hotel, which is the leading hotel in town, but the manager there refuses to furnish any information. Automobiles of various gangsters are reported to be stored at the Paxton Garage, which is operated by Heinie Boraky. Hanfelt's daughter has recently been visiting Frank Walters of Sioux City, Iowa who operates a beer tavern known as The Valley Gardens. Myrtle Eaton is reported to be a close friend of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walters, and several months ago was likewise reported to have been visiting with them. The U. S. National Bank of which Gwyer F. Yates is the president, is reported to be the Omaha underworld banking depository.

On January 22, 1935, an indictment was filed in the United States District Court in the District of Minnesota, Third Division at St. Paul, against Myrtle Eaton, alias "Mert", charging that between December 1, 1933 and May 1, 1934, she conspired with Alvin Karpavicz alias Alvin Karpis, Arthur Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and several others to transport the kidnap victim Edward G. Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensonville, Illinois and to hold him for \$200,000.00 ransom. On January 24, 1935, a bench warrant was issued, and her bond fixed at \$15,000.00

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

ST. PAUL BUREAU OFFICE

- (1) Check with the Internal Revenue Department relative to the investigation made by these agents of Harry Sawyer's income and follow out any leads found therein.
- (2) Check with the Narcotic Department relative to the investigation made by that office concerning Harry Sawyer's connections with a large dope ring at Sioux City, Iowa; Omaha, Nebraska; Lincoln, Nebraska and Denver, Colorado.
- (3) Check as to the ownership of the farm owned by Sawyer near St. Paul and his residence at 1878 Jefferson Street; likewise, check as to his possible ownership of the buildings at 545 to 541 Wabasha Avenue where he has maintained saloons. Sawyer is likewise reported to have a part ownership in a garage in South St. Paul.
- (4) Contact should be had with Harry Barton, now serving time at the Minnesota State Penitentiary at Stillwater, for possible connections of Sawyer's. Barton is said to have left money with Sawyer which was apparently never paid back.

ST. PAUL BUREAU OFFICE (cont.)-

(5) Reference is made to report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, St. Paul, dated 9-5-34. Interview should be had with Pauline Parker who operates a house of prostitution known as the College Inn at St. Paul for further information.

(6) Contacts should be had with the following persons who may be able to give information as to the local and outside contacts of Sawyer:

Jack Davenport, through whom Jack Pfeiffer paid Mrs. Sawyer \$300.00 during the fall of 1934;

Tom Banks, and Leon Glickman and Whitey Vansine who now operate a gambling joint at Winona, Minnesota;

Jack Pfeiffer, who operates the Hollyhocks Inn.

Efforts should be made to ascertain from these parties the identity of Gus Stone with aliases, who is reported to be the contact man at Calumet City. Likewise, ascertain from these parties the identity of Sawyer's, "Skip" and "Mamie" in Chicago.

(7) Contact Elroy Rosen, who formerly operated a jewelry store at 449 Wabasha Avenue, but now residing on East Lake Street, East-Shore Park, White-Bear Lake.

(8) Reinterview Betty Barwald, chambermaid at the St. Paul Hotel, who was formerly the maid in the Sawyer home.

(9) Locate and interview Edward Johnson, 1603 W. 7th Street, St. Paul, a close friend of Sawyer's.

(10) Interview Russell "Flea" Huston who operates the Moonlight Gardens on Salvay Avenue, apparently with Harry Miller.

(11) Ascertain all information regarding 1935 Minnesota license plates #919-348 which were on Mrs. Sawyer's car in the Walker Garage at Omaha.

(12) Endeavor to ascertain the name and locate the married sister of Mrs. Sawyer who resides in St. Paul.

(13) Interview the Deputy Sheriff at St. Paul or Minneapolis by the name of PEARLMAN who is said to be well acquainted with Sawyer.

In connection with the efforts to locate Myrtle Eaton, the St. Paul office is requested to refer to the report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, St. Paul, dated 9-5-34 and conduct the following interviews:

ST. PAUL BUREAU OFFICE (cont.) -

(14) Interview Dr. Harry Hall, 636 Lowry Building, securing all information possible regarding Myrtle Eaton and her associates, obtaining the full names of the girls named Clara and Daisy, who are shoplifters from the east; one is described as having a scar on her face. Dr. Hall likewise claims to know Myrtle Eaton's connections in Des Moines, Iowa.

(15) Locate and interview Lee Hogan, the wife of Danny Hogan, a close friend of Myrtle Eaton, who operates a place known as the Little Bar on Lake Geneva and also a place at Bemidji, Minnesota.

(16) Interview Emily Louise Woodbine and one by the name of Dorothy at the Country Club, Duluth, Minnesota.

(17) Contact Dorothy VanSine, St. Paul through Dr. Hall, as she is alleged to be a close friend of Myrtle Eaton.

(18) Re-interview Harry Miller, 777 Selby Avenue, St. Paul and refer to report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson of the St. Paul office, dated 7-12-34.

(19) Locate and interview Myrtle Cameron who is reported to reside near the Ford Assembly Plant.

(20) Locate and interview the colored maid of Myrtle Eaton's by the name of Leona.

(21) Set out leads for Bessie Green, wife of Eddie Green, to be interviewed in an effort to ascertain the whereabouts of Nell Howard of Kansas City, who is reported to be a close friend of Myrtle Eaton. Likewise, secure from Bessie Green all known contacts of Myrtle Eaton.

(22) Interview Andy Rothmeyer, 949 W. 7th Street and check as to Myrtle Eaton's furniture which is stored at the Ballard Storage Company.

(23) Set out leads to locate and interview Edna Murray, Paula Harmon, Winona Burdett and Helen Ferguson, particularly for information as to Bill Weaver, Myrtle Eaton and Harry Sawyer, securing their contacts and movements from January 1, 1934 to date.

(24) Check Bill Weaver's connection with the South St. Paul Novelty Company.

(25) Endeavor to ascertain the identity of "Big" Marie and Lucile Moore with whom Myrtle Eaton is reported to have been seen in Des Moines.

(26) Advise whether non-est returns have been made on warrants for all Subjects not in custody.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS (cont.):

THE CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE -

- (1) Endeavor to locate Harry Burch, said to be a good friend of subject Sawyer.
- (2) Make an effort to identify "Skip" and "Mamie" who reside in Chicago. Refer to letter of Inspector Clegg, written at St. Paul on May 8, 1934 to the Director concerning statements of Bessie Green.
- (3) Secure photographs of Frank Nitti and Sam Busiek and check with the State's Attorney's Office or other reliable sources as to the activities of Frank Nitti, especially around Omaha, Nebraska and Creston, Iowa. Nitti is reported to be a friend of Alvin Karpis.
- (4) Check and interview Benjamin Sandlo, an uncle of Harry Sawyer and Morris and Charles Giesenfield, Attorneys, and cousins of subject Sawyer, all of whom reside at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- (5) At [redacted] Illinois, re-interview [redacted] for any further information regarding Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver.
- (6) Locate and interview Lloyd Hobson, a bootlegger, who runs between Aurora, Ill. and Des Moines, Ia. and is reported to have seen Myrtle Eaton in Des Moines, obtaining from him details as to where Myrtle Eaton is living and her contacts there.
- (7) Re-check as to Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver staying with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burkell, 50 So. 40th Street, as Mr. and Mrs. William Thornton.
- (8) Locate and interview Madeline Snyder in Chicago as to whether she was with Myrtle Eaton at the time of the accident in October, 1933. Her statement appears in the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown of Chicago, dated 10-1-34, page 85.
- (9) Interview Helen Ferguson and ascertain the whereabouts of Nina Reinshagen alias Nina Bales who resided in St. Louis, Missouri and is reported to be a close friend of Myrtle Eaton.

THE NEW YORK BUREAU OFFICE -

Will endeavor to locate Sam Siegal alias Sam the Killer and Louis Litky and Frank Foster whom Sawyer is alleged to be contacting.

THE LOS ANGELES BUREAU OFFICE -

- (1) Will locate and interview M. R. Cohen, 3822 E Street San Diego, California to ascertain if Sawyer is in contact with him. Sawyer visited Cohen two or three years ago, and last fall Cohen was found by Bureau agents on Sawyer's farm



THE LOS ANGELES BUREAU OFFICE (cont.)

near St. Paul. Cohen is reported to be a dope addict.

(2) At Los Angeles, interview Mr. and Mrs. George Lehnhoff at the Normandy Hotel, Mrs. Lehnhoff being a sister of Harry Sawyer.

(3) At Santa Monica, California, endeavor to locate Louis Benaro, known to be a friend of Harry Sawyer and his family. Subject Sawyer may be known to Benaro as Harry Sandlovich.

THE OMAHA BUREAU OFFICE

(1) Will ascertain Sawyer's connection with the bank robbery at Benson, Nebraska in 1919, at which time he was arrested under the name of Porcha.

(2) Locate and interview Sam House, alleged to be the Omaha contact for the Barker-Karpis Gang.

(3) Make an investigation at Sidney, Nebraska where Mrs. Harry Sawyer's father, W. A. Bundy, is reported to be residing on Route #8, securing from him all information regarding the family.

(4) At Sioux City, Iowa, endeavor to interview Abe Kroloff, 919 Pierce Street, relative to mail forwarded by him to the Sawyers.

(5) Ascertain from the University Hospital at Iowa City, Iowa all information regarding Myrtle Eaton's sister, Ruby Jones, being confined there; also securing the name of her doctor in Des Moines, as this same doctor may have been the one who attended Myrtle Eaton in Des Moines.

(6) Re-interview officials of the O'Day Chevrolet Company on East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, as to the purchase of a car by Bill Weaver on March 23, 1934.

(7) Interview Gale Johnson at the Iowa State Penitentiary, Ft. Madison, Iowa, relative to his accompanying Bill Weaver at the time the Chevrolet car was purchased.

(8) Interview Bud Joyte, Go About Riley, Dewey Burlovich, Chuck Conlin, Charles Eaton, little Winnie and Betty Eaton, Ruby Jones, Harry Reynolds, Elsie McHenry and Ed Brown, all of Des Moines, Iowa, for information regarding Myrtle Eaton.

(9) Ascertain if Myrtle Eaton is staying with the Shockley family at Ames, Iowa, who are the parents of Nina Snyder, alleged wife of Go About Riley.



(10) Check as to whether Myrtle Eaton is in contact with Richard Kennelley at Valley Junction, Iowa or Maude Wells at Fort Dodge, Iowa and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walters at Sioux City, Iowa.

(11) At Davenport, Iowa, check vicinity of Myrtle & West 2nd Streets, which is the end of the get-away chart following the robbery of the Stockyards National Bank at South St. Paul in August, 1933; the hideout or contact of the Barker-Karpis Gang may be found in that vicinity.

(12) At Omaha, Nebraska, check with Captain Fritz Franks of the Police Department as to contacts in Omaha.

(13) At Creston, Iowa check further as to the farm alleged to be owned there by Frank Nitti and possibly purchased through one Dick or Harold Moore a hail insurance salesman.

PENDING

Post Office Box #2118  
Detroit, Michigan  
March 16 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Dallas, Texas

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232;  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236;  
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237;  
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239;  
HARRY BANTER with aliases, I.O. 1240;  
MYRTLE SATON with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to communication from this office directed to St. Paul dated February 25, 1935 setting forth that G. J. Fitzgerald, who is a subject in this case, and his wife, Belle, left Toledo, Ohio on January 16, 1935 indicating that they were going either to California or Florida.

Under date of March 13, 1935

advised Agent Hall of this office that Mr. and Mrs. George James, who are close acquaintances and who visited him during the time the Fitzgeralds were living at the above address, recently stated that they had been told by Fitzgerald at one time that he and his wife Belle, were going to California and intended to visit Dallas, Texas en route. According to information supplied by the James people did not know Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald until they met last fall at residence. stated that James operates a notorious gambling establishment at the Jovial Club, 631 St. Clair Street, Toledo and it is presumed that Fitzgerald perhaps spent some time there while in Toledo. advised Agent Hall that she recalls Belle Fitzgerald making some statement to the effect that she had a sister living somewhere in Montana and that she is alleged to be operating a rooming house. advised she could not recall the name of the town but that at one time she received a letter from Belle from this town, but which letter has been destroyed. From all indications the receipt of the letter was several months ago.

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With reference to the particular city in Montana, it will be noted in the report of Agent Hall of this office dated 11/5/34 that a tracing of a letter was received at 2525 Georgetown Avenue, Toledo addressed to Mrs. C. Wood, which is an alias of Alleyne Hoyt and which letter was postmarked Butte, Montana, October 18, 1934 but which had no return address.

With further reference to the Dallas, Texas angle, it is noted in the criminal record of Fitzgerald, which is Bureau Identification No. 95780 dated April 25, 1934, that there is a notation to the effect that he has J. C. Adams, was arrested at Dallas, Texas April 1909 and released May 1, 1909.

In view of the aforementioned information, it is respectfully requested that your office conduct appropriate investigation at Dallas. In the event you should be successful in locating Fitzgerald and his wife, it is suggested, in accordance with existing instructions, that he be placed under surveillance as it is felt that in view of his close contact with the gang he will eventually meet them somewhere. A copy of this letter is being furnished to the Butte office for its information in the event additional material is developed on which to conduct investigation in that district, particularly with regard to Mrs. Fitzgerald's sister, whose name is unknown to this office.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Bureau  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Los Angeles  
San Francisco  
Butte

POST OFFICE BOX 829,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 16, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.  
1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.  
1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.  
1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases,  
1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O.  
1240; MYRTLE LATON with aliases, I.O.  
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

Reference is made to Bureau letter of February 12, 1934, to the St. Paul office, copies of which were sent to New York and Chicago and Bureau letter of April 10, 1934, to Chicago, copies being sent to St. Paul and New York, containing information given by an individual by the name of Alcorn alias Korn alias Kay and his wife. In the letter of April 10, 1934, it was stated that contact with Mrs. Alcorn was being maintained for the purpose of obtaining additional information.

If it has not been done recently, Mrs. Alcorn should be re-interviewed to secure from her or her husband any lead which will assist in the apprehension of subject Karpis, as subsequent events have shown the prior information given by Alcorn and his wife was substantially correct.

In the letter of February 12, 1934, the Claridge Hotel, New York, is mentioned as a headquarters or clearing house for gangsters, including those from St. Paul. This hotel should not be overlooked as a possible hideout for subjects in this case and valuable contacts might also be made there.

In the report of Special Agent W. Carter Baum, dated March 9, 1934, page 19, Harry Schneeweiss, 1343 Greenleaf Avenue, Chicago, is named by Alcorn as a possible contact of St. Paul gangsters, and is said to have received telephone calls and telegrams at 240 West 48th Street, New York City, telephone Riverside 92013. A letter from the New York office to the St. Paul office dated March 23, 1934, states that this telephone was in the name of O. C. Drucker, 240 West 93th Street, New York City, apartment 8-A and that the above address of West 48th Street is probably erroneous.

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Investigation should be made at this address to locate Schneeweiss and discover any possible contact with subjects Karpis, Campbell or Davis.

Very truly yours,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau  
St. Paul



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

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218,  
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,  
I.O. #1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,  
I.O. #1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,  
with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM CRAVER,  
with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER,  
with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,  
with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON, with  
aliases, I.O. #1241; OLIVER EBERG, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE; ETAL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.  
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Reference is made to your letter of March 8, 1935, enclosing photo-  
graphs of RUSSELL "SPIKE" LANE, with aliases; OTTO JACKSON, Kansas City,  
Missouri, P.D. #22596; and EVERETT LLOYD PANDLETON, Kansas City, Missouri,  
P.D. #21005, and your telephone conversation of March 14, 1935.

Please be advised that during the afternoon of March 14, 1935, the  
photographs of the above mentioned, together with a photograph of LLOYD  
DOYLE, with aliases, I.O. #1208, which photograph was cut from the above  
numbered identification order, were exhibited to JESS DOYLE in the Ramsey  
County Jail. After viewing these photographs very carefully, he stated  
that they were not the photographs of any persons known to him and that  
he was positive that none of them was the photograph of the "LEO" who  
was a friend of VOLNEY DAVIS. He stated that he only saw this "LEO" on  
one occasion in VOLNEY DAVIS' apartment and his impression was that the  
fellow was slender and had a "dished" face. He stated that he was willing  
to cooperate with the Bureau and, in the event the photograph of "LEO" was  
secured and exhibited to him, he would identify it if he possibly could  
and he feels reasonably certain that he should be able to identify a  
photograph of LEO should he see one.

In accordance with your suggestion, the photographs in question were not exhibited to EDNA MURRAY on account of her antagonistic point of view, inasmuch as it was not believed that she could identify the photographs should she see them and for the further reason that she would communicate the information to outside sources should she know we were in possession of the photograph of the person named "LEO".

Very truly yours,

D.M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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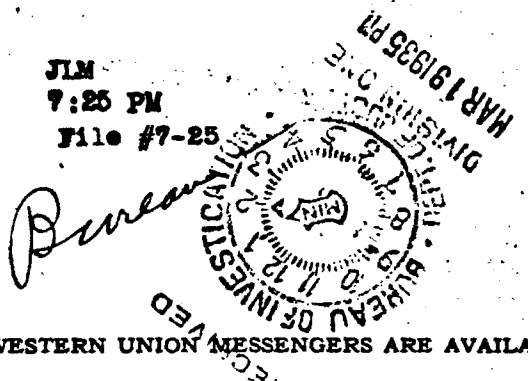
Detroit, Michigan, March 15, 1935.

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1900 BANKERS BUILDING,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

BREKID ORDER FOR ALICE CONRAD'S TICKET RELAYED CLEVELAND FROM CHIEF  
TICKET AGT NT GREAT EASTERN BUS LINES NEWYORKCITY WITH HOM ORDER FOR SAME  
EVIDENTLY PLACED BY UNION MOTOR COACHES STATION FIVE NINE WEST THREE  
SIX STREET NEWYORKCITY MARCH THIRTE NTH WHO SHOULD HAVE NAME AND ADDRESS  
OF PERSON PAYING FOR SAME

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

March 15, 1935.

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Postmaster,  
Mankato, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, w. aliases, I.O. 1218,  
FUGITIVE; ET AL., EDW. GEO. BREMER - PLATON;  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE - NATL FIREARMS ACT  
Re: St. Paul File Number 7-30.

In connection with an official investigation being  
conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, I should  
like to ask that a cover be placed on the mail directed to  
the residence of Belle Born, Route #1, Mankato, Minnesota,  
and that tracings of all out of town mail be forwarded to  
this office for a period of thirty days. I should like to  
ask that this cover include all special delivery and parcel  
post packages, and in cases where the carrier picks up mail  
on the route emanating from that address.

I want to assure you that your cooperation in this  
connection will be duly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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E. J. Connelley

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

March 16, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:-

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;  
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1234;  
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237;  
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;  
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240;  
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM,  
KIDNAPING.

In checking a toll call made from Hammond 1863, residence of William J. Harrison, Calumet City, Illinois, on April 29, 1935, to Blue Island 1003, it has been ascertained that this telephone was listed to a woman named Belva Kirk, who resided at 2419 West Burr Oak Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois. This woman is reported to have been engaged in prostitution at the above address. She is likewise reported to have been living with one Carl Baker, a bootlegger.

Early in the year 1934 Belva Kirk left Blue Island, Illinois and provided a forwarding address of General Delivery, Orlando, Florida. Baker is reported to have proceeded with her to Orlando. The Kirk woman has a married sister residing in Orlando who is reported to be engaged in the real estate business and is said to own several parcels of real property in Orlando. Belva Kirk, who receives mail from Orlando under that name and undoubtedly will be found residing in Orlando under that name, is reported to be operating a house of prostitution in that town.

Belva Kirk is described as follows:

Age	40 years
Height	5'6"
Weight	170 pounds
Build	Stout
Hair	Reddish-brown; probably graying

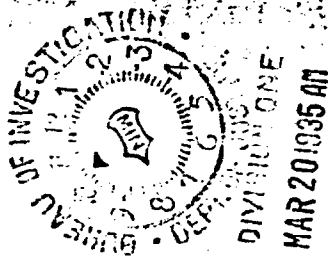
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In connection with the above it is noted that William Woodbury, Negro retained as a handy-man by Fred Barker and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, stated that on one of Barker's trips to Miami, Florida he stopped at Orlando, Florida on his return and had some repairs done to his automobile. Mention is likewise made in previous reports that the Barkers had been making inquiry at Orlando, Florida for the purpose of obtaining a residence.

Inasmuch as Carl Baker is reported to have been a boot-legger, it is possible that Baker may be closely acquainted with Harrison, who was likewise engaged in the liquor business, and it is suggested that discreet inquiry be made at Orlando for the purpose of ascertaining Baker's and the Kirk women's whereabouts. Investigation should be directed to ascertain whether Harrison has contacted either of these parties in the past or is presently in touch with them.

Very truly yours,

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

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CC: Bureau

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 16, 1935

Time - 1:05 P.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Backus .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
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Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Edwards .....  
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Mr. Quinn .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Smith .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

Mr. Whitley telephoned from the New York City Office with reference to the teletype from the Chicago Office concerning Alice Conrad, a copy of which is in the Bureau, and stated that in talking the situation over in the New York Office, it had occurred to them that since Sawyer is supposed to be in New Jersey, possibly around Newark, and since she is possibly going to contact him, it is possible that they will follow the bus she is on and simply stop the bus and take her off. Mr. Whitley mentioned that if this did happen, Agent Suran on the bus could do nothing more than to get the license number of the car.

In view of these facts, Mr. Whitley stated that the following plan had been tentatively set out, subject to my approval. The bus stops at Easton, Pennsylvania for dinner, and remains there, according to Mr. Whitley for about 30 minutes. The plan is to have three men drive in a Bureau car to Easton, Pennsylvania, where one of the men who is known to Agent Suran will board the bus while the other two in the Bureau automobile will follow the bus until it reaches its New York station. Agent Ross from the Chicago Office, who knows Agent Suran, will board the bus, while Agents Starr and Binns will trail the bus in the Bureau automobile. Mr. Whitley stated that while her instructions are to get off the bus at the 36th Street Terminal, the bus first stops at the 42nd Street Terminal, which is a larger terminal and a very busy one, and it is possible that she will contact Sawyer there, or get off the bus there. In view of this, Mr. Whitley stated that arrangements will be made to have Agents at both of these terminals.

Mr. Whitley stated that it has been ascertained that the ticket which was sent to the Conrad woman was arranged through the 36th Street Terminal by a woman who was about six feet tall, according to the ticket seller, who evidently works or lives in that vicinity, this conclusion being drawn because of the fact that this woman passes the terminal at least once a day. The description of this woman does not fit anyone known to the New York Office.

Mr. Whitley will keep the Bureau advised of any developments.

Respectfully,

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BREKID USUAL DEVELOPMENTS FOLLOWING WITH INFORMANTS  
ANOTHER INFORMANT GIVES INFORMATION WHICH CHECKS WITH STORY OF  
BRUNO AUSTIN ALIAS <sup>White</sup> WHITIE AS TO SOURCE KARPIS BARKER GUNS AND NOW  
INDICATES PARTIES POSSIBLY THIS GANG NEGOTIATING FOR TWO GUNS.

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BREKID LOCAL PRESS TODAY STATES BOND IDENTIFIED AS  
STOLEN BANK OF DREXEL DREXEL MISSOURI FOUND BY NEGRO  
JANITOR IN CAN OF WALT LEFT IN APARTMENT OCCUPIED BY JESS  
DOYLE AT TWENTY THREE WARNER PLAZA STOP SEARCH THIS  
DEPARTMENT MADE AGENTS BUT NO SEARCH MADE OF FOOD

CONTAINERS IN REFRIGERATOR AND SUBSEQUENT SEARCH KANSASCITY  
POLICY APPARENTLY ALSO MADE STOP BOND DELIVERED LOCAL  
POLICE STOP WILL VERIFY REPORTED RECOVERY SOON AS POSSIBLE  
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*J. Z. H.*

*Mr. Zamm read.*

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois  
(Name and address of Contributor)

Date February 15, 1935

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.  
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Following are the dispositions of cases on which  
fingerprints have been mailed to the U. S. Bureau of Investiga-  
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This form to be submitted to the U. S. Bureau of  
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Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
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Edna and J. J. Brown

BREKID AGENT R. C. SURAN DEPARTED CHICAGO VIA GREAT EASTERN BUS 11-00 AM TODAY MAKING SURVEILLANCE ALICE CONRAD INTIMATE FRIEND GLADYS SAWYER, WIFE OF HARRY SAWYER. AGENT SURAN AND ALICE CONRAD ARRIVING GREAT EASTERN TERMINAL 59 WEST 36TH STREET NYC 4/ 11-00 PM TOMORROW. ARRANGE HAVE AGENT MEET SURAN UPON ARRIVAL NYC WHERE SURAN WILL IDENTIFY CONRAD AND NYC AGENT SHOULD VERY DISCREETLY TAKE UP SURVEILLANCE FROM BUS STATION. SURAN WILL REMAIN NYC REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME PURPOSE IDENTIFYING GLADYS SAWYER SHOULD ALICE CONRAD CONTACT HER. PHOTOGRAPHS HARRY AND GLADYS SAWYER BEING AIR MAILED YOU TODAY. WIRE RECEIVED FROM CLEVELAND OFFICE GREAT EASTERN BUS LINES BY CHICAGO GREAT EASTERN TERMINAL YESTERDAY DIRECTING CHICAGO TERMINAL FURNISH ALICE CONRAD ROUND TRIP TRANSPORTATION CHICAGO TO NYC AND \$1-60 CASH AND TO INFORM HER TO LEAVE BUS AT 59 WEST 36TH STREET. ROUND TRIP FARE IS \$23-40 INDICATING UNIDENTIFIED PERSON DEPOSITED \$25-00 AT EITHER CLEVELAND PR NYC OFFICE GREAT EASTERN FOR CONRAD'S TRANSPORTATION. UNIDENTIFIED PERSON MAY BE KARL FROMM, MARRIED CHICAGO BUSINESS MAN, WHO IS FIANCE OF ALICE CONRAD. DETROIT BEING REQUESTED CHECK CLEVELAND OFFICE GREAT EASTERN TO DETERMINE IDENTITY PERSON DEPOSITING TRANSPORTATION MONEY. HOWEVER NYC OFFICE GREAT EASTERN SHOULD ALSO BE IMMEDIATELY CHECKED TO DISCREETLY DETERMINE IDENTITY THIS PERSON. AGENT SURAN HAS ADDRESS SISTER ALICE CONRAD WHICH LATTER INDICATED SHE WOULD VISIT. DOUBTFUL WILL CONTACT SISTER. IF GLADYS SAWYER LOCATED SURVEILLANCE DESIRED TO LOCATE SAWYER AND IF LATTER LOCATED BEFORE APPREHENDING CARE SHOULD BE EXERCISED TO GET ANY OTHER SUBJECTS WHO MAY BE WITH HIM OR CONTACTING HIM

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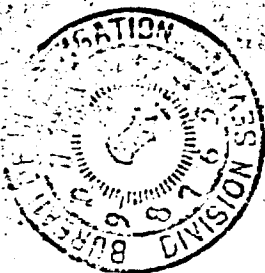
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March 15, 1935

Mr. Harold E. Stassen,  
County Attorney,  
South St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Stassen:

Confirming the information transmitted to you by telegram on March 12, 1935, you are advised that this Bureau has no objection to your issuing to the newspapers information predicated upon the contents of my letter addressed to you on March 7, 1935.

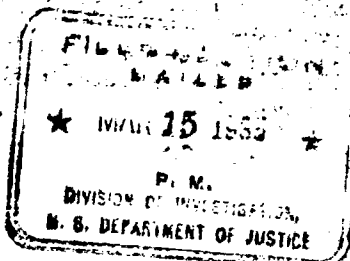
I desire to express to you my sincere appreciation for your courtesy in inquiring as to the Bureau's attitude in this situation before releasing information to the press. It has been the Bureau's unfortunate experience on several occasions to have official inquiries jeopardized by the premature release of publicity and consequently I am always appreciative of the attitude of cooperation displayed by those public officials who are foresighted enough to make inquiry concerning the desirability of furnishing the newspapers with information prior to actually issuing press statements.

Please be assured of my continued desire to be of service and assistance to you at all times in matters of mutual interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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POST OFFICE BOX 829,  
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AIR MAIL-- SPECIAL DELIVERY

March 16, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,  
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with  
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL  
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS  
with aliases, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER  
with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J.  
HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY  
SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE  
CREATON with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

On the evening of March 8, 1935, confidential informant [redacted] whose services were used quite extensively during the early period of the Dillinger investigation, contacted Special Agent W. C. Ryan and advised that during the latter part of November, 1934, he had occasion to contact a party by the name of "Mibs" and one Sammy, for the purpose of obtaining from them some slot machines; that he went to the home of Sammy, which is located at 825 South Marshfield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and there met "Mibs" and Sammy who were accompanied by a party whom they introduced to him as "Slim". [redacted] stated that he did not connect this party "Slim" with anyone who was wanted by the Bureau at that time, but that later on he recalled certain pictures which had been shown to him by Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis, and recalled that Mr. Purvis had shown him a photograph of one Russell Gibson alias Slim Gray and that he recalled a resemblance between the party "Slim" whom he had met and Russell Gibson.

About two weeks before the killing of Slim Gray in Chicago, [redacted] stated, he again tried to contact "Mibs" and Sammy for the purpose of ascertaining definitely if the "Slim" he had met was identical with Slim Gray, but that he was unable to contact them at this time. He also advised at the time of this interview that after the death of Slim Gray he again tried to contact "Mibs" and Sammy, but was advised, upon making inquiry at a restaurant frequented by them, that they were not hanging around the neighborhood as much as they had previously.

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██████████ stated that this indicated to him that "Mibs" and Sammy were no doubt hiding out from the law. ██████████ furnished the further information with reference to his meeting with "Slim" that on that particular night "Mibs" brought out two large rifles, which from the description furnished by ██████████ were no doubt monitor rifles, and that "Slim" had told "Mibs" to bring these rifles to his apartment. ██████████ at this time advised that he would again try to get in touch with "Mibs" and Sammy to ascertain what, if any, connection they might have with the remaining members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

With reference to "Mibs" and Sammy, your attention is directed to the report of Special Agent W. C. Ryan, dated at Chicago, Illinois, February 19, 1935, wherein on page 14 it will be noted that subject Bruno Putis alias Austin alias Whittie advised that Joe Galliachio alias "Mibs" and Sammy Mano, who resides on South Marshfield Avenue, were frequent visitors to the apartments occupied by Slim Gray and Doc Barker, and that Slim Gray had advised him that "Mibs" had furnished him with "heaters", meaning guns. Putis also indicated that "Mibs" and Sammy appeared to be just as friendly with Doc Barker as they were with Slim Gray. It is also to be noted that at the time of the raid on the house in Oklawaha, Florida, at which time Fred and Kate Barker were killed, there was found a card bearing the pencil notation "Pat Mano, 825 South Marshfield". From the information furnished by Putis and the card found in the possession of Fred and Kate Barker, it is felt that Joe Galliachio and Sam Mano must be no doubt connected with the remaining members of the Karpis-Barker gang and it is felt that they will be a likely source of supply for guns for these remaining members.

██████████ again contacted Special Agent Ryan on the evening of March 15, 1935, and advised that he has again contacted "Mibs" and Sammy, and that in conversations with them he has determined that they are acquainted with all the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, but that "Mibs" advised him that he has only seen Karpis on one occasion, however, that he expects to hear from other members of the gang at any time. He also stated that "Mibs" further advised him that on the night previous to the killing of Slim Gray, Slim had just returned to the city and had stopped in at the address at 825 South Marshfield Avenue, and had picked up a machine gun, a bullet proof vest, a rifle and several pistols; that "Mibs" had also told him that the wife of Slim Gray advised him that on the night of the raid on the apartment on Pine Grove Avenue, upon receipt of the call that the place was surrounded by Agents, Slim Gray stated, "Well they are here" and threw a bullet proof vest to Bolton, saying, "Let's go"; that Slim rushed out the door expecting to be followed by Bolton, but that Bolton threw himself on the floor, and that she was of the opinion that if


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Bolton had backed up Slim they would have both escaped. Previous information in the file indicates that Clara Gray was at one time associated with the Gallachio gang and was engaged in shop-lifting. [REDACTED] also advised that while with "Mibs" and Sammy on the afternoon of March 15, 1935, they evidenced a lot of interest in a photograph and article appearing in the Chicago Daily Times concerning the removal of Edna Murray to St. Paul, Minnesota; that "Mibs" stated, "I told you she was in St. Paul," and that both "Mibs" and Sammy agreed that it was a very good picture of Edna Murray.

[REDACTED] stated that he is confident that "Mibs" and Sammie will some time in the near future have contact with other members of the Karpis-Barker gang and that in order for him to get all the information possible from them, it will be necessary for him to spend practically all of his time with them. He stated that he is at present earning a few dollars through slot machines, which he has placed in various stores in the city, but that in order for him to neglect this business it will be necessary for him to have other compensation. He stated that he desires that he be furnished with \$50.00, which amount would last him for several weeks.

Inasmuch as it appears entirely likely that members of the Karpis-Barker gang may contact "Mibs" and Sammy within the near future, since they are at present in need of new firearms due to recent losses, it is requested that authority be granted to pay informant [REDACTED] the sum of \$50.00 for two weeks services. For your additional information, investigation in the vicinity of 825 South Marshfield Avenue has disclosed that this neighborhood is in a very tough section of the city and the matter of covering these parties is impossible without the use of an informant who can have direct contact with them. It is requested that you advise this office by teletype whether the authority to pay informant [REDACTED] is granted.

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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cc-St. Paul

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1935

Time - 8:56 A.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Backus .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Edwards .....  
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Mr. Smith .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Whitley at the New York City Office, he stated that his office had carried out the plans in regard to the surveillance of Alice Conrad on the bus to New York City; that Alice had arrived in New York City all right and had there contacted her sister, who lives on 36th Street in New York City. Apparently Alice has not made any contacts of note as yet, but the New York Office is maintaining a 24-hour surveillance over the home of her sister, where she is staying.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 12, 1935

Time - 7:30 pm

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Backus .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
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Mr. Coffey .....  
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Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

Mr. Friar telephoned from the Washington Field Office and advised that he had just received a call from one O. L. Johnson, service manager of the Ford Garage at Fredericksburg, Virginia, 810 Charlotte Street, who advised that approximately two months two men and two women in a maroon Ford automobile stopped at his garage and that these people acted suspiciously in that one of the party would keep watch all the time while the other three were eating in the rear of the filling station. Johnson said that approximately ten days or two weeks later, he recognized this man's picture in the Baltimore paper as Alvin Karpis, who had escaped from the officers at Atlantic City.

Johnson further reported to Mr. Friar that this afternoon the same two men came to his garage; that one of the men wore a mustache which he did not wear before; that they were driving the same automobile. The license on this car was Pennsylvania 1935 license 14-E-35. The man in question was described as being about 5 feet 10 inches in height and weighing about 175 pounds; that there was a woman with him who was blonde and short.

I instructed Mr. Friar to telephone the Philadelphia Office and have them check up on this license and car. I further instructed him to dispatch an Agent to Fredericksburg, Virginia to interview Johnson for any additional information he may have.

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Time - 9:00 A.M.

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Mr. Friar telephoned me with reference to the above matter and advised that he had called the Philadelphia Office relative to the above mentioned license and they had ascertained that the same was issued to a man named E. G. McBride, who resided in a little town just outside of the City of Pittsburgh; that the Pittsburgh Office had been notified, and they ascertained that McBride is a bartender employed in Pittsburgh and that he had, in fact, gone to Florida several months ago. Investigation at Fredericksburg, Virginia disclosed that the man in question gave the name of E. G. McBride at the garage in question, and it does not appear that the party in question is Alvin Karpis.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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P. O. Box 818  
Chicago, Illinois

March 14, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Detroit, Michigan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218 - FUGITIVE;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232;  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. 1236;  
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I. O. 1237;  
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I. O. 1238;  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I. O. 1239;  
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I. O. 1240;  
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I. O. 1241, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING Chicago file 7-82

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, October 1, 1934, and  
particular reference is made to the signed statement of  
James Wilson.

I now refer you to page 25 of the above mentioned  
report, in which it appears that James Wilson, while in  
Toledo, Ohio, observed the photographs of numerous members  
of the Karpis-Barker gang, while he was in association with  
them in that city. From his signed statement it appears  
that there will be certain difficulties encountered in se-  
curing an easy conviction.

For this reason it is respectfully requested that  
you cause a careful examination of all newspapers published  
in Toledo, Ohio, during the month of June, 1934. The possi-  
bility is suggested that these papers may have mentioned the  
fact that certain members of the Karpis-Barker gang, with  
whom Wilson was associated at that time, were then under  
indictment and wanted in connection with the Bremer matter  
at St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Very truly yours, &  
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L. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Special Assignment)

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 14, 1935

Time-4:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Brekid, possible location of Karpis, Campbell.

Mr. Brantley telephoned from Oklahoma City and advised that one of the agents had just called him from Tulsa; that one of the agents informants had given him information to the effect that there is supposed to be two bad men up in a house near Sperry, Oklahoma. Sperry is about 20 miles above Tulsa, 150 miles from Oklahoma City. Agents think there is a remote possibility that these men are Karpis and Campbell. Mr. Brantley stated that Agents Wheelan, Hansen, and Burke, accompanied by local officers, are going up about daybreak to investigate this information, and he will advise the Bureau of any details and developments. Mr. Brantley stated that he is of the opinion that these men are not Karpis and Campbell.

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Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Backus.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
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Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
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Respectfully,

R. W. Finkel.

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U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 829,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 16, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.  
1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.  
1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.  
1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases,  
1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O.  
1240; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.  
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

Reference is made to letter from the Kansas City Bureau office dated March 13, 1935, containing the suggestion that Identification Orders of Volney Davis be furnished branch Post Offices located in the immediate vicinities of the large cities of the country. This suggestion was made by the Kansas City Bureau office due to the information already obtained wherein Volney Davis has on many occasions rented Post Office Boxes in small towns and suburbs adjacent to the large cities in which he resides.

It is my opinion that this procedure might bring results, and it is, therefore, requested that 350 additional Identification Orders of Volney Davis be furnished the Chicago Bureau office at an early date.

Very truly yours,

J. J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 26, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

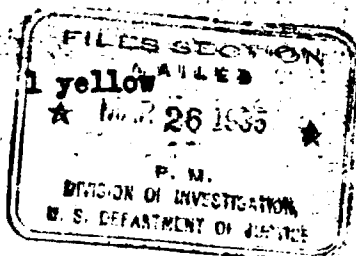
Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;  
Edward George Bremer - Victim,  
Kidnaping.

In compliance with the request contained in  
your letter dated March 16, 1935, there are being for-  
warded, under separate cover, 500 additional Identifica-  
tion Orders No. 1237 issued by the Bureau on Volney Davis  
with aliases, to be distributed to Post Offices in small  
towns and suburbs adjacent to the large cities in your  
district.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-St. Paul



**U. S. Bureau of Investigation**

**Department of Justice**

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

March 18, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

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

Please refer to my letter of February 16, 1935, transmitting a negative of a latent fingerprint photograph of Wynona Burdette, which was developed on a bottle found at the house occupied by Karpis in Miami, which negative was obtained from W. J. Gaines, Identification Office of the Miami Police Department.

Please be advised that Mr. J. O. Barker, Senior Identification Officer of the Miami Police Department, has requested that this original negative be returned to him, since he claims that he desires to use it in making enlargements in anticipation of his being called as a witness in this case.

In view of Mr. Barker's request it is respectfully suggested that this negative be returned to the Jacksonville Office for transmission to him as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

*R. A. Alt*  
R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 23, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 19, 1935, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. #1218; et al., Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping, your file #7-24.

In accordance with your request the original negative of a latent fingerprint identified as that of Wynona Burdette is being transmitted herewith to be returned to W. J. Gaines of the Identification Office of the Miami Police Department.

You are advised that enlarged charts illustrating the fingerprint identification of Wynona Burdette have been completed. Should the testimony of one of the Bureau's fingerprint experts be desired at the trial of this individual, your office should notify the Bureau in ample time to permit the said expert to proceed to Miami.

Very truly yours,

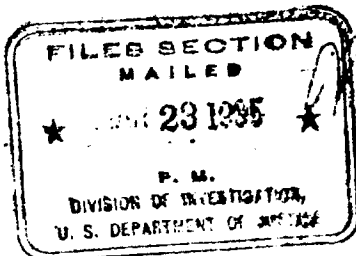
John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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cc - Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Chicago,

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT CHICAGO

BREKID AUTHORITY GRANTED PAY INFORMANT TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS  
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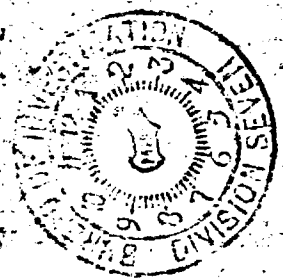
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# Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

March 19, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 5, 1935, calling attention to a letter addressed by me on February 27, 1935, to William S. Cuthbert, Director of Public Safety, Atlantic City, N.J., in reply to his letter of February 19th, wherein I indicated that proper cooperation had been afforded by Mr. Cuthbert and the Atlantic City Police.

I was not aware of the fact that Mr. Cuthbert had personally criticised the Bureau for failing to advise him of the identities of the persons, who went to Atlantic City from Florida, and who subsequently were identified as Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. Hereafter I will be guided by your suggestions in matters of this nature, and communicate with the Bureau prior to commenting on the cooperativeness of officials.

I might cite the fact that Director Cuthbert has rendered very good cooperation to the Philadelphia Office even before the transfer of the New Jersey territory to this district. I was informed prior to acknowledging Director Cuthbert's letter by agents of this office that the Atlantic City police were somewhat resentful of the fact that the Bureau obtained possession of the Karpis car, and felt that as a matter of policy it would be well to maintain a cordial relationship with this department in the interest of law enforcement.

I desire to inform you, however, that I intend to make a trip to Atlantic City as soon as the more pressing administrative duties requiring my presence in Philadelphia are disposed of, in order that we may discuss matters of mutual interest.

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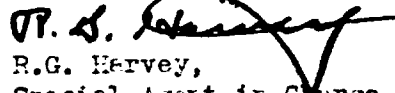
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March 19, 1935.

At that time I will personally bring to Mr. Cuthbert's attention the criticism of the Bureau attributed to him in newspaper reports, and obtain the benefit of his reactions if you consider such action desirable.

Very truly yours,

  
R.G. Harvey,  
Special Agent in Charge.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 19, 1935

Time - 4:31 P.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Backus .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
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Mr. Alt telephoned from the Jacksonville Office with reference to his previous conversation concerning attempts made by him to gain possession of the original of a certain telegram which Cassius McDonald is supposed to have sent from Miami, Florida to Blackburn the latter part of December, 1934. This telegram was going to be sent to the laboratory for comparison purposes. Mr. Alt stated that the matter was placed before Judge Ritter at Miami this morning for the purpose of his issuing a court order calling for this telegram. The judge flatly refused to issue such an order stating that there was no authority for the issuance of such an order. He said that the judge did not make any suggestions in regard to the matter, but just merely declined to sign the order.

Mr. Alt stated that the United States Attorney had issued a request subpoena calling for this telegram, but the Western Union Telegraph Company office in Miami refused to honor the request. I mentioned that Mr. Alt had informed me yesterday that this was all the telegraph company wanted. Mr. Alt stated that they told him that yesterday, but today they refuse to honor the request subpoena. Mr. Alt stated that when Mr. Gramling, the Assistant United States Attorney, conferred with Mr. Parrish, Special Assistant to the United States Attorney, on this matter, they decided that a subpoena could not be legally issued unless court was in session. Mr. Alt suggested that a Joe Doe complaint might be filed and a subpoena issued in this manner; however, to date, this suggestion has not been acted upon.

Mr. Alt said that it is absolutely imperative that we get this telegram, but he has exhausted every means known to him, and has failed to get the same. He wanted to know if I had anything to suggest. I told him that I was unable to understand the situation down there; that this is the first instance that we have been unable to get a subpoena when we needed one, especially in a case like this one; that, however, we would see what we could do about it here in Washington.

I asked Mr. Alt if he has received from the Assistant United States Attorney at Miami a memorandum of the additional investigation desired by him. Mr. Alt stated that Agent Donaldson is seeing about this at the present time. I instructed Mr. Alt to immediately furnish the Bureau with this information upon its being obtained.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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☐ Mr. Nathan  
☐ Mr. Tolson  
☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Unit Two

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☐ Files Section  
☐ Personnel Files  
☐ Equipment Section  
☐ Chief Clerk's Office

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☐ Identification Unit  
☐ Statistical Section  
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E. A. Tamm - Room 5107.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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March 5, 1935

## MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

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Pursuant to your instruction I conferred with Mr. Guy C. Reeve, United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida. Mr. Reeve was introduced to me by Mr. Schilder who advised me of the former connections of Mr. Reeve as a Special Agent of the Bureau and also Chief of Police at Miami, Florida.

Mr. Reeve stated that he was anxious to see a successful prosecution of Joe H. Adams who is to be tried at Miami, Florida on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, but that he does not believe that the prosecution will be successful unless the Government takes certain precautions. He stated that Joe Adams is the son-in-law of Robert T. Knight who heads the most powerful political group in Miami; that the Knights originally came from Adel, Cook County, Georgia, and that a large number of residents of Miami also come from this same vicinity or are closely associated with them. Mr. Reeve stated that should any of these individuals be summoned to serve on the jury before whom Adams will be tried, that the result will be a hung jury. He suggested that the prospective jurors be investigated with regard to their past residences and associations with the Knight group.

Mr. Reeve also stated that the jury should be locked up during the course of the trial in order to prevent any jury tampering. He stated that it will not be necessary to tamper with the jury should any of its members come from Cook County, Georgia.

Mr. Reeve stated that, although he has confidence in the ability of Assistant United States Attorney W. Sanders Gramling as a prosecutor, he feels that this case should be handled by a Special Assistant to the Attorney General working out of Washington.

Respectfully,

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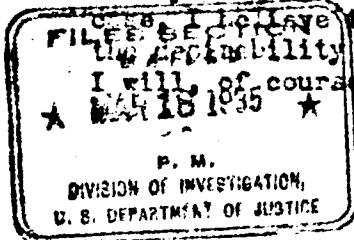
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

During the course of the investigation in Miami, Florida and Havana, Cuba of the activities of various individuals for harboring Alvin Karpis, information was obtained which resulted in the indictment of Joe H. Adams, manager of the El Comodoro Hotel at Miami. Adams, together with several other individuals, was indicted upon charges of harboring Alvin Karpis. In order that you may be fully acquainted with the background of this individual, I wanted you to know that Joe H. Adams is the son-in-law of Robert T. Knight, who is reported to be the leader of one of the most powerful political groups in Miami, Florida. I have been informed that Mr. Knight originally resided in Adel, Cook County, Georgia and that a large number of the present residents of Miami and vicinity originally resided in Cook County, Georgia and are consequently acquainted with Robert T. Knight and his family. In this regard, I am apprehensive of the consequences if the Government proceeds to the trial of this case before a jury which includes one or more individuals who formerly resided in Cook County, or who are presently acquainted or associated with Robert T. Knight in Miami, Florida. Undoubtedly, such a condition would result in a hung jury, regardless of the strength of the Government's case. This information has been furnished to the Bureau's representatives by informants and other persons known to be reliable, who are thoroughly conversant with the situation prevailing in Florida. Evidently, the only precaution we can take in this matter is to conduct a careful investigation of those individuals who comprise the jury panel selected for the term of court at which this case is tried. In this regard, I may state that no date has as yet been set for the trial of Joe H. Adams and the other persons charged in the present indictment.

I feel that the successful prosecution of those individuals who have been harboring Alvin Karpis is particularly desirable at the present time, particularly since Karpis remains a fugitive and the conviction of those individuals who have heretofore harbored him will, of course, make it increasingly difficult for him to secure aid or assistance in avoiding apprehension by law enforcement officers. While I am not familiar with the ability or capabilities of the United States Attorney and his staff who are trying this case, I believe that the case is one in which consideration might be given to the advisability of appointing a Special Assistant to participate in the trial. I will, of course, advise you of current developments in this matter.



Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

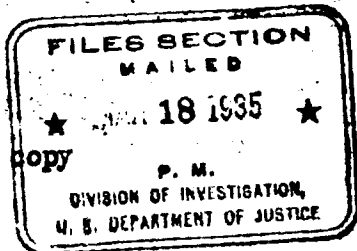
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I am attaching hereto a copy of a memorandum which I have today forwarded to the Attorney General relating to the impending trial of Joe M. Adams and others at Miami, Florida on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, a fugitive being sought in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
From Laboratory and  
Single Fingerprint Unit

Date 2/25 1935.

To: ☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Appel  
☐ Mr. Blackburn  
☐ Mr. Conrad  
☐ Mr. Donaldson  
☐ Mr. Hardison  
☐ Mr. Harrington  
☐ Mr. McSwain  
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☐ Mr. Renneberger  
☐ Mr. Schilder  
☐ Q. Tamm  
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☒ Mr. Newby

*We rechecked  
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*# 211774  
Winchester*

E. P. Coffey.

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From Lab

To:

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

From Laboratory and  
Single Fingerprint Unit

Date 3-22 1934.

To: Mr. Edwards  
Mr. Appel  
Mr. Burling  
Mr. Conrad  
Mr. Donaldson  
Mr. Hardison  
Mr. McSwain  
Mr. Parsons  
Mr. Pickering  
Mr. Renneberger  
Mr. Schilder  
Chief, Unit  
Chief Clerk  
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Stenographer

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*E. A. H.*

E. P. Coffey.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
FROM: UNIT #1 ☐ UNIT #3

3-22-1935.

TO: ☐ Director  
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☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Mr. Tamm  
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Washington Field Office, Room 5745  
Washington, D. C.

March 19, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telegram of March 19, 1935, Special Agent  
R. P. Burrus was today advised by Mr. E. L. Kahlert, Chief, Field  
Division, Ordnance Department, War Department, that he had received  
a communication from the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois,  
informing him that they had in storage there several chests containing  
rifles, one of which had a label attached to it indicating that a  
Browning automatic rifle #211774 was contained therein.

In connection therewith, your attention is invited to your  
letter to this office dated February 5, 1935, and to a report relating  
thereto submitted by Special Agent Burrus, dated February 21, 1935,  
in which he reported that the War Department found no record indicating  
the theft or loss of the above described rifle. Your attention is  
particularly invited to your letter of February 5, in which it is stated  
that the number on this rifle had been obliterated but had been restored  
by the Bureau Laboratory to read 211774.

As suggested in the telegram, it would appear to be advisable  
to cause an inquiry to be made at the Rock Island Arsenal with a view to  
confirming Mr. Kahlert's report, and if such a rifle is found there to  
bear #211774 it would appear that the possibility exists that the laboratory  
has failed to develop the correct number. On the other hand, it should be  
borne in mind that these automatic rifles were manufactured, during the  
World War, by several firms and it is suggested that the Agent conducting  
this inquiry ascertain all data pertaining to the gun now in possession  
of the Rock Island Arsenal and primarily the name and location of the  
manufacturer.

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In the event further inquiry is desired to be made by this office, please inform me.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

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March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 7, 1935, requesting additional comparisons with the latent fingerprints developed on a machine gun drum which was previously submitted to the Bureau by the Salt Lake City office in connection with the case entitled John Paul Chase, with aliases, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; Murder of Inspector E. P. Cowley and Special Agent M. E. Hollis, your file 88-2334.

It is noted that your letter refers to a Bureau letter dated February 4, 1935, which you state reported the comparisons of the fingerprints of various suspects in the above named case and in the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. #1218; et al; Edward G. Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping, with latent impressions developed on the machine gun drum. Although no such letter appears in our files, dated February 4, 1935, a communication to the Special Agent in Charge, Salt Lake City, Utah, dated February 28, 1935, of which a copy was forwarded to your office, advised of a comparison of the three latent finger impressions developed on a machine gun clip submitted by the Salt Lake City office under date of February 4, 1935.

In addition to the comparisons with fingerprints of the suspects named in that letter the three latent prints have now been compared with the finger impressions of Frank Cochran, our #881860; Henry O. Hall, our #881359; John Paul Chase, our #874084; and Lester M. Gillis, deceased, but no identifications have been effected.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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VOLNEY DAVIS, DOCTOR MORAN AND WILLIE HARRISON WHO PRESENT BEST POS-  
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U. S. Department of Justice

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

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March 19, 1935.

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1218, et al.  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:-

The Bureau is requested to furnish the New York  
office with 50 copies each of the strips containing photographs  
of the subjects and their associates in the above captioned  
case.

Very truly yours,

*F. X. Fay*

F. X. FAY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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New York, New York.

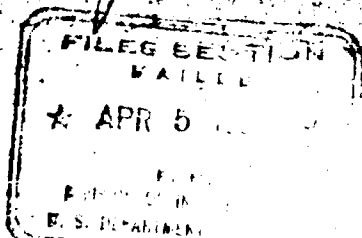
Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I.O. 1218, et al,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter dated March 19, 1935, there have been transmitted to your office under separate cover fifty copies each of the strips, one containing the photographs of Volney Davis, Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker and Harry Campbell, and the other containing the photographs of Joseph P. Moran, William Weaver, Charles J. Fitzgerald, Myrtle Eaton and Harry Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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March 19, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 839,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

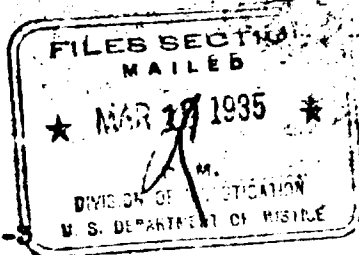
Reference is made to the latent fingerprint examinations being conducted in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, I.C. 1232, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

You are advised that the fingerprints of Alleyne Fort alias Mrs. Charles E. Woods, our file #897145 and Elwood Tonker alias Charles E. Woods, our file #896588 have been compared with the latent finger impressions previously developed in this case but in no instance has an identification been effected.

Very truly yours,

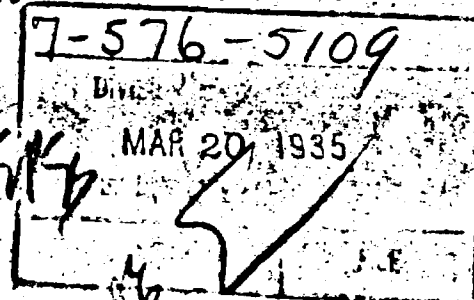
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March 18, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases I.O./1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases I.O./1232  
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases I.O./1236  
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases I.O./1237  
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases I.O./1238  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases I.O./1239  
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases I.O./1240  
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases I.O./1241 et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 15, 1935 requesting that the automobile records in the office of the Secretary of State at Springfield, Illinois be checked to ascertain whether 1935 Illinois license has been issued to one W. C. Clark for 1927 Dodge 8 Coupe, motor W-10579, 1934 Wisconsin license #102457.

Please be advised that Don Butler, automobile department, Secretary of State at Springfield has searched the records of his office and advised that there is no record to date of the registration of the above mentioned car in Illinois. Mr. Butler stated that he will place a stop card against the registration of this car in Illinois and advise the St. Louis Office if any information is obtained regarding this car.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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March 16, 1935.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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

During the week ending March 16, 1935 Cassius M. McDonald was released at Miami, Florida, on March 12, 1935, after posting a \$15,000 cash bond which was reduced from \$25,000.

The Chicago Office is presently engaged upon leads furnished by confidential informants with a view to ascertaining the source of guns recovered from the possession of the Barker-Karpis gang. Information indicates that the remnants of this gang are now trying to obtain additional weapons. The Chicago Office is watching this closely.

Miss Alice Conrad, close friend of Harry Sawyer and wife, has proceeded to New York where she is being kept under surveillance by Bureau Agents in contemplation of a contact with the Sawyers. From all indications, Harry Sawyer has recently been and is possibly now located in the vicinity of New York and Newark, New Jersey.

The trial in this case will commence sometime during the first week in April and there is being prepared at the St. Paul Office a summary report to be used in connection with this trial.

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Respectfully,

R. E. Newby.

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INFORMANTS INDICATE PREVIOUS SET UP IS WORKING OUT ON GANG HERE

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AS TO WHETHER ACTUALLY SUCH PARTIES AS CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS AND

KARPIS. CONTACT WITH SENIORSX SENIOR KARPACICZ INDICATES HE LIES EVEN

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Miss Gandy .....

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE  
Newport, Vermont

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FILE NUMBER

11535/Z-20

March 7, 1935

Chief Bureau of Identification,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your Identification Order No. 1239, in  
the case of William J. Harrison, I enclose a copy of a letter  
received from Immigrant Inspector, Arthur D. Anderson, West  
Berkshire, Vermont, which is self-explanatory.

Very truly yours,

*H. R. Landis*  
H. R. Landis,  
District Director,  
Newport District.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

IMMIGRATION SERVICE

DISTRICT No. 1

IN REPLYING REFER TO

No. 201/Anderson

DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS  
U. S. COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION  
MONTREAL, CANADA

SUBOFFICE

West Berkshire, Vt.,  
February 23, 1935.

Inspector in Charge,  
U.S. Immigration and Nat's. Service,  
Richford Sub-district,  
Richford, Vermont.



In regard to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Identification Order No. 1239, recently received at this office, please be advised that there may be additional information obtainable relative to the said William J. Harrison, subject of the above mentioned order, at the United States Penitentiary, Bee, Mc Neil Island, Washington.

While employed as a guard at that institution in late 1928 or early 1929 an inmate whose description, as nearly as I am able to recall, tallies with the description given upon the above identification order worked in a crew of convicts under my supervision. The picture upon the identification order in mention is a good likeness of that convict as I recall his features. I believe the name he was known by at that time was Sam Harrison, or, Sam Harris. I recall that the said convict escaped from the Mc Neil Island Penitentiary in late 1929 or early 1930 and was the object of a "man hunt" directed by the officers of that institution.

In view of the fact that upon the identification order at hand no record is given concerning William J. Harrison prior to April 14, 1933, there might be additional record obtainable concerning him at the Mc Neil Island institution. The convict I have in mind I believe was an inmate at that penitentiary when I first went there as a guard and I am sure he was an inmate there before the dactylographical identification bureau was established at that institution.

I realize the fallacy of memory and also of any descriptive record, excepting fingerprint identification records, and would hesitate to forward this information but for the fact that there is a chance that my recollection of this individual is correct and that this information may be of value to the U. S. Department of Justice in the apprehension of this "wanted" person.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Portland, Oregon.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O.  
#1218 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN with aliases, I. O. #1232;  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O.  
#1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases,  
#1237, et al; EDWARD G. BREMER -  
Victims Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of a letter addressed to the Inspector in Charge, U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, Richford, Vermont by Arthur D. Anderson, Immigrant Inspector of West Berkshire, Vermont under date of February 23, 1935, relative to an individual who is possibly identical with William J. Harrison, subject of Identification Order No. 1299.

You are instructed to conduct an appropriate investigation at the United States Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Washington, with a view to ascertaining the authenticity of the information contained in the letter of Inspector Anderson.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Encl. #284596

CC - E. J. Connelley

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Post Office Box 515,  
Saint Paul, Minnesota

March 18, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 1156,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.  
1218, FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with  
aliases, I.O. 1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with  
aliases, I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE; DR.  
JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.  
1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases,  
I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases,  
I.O. 1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with  
aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with  
aliases, I.O. 1241; OLIVER A. BREO, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March  
16, 1935, regarding certain relatives of Harry and Gladys Sawyer.  
In view of this letter, there is being transmitted herewith a copy  
of the letter forwarded to the Special Agent in Charge, Portland,  
Oregon under date of March 11, 1935.

An extensive review of the file in this case is  
being made with a view to securing all leads of value and in the  
near future a copy of the report will be submitted to your office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LAUD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Box 11837  
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
Kidnaping

MAR 20 1935

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MAR 22 1935

Dear Sir:

While Special Agent F. M. Ames of this office interviewed WILLIAM BAUGH, Subject of a National Motor Vehicle Theft Act case, who is presently confined in the Ohio County Jail at Wheeling, W. Va., BAUGH advised that he had served three terms in prisons; namely, one term at Leavenworth, Kansas for a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, another term in the Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio for operating a car without the owner's consent, and finally in 1931 he was sentenced from Danville, Illinois to serve three years in Leavenworth for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

BAUGH stated that the following individuals are contacts of CAMPBELL and KARPIS: Frank Ritti, who according to BAUGH served a sentence at Leavenworth. Charles Devart alias "Franchy", who, BAUGH alleged, is a personal friend of KARPIS and a part owner of a brewery at Hamilton, Ontario. Devart has a brother-in-law located at East St. Louis, Illinois named Leo Daugherty, who is active politically and who, according to BAUGH is a contact of KARPIS. BAUGH also referred to Fritz Malloy, who has been prominently mentioned in the Kansas City massacre case and BAUGH stated can be located at the headquarters of the Moving Picture Operator's Union in Kansas City. According to BAUGH if Malloy is in custody his business will be handled by some person who is also a contact for KARPIS. BAUGH further informed that an individual named Carr, who operates a cleaning and dyeing establishment at Tulsa, Oklahoma, is also acquainted with Karpis and a very close contact.

BAUGH further revealed that while Machine Gun Kelly was incarcerated at Leavenworth he was very friendly with one Danny Hesseley, the latter serving a 25 year sentence and who is also acquainted with Karpis. BAUGH stated that Hesseley is in charge of the radio and the motion picture machine at the Leavenworth Penitentiary. There is, allegedly, a detainer against him at Leavenworth from the Joliet Prison in Illinois. The Warden and Deputy Warden at Leavenworth, according to the informant, have confidence in Danny Hesseley and BAUGH stated it would be unfeasible to interview the Warden or Deputy Warden concerning him.

It will be noted that most of the information furnished by BAUGH has been published in newspapers and other periodicals recently but the attention of the Bureau and the Kansas City Office is invited to the statements relative to Hessler for BAUGH stated that in the event it were possible for Kelly to relay a message from Alcatraz that message would undoubtedly be forwarded to Hessler. The suggestion is made, therefore, that some inquiries may be made concerning Hessler and his contacts at the prison.

Very truly yours,

J. J. WATERS  
Special Agent in Charge

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Kansas City  
St. Paul

Brantley advises of information that  
Karpis and Campbell might be in Oklahoma.  
Immediate investigation being made.

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CHICAGO ILLINOIS  
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HAROLD E. STASSEN  
DAKOTA COUNTY ATTORNEY 47399  
FARMERS UNION BLDG.  
SOUTH ST. PAUL, MINN.

March 18, 1935

Mr. Nathan.....  
Mr. Tolson.....  
Mr. Backus.....  
Mr. Baughman.....  
Chief Clerk.....  
Mr. Clegg.....  
Mr. Coffey.....  
Mr. Edwards.....  
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Mr. Smith.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 7th and 15th.

I wish to thank you and your Bureau for the cooperation they have given in the investigation of our payroll killing and in the return of our machine guns.

I have always had the finest type of cooperation from your Bureau and have sincerely appreciated it. There have been numerous occasions not only connected with this particular payroll robbery but with other offenses committed in this county in which your Bureau has been of invaluable assistance. Mr. Hanni and Mr. Coulter and many other of your men have cooperated in a splendid way.

I have endeavored to reciprocate and have always been particularly careful to guard against premature news releases of any information that might prejudice the efforts of your Bureau. It has been my custom to advise reporters that on the particular matter upon which they were inquiring I was cooperating with the Bureau of Investigation and any press releases must come from them. In fact this quotation has appeared in a number of cases in the press releases.

In this particular matter I realized that the reporters would soon get wind of the return of our guns and thought that it would be better to release a reliable report which would have a proper effect upon the public attitude toward this Barker mob, who will soon come to trial in St. Paul. Consequently, I was pleased to receive your consent to the release. In the release, however, I did not refer to

since I felt that the fewer people who know about

I personally secured good specimens from three different machine guns fired during our killing. These are now in the possession of Merle Gill of Kansas City. I am asking him to forward them at once to you and will appreciate the examination of these specimens by your laboratory and the comparison of other guns recovered from this Barker-Karpis gang and with the specimens retained of our own machine gun.

Yours very truly,

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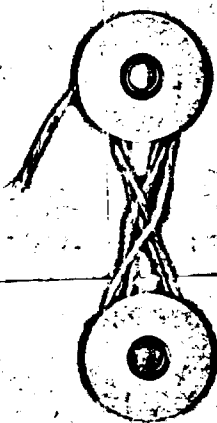
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# FAIRMONT SPRING TRADE FESTIVAL APRIL 5

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MINNESOTA WEATHER [Cloudy tonight and Wednesday, possibly light snow in north and east; warmer in east; colder in north and central portions on Wednesday.]

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## BARKER-KARPIS GANG LINE

### The Great Game Of Politics

By FRANK R. KENT

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#### THE PLACE FOR HIM

Washington, March 12—

GENERAL Johnson is such a noble soul, so free from political ambitions and ordinary human frailties, so shy, modest and almost inarticulate about his own achievements, that of course, he would know nothing of the great Oklahoma idea now in process of evolution among his admiring friends and certain administration politicians.

THE IDEA, so far, has been kept from the State of Oklahoma itself, and there is excellent reason to believe it will be news to Senator Thomas P. Gore, whose term is close to an end. It is a very dark secret indeed, so dark it may never develop at all, and the mere suggestion now is sure to bring denials from every quarter concerned. To end the suspense without further delay, there is a benign plot afoot to nominate General Johnson for Senator from Oklahoma next year, to succeed Senator Gore, whose course has not endeared him to the White House.

IT MUST be understood that General Johnson is not a candidate for that or any office. He has no political ambitions. He said so himself. He isn't going to run — he is going to be drafted, and it is all going to be

## Greek Revolt Beaten

### JOHNSON CALLS COUGHLIN AND LONG SHYSTERS

Pair of Political Termites, Public Enemies, General Declares

PRIEST POUNDS FORMER NRA CHIEF OVER RADIO

"Dead Herring, Cracked Record, Baruch's Man Friday"

Washington. — (AP) — Hugh S. Johnson bid for the cooperation of "every thinking American" today to "exterminate" the influence of Father Charles E. Coughlin and Senator Huey P. Long — whom he called "a pair of political termites."

The former blue eagle leader dropped a hint that he would carry his fight to the radio again in a statement in which he called Long and Father Coughlin "economic shysters" and "public political enemies No. 1 and 2."

At the same time, a denial was made by his secretary of a report that Johnson is negotiating for a

SLAM! BANG! BIFF! WHANG!



General Hugh Johnson, (left) and Rev. Charles E. Coughlin. According to General Johnson, Father Coughlin is an economic shyster, a political termite, etc. Father Coughlin calls General Johnson a cream puff general of generalities, Baruch's man Friday and a dead herring.

### COUGHLIN-JOHNSON HIGHLIGHTS

**JOHNSON TO COUGHLIN**  
Washington — (AP) — Following are highlights of General Hugh S. Johnson's reply to an address by the Rev. Father Charles E. Coughlin, famed radio commentator on financial topics. General Johnson formerly headed the NRA:

"There's less national harm in 100 gunmen than there is in these two political racketeers."

**COUGHLIN TO JOHNSON**  
Detroit — (AP) — Following are highlights from the address of Rev. Father Charles E. Coughlin in his rejoinder to General Hugh Johnson:

"General . . . you are the first great casualty of the New Deal. Whether you know it or not, you are but a political corpse whose ghost has returned to haunt us."

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LOCAL WEATHER (March 12.—Maximum 39, minimum 18. Barometer 29.90. Northwest wind. Partly cloudy. Year ago, maximum 36, minimum 24.)

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## ED TO 2 MURDER HOLDUPS

### Costs \$190,000,000

#### INNER GETS SE, 3-YEAR TRACT HERE

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ndent Approved by  
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\$4,000; WAS \$3,800

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29 to Enter State  
University

Special meeting last night, board school expressed approval of John J. Skinner as superintendent. Skinner's salary from July 1, 1938, will be \$4,000 a year. During the past year it was \$3,800. Skinner came here last August on a two-year contract calling for a salary of \$3,800 a year. Skinner's action of the board the original two-year contract had one more year before it, and replaced it with a three-year term. Skinner said today he was delighted to accept the board's decision.

#### Huge Debt Will Cripple Country for Many Years

Venizelos is Reported Put  
Ashore on Island, Last  
Warship Then Surrenders  
— Executions of Leaders  
Expected

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Athens.—(AP)—With her rebellion  
smashed and the rebel leader flown  
to Italian territory, Greece moved  
tonight to restart the machinery of  
business and everyday life, thrown  
out of gear by 12 days of internal  
warfare.

The Ministry of Marine reported  
the receipt of a wireless message  
from the erstwhile rebel "flagship,"  
the cruiser Averoff, saying former  
Premier Eleutherios Venizelos, leader  
of the rebellion, has been put ashore  
on the island of Cassos, an Italian  
possession in the Aegean sea.

Damage is \$190,000,000

Ghevghelli, Yugoslavia. (AP)—With  
rebels reported fleeing in all direc-  
tions, Greece took time today to  
count the cost of its most recent fu-  
tile adventure in revolution.

It was estimated the uprising cost  
the country a minimum of 20,000,-  
000,000 drachmas (approximately  
\$190,000,000). How staggering this  
amount is for a small nation such as  
Greece may be gathered from the  
fact the annual Grecian budget is  
only one-half that sum.

The task of liquidating this  
enormous liability appeared likely to  
cripple the country for many years.  
Even more disastrous, however, is

#### GETS A BOOST



John J. Skinner, Fairmont  
superintendent of schools, who  
has been given a 3-year con-  
tract at \$4,000 a year, an ad-  
vance of \$200 per year.

#### HOLDING FIRMS MUST GO, F. R. TELEPHONE

#### MACHINE GUN USED STOLEN FROM POLICE

South St. Paul and Chicago  
Killings Solved by Justice  
Department

WEAPON FOUND WHEN  
DOC BARKER TAKEN

Bruno Austin, Bremer Sus-  
pect, Arrested at Own  
Wedding

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South St. Paul.—(AP)—Harold E.  
Stassen, Dakota county attorney, to-  
day received information from  
Washington that linked the Barker-  
Karpis gang with two sensational  
holdups—one in South St. Paul Aug.  
30, 1933, when Policeman Leo Pav-  
lak was killed, and the other in  
Chicago when Policeman Miles Cun-  
ningham was slain by machine gun  
bullets.

Machine Gun Identified

Stassen announced that the ma-  
chine gun found in the Chicago  
apartment of Arthur (Doc) Barker,  
held in connection with the \$200,000  
kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer,  
St. Paul, has been identified, follow-  
ing laboratory tests in Chicago, as  
the weapon which was stolen from  
the car of Officer John Yeaman,  
who was shot and seriously wounded  
when Pavlak was dropped by a hail  
of bullets in the \$30,000 payroll hold-  
up.

a skillful manner, yielding to the "call of the people" may seem to the General a great public duty. And anyone who has read his articles or heard him talk about himself knows he is not the man to hang back when duty calls.

IF THE PLANS of his friends work out, that is the way things will shape up. They say the recent speech of (See Page 2, Number 11).

## TODAY

Mr. Brisbane in this column is writing as an individual and the views he expresses do not necessarily represent the editorial viewpoint of The Sentinel.

Some Are Wondering.  
News For 25,000,000 Families.  
H. G. Wells' Dr. Moreau.  
Is War Starting?

By Arthur Brisbane

Cold and clear weather in Chicago. This city like some other places is a little uncertain as to what has been happening for five or six years past and more uncertain as to what will happen between now and 1937.

Talking to assorted citizens on fast trains and to others at the occasional stops you discover some doubt as to the possibility of everybody living at government expense forever.

It seems to be dawning on some that have worked hard, with a house and perhaps an automobile partly paid for, that it might be desirable to hold on to what they have. Not everybody seems inclined to drop the substantial bone to grab at the Huey Long — Upton Sinclair — Doctor Townsend shadow in the brook.

There is good news announced for Senator Huey Long and those that are waiting for one of the Huey Long \$5,000 houses that he will distribute, free to 25,000,000 families.

The good news is that Chancellor Hitler's postoffice has actually perfected television and will install in Berlin homes a radio set that will bring in speeches and music, simultaneously showing on a screen the faces of speakers and artists.

Senator Long is a speaker and an artist, and while he broadcasts admirably he cannot do himself justice without being actually seen. In his face is the play of expression, sunshine, shadow and humor such as few other faces possess. It need hardly be said that Senator Long, even as you read this, probably is arranging with German authorities to send him out 25,000,000 television sets one for each of the 25,000,000 free houses.

Life in America will take on fresh, gay colors for the 25,000,000 families the 25,000,000 free houses pre-  
dicted by Senator Long. Freed from boredom of work by the \$2,500 year income that Senator Long (See Page 2, Number 12)

Declaring that he would answer Father Coughlin in detail later, the priest said:

"Of course I expected all the lying bunk about my being the tool of bankers and big business. Why I battled those babies around so hard in NRA that I am less popular with them than the smallpox. If they wanted to hire me, it would not be to talk but to keep still."

### COUGHLIN SAYS HE IS WITH ROOSEVELT

Detroit, (AP)—The Rev. Father Charles E. Coughlin was aligned today, by his own avowal, with President Roosevelt, but against "our international bankers who have been the president's advisers over a period of two years."

The priest declined at his study in Royal Oak to reply to General Hugh S. Johnson, who last night called him a "political racketeer," or to elaborate on his address of last night.

Directing a verbal broadside at Johnson, who had called him a "mad piper" in a radio address last week, Father Coughlin described him last night as a "comic opera, cream puff general of generalities," and a "chocolate soldier." The crusading priest addressed (See Page 2, Number 2)

## Walter Ritz is Sent to Prison up to 5 Years

Walter Ritz, 45, aviator and farm laborer living north of Truman in Watonwan county, was sentenced to serve an indeterminate sentence in the state prison at Stillwater by Judge J. E. Haycraft this afternoon on a charge of theft of seven sheep from the farm of Adolph Roskopf. The sentence will not exceed five years.

Ritz pleaded guilty. He appeared without attorney.

He told the court he had served a term in the Anamosa, Iowa, state reformatory, but that he was innocent on that occasion, having been sentenced for attempting to remove his airplane after it had been attached for debt.

The night he took the Roskopf sheep with his brother Edgar, who is serving in the county jail on a similar charge, they also took two sheep from the Harry Mitchell farm and three from the Sill farm in Watonwan county, he told the judge.

He mentioned several other minor thefts with which he was connected.

"It's an unpleasant duty to sentence you because of the good record of the family, but I cannot overlook these offenses even though you say you are not guilty of the Iowa crime," said the judge.

Ritz is unmarried. He probably will be taken to Stillwater by Sheriff Roehler next Monday.

"I expect the lying bunk about my being the tool of bankers and big business. Why, I battled those babies around so hard in NRA that I am less popular with them than the smallpox."

"Father Coughlin's speech was nothing but pious flubdub. I will answer it in detail later."

the forces behind the leadership of a chocolate soldier the purpose of driving the out of public affairs."

"Oh, if our people are greatly disheartened it is not because they have lost faith in Franklin D. Roosevelt, but because they are rising in their wrath for leaders like yourself and your gang who have surrounded him."

## Voters Favored by Weather For Town Meetings

Townships Vote on Fire Protection and Other Local Issues, Fix Tax Levies — Fairmont Has \$5,000 Balance

Voters today were greeted with perfect election weather as they cast their ballots for candidates for township offices and held their annual meetings.

A better than normal vote was expected, particularly in those townships where special issues are involved.

Among these are Cedar, Galena, Fox Lake, Elm Creek, Waverly and Westford townships, which are deciding on rural fire protection.

The issue was expected to carry in Cedar, Galena and Westford townships. As only parts of Fox Lake, Elm Creek and Waverly were involved, it was thought the measure would not carry.

In the last three mentioned townships, the portions nearest Triumph and Monterey want protection from the fire trucks in those villages, while other parts of the townships have protection from other villages.

Voting Ends at 5 o'clock. Polls opened in the townships at 9 a. m. and will close at 5 p. m.

As an example of how votes were coming in, Fairmont township reported 30 ballots cast at 11 a. m. The normal vote is between 50 and 100. It was expected the larger figure would be reached later today.

Fairmont township was holding its annual meeting this afternoon at which the levy for the year was to be made and other matters of business attended to.

The township had a very good year in 1934 with nearly \$5,000 balance on hand Jan. 1.

Receipts Above \$12,000. On Jan. 1, 1934, there was a balance on hand of \$6,289.64 and receipts during the year amounted to \$5,008.29, making a total of \$11,297.93. Disbursements amounted to \$8,799.75, leaving a balance this year of \$4,998.18.

## Lakes, Stream Rising For Full Time in 2 Years

Elm Creek Actually Reduced, Opt. of Banks—Lakes Up a Little—burn to Try Again or Lake.

Lakes and streams in a county are rising for the first in two years with the ground saturated by recent thaws.

Elm Creek is reported to be at its banks. Other streams also on the move.

Budd lake has risen several feet, according to workmen for city. Hall, Sisseton and G lakes are up a little, but not so as Amber, which has started to through the channel in Inter park into Hall lake.

Amber lake has a number of er supplies which cause it to more rapidly than the other lakes.

No noticeable increase has observed in Fox lake, according Charles Grill of Sherburn. Fox has few feeders and about all water it gets is from rain or snow.

Mr. Grill says Fox lake sports have not yet given up the idea getting state aid for replenishing this lake through the Game Fish Department. Another delusion of conservationists, including Mr. Grill, is planning to go to Paul soon.

"We pay in a lot of money to State Game and Fish Department through fishing and hunting license as well as through commercial fishing," said Mr. Grill. "There is reason why this part of the state cannot get something back."

The Fox Lake enthusiasts are trying to get funds to divert drain ditch No. 1 into the lake so that times like these water will flow into the lake.

The state has agreed to furnish labor for this project money can be provided from other sources for the material, chiefly timber.

There seems to be no way in which this money for material can be provided, but the sportsmen have yet given up hope.

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impling as it does approval of  
Skinner's policies, leaves him  
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ies toward a better school sys-

**Faculty Contracts Later**  
ications at last night's meeting  
that it would probably be an-  
month before the board got  
id to definite action on faculty  
acts for the next term.  
perintendent Skinner reported  
he had a number of applica-  
to finish the school year as  
ssor to William Stowring of the  
r high faculty. No choice has  
made as yet, he said.  
Stowring leaves March 29 for  
University of Minnesota, where,  
said, he will enter the school of  
lstry.

## uto License by April 15 Will Be o. k. This Spring

**wer Chamber Passes Bill  
Already Through Senate  
— More Time Needed to  
Agree on Rates**

he house at St. Paul today  
hed through a bill extending un-  
April 15 the time for paying au-  
to-lic license fees.  
Under existing laws licenses must  
purchased by Feb. 15, but be-  
use of the controversy over the  
t, the legislature extended that  
e until March 15.  
As the latter date approached  
ther house was anywhere near  
reement on the schedule of rates,  
the senate last week passed a  
ond bill deferring the time until  
ril 15.  
A large number of Martin county  
ople already have purchased their  
35 license plates.  
If a change is made in the rates,  
ey will receive refunds from the  
ate.  
Secretary of State Mike Holm to-  
ay urged house members to ap-  
rove the bill extending the dead-  
ne for payments to April 15 while  
nployes in the motor vehicles off-  
is answered clamoring telephones  
il day long to inform drivers of the  
tuation.  
The house acted as requested late  
is afternoon.  
There are 500,000 license fee pay-  
ents yet to be made.

**FORESTRY EDITOR DIES**  
Grand Rapids, Minn.—(P)—Doctor  
James A. Kent, editor of the "Smoke  
Screen," Minnesota forestry maga-  
ine, since 1923, died here yesterday  
after a short illness.

Many thoughtful Greek and for-  
eign observers believe some similar  
fate may be mete t to the leaders  
of the recent reb.

Cavalry patrols were reported to  
be scouring western Macedonia to  
eliminate the last vestiges of rebel  
activity in that area.

The government placed its casu-  
alties at 11 dead and 28 wounded in  
the Macedonian fighting.

## Trial of Jury Cases Ready to Start Tomorrow

**Lewis Leidersdorf, Company  
vs. Earl Giles First Action  
Listed—Judge Hears Mo-  
tions, Sets Calendar**

Thirty petit jurors will appear in  
district court at 10 a. m. tomorrow  
to start hearing the trial of jury  
cases for the March term.

Mrs. E. S. Loop of Fairmont will  
be in charge of the women jurors  
and Harry Keck the men jurors.

The first case for trial is Lewis  
Leidersdorf Co. against Earl Giles,  
a suit on account. John W. Lovell  
will represent the company and Paul  
C. Cooper the defendant Giles.

The case probably will require the  
whole day tomorrow.

Yesterday afternoon Judge Hay-  
craft heard a motion for judgment  
on pleadings in the case of the Mar-  
tin County National Bank against  
the Speltz Grain and Coal company  
and DeForrest Ward.

The motion was made by Attorney  
J. F. D. Meighen of the firm of  
Meighen, Knudson & Sturtz of Al-  
bert Lea.

This is an action to foreclose col-  
lateral and also for damages. The  
court has not yet ruled on the mo-  
tion of the defendants' attorney, Mr.  
(See Page 2, Number 3)

## Smallpox Afflicts McAdams Family

Mrs. James McAdams, who gave  
birth to a son three days ago, is be-  
lieved to be on the road to recov-  
ery after being in critical condition  
from small pox. The baby is under  
care of a nurse.

Two of the McAdams children,  
Velma, 8, and Marcella, 12, also are  
ill of smallpox, but they have only  
light cases.

It is not believed, Mr. McAdams  
said, that the baby will suffer small-  
pox. It has thrived despite absence  
of its mother's care, and has been  
vaccinated. No other smallpox cases  
have been reported locally of late.

utility holding companies and struck  
back at "propaganda" flooding Cap-  
itol Hill against the legislati-

"Except where it is absolute nec-  
essary to the continued function-  
ing of a geographically integrated op-  
erating utility system," said the presi-  
dent, "the utility holding company  
with its present powers must go."

"If we could relate our financial  
history in the light of experience,  
certainly we would have none of this  
holding company business."

**Called Un-American**  
"It is a device which does not be-  
long to our American traditions of  
law and business."

Transmitting a report by the Na-  
tional Power Policy Committee, he  
wrote:

"I've watched the use of investor's  
money to make the investor believe  
that the efforts of government to  
protect him are designed to defraud  
him."

"I have seen much of the propa-  
ganda prepared against such legis-  
lation—even down to mimeographed  
sheets of instructions for propa-  
ganda to exploit the most far fetched  
and fallacious fears."

"I have seen enough to be as un-  
impressed by it as I was by the  
similar efforts to stir up the coun-  
try against the securities exchange  
bill last spring."

**Won't Hurt Business**  
Mr. Roosevelt insisted the legis-  
lation "will not destroy legitimate  
business or wholesome and produc-  
tive investment."

"It will not destroy a penny of  
actual value of those operating com-  
panies which holding companies now  
control and which holding company  
securities represent insofar as they  
have any value."

"The disappearance at the end of  
five years of those utility holding  
companies which can not justify  
themselves as necessary for the  
functioning of the operating utility  
companies of the country is an ob-  
jective which congressional leaders  
I have consulted deem essential to  
a realistic and far sighted treatment  
of the evils of public utility holding  
companies."

"It is time to make an effort to  
reverse that process of the con-  
centration of power which has made  
most American citizens, once tradi-  
tionally independent owners of their  
own businesses, helplessly dependent  
for their daily bread upon the favor  
of a very few, who, by devices such  
as holding companies, have taken  
for themselves unwarranted econ-  
omic powers."

## Miss Perkins Takes Cameraman's Plate

Washington—(P)—Secretary Fran-  
ces Perkins today compelled a news  
photographer to turn over his plate  
to her after he had snapped her tes-  
tifying before the senate labor com-  
mittee. She put the plate in her  
handbag.

Sept. 22, 1933, when four employees  
of the Federal Reserve Bank were  
taking a consignment of registered  
mail from the main postoffice to the  
bank. Five men carrying three ma-  
chine guns shot down Cunningham  
at the corner of Adams and Halstead  
street.

**Gun Belonged to Police**  
The serial numbers on the ma-  
chine gun stolen at South St. Paul  
were obliterated, but tests at Wash-  
ington, according to information re-  
ceived today by Stassen, showed  
definitely it belonged to the South  
St. Paul police department.

The machine gun, Stassen dis-  
closed, was found by Department of  
Justice agents in the apartment of  
Barker at 432 Surf street, Chicago,  
at the time he was arrested the  
night of Jan. 8. That same night  
Russell Gibson, alias "Slim" Gray,  
also named as a member of the  
Bremer kidnap gang, was slain by  
federal agents a few blocks away.

**Evidence to Grand Jury**  
County Attorney Stassen is still  
gathering evidence in the case with  
a view of presenting it to a grand  
jury in May.

Alvin Karpis, America's public  
enemy No. 1, and Harry Campbell,  
who shot their way out of a trap  
in Atlantic City, N. J., a few months  
ago, were known to have associated  
with "Doc" Barker and his brother,  
Fred Barker, who was killed by fed-  
eral agents in Florida recently, at  
the time of the South St. Paul and  
Chicago holdups. Karpis and Camp-  
bell both are under indictment as  
kidnapers of Bremer.

**Auto Also Identified**  
A seven-passenger Hudson sedan,  
Stassen disclosed, was used in both  
the South St. Paul and Chicago  
stickups. License plates stolen  
from Mrs. Nellie B. Condict, Duluth,  
and which were on the Hudson ma-  
chine in the South St. Paul holdup,  
were found in the car, abandoned  
after the Chicago holdup. Inside  
the car authorities found Illinois,  
Kansas, Georgia, New York, Florida  
and Minnesota license plates.

Chief of Police E. J. McAlpine of  
South St. Paul, after an investiga-  
tion in Chicago, ascertained that  
the Hudson machine was used in  
both holdups.

Five bandits, obscuring their ac-  
tivities behind a cloud of smoke is-  
suing from a car which pulled up  
with its siren screaming, laid down  
a barrage of machine gun, shotgun  
and pistol bullets as they snatched  
the Swift & Co., payroll from two  
21-year-old messengers, Joseph  
Hamilton and Herbert Cheyene who  
were accompanied by Patrolman  
Pavlak. The money had been for-  
warded by train from the Federal  
Reserve Bank in Minneapolis. The  
messengers escaped unhurt by  
scrambling under a truck.  
**BRUNO AUSTIN NABBED  
WITH BRIDE ON ARM**

Washington, (P)—Justice Depart-  
ment officials said today that Bruno  
(See Page 2, Number 7)



# FINAL COUNTY SOLONS AGREE ON CANVASS BEGUN NEW RELIEF BILL ON CORN & HOG

All Applications for 1935  
Participation Must be  
Signed April 1.

A final canvass of all non-signers of the 1935 corn-hog contract in Martin county started this week with the township corn-hog committees doing the work.

An effort will be made to get every eligible non-signer to affix his name to the application before April 1, the last day on which applications will be received.

The work is expected to be greatly facilitated by the recent arrival of the final checks for the second payment of the 1934 contracts. All checks are now here with the exception of those on contracts in which there are irregularities which must be straightened out.

The recent total amount was about \$100,000.

Practically every farmer in the county who signed the 1934 contract has now received first and second payments. The third payment is due this spring.

## Big Money Involved

The total amount received on the 1934 contract in Martin county is approximately \$640,000.

The producer's total income in 1935, including the return from the increased number of hogs and bushels of corn which he may raise, should be somewhat larger.

Producers who do not raise the full allotment of hogs will have the equivalent of increased hog income in the form of larger supply of corn for sale or for other purposes than otherwise would have been the case.

When the 1935 program was being formulated, a question was raised on the necessity or advisability of maintaining total corn-hog payments per farm at about the same level as in 1934, even though the adjustment requirements were lowered.

## Farmers Wanted Less

Representatives of producers decided against maintenance of the same aggregate payment schedule, since it would have involved an increase of more than 200 per cent in the rate of payment per unit of ad-

Veterans Aid Up to \$1,250,-  
000 a Year Included in  
State Act.

St. Paul.—(P)—Agreement on the \$10,000,000 statewide relief bill was reached today by conferees of both house and senate and prompt re-passage of the bill this week was considered a certainty as a result of conference committee action in deleting unconstitutional provisions of the measure.

Three major changes were made in the bill which Governor Olson refused to sign last week because, he insisted, it was unconstitutional since it provided for issuance of more than \$250,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness without charging the sum to a specific fund. The revisions set up:

The Minnesota emergency relief fund, against which will be charged the \$10,000,000 worth of indebtedness that will be retired, starting with 1937.

A fund of not more than \$1,250,000 for each of the next two years for veterans relief, compared to \$750,000 for each of the next two years as stipulated in the original bill.

The recent appropriation bill setting aside \$200,000 for veterans' relief will be repealed since the relief measure's veterans allocation was boosted.

Authority for the relief agency to use funds for direct work relief in flood control projects for development of natural resources. This was in the original house bill but deleted by the senate in passing the first draft of the measure.

The provision for veterans relief is elastic insofar as the State Executive Council is empowered to use its own judgment as to whether the full amount for each year is necessary. However, not more than \$1,250,000 can be spent on veterans relief in any one of the next two years of the biennium.

Specific provision also is made in the measure for \$5,000,000 a year for the biennium for all relief purposes. This includes funds for veterans.

Simultaneously Representative H. C. Andersen, Tyler, divulged that the \$2,000,000 seed loan bill still is unconstitutional. The senate re-passed that measure yesterday after tacking on amendments designed to circumvent the invalidity of the

## "Little Boy," 15, Lost; He Weighs 285, Stands 6-4

Chicago.—(P)—Mrs. Toby Stein wants her "little boy" back. She reported to the police that her son, William, 15, disappeared yesterday with \$500 leaving a note saying he was going to New York and intended to shoot himself as soon as he had spent the money.

Police Sergeant Rudolph Josephson asked for a description of the lad and all but jumped out of his chair when Mrs. Stein told him he weighed 285 pounds and was six feet four inches tall.

born of American parents on Canadian soil.

In assailing the former NRA chief for classifying him with Talleyrand of France and Judas Iscariot, Father Coughlin said: "General, what insanity possessed you to say such things? What deperation forced you to utter such exaggeration?"

"General Johnson," he said, "some of your fair weather friends have heaped upon my desk the fulsome record of your personal life. I disdain to refer to it."

"I am not important, nor are you, but the doctrines I preach are important. While you were content to vomit your venom upon my person and attack my character, the American public is fully cognizant that not once did you dare attack the truths which I teach. I need not condemn you. You have condemned yourself by omitting this."

## General To Be Pitied

"My friends, I appeal to you to bear no ill will against General Johnson. Today he appears before us as a figure to be pitied and not condemned. He has been cast out by an administration because he and his plans were failure. He is to be regarded as a cracked gramophone record."

Father Coughlin denied that he had broken with the Roosevelt administration.

"I still proclaim that it is either Roosevelt or ruin. I support him today and will support him tomorrow. I dare not be diverted from my course by a red herring, even though it chances to be a dead one. America's destiny is in the process of fulfillment."

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Ward will appear for himself.

## Rent Case Due Next

Other cases in the order of trial were set by the court yesterday as follows: E. O. Olson, as administrat-

## Witness Says He Got \$20-\$50 For \$2.50 Acre Land

Highway Department Attorney Refused Right  
Cross-examine Witness  
Calls Senate Investigator  
Unfair.

St. Paul.—(P)—Testimony he gave to the State Highway Department for from \$20 to \$50 an acre, which he claimed in an affidavit was not worth more than \$2.50 an acre, was given by A. V. Johnson, Grand Marais, last night to the state investigating committee.

Thomas B. Mower, attorney for the committee, elicited from Johnson, secretary of the Ogema L. company, that the latter had made \$6,200 profit on the deal whereby state acquired title to lands in C county for highway right-of-last year.

Johnson's testimony was preceded by a denial by S. Rex Green, charge of maintenance for the Highway Department, that there were any irregularities in the deal as heated word battle between S. Rex Green, Plainview, chair of the investigating committee Roy A. MacDonald, attorney Green and other highway officials.

## Calls Senators Unfair

Refused the right to cross-examine a witness at the start of hearing, MacDonald sought permission to question Green after night's recess. Carley again refused and placed his hand against Donald's chest in an effort to him into a seat while ordering to sit down.

"You are just trying to things look as bad as possible," Donald shouted. "You don't the facts. This is the first time ever had to get down on my to get a man to be fair."

"You are not going to make trial of this," retorted Carley.

## Liberals Back Officials

Senator Patrick Farnand, H one of three liberals on the mittee, then expressed belief Donald should be heard. Carley ruled him and Farnand made mal motion that MacDonald be mitted to cross-examine Gree

The motion was lost, 5 to hand and Senators Richard ner, Staples and W. L. Dietz, gomery, all liberals, voting a Senators Burt Kingsley, apolis; D. D. Murphy, Blue Milton Lightner, St. Paul; Rockne, Zumbrota and H. H van, St. Cloud, conservative



not affected materially by the drouth and who may, therefore, wish to hold out of corn this year approximately the same acreage held out during 1934.

In providing adjustment payments, the 1935 program again offers crop income and disease loss insurance. This feature was of great value in 1934 after the drouth, particularly in the western corn belt.

Because they are based on past average production instead of current production, the amount of adjustment payments is not affected by adverse weather, diseases or other factors affecting yield during the contract year.

#### Two 1935 Payments

The first adjusted payments in 1935, consisting of 15 cents per bushel in the case of corn and \$7.50 per head in the case of hogs will be made as soon as practicable after the contracts are accepted by the secretary of agriculture.

The remainder, less the producers' pro rata of the local administrative expenses, will be due on or about Jan. 1, 1936.

Although it is not a part of the new corn-hog program, efforts are being made to formulate for 1935 a government corn loan program that will be available only to those producers and landlords in surplus producing areas who have signed the 1935 corn-hog contract.

Signatures of the 1935 contract are reported coming in very nicely with some townships having very near their totals of last year.

As soon as the canvass of non-signers has been completed, the committeemen will go to work appraising the farms of the signing producers.

### Couple Drinks Poison in Duluth Hotel Room

Duluth.—(P)—Owen E. McCarthy, 42, of Superior, died in a local hospital at 6:40 a. m. today from poison he and his companion, Mrs. Ethel Clogg, also of Superior, drank in their hotel room shortly after 5 a. m.

After drinking the concoction, Mrs. Clogg apparently became remorseful and changed her mind. She dashed for a telephone to call a doctor. She may recover.

Police found a note written by the woman, which indicated the couple had planned the double suicide because legal obstacles prevented them from marrying. McCarthy is married, and Mrs. Clogg had been.

### Germany Reveals Its New Air Force

Berlin.—(P)—The German public received its first official information today that the reich's military air force is already in existence. Wilhelm Goering, minister of aviation, confirmed the long prevalent rumors and announced he would head the air force as "General of Fliers."

Sentinel want ads do the business cheaply.

following a tip from federal agents.

He was seized as he was leaving Holy city cathedral in Chicago, his b. holding his arm. He was booked for bond forfeiture, with the original charge against him being robbery with a gun.

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his remarks to General Johnson, whom he assumed was listening, when he said:

With F. R. Against Chiselers  
"If our people are growing disheartened, it is not because they have lost faith in Franklin D. Roosevelt, but because they are rising in their wrath against chiselers like yourself, and your group which has surrounded him."

Referring to General Johnson, who had characterized him and Senator Huey Long as "public political enemies No. 1 and 2," Father Coughlin said:

"The real enemies who are boring from within have been you and your group of Wall streeters, our international bankers; you who have been the president's advisers over a period of two years."

#### Baruch's Man Friday

He said General Johnson was cast in the role of "man Friday" to Bernard Baruch.

"The money changers whom the priest of priests drove out of the temple of Jerusalem," said Father Coughlin, "x x x have marshalled their forces behind the leadership of a chocolate soldier for the purpose of driving a priest out of public affairs."

Father Coughlin's reply was made in a 45-minute radio speech over the same network Johnson used at New York last week to call him and Senator Huey Long "two mad piper pipers" appealing to "the lunatic fringe of the people."

#### Johnson Says He'll Answer

After hearing the speech in Washington, Johnson replied that it was all "pious flubdub." He said Father Coughlin and Senator Long were "economic chysters" and promised an early reply to the priest's attack.

Father Coughlin expanded his rebuttal to take in Baruch, the "Warburgs, the Morgans, the Kuhn-Loebs and the rest of that wrecking crew of internationalists whose god is gold and whose emblem is the red seal of exploitation."

He declared he would "oppose these men until my dying days."

Baruch, he said, was the "uncrowned prince of Wall street," the "unofficial acting president of the United States."

After declaring that Johnson was a "political corpse"—the "first great casualty of the New Deal," Father Coughlin answered one phase of Johnson's speech of a week ago questioning his citizenship.

#### Born of U. S. Parents

"My dear general," he said, "I am as much if not more an American citizen as you are or ever will be." He explained that he was

against him. Coughlin was arrested by Chicago police. Cegelske, a suit to recover \$160 and interest on a note.

Ida I. Lindahl inst Ole Williamson, an act. to recover on three notes in the amount of \$5,620. It was announced by Harold A. Edman, attorney for the plaintiff Lindahl that this case would probably be settled. The court said that if it was settled it would have to be settled soon, as it would be one of the first cases heard if tried.

George Hubacek against George Sickler, an appeal from justice court for wages in the sum of \$41.90, that being the amount of the judgment in justice court at the time it was appealed.

#### Damage Suit Coming

Two cases which will probably be tried together are those in which Henry F. Wolf and his wife Clara Wolf are plaintiffs against E. A. Luedtke and Paul Wagner.

These are damage suits involving nearly \$15,700 arising from an automobile collision with a hay baler on the highway between Fairmont and Northrop on the night of Oct. 2, 1934.

H. L. Cave of Truman and Leo J. Seifert of Fairmont are attorneys for the Wolfs, who live near Truman. Frank E. Dougherty and John W. Flynn are attorneys for the defendants.

The next case set is that of the Martin County National bank against the Speltz Grain & Coal company and DeForrest Ward.

H. A. Jepp and W. E. Jepp against A. W. Johnson, an action for \$50 on a feed grinder.

Eskel Hiller against Leo Allen, a suit for cash rent for \$127.20.

The case of Agnes M. Driscoll against the Bob Wallace Mercantile company, asking damages for injuries said to have been received in a fall on the floor of the store last year, was set for 10 a. m. next Monday.

### Ickes Gives in on New York Bridge

Washington.—(P)—Harold L. Ickes, the public works administrator, has reversed his stand against Robert W. Moses, and granted \$1,600,000 for the Tri-Borough bridge project in New York. Decision on the allotment had been held up for weeks on Ickes' insistence that Moses resign either as New York park commissioner or as a member of the bridge authority. He did neither.

\$2.50 an acre.

#### Highway Man Get Check

Records of checks from John to several persons, including R. Blase, an engineer for the Highway Department, also were read.

Blase check, the witness said, to repay a \$100 personal loan to

Most of the money, Johnson said, went for repurchase of land of the government. In another transaction, a \$1,000 highway deal which Arnold & Arnold of Dul presumably a law firm, sign Theodore Becklund, a Cook county appraiser, was given \$125, John testified, punctuating his assert with several "gee whizzes".

Whether Arnold & Arnold acted Johnson's agent in the deal was disclosed, though Mouser after explained he hoped to deter this point at a later hearing.

Carley then called H. J. Peck, mer state senator, author of a ter read in the senate last week Senator George Hausler, St. Paul which a Philip Williams, Nash was told he could "make a dough" by testifying before the committee.

Asked by Senator Carley if wasn't "kind of a foolish letter you to write," Peck replied he "posed so," but that when he referred to "dough" he meant mileage witness fees.

### Lions May Cancel Mexico City M

Chicago.—(P)—Melvin Jones, retary general of Lions International, said today efforts were made to have his organization draw from Mexico City its an convention scheduled for July on account of the religious situation in the southern republic. Pre to that effect is being directed from within and without the vice club, which has a claimed sectarian membership of 80,000 the United States and foreign countries.

### Bill Seeks Repeal of County Opt

St. Paul.—(P)—Repeal of county option liquor laws of 19 sought under a bill submitted to introduction in the house today Representatives A. L. Hogan, Paul and William Witt, Belle P.

## PROCEEDINGS OF COUNTY BOARD

Fairmont, Minnesota, March 5th, 1935

The County Board of Martin County, Minnesota, met in special session at the Court House, on Tuesday, March 5th, 1935, at ten o'clock A. M.

Present: Oscar L. Larson, Chairman; Chas. Morgan, J. C. Musse Ernst Mau. Commissioner L. A. Milow was absent on account of sickness.

There were a number who called in regard to various requests for Mrs. George Johnson for John Orth, of Waverly, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Henderson of the City of Fairmont, Louis Senne, of the City of Fairmont, Cecil Todd, of the City of Fairmont, Fred Weber, of the City of Fairmont, John Baago, of the City of Fairmont, Lee Barnes for A. G. Barnes of Truman.

Their claims were all referred to the relief office for adjustment of

U. S. Department of Justice  
Bureau of Investigation

Post Office Drawer 1457  
St. Louis, Missouri,  
March 19, 1935.

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1818; et al; Edward G. Bremer -  
VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

In reference to Bureau letter dated 3-13-35, requesting investigation at Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois, concerning the Browning Automatic rifles recovered from members of the Barker-Karpis gang, please note report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Missouri, dated March 19, 1935, containing information obtained prior to receipt of above mentioned Bureau letter. Said report deals entirely with the 30 calibre Browning automatic rifle, number 211774, and reflects that the Rock Island Arsenal officials have requested the General Ordnance, War Department, Washington, D. C., for authority to expend the necessary money for inspection and verification of the Arsenal records. *Recorded  
3-21-35  
E. A. H.*

The additional investigation requested will be expeditiously handled upon completion of the investigation by the Washington Field Office, as requested in report of Special Agent Hostetter.

Very truly yours,

*R. E. Vetterli*  
R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

DSH:A  
cc St. Paul  
cc E. J. Connelley, Chicago.

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March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 1276,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE;  
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1235; VOLNEY  
DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237, FUGITIVE; DR.  
JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM  
WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER,  
with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with  
aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE E. TON, with aliases,  
I.O. #1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with aliases, FUGITIVE;  
ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim. KIDNAPING -  
HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL  
FIREARMS ACT. - St. Paul File No. V-50.

The United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, has requested that photographs of all defendants in the above entitled matter be secured, together with the names of the photographers and their respective addresses, and that such photographers be interviewed so that the United States Attorney may be assured the proof of the photograph will be proper.

Will you kindly obtain the above information with regard to the photograph of ARTHUR BARKER, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #11906, taken 2-19-22; WILLIAM WEAVER, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #14993; HARRY CAMPBELL, Tulsa Police Department #1846, taken 12-23-20; VOLNEY DAVIS, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #12308, taken 1-23-25.

It appears that J.C. DUNCAN of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary took the fingerprints of ARTHUR BARKER. It is requested that it be ascertained whether or not MR. DUNCAN is available as a witness and, if so, ascertain his present address and whether or not he took the prints or had them taken under his direction, and also secure information as to the manner and way in which the fingerprints of ARTHUR BARKER were transmitted by MR. DUNCAN to the Bureau at Washington, D.C..

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This matter should be given expeditious handling in order to be included in the summary reports being prepared by this office.

Very truly yours,

JLB:TC  
CC Bureau  
Chicago - Connelley

D.M. LUD.  
Special Agent in Charge

P. O. BOX 1156,  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

March 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:-

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218,  
Fugitive; Harry Campbell, with aliases,  
I.O. #1235; Volney Davis, with aliases,  
I.O. #1237, Fugitive; Dr. Joseph P. Moran,  
with aliases, I.O. #1232; William Weaver,  
with aliases, I.O. #1238; Harry Sawyer,  
with aliases, I.O. #1240; William J. Harrison,  
with aliases, I.O. #1239; Myrtle Eaton, with  
aliases, I.O. #1241; Oliver A. Berg, with  
aliases, Fugitive; et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim.  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

There is enclosed, herewith, a tracing from mail received  
from Mrs. Al Sandlovich, whose husband is a brother of Subject Harry  
Sawyer, in the above case, Mrs. Al Sandlovich residing at 2323 Sheridan  
Boulevard, Lincoln, Nebraska. This tracing bears the return address  
of "Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, 4833 Fountain Ave., Los Angeles,  
California" and is postmarked at Los Angeles, California, March 4, 1935.

Please make appropriate investigation at the above address  
for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of the writer of the letter  
and to ascertain if that party might be in touch with Subject Harry  
Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HARTI,  
Special Agent in Charge

JRL/AGH  
CC Bureau,  
CC St. Paul  
CC Connolly  
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ONE

P. O. BOX 1156,  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

March 19, 1935

Mr. Trev. Gillaspie,  
Postmaster,  
Lincoln, Nebraska

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

Dear Sir:-

Under date of March 2, 1935, Special Agent J. R. Green, of this office, requested a fifteen-day cover, with tracings, on the mail addressed to the following:-

Albert Sandlovich, 2828 Sheridan Blvd.  
Ray Sandlovich, 2111 Jewell Street  
John L. and Samuel Sandlovich, and their  
Sisters, Bess Kathleen & Nellie Hillman,  
1319 R Street,  
Standard Market, operated by Albert and  
John Sandlovich, 1535 "O" Street;  
Nebraska Auto Exchange, operated by Ray  
and Sam Sandlovich, 1724 "O" Street;  
all in Lincoln, Nebraska.

I am requesting that this cover be continued for another fifteen days and that you send us tracings from the mail as received by these parties.

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

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,  
Special Agent in Charge

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

March 19, 1935

Mr. Albert Goldman  
Postmaster  
General Post Office,  
33rd Street and 8th Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases  
I.O. No. 1218, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation  
being conducted by this office, it is requested that for a  
period of thirty days, you place a cover on all first class mail  
addressed to Alice Conrad, and Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Moratti,  
receiving mail at 54 West 36th Street, and 32 West 37th Street,  
New York City.

Please forward all tracings marked for the  
attention of New York File 7-120.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

F. X. FAY  
Special Agent in Charge

cc Bureau

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
MAR 21 1935  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
FROM: UNIT #1 UNIT #3

2-22-1935.

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

Unit Four

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Personnel Files  
Mechanical Section  
Chief Clerk's Office

Unit Five

Identification Unit  
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Mr. Newby  
Mr. Richmond  
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Mr. Chambers

Unit Three

Mr. Joseph  
Mr. Berens  
Mr. Foxworth  
Mr. Weeks

Miss McCarthy

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Correct


Re-write

Re-date

See me

Send file

Is this another duplicated number?  
That was the final outcome of  
Colt Automatic #15001?

  
Supervisor.

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota.**

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

REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Louis, Mo.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>3-19-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>3-13-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>D. S. HOSTETTER</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I. O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239;</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I. O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241, et al; Edward George Bremer - VICTIM.</b>			
<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Rock Island Arsenal began systematic recordation of guns according to number, in 1923, at which time 30 calibre Browning automatic rifle, number 211774, manufactured by Winchester, was recorded as in stock. Records further reveal that said gun was inspected in July of 1930, and placed in chest number 7973 with four other similar guns and stacked in store room with 9500 similar chests. Cost of producing instant gun for examination estimated at \$300, and Arsenal authorities desire to advise General Ordnance, War Department, Washington, D. C., before authorizing expenditure of said sum for verification of said records.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Letter of Special Agent in Charge, E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated 3-8-35.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> <u>AT ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS:</u></p> <p>Mr. C. Nye, officer in charge of records, Rock Island Arsenal, advised that the Arsenal began a systematic recordation of guns, according to number, in 1923, and displayed said records, which reflect that a 30 calibre, Model 1918, Browning Automatic Rifle, number 211774, manufactured by Winchester, was in stock and recorded in the records of 1923. These records further reveal that said gun was inspected in July</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MAR 21 1935</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>D. S. Hostetter</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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of 1930 and placed in chest number 7973 with four other similar guns. The records of the four similar guns, as reported in chest number 7973, were checked, and in each instance it was determined that these guns, according to the records, were also now in the possession of the Rock Island Arsenal. It was likewise determined that the gun in question is also supposedly now in possession of the Rock Island Arsenal.

An inspection of the store room in which chest number 7973 is supposedly stored revealed that the above mentioned chests are stacked in groups, nine high, twenty wide, and thirty long, and further that a steel tape has been sealed across each of the thirty sections. It was further observed that this room contained a number of the above mentioned groups, and an examination was made of each chest which appeared on the outside of these groups in an attempt to locate chest number 7973, but without results.

The above information is included in this report, inasmuch as Mr. Nye advised that it would cost approximately \$300.00 to produce instant gun for examination, and that the Arsenal authorities desired to advise the General Ordnance, War Department, Washington, D. C., before authorizing the expenditure of said sum for verification of the above mentioned records.

The following observations are included in this report for information. Apparently three concerns manufacture Browning Automatic Rifles for the U. S. Government, namely Marlin-Rockwell, Winchester, and Colt, and further that in addition to the Browning Automatic Rifle, there is also a Browning Machine Rifle which is similar to the Automatic Rifle in many respects with the exception that the Machine Rifle has the sling swivel on the left side of the stock and also has a heavy corrugated barrel.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE: At Washington, D. C.: Will contact the General Ordnance, War Department, in an attempt to expeditiously secure their approval for necessary expenditure of Rock Island Arsenal at Rock Island, Illinois, in producing the 30 caliber Browning automatic rifle, number 211774, for verification of the Rock Island office records.

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March 29, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter dated at St. Louis, March 19, 1935 in the above entitled case.

The Bureau has again examined the Browning automatic rifle No. 211774 and verified the fact that this gun was manufactured by Winchester and not by the other two manufacturing concerns mentioned in the last paragraph of the details set forth in the report of Special Agent Hostetter.

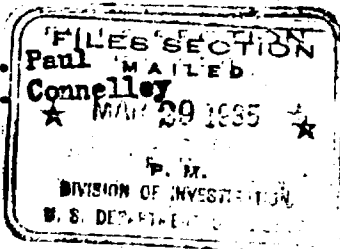
The Bureau feels that every effort should be made to trace this gun at the Rock Island Arsenal, whose records reflect that this particular gun was last examined at the Arsenal in 1930 and placed in Chest No. 7973.

This matter should receive immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc - St. Paul  
Mr. Connelley



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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Saint Paul, Minnesota,

Dallas - FILE NO. 7-35

REPORT MADE AT: <b>DALLAS, TEXAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>3-17-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12/20/34; 1/4, 9/35 2/3/35 &amp; 3/12/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>F. S. DUNN</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE- I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases- FUGITIVE- I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases- FUGITIVE- I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases- I.O. 1238; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Third Street, Fort Worth, Texas, runs East and West. The only filling station on said street is located in the 400 block Third Street East, in the heart of the red light district, and inmates at residence 412 East Third Street, claim a party with his paramour stopped at this address during first part of December 1934, answering the description of subject Harry Campbell. Police officers kept in close touch with occupants at this address, and later determined that said parties were in all probability one JOE DODSON, and RUBY WELLS, wanted at Shawnee, Oklahoma, for murder.</p>			
<p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Letter from the Oklahoma City office dated December 6, 1934.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> The writer conferred with Jack Reams, Detective of the Fort Worth Police Department, on December 20, 1934, in connection with the information</p>			
DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>F. J. Ream</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-5119	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>MAR 21 1935</b>
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contained in the above reference letter, who after making investigation, stated to the writer that Third Street in Fort Worth, Texas runs East and West; that the only filling station in the vicinity described in the above letter, is located in the 400 block in East Third Street, and that the address next this station is 412 East Third Street, a house of prostitution; that this filling station is located in the vicinity of the red light district, and is in all probability the district referred to in the description supplied by Officer Sturgeon of the Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department to the Oklahoma City Bureau office.

Later Detective Reams reported that he had interviewed an inmate at the residence 412 East Third Street, a prostitute who had in the past given him information which was reliable, and that she had stated that some time during the first part of December 1934, a couple for some time visited in that district and was at this residence. Reams stated that he exhibited photograph of Harry Campbell to her, and she stated that same resembled the man, but that she did not know his name nor the name of the girl, but that they were driving a Model-T Ford with an old trunk tied on the rear. She stated that this man was addicted to the use of marahuana, and that both he and the woman appeared to be dope fiends; that they only remained in that district for a day or two when she understood them to say they were going South towards San Antonio, Texas, but that they would return in the next month or two.

Detective Reams stated that he had been making contacts with this informant, whose name he did not care to reveal, but that nothing had developed during the period of this report. Ruby Wells is unknown to Mr. Reams, or other Police officers in Fort Worth, but there was recently located a circular in the Identification Bureau of the Fort Worth Police Department, #11770, which circular advises that Ruby Wells, alias Bobby Lee Turner, alias Model Cotter; with one J. O. Dodson, is wanted for the murder of Hoyt Hughes, a negro bell-boy, November 30, 1933, in Shawnee, Oklahoma, and that they generally stopped at cheap boarding houses and drive a Model-T Ford about 1922 model, and that Dodson is addicted to use of drugs and heavy smoker of marahuana, giving Dodson's description as age, twenty-five; weight one thirty five; height five feet seven inches, brown hair, build slim, two upper teeth missing.

Detective Reams stated that if these parties returned to Ft. Worth, he would receive the information, and would pick them up for investigation.

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