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PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

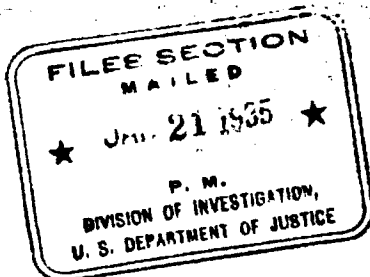
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I telephoned Mr. Harvey at New York and inquired as to what steps had been taken by Mr. Fay at New York with respect to sending down some agents to cover the situation at Atlantic City, New Jersey. Mr. Harvey stated that Agent Fierstone had just departed with four agents for there; that the only explanation for the delay in sending these agents which Mr. Fay has to offer is that when he, Mr. Fay, received the telephone call from you to send these agents, he had just gotten in bed after having been at the office all night; that upon being aroused he was somewhat sluggish, and his mind not being clear, he does not recall whether or not he instructed Agent Turrou, to whom he relayed the information, to send a squad of agents to Atlantic City. Subsequent developments would seem to indicate that Agent Turrou had not been so advised, Mr. Harvey indicated.

I instructed Mr. Harvey to return to Philadelphia immediately; that he should arrange with the agents at Atlantic City to have the women removed to the Philadelphia office on a waiver of removal; that care should be taken with the Delaney woman because of her condition, it being advisable to obtain a doctor's certification that such removal would not endanger the birth of her child, and if such removal would be dangerous, she should be kept in the hospital and carefully guarded. I advised Mr. Harvey that I would have Mr. Connelley come up from Florida in order that these women could be vigorously questioned by someone familiar with the details of the case. In the event the Delaney cannot be removed, I instructed Mr. Harvey to file a harboring charge against her in Atlantic City and have several agents remain there with her; but in the event both the women are removed, it would only be necessary to have one or two agents remain there to clear things up and the others could return. I also instructed Mr. Harvey to see that the various resorts along the coast were covered, but that in my opinion they would probably move into Philadelphia.

Mr. Harvey also stated that an orchestra leader named Duke Randolph was quite familiar with the mob in Florida; that he is now playing at the Grand Hotel at Newark, probably, and Mr. Harvey is checking that phase. I told Mr. Harvey to make sure that vigorous steps are taken to cover every angle that may arise, but he, himself, should return to Philadelphia.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
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Mr. Tracy.....
Mrs. Gandy.....



Very truly yours,
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Date 2/8/ 1935.

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☐ Mr.

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E. P. Coffe

1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JANUARY 21, 1935.

Postmaster
Webb City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that it will no longer be necessary for you to maintain any further surveillance over any communications which might be received addressed to George F. Barker. The latter usually has been in receipt of mail at the State Oil Company Filling Station at Joplin, Missouri, since your office at Webb City, Missouri, has added cooperation in this matter you are advised at this time that the same is no longer essential.

Your past cooperation in matters of this kind are deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Division

In Re: Brekid.

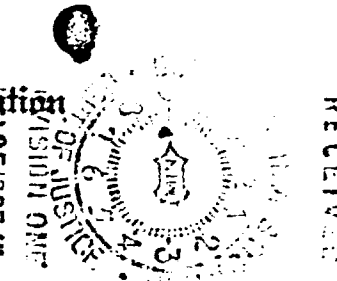
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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida



RAA:SLH

January 22, 1935

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

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

Dear Sir:

This will confirm my long distance telephone conversation at 9:55 A. M. on January 22, 1935, with Mr. Newby of the Division, in which he instructed that W. E. Fox, Federal Probation Officer in Miami, Florida, be contacted by an Agent of this Division, since Fox had informed the Division that he has information regarding this case. Mr. Newby requested that I wire Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson at Miami to forward immediately by air mail, special delivery, photographs and fingerprints of Duke Randall.

At the conclusion of my telephone conversation with Mr. Newby, I at once contacted Agent in Charge Hanson, furnishing him with the information above stated, and requested that he handle same in Miami.

Mr. Newby also informed that the car which Campbell and Karpis are now traveling in is a Plymouth coach, 1934 model, motor number TE 209213, body number 2378079, bearing 1935 Pennsylvania license tag number 39179; they were last seen proceeding westward on State Highway No. 224 in Ohio. This car was taken by Campbell and Karpis from a doctor in Pennsylvania some time during the day of January 21, 1935, the doctor being forced to accompany them to some distant point, where he was released and Campbell and Karpis proceeded in the doctor's car.

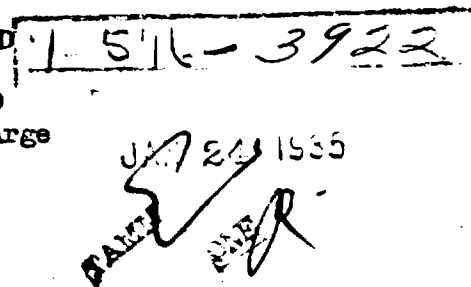
Inspector of Police, Jacksonville, Florida, E. L. Acosta, stated that this information was received by the local police department in a broadcast last night and that since that time the local broadcasting station has been putting this information on the air here for the benefit of all officers in Georgia and Florida. Inspector Acosta stated that he would continue this broadcast to be certain that all officers receive same and in the event any information is received he will immediately contact the Jacksonville office.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt, INDEXED
Special Agent in Charge

cc E.J. Connelley
St. Paul, Chicago
All Agents in Jacksonville office district
Jax #7-24

JAN 25 1935



REN:LL

January 23, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. No. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. No. 1232;
ET AL; Edward George Bremer, VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the Division's efforts to locate Jess Doyle, you are instructed to obtain from the records of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary all available information respecting this individual. It appears that he was received at the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, from Tulsa County, on April 21, 1921, as Jess Doyle, No. 11261, to serve a sentence of 13 years and 4 months, charge, larceny of an automobile.

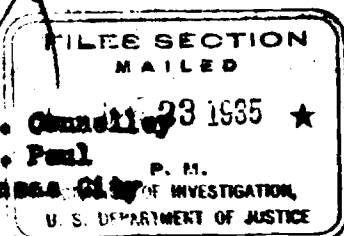
A copy of this letter is being furnished to the Kansas City Office, with the request that all available information with respect to Jess Doyle, No. 9845, be obtained from the State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, where he was received from Labette County, on March 19, 1927, to serve a sentence of from 5 to 10 years, charge, burglary (2nd degree) and grand larceny.

This matter should receive prompt attention, and appropriate leads should be set out to cover all known relatives.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Kr. Connally
cc-St. Paul
cc-Kansas City
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

January 17, 1935.

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Chief Clerk
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Cowley
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm

Time-10:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Henry Suydam, I was advised that the Attorney General was having a Press Conference at 3:00 o'clock this afternoon, and Mr. Suydam inquired if circumstances would permit any releases in regard to "Doc" Barker. I stated that there might be something ready by that time.

J. E. H.

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Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:SLH

January 22, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING

I am enclosing yellow memorandum copy of Government bill of lading No. J-69685, covering shipment of four leather bags and one metal suitcase with padlocks, which were today shipped by Railway Express Agency to the Chicago Division office.

The above equipment was found in the house on Lake Weir, Oklawaha, Florida, after Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16, 1935.

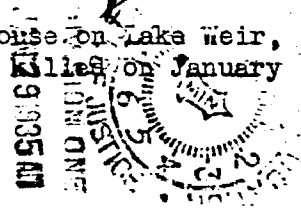
Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosure
cc Chicago (Enclosure)
E.J. Connelley
St. Paul
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

J- 69685

Bill to Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice
(Department or Establishment and Bureau or Service)

(Appropriation chargeable)

Jacksonville, Florida

R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge,

(Issuing office)

January 22, 1935

(Date issued)

GOVERNMENT BILL
OF LADING

MEMORANDUM COPY

Received from R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge

(Consignor)

by the Railway Express Agency

(Name of transportation company)

the public property hereinafter described
in apparent good order and condition (contents and value unknown), to be forwarded subject to conditions stated on the reverse hereof,

from Jacksonville, Florida

(Shipping point)

to Chicago, Illinois

(Destination)

by the said company and connecting lines, there to be delivered in like good order and condition to Special Agent in Charge,

(Consignee)

Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building
Chicago, Illinois

via

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

MARKS	NUMBERS ON PACKAGES	NUMBER AND KIND OF PACKAGES	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES (Observe strictly carrier's freight classification. Avoid trade or technical names)	WEIGHTS *
		1	Brown leather gladstone bag	23 lbs.
		1	Black patent leather ladies' hat box	8 lbs.
		1	Black leather traveling bag, ladies'	23 lbs.
		1	Black metal suitcase with padlocks	65 lbs.
		1	Brown leather ladies' traveling bag	8 lbs.
			(With miscellaneous contents)	
			VALUE: \$70.00	

† Size car ordered _____ ft. Size car furnished _____ ft. Date furnished _____ Initials _____ Car No. _____

TARIFF AUTHORITY
(To be filled in by general office rendering account)

AUTHORITY FOR SHIPMENT

for Railway
Express Agency
(Name of transportation company)

January 22, 1935 Per _____ above (Agent)

CERTIFICATE OF ISSUING OFFICER

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

Contract No. _____, or Purchase Order No. _____, dated _____, 19____

(F. O. B. point named in contract)

(Issuing officer)

(CARRIER'S RIGHTS TO SHIPPING CHARGES NOT AFFECTED BY FACTS SET OUT IN THIS CERTIFICATE)

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* Show also cubic measurement for shipments via ocean carrier in cases where required.

† Furnish this information in case of carload shipments only.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 9, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Attached hereto is a copy of a memorandum dealing with Alvin Karpis and his participation in the Bremer Case. Twenty copies of this memorandum are available.

There is also attached hereto a copy of a running memorandum on the Bremer case, of which ten copies are likewise available.

These memoranda have not as yet been dated but will be dated for the date of their release.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
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HON HUGH S CUMMINGS

ATTORNEY GENERAL WASHINGTON DC

CONGRATULATIONS UPON THE SUCCESS OF YOUR MEN IN TRACKING DOWN THE BREMER
KIDNAPPERS STOP WE APPRECIATE SUCH WORK BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WHICH
IS IN LINE WITH OUR EFFORTS TO KEEP GANGSTERS AND OTHER VICIOUS CHARACTERS
OUT OF FLORIDA

DAVID SHOLTZ GOVERNOR 600 P

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From
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

to

Official Indicated below by check mark

MEMORANDUM

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Miss Gandy.....

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Assistant to the Attorney General Stanley.....
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Assistant Attorney General Sweeney.....
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Assistant Solicitor General MacLean.....
Mr. Hoover, Director of Investigation.....
Mr. Bates, Director of Prisons.....
Mr. Beardslee, Director of War Risk Bureau.....
Mr. Stewart, Administrative Assistant.....
Mr. Holtzoff, Special Assistant.....
Mr. Suydam, Special Assistant.....
Mr. McMahon, Special Assistant.....
Board of Parole.....
Mr. Finch, Pardon Attorney.....
Mr. Gardner, General Agent.....
Mr. Heffernan, Assistant Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Moore, Division of Records.....
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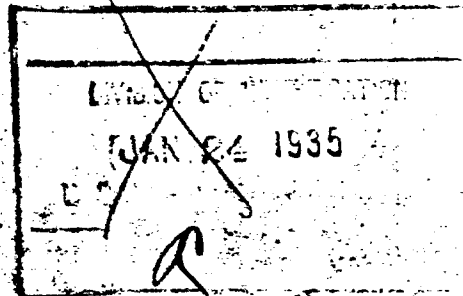
Dear Governor:

I am deeply appreciative of your
fine telegram and your continued and helpful
cooperation with this Department.

With best personal remembrances,

Faithfully yours,
Signed
HOMER CUMMINGS

Honorable David Shalts,
Tallahassee, Florida.



Department of Justice

TELEGRAM RECEIVED

January 21, 1935

PHILADELPHIA

BREKID SUBJECTS HARRY CAMPBELL AND ALVIN KARPIS STOP ATLANTIC CITY
NEWJERSEY POLICE IN GUN FIGHT WITH KARPIS AND CAMPBELL FIVE FIFTY
JANUARY TWENTIETH ESCAPED IN PEA GREEN PONTIAC COACH NINETEEN THIRTY
FIVE NEWJERSEY LICENSE A THREE NAUGHT SEVEN THREE ENGINE NUMBER TEN
THREE NINE THREE EIGHT TWO SERIAL EIGHT EIGHT SEVEN THREE EIGHT SIX
DELORES DELANEY SHOT IN LEG CAPTURED WITH WINONA BURDETT LAW ENFORCEMENT
AGENCIES IN DISTRICT ADVISED ALSO ALL FERRY AND BRIDGE CONNECTIONS
COVERED AGENTS AT ATLANTIC CITY CONDUCTING NECESSARY INVESTIGATION FORM
WAIVERS SIGNED BY DELANEY AND BURDETT ALSO DOCTORS CERTIFICATES AS TO
DELANEY BEING IN GOOD ENOUGH CONDITION FOR REMOVAL TO OFFICE WITHOUT
SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES TWENTY TWO COLT REVOLVER AND TWENTY TWO RIFLE FOUND
IN BUICK CAR ABANDONED BY CAMPBELL AND KARPIS STOP DELANEY AND BURDETT
TAKEN TO PHILADELPHIA OFFICE SIGNED STATEMENT GIVEN BY BURDETT ADMITS
ASSOCIATION WITH MEMBERS OF GANG WITH KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE FEDERAL
FUGITIVES AND ONE EXPECTED BY DELANEY STOP BURDETT AT SAINT GEORGES
APT OCCUPYING AGENT SEARS APARTMENT DELANEY AT HAHNEMANN HOSPITAL
MEMORANDA COVERING ALL DETAILS ABOVE AND COPIES OF SIGNED STATEMENT
FORWARDED DIVISION THIS DATE

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REM:RD

W HANNI
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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January 24, 1935

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REKID ASCERTAIN DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH IN KEATON

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

January 11, 1935.

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. 1213
DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MOBAN with aliases,
I.O. 1232; EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to my teletype summary of developments at Chicago on the early morning of January 11, 1935, in connection with the above case, and particularly with reference to the raid conducted at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, at which time Russell G. Gibson was killed, and my later teletype of January 11, 1935 as to the Coroner's verdict, particularly with reference to the situation that the Coroner's jury might have condemned the actions of the Division Agents, as will be noted from enclosures which are attached hereto, this situation was garbled in a newspaper story which appeared, and which has previously been called to the attention of the Division.

There are enclosed herewith two photostatic copies of the inquest record as to Russell G. Gibson as reported by James J. Halen, Deputy Coroner to Frank J. Walsh, Coroner, Cook County, Illinois, dated January 10, 1935, from which it will be noted that it is indicated that Russell G. Gibson came to his death on January 9, 1935, at the American Hospital, from a shotgun wound in the abdomen, caused when the deceased, who was a fugitive from justice, was attempting to escape arrest by U.S. Government Agents, and was struck by bullets fired from the guns of said Government Agents on January 8, 1935, at the rear of 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, about 11.40 P.M. It will also be noted that the inquest record reads in part: "We, the jury, find this occurrence to be justifiable homicide". With further reference to the contents of this inquest report, it will be noted on page 13 thereof that the Coroner's jury returned a verdict as above indicated without any reference to any condemnation of the activities of the Agents in connection with the case. However, it will also be noted with reference to the proceedings before the Deputy Coroner, that the Deputy Coroner made the statement: "For the sake of the record I want to commend the United States Government Agents. At the same time I think when making arrests of this kind that some precaution should be taken to assure the lives of neighbors and other public officials, who might not be aware of the type of arrest they are trying to make".

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In this connection reference is made to the following quoted memorandum submitted by Special Agent J. J. Metcalfe, who called at the office of the Coroner, Cook County, Illinois, in order to obtain a copy of the Coroner's report in this matter, which it is believed is self-explanatory:

"On January 10, 1935, the writer was instructed to call at the office of the Coroner of Cook County, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of obtaining copies of the Coroner's verdict and autopsy in connection with the death of Russell Gibson, and accordingly the writer interviewed Mr. Butler as also the Chief Deputy V. L. Schlaeger. At this time Chief Deputy Schlaeger informed the writer substantially as follows:

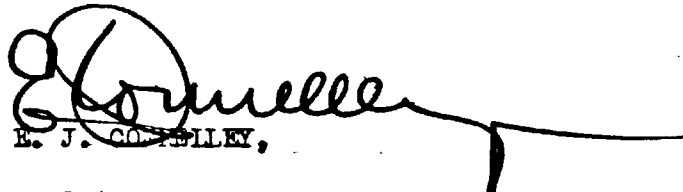
'Incidentally, I want to tell you and you can tell it to whoever may be interested in your office, whether they want to know it or not, that the account of the inquest proceedings and the Coroner's verdict, as published in today's newspapers, is not correct in saying the Coroner's jury criticized the government Agents for their conduct at the time of the raid, which resulted in the death of Russell Gibson. The way the thing happened was that I was talking to the jury after the proceedings had been concluded, and after the Government Agents, the witnesses, and reporters had left the room, and at that time I told the jury that I thought that the Agents ought to use more precaution in the future in conducting their raids so that no mistake as to their identity may be made by other law enforcement bodies or other persons, and so that no innocent persons may be injured at such a time. I want you to know also that the Coroner's verdict does not mention anything other than that the death of Russell Gibson was a case of justifiable homicide, and this verdict does not in any way mention anything in regard to the conduct of the Government Agents. For some reason or other the newspapers in Chicago must be sore at the Department of Justice, and that is probably why their stories read like they did today. The story in the Chicago Evening American, however, is not like the stories in the other papers and this story comes closer to giving a truthful account of what the actual conversation was between the jury and myself than the stories in the other newspapers.'

The statements made by Chief Deputy Schlaeger were entirely unsolicited and were made to the writer without the writer having entered into any discussion whatever with him."

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With further reference to my telephone conversation with Mr. Tamm, and the information set out in my teletype of this date, it should be noted that immediately upon my becoming aware that any shooting was necessary at the scene of this activity, I arranged with the janitor at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue to call the Police, and if they were already on their way, to meet them at the entrance and direct them to me, advising them of who we were. Shortly thereafter the Police arrived on the scene and were contacted by me and advised of the situation, the siege at the front door still having continued, inasmuch as we were not certain whether all of the occupants of the apartment from which Russell Gibson had emerged had left the place, and these officers were very friendly and cooperative, and remained with us until the job was completely cleaned up. Thereafter Lieutenant William V. Blaul of the Townhall Police Station, agreed to place two men on the premises with our men there in order that the apartment might be safe guarded against entrance by newspapers, sightseers, etc. until such time as we could remove the numerous guns found there, and take fingerprints from various objects on the inside of the apartment. Also in this connection, previous to the arrival of the police at the scene of the activities at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, they had been contacted by the three Division Agents who were stationed at the corner of the alley leading from the rear of this apartment and Irving Park Boulevard, at which time the Agents identified themselves to these officers, and the officers stationed themselves to assist should anything occur. This was prior to the time the shooting had actually occurred, and when the shooting did take place in the alley these officers took the necessary positions to assist should anyone try to emerge from the alley.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.
(Special Assignment).

ETC:JMS

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STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss.
County of Cook.

CORONER'S VERDICT

An Inquisition was taken for the People of the State of Illinois.

at Cook County Morgue in the City of Chicago
in said County of Cook on the 10th day of January, 1935
before me, FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner, in and for said County, upon view of the body of
Russell L. Gibson then and there lying

dead upon the oaths of six good and lawful men of the said County, who, being duly sworn to inquire
on the part of the People of the State of Illinois into all circumstances attending the death of said
dead body and how and in what manner, and by whom or what, and when and where the said dead
body came to its death, do say, upon their oaths, as aforesaid, that the said dead body now or then
living dead at Cook County Morgue in said

City of Chicago County of Cook, State of Illinois, came to its death on the
9th day of January, A. D. 1935

As the American
Hospital from a shot gun wound of the
abdomen, caused when the deceased who
was a fugitive from justice was attempting
to escape arrest by U.S. Government Agents
and was struck by bullets fired from the
guns of said government agents on
January 8th 1935 at the rear of
3917 Blue Grove Ave about 1140 PM
From the testimony presented
and the jury find this to be
justified homicide.

TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said Coroner, and the jury of this inquest have hereunto set
their hands the day and year aforesaid.

Henry Vala Foreman Frank Kowalski
J. J. O'Connell
Wm. Kravitz

Age 35 years. By FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner
James J. Walsh Deputy

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
COOK COUNTY

FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner of Cook County, in the State afore-

said, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the verdict in the

case of the person held on the body of

which was rendered on the

and appears from the Records of my office.

WITNESS my hand and seal at Chicago, in said County,

JAN 10 1935

(SEAL)

Coroner.

NO CORONER'S FEE COLLECTED

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CLERK OF CIRCUIT
COURT IN COOK COUNTY
JAN 10 1935
FRANK J. WALSH
CORONER

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JAN 1935

Inquest No. 162838
On the Body of
RUSSEL G. GIBSON
JAN 10 1935

DEPUTY CORONER—NOTE:
PRINT the name of deceased above.
Do NOT write.

45 Jan.

Form 16

WITNESS SHEET

Inquest upon the body of RUSSEN, G. GIBSON
Held Jan. 10th 1935 at C. L. Morgan
Who represents the deceased _____
Who represents the _____
Who represents the _____

NAMES OF WITNESSES	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
Clara Gibson	3920 Pine Groves Rd.	Milliner
R. Brown	1605 E 72nd St	Spec. USAF
R. Abbateschio Jr	18 E 6th St Des Moines	" " "

ROLL CALL OF JURORS

NAME	ADDRESS
R. Houbek	4017 W. Cullerton St.
J. Kowalski	1835 N. Hennepin Ave.
M. Vela	2757 S. David Ave.
J. Celisick	2730 N. Major Ave.
Wm. Ruffey	3810 N. Hennepin Ave.
Mr. Kibler	7541 Hennepin Ave.
Mr. Kravitz	1438 S. Sawyer St.

James Whalen
Deputy Coroner.

NO CORRECTIONS TO BE MADE

No. 45 Jan. IDENTIFICATION BLANK

Name of deceased

Russel A. Gibson

I have seen the remains of the deceased in the Cook County Morgue on this, the 10 day of

Jan.

1938 in the presence of

and identified same as that of

my husband.

Name and Address of party making identification

Clara Gibson

3920 Pine Grove Ave.

STATISTICAL HISTORY OF DECEASED:

Residence of deceased

3920 Pine Grove Ave.

Birth place

Nashville, Mo.

Age

35

Color

white

Married?

Single?

Divorced?

Widowed?

In United States

years; in Chicago

Apt 7

years

Father's name

Glad Gibson

Birth place

unknown.

Mother's maiden name

Nancy unknown

Birth place

"

Occupation—last

Lumber.

Previous

Insurance

yes

Property Real

unknown

Personal

unknown.

Condition—Mental

Good

Physical

Good

Eyesight

Poor

Hearing

Good

Dependents

1

Ages

35 yrs.

Ever in military or naval service of U. S.?

No

Last saw the deceased

X Clara Gibson

FRANK J. WALSH, Coroner of Cook County

DOCTOR'S STATEMENT BLANK

1945 of Jan.

At an inquest upon the body of RUSSELL GIBSON

held 19 at Cook County Morgue.

County of Cook, State of Illinois, personally appeared

who being sworn according to law, deposes and says; my name is J. J. Kearns,

I reside at Chicago, Ill. and

am by occupation, a Coroner's Physician of Cook County, and that:

I have to-day (1/9/35) performed a postmortem examination on the dead body of RUSSELL GIBSON, identified to me by the records of the Cook County Morgue. External examination reveals a medium developed white male, 33 years of age, 6' tall, weighing 160 pounds, scalp hair is brown, eyes brown, pupils dilated. There was an irregular circular scar 0.5 x 0.3 cm. in the center of the distal phalanx, volar surface, ring finger of the right hand. There was a grooving stellate laceration 7 x 2 1/2 cm. of the scalp which exposed the underlying parietal bone parallel to and 5 cm. from the longitudinal midline on the left side. The edges of this laceration were irregularly torn and discolored purple-red. There were ten superficial and deep puncture wounds of the skin of the forehead and scalp over the parietal area on the left side. The edges of these wounds were irregular in outline, ranged in size up to 1 1/2 cm. in diameter, and were discolored purple-red. There were numerous other superficial wounds of the face, both sides, bridge of the nose and upper lid of both eyes and forehead, on the left side. These were in the form of superficial small scratch marks and ranged in size up to 5 mm. The above wounds were much as shotgun plugs would make. There was a shotgun wound of entrance in the anterior abdominal wall 1 1/2 cm. to the right of the midline over the 9th costal cartilage. This wound was gaping 2 x 2 1/2 cm., its edges were irregular, inverted and discolored purple-red. The adjacent skin was abraded for a distance of 1 cm. at its medial aspect. There was a shotgun wound of exit in the back, which was gaping 1.8 x 1.5 cm., in the 20th intercostal space, posterior axillary line on the right side. The edges of this wound were inverted, irregular in outline, and discolored pale blue-gray. There was a hematoma in the deep scalp tissues adjacent to the laceration in the scalp described above. There was a depressed fracture, 1 x 0.5 cm., in the outer table of the parietal bone in the line of the laceration of the scalp described above, elsewhere the cranial bones showed no traumatic changes. There was a subleptomeningeal hemorrhage over the parieto-frontal and parietal lobes of the left cerebral hemisphere and punctate and confluent hemorrhages in the cortex of the parieto-frontal and parietal lobes of the left cerebral hemisphere. The area of these hemorrhages measured 5 x 5 cm. in the frontal lobe and 7 x 5 cm. in the

Reside at
by occupation, a Coroner's Physician of Cook County, and that:

The convolutions of both cerebral hemispheres were flattened. On multiple surfaces made by cutting the remainder of the brain was pale. The lungs were subcrepitant, adherent to the parietal pleura by fibrous tags in various places posteriorly and laterally. There were healed scars in the visceral pleura in the apices of both lungs. On multiple surfaces made by cutting the lungs were pale. The trachea and bronchi contained pale bloody frothy fluid. The tracheo-bronchial lymph nodes were soft, studded with anthracotic areas. The pericardial sac contained straw colored fluid. The myocardium was pale, soft, and brown. The cardiac leaflets, aorta and coronary arteries were not remarkable. The abdominal cavity contained several liters of clotted and fluid blood. There was an extensive bursting laceration of the right lobe of the liver, the entrance wound of which corresponded to the wound of entrance in the abdominal wall described above and the exit wound of which corresponded to the wound of exit described above. The remainder of the liver, the kidneys and spleen were pale, soft, the markings were indistinct. The gall bladder and biliary passages were patent. The adrenals, pancreas and lower genito-urinary tract were not remarkable. The mucous membrane of the esophagus, stomach and duodenum showed only postmortem changes. The stomach contained liquid and solid food, the solid portions of which resembled potato, the remainder was not recognizable.

In my opinion death of RUSSELL GIBSON was the result of shotgun wound of the abdomen.

J. J. McNamee, M.D.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
(SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

BEFORE THE CORONER OF COOK COUNTY

INQUEST ON THE BODY)
OF) COMPLETE
RUSSEL G. GIBSON)

Transcript of the testimony taken, and
proceedings had at the inquest held upon the body of
the above named deceased, before JAMES WHALEN, Deputy
Coroner of Cook County, Illinois, and a Jury duly impaneled
and sworn at the Cook County Morgue, Chicago, Illinois,
at 10:00 A. M., January 10, 1935.

A P P E A R A N C E S

Reported by

A. J. Buckley

Book No. 263

THE DEPUTY: This is Inquest No. 45 of January,
into the death of one Russel G. Gibson.

THE DEPUTY: We will have the inquest come to order.
Is Mrs. Gibson here, or Miss Grey. Come up here, raise
your right hand and be sworn. Be seated there.

C L A R A G I B S O N

called as a witness, after being first duly sworn,
was examined by Deputy Coroner, JAMES WHALEN, and
testified as follows:

Q And your full name? A Clara Gibson.

Q Spell the last name? A G-i-b-s-o-n.

Q And your address? A 3920 Pine Grove Avenue.

Q And your occupation? A Milliner.

Q Who do you work for Mrs. Gibson?

A Myself.

Q And do you do the millinery work at that address?

A No, sir, I have not worked for about four months.

THE DEPUTY: I want you to speak up so these men will
hear you.

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

Q When did you marry Russel Gibson?

A Ten or eleven years.

Q And have you lived with him all that time?

A Practically.

Q How long have you lived at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue?

A About a month I should say.

Q Did you and your husband rent the apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue? A I don't know whether he rented it, I didn't.

Q Was there any one there when you came there first?

A He was there when I moved in.

Q Was there any one living there beside him when you moved in? A A person by the name of Andy.

Q And any one else? A That is all I know.

Q How old was your husband? A Thirty five.

Q And what business was he in? A He was a gambler.

Q Do you know what time he moved into the apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue? A No sir, I don't.

Q Where did you live before that time?

A Where did I live?

Q Yes? A I stayed at the Shelldrake Hotel, the was out of town.

Q Did you live at the Shelldrake Hotel by yourself?

A No, sir.

Q Who was there with you at that time?

A Just the girl who was with me at the time.

Q What is her name? A Ruth is the only name I know.

Q Do you know where your husband lived previous to

the time he moved to 3920 Pine Grove Avenue?

A Yes, sir, we lived right on Diversey.

Q Do you know what number on Diversey?

A I really don't, it was right by the "L", about 700, Diversey and Clybourn.

Q And how long had you lived there? A Just a few weeks.

Q Did you identify the body here at the morgue, the body as being that of your husband Russel C. Gibson?

A Yes, sir.

Q You are positive that is your husband?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now I wonder if you will tell this Jury in your own words, just what happened at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, when your husband was killed. The time you arrived at the apartment, how long you were there, when he arrived, anything that will help this Jury to know what was going on?

A We had just finished reading the papers and the buzzer came on, and I answered it, and he said, "How many men are up there, tell them to come down or we will come up," and I told my husband to go down, they were going to put gas in, and he said, "You go on down, I will come down," and I heard a shot.

Q And who was in the apartment at the time?

A This young girl Ruth, Andy, my husband, and myself.

Q Did you know Andy by any other name?

A No, sir.

Q What business was he in? A He is sick,
he had T. B., I don't know what business he was in, to
tell the truth.

Q Had you ever seen Andy before that time?

A Yes, he had been in my house a couple of times.

Q And was there just this voice talking through
the tube telling you to come down? A Yes.

Q And where were you when the shots were fired?

A They made us lay down in the vestibule of the
apartment building.

Q And who was lying down? A This girl Ruth,
Andy, and myself.

Q Now, after this call came through the tube to
tell you to come down, what did your husband do?

A He told me to go ahead, kissed me, let me out
the front door, and said he would follow.

Q Did you see him pick up any weapon of any kind?

A I didn't, it happened so suddenly, we were out
in two minutes.

Q And do you know whether there were any weapons,
guns in the apartment? A There were.

Q How was your husband dressed at the time this
call came up through the tube? A He had on a dark

blue suit, just like you have on.

Q And were you all fully dressed? A I don't
hardly think so, I had a house dress on, and Ruth had
on a dress, I think Andy had just his slippers.

Q And were you all there the night before?

A Yes, sir.

Q And when had your husband left the apartment?

A He had just gone out to get the papers, he had
been in about an hour.

Q And had the Police Department ever called at
your apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue?

A No, sir.

THE DEPUTY: Are there any legal representatives
present?

No response.

THE DEPUTY: That is all, Mrs. Gibson.

W I T N E S S E X C U S E D

THE DEPUTY: Mr. Brown will come up please. Raise
your right hand and be sworn.

R. D. BROWN

called as a witness, after being first duly sworn,
was examined by Deputy Coroner, JAMES WALLEN, and
testified as follows:

Q Your full name? A R. D. Brown.

Q And your home address? A 1605 E. 72nd Street.

Q And your occupation? A Special agent,

Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

Q Mr. Brown, you can tell the jurors in your own words just how you became attracted to this occurrence, and anything you know about it? A The Chicago

Office of the Department of Justice had under observation

the address 3912 Pine Grove Avenue. We had reason to

believe that the deceased, R. G. Gibson was living there,

and on the night of January 8, several agents gathered

at that point, six agents in the rear and several in the

front and side. We had noticed previous to 11:30 that

Russel Gibson had entered the apartment accompanied by

Clara Gibson. At 11:15 we called at the entrance of the

apartment building, 3912, and went to the speaking tube

and called the apartment in question, which was the first

apartment north, we questioned as to who was living in

the apartment, and we requested them to come down with

their hands up, one by one, and we waited about three

minutes and no response, and we called again and said

we were agents from the Department of Justice, and still

no response, and we called again and soon after Clara

Gibson came down the stairs with her hands up, and shortly

after another woman came down with her hands up, and

after, the man in the apartment, we identified as Monty Carter, came down the stairs with his hands up; they were all requested to lie on the floor while we waited possibly for someone else who lived in the apartment, and shortly after Monty Carter came down the stairs we heard shots coming from the rear. The two women and the man was taken to our office, and agents at the rear of the building found they had shot Russell Gibson.

Q What floor was this apartment on?

A The first floor.

Q How many Government men in all took part in the

raid? A There were sixteen.

Q Were they all there at the time?

A Yes, they were.

Q Do you know the exact place that Gibson was shot; on the porch, in the yard, or where? A I believe he was shot coming down the back stairs.

Q About what time was that? A The shooting took place at approximately 11:40.

Q A. M.? A P. M. Byron Bolton is the correct name of Monty Carter.

Q How many shots would you say were fired at Gibson?

A I was at the front door and could not say, I believe seven.

Q And when Gibson was taken, did he have any fire

arms on him? A Yes, he did.

Q Are any of the firearms brought here as exhibits today? A Yes, one of the firearms.

THE DEPUTY: Let us have that please. Let the record show that the gun used in apprehending this deceased was a United States .30 model Browning, automatic rifle.

THE WITNESS: The deceased came out the back way with that rifle in his hand, with a bullet proof vest, and first three shots before he was hit by our agents.

Q Did you find remaining shells in the gun unfired?

A Yes, he also had in his hand a pistol.

Q How was he clothed when you shot him?

A I did not find him myself in the rear.

Q Did you see the clothing later he had on?

A I saw a bullet proof vest with a bullet hole that had pierced the vest and gone through the body.

Q And did he have a coat on over the vest?

A At the time I saw him he had no coat.

Q And was there anyone else found in the apartment besides the wife of the deceased, Bolton, and the other woman, Ruth?

A No, there were none other than that.

THE DEPUTY: All right, Mr. Brown, that is all.

Q When you were talking about the address, Mr.

Brown, did you mean 3912 or 3920? A 3912.

W I T N E S S E X C U S E D

THE DEPUTY: Mr. Abbaticchio. Raise your right hand and be sworn.

R. J. ABBATICCHIO Jr.

Called as a witness, after being first duly sworn, was examined by Deputy Coroner, JAMES WHALEN, and testified as follows:

Q And your full name? A R. J. Abbaticchio Jr.

Q Spell the last name? A A-b-b-a-t-i-c-c-h-i-o.

Q Home address? A 18 E. Elm Street.

Q And your occupation? A Special agent,

Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

Q You can tell this jury the time you arrived at the scene of this occurrence, and anything you know about it? A I was one of three agents covering

the alley at the rear of 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, on the Irving Park Boulevard Side. Just after the shooting we were told to bring our car to the rear of the apartment.

We drove it up the alley and saw Gibson on the ground, and Agent Myers and myself picked him up and put him in the back of our car, and as we picked him up we asked him who he was, and he said Russell Gibson, and we drove him

to the American Hospital on Irving Park Boulevard, and he was admitted there, and Doctor Homer S. Warren, Chief of the Staff of the Hospital gave him first aid, and he died at 1:40 A. M.; I believe that was January 9th.

Q Where did Gibson seem to be shot, as you were taking him to the hospital?

A He was bloody on his back, and the front too; through the chest apparently, and on the head. Apparently through the chest, and his head was bleeding.

Q After you put him in the car was he fully

clothed?

A He had no coat on, trousers, shirt.

Q And did you notice a bullet-proof vest?

A He did not have it on at the time, it was at the side of him.

Q What were you trying to apprehend Gibson for,

what was he charged with?

A He was wanted

in connection with the violation of Motor Vehicle Theft

Act, and in connection with the Bremmer kidnaping.

Q And how long had you been waiting there to

apprehend him?

A The three of us, who had been at

the entrance of the alley, had been there about an hour

I should say.

Q Did you see Gibson when he came out of the

apartment?

A No, I did not, we were quite a way

down, we were at the edge of the alley where it hits

Irving Park Boulevard.

Q Did you hear any comments, or anything Gibson had to say before the shots were fired?

A No, we were several hundred feet away from the shooting.

Q How many shots did you hear fired?

A It is hard to say, around six or seven.

Q And do you know how many shots Gibson fired previous to the time he was shot? A There was no way I could say, I understood he fired three times, but I am not sure of that.

Q Had you ever had occasion to arrest Gibson before? A No, I had never seen Gibson before.

THE DEPUTY: All right, Mr. Abbaticchio. That will be all.

WITNESS EXCUSED

THE DEPUTY: Is there anyone else who wants to be heard before we close this inquest?

No response.

THE DEPUTY: Is there any other occupants of the apartment in which Gibson was in, here now?

No response.

THE DEPUTY: If not, we will close the inquest.

The Coroner's Physician's statement will read as follows:

Statement read.

THE DEPUTY: You gentlemen of the Jury may retire and deliberate on a verdict, and when you are ready if you will call me, I will prepare it in proper legal form.

Jurors retire.

THE DEPUTY: Have you gentlemen reached your verdict?

THE FOREMAN: We have.

THE DEPUTY: What is that verdict?

THE FOREMAN: As written here.

THE DEPUTY: The verdict in full will read as follows:

Verdict read.

THE DEPUTY: Is that your verdict, gentlemen?

THE JURORS: It is.

THE DEPUTY: For the sake of the record I want to commend the United States Government agents. At the same time, I think when making arrests of this kind, that some precaution should be taken to assure the lives of neighbors and other public officials, who might not be aware of the type of arrest they are trying to make. That closes the inquest. The Jurors and witnesses are excused.

The above was all the testimony taken, and proceedings had at the inquest held upon the body of the above named deceased.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
(SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

I, A. J. Buckley, do hereby certify,
that at the request of the Coroner of Cook County,
Illinois, I took down in shorthand and transcribed
the minutes of the foregoing testimony had and taken
at the inquest held upon the body of:

RUSSELL G. GIBSON
Deceased

That the foregoing transcript of the testimony so
taken and transcribed by me, as aforesaid, is a true
and correct copy of the original minutes taken at
said inquest, and is a true and correct statement of
the testimony of each of the several witnesses who have
testified at said inquest.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: I hereunto set my hand,
this 10th day of January, 1935.

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HISTORY OF CASE FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES

(Number Killed.....)
 Their File Nos.....
 Name *Russell G. Gibson*
 Address *3917 Pine Grove Ave.*
 Age *35* Sex *male*
 Married, Single, etc. *married*
 Color *white*
 Birthplace *Kansas City Missouri*
 How long in U. S. *Life*
 How long in City *abt. 7 yrs*
 Birthplace of Father *Unknown*
 Birthplace of Mother.....
 Religion.....
 Housing Conditions.....
 Occupation, Present *Gambler* Industry.....
 Employed by whom.....
 Past Occupation..... Industry.....
 Wages or Salary Due.....
 Amt. Life Insurance (payable to estate) *Yes*
 Value Personal Property *None*
 Value Real Estate *None*
 CAUSE OF DEATH and whether accidental, wilful or undetermined *Shotgun wound of the abdomen*
 CAUSE OF ACCIDENT OR CATASTROPHE *Injustice*
Deceased was shot by U.S. Govt. Agents when he attempted to escape and was arrested
 PLACE OF ACCIDENT: Street No. *East of 3917 Pine Grove Ave.*
 If outside city, name place.....
 PLACE OF DEATH *American Hospital*
 Name of Company or person involved in death *U. S. Govt.*
 In Auto and Wagon cases name owner.....
 and driver.....
 Held to Grand Jury on what charge.....
 RECOMMENDATION.....

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In Transportation and Vehicle Accidents
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 At Crossing..... Passenger Train.....
 Not at Crossing..... Freight Train.....
 Yards..... Engine Alone.....
 Shops.....
 Barns..... Employee.....
 Station..... Passenger.....
 On Elevated..... Trespasser.....
 On Surface..... Pedestrian.....
 In Subway..... In Other Vehicle.....

In Elevator Cases
 Freight Elevator..... In Street.....
 Passenger Elevator..... In Home.....
 In Office.....
 In Factory.....
 In Hotel.....
 In Saloon.....
 In Garage.....
 In Shop.....

January 23, 1935.

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

43519

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases, I.O. 1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O. 1232, et al.
Edward George Bremer - Victim -
Kidnapping.

Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please
be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of
the Division of Investigation fails to disclose any data
concerning HAROLD V. ALBERTSON.

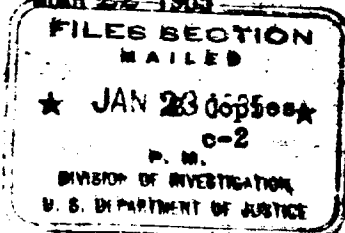
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

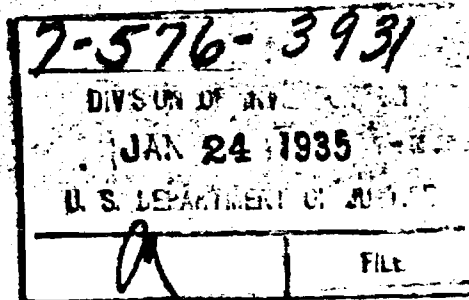
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REPORT MADE AT: BUFFALO, N. Y.	DATE WHEN MADE: 1/23/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/2, 7, 8, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22/35	REPORT MADE BY: J. D. CUNNINGHAM
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Eleven \$10.00 ransom notes passed in Buffalo, N. Y. and vicinity; efforts to trace same without result. Mrs. Gladys Hodil left Buffalo 1/20/35, her trunk, Buffalo check #607416, taken by Palmar Delivery, Chicago, Ill. to a Chicago address. Joseph R. Morrison, Buffalo, appears to be respectable businessman, not connected with underworld, nor does he seem to have any connection with registration of Buick Sedan, 1935 Florida license D-5306 by Leroy Morrison. Telephone calls (long distance) of Bernice Scott and Mrs. L.S. Davis secured, but no information of value obtained. Cover placed on telephone and mail of Joseph R. Morrison and Mrs. C. E. Pope. Teletype message sent over Buffalo PD system 1/20/35, requesting police authorities be on alert for Karpis and Campbell. Hospitals and doctors requested to notify this office should Karpis or Campbell try to secure treatment of gun shot wounds. List of cars stolen in Pennsylvania 1/21/35 incorporated.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCES: Report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, N. Y., dated 12/26/34; report of Special Agent J. D. Cunningham, Buffalo, N. Y., dated 1/16/35. Division telegrams dated 1/20/35.</p> <p>COPIES DESTROYED 11 MAR 22 1965</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
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This office was in receipt of information from the Buffalo Trust Branch of the Marine Trust Company that a Bremer ransom note had been received by that bank. Nelson F. Mertel, Assistant Secretary of the above bank was contacted and he advised that the William Hengerer Company, a large department store in Buffalo, New York, had deposited a \$10 ransom note, bearing number I.04096805A (page 20 of the list) on January 7, 1935, and that as previously instructed by Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland this note had been forwarded to the Buffalo Federal Reserve Bank.

George Paul, teller, who had received this note, was interviewed, and he advised that it had been part of a deposit of approximately \$10,000.

Miss Naska, Cashier, William Hengerer Company, Main Street, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed, and she stated that \$10 notes are changed at each counter in the store, there being no central clearing house for making such change and that it would, therefore, be impossible to trace this particular bill and ascertain at what counter it had been changed.

Mr. Charles L. Blakeslee, Buffalo Federal Reserve Bank, was interviewed, and he advised that the following \$10 ransom notes had been received by his bank and had escaped notice at the different banks through which had been passed:

I05316418A (page 30a) was received from the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company, Buffalo, New York on November 8, 1934.

I04200805A (page 20a) was received from the Bank of Batavia on November 22, 1934.

I05241921a (page 29) was received from the Liberty Bank of Buffalo on November 23, 1934.

I05360225A (page 31a) was received from the Marine Trust Company of Buffalo, New York on November 27, 1934.

I05192009A (page 28a) was received from the Bank of Batavia on December 20, 1934.

I04000420A (page 19a) was received from the Power Trust Company, Niagara Falls, New York on December 22, 1934.

I04298408A (page 21a) was received from the Liberty Bank of Buffalo on December 27, 1934.

I04038138A (page 19a) was received from the First National Bank & Trust Company, Rochester, New York on December 27, 1934.

I03960731A (page 19) was received from the Liberty Bank of Buffalo on December 31, 1934.

I05046287A (page 27) was received from the Union Trust Company of Rochester, New York on December 31, 1934.

I05197124A (page 28a) was received from the Power City Trust Company of Niagara Falls, New York on January 10, 1935.

Mr. Blakeslee advised the writer that as his office had received no notation on these bills to the effect that they were ransom money, they had evidently not been noticed by the tellers at the various banks through which they had been passed and efforts to trace them would, therefore, be fruitless. As numerous efforts have been made in the past to trace bills which had passed tellers unnoticed, but without success, no effort was made to trace the above listed bills.

Miss Eleanor Lienert, 1145 Michigan Avenue, Buffalo, New York, was continually contacted relative to Mrs. Gladys Hodil who is staying in Buffalo, New York at 1149 Michigan Avenue, with her mother. Miss Lienert advised the writer that on January 20, 1935 she observed a Van Dyke Transfer truck take a trunk from the house at 1149 Michigan Avenue at about twelve noon; that at 12:30 p.m. she observed Mrs. Hodil leave in a taxicab. She further advised that subsequently she questioned Edith Aken, a girl friend of hers, who resides downstairs at 1149 Michigan Avenue, and ascertained that Mrs. Hodil had left the city, stating that her destination was San Francisco, California.

Mr. Farrell, in charge of the Baggage Department at the New York Central Depot, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed, and after searching his records advised that Gladys Hodell (note change in spelling) had forwarded a trunk to Chicago, Illinois on train #43, which left Buffalo at 1:05 p.m., January 20, 1935 and would arrive in Chicago, Illinois at 1:00 a.m., January 21, 1935. This trunk was described as raw hide and was checked on Buffalo check #607416. Mr. Farrell communicated with his Chicago office by telephone and ascertained that the above described trunk had been delivered to the Parmelee Transfer Company, 1147 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois on January 21, 1935, for delivery in that city. Mr. Farrell stated that this company could furnish the address to which the trunk was forwarded.

Mr. Gladys Rodin V. B. Sprague

Mr. Rodin Regina Sherman

Mr. Rodin Springer

Mr. Sprague Stacks

Pittsburgh,
221 East 5th St.
Flint, Michigan
(Mailed at Lansing,
Michigan)
690 Sixth Street
Madison Sq. Station
New York City

Upon telephonic information furnished this office by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelly, Chicago, Illinois, that 1935 two-door Buick Sedan, motor number 4949155, serial number 2783525, bearing Florida license tags D-5306, had been purchased by Karpis in Miami, Florida under the name of Leroy Morrison, 444 Main Street, Buffalo, New York, the writer interviewed Mr. Joseph R. Morrison, who operates a ladies' wearing apparel store at 442-444 Main Street, Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Morrison stated that he resides at 77 Traymore Street, Buffalo, New York; that he is married to Rose Baymen, and has one child--a boy thirteen years old, who attends the public school in Buffalo, New York. Mr. Morrison advised that he has been in business in Buffalo since 1916; that prior to that time he worked for Morrison's, 46 West 14th St., New York City, a firm founded by his uncle and with which he has been connected since 1910, at which time he finished school.

Continuing, Mr. Morrison advised that his wife was born in Chicago, Illinois and left there in 1914 upon the death of her father; that she has no brothers and her mother resides in Buffalo; that she has three sisters--Mrs. Albert (Rhea) Weinstein,

Commonwealth Avenue, Buffalo, New York; Mrs. Archie Miller, 8191 West 8th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota (business address); Mrs. Irvin Hefind, c/o Charles, 6030 Miccollet, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mr. Morrison advised that he was born in Lithuania, Europe; that he has a sister, Francis Ginsburg, 88 Traymore Street, Buffalo, New York, and another sister, Belle Cohen, Goulding Avenue, Buffalo, New York; that he has no brothers, and his parents are both deceased. He stated that he has no relatives by the name of Leroy or Roy Morrison and knows of no one by that name. Mr. Morrison further informed the writer that he has never been in Florida; that he has a few friends who visit there during the winter season, but that these men are all ethical business men of Buffalo, New York. He stated that he has been in Chicago only once, and that was in 1933, at which time he went there accompanied by his wife on a pleasure trip to see the World's Fair and stayed for a period of four days. Mr. Morrison advised that he has second and third cousins in Chicago--S. Ocheret, 3507 North Crawford Avenue, and Max Greengard, Paxton Avenue.

Mr. Morrison informed the writer that he owns his home at 77 Traymore Street [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] He further stated that he has received no money from Chicago or any other city; that he has no outstanding debts that have been paid in cash; that he has received no money from any source whatsoever, except his business.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, dated October 30, 1934, in which is set out information that Mrs. C. E. Pope, 34 Brunswick Boulevard, Buffalo, New York, is a friend of Mrs. Pearl Flannigan, sister of Harry Campbell.

James L. Brady, Superintendent, Commercial Department Western Union Company, Rand Building, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed and he advised that he would immediately notify the Buffalo office in the event that any telegrams are received for Mrs. C. E. Pope, 34 Brunswick Boulevard; that he would also inform this office of any telegrams addressed to Joseph R. Morrison, 442-44 Main Street, and 77 Traymore Street, Buffalo, New York.

John S. McIntyre, Superintendent, Commercial Department, Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, Prudential Building, Buffalo, New York was interviewed and he advised that he would also notify this office

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in the event that any telegrams are received addressed as above.

Mr. Davis, Superintendent of Police, Buffalo, New York, advised that a mail cover should be placed on all first class mail addressed to 442-444 Main Street, 12 Maymore Street, and 12 Broadway, Buffalo, New York.

Victor L. Reisch, head teller, [REDACTED] was interviewed, and he advised that he first became acquainted with Joseph R. Morrison in business; that subsequently he became personally acquainted with him during his dealings at the bank, and that he has always found Morrison to be a respectable citizen and believes him to be above suspicion as to any criminal tendencies. After checking his records, Mr. Reisch informed the writer that Mr. Morrison has [REDACTED] b7c b7d

Mr. Edward H. Wolkind, Attorney, 17 Court Building, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed and he advised that he is well acquainted with Joseph R. Morrison; that Morrison is manager of the stores at 420 and 442 Main Street, and also manager of two dress shops on Broadway, Buffalo, New York. Mr. Wolkind stated that from his acquaintance with Morrison he would judge him to be a respectable business man. He stated that Morrison operates on a large scale in Buffalo, being connected with large New York firms.

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The following is a description of Joseph R. Morrison from personal observation by the writer:

Age:	45 years
Height:	5' 6 1/2"
Weight:	158 lbs.
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Brown
Build:	Stout
Complexion:	Dark

Nationality:	Jewish
Glasses:	Rimless
Scars:	1" scar on left side of chin, perpendicular to mouth
Marital Status:	Married - one child
Occupation:	Manager of stores dealing in ladies' wearing apparel

[REDACTED] b7c

As it was ascertained to the satisfaction of the writer, both by contact with Mr. Morrison and his conduct during the interview had with him, and from the various other interviews had in the city of Buffalo, New York, that this man is a respectable citizen and in no way connected with the purchase or registration of the Buick Sedan, motor #4949155, serial #2783525, in Florida under the name of Leroy Morrison, the New York Telephone Company was not contacted for telephone calls made from the various stores and the residence of Joseph R. Morrison, as the calls would be very numerous and the necessity thereof at this time did not seem urgent. However, should subsequent developments indicate that this procedure is practical, these telephone calls will be procured.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, dated December 19, 1934, in which it is set out that Mrs. L. S. Davis or Bernice Scott, 8523 Pine Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York, may have had connections of value in instant case.

Mr. J. Helffenstein of the New York Telephone Company Buffalo, New York, was contacted and he advised that there were two telephones at the above address--Niagara Falls 1931, in the name of Mrs. Mildred Scott, which had been discontinued for non-payment; and Niagara Falls 4226, in the name of Bernice Scott. A check of the long distance telephone calls placed at the above numbers from June 5, 1934 to November 26, 1934 was made, and it was found that there were no out of state telephone calls made from either of these numbers except on August 29, 1934, when a call was placed to Hudson 1526, at Toronto, Ontario, Canada. This number was called again on September 26, 1934. It is listed in the name of Thomas James. From this list it is noted that Niagara Falls 1287-J was called several times, as also was Niagara Falls 123; that a telegram

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was sent to Portland, Oregon on September 11, 1934, but there is no notation of the name of the addressee.

Immediately upon receipt of reference telegram, the Buffalo Police Department was requested to send out a teletype message notifying the police authorities in this district to be on the alert for subjects Karpis and Campbell, who were supposed to be traveling in a 1935 two-door Buick Sedan, motor #4949255, serial #2785525, last seen with Florida license tags #D-8506. The said police department agreed to the request of this office and did send the information, which was conveyed to it over its teletype system. Subsequently information was received from the said police department relative to the abandoning of the Buick Sedan in which subjects Karpis and Campbell and the woman accompanying them in their travel from Florida to Atlantic City, and the stealing by them in Atlantic City on January 20, 1935 of a Pontiac Coupe, bearing 1935 New Jersey license tags #3073, said car being pea green in color. This information was conveyed over the teletype system in this district and all police authorities were advised to be on the alert. The Division and the Philadelphia Offices were advised of these developments by telegram.

Special Agent P. J. Cotter, who was in Syracuse, N.Y., was advised of the gun battle in which the above named subjects were involved, and he was instructed to notify police authorities and hospitals in the vicinity of Syracuse to be on the alert for subjects. Special Agent Cotter advised this office that he had contacted with the police authorities in Syracuse and had notified all hospitals in the vicinity.

On January 20, 1935, contact was had with all the hospitals in the city of Buffalo, requesting them to notify this office should subjects Karpis or Campbell present themselves for treatment of gun shot wounds.

This office also dispatched telegrams to ten hospitals in New York State, located at strategic points in this territory, requesting them to notify this office in the event either of the above named subjects presented himself for treatment for gun shot wounds. Telegrams were also forwarded to the Chiefs of Police at Albany, Glens Falls, Plattsburgh, Malone, Oswego, Watertown, Syracuse, Elmira, Binghamton, Jamestown, Hornell, Ithaca, Geneva, and Niagara Falls, New York, furnishing them with the information relative to the gun battle in which subjects Karpis and Campbell were involved with the police at Atlantic City, requesting them to be on the alert for subjects and to notify the hospitals in their jurisdictions of the possibility of the aforementioned subjects

appearing at such institutions for treatment of gun shot wounds and to make arrangements with such hospitals to be notified in case subjects did appear.

Approximately two hundred and fifty letters, a sample of which is attached to all copies of this report, were sent to hospitals and doctors in this territory, in which letter the said hospitals and doctors were requested to advise this office in the event subjects put in their appearance for treatment. These letters were also sent out to all peace officers in this territory.

On January 31, 1935 Special Agent E. Whittley of the Philadelphia office, communicated by telephone with Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, who was at the Park Hotel in Lockport, New York. Agent Whittley advised that the Pontiac Coupe in which subjects had made their get-away from Atlantic City had been found about two miles from Quakertown, Pennsylvania. Agent Whittley advised that no information had been received as to the description of the car in which subjects might now be traveling. Mr. Whittley mentioning that it is possible that subjects would pass through this territory and requesting that steps be taken to effect the apprehension of subjects in the event they should pass through this District.

Immediately upon receipt of this information, contact was had with the Buffalo Police Department and a teletype message was dispatched, requesting all police authorities to be on the alert for subjects.

On January 22, 1935, Detective Sergeant Kenney, of the Buffalo Police Department, advised the writer that he had received a list of the cars that had been stolen in Pennsylvania, in which subjects might possibly be traveling. These cars are as follows:

- 1934 Studebaker Sedan, bearing 1935 Pennsylvania license tags E-7217, motor #2475, black in color
- 1935 Ford two-door Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania license tags E-6942, black in color
- 1934 Ford V-8 Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania 1935 license tags EV189, motor #18673880, black in color
- X Pontiac Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania license tags #19732, motor #266032, gray in color
- 1926 Chrysler Roadster, bearing Pennsylvania 1935 license tags #75609, motor #6616
- X Buick Sedan, bearing 1935 Pennsylvania license tags #R198, motor #1907143
- Plymouth Sedan, bearing Pennsylvania 1935 license tags #50216.

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As this information was received over the teletype system with which the Buffalo Police Department is connected, and which takes in eight states in the vicinity of New York State, it is presumed that all offices in this vicinity were fully notified thereof.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD

The CHICAGO OFFICE, at CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, will contact the Parmelee Transfer Company, 1147 West Monroe Street, and ascertain to what address the trunk of Wladys Rodell, bearing Buffalo check #607418, was sent.

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Division of Investigation

**U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box #64
612 Marine Trust Bldg.
Buffalo, New York**

January 20th, 1935

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS
HARRY CAMPBELL
KIDNAPING

The above-named subjects on Sunday, January 20th, 1935 engaged in a gun battle with the police at Atlantic City, New Jersey. Campbell is said to have received a gun shot wound in the course of the encounter with the police.

These men are dangerous criminals and will shoot to kill on the least provocation.

Should either of these men, whose descriptions will be set forth herein below, call on you for treatment of the wound, please advise this office by telephone collect. The telephone number is:

Cleveland 2030 et Buffalo, New York.

If you cannot conveniently use a telephone, you are respectfully requested to advise this office by telegram (Government Rate Collect) should either of them present themselves for treatment. Telegrams should be addressed:

J. P. MacFarland
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
612 Marine Trust Building
Buffalo, New York.

Your local police authorities should also be immediately advised.

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These men are described as follows:

Alvin Karpis, aliases: A. Carter, Raymond Hedley, George Haller, Alvin Karpis, A. Karpis, Alvin Kapis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E. L. Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, E. L. Burnes	Name	Harry Campbell, aliases; Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L. Martin
24 years	Age	30 years
5' 9"	Height	5' 5"
130 pounds (1930)	Weight	135 pounds
Brown	Eyes	Blue
Brown	Hair	Brown
Slender	Build	Medium
Light	Complexion	Ruddy
1 Vac. cic. otr. Small Pit cic. on face.	Scars and Marks	
Has unusually long manicured fingernails, hands are white, fingers long, very noticeable	Peculiarities	Said to walk with slight limp.

These criminals are said to be using a Pontiac Coach, Pee Green in color, bearing 1935 New Jersey plates No. A3073, motor No. 1039382, in making their get-away. It is also possible that they are driving a Ford V-8 DeLuxe Sedan with white wire wheels, possibly bearing Florida, Tennessee or Illinois plates.

Warrants for the arrest of these men are in existence.

Every precaution should be exercised in endeavoring to effect the apprehension of these criminals as they are well equipped with firearms and will shoot to kill at the least provocation.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the Division of Investigation and the writer.

Very truly yours

J. P. MacFarland
J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

JPM:CJG

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

EAT:RLM

January 22, 1935

Time 12:45 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent Harris called me this morning and advised that he had just received a call from the State Police advising him that they have the doctor's car in which Karpis and Campbell drove to Medina, Ohio; that the car had Pennsylvania plates, 39179; that they are believed headed towards the west in the Northern part of Ohio.

I advised Mr. Harris that we have received the above information and that Mr. Connelley has notified Detroit and Chicago.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

January 20, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 4:00 PM

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Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
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Bruner case

Mr. Ladd telephoned and inquired if the Campbell who was reported wounded was Agent Campbell of the Division. I advised Mr. Ladd that the wounded man was not Agent Campbell but Harry Campbell, an associate of Karpis. Mr. Ladd stated that Agent Campbell's wife was in Chicago and in order that she might not become unduly alarmed if the radio broadcast the news that a man named Campbell was injured, he, Mr. Ladd, would telephone her and advise her that the wounded man was not her husband.

Respectfully,



E.A. Tamm

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January 20, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 1:30 PM

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

During telephonic conversation with Mr. Nathan
at St. Paul, I advised him of the details of the shooting affray
at Atlantic City, New Jersey, in connection with the Bremer case.

Respectfully,


E.A. Tamm

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Time - 6:50 pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

re Bremer case.

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Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Suydam telephoned me and wanted to know what comment if any is going to be made relative to the affair up at Atlantic City. I told him that I knew nothing about it and presumed that the affair was being handled by you; that if any statement was going to be issued, you would undoubtedly get in touch with him.

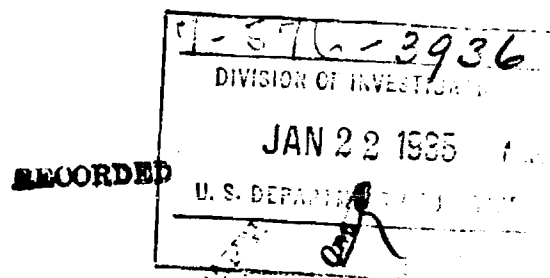
Mr. Suydam stated that he has received some inquiries about the affair, and wanted to be advised if any statement was going to be issued.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935.

Time-8:08A.M.

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Mr. Coffey.....
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Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
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Mr. Tamm.....
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Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Heffler called me and advised that he had just been advised from Atlantic City that two of the women have been apprehended. One of them is in the hospital and the other in the Detective Department. Mr. Heffler advised them to hold these women pending the arrival of our Agents. I advised Mr. Heffler that these women should be fingerprinted and vigorously interviewed; that we should find out where they were staying and recover any of the arsenal which they have abandoned. A gun was found in the abandoned car. A police broadcast has already been made of the description of the car in which they made their getaway.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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

Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, regarding
Mrs. Kate Barker (deceased), please be advised that an
examination of the fingerprint records of the Division
of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning
this individual.

There appears, however, in our files the following
notation concerning the above subject:

"WANTED BY DIVISION: As Kate Barker, aliases:
Mother Barker, Mrs. Arthur F. Hunter, Mrs. Arrie
Barker, Mrs. Kate Hunter, Mrs. J. W. Dunlop,
suspect in Bremer Kidnap Case. Notify Director,
per information received in Division Bulletin of
September 17, 1934."

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division Office,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
EAT:CDW

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1935

Time - 4:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Bremer Case

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Alt at Jacksonville, he stated that Mr. Connelley is still waiting for the service of a subpoena down at Ocala in that he has about \$4,000 of the money. I told him that the subpoena should be served on Mr. Frutch, and in the meantime, we would make arrangements to have Connelley turn the money over.

Mr. Alt stated that he was his understanding that he was to turn the money and the car over to the United States Marshal and get receipts therefor. I told him to be sure and check the mileage on the car and to see that it is not used by the Marshal while in his possession.

I told Mr. Alt that he would be advised of any further arrangements which would be made.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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

REWARD

ml.

January 24, 1935

R B NATHAN
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

BREKID IMMEDIATELY FURNISH DIVISION PLACE AND DATE OF
BIRTH JESS DOYLE ALSO NAMES AND ADDRESSES RELATIVES

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

Time - 1:30 pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re Bremer Case

I telephoned Mr. Ladd at Chicago and informed him of your desire to have the three men there removed to St. Paul tonight. Mr. Ladd stated that plans are already in the making for this removal. I also told him that the three women should be turned loose probably tomorrow night; that before they are released, they should be given a thorough talking to and try to make informants out of them. I also told him to notify Clara Gibson's lawyer and the police of her pending release.

With reference to the hideout, I told him that he could withdraw the man he has stationed out there; that if any inquiries are received about the finding of this hideout, he should indicate that we have found the place, but not to say when.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Division of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935

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Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
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Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Time - 8:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent Coulter telephoned from the St. Paul Office and stated that the Agents arrived with Doc Barker with everything in order. He stated that they have secured an apartment where they now have Barker securely in custody; that he is chained to the bed, and is being guarded from every angle; that he is changing the guards every eight hours so as to preclude the possibility of their becoming overly tired. I told Mr. Coulter that this man is a very dangerous criminal, and every precaution should be taken with him.

Mr. Coulter stated that he has cautioned his men not to talk with Barker under any circumstances. I asked if Barker has been informed that his brother and mother have been killed, and Mr. Coulter said that he is not aware of this. I told him that Barker should be informed of this fact.

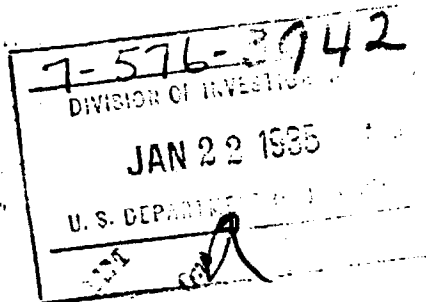
Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 18, 1935

Time - 8:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Barker-Karpis

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

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Alt at Jacksonville, he stated that Agent Brown had checked all the hospitals down there with negative results, and it is believed that the parties have gone to Cuba; that authority was requested to send a couple of Agents to Cuba if necessary. I told him that it would be all right to send a couple of the Agents to Cuba by airplane if it was deemed necessary; that the Division should be notified of the names of the Agents going if such a move is made.

He stated that Agent McLaughlin brought \$10,000 of the money found in the possession of the Barkers to Mr. Alt tonight; that he has it in the safe in the office; that Mr. Connelley has the other \$4,000, the numbers of which Mr. Alt has; that Mr. Connelley had instructed him to hold the money there and not turn it over to anyone unless so authorized by the Division. Mr. Connelley did not have the number of the Buick automobile, but was going to get this number and forward it directly to St. Paul, together with the name of the coroner, whose name is L. F. Futch.

Mr. Connelley is of the opinion that if it becomes necessary to subpoena this money, it can be done through the coroner.

Mr. Alt stated that in the event Mr. Connelley cannot be located at the Marion Hotel in Ocala, he can be reached through the Oklawaha Inn at Oklawaha, Florida, which place is near the house. He stated that Mr. Stapleton is with Mr. Connelley.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

EAT:TAM

12:15 P.M.

January 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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. Schuler.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Coulter called from St. Paul and stated they had just delivered Doc Barker to the Marshal; that he is in jail and arrangements have been completed - he will be held incommunicado, and will have an extra guard over him. I advised every precaution should be taken with Barker, as he is one of the most dangerous criminals in America today. With reference to the money and Buick coupe, Mr. Coulter stated he had talked with the United States Attorney, Sullivan and he (the United States Attorney) said the action would have to be filed in Florida, and stated he thought it advisable for the Department to contact the United States Attorney in Florida to have an order filed, impounding the money and car. I advised we had already taken to matter up with the United States Attorney in Florida and because of the failure to come to terms, had taken the matter up then with Sullivan. Mr. Coulter said he would again talk to Sullivan, and advise me.

Mr. Coulter subsequently called and stated he had again talked with Sullivan and he and his assistants are now preparing the necessary papers, and they desire a better description of the Buick automobile, and desire the name of the official, as well as his address, to whom the order should be addressed. I instructed that he call Mr. Alt in Jacksonville and secure this information. Mr. Coulter stated a subpoena duces tecum would be issued on the official holding the possessions and have him bring them to St. Paul or turn them over to a representative of this Division.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 3:55 PM

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.....

Mr. Ladd telephoned and advised that they had tel
Bremer out to the hide out and he states that it is definitely the p
without any doubt. His conclusions are based on his identification of the
wall paper and of the general plan of the house, and Mr. Ladd stated that
he is agreeable to testify to these identifications in court.

I instructed Mr. Ladd to arrange to take the three men
to St. Paul tomorrow night and that it would be agreeable to take them
by train using Government Transportation Requests for the purpose.

I also advised Mr. Ladd that four or five of the agents
would be returning to Chicago from Jacksonville tomorrow and that they would
probably reach Chicago about Tuesday morning, and I inquired if the agents
who have been instructed to report to the Division for training on Monday
could be spared. Mr. Ladd stated that he believed that they could be spared
without jeopardizing anything and accordingly they would report to the Division
as instructed.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

January 19, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 5:10 PM

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.....

I telephoned Mr. Alt and informed him that the subpoena duces tecum which had been issued for the possession of the money and the car, was issued merely for the protection of the local authorities and the coroner and that nothing further need be done in this regard as long as the money and car were in Federal custody, other than serving the subpoena; that it would not be necessary for them to appear in St. Paul. I instructed Mr. Alt to get a receipt and place it in a secure place in an envelope.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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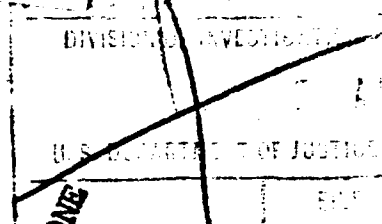
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JAN 22 1935
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.



January 22, 1935.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Penn.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases & I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.
1232, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

This is with reference to my long distance telephone conversation with Agent Whitley, speaking from Philadelphia on January 21, 1935, at 6:30 P. M. when he advised that in the baggage of Karpis, Campbell, Delaney, and Burdett, there was found a contract, No. 4837, written in Spanish between the National City Bank, Havana Cuba Branch, and E. M. Wagner, apparently Karpis, when translated disclosed Wagner rented a safety deposit box, No. 344, in the Branch Bank in Havana, Cuba, on September 22, 1934, for a period of one year, at time of rental paying \$10.00 box rent. Key for this box, No. 1724, was also found in the baggage.

At 8:30 P. M. on January 21, 1935, Mr. Connelley from Philadelphia advised that by air mail special delivery he was forwarding the key to Box 344, to Agent Hanson at Miami, Florida, requesting that the same be forwarded to Agent R. D. Brown, Plaza Hotel, Havana, Cuba, by registered air mail special delivery.

Subsequent to my conversation with Agent Whitley I communicated with Agents Brown and Hanson by telephone. Subsequent to my telephone conversation with Mr. Connelley I also contacted Brown in Havana by telephone, furnishing both Messrs. Hanson and Brown with all of the information given me by Agents Whitley and Connelley.

Very truly yours,
RECORDED & INDEXED 7-576-3915

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Division
New York
St. Paul
Chicago,
Mr. J. H. Hanson,
Mr. R. D. Brown.

JAN 25 1935

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RAA:MFS

Jacksonville, Florida,
January 22, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1215
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I. O.
1232, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

On 1-21-35, at about 9:45 P. M., Special Agent R. D. Brown, from Miami, Florida, by telephone furnished me the following information, which was immediately relayed to Special Agent Hessler of the Philadelphia Office.

Agent Brown referred to his report, dated 11-23-34, particularly to Pages 8, 9 and 10, advising that at the El Commodore Hotel in Miami, Special Agent Hanson learned that Duke Randall and Codomo, whose home is in Newark, N. J., had entertained Joe Adams in Newark. When Adams came back to Miami he stated to one Gray, a clerk at the El Commodore Hotel, that Randall and Codomo had treated him so nicely in Newark that when they came to Miami he expected to have them as his guests at the El Commodore Hotel.

Previously, several weeks ago, when Special Agent Hanson was in Miami conducting investigation, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Whitley in New York was requested to conduct investigation at Newark with reference to Codomo, who has a brother in that City by the name of Leonard Codomo, who runs the Select Used Car Co., Inc., 317 Central Ave., Newark, N.J. He buys automobiles over the country and his place is believed to be a good one for the purchase of cars in Miami, Florida.

I informed Agent Hessler that there is a possibility that the remainder of the mob, especially Karpis and Campbell might contact Leonard Codomo in Newark. The other Codomo and Randall came to Miami, the latter part of November, 1934, and are still in Miami, Florida.

cc - Division
Connellley - Philadelphia
St. Paul
Chicago
Hanson - Miami

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FIFTEEN WILL BE REGISTERED WALTON HOTEL=
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THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

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Mr. Tolson.....
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Miss Gandy.....

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minn.

REPORT MADE AT: Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE: 1/22/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/20-22/35	REPORT MADE BY: H. H. REINECKE:LN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; RUSSELL GIBSON, I.O. #1213; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>All law enforcement officers in the Indianapolis District advised by radio broadcast, teletype and telegram of the description of the two-door Buick sedan in which Karpis and Delores Delaney believed to have left Florida. Same officials subsequently notified of description of Pontiac Coach and Ford V8 deluxe sedan, in either of which cars Karpis and subject Harry Campbell might have escaped from Atlantic City, New Jersey. Authorities given description of Karpis, Delores Delaney and Harry Campbell. All hospitals this district immediately circularized with reference to possible wounding of Harry Campbell with the request that the Indianapolis Office be immediately notified if he reported for hospitalization.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Telegrams from the Division dated January 20, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.</u></p> <p>Upon receipt of reference telegram giving the description of the two-door Buick sedan in which Karpis and Delores Delaney were last seen in Florida all police officers of the principal cities in the Indianapolis District were immediately notified by telegram thereof. The Indianapolis Police Department immediately broadcast the description of this car over its police radio.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. H. Reinecke</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-576-3718 JAN 24 1935 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE ONE	
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In addition these officers were given the descriptions of Karpis and Delores Delaney.

Upon receipt of Division telegram advising of the gun battle between Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and the Atlantic City, New Jersey, Police Department, the same law enforcement officials in this district were advised by telegram and radio of the description of the Pontiac Coach and the Ford V8 deluxe sedan in either of which Karpis and Campbell are thought to have made their escape. Description of Harry Campbell was also supplied at this time.

In addition, a list of all hospitals in the Indianapolis District was immediately secured from a directory in the Indianapolis Public Library and circular letter was mailed out on Sunday evening, January 20, 1935, to these hospitals, requesting that they immediately communicate with the Indianapolis Office by long distance telephone in case anyone answering the description of Harry Campbell was received in any of these hospitals for treatment of gun shot wound.

Subsequent Division telegram advised of the abandonment of the Pontiac sedan at Quakerstown, Pennsylvania.

Subsequent news dispatches have indicated that Karpis and Campbell took the car of a doctor in Pennsylvania and were holding the doctor as a hostage; that they drove as far as Wadsworth, Ohio, where the doctor was left. Since then the Associated Press has advised the Indianapolis Office that the doctor's car was found abandoned on the morning of January 22, 1935, at Monroe, Michigan. At present there is no description of any car in which they might now be traveling.

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RAA:MFS

SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL

January 22, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.
1232; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING.

This will confirm my long distance telephone conversation with Mr. Tolson of the Division at 9:20 P. M. on January 21, 1935, when he stated that one Paul Green of 2500 Biscayne Boulevard, Apartment 202, called the Division, advising that he had information on Karpis, which he could not give over the telephone, Mr. Tolson advising Green that an Agent would call on him in a very few minutes.

At the conclusion of my telephone conversation with Mr. Tolson at 9:25 P. M. I contacted Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson at the Alcazar Hotel in Miami, Florida, requesting that he contact Green immediately.

At 1:30 A. M. on January 22, 1935 while conversing by long distance telephone in another matter connected with this case Mr. Hanson advised that immediately subsequent to my earlier conversation with him he contacted Paul Green. He is a Miami gambler and most of the information that he was able to furnish concerning Karpis was already in the possession of Mr. Hanson.

Green advised Mr. Hanson where Karpis lived in Miami and of his indirect or direct connection with Joe Adams and general hookup in Miami.

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He also furnished Agent Hanson with the names and addresses of contacts that Karpis and Campbell may have in Philadelphia. Agent Hanson stated that the information obtained from Green was pretty indefinite in general.

Agent Hanson advised that early during the morning of January 22, 1935 he would contact Mr. Connelley by long distance telephone in Philadelphia and furnish him with all of the pertinent information obtained from Green.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - St. Paul
Chicago
New York
Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Philadelphia Office,

Mr. J. H. Hanson,
Halcyon Hotel,
Miami, Florida.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1331 First National Bank Bldg.,
El Paso, Texas.

PHONE MAIN 501

January 20, 1935.

TO ALL PEACE OFFICERS and
HOSPITALS:

ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL, two remaining members of the Bremer Kidnaping Gang, engaged in a gun battle with police at Atlantic City, N.J., January 20, 1935 and escaped. Campbell is reported wounded. They made their getaway in a Pontiac Coach bearing 1935 New Jersey license A-3073, Motor 1039382. This car is pea green in color. It is possible that they may have changed to a Ford V8 DeLuxe Sedan with white wire wheels, bearing Florida, Tennessee, or Illinois plates.

All officers are requested to keep sharp lookout for the above parties, it being noted that practically all of you have pictures of Alvin Karpis on our identification order #1218, but whose further description is as follows:

Age	29
Height	5' 9 3/4
Weight	130
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Comp	Fair

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Harry Campbell is described as:

Age	About 44 yrs.
Height	5' 5"
Weight	140 lbs.
Build	Medium
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Comp.	Ruddy.

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All officers are requested to contact the hospitals in their respective vicinities with a view to receiving information should Campbell be brought to hospitals for treatment. All officers are further advised that these men are two of the most desperate and dangerous fugitives and that all precautions should be used in attempting to effect their capture.

Hospitals receiving copies of this letter are respectfully requested to cooperate to the extent of making note of new patients requiring treatment for gunshot wounds and to promptly advise the nearest officers.

Should any information concerning them be received, please communicate with the undersigned by telephone COLLECT to MAIN 501, El Paso. This cancels and supercedes radio broadcast notice put out Sunday, 1/20/35, concerning Karpis travelling in a Buick Sedan.

Division
RHC:jn

Very truly yours,

R.H. Colvin
R.H. Colvin
Special Agent in Charge.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:SLH

January 22, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING

I am enclosing Government bill of lading No. J69686, with
yellow memorandum copy, covering one wooden box of miscellaneous
firearms, valued at \$500.00, weighing one hundred and forty-two
pounds. Also duplicate list of the guns and equipment which are
contained in the wooden box covered by this bill of lading.

The above equipment was found in the house on Lake Weir,
Oklawaha, Florida, after Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16,
1935.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosures
cc E.J. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul
Jax #7-24

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JAN 24 1935
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER

GUNS, PISTOLS, CARTRIDGES and EMPTY SHELLS
TAKEN AT THE BARKER HOUSE AT OKLAWAHA, FLORIDA, ON
JANUARY 16, 1935.

One Thompson Machine Gun - 1921 Model - Number illegible
One Thompson Machine Gun - 1921 Model - Number illegible
One 50-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine Gun - did contain fifty loaded shells
One 50-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine Gun - empty
One 100-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine Gun - did contain seventy loaded shells
One stock for Thompson Machine Gun - Number 13578
One 45 Calibre Colts Automatic Pistol Number C-160657 - damaged by bullet hitting handle
One 45 Calibre Colts Automatic Pistol Number C-161841
Nine 45 automatic pistol clips
One 380 Calibre 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 calibre lever action rifle - Number illegible.

The above were shipped to the Division, Washington,
D. C., On January 22, 1935, via Railway Express Agency.

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Jacksonville, Florida

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

J- 69686

Bill to Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice
(Department or Establishment and Bureau or Service)

(Appropriation chargeable)

Jacksonville, Florida

(Issuing office)

GOVERNMENT BILL
OF LADING

R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge

January 22, 1935

(Date issued)

Division of Investigation

MEMORANDUM COPY

Received from R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge

(Consignor)

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

in apparent good order and condition (contents and value unknown), to be forwarded subject to conditions stated on the reverse hereof,

from Jacksonville, Florida to Washington, D. C.

(Shipping point)

(Destination)

by the said company and connecting lines, there to be delivered in like good order and condition to Director, Division

(Consignee)

of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

via

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

MARKS	NUMBERS ON PACKAGES	NUMBER AND KIND OF PACKAGES	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES (Observe strictly carrier's freight classification. Avoid trade or technical names)	WEIGHTS *
		one wooden box	Miscellaneous firearms valued at \$500	142 lbx.

† Size car ordered _____ ft. Size car furnished _____ ft. Date furnished _____ Initials _____ Car No. _____

TARIFF AUTHORITY
(To be filled in by general office rendering account)

AUTHORITY FOR SHIPMENT

Ry & Co. Inc.
(Name of transportation company)
January 1935 Per [Signature]
(Agent)

CERTIFICATE OF ISSUING OFFICER

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

Contract No. _____, or Purchase Order No. _____, dated _____, 19____

(F. O. B. point named in contract)

(Issuing officer)

(CARRIER'S RIGHTS TO SHIPPING CHARGES NOT AFFECTED BY FACTS SET OUT IN THIS CERTIFICATE)

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* Show also cubic measurement for shipments via ocean carrier in cases where required.

† Furnish this information in case of carload shipments only.

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 22, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith three statements
of Revels Studio, Ocala, Fla., for photographs taken by him
of the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at Ocklawaha, Fla.

It will be noted that each statement appears
on a different date and in this connection it is respectfully
requested that you prepare a voucher for each statement and for-
ward same to Mr. Revels at Ocala for his certification.

Very truly yours,

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

Encs.
JIM:AG.
cc: Division

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JANUARY 21, 1935.

E. O. Hallock
Post Office Inspector in Charge
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

This will confirm my telephone conversation had with you on 1-18-35, at which time you were advised it will no longer be necessary that this office receive tissue wrappings of all first class mail received by C. R. Tate at 1408 Forest Street, Kansas City, Missouri; at 1320 East 29th Street, Kansas City, Missouri and at the Buffalo Inn, 4325 East 8th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Assuring you of our deep appreciation of your splendid cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RPS:os

cc - Division

In Re: Brekid

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JANUARY 21, 1935.

Postmaster
Joplin, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that it will no longer be necessary
for you to furnish this office with tissue wrappings of first
class mail addressed to George E. Barker in care of the Tri-
State Oil Company Filling Station at Joplin, Missouri.

Thanking you for the splendid cooperation you have
given this office in the above matter, I am

Very truly yours,

R. E. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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In Re: Brekid.

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DAY LETTER	DEFERRED CABLE
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
NIGHT LETTER	WEEK-END CABLE LETTER
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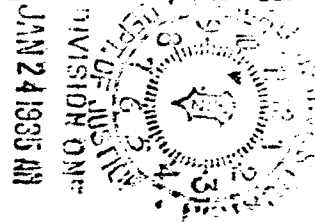
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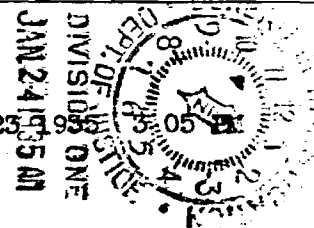
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BREKID FORWARD IMMEDIATELY AIR MAIL CERTIFIED COPY INDICTMENT AND CAPIAS FOR ALVIN KARPIS TO US ATTORNEYS PHILADELPHIA AND JACKSONVILLE

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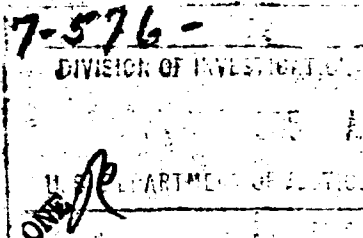
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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January 22, 1935.

SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Penn.



Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O. 1232,
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

This will confirm my telephone conversation with you at 1:00 A. M. on January 22, 1935, when you advised that at 12:30 A. M. on January 21, 1935, a telephone call was made from Miami, Florida, to No. 4-9732, which is a cigar store in Atlantic City, N.J., operated by Sam Morley, who is a brother of the proprietor of the Don-Var Hotel in Atlantic City, to which Hotel Karpis and Campbell were referred by Duke Randall at Miami, Florida, the caller being a woman, who inquired:

"A. Was there any shooting?

A. Yes.

Q. How did the man make out?

A. Men got away and women taken to Philadelphia."

The woman replying "Uhuh" and hung up, Sam Morley at Atlantic City being the other person talking.

Subsequent to my telephone conversation with you I spoke with a contact in the local telephone office, the Manager of which has constantly refused to furnish us information without Court order. This contact stated that slips for long distance telephone calls from Miami, were always mailed to Jacksonville; that any slips covering conversations at 12:30 A. M. on January 21, 1935, would not be forwarded from Miami until about noon on January 22, 1935.

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To Mr. Connelley.

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I immediately furnished the information given by you to Agent Hanson in Miami, Florida, requesting that early during the morning of January 22, 1935, he make appropriate inquiry at the telephone company in Miami, which Company is very co-operative with our Agents, to determine the identity of the caller, who conversed with Sam Morley at No. 4-9732 at 12:50 A. M. on January 21, 1935, suggesting to Mr. Hanson that possibly this might be William Harrison's woman and that both she and Harrison might still be in Miami. Agent Hanson agreed to handle this the first thing.

Concerning telephone call mentioned herein Mr. Connelley advised that calls made from the Oklawaha Florida Inn, near which place Kate and Fred Barker were killed on January 16, 1935, were checked by J. F. Lacour.

Reviewing Agent Lacour's memorandum of calls made from the Oklawaha Inn by various persons it does not appear that those calls had any connection with the one from Miami to Atlantic City.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Division ✓
Chicago
St. Paul
Mr. J. H. Hanson,
Halcyon Hotel,
Miami, Florida.

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri
January 22, 1935.

AIR MAIL.

Special Agent in Charge,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I O #1218,
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DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I O #1232, ET AL,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

The enclosed map of the State of Kansas was forwarded to this office by Special Agent in Charge Connelley from Jacksonville, Florida, with information to the effect that the map was found in the home previously occupied by Fred Barker, Kate Barker, Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdett at Oklawaha, Florida.

Mr. Connelley's letter called attention to the penciled marks on the map indicating a route from Ottawa, Kansas, to Cherryvale, Kansas, with the writing "16 / 73 W". Mr. Connelley's letter advised that the significance of these markings is not known, and that the map was forwarded for the attention of this office.

Examination of the map shows that the penciled figures on it undoubtedly related to the highways traced over by pencil running between Cherryvale and Ottawa. It will be noted that State Road 16 runs from Cherryvale to Earlton, Kansas, and at a point slightly north and east of Earlton joins Highway 73 W, which proceeds to Ottawa and continues north. Route 16 continues south from Cherryvale into Oklahoma and at Collinsville, Oklahoma, joins Route 73, which continues into Tulsa, a distance of approximately twenty miles from Collinsville.

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2. Inasmuch as it is known that the relatives of both Wynona Burdett and Harry Campbell reside in that section of Oklahoma, and that Wynona Burdett has been in Oklahoma until recently, it would appear that she is probably in possession of information concerning the map in question and the markings upon it. It is, accordingly, deemed desirable to forward the map to you, in order that Wynona Burdett may be questioned concerning it, it being noted from press dispatches that she is presently held at Philadelphia. It is believed that in this way the significance of the map may be more quickly determined than through any inquiries, which might be made here.

It is noted that the map in question contains no indication as to the place from which obtained, and similar maps, are of course, available at any filling station of the Sinclair Refining Company.

An exact duplicate of the map in question has been marked with identical notations and is being retained in this office for possible future inquiries.

Very truly yours,

R. B. WATMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago - Mr. Connelley

Jacksonville

Oklahoma City

St. Paul

Encl. (Philadelphia)