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SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG

BREMER KIDNAPPING

FILE NUMBER: 7-576

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April 13, 1935.

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

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

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed you will find two photostatic
copies of letter received by Alice Conrad from one Wedell, post-
marked Milwaukee, Wisc., April 5, 1935.

These copies are being forwarded to the
laboratory for the purpose of comparison with handwriting speci-
mens of those involved in this investigation, presently on file
at the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Chicago
cc - St. Paul

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Laboratory Report

Case: Brekid

Number: 7-576-5526

Specimens: Two photostatic copies of a letter beginning, "Alice Dear:- I was
so glad to get your letter***".
Two photostatic copies of an envelope addressed to Miss Alice
V. [redacted] [redacted], postmarked 1 Milwaukee, Wis., Apr 5, 1935, 1030 PM.

Examination requested by: New York Bureau Office.

Date received: 4-17-35

Examination requested: Handwriting

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel

cc Chicago
St. Paul

Theresa [redacted] [redacted]
John Davis [redacted]
William [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
Harry Campbell [redacted]
Alvin Kays [redacted]
William J. Harrison [redacted]
Joseph C. Moran [redacted]
Harry Sawyer [redacted]
Oliver A. Berg [redacted]
Anna Martin [redacted]
May the late [redacted]

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FROM: UNIT #1 & UNIT #3

4-3-1935.

TO: Director
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Mr. Weeks

Miss McCarthy

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Correct

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Do we have record of Willie
Heeney #90159 PD Chicago Ill?
If so, let me have 11 abstracts
with descriptive data and wants.

Supervisor.

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Correct
Re-write
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See me
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Also 5 photostats
of fingerprints.

Pls let me have 11 abstracts
of record reflecting descriptive
data. I am having photos made
Note the number on my routing slip
is identical with number 922
on photostat. Supervisor.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 8, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM. *for 6/2*

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith eleven copies of abstract of criminal record, showing description, and five photostatic copies of fingerprints as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of William Heeney, alias Willie Heeney, our file #732124.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

L. C. Schilder.

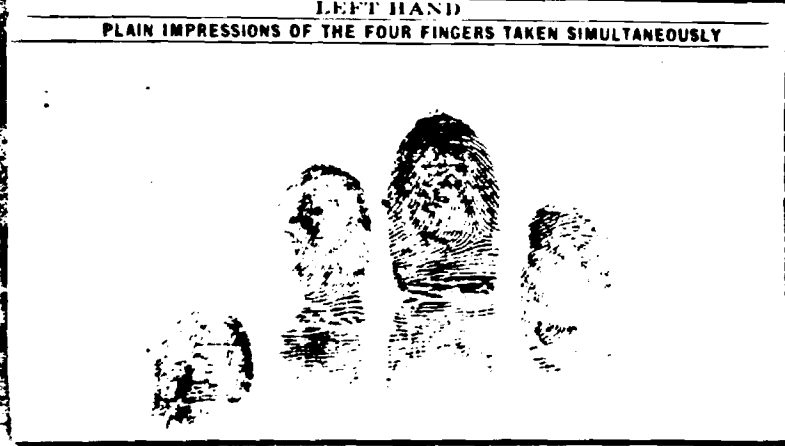
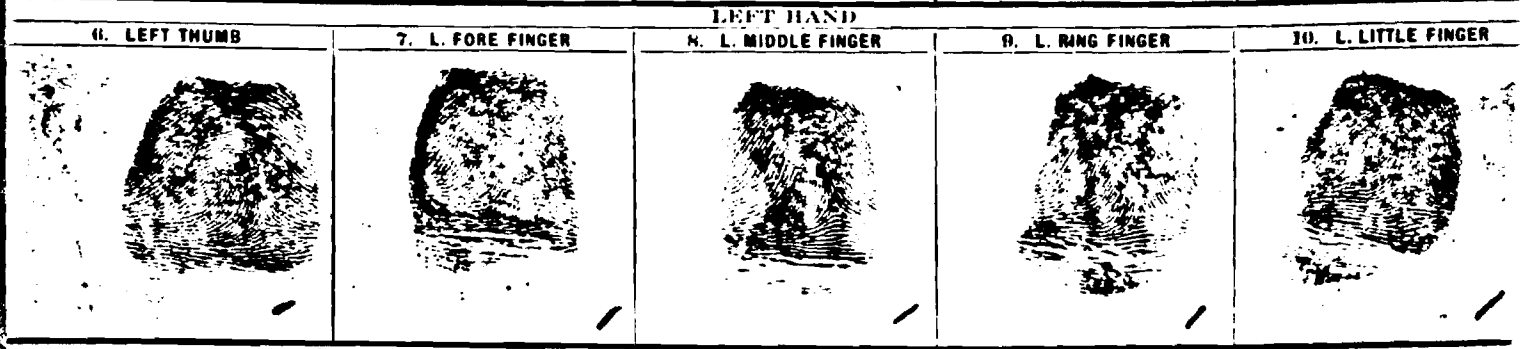
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NAME William H. [unclear] F.P. FORMULA 25 30 0 14 MALE
P.P. No. [unclear] BER. No. 90159 REF. 17 400
PRISON 68 St Louis 4650



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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

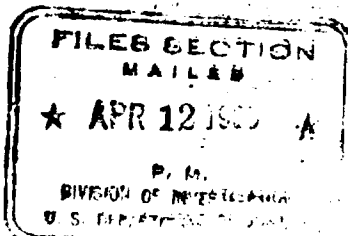
Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive
Identification Order #1218, et al
Edward George Bremer - Victim

Dear Sir:

Frequent reference has been made in recent investigative reports submitted in the above entitled case to one Willis Keeney. An examination of the files in the Identification Unit of the Bureau reflect a record on this individual, who was arrested as William Keeney, #16182, by the Police Department, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on November 17, 1917, on a charge of bank robbery. The fingerprints which were taken on that date reflect that Keeney was arrested by the Police Department at Detroit, Michigan on November 12, 1917, and reflect the names of William Stevens and George King as accomplices.

The Detroit Office is being furnished with a photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Keeney, with the request that an appropriate investigation be conducted at the Police Department in Detroit, Michigan, with a view to ascertaining the identity of Stevens and King.

The fingerprint card submitted by the Minneapolis, Minnesota Police Department also reflects that Keeney was wanted by the Police Department, Chicago, Illinois, for murder committed on March 16, 1916. There is contained in the Bureau's files a photostatic copy of a fingerprint card obtained from the Chicago, Illinois Police Department, which reflects the arrest of Keeney as William Keeney, #70159, the prints having been taken on February 19, 1919. There appears a notation on this print, "St. Louis 4650." This possibly refers to an arrest of Keeney at St. Louis, Missouri, and therefore the St. Louis Bureau Office should conduct an appropriate investigation of this arrest. As of possible assistance in this investigation, there is forwarded with a copy of this letter to the St. Louis Office a photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Keeney. No photostatic copy of the



Mr. Connelley

#2

April 12, 1935

Fingerprints is being furnished to the other offices indicated below.
Copies of abstracts of criminal record and photographs of William
Mceney are inclosed herewith and to each of the offices indicated below.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc- St. Paul
Detroit
St. Louis
Jacksonville

Enclosures

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 1, 1935.

Time-4:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAME

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

While discussing other matters with Special Agent in Charge Nathan at the Kansas City Office by telephone, I referred to his letter dated March 28, 1935, wherein he requested the advice of the Bureau relative to continuing a surveillance on the residence of Esther Williams, 119 North Topping Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

I advised Mr. Nathan that if he felt that an effective arrangement had been made with Miss Williams whereby the Kansas City Office would be promptly informed of an attempted contact by Davis, he could then withdraw the agents and give up the apartment now being used by them for surveillance purposes. Mr. Nathan stated that he was confident that such an arrangement had been made with Miss Williams and that she will promptly notify the Kansas City Office. Mr. Nathan stated that during the rush hours it takes about fifteen minutes to negotiate the distance between the Kansas City Office and the home of Miss Williams.

A letter is being directed to the Kansas City Office confirming my understanding with Mr. Nathan on this matter.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
R. E. Newby

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 13, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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Reference is made to my telephone conversation with the Bureau on the night of April 10, 1935, indicating that information had been received from Acting Special Agent in Charge Coulter, St. Paul, to the effect that BELLE BORN had been located three miles outside of Mankato, Minnesota, on the property which she owned at that point, and that it had been noted that a number of large automobiles came and went at night at this place, indicating the possibility that some of the subjects might be there, or associating with her. Reference is also made to my letter of March 12, 1935, directed to the St. Paul office, upon which this information is based, inquiry having been made at Mankato and vicinity by Special Agent Lawrence during the week of April 8, 1935, and it was the result of his investigation which was communicated to me and to the Bureau on the day indicated.

Upon arrival at St. Paul information was obtained as to the data available at the St. Paul office, and later at Mankato I talked with Special Agent Lawrence of the St. Paul office and he indicated he had made contact with HERBERT L. CRANE, who lives on the top of the hill behind the valley in which is located the property of Belle Born, three miles south of Mankato on Highway 169, she receiving her mail at this place under rural route 1, out of Mankato, Minnesota. Herbert L. Crane indicated that there was somebody staying at the place of Belle Born with the occupant thereof, namely a Mrs. Neuenfeldt, and thereafter Crane had his wife, in suitable undercover manner, contact a Mrs. SMITH, who lives in a house located in the small valley off Highway 169, in close proximity to the property of Belle Born. Mrs. Crane later advised that Mrs. Smith had told her that Belle Born was now at the place there with Mrs. Neuenfeldt; that a number of cars had come and

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gone in the night, always apparently being gone in the morning. Some inquiry had been made by Agent Lawrence and other Agents of the St. Paul office to determine possibly who was at the place, and there had been noted an old sedan coming and going at this place, the license of which has not as yet been obtained due to the difficulty in being detected in trying to approach this particular house.

On the night of April 11, 1935, Agents R. L. Jones and C.B. Winstead approached this house in order to make observations of the occupants thereof, and noted only one woman there, who was apparently Mrs. Neuenfeldt, and later there pulled up to the place an Oldsmobile sedan, about 1930 model, and a man entered the house after parking the automobile. Later, at about 1.30 A.M. this party left and upon being followed to Mankato from this place was determined to be driving an Oldsmobile Sedan with 1934 Minnesota license B-197545. On this night this party proceeded to what was apparently 1329 3rd Avenue, Mankato, Minnesota. Subsequent inquiry developed that this party is JOHN S. LAMINA, who apparently lives at this address with his mother Mrs. BARBARA LAMINA and his sister MARY LAMINA, his sister being employed at the grocery and dry goods store of Ben A. Piesser, 309 N. Front Street, Mankato, Minnesota; that there is also apparently another brother JOSEPH M. LAMINA, who is now believed to be located in Rochester; that this party Lamina is a bootlegger in Mankato; that apparently Mrs. Neuenfeldt is married to a party who spends only the weekends at the residence, and Lamina makes his visits during the interim between her husband's visits.

Subsequent confidential inquiry without disclosing the definite nature of what we were endeavoring to obtain, by Special Agent T. G. Melvin of Mrs. Smith, who lives in the house previously described, developed that the last time FITZGERALD was at this place was one year ago last Christmas when he was introduced to her under the name of Murphy; that about Christmas time 1934, BELLE BORN returned to the place and was there for a short time and left, apparently coming to the place alone and possibly traveling by bus. Later, about three weeks ago, she again appeared at the place alone having come apparently by bus to Mankato, where they picked her up and took her out to her place. She remained at this place until Sunday April 7, 1935, when she left. At the present time there is nobody residing in the home of Belle Born other than the Neuenfeldt woman.

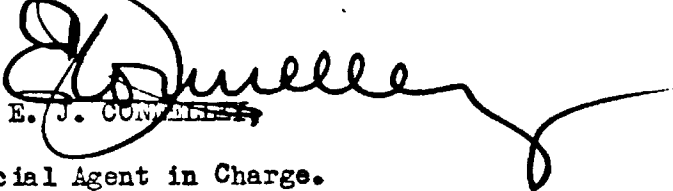
Observation was also made of the place occupied by OLLIE ANDERSON, brother of Belle Born, he occupying a farm which is also owned by Belle Born, and it was indicated by conditions there that apparently nobody was stopping with him, other than his own family, and observations at this place at night indicated no automobiles coming or going, and apparently

nothing unusual at the present time.

The St. Paul office through Agent Lawrence and such other Agents as necessary will continue to check the situation at Mankato for the possible appearance of Belle Born, in order that if she again appears there she may be followed when she leaves there, as it is entirely probable that when she leaves Mankato she goes to join FITZGERALD. They will also arrange for suitable cover on the mail of both the address on Route 1 and the farm of Belle Born where the brother lives, which is eleven miles north of Mankato. They will also check the property transfers at Mankato as it is indicated that Belle Born recently acquired a small piece of property immediately adjacent to her own property, three miles south of Mankato. They will also check the two banks there for any possible banking transactions she may have as to her personal account, or in connection with the purchase of the property in question, and they will also check the status of the tax payments on these various properties for possibility that some lead may be obtained indicating the location of Belle Born, or the definite source through which she receives her mail. They will also check through the bus line and bus drivers there for possibility of the agent or bus drivers remembering her making the travel indicated, inasmuch as she is well known at Mankato and vicinity.

Further detailed report will be submitted by Agents Melvin and Lawrence of the St. Paul office as to the inquiry they make as above indicated. The St. Paul office is endeavoring to establish suitable contacts whereby the Davenport woman and her husband JACK DAVENPORT, who was previously associated with Fitzgerald in bank robbery charges may be checked to determine whether these people are contacting them at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY

Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT
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CC St. Paul
CC Detroit
CC San Francisco

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DIRECTOR BREKID CHECK AT MANKATO SHOWS BELLE BORN VISITED MRS
 NEUENFELD AT HOME BELLE BORN 3 MILES SOUTH MANKATO FOR SOME TIME
 AND LEFT SUNDAY APRIL 7 FITZGERALD WAS NOT WITH HER SHE TRAVELLING
 ALONE APPARENTLY BY BUS. ONLY PARTIES HERE APPARENTLY NEUENFELC
 WOMAN WHO ASSOCIATING WITH LOCAL BOOTLEGGER JOHN SLAMINA WHO COMES
 AND GOES DRIVING OLDSMOBILE SEDAN. CHECK OF BROTHERS PLACE ELEVEN
 MILES NORTH OF MANKATO WHERE HE LIVES ON FARM OWNED BY BELLE INDICATES
 NO ONE THERE. STPAUL WILL CONTINUE CHECKA AS TO MAIL PROPERTY
 TRANSACTIONS AND BANKS FOR PS XXX POSSIBILITY LOCATING WHERE BELLE
 NOW IS AS PROBABLY REJOINED FITZGERALD.

LEAVING TEN FIFTY PM FOR CHICAGO ARRIVE 8 45 AM TOMORROW
 WITH AGENTS CAMPBELL JONTS WINSTEAD AND WOLTZ

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice

Time - 8:00 P. M.

Washington, D. C.

April 10, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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

Mr. Connelley called from Chicago to advise that the St. Paul of-
fice had just called him and informed that they had located Belle Born on
a farm near Mankato, Minnesota. For your information, Belle Born is the
"girl friend" of Charles Fitzgerald. Mr. Connelley further stated that
information is that a number of large cars are seen approaching and leaving
the farm near Mankato, Minnesota late at night. I pointed out to Mr.
Connelley that our only interest in Charles Fitzgerald has been the fact
that he is a known associate and advisor of the Barker-Karpis mob. I
suggested to Mr. Connelley that this lead as to the location of the fugitive
Bremer subjects appeared more immediate than the lead on the island in
Lake Erie and suggested that he take four or five men and proceed immediately
to St. Paul, Minnesota to arrange a proper surveillance of the farm occupied
by Belle Born. Mr. Connelley stated that he believed this procedure very
desirable and that he would leave Chicago as soon as possible, arriving in
St. Paul sometime Thursday morning.

I pointed out to Mr. Connelley that in a situation of this kind
we should consider the relative fact of apprehending the various subjects
and consequently should not make any premature move to raid this farm until
we had ascertained by a discreet and careful surveillance the identity of
the persons visiting the farm, in order that the raid could be indefinitely
postponed if desirable until the major subjects in this case were known to
have returned to the farm.

Mr. Connelley stated that he would take Agents Jones, Woltz,
Winstead and Campbell to St. Paul with him.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Washington, D. C.

April 11, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

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

A subpoena was forwarded up here this morning from the Washington Field Office for Mr. C. A. Appel to appear at St. Paul at 10 A.M. on the morning of April 15, 1935, in connection with the above entitled case. Mr. Appel's testimony pertains to the receipt of evidence in this case in the Laboratory.

A subpoena duces tecum was also received for Mr. A. Kohn, fingerprint expert, to appear at the same time bringing "all records of your office pertaining to fingerprint impressions of Arthur R. Barker".

These employees have been instructed to respond.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Bremer Case

During a telephonic conversation with Colonel Gates, Colonel Gates stated that Mr. Suydam had received an inquiry from the St. Paul newspapers for verification of a report to the effect that we had made a secret arrest in St. Paul in connection with the Bremer Case, I stated that we had no comment to make.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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

FILE NO. **7-5**

REPORT MADE AT: Denver, Colo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4/11/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/23 to 4/4, 4, 7, 8/35	REPORT MADE BY: N. J. L. PIEPER
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218-- FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1222; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -- Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: 1934 Chevrolet Club Sedan, Motor #4543656, 1934 Pontiac Coach, Motor #935155, and 1934 Buick Club Sedan, Motor #2875177, not re- gistered in Wyoming or Colorado in 1935. Stop cards placed. Officers Denver Bureau District informed Volney Davis identified leaving Reno, Nevada. Later advised to dis- regard information concerning Davis.			
REFERENCE: Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, Chicago, 3/19/35. Letter from Bureau, dated 3/26/35. Telegram from Salt Lake City office, dated 4/7/35.			
DETAILS: The Motor Vehicle Departments of the States of Colorado and Wyoming ad- vise that there is no registration for the year 1935 for a 1934 Chevrolet Club Sedan, Motor #4543656, Serial #1-DA-0749267, 1933 Pontiac Coach, Motor #935155, Serial #815237, or 1934 Buick Club Sedan, Motor #2875177, Serial #2716681. Stop cards have been placed in the files of the Motor Vehicle Departments of Colorado and Wyoming, so that the Denver Bureau Office will be immediately notified should any of the above described automobiles be registered in 1935. Upon receipt of telegram from the Salt Lake City office advising that Volney Davis had been identified as having left Reno, Nevada, Special Agent in Charge Jay C. Newman telephonically advised Special Agent A. R.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Jay C. Newman</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7 576-5534 APR 15 1935 APR 15 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: ONE STAT. FILE	
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Gere, who was located at Grand Junction, Colorado, to immediately notify law enforcement officials in that district that Volney Davis had been identified as having left Reno, Nevada, and circumstances as to his leaving as set out in telegram of reference.

The information was likewise given the Acting Captain of Detectives, Luke A. Parslow, at Denver; also, Captain George G. Smith, of the Wyoming State Highway Patrol, at Cheyenne, Wyoming, who advised Special Agent in Charge Newman that he would immediately advise all Highway Patrol Officers in Wyoming and the Police and Sheriff at Cheyenne.

Before further steps could be taken so that all law enforcement officials in the Denver District would be fully informed as to Volney Davis and his having left Reno, Nevada, a telegram was received from the Salt Lake City office instructing that reference telegram concerning Davis be disregarded. All persons previously advised were immediately notified to disregard prior instructions regarding Volney Davis.

PENDING

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 8, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
et al
Edward George Bremer, victim
Kidnaping

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

Reference is respectfully made to your inquiry as to why the Bureau Supervisor did not ascertain the defects and shortcomings in investigative reports, which Assistant United States Attorney Gramling of the Southern District of Florida commented upon in his communication addressed to Mr. Alt of the Jacksonville Office, under date of March 22, 1935. A point by point statement of Mr. Gramling's criticisms is set out hereinafter.

Mr. Gramling states that nowhere in any of the case reports submitted to him does there appear any recitation of evidence to show that Alvin Karpis indicted at St. Paul in the Bremer Kidnaping case, is in fact identical with the individual who under the name of Wagner resided and was harbored in Florida and Cuba, nor does it appear from the investigative reports that it is possible for the Government to identify him as that person. It may be pointed out with reference to this comment that the photographs of Karpis used by Agents investigating this matter in Florida were the identical photographs which were used in the St. Paul District in effecting an identification of Karpis as the individual who purchased the flashlights which were subsequently recovered in the case and which identification resulted in the indictment of Karpis. The legal question arising from this evidence in so far as it is necessary in Florida is similar to that presented in removal hearings where it is necessary to prove the identity of a person as being identical with the person criminally charged in another judicial district, and the Bureau's procedure in such matters is to consult the interested prosecuting attorney for the purpose of determining what evidence he desires, to prove identity in each case. This procedure would be followed in this case. In this regard, it may be stated that the St. Paul Office has been instructed to forward to the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida a copy of the summary report prepared in the Bremer case, which summary report contains the name of the identifying witness described above.

Mr. Gramling refers to references appearing in the investigative reports to one Willie Harrison, and requests information identifying him as the Willie Harrison indicted at St. Paul or suggests that if he is not identical, his connection should be ascertained by further investigation. The Willie Harrison referred to in the reports prepared in Florida is, of course, identical with the subject indicted at St. Paul.

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regard arises from the fact of course that he is not familiar with the entire Bremer case, and is not acquainted with the names of the various individuals set out therein. The reporting Agents of course prepare their investigative reports without specifically identifying the various individuals in each report, upon the assumption that the persons receiving copies of the reports know the identity of the persons referred to. This procedure is satisfactory in the vast majority of instances but of course results in some difficulty in this particular instance, which difficulty could be removed by Mr. Gramling's discussing the case with any Agent who had worked upon it.

Mr. Gramling asks that the Bureau establish an alleged connection between Cassius McDonald and Jefferson Caffery, the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Cuba, with particular reference to the knowledge which these officers have of McDonald. In the same regard, Mr. Gramling suggests that an examination be made of the files of the American Consulate Embassy in Havana for information in regard to McDonald. The Bureau on March 9, 1935 prepared for the signature of the Attorney General a letter to the Secretary of State, requesting that the information contained in the Consulate's files be forwarded to the Bureau. Several dispatches have been received through the State Department, containing details concerning McDonald's prior activities in Cuba, and as these dispatches are received, copies are being prepared and transmitted to the Jacksonville Office. I desire to state in this regard that the Bureau Supervisor had undertaken the obtaining of this information several weeks prior to the time that Mr. Gramling first protested the fact that he was not in possession of this information. Relative to investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the connection between Cassius McDonald and Jefferson Caffery, I do not believe this is a matter which would appear material to a Bureau Supervisor at the time he reviewed the investigative reports in this case. It is further pointed out that the dispatches above referred to explain the dealings which McDonald has had with the State Department representatives in Havana.

Mr. Gramling states that it is indicated in one of the investigative reports that Cassius McDonald had been the subject of prior "Department of Justice" investigation and suggests that it be determined whether this is in fact so, together with the substance of the prior investigation. A check of the Bureau files does not indicate that Cassius McDonald has ever been investigated by the Bureau, the only reference to him in the Bureau files other than the Bremer case being an interview conducted with him in the case entitled John H. Howard, et al, White Slave Traffic Act. This interview was conducted at Detroit, Michigan on January 11, 1923, for the purpose of ascertaining what, if any, connection McDonald had with the Howard case. At that time, McDonald was described as a bondsman for confidence men, and the investigation did not disclose that he was involved in this case. This information will be submitted to the Jacksonville Office.

Mr. Gramling suggests that a safe deposit box located in the National City Bank of Havana should be searched for the fingerprints of Alvin Karpis. As an abstract proposition of investigative procedure this sounds like an excellent idea, but practically it is of no merit, since the fact that Karpis' finger-

prints were found upon a safe deposit box in Havana would not be pertinent to or admissible in evidence of the charges for which criminal prosecution is being undertaken, namely, the harboring of Karpis in Florida by the various defendants.

Mr. Gramling refers to shipments between the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, Havana Branch and the Redemption Division of the Treasury Department at Washington, D. C., and asks whether the Treasury Department's Redemption Division has recovered and identified any of the ransom money. Mr. Newby through prior contacts with the Treasury Department, particularly in the Lindbergh case, knew of his own knowledge that such a check was not only impractical but virtually physically impossible in the Treasury Department. In this same regard, Mr. Gramling suggests that steps be taken to insure the retention in the Havana Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of that money which has been identified as ransom bills. An investigative report submitted by Agent Brown, covering his investigation in Havana, sets forth the fact that the bank officials will have impounded the Bremer ransom money in their possession and will retain it in such a manner that it will be available in evidence, for the Government, when trial is undertaken.

Mr. Gramling states that a report submitted by Agent Brown shows that one Manual Dupont, who was employed by the people alleged to be Karpis and the Delaney woman, was not shown a picture of the Delaney woman for full identification. Mr. Gramling points out that if the Delaney woman entered a plea of guilty to the charges preferred against her, this comment would not be pertinent, and since Dolores Delaney has entered a plea of guilty and has been sentenced, comment upon this matter is unnecessary. Mr. Gramling further points out that Karpis employed a Chinese cook and a young Cuban girl to work for him, but the report does not indicate that these parties were interviewed for information concerning Karpis and his associates. This comment refers to employees in the house of Karpis which he occupied at Varadero Beach, Cuba. Any information obtained from these individuals concerning Karpis' activities in Cuba would of course be of no evidentiary value in proving the indictments returned against Heller and his associates, charging them with harboring Karpis in Florida.

Mr. Gramling states that Agent Brown's report indicates that George Harris and his wife visited at Varadero Beach with Karpis and Delaney and suggest that this visit be checked. George Harris, a saloon keeper of Havana, was one of the informants who furnished information to the Agents working upon this case. It is again pointed out that Mr. Gramling's request for this investigation does not appear justified for contemplated prosecution in Florida.

Mr. Gramling points out that the periodical "El Avance" on December 4, 1934, contained a picture of Alvin Karpis. He pointed out that Heller was never interrogated to determine whether he read this paper or had seen it. Mr. Gramling's comment upon this matter is well founded and this investigation should

have been conducted. Appropriate instructions will be issued to have it done.

Mr. Gramling points out that Cash McDonald is supposed to have had some correspondence with Senator Couzens and suggests that the Senator be interviewed relative to his knowledge of McDonald. I cannot see the purpose or value of such inquiries.

Mr. Gramling points out that in Agent Brown's report, a gambler named Jimenez and a police officer named Gonzales visited McDonald at the Presidente Hotel in Havana but that these interviews were not "checked up on". Mr. Gramling suggests that these people be interrogated. This investigation constitutes a "shot in the dark", but might develop some information and accordingly it will be conducted.

Mr. Gramling points out that in Agent Brown's report he details inquiries made of a taxi driver in Havana named Agustin Cachy Negrete, who Agent Brown states did not reveal all he knew. Mr. Gramling suggests that Negrete be further interviewed. This investigation should and will be conducted.

Mr. Gramling suggests that all of the employees of the Park View Hotel should be "investigated", since those "having no love for Heller might give some valuable information". At the time that the Agents were conducting the investigation in Cuba, which is recorded in Agent Brown's report, it would have been very undesirable to contact the various employees of the Park View Hotel, which is operated by Nathaniel Heller. It does not appear now, however, that such investigation would do any harm and it will be conducted.

Mr. Gramling points out that Agent Brown's report refers to a deal carried on between one Bolivar and one Ortega; he states that investigation to determine any facts which might be revealed through Ortega or further questioning of Bolivar, should be conducted. This deal refers to money transactions in Cuba and will be further investigated.

Mr. Gramling states that evidence should be available to the United States Attorney which will establish directly the identity of the Bremer ransom money. This information is, of course, included in the summary report prepared in the St. Paul district, a copy of which is being furnished to the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida.

Mr. Gramling points out that in November or early December, 1934, Agents Hurt and Campbell interviewed L. E. Gray, Assistant Manager of the El Commodoro Hotel, and showed him photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis Gang. Mr. Gramling states that from the report it does not appear that the picture of Karpis was shown to Mr. Gray, nor that Gray was advised of the identity or histories of the defendants. Since receiving this communication, we have checked with the Chicago Office and have learned that Hurt and Campbell did not display Karpis' photograph to the Assistant Manager of the El Commodoro Hotel. You will recall

that these men were on special assignment in Florida with Mr. Cowley during this period for the sole purpose of locating the fugitive subjects of the Bremer case. There is absolutely no justification for the failure of Agents Hurt and Campbell to display Karpis' photograph at the time that they were making inquiries there.

Mr. Gramling points out that a reference in Mr. Hanson's report to the Miami Beach First National Bank as being closed and out of business is erroneous, since the institution is still in existence. Mr. Gramling is correct. There is, of course no way that a Supervisor at the Seat of Government could ascertain the incorrectness of such information. A letter is being addressed to Mr. Hanson, reprimanding his erroneous reporting of this information.

Mr. Gramling in commenting further upon Mr. Hanson's report, makes reference to a letter found in a house located at 1121 N.E. 85th Street, which appears to have been written on a typewriter located in the office of Nathaniel H. Heller, Manager of the Park View Hotel, and states that this angle was not followed to a logical conclusion. At the time that the Agents were conducting this investigation at Havana, no inquiries were made at the Park View Hotel, since this hotel is operated by Nathaniel Heller who was at that time a prospective defendant in this case. The Agents considered it undesirable to disclose the scope of their investigation, particularly involving Heller at that time. This matter will now receive proper attention in the Laboratory.

Mr. Gramling points out that in Agent Hanson's report, a reference is made in an interview with Terese Carmichael to friends calling to visit the people named Green (Karpis) on 85th Street, but states that no interrogation was made to determine the identity of such friends, nor was the Carmichael woman interrogated as to the subject of conversation held between the friends and the occupants of the house. Appropriate efforts will be made to have the Carmichael woman identify any of the other subjects in this case as being the guests who appeared at the 85th Street residence.

Mr. Gramling complains that George Wilson, Manager of the El Comodoro Coffee Shop, was never interrogated as to any conversation which he may have had with Mr. Knight, the father-in-law of Joe Adams, concerning his, Wilson's, having been interviewed by Bureau Agents. This inquiry will be made. Mr. Gramling also states that Knight should have been interrogated relative to his having talked with Joe Adams, regarding the identity of Karpis and other members of the alleged kidnaping gang. I feel that such inquiries will at best be a mere gesture, since it is obvious that Knight will not furnish any information which he considers in the least bit detrimental or incriminating to his son-in-law, Joe Adams.

Mr. Gramling points out that Page 130 of Mr. Hanson's report refers to correspondence which McDonald had with Mario Artesiano of Havana, and suggests that the connection between these individuals be investigated. This investigation will be conducted.

Mr. Gramling asks whether evidence can be produced to show that Knight informed the defendant Adams of his conversation with L. E. Gray, concerning his interview with the Bureau Agents. Obviously Knight will not make a statement in this matter.

Mr. Gramling asks for evidence that Adams knew the identity and history of Karpis prior to January 16, 1935. Efforts are being made to obtain this information. At the present time, we are endeavoring to locate periodicals or newspapers which carried Karpis' photograph and statements concerning his identity prior to that date. This is an item of circumstantial evidence which cannot be shown by direct proof, but can only be established by collateral evidence.

Mr. Gramling asks for evidence to show that Adams, McDonald, Randall and Heller were aware that process for the apprehension and arrest of Karpis had been issued in the District of Minnesota. As indicated above, an effort is being made to locate periodicals containing photographs and information of this type.

Mr. Gramling requests that investigation be made to determine whether persons in civil or military authority in the American Consulate in Cuba knew that Alvin Karpis was in Florida prior to the time that information was given to Agent Hanson by Miami Police officers. As indicated heretofore, efforts are being made to obtain the confidential files of the State Department representatives for the purpose of ascertaining just what information is contained therein.

With reference to Mr. Gramling's comments generally, it may be pointed out that many of them refer to evidence or information of a negative nature, which is not ordinarily placed in an investigative report, unless there appears to be some particular reason therefor or some specific occasion for the reporting of such data. The investigative reports submitted by Agents Brown and Hanson in this case were very lengthy and obviously could have been twice as long if negative statements and irrelevant material obtained as a result of inquiries were contained therein.

Respectfully,


E. A. Tamm

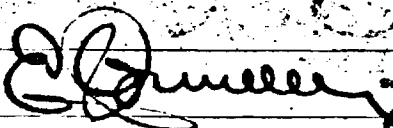
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REPORT MADE AT: CHICAGO, ILL.	DATE WHEN MADE: April 12, 1935	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/15/35; 3/28/35 to 4/9/35	REPORT MADE BY: R. C. SURAN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232 HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236 VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237 WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240 MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al Edward George Bremer, Victim			
<p>Information obtained from [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri that Willie Harrison frequented the 25 Club, Cicero, Ill. Investigation to date has failed to locate place described by [redacted]. Investigation continuing to locate John Russell Moran, alleged contact of Harrison. Investigation at Calumet City, Ill. and vicinity disclosed the identity of additional individuals who have associated with Harrison. John McGinnity, Gary, Ind. who formerly employed Harrison as bartender, is cooperating in effort to locate Harrison. Reported someone connected with 2024 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, Illinois was hiding a fugitive in this case. Surveillance to date has produced nothing of value. Informant [redacted] is endeavoring to ascertain if any fugitives in this case are contacting Sam Mano and Joe Gallicchio. Clarence Anderson, correspondent of Margie Anderson not subject Davis. Contact maintained with informants Chicago district has failed to establish information of value concerning fugitives. Disposition sheet as to arrests of Sam Mano and Joe Gallicchio attached.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, April 3, 1935, and letter from St. Louis office dated 4/8/35.</p>			
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On April 3, 1935, Acting Special Agent in Charge Shivers, St. Louis, Missouri, telephoned and advised that they had conferred further with [redacted] last night and she advised that on last Thursday she had talked with one Babbs Moran who runs a bookie shop in Chicago and St. Louis, but who is now operating at Chicago, Moran having been mixed up at one time in the Kelly kidnap case, St. Louis, Missouri, and that Moran had advised her that he had seen Willie Harrison in Cicero, Illinois, three days previous to the time he talked with her, [redacted] which would be about March 25, 1935. [redacted] indicated to Moran that she would possibly visit Chicago and would like to look Willie Harrison up, and Moran told her that Willie generally hangs out at the Twenty-five Cent Club, this being a saloon and spaghetti place at Cicero, Illinois, and being located next door to a tailor shop in which Harrison previously had his clothes made at Cicero. [redacted] She asked Moran to give her regards to Willie Harrison and believes possibly Willie Harrison may try to get in touch with her. Moran advised they had made a sucker out of Willie Harrison in connection with the matter at Chicago and that he was now too "hot" to come home and that they had a detective living next door to him to apprehend him should he appear. He stated the gang is now so "hot" they have split up in three groups, one being in Chicago, one at Memphis and one in Nebraska.

On the evening of April 2, 1935, Special Agent in Charge Alt of Jacksonville telephoned and advised that Special Agent in Charge Hanson at the Alcazar Hotel, Miami, who is assisting in the preparation of the harboring case in this matter, had telephoned him requesting a copy of the report wherein reference is made to the identification of Karpis at the time he purchased the flashlights used for signaling when the ransom money was paid; that he, Alt, could find no such report in his file, although Bureau letter dated February 21, 1934, referred to such identification.

There was located in the Chicago file a report of Special Agent Notesteen, dated February 20, 1934, which refers to the identification of Alvin Karpis by Mrs. Florence Humphrey, F. & W. Grand Silver Store, 67 Seve Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. She identified Karpis as having appeared there on January 27, 1934, to buy the three flashlights. Photostatic copy of the report above indicated was forwarded Special Delivery, air mail, to J. H. Hanson, Alcazar Hotel, Miami, Florida, on April 2, 1935.

On the night of April 3, 1935, subsequent to the receipt of information from Acting Special Agent in Charge Shivers, St. Louis, Missouri, concerning the possibility that WILLIE HARRISON was located in Cicero, Illinois, Special Agents J. L. Madala and R. C. Suran conducted an investigation at Cicero, Illinois in an effort to locate a place known as the 25 Cent Club, or the 25 Club, giving consideration to the information furnished by Acting Special Agent in Charge Shivers that there was a tailor shop located near this club, and that the club was a saloon and spaghetti place. Agent Suran is the reporting Agent on this investigation.

A place known as the 25th Street Club was located by Agents Madala and Suran at 4907 West 25th Street, Cicero, but discreet investigation at that place revealed that they did not serve spaghetti, and it was further noted that there was no tailor shop in the vicinity of this club.

The Venetian Club at 52nd Avenue and 12th Street, Cicero, Illinois was found to serve both liquor and spaghetti, but the nearest tailor shop was four blocks away. Another tavern located at 1912 Cicero Avenue known as Harmonica Tom's Casino is a saloon where spaghetti is served, and a tailor shop is located diagonally across the street from this place. Inquiries at the above named places resulted in no information concerning a place known as the 25 Cent Club, but all seemed to be entirely familiar with the 25th Street Club.

Additional inquiries were consequently made at Jerry's Tavern, 56th Avenue and Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois, the Five and Ten Tavern, 23rd Street, and Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, but no information could be obtained concerning a place known as the 25 Cent Club or the 25 Club. Observations were made in the vicinity of the place known as Six's Tavern, 5497 West Cermak Road, but it was noted that no tailor shops were in the vicinity of this tavern. With further reference to Big Six's Tavern, reference is made to a memorandum submitted by Special Agent R. D. Brown, dated July 29, 1933, in the Kansas City massacre case, in which it is stated that during the time Agent Brown was conducting an investigation in the cases entitled Will Green, et al, Escaped Federal Prisoner, Chicago file 76-200, and Thomas Holden with aliases, et al, Escaped Federal Prisoner, Chicago file 76-115, he interviewed and gained the confidence of [redacted] who was subsequently convicted for smuggling arms and explosives into the Leavenworth Penitentiary, and through this source he learned that FRANK NASH, Doc Stacy, and other members of this gang with whom it is now known the

subjects of this case associated, frequented a saloon operated by one "Big Six", at 5704 West 22nd Street, Cicero, Illinois, and it was at this place that Earl Fontaine contacted Frank Nash to secure funds for Harold Fontaine's defense. This is mentioned here for future reference in conducting further investigations at Cicero, Illinois, inasmuch as the "Big Six" referred to in Agent Brown's memorandum no doubt is identical with the individual operating "Six's Place" at the present time in Cicero, Illinois.

Special Agent J. L. Madala recently received information from IRENE DORSEY that GUS STEVENS who was considered a prominent suspect in the Kansas City massacre case frequented Jeranekes Restaurant, 5006 West Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois, and it is possible that the fugitives in this case might also be familiar with this restaurant, as information has been obtained that the individual known as Old Gus was a very close association of Vernon Miller, Frank Nash, and others of that mob. It was noted however, that there is no tailor shop in the close vicinity of this restaurant, and apparently this is not the restaurant referred to by [REDACTED] who furnished the description of the restaurant, where it was believed that Willie Harrison might at the present time be frequenting.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent D.P. Sullivan:

For the information of field offices receiving copies of this report, and for future comparison, a list of toll calls made during April and May, 1933, from HAMMOND 1663, listed to WILLIAM J. HARRISON, then residing at 310 West Mason Street, Calumet City, Illinois, is herewith given:

5/26/33 - Lansing - 272
 4/18/33 - Chicago - Nev. 4360 - Miss Person to Ham. 1663 - Ernest W. Kehn, 3001 Warren Blvd, Chicago
 4/22/33 - South Bend 30655
 4/24/33 - 5-4584 W Mrs. Tucker, Jacksonville, Fla. to Ham. 1663
 4/21/33 - Jacksonville, Florida 54584W
 4/18/33 - "
 4/18/33 - Toledo, Ohio - Kingswood 4472
 4/14/33 - San Diego, Cal. - Main 3725 - Savoy Restaurant
 4/14/33 - Jacksonville, Florida 54584W
 4/12/33 - Los Angeles, California - Dunkirk 7776 - Ray Green
 4/15/33 - Toledo, Ohio - Lawndale 6282
 4/15/33 - St. Louis, Mo. Jefferson 7767
 4/25/33 - Jacksonville, Fla. - 54584W
 4/25/33 - Davenport, Iowa - Kenwood 4863
 5/ 5/33 - Clarence Coff calling St. Louis - Franklin 6948
 5/21/33 - Toledo, Ohio - La-0491 - Harold Berry calling Hammond
 4/26/33 - Valparaiso, Ind. 429 PO - Tavern
 5/26/33 - Chicago - Nev. 4360 Miss Goodwin calling Hammond 1663
 5/26/33 - Chicago - Nev. 4360 Mae Green calling Hammond 1663
 5/28/33 - Lansing 272
 5/28/33 - Chicago - Nev. 4360 - Miss Goodwin calling Hammond
 5/29/33 - " " Miss Harrison
 5/29/33 - "
 4/ 5/33 - Tinley Park, Ill. 90- John J. Gibbons, 147th & Bachelors Grove
 4/13/33 - South Bend 30655
 4/17/33 - Tinley Park, Ill. 90
 4/26/33 - Beecher, Illinois 78J
 4/25/33 - Gary 7428
 4/25/33 - Chicago - Boy 1762 -
 4/25/33 - Chicago - Wen 3035 - Woodlawn Tavern, 410 E. 63rd St.
 4/27/33 - " - But 2445
 4/28/33 - Evergreen Park 7227
 4/28/33 - Chicago - Nevada 4360
 4/28/33 - " - Lincoln 5781
 4/29/33 - Blue Island 1003
 4/29/33 - Blue Island 1003

4/29/33 - Chicago Heights 3429
 5/ 2/33 - Chicago - Lincoln 5781
 5/ 2/33 - Chicago - Saginaw 6273
 5/ 3/33 - " Saginaw 6273
 5/ 4/33 - " But 2445
 5/ 5/33 - Evergreen Park 7227
 5/ 5/33 - Blue Island 356
 5/ 6/33 - Chicago - Nev. 4360
 5/ 6/33 - Blue Island 2316
 5/ 9/33 - Chicago - Sag. 3827
 5/ 9/33 - " Dea. 2525
 5/10/33 - " Col. 5876
 5/10/33 - Blue Island 356
 5/16/33 - " "
 5/17/33 - Chicago - Nev. 4360
 5/17/33 - " Vir. 1070
 5/18/33 - " Oak. 3478
 5/18/33 - " Vir. 1070
 5/20/33 - Burnham 9878
 5/20/33 - Blue Island 356
 5/20/33 - " "
 5/21/33 - Chicago - Pul. 1785
 5/21/33 - " Nev. 4360
 5/20/33 - Blue Island 356
 5/22/33 - Chicago - Nev. 4360
 5/22/33 - " Vir. 1070
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 4/ 2/33 - " Nev. 4360
 4/ 5/33 - " Nev. 4360
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 4/ 5/33 - " Mid. 10553
 4/ 5/33 - East Chicago 1909
 4/ 5/33 - Chicago - Wen. 3035
 4/ 5/33 - Gary 7428
 4/ 5/33 - Chicago - Bou. 1762
 4/ 7/33 - " Vir. 1070
 4/ 7/33 - " Mid. 10553
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Previous investigation has resulted in obtaining some information of value in ascertaining associates and connections of Harrison. At the Blue Island exchange of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Agent Sullivan ascertained that BLUE ISLAND 356, a number called from Harrison's telephone at Calumet City in April, 1933, was formerly listed to FRANK SONNENSCHN, 13351 South Rolla Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois. Records of the telephone company indicated that he is now doing business at 12708 South Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, where he is operating a liquor store.

J. FLOYD SMITH, Postmaster, Blue Island, stated that Sonnenschein was formerly a bootlegger who operated at the first above given address; that he is now operating a legitimate liquor store; that he believed it would be advisable to interview him.

FRANK SONNENSCHN was thereupon interviewed and stated that he had been acquainted with Harrison for some years; that Harrison formerly purchased liquor from him; that he considered Harrison a petty bootlegger who played considerable golf; that Harrison to his knowledge was quite friendly with JACKIE FILAN. Filan it is to be noted is presently in the Leavenworth Penitentiary on a counterfeiting charge, and is a former business partner of Harrison at Calumet City. Filan has been interviewed. Sonnenschein stated that Harrison likewise had formerly been in business with JOHN MCGINNITY, and Harrison ran liquor with HARRY TUCKER, whose wife comes from Savana, Ga. He stated that he has not seen Harrison for possibly a year and a half or two years; that he never lived in Calumet City, and had met Harrison only occasionally; that he knew of no other persons well acquainted with Harrison; that he knew of no connections Harrison might have in Blue Island or vicinity; that he considered Harrison to be but a "wind bag", stating that he talked a great deal about how tough he was, but Sonnenschein stated he did not believe Harrison was either tough or dangerous. He stated that he would be only too glad to notify the Chicago Bureau office should he receive any information of Harrison's whereabouts, and indicated that he was not at all friendly with Harrison.

Investigation was likewise conducted to ascertain the subscriber to Blue Island 1003, a telephone number called from Hammond, 1663, listed to Harrison at Calumet City, Illinois as above mentioned during April, 1933. This telephone is listed to BELVA KIRK, 2419 West Burr Oak Avenue, Blue

Island, Illinois. Service was discontinued on February 2, 1934. There is a notation on the records of the Blue Island exchange of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, apparently a forwarding address, to General Delivery, Orlando, Florida.

Postal Carrier Ezra Warren stated that Belva Kirk formerly lived at the above Burr Oak Avenue address with a bootlegger named CARL BAKER; that she sometimes used the name of Baker; that Baker and the Kirk woman both left Blue Island early in 1934, and left a forwarding address of General Delivery, Orlando, Florida. Warren stated that he understood that the Kirk woman was operating a house of prostitution in Orlando, but could not remember the source of this information. Belva Kirk has a married sister at Orlando, who is fairly wealthy, and who is engaged in the real estate business. Belva Kirk was described by Warren as being approximately 40 years of age, with reddish brown hair, five feet six inches, 170 pounds, stout build. In connection with Orlando, Florida, it is to be noted that William Woodbury, negro employed by Kate and Fred Barker at Oklawaha, stated that on one of Barker's trips to or from Miami, he stopped at Orlando, and had some repairs done on his automobile. Mention likewise is made in previous reports that the Barkers had been making inquiry at Orlando for the purpose of obtaining a residence. In view of the above it is believed possible that the Barkers and other members of the gang may have a connection at Orlando, and that this connection might possibly be through CARL BAKER or BELVA KIRK. A letter was therefore sent to the Jacksonville office on March 16, 1935, requesting investigation to ascertain whether Harrison has contacted either Belva Kirk or Carl Barker at Orlando.

FRANK MOOSE, bartender at the tavern located at State Street and State Line Street, Calumet City, Illinois was interviewed, and stated that GRACE, a waitress likewise employed at this tavern, had mentioned that Willie Harris, referring to Harrison, had been at Burnham, Illinois before newspapers erroneously published the information that Harrison had been arrested on the day that Russell Gibson was killed at 3920 Pine Grove Ave. Chicago. Moose stated that he would make further inquiry to ascertain more definite information in this regard.

Agent Sullivan made discreet inquiry at Burnham, Illinois Post office and was referred to CLARENCE MATHEW, 14116 Green Bay Avenue, Burnham, Illinois, as a respectable person not connected with John Patton, Mayor, or other members of the Capone syndicate who control the city of Burnham. Mathew was shown photographs of all members of the

Barker-Karpis gang, which he failed to recognize. He referred Agent Sullivan to WILLIAM SCHWARTZ, 13960 Green Bay Avenue, Burnham, who is employed at the Atlas Fuel Company, 4925 South Paulina St. Chicago, Illinois, as a young man who occasionally frequented taverns in Burnham.

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ was interviewed and stated that Harrison, whose photograph he was shown, had formerly played golf at the Burnham Golf Course frequently, but that he had not seen him for the past two years; that the Burnham Golf course had been formerly frequented by Al and Ralph Capone, Gus Winkler, and other notorious members of the Capone syndicate. He stated that the only place he believed might be frequented by any persons hiding out would be a tavern formerly operated under the name of Coney Island. He stated that this place had been closed for years, but approximately February 25, 1935, it reopened for about one week, under the management of a man named SAM, who is believed to operate a tavern on Green Bay Avenue on the east side of South Chicago, just north of Burnham, Illinois. He said he knew of no one hanging about this tavern; that the only place frequented by friends of Mayor Patton was the "Shanty", on Burnham Road opposite Patton's residence, and next door to the Main garage. He stated that the "Shanty" was operated by Fred Hartman; that the Main Garage was operated by Ruddy Buckner. He stated that Patton, Hartman and Buckner were very close; that these places were frequented only by hoodlums well known in Burnham; that no information could be obtained there openly. Schwartz later made inquiry of several young boys who caddy at the Burnham Golf Course, and later advised that he could obtain no information indicating that Harrison had been frequenting Burnham, Illinois lately.

Chief of Detectives Sandor Singer, Hammond Police Department advised that a confidential informant whose name he would not divulge, had stated that Harrison had been hanging about Burnham, Illinois, especially about Coney Island, the place above mentioned which is reported closed. Sandor Singer stated that he did not have the address of this informant but expected to see him shortly; that this man expected to obtain more definite information.

Frank Moose, above mentioned, later was contacted by Agent Sullivan and stated that he had spoken with the waitress named Grace employed with Moose; that he had likewise made inquiry of several persons who frequent Burnham, Illinois; that he had ascertained to his satisfaction that Harrison had not been frequenting Burnham; that he considered the report that Harrison had been in Burnham erroneous; that no one seemed to have any information indicating that Harrison had

recently been in Burnham. It is to be noted that a Mr. Buckmaster, who operates the tavern where Moose is employed is quite friendly with John Patton and other persons who operate the Great Lakes Brewery in Calumet City, which brewery is reported to be owned by Patton, Danny O'Connor and others, and is considered a Capone syndicate brewery. Moose stated that he would continue to make inquiry to ascertain any information available regarding Harrison. Moose likewise stated that JIM BUCKLEY, ex-policeman at Calumet City, and now a salesman for Two Way Radios, had informed him that Harrison was in Florida. Moose stated that Buckley was a respectable business man.

JIM BUCKLEY, 539 Forsythe Avenue, Calumet City, Illinois was interviewed and stated that he is a representative of the Chicago Sound Equipment Manufacturing Company, which manufactures two way Police radios. He stated that on or about March 1, 1935, one JIM MULLIGAN, a bartender at 708 State Line Street, Calumet City, Illinois, during a conversation stated that Harrison was in Florida. Buckley stated that Mulligan did not indicate whether his information was recent or referred to some months past. He stated that he would again make inquiry of Mulligan and other persons he is acquainted with in Calumet City to ascertain more definite information; that he was well acquainted with FRANK OSBORNE, who is reported to have formerly been a close friend of Harrison. Buckley stated he would make discreet inquiry of Osborne to ascertain whether Osborne is in communication with Harrison. The Chicago office will keep in touch with Buckley to ascertain the results of any information he may obtain.

On March 10, 1935, Officer Prince of the Calumet City Police Department telephoned the Chicago Bureau office and advised that the occupants of a house at 311 West Elizabeth Street, Calumet City, Illinois had been most suspicious in their actions, and indicated that he believed it possible that the house might be occupied by members of the Karpis-Barker gang, especially Harrison. Officer Prince was later interviewed by Agent Sullivan and advised that a Mrs. WASHER, 309 Elizabeth Street had complained that occupants of 311 Elizabeth Street had been acting suspiciously; that for the past few months no lights had been seen in the house; that no one was seen coming out of or entering the premises at 311 Elizabeth St.; that the gas and electricity had been turned off, and that the water department had been unable to read the meter for approximately four months; that occasionally at night a candle could be seen glowing inside the house; that the shades were kept down both night and day. Officer Prince stated that he thought it possible that Harrison might be occupying this house, inasmuch as he formerly lived at 310 West Mason St. Calumet City, which is the street immediately adjacent to Elizabeth Street.

Inquiry resulted in information that the premises at 311 West Elizabeth Street were occupied by JOHN SANYI, employed by the Standard Oil Company. At the Standard Oil Company offices, Whiting, Indiana, Agent Sullivan ascertain that John Sanyi had been continuously employed by this company as a crane engineer for eighteen years. Sanyi was interviewed and advised that for the past few months he has been in financial difficulty, and has been forced to do without gas and electricity; that he and his wife have not been getting along; that they were forced to use candle light; that no one has been visiting his home. He was shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, but failed to recognize any of them. Sanyi in no way resembles any persons wanted in this case.

It was noted that on April 18 and 19, 1933, Gary 2-7757 was called from Hammond 1663, telephone listed to Harrison at 310 West Mason St. Calumet City, Illinois. It is likewise noted from a previous report submitted by the Detroit office that on August 29, 1934, a long distance telephone call was made from Mich. 6735, listed to the Harvard Club, Cleveland, Ohio, to the above Gary number, 2,7757. This Gary telephone number is listed to J. HEIDT, 6000 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana. This is the telephone at the gasoline station operated by JACOB HEIDT, father of Ruth Heidt. Ruth Heidt until approximately October 1, 1934, was continuously residing with her father at this address. It is to be noted that the Harvard Club is reported to be a principal place of contact for Harrison and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang at Cleveland, Ohio. The fact that Gary 2-7757 was called by Harrison when he was residing with MAY GREEN at Calumet City, Illinois in April, 1933, and that this number was called in August, 1934, indicates that either Harrison or other persons connected with him was in touch with Ruth Heidt.

RUTH HEIDT, 5 Walton Street, Calumet City, Illinois was interviewed and questioned as to the identity of various persons who might be in communication with Harrison. She was unable or unwilling to provide any additional information to that already given by her. She stated that Whitey, who according to [REDACTED] was a close friend of Harrison, is unknown to her; that she is likewise not acquainted with anyone named Pete. She mentioned however, that the Chow dog in her possession at the time she was arrested at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, was purchased by Harrison for her, in Michigan, during September, 1934. She showed Agent Sullivan the pedigree of this dog, which indicates that the dog was purchased from the Steed Chow Kennels, Temperance, Michigan. The pedigree indicates that the breeder is Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Steed; that the sire of this dog is Steed's Chandra, Number 842843; that this dog's dam is Steed's Nee Lu, Number 781739. b7c b7d

RUTH HEIDT stated that she is presently employed at the Liars Club, 664 Hirsch Street, Calumet City, Illinois as a bartender; that this place is operated by two men who are employed at the Shell Oil Company Refinery at Whiting, Indiana; that she had obtained no information of value in locating Harrison since she was released by the Chicago Bureau office. It is Agent Sullivan's opinion that Ruth Heidt cannot be depended upon to provide any information regarding Harrison's whereabouts, and in view of previous information indicating that Harrison, Fred Barker and Karpis had frequented the gasoline station operated by her father at 6000 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana on many occasions during August and September, 1934 it is believed that she may possibly still be in touch with Harrison, her former husband.

The Southmoor Hotel has been mentioned in previous reports as a former residence of Harrison. William Deutsch, Manager of this hotel was interviewed and stated that Harrison resided at the Southmoor for approximately four or five months during the latter part of 1929 or first part of 1930 with a woman, presumably his wife. This woman is described as being blond, slender and slight of build, and Deutsch understood that she was an entertainer in night clubs in Chicago. He had no other information concerning this woman. Deutsch stated that on August 17, 1929, a man named Buckley and his wife registered at the hotel and stayed approximately two months; that they apparently had been referred to the hotel by Harrison, with whom they were very friendly. He stated that Buckley was about six feet tall, medium build, dark brown hair, medium complexion. He stated that Buckley stated he was a traveling salesman. Deutsch recalled that either the Hammond or Chicago Police Department, after Buckley's departure from the hotel, had made inquiry concerning him. Deutsch stated that Fred "Killer" Burke, and Charles J. Fitzgerald had not, as had been previously reported, stayed at the Southmoor Hotel, but were believed to have formerly lived at the Cordova Hotel apartments at Hammond, Indiana. Upon further questioning he stated that he knew no one else acquainted with Harrison, and has not seen Harrison for several years. He stated that he would immediately advise the Chicago Bureau office should Harrison call or stay at that hotel.

Telephone number Gary 24869 called from Hammond 1663, telephone listed to Harrison in April, 1933, is listed to HARRY BUTTERFIELD, Jr. 571 McKinley Street, Gary, Indiana. Agent Sullivan upon discreet inquiry was advised that Butterfield has a responsible job in the Gary steel mills. Mr. Butterfield was interviewed and stated that approximately two or three years ago he had on several occasions purchased liquor from Harrison, who was at that time bootlegging; that Harrison formerly on a few occasions

played golf at the Gary Country Club; that he believed he had seen Harrison playing golf at the country club during the past summer; that he knew no one well acquainted with Harrison, and although questioned closely was unable to provide any other information of value.

JACK WADDALL, professional at the Gary Country Club was interviewed and shown photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang. He stated that Harrison, up until approximately two years ago, had played golf occasionally at this country club; that he had at no time been a member but apparently had been brought in by someone as a guest. Agent Sullivan checked the records of the guests at the country club for the past year but was unable to find any record of Harrison having played golf at this club during that time. Waddall stated that he had not seen Harrison for approximately three years; that he would immediately notify the Chicago office should Harrison appear at the golf course. The address of the Chicago Bureau office was furnished to Waddall.

John McGinnity, Sip and Bite Tavern, 5th Avenue and Washington St. Gary, Indiana was interviewed by Agent Sullivan. McGinnity is an elderly man, employed Harrison as bartender for approximately four years at Calumet City, Illinois. McGinnity has been frequently mentioned by persons previously interviewed as having a wide acquaintance among hoodlums frequenting Calumet City.

McGinnity stated that to his knowledge Harrison came to Chicago and vicinity from St. Louis some time during 1925; that shortly after his arrival in Chicago he was employed by JOE FESTIS as a bartender at Coney Island, a tavern at Burnham, Illinois. McGinnity stated that to his knowledge Coney Island is no longer open. Thereafter McGinnity employed Harrison as a bartender at the First Ward Democratic Club, 221 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois. McGinnity stated that when Harrison first came to Calumet City he was a likeable, clean young man, but that he became acquainted with some notorious hoodlums after his arrival, and later got the opinion that he was tough; that he started to carry a gun and frequented the company of hoodlums. After he left McGinnity's employ McGinnity stated Harrison went into business with a man named BERT, last name not recalled, and that Bert had a tavern in Toledo, Ohio which was frequented by hoodlums. He stated that he did not believe Bert's last name was ANGUS; that Bert likewise operated a resort on an island in the middle of the river across from Sandusky, Ohio; that he had heard that this island was frequented by hoodlums and used as a hideout. McGinnity stated that to his knowledge he had frequently heard that Toledo, Ohio was a point used by hoodlums as a hideout. He stated he had no further information in regard to Bert

and had not seen him for some years. Thereafter, according to McGinnity, Harrison operated a tavern at 403 State Street Calumet City, Illinois; that approximately 1929, Homer Wilson alias Big Homer; Charles J. Fitzgerald alias Old Charlie; Fred "Killer" Burke; Fred Goetz, a fellow named "Goose Neck" (undoubtedly Ray Nugent, a friend of Fred Burke), Gus Winkler, a cripple whom McGinnity thinks is identical with Bob Carey, and a short stocky man who came from St. Louis, and who was an aviator, frequented Harrison's tavern. McGinnity stated that Big Homer appeared to be one of the principal members of this gang; that Fred Burke, Winkler, Goetz, and several others during that time had hidden out in a cottage owned by Fred Hartman, who operates the "Shanty" at Burnham, Illinois. He stated that this cottage is on a street immediately in the rear of Patton's residence, and this street runs parallel with Burnham Avenue in Burnham, Ill. He stated that Harrison was almost constantly in the company of the persons above mentioned.

Upon later interview McGinnity stated that the aviator referred to by him as being from St. Louis was LEE TURNER. Upon further questioning McGinnity stated that there was a man named Whitey who was very closely connected with Big Homer, and acted as errand boy for Homer. McGinnity described this man as being 35 years of age, 5 ft. 6 inches, 135 pounds, blond hair, light complexion. McGinnity stated he believed that this Whitey was from St. Louis, Missouri, and that Whitey resided with Harrison at 310 West Mason St. McGinnity likewise stated that he did not know any persons well acquainted with Whitey, but that he believed that Whitey had frequented Blue Island, Illinois, and he thought it possible that FRANK SONNENSCHNEIN, above mentioned, might be acquainted with Whitey. Concerning the identity of PETE, mentioned by [redacted] as a close friend of Harrison, McGinnity stated that he recalled a man of Pete's description who was quite friendly with Harrison. He stated that Pete was a "second story" man who committed burglaries; that although he was a nice looking young fellow he is considered a tough character. McGinnity stated that he knew no one acquainted with Pete; that he did not know his last name, nor was he able to provide any further information which would be helpful in identifying this man.

McGinnity further stated that a girl named BILLIE WOODS, formerly frequented the company of the "Killer" Burke mob while they were residing near Burnham, Illinois; that Billie Woods was formerly a manicurist at Goldblatts Department Store in Hammond, but is now married to a man named Chase, from Gary, Indiana, and that they live in Hobart, Indiana, just

outside of Gary, Indiana; that Helen Woods, sister of Billie Woods, is now living with Paul Croak, book-maker employed in a cigar store at State and Heman Avenue, Hammond, Indiana. McGinnity stated that Helen Woods formerly lived with a cripple who undoubtedly is Bob Carey, while Killer Burke and the rest of the mob lived in Burnham, Illinois. He stated that he did not believe that Helen or Billie Woods would be able to provide any information of value as to Harrison's present whereabouts. However, effort will be made to locate and interview both of these women.

McGinnity stated that JACK RILEY, who formerly tended bar for Harrison is presently employed in a tavern operated by a man named Warner. This tavern is immediately across the street from Goldblatts Department Store in Hammond. McGinnity stated that Riley was acquainted with all members of the "Killer" Burke mob, but that he did not believe Riley would provide any information to Agent Sullivan.

McGinnity has been contacted on several occasions since his first interview, and during one of his subsequent interviews he advised he had interviewed Jack Riley, and that Riley had informed him that of the original mob of sixteen, only two were left, namely Charles Fitzgerald and Lee Turner; that Turner was a close friend of Harrison; that he had recently completed serving a term in prison; that he has an interest in a night club in Chicago; that Turner while residing in Burnham, Illinois, lived with a girl named Tess from St. Louis; that Tess by reputation was a shop lifter and had a long criminal record in St. Louis.

In connection with Lee Turner, it is to be noted that he was sentenced to serve a year and a day in the U.S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas on October 18, 1933, on a charge of violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. A letter was directed to the St. Louis office suggesting that efforts be made to locate Turner through the parole or probation officers at St. Louis in order that discreet investigation might be made to ascertain whether he has been in touch with Harrison.

In this connection reference is made to file entitled Lee Turner, Fugitive, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, with St. Louis as the office of origin, Chicago file 26-4355, report of Special Agent R. G. Reed, February 12, 1932, which contains the information that Chief Investigator of the States Attorney's office, Pat Roche, was interviewed at that time and advised that Lieutenant Cusick, formerly of Roche's office, had obtained information from one Joe Tucker that Turner was at that time in Chicago, and that he had

formerly been associated with Willie Harrison in the operation of a saloon on State Street in Calumet City, but that recently on account of the "heat" in the section, Harrison had moved his saloon west to Cicero or perhaps Berwyn, Illinois, and that Turner and the rest of the mob had gone with Harrison. Mention was likewise made in the case of Thomas Holden and Francis Keating, Escaped Federal Prisoner, that Keating and Holden were supposed to be contacting Turner at Harrison's saloon at Calumet City. The above mentioned report also indicates that Turner was frequenting the company of a woman named Dorothy Dodd alias Marie Morris alias Tessie Wilkite alias Tess Gallagher alias Mrs. Harry Delabos, who is reported to be well known to the St. Louis Police Department as a shop lifter. This woman is described as being 24 years of age, (in 1924), 5 ft. 3½ inches, weight 135 pounds, build slender, complexion medium sallow. This report likewise indicates that Herman Beckman alias Kinky Beckman was friendly with Turner. Beckman was recently employed at the Sportsman's Park race track, and was a few months ago interviewed for information regarding the whereabouts of Homer Wilson, before Wilson's death. It is not believed advisable at this time to interview Beckman inasmuch as Sportsman's Park Race Track is reported to be owned by John Patton, Mayor of Burnham, Ill. who is reported to be a close friend of Harrison.

McGinnity likewise stated that Bob McCollough, who is presently employed by John Patton, Mayor of Burnham, Illinois as a body guard, had formerly been a very close friend of Harrison; that McCollough frequently played golf with Harrison; that McCollough at the present time is reported to be with Patton in Florida. McGinnity likewise stated that during the latter part of 1933, Harrison was engaged in running liquor from Canada with one DON WIGGS, who formerly resided on 15th Avenue in Hessville, near Gary, Indiana. McGinnity stated that Wiggs is reported to be presently residing somewhere on the north side of Chicago, Illinois; that Wiggs' father-in-law operates a gas station at Hessville; that Wiggs had threatened his father-in-law who is not friendly toward Wiggs; that Wiggs lived with Harrison when he resided at the Mason Street address in Calumet City, Illinois in 1933. McGinnity stated that he believed Wiggs, Tucker and Harrison ran liquor to Calumet City from the island operated by Bert near Sandusky, Ohio as described above. McGinnity stated that for approximately three years until 1930 Harrison lived with a blond night club entertainer named Dickie May; that Dickie May is presently employed as a night club entertainer somewhere in Chicago; that her husband Norman May was a piano player in night clubs. McGinnity stated in regard to Charles J. Fitzgerald, that he understood Fitzgerald had a farm or resort somewhere in Wisconsin which was frequently visited by Winkler, Burke and other members of the mob who had stayed at Calumet City. With regard to a man named Jack who has been mentioned by Mrs. Winkler in a biography of her husband, which is yet not

published, a copy of which has been confidentially provided to the Bureau. McGinnity stated he believed that JACK who was a close friend of Winkler, was JACK FILAN, ex-partner of Harrison, now in the Leavenworth Penitentiary. McGinnity was shown a photograph of Lee Turner which he identified as being the person he mentioned as a close friend of Harrison. This photograph is St. Louis, Missouri Police Department number 9396. McGinnity likewise stated that the Capone syndicate had been pretty well broken up; that John Patton, Mayor of Burnham, Illinois has in the past been the "brains" of the Capone syndicate; that remnants of the Capone syndicate are hanging about Chicago Heights, Illinois, and that members thereof are operating the gambling house at 12 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois; that one Mussolini, alias Muzzey, has for years been one of the strong arm men of the Capone syndicate; that he believes he is presently employed in the gambling house at 12 State St. McGinnity stated that JOHN BUCKNER, who McGinnity believes is working in a tavern somewhere in Calumet City, and who has resided in Burnham, Illinois for some years, was a close friend of Harrison; that RED O'MALLEY, previously mentioned as a close friend of Harrison, recently completed a jail sentence somewhere, and McGinnity stated he had heard that O'Malley is hanging around in or about Toledo, Ohio. He further stated that a girl named BILLIE SANDLIN, who formerly hung about Calumet City, Illinois, was acquainted with Harrison; that Harrison for years had been infatuated with the Sandlin woman, who had not reciprocated his affection; that he believed Harrison still would seek her favor; that he had heard that Billie Sandlin with her sister, was in Miami, Florida; that Billie Sandlin's father was a former Sheriff at Lebanon, Indiana; that he believed that the Sandlin woman would frequent the company of any man who had sufficient money. A letter was directed to the Indianapolis office, suggesting a discreet inquiry at Lebanon, Indiana, to ascertain the present whereabouts of Billie Sandlin.

McGinnity further stated, upon later interview, that he had heard that Miss Sandlin intended to return to the vicinity of Calumet City, Illinois and that he would attempt to ascertain her address should she arrive in this section of the country. McGinnity was shown photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang which he failed to recognize, with the exception of the persons above mentioned. He was shown a photograph of Arthur Johnston alias Red Price, who is presently in the Colorado State Prison. McGinnity stated that he had seen Price around Calumet City some years ago in the company of Homer Wilson.

McGinnity is apparently very anxious to aid the Chicago office in locating Harrison. In June, 1933 McGinnity left Calumet City and went to Gary, Indiana. At that time Don Wiggs, partner of Harrison threatened McGinnity with a gun. Wiggs attempted to take over McGinnity's tavern at Calumet City by force. Harrison had previously threatened to kill McGinnity

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and on one night left his residence and informed [REDACTED] that he was going to shoot McGinnity, brandishing a revolver. McGinnity stated that [REDACTED] warned him by telephone that Harrison was looking for him. This caused the arrest of Harrison at Calumet City, as mentioned in Harrison's identification order. McGinnity at times is reported to wander a bit in his mind, but he undoubtedly has been well acquainted with notorious members of the Capone syndicate and other gangsters who formerly frequented Calumet City and Burnham, Illinois, and it is believed he may be able to provide valuable information in the future.

On March 30, 1935, McGinnity telephoned the Chicago office and advised that that day he was speaking with a friend who had mentioned that Harrison had been seen for three consecutive days in Calumet City. Agents Suran and Sullivan proceeded to Gary, Indiana and interviewed JOHN MCGINNITY who stated that that afternoon BARNEY HYREMS who operates the Gary Business College had informed him that a friend had stated he had seen Harrison at Calumet City, Illinois on the previous night; that Harrison had been in Calumet City for three consecutive days. McGinnity stated he did not know whether the information would prove valuable or not.

BARNEY HYREMS, Gary Business College was interviewed and stated that one KENT DORL, a young man employed in a book making establishment in Gary, Indiana, had mentioned to him that Dorl or a friend of his had seen Harrison in Calumet City. Hyrems stated that Dorl was a respectable young man who could be depended upon to tell the truth.

KENT DORL was thereupon interviewed and advised that he had received his information from a fellow named HAROLD LAUBE, son of a former Gary, Indiana Justice of the Peace; that he had merely overheard snatches of conversation; that he understood that Laube had seen Harrison on Friday March 29, 1935, and that Harrison was in Calumet City. Dorl later contacted Laube and made discreet inquiry of him, and later reported that Laube stated that he had not seen Harrison in Calumet City recently; that the last time he saw Harrison was six months or more ago in Calumet City, Ill. Dorl stated that Laube was very talkative; that he did not believe it advisable to interview him, inasmuch as he felt that Laube would broadcast the fact that he had been interviewed by Agents to every person he met in Calumet City or Hammond.

JOE ROBERTS alias JOE FESTIS was interviewed at the Indiana State Penitentiary, Michigan City, Indiana. Festis stated that he has been acquainted with Harrison since 1925; that Harrison came from St. Louis with one Red McHugh, and a couple of other men whose identities are unknown to Roberts; that Harrison and his companions were engaged in a golf

confidence game whereby they would lead prospective "suckers" into playing golf with Harrison and betting on the golf matches. Roberts stated he had no further information in regard to McHugh; that shortly after his arrival Harrison obtained a position as bartender with DAVE CREELEY, 95th and Truman Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; that he worked at this place for approximately six months, and then was employed by Roberts as a bartender at Coney Island Burnham, Illinois. In the winter of 1929 Roberts stated that he took Harrison to Florida with him; that they spent a couple of months there whiling away their time; that during this period Harrison frequented a tavern operated by a man named Whitey who came from Dayton, Ohio. Harrison was quite friendly with this Whitey. The above mentioned tavern is located immediately across the street from the Roney Plaza Hotel on Ocean Drive. Roberts stated that he knew of no other Whitey acquainted with Harrison; that the person named PETE was unknown to him; that Harrison before he came to Calumet City was a professional golf player at Herrin and Benton, Ill. and at Clarksville, Tennessee. Roberts was reluctant to provide agent Sullivan with any information and would not disclose any information concerning John Patton, Lee Turner, or other members of the gang who formerly frequented Burnham, Illinois. A letter was sent to the Jacksonville office requesting investigation at Miami, Florida, to ascertain the identity of Whitey, who operated the above mentioned tavern across the street from the Roney Plaza Hotel during the winter season of 1929.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent H. A. Martin on March 29, 1935:

During the conduction of another investigation at Michigan City, Indiana on the above date, Agent exhibited to Special Deputy Sheriff Wallace Fyhr of Michigan City the photograph of William J. Harrison, a fugitive in the above case. Mr. Fyhr recognized the photograph as being that of a person he had seen around Michigan City at various times. He stated that Harrison was a good friend of one Herb Heraham, who operated the Willard Sea Food Restaurant at 7th and Willard Avenue, Michigan City, Indiana, and has been known to hang out there frequently. Mr. Fyhr stated further that a record of subject's divorce could be found in the local Clerk's office. He stated that he had for some time been a close friend of Harrison's former wife, now known as Ruth Heidt, who is at the present time employed as a waitress at the Liars' Club, 664 Hirsch Street, Calumet City, Illinois. The records of the County Clerk's office at Michigan City were examined by Agent and they reflected that one Ruth Irene Harrison had received a divorce on March 21, 1933 from William H. Harrison. Notice had been by publication. This record was found on page 51 of fee book #14 and is known as cause #9797. The grounds for the divorce were cruelty and inhuman treatment.

Mr. Fyhr advised Agent that Harrison had not been seen recently in that vicinity but that it had been his custom to go to Miami, Florida every year where he could get employment as a professional golfer, at which he is supposed to excel. He expected, however, that Harrison will be seen in that vicinity as soon as the golfing season begins there.

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On the evening of April 4, 1935, Special Agent Shivers of the St. Louis office telephoned and advised that he had talked with [redacted] after she had called upon Mrs. Harrison, the mother of Willie Harrison on that night, and [redacted] stated that Mrs. Harrison advised her that on apparently the same day JOHN RUSSELL MORAN had talked to [redacted] an individual other than Moran called on Mrs. Harrison and advised he was delivering a message for her from WILLIE HARRISON; that Willie wanted her to know he was all right; that he was in Chicago, but due to conditions existing at that time he could not come to St. Louis. Agent Shivers also advised that [redacted] had been requested to advise whether she believed the Hy-Ho Club could be the place referred to where Willie Harrison might be visiting, according to the statement of Moran, and she advised possibly this could be the place as she knew it to be in the close vicinity of the Western Electric Plant and that there was a bad odor in that particular neighborhood.

Investigation by Agent Sullivan resulted in information that approximately two years ago, what is now called the Hy-Ho Club at 2244 Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois advertised sandwiches and drinks for twenty five cents. Cicero Avenue runs north and south and the Hy-Ho Club is a short distance south of 22nd Street, some times called Cermak Road. The club is located on the west side of the street just south of 23rd Place. On the south-west corner of 23rd Place and Cicero Avenue is a parking lot. Next to this parking lot on Cicero Avenue is located a two story frame dwelling. The Hy-Ho Club is immediately adjacent to this frame house. The club is a two story brown brick structure which was formerly operated under the name of the Cinema Club. Some four or five years ago the Cicero Grant Hotel was located on these premises. The club is reported to have been formerly owned by TONY CAPEZIO alias Tough Tony, and JOHN BANANA. A man by the name of Newcander is likewise reported to have formerly had an interest in this place, although it is believed that Newcander was merely a straw man who never actually had a financial interest in the club. Up until six months ago on the west side of Cicero Avenue, and just north of 23rd Place and only a short distance, perhaps with four or five houses intervening between it and the Hy-Ho Club, was located the Hawthorne Tailoring establishment. Suits were made to order at this tailoring place and it is reported that various persons connected with the old Capone syndicate had suits made in the Hawthorne establishment. It is noted that the Capone syndicate made its headquarters in the vicinity of the Hy-Ho Club at what was formerly known as the Suburban Hotel on Cermak Road just west of Cicero Avenue. A large plant of the Western Electric Company is located along the west side of Cicero Avenue, south of Cermak Road. This plant takes up approximately three blocks. As to the Hy-Ho Club, it is primarily a night club with a large bar, dance floor and music, and it has been prominently mentioned in the past as a hangout for the Dillinger mob, and there is a record of a long distance telephone call

made from Harrison's home at 310 West Mason Street, Calumet City, Illinois to the telephone listed to the Hy-Ho Club in April, 1933, at which time May Green was residing with Harrison.

Surveillance of the Hy-Ho Club is being continued by Agents of the Chicago Bureau office, and no direct inquiries of any person connected with the club have been made, or will be made in the near future. b7c b7d

Confidential informant [redacted] has advised in connection with the Hy-Ho Club, that TONY CAPEZIO was having a "meet" with someone at that place around midnight practically every night, and also in the early hours of the morning. Agent G. C. Woltz who knows Capezio on sight, has been engaged in a surveillance at the Hy-Ho Club, but has failed to observe Tony Capezio at that place.

Confidential informant [redacted] has advised Special Agent W.C. Ryan that Chicago gangsters or individuals being sought by the Police, in meeting at the Hy-Ho Club usually do so around six or seven o'clock in the evening, before great activity takes place.

Upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Agents A. A. Muzzey, C. R. LaFrance, G. C. Woltz and D. P. Sullivan, the latter being the reporting agent, proceeded to Cicero, Illinois on the evening of April 8, 1935, and took up surveillance of the Hy-Ho Club, 2242 Cicero Avenue at 11.25 P.M. Because of the small amount of traffic moving along Cicero Avenue at that time, and the very few automobiles parked in front of the club, and within two blocks thereof, it was deemed advisable to cover the Hy-Ho Club by one car being stationed at Cermak Road with a view of the Hy-Ho Club, and the other car was to cruise along the front of the club.

The following cars were noted parked in front of the Hy-Ho Club:

1929 Graham Paige coupe, Illinois license plates 776197. A check of these plates indicates that they are issued to Graham Paige coupe of Mrs. KATHERINE JOSILK, 1522 South 59th Court, Cicero, Illinois.

Buick sedan bearing Illinois license plates 161799, issued to RUDOLPH ZAHBROBSKY, 2515 South 57th Court, Cicero, Illinois.

Auburn Sedan, bearing Illinois plates 66347, issued to ADOLPH J. COLTERMAN, 2532 Highland Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois.

LaSalle coupe bearing Illinois license plates 179846 issued to JOHN K. McLEROTH, 115 Harrison St. Oak Park, Illinois.

1934 Ford coach bearing Illinois license plates 158387, issued to JOHN PAUL CLINTON, 651 North Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois.

For approximately one half hour after midnight a "Blue" Cab, bearing Illinois license plates 170844, issued to the Blue Cab Company, 311 South Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois was parked in front of the Hy-Ho Club.

A 1934 Ford coach with red wheels, bearing Illinois license plates 110094 was likewise seen parked in front of the Hy-Ho Club, which plates are issued to ROBERT J. ANSANI, 3714 S. Kennilworth St. Berwyn, Illinois.

A 1935 Ford coach, bearing Illinois plates 1104893, and a 1933 Plymouth coupe bearing Illinois license plates 185172 were likewise parked in front of the Hy-Ho Club at approximately 12.30 A.M. April 9th. The license plates for the above mentioned Plymouth coupe were issued to CHARLES CARR, 311 S. 22nd Avenue, Bellwood, Illinois for a 1935 Ford. The license plates, No. 1104893, were issued to JAMES FERANDO, 5037 W. 32nd St. Cicero, Illinois. At approximately 12.30 A.M. the Plymouth coupe pushed the above mentioned Ford coupe, the motor of which appeared to be stalled, to the Square Deal Garage, in the 5400 block on Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois. This Ford

was occupied by two women.

A 1935 brown Deluxe Hudson Sedan, bearing Illinois license plates 359606, which plates were issued to JOSEPH CRAL, 5401 West 25th Court, Cicero, Illinois for a 1935 Hudson sedan was likewise parked for some time in front of the Hy-Ho Club. At approximately 1.50 A.M. two men left the club and drove away in a 1935 Pontiac Sedan, Illinois license plates 641030. This car was tailed to LaGrange, Illinois where one man was let off at a private home, and the other man entered the LaGrange restaurant. Agent Sullivan entered the restaurant and noted the man, who appeared to be young, well educated and well dressed. This man entered into casual conversation with a local policeman. After leaving the restaurant Agent Sullivan made casual inquiry as to the owner of the Pontiac and the policeman said it was the property of the boy in the restaurant, who was the owner of some kind of shop in LaGrange. The above plates are issued to GERALD W. STEVENS, 23 Pine Avenue, LaGrange, for a Chrysler automobile.

It appears from the names and addresses of the persons to whom the above mentioned license issued are issued, that there is no material connection or significance of such persons with this case.

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley that he was endeavoring to obtain information concerning 2024 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the place according to [redacted] where a party, identity unknown, was furnishing a hide out for someone wanted in the Bremer case. [redacted] advised that the wanted individual is being hidden out by someone not connected with this establishment, or a hanger-on at this place; that the individuals at 2024 Milwaukee Avenue seem to be very cautious about something; that he could not determine which of the individuals is responsible for this activity; that he has seen Capezio who is well known to him, at this place during the week of April 1. [redacted] further suggested that the possibilities are that an individual known as Moon Baker would be the one who could furnish the hideout for the individual in question.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents C. G. Campbell, C. R. La France and T. M. McDade, Agent Campbell being the reporting agent:

A surveillance of the gambling establishment located at 2024 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, was begun on March 28, 1935 by Agents Campbell and La France to cover one Moon Baker, customer of this place. Baker was kept under surveillance for two days, during this time making intermittent trips to the Armitage Restaurant, 2455 Armitage Avenue, and the Armitage Poolroom, 2459 Armitage Avenue. On March 29, 1935, at midnight, the proprietor of this poolroom and Baker spent approximately one hour walking around the neighborhood with apparently no destination in mind. Returning about 2:00 A.M. they immediately went to the apartment of the poolroom proprietor, located directly above the poolhall.

The following day Agents Campbell and McDade located Baker, who was engaged in a card game in this poolhall, where he was kept under surveillance until midnight, at which time he left the poolhall, going to the Armitage Restaurant and emerging with a box of groceries and foodstuffs, which he placed in a Model A Ford Coupe, then driving away. Baker was followed to 2857 McLean Avenue, where he carried the groceries in and remained until 1:00 A.M., coming out and returning to the Armitage Poolroom. Mr. Connelley was notified of this and ordered Agents to drop the surveillance that night.

The following morning, Sunday, March 31, 1935, Agent Campbell entered the lobby of the apartment house at 2857 McLean Avenue and secured the following names from the mail boxes:

Baker - Klinger

J. W. Walder
Brester

Dr. T. H. Miller

Rudenberg
Sonach

Feinstien
Yoffee

Hamilton
Deutsch

Berman

This apartment building has seven apartments, all of which are at present occupied, the Berman family being the proprietors.

Dr. Miller, who has offices at 2750 West North Avenue, was contacted in an effort to secure information as to Baker and Klinger. Dr. Miller informed Agents that Baker had resided in this apartment since last fall, coming there either in September or October and living with a woman twenty-eight or thirty years old, having red hair. As to the name Klinger, Dr. Miller could furnish no information, nor did he know whether or not this woman's name was Klinger or whether she was Baker's wife. He referred Agents to the janitor of this apartment building, whose name he could give only as Morris.

Morris, the janitor, resides at 2021 Humboldt Avenue, Apartment B, and was contacted by Agents but could furnish no further information as to the occupants of Baker's apartment. Agents attempted to get Morris to enter the apartment of Baker and go through all the rooms under the pretext of inspecting the radiators to see whether or not anyone was occupying this apartment other than Baker. This Morris was very reluctant to do, and to date he has not been persuaded to do so even by offers of remuneration.

Postman Kowalski, mail carrier at the Humboldt Park Post Office was contacted and furnished information that the owner of the lunch room at 2455 Armitage Avenue was one C. Garvin or C. Gavin, he was not sure of which, and that the proprietor of the poolroom at 2459 Armitage Avenue resided in a flat directly above the poolroom but that his name was unknown to him. He further advised that this poolroom had been open approximately sixty days and that previous to this time the proprietor had been in the shoe-shining business.

Postman Peter Mattanio of the Logan Square Post Office, who carries mail to the apartment house in which Baker resides, advised that Baker had been there approximately six months and that he resided there without placing his name on the box for a period of three months and did not do so until the postman called it to his attention.

The Ford Coupe which Baker drives bears Illinois tags for 1935 #711-267, registered in the name of Oscar Baker, 2455 Armitage Avenue, motor #3281166.

A surveillance of Baker's apartment after dark each evening in an effort to see other occupants of this apartment has met with no success; that is, the apartment was dark until Baker came home at approximately midnight.

The following is the criminal record of OSCAR BAKER alias MOON BAKER, as shown by records of the Chicago Police Department, obtained by Special Agent C. G. Campbell: b7c

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On April 5, 1935, a telephone tap was installed on the telephone at 2024 North Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, the number being Brunswick 9020. The janitor of this building, Mr. Markee, was contacted by Special Agents Campbell and McDade, and cooperated with Agents by permitting Agents to use the basement of the building to install the tap. At 4.20 P.M. this date the telephone company called Brunswick 9020, and conversation was had as to the new address of this gambling house. On the morning of April 6, 1935, the telephone at 2024 Milwaukee Avenue was discontinued, and installed under the same number at 2459 Armitage Avenue, where this gambling business is now being operated. It is understood that the business will be resumed at 2024 Milwaukee Avenue as soon as arrangements can be made with the new city administration.

Daily contact is being maintained with Janitor Markee, who will notify this office as soon as the gambling is resumed at 2024 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This gambling house is at present owned by four men, one of whom is a Mr. Feltman, the other three at present being unknown.

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The following information was submitted by Special Agent W.C. Ryan relative to information furnished by informant [redacted] who has been maintaining a close contact with Joe Gallichio and Sam Manno, contacts of the Karpis-Barker gang:

On March 15, 1935, upon being contacted, [redacted] advised that he had again visited Joe Gallichio and Sam Manno at 825 South Marshfield, Chicago, Illinois, and that in conversation with them he had determined that they are acquainted with all the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, but that Mibs (Joe Gallichio) advised him that he had only seen Karpis on one occasion, however, that he expects to hear from other members of the gang at any time.

[redacted] also stated that Mibs advised him that on the night previous to the killing of Slim Gray, Slim had just returned to the city and had stopped at 825 South Marshfield address, and picked up a machine gun, a bullet proof vest, a rifle and several pistols; that Mibs also told him that the wife of Slim Gray had recently advised him that on the night of the raid of the apartment at Pine Grove Avenue, upon receipt of a call, the place was surrounded by Agents, and that Slim Gray stated "They are here", and threw a bullet proof vest to Bolton, saying "Let's go"; that Slim then rushed out the door expecting to be followed by Bolton, but that Bolton threw himself on the floor, and that she was of the opinion that if Bolton had picked up Slim, that they would have both escaped.

Previous information in this case indicates that Clara Gibson was at one time associated with the Gallichio gang and was engaged in shop lifting at that time. [redacted] also advised that while with Mibs and Sammy on the afternoon of March 15, 1935, they evinced a lot of interest in a photograph and article appearing in the Chicago Daily Times concerning the removal of Edna Murray to St. Paul, Minnesota; that Mibs stated upon seeing the article "I told you she was in St. Paul"; that both Mibs and Sammy agreed that the newspaper picture was a very good likeness of Edna Murray. [redacted] also stated at this time that Mibs inquired of him whether he knew of any place where he could get a chopper (meaning machine gun); that Mibs stated that Slim Gray had left them without a thing, and that if Slim had left the guns at his place instead of taking them to the Pine Grove apartment that they would still have them.

[redacted] further stated at this time that Mibs and Sammy have been hiding out from the Chicago Police Department, inasmuch as they are wanted for a \$200.00 stickup; that in this connection Mibs had advised him that he felt sure that he could fix this matter up;

that Mibs had gotten in touch with Sergeant John Hanrahan of the Detective Bureau, Chicago Police Department, and that Hanrahan had agreed to fix up this charge for the sum of \$500.00; that \$300.00 of this was to go to Hanrahan, and \$200.00 to the victim of the holdup. At the time of this meeting with [REDACTED] he advised Agent that if he could secure the sum of \$50.00, he would spend his entire time with the Gallichio gang in order to obtain what information he could in regard to their contacts with the remaining members of the Karpis-Barker gang; that the sum of \$50.00 would last him approximately two or three weeks. He stated that he is making a little money through slot machines which he has placed in a number of stores in the City of Chicago, and that in order to spend his time with the Gallichio gang, it would be necessary for him to neglect this business entirely. b7c b7d

On March 16, 1935, authority was requested by teletype and letter to the Bureau to pay informant [REDACTED] the sum of \$50.00 for two weeks service for keeping in touch with the Gallichio gang.

On March 19, 1935, authority was received from the Bureau by teletype to pay informant [REDACTED] the sum of \$25.00 a week for two weeks. On March 19, 1935, Agent again contacted informant [REDACTED]

He advised at this time that he had obtained no additional information from the Gallichio gang relative to the Karpis-Barker gang. He stated that Mibs had advised him on that day that he had fixed the charge against him with Sergeant John Hanrahan of the Detective Bureau, and that he was no longer wanted on the stickup charge. He further stated that he had ascertained that Paul Manno, a younger brother of Sammy Manno, who does not ordinarily travel around with Mibs and Sammy, is acquainted with the outstanding members of the Karpis-Barker gang; that on one occasion when he visited the address on Marshfield Avenue, that Paul Manno had remarked to Sammy and Mibs that if they did not hurry up and get a "chopper" that those fellows would be coming around, and that they would have nothing for them. Liberty stated that from the conversations of Mibs and Sammy, he has gathered that they obtain their guns through robbing outlying police stations; that Sammy had moved; that he thought that the State Highway Police Station located at 123rd and Cicero Avenue, Chicago, would be a good place to obtain some guns.

also stated that he had ascertained the telephone located at 825 South Marshfield Avenue, has been disconnected, but that the gang has been receiving calls through telephone number Seeley 9392, which is located in the pool room operated by Sid Lewis at Taylor and Ashland Streets, Chicago, that Sid Lewis is a "runner" for Frank McDonnell, who is the attorney for the Gallichio gang. [redacted] further said that he had ascertained that Sammy Manno is apparently not living with his mother at 825 South Marshfield, but that he is living at 3859 Arthington Place, Chicago.

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With reference to the information furnished by [redacted] that Mibs had fixed a charge against him through Sergeant John Hanrahan of the Detective Bureau, it has been ascertained from the records of the Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department that on March 2, 1935, a notation was placed on the record of Joe Gallichio to the effect that he was wanted by Sergeant J.J. Hanrahan of the Detective Bureau. The nature of the charge on which he was wanted is not indicated, but the Bureau of Identification record reflects that this wanted notice has now been cancelled.

On March 25, 1935, Agent again contacted informant [redacted], and he advised at this time that he has ascertained that the gang has another hangout which he thinks might be the place where Mibs is residing, located on the southeast corner of Mozart and Fillmore Streets; that this house is a yellow brick building and that entrance is made to this house by members of the gang through the rear off of Mozart Street; that [redacted] said he went to this address with a party by the name of Eddie, who has been hanging around with the gang; that Eddie requested him to remain in the car while he went in; that Eddie entered through the rear entrance and went to the second floor, and shortly after this he, [redacted] and Eddie, met Mibs and Sammy several blocks from this location. [redacted] stated that this party, Eddie, whose last name he does not know, has been trying to interest him in some stolen bonds; that Eddie advised him that he has \$20,000.00 worth of Home Owners' Loan Bonds, and liberty bonds, which he wants to dispose of. [redacted] said that Eddie indicated to him that one Friscoe Banks, another member of the Gallichio gang had these bonds, but that he could not get any further information from Eddie as to where these bonds had been obtained. He stated that he will endeavor to secure several of these bonds from Eddie, or get the numbers of them in order that they might possibly be traced. [redacted] further stated that the members of the Gallichio gang with whom he has become acquainted

since he has been contacting them are as follows:

Livers, Eddie, Joe, Moon and Friscoe Banks

could not furnish any information as to the last names or correct names of these individuals. He described these parties as follows:

Friscoe Banks: Age, 30, height, 5'5", weight 135 lb.; hair, brown; eyes, brown; medium build

Livers: Age: 32; height 5'8", weight 175 lb.; build stocky; hair black; eyes dark; nationality: Italian

Joe (not Joe Gallichio) Age: 27; height 5'8½", weight 150 lb.; build, medium; hair black; eyes dark; Nationality: Italian flashy dresser

Moon: Age: 32, height 5'10"; weight 160 lb.; build medium hair dark; eyes dark; Nationality, Italian; has sharp features.

Eddie: Age: 30; height 5'10"; weight, 160 lb.; build medium; hair dark; eyes brown Nationality, Italian; has served a term in Joliet for robbery

stated that Mibs and Sammy are still anxious to get hold of a machine gun, and have mentioned the fact that they wanted one rather frequently. He stated that he will continue to keep in close touch with the gang in order to ascertain what if any contact they might have with the remaining members of the Karpis-Barker gang, and that he will also endeavor to obtain additional information concerning the stolen bonds which Eddie is trying to sell, since there is a possibility that these bonds might have come from the Karpis-Barker gang.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent G. C. Woltz in an effort to establish the telephone of JOE GALLICCHIO, or SAM MANO, whose address was given as 825 South Marshfield Avenue, Chicago, Ill.:

The Illinois Bell Telephone Company informed Agent Woltz that this phone was discontinued in February, 1935, because of non-payment of rental charges. An effort was made to secure incoming and outgoing calls made over this phone for the period during which it was connected, but the only call listed was one on January 25, 1935, to CICKERO 5976, and this number is listed to Mickey's Tavern, 4809 Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois.

Investigation was made of the records of the Chicago Police Department and the Oak Park Police Department, to learn more of the habits, associates and criminal records of Joe Galliochio, Frank Galliochio and Sam Mano.

The records reflect that Joe Galliochio was arrested several times by the Chicago and Oak Park Police Departments.

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SAM MANO was

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Some of Gallicchio's associates were determined by Agent Woltz from a search of the Police records, and a list of those who were found to be his associates, and associates of Sam Mano is as follows:

John LaVelle, 903 South Marshfield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.
LaVelle's former address was given as 931 Marshfield Ave. Chicago.
LaVelle was [REDACTED]

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Peter Gallicchio, whose address is 824 Hermitage St. Chicago, Ill. is evidently a brother of Joe Gallicchio, and was [REDACTED]

Under date of March 28, 1935, the Bureau by letter, furnished the criminal record of the following individuals:

PD. Oak Park, Ill. SAM MANO #2362, Arrested March 27, 1933 for disorderly conduct; fined \$5.00 and costs.

PD. Chicago, Ill. Sam Mano, #C-51065, arrested August 13, 1933, general principles; discharged *not - disp not furnished 4-20-35*

PD. Oak Park, Illinois, Joseph Gallicchio, No. 940, arrested April 9, 1928, suspect; released. *3-24-18*

PD. Winnetka, Ill. No. 76, arrested April 9, 1928, suspect; released.

PD. Oak Park, Ill., Jos. Gallicchio, alias Joe Gillichio alias Joe Galeicchio No. 1218, arrested February 17, 1930, suspect released *not - disp not furnished 4-20-35*

PD. Chicago, Ill. Joe Gallicchio, alias Joe Gallicchio alias Joe Gallicho, No. C-28015, arrested February 13, 1931, charge larceny of auto; \$2500.00 C.C.

PD. Oak Park, Ill. Joseph Gallicchio alias Joe Gallicchio No. 2348, arrested March 27, 1933, disorderly conduct; fined \$30.00 and costs.

PD. Oak Park, Ill. 2/23/27 - Arr. Chicago, dis. conduct; discharged. ✓
" 4/22/27 - Arr. Chicago, dis. conduct; discharged ✓
" 5/12/27 - Arr. Chicago, speeding; dis. conduct; discharged ✓
" 6/1/27 - Arr. Chicago " " " ✓
" 7/30/27 - Arr. Chicago, dis. conduct & vagrancy; discharged ✓
" 7/30/27 - Arr. Chicago, dis. conduct; discharged ✓
" 8/31/27 - Arr. Chicago dis. conduct; fined \$1 and costs ✓
" 10/2/27 - Arr. Chicago, dis. conduct; discharged ✓
" 12/19/27 - Arr. Chicago, dis. conduct; vagrancy; discharged ✓
" Joe Gallicchio, Chicago 1/19/29; burglary; \$2500, C.C. ✓
" Joe Gallicchio, #C-14806, Chicago, 3/12/29; Mal. Mis. 90 days H. of C. \$1. ✓
" Joe Gallicchio, Oak Park, Ill. 3/19/29, suspect ✓
" Joe Gallicchio, Chicago, 5/7/29, U.S. 208, \$25 and costs ✓

PD. Chicago, Ill. FRANK GALLICHIO, alias Frank Gillichio alias Frank Gallicho, #C-44630, arrested Dec. 8, 1932; attempted robbery with gun; assault to murder; Held to Criminal Court under \$15,000 bond.

WANTED: As Frank Gallicchio, charge not given. Notify State's Attorney, Chicago, Ill. per information received therefrom March 16, 1934.

Disposition sheets as to the arrest of SAM MANO at Chicago, Illinois under date of August 13, 1933, and of JOE GALLICCHIO arrested at Oak Park Illinois on February 17, 1930, were obtained by Special Agent G. C. Woltz and appropriate disposition sheets are attached to the Bureau copies of this report.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M. Chaffetz and A. A. Muzzey on March 26, 1935; Special Agent Chaffetz being the reporting Agent:

Reference is made to the letter from the Kansas City office dated March 25, 1935, furnishing information concerning one Clarence Anderson, 6624 Sangamon Street, Chicago, Illinois; who had corresponded with one Miss Margey Henderson, 701 Woodland Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, whose name appeared on the list of women published by the "Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" of Denver, Colorado, which list was found on the person of Volney Davis at the time of his apprehension with the further indication that he had used the name G. L. Harper in his possible correspondence with some of the people appearing on this list.

Agents conducted the following investigation in order to determine who this party, Clarence Anderson, might be. It will be noted in the reference letter that Anderson stated in his letter to Miss Henderson that he was employed by the Washburn and Crosby Company, a cereal concern in Chicago, Illinois. Inquiry at the main offices of the above concern at 332 South La Salle Street, disclosed that no record could be found of the employment of such a party at the main offices of this concern. Agents, however, were referred to the cereal plant of this concern, which is located at 104th Street and Calumet Avenue.

Agents interviewed Mr. H. W. Loefergren of the above concern at its latter address, and were informed that no record could be found of the employment of Anderson in any capacity whatsoever.

Agents interviewed Mr. James C. Connolly, Assistant Superintendent of the Englewood substation of the Chicago postoffice, and were referred by him to Harry Goff, the carrier, who covers 6624 Sangamon Street, Chicago. Mr. Goff stated he is well acquainted with Clarence Anderson who resides at this address, and that he has known him and his family, which consists of his mother and brother, named Oscar, all of whom have lived at this address for at least 2 years. He also added that the family has been on relief for quite some time; that Clarence is unemployed, and that Oscar is employed part time on City relief. He also stated that Clarence has always been around the house at 6624 Sangamon Street continuously for the past 2 years, and that he has not been employed for quite some time.

The only thing suspicious concerning this party that Mr. Goff could furnish Agents was the fact that he received quite a bit of mail. It is believed from this latter fact that Clarence Anderson is probably corresponding with a large number of the members of the "Get-Acquainted Correspondance Club", and in this way directed a letter to Miss Henderson.

The description of Clarence Anderson as furnished by Mr. Goff did not correspond in any manner with the description of Volney Davis, and upon being shown a photograph of Davis, Mr. Goff stated that Clarence Anderson does not resemble him in any manner whatsoever.

On April 5, 1935, Mr. Scott Whelan called at this office and was interviewed by Special Agent R. C. Suran. Mr. Whelan stated that he is at the present time residing at Wilmington, Illinois, under the alias of Ed Scott; that he is employed as a private detective for the Interstate Detective Agency of Chicago, Illinois. He stated that he had information there are several individuals frequenting the farm of Nell Scier, located four miles due east of Wilmington, Illinois, in whom this Bureau might be interested.

He stated that one of these persons was a man by the name of Art Swanson. In connection with this individual, Special Agent A. P. Barber conferred with Mr. Whelan in the belief that this individual might be identical with the subject of the case entitled, ARTHUR SWANSON - FUGITIVE, NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. During the interview Agent Barber ascertained that Whelan obtained his information from Officer George Wragg of the Chicago Police Department, working with the Detective Bureau; that Swanson was associated with the Scier brothers, who were located either at Wilmington, Illinois or Wilmington, Wisconsin. Whelan stated that Joe Scier frequents the farm of his sister, Nell Scier; that Scier is about 35 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches in height, weighs about 180 pounds, has dark hair, and a dark complexion. He furnished the further information that individuals known as Ernie Bell, Jim Murphy, Doyle, Boeler, Burke, and Graffe, also frequent the farm of Nell Scier; that this entire mob hangs around a tavern operated by Graffe at 51st and Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; that Bell, Doyle, Boeler, Burke, and Graffe are presently wanted in connection with a \$29,000 payroll stickup in Hammond, Indiana. However, Whelan advised that to date he had not conferred with the police officers at Hammond, Indiana concerning the whereabouts of these individuals, inasmuch as he did not receive this information that they were frequenting this farm until the early morning of April 5, 1935.

What seemed to be of possible interest in the instant case, was the fact that Whelan volunteered the information that he believed Irene Dorsey was frequenting the farm of Nell Scier; that he had attempted to follow Irene Dorsey to this farm on several occasions, but never was actually able to see her enter the place. He stated that it is his information that the Scier farm is a machine gun nest and it is believed that other wanted individuals frequent this place.

Whelan furnished the information that he spent considerable time in Joliet, Illinois, and that one Herb Curry operates the Elks Club at that place where the above named individuals are also supposed to visit occasionally.

Whelan was interviewed further concerning his knowledge of the underworld connections and particularly the labor units in Joliet, Illinois, and he advised that the national organization is headed by an Italian named Tony Augustana (phonetic), who resides on Plainfield Road; that there is an individual named Downey or Dowley who has a tourist camp about three miles south of Joliet on Route 66 and that these cabins are frequented by various criminals.

Informant [redacted] was interviewed on April 4, 1935 by Special Agent R. C. Suran in an effort to determine if he had any information concerning John Russell Moran, alias "Bad" Moran, alias "Babe", who it was reported recently talked with [redacted] at St. Louis, Missouri, advising her that he had recently seen Willie Harrison in Chicago, Illinois at the Twenty-Five Club. Informant [redacted] said that he knew no one by the name of John Russell Moran and upon being shown a photograph, stated the likeness appeared to be familiar, but he could not identify it as anyone known to him. He was also further questioned as to what knowledge he had concerning the Twenty-Five Club, supposed to be located at Cicero, and he advised that he had never heard of the place. b7c b7d

Informant [redacted] on the night of April 4, 1935, communicated with Special Agent Suran by telephone and advised that he had learned that there was a place which had formerly been called the Twenty-Five Club, located about three blocks west of Cicero Avenue on 22nd Street; that the place was on the south side of the street and was a garage type building. He stated that he would proceed to this place in an effort to obtain information concerning it.

On April 5, 1935 Informant [redacted] communicated with Agent Suran by telephone and advised that the place he had previously referred to was known as the Palm Gardens; that the name prior to the first of the year, 1935, had been the Twenty-Five Club. He stated that he was not able at that time to ascertain who formerly operated the Palm Gardens under the name of Twenty-Five Club, but that the place is now operated by two individuals, identities unknown at the present time, from Berwyn, Illinois.

On April 5, 1935, Willie Dohney called in person at the Chicago Bureau Office at the request of Special Agent R. C. Suran. Dohney had been reporting regularly at this office by telephone and advising that he had been unable to secure any information concerning the whereabouts of Subject Moran, and it was believed at this time that a personal interview with Dohney might be advisable in

order that it could be ascertained what, if any, effort Dohney was making concerning the location of Doc Moran. As was previously known to this office, Dohney is presently on parole from the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois after serving thirteen years of a ten year to life sentence. Dohney stated that because of this parole, he was afraid to make an effort to locate probable sources of information concerning Doc Moran, inasmuch as he was trying very hard to stay away from the criminal element and it was his opinion that inquiry concerning Doc Moran would result in his being arrested and his parole revoked. He was, of course, advised that it was not the desire of this Bureau to do anything to jeopardize his present standing. He stated that he had come in contact with no one from whom he could secure information about Doc Moran since his last visit to the Chicago Bureau Office. He stated, however, that he would contact the Chicago Office immediately if in his daily course of business he secured information concerning Doc Moran.

At about 8.35 P.M. on April 5, 1935, a very mysterious individual telephoned the Chicago office and asked for Mr. Purvis. Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley talked to this man, who opened his conversation by asking Mr. Connelley to place an ad immediately in the Chicago Tribune, so that it would appear in the paper the following morning, April 6, 1935, reading as follows: "Anna come home". The individual stated that if he saw this ad he would know he was talking to the right person, and would thereafter call the Chicago office on the following day and advise where ALVIN KARPIS could be located. Mr. Connelley advised this individual that there was no necessity for any such mysterious activities, and suggested that if he were doubtful he should call back on the private line of the Chicago office, the telephone number of which was furnished to him. He agreed to do this, and in three minutes the person did call back and thereafter advised Mr. Connelley that the Bureau could find Alvin Karpis within a radius of one and one half miles of Mattoon, Illinois. After considerable argument and persuasion the individual finally advised Mr. Connelley that if the Bureau desired to ascertain the source of his information, the telegrams going out of Hoopston, Illinois for the past two weeks should be examined, and the basis of his information could be ascertained. Agent in Charge Connelley instructed Agent Suran to immediately cause a check of these telegrams to be made at the Western Union Telegraph Company.

Agent Suran communicated by telephone with Mr. W. K. Butterfield of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Chicago, Illinois on the morning of April 6, 1935, and advised Mr. Butterfield that it was desired that the telegrams going out of Hoopston, Illinois for the two weeks prior to April 5, be examined to ascertain if the text of any message dealt with the location of any individual in the vicinity of Mattoon, Illinois. Mr. Butterfield was advised that no more specific information could be furnished him.

On April 9, 1935, Mr. Butterfield requested that Agent Suran get in touch with Mr. A. P. Heim of the Western Union Telegraph Company. Mr. Heim stated that approximately 75 to 100 telegrams a day emanate from the Hoopston, Illinois office of the Western Union Telegraph Company and that he had instructed the manager at that place to examine copies of all messages to ascertain if any of them appeared to be mysterious, or dealt with the location of any individual in the vicinity of Mattoon, Illinois. Mr. Heim stated that the manager had reported he had failed to locate any message from the information furnished, which would appear to deal with the location of anyone. Mr. Heim stated that he would ask the manager at Hoopston, Illinois to make a re-check of this matter. On April 10, 1935, Mr. Heim communicated by telephone with Agent Suran and advised that it appeared from the information furnished, that no telegram of interest could be located.

Special Agent M. Chaffetz has continued his contact with JOHN KARPAVICZ at 2842 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, under pretext of being connected with the building management. On March 27, 1935 Special Agent Chaffetz visited John Karpavicz and no information of value was obtained, except to the effect that Mr. Karpavicz had advised he contemplated making a trip to Miami, Florida and that it was his intention to leave on March 28, 1935, but that his plans had been cancelled when he received a note telling him that he would not be needed down there. Agent Chaffetz attempted to draw from Mr. Karpavicz exactly what he intended to accomplish by his trip to Miami, but Karpavicz would not disclose any details whatsoever concerning this. Karpavicz also informed Agent Chaffetz that he did not intend to go to Topeka, Kansas at this time, as he had indicated to Chaffetz on a prior visit to 2842 North Francisco Avenue. Karpavicz however did advise that he was going to Kansas some time during the summer. Mr. Karpavicz is not very talkative and it is difficult to obtain any information from him.

Under date of March 15, 1935, the Detroit office was requested to make appropriate investigation at Steeds Chow Kennels, Temperance, Michigan, to ascertain whether Willie Harrison had resided at that place or had acquaintances in Temperance, Michigan, as it will appear from the information furnished by RUTH HEIDT that Harrison had purchased a Chow dog for her at that place.

On April 6, 1935, the Nashville office was requested by letter to ascertain whether Harrison had been employed as a golf professional at Clarkville, Tennessee about 1925, and to make the necessary investigation to ascertain the identity of his former friends and associates, if he had been so employed. It was likewise suggested that a further check be made for information regarding the 1934 Tennessee license plates issued to Homer J. Wilson, under the name of C. J. Willard, Chisca Hotel, Memphis, Tennessee.

In connection with information provided by Joe Roberts that Harrison was engaged with Red McHugh (phonetic spelling), in a golf confidence game with Harrison when Harrison first came to Chicago from St. Louis in 1925, the St. Louis office by letter dated April 4, 1935, was requested to make inquiries to ascertain the identity of and to interview McHugh for information concerning Harrison's whereabouts. In the same letter it was suggested that Edward Regan and Clemence Charles LaBagly be interviewed. Regan and LaBagly according to the report of Special Agent R. P. Burruss, March 21, 1935, Washington, D.C. witnessed the application of Harrison for adjusted compensation dated December 1, 1924. Both of these men are reported to be close friends of Harrison. By letter dated April 4, 1935, the St. Louis office was requested to make appropriate investigation at Herrin and Benton, Illinois to ascertain whether Harrison had been employed as a golf professional at these places prior to 1925. Photographs of Red O'Malley, Chicago Police Department number C 57199, and Arthur Johnson alias Red Prize were forwarded to the St. Louis office to be exhibited to [REDACTED] to ascertain whether either of these persons is the individual named Red mentioned by her in the report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter St. Louis, Missouri, dated March 5, 1935, as a close friend of Harrison. b7c b7d

Under date of March 16, 1935, the Jacksonville office was requested to conduct an investigation at Orlando, Florida, to ascertain if any fugitives in this case have contacts there. As stated previously in the body of this report, a copy of this report is being furnished to the Jacksonville, Kansas City, St. Louis, Nashville and Detroit offices for their information.

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April 10, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

There is attached hereto a copy of a letter from the United States Attorney, St. Paul, Minnesota, with reference to the case of United States v. Arthur R. Barker, et al. (Bremer Kidnapping), showing the proceedings to date. In this connection special attention is invited to the reference made by the United States Attorney to Edna Murray and Jess Doyle, in which he states that the reports do not disclose any connection whatsoever on the part of either of them with the conspiracy either in a money changing capacity or otherwise, and it is his opinion that he will not be able to hold such defendants to the jury. Please also note what he has to say with respect to Edna Murray being an escaped convict and as to the admissions of Doyle regarding his participation in the robbery of the Northwestern Bank in Minneapolis and the complaint filed by the United States Attorney, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Will you please advise me as soon as possible if any further evidence has been developed connecting Edna Murray and Jess Doyle with the conspiracy, and also such information as may be of record concerning whether Edna Murray is wanted on a Federal indictment charging harboring in Kansas City.

Respectfully,

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

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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

St. Paul,

April 3, 1935.

The Attorney General,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Re: U. S. vs. Arthur R. Barker, et al
(Bremer Kidnaping)

The following named defendants in the above entitled case, charged with a substantive offense of violating the Act of June 22, 1932, 18 U. S. C. A., Section 408-a, to-wit: Arthur R. Barker, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, Bryon Bolton, were arraigned on April 2, 1935, and each entered a plea of not guilty.

The following named defendants, charged with a conspiracy to violate the Act of June 22, 1932, in the transportation in interstate commerce of Edward G. Bremer, to-wit: Arthur R. Barker, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, Bryon Bolton, John Joseph McLaughlin, Sr., William Edward Vidler, Philip J. Delaney, Jess Doyle and Edna Murray, were arraigned on the same date, and each entered a plea of not guilty.

At the time of entering the above pleas, the defendants were given the privilege of demurring or making such motion or motions as they were advised. Demurrers were interposed by the defendants Barker, McLaughlin, Vidler, Delaney, Doyle and Murray, and each of such demurrers was forthwith overruled.

Motions then were made by each of the last above-mentioned defendants for a Bill of Particulars in the conspiracy indictment and these motions were denied.

The trial of the conspiracy case has been set down for April 15, 1935.

The reports which I have in the office with reference to Edna Murray and Jess Doyle do not disclose any connection whatsoever, on the part of either of them, with the conspiracy, either in a money changing capacity or otherwise, and it is my opinion we will not be able to hold such defendants to the jury.

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The Attorney General2

April 3, 1935.

I have been informed that Edna Murray is an escaped convict of the Missouri State Penitentiary and that she has eighteen years remaining unserved in that institution on a robbery charge. I have also been advised that she may be wanted in the District of Kansas on a harboring charge.

I am informed that Jess Doyle has made a written statement, wherein he admits participating in the robbery of the Northwestern National Bank, Minneapolis, Minnesota, in the month of December, 1932. I have received from the United States Attorney, Muskogee, Oklahoma, a certified copy of the complaint charging Doyle with robbing a National Bank at Okemah, Oklahoma, on December 22, 1934, in violation of the Act of May 18, 1934, together with Warrant and Marshal's "non est" return, and the United States Attorney, in transmitting such papers, states in part as follows:

"He desires Jess Doyle be brought to this District so that the witnesses to the robbery of the First National Bank of Okemah may have a chance to identify him as one of the robbers of that institution."

The Division of Investigation, Department of Justice, is fully informed as to Edna Murray's escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary and as to whether or not she is wanted under a federal indictment charging harboring in Kansas, and is also familiar with the case of Jess Doyle as to his alleged statement with reference to the Northwestern Bank robbery in Minneapolis and as to the evidence against him in the Eastern District of Oklahoma.

It is respectfully suggested that consideration be given as to what disposition to make of Murray and Doyle, before April 15th, and I ask that you advise me with reference to these two defendants.

Respectfully yours,

/s/ George F. Sullivan
GEORGE F. SULLIVAN,
United States Attorney.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEELAN

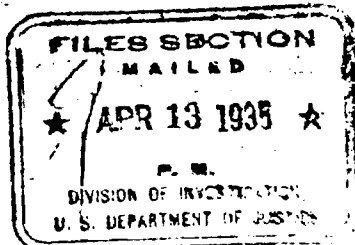
Reference is made to your memorandum dated April 10, 1935 to which there was attached a copy of a letter from the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, concerning the case of United States v. Arthur R. Barker, et al (Bremer Kidnaping Case), showing the proceedings to date.

Please be advised that no further evidence has been developed involving Edna Murray and Jess Doyle than the evidence already in the possession of the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, and referred to in his letter dated April 8, 1935.

Relative to the disposition to be made of cases pending against these two individuals, I defer to your judgment in this matter and have no suggestions to offer.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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A handwritten signature, likely of John Edgar Hoover, written in dark ink.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #709
Portland, Oregon

Apr 11 11, 1935.

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

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al
George Bremer, Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

In order to circularize all real estate dealers in the states of Washington and Oregon in connection with the possibility that subject Volney Davis may have contacted real estate brokers for the purpose of purchasing suburban property in this vicinity, it is requested that this office be supplied with 3000 Identification Orders #1237 on subject Davis.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Spears
C. C. Spears
Special Agent in Charge

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St. Paul

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April 22, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, Identification Order
No. 1218, et al; EDWARD G.
BREMER - Victim Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

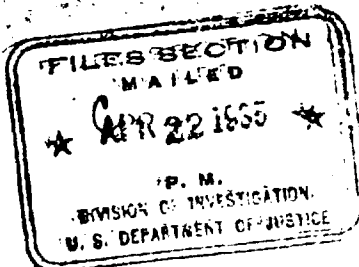
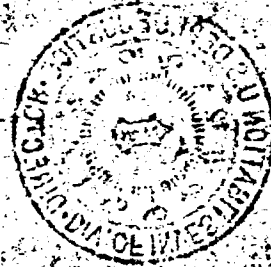
In compliance with your request dated April 11,
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reflecting the fingerprints, photograph and descriptive
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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April 12, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

Under date of March 23, 1935, [redacted]

[redacted] addressed a letter to the Bureau relative to Censius M. McDonald who is presently under indictment at Miami, Florida, on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis. [redacted] had previously made inquiry of the Bureau as to whether McDonald had been taken into custody in connection with the above entitled case and upon learning that McDonald had been taken into custody, indicated that he was considerably surprised and advised that McDonald [redacted]

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With a view to developing additional information relative to past activities of McDonald, the Bureau desires that you conduct cautious inquiries. It is particularly desired that the identity of [redacted]

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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April 12, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

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

I am in receipt of a copy of the Bureau's letter of April 10, 1935, addressed to Mr. J. H. Hanson, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Alcazar Hotel, Miami, Florida, transmitting to Mr. Hanson under separate cover enlarged photographs of certain members of the Barker-Karpis mob.

The address on this letter appears to be erroneous. On April 3rd, 1935, telegraphically I advised the Bureau that Agents Hanson and McKee were residing at 222 28th Street, Miami Beach, Florida, telephone #5-4867.

A copy of this letter is being furnished Mr. Hanson so that he will call at the Alcazar Hotel for any mail that might have been addressed to this place by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Mr. J. H. Hanson,
Mr. Connelley,
St. Paul.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
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April 15, 1935.

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

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my conversation of even date with Mr. Tamm of the Bureau relative to surveillance being maintained by this office over Mrs. Alice Conrad, 54 West 36th Street, New York City, and Frank Foster, alias Frank Frost alias Frank Foreman, Apartment 13D, Hotel Maurice, 145 West 58th Street, New York City.

In view of the fact that the month's surveillance of Mrs. Conrad, details of which are reflected in reports of this office, has developed no information whatsoever indicating that she is here for any purpose other than a visit with her sister, Mrs. Esther Moratti, and in compliance with authorization received from Mr. Tamm, the personal surveillance of Mrs. Conrad is today being discontinued. However, a surveillance of her mail, telegrams and phone calls, through the superintendent of the apartment where she is visiting her sister, will be continued, and any unusual activities or developments will be promptly reported to this office by the superintendent.

The cover on Frank Foster, who apparently is an active racketeer and gambler, will be continued indefinitely, and it is possible that valuable information might be developed.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Mr. E. J. Connelley

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218 - FUG.;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237, FUG.;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. #1238;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. #1240;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. #1241.
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*Office
P. R. Davis*
Reference is made to Bureau letter of March 30, 1935, addressed to Mr. Connelley and relating to the presence of a newspaper reporter and photographer of the Chicago Tribune at the Municipal Airport in Chicago, Illinois, on the date an effort was being made to remove Volney Davis from Kansas City to Chicago.

The following inquiries have been made at Kansas City, Missouri by Special Agent H. E. Andersen:

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Leonard Jurden, Supervising Aeronautics Inspector, Department of Commerce, Kansas City, Missouri, stated that he received a telephone call from Special Agent in Charge Nathan at approximately 2 o'clock the afternoon of February 6, 1935, relative to the possibility of chartering an airplane for a trip to Chicago. Mr. Jurden stated that after making several inquiries at the airport he telephoned the Bureau Office and suggested that Joe Jacobson, a local pilot, might be available. Mr. Jurden said that he did not have any idea why the plane was wanted in a hurry, but assumed that it was connection with the fast transfer of Agents from this office to Chicago. He stated that he was not aware that Joe Jacobson had left Kansas City with Bureau Agents until after

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their departure. He stated he did not send any message to the Municipal Airport at Chicago for Jacobson, and felt certain that no message had been forwarded.

"Tex" Lagrone, who operates a private airplane service at Kansas City, Missouri, stated that he received a telephone call from Agent in Charge Nathan early the afternoon of 2-6-35 when he was asked if he could furnish an airplane capable of holding four passengers for an immediate trip to Chicago. He advised that he thought the trip could be made but that his plane was equipped for only three passengers in addition to the pilot. After making certain inquiries he determined that by reason of weather conditions he would be unable to reach Chicago prior to night time, and inasmuch as his plane was not equipped for night flying he advised Mr. Nathan, by telephone, that he did not think he could undertake the trip. No mention was made during the conversations had that a prisoner was being transported, nor was the purpose of the trip discussed in any way. He had no discussion with anyone concerning the negotiations which he had had and was not aware that the trip had been undertaken by Agents of the Kansas City Office until the following day from newspaper reports.

Joe Jacobson, who is employed by the Stevenson-Weeks Air Service, Kansas City, Missouri, stated that when he was contacted by telephone on February 6, 1935, by Mr. Nathan he was merely asked if he had a four passenger plane which could make a hurry-up trip to Chicago. He stated as he recollected the call was made about 3 o'clock and said that he did not have a fast plane capable of holding three passengers, so, as in the past, he telephoned a friend of his, one Earl Jamison, who owned a plane of that nature, and requested his permission to use it on a trip. Jamison was not advised of the destination. Jacobson was not advised that the purpose of the trip was for the transportation of a prisoner and his first notice of this fact was at the time the plane was loaded, when he was requested to hold the take-off until handcuffs and leg irons could be placed on the prisoner. The take-off from Kansas City was at approximately 3:25 P.M. No one was around the airplane at the time of the take-off and that prior thereto, after talking to Mr. Nathan, he had not discussed it with anyone except Mr. Jamison, as noted above, and no request was made by him for the sending of any message to Chicago relative to his departure.

Earl Jamison, of the Exhibitors Film Delivery, 1714 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri, stated that early the afternoon of February 6, 1935, Joe Jacobson telephoned him requesting the use of his plane to make an immediate trip. At that time Jacobson did not tell him the destination nor did he make any mention of who was

chartering the plane. Mr. Jamison stated that in the past he has often permitted Jacobson to use his plane on charter trips and remarked that the telephone call in question was nothing unusual so he paid no further attention to it. On picking up the local newspaper the following morning he learned of a plane being grounded near Yorkville, Illinois, which gave him his first intimation that his plane had been grounded at that point.

C. Mutchler, Assistant in Charge of Operations, T.W.A., Kansas City, Missouri, was interviewed and had no recollection of this matter. He called into the office O. R. Haueters, company pilot, who remembered talking to Mr. Nathan over the telephone the afternoon of February 6, 1935, while he was acting as dispatcher for the air service. He stated that Mr. Nathan wanted to charter a four passenger airplane for an immediate flight to Chicago. He said that he called his ticket office to determine the rates of a charter flight to Chicago, and then made inquiry to ascertain whether any ships were available. Upon securing this information he telephoned the Bureau Office to the effect that no planes were at hand for the travel requested. He was not advised at any time of the nature of the trip and took no further action in the matter, nor did he discuss the request for a plane with anyone.

It should be noted that at the time the plane in question was loaded at Kansas City this operation took place at a point approximately three-fourths of a mile from the main portion of the Kansas City Airport. The plane was loaded on the North side of a Hanger which would obstruct the view completely from the usual loading place of planes. There were no persons present with the exception of the pilot of the plane and Bureau Agents, and it would have been entirely impossible for anyone to have determined that a prisoner was being placed in the plane. The plane used by Mr. Jacobson was not equipped with a radio. I am at a loss to determine any possible means by which any information concerning this contemplated trip could have been sent to Chicago from Kansas City.

In the event it is desired that any further inquiries in this matter be made I will appreciate the suggestions of the Bureau as to the nature of such inquiries.

I might add that at no time during any telephone discussions that I had with persons relative to obtaining a plane was there any intimation that the trip was contemplated for the purpose of transporting prisoners. Inquiries were purely relative to the possibility of obtaining a plane capable of making the trip.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

APR 15 1935 PM
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 12, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
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HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge J.H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 20, 1935, wherein it is stated that CASSIUS M. McDONALD had a former home or hunting camp near Watersmeet, Michigan. It is further indicated that he was at this home or camping place during the fall of 1934.

It is requested that your office conduct investigation at Watersmeet, Michigan to determine if this place is being used as a hideout by the fugitives in this case.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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CC St. Paul

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

APR 15 1935 PM
DIVISION ONE

April 12, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Nashville, Tennessee,

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
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HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

A review of the Chicago files in this case reflects a report of Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, under date of September 22, 1934, at Little Rock, Arkansas, in the above entitled case, in which it is stated that the records of the Little Rock Police Department disclose that FRED PARKER was arrested May 28, 1926 under the alias of F. B. SLANG. The record also states that the arrest was made on information furnished by Inspector Griffin of the Memphis Police Department.

This information is being furnished to you as of possible assistance in conducting investigation at Memphis, Tennessee which has been previously requested of your office. It is believed possible that if Inspector Griffin is presently connected with the Memphis Police Department he may have information concerning the other fugitives in this case and their local contacts at Memphis.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

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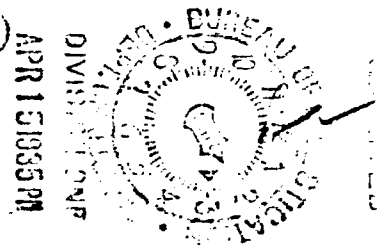
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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS



April 12, 1935,

Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
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Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

During the time that members of the Barker-Karpis gang were in Miami, Florida, a telephone call was placed to Harrison 3332, Chicago, Illinois, presumably by Fred Barker or Harry Campbell. Investigation by this office has determined that the telephone number Harrison 3332 was the unlisted number issued to the MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS UNION, Local 12, 508 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This listing was recently changed to Central 4582.

The Motion Picture Operators Union is one of the many racket labor unions in Chicago which is secretly controlled by the Capone syndicate of Chicago. Thomas J. Reynolds is at the present time President of the union, and Ralph J. O'Hara is the Business Agent. Thomas K. Malloy was also a Business Agent, until the day of his death by assassination on February 4, 1935. Malloy was closely associated with EDDIE (RED) DONOVAN, who until recently was associated with an individual by the name of JOHN BALL, in the operation of what is known as the Green Lantern Cafe, 79th and Dobson Streets, Chicago, Illinois, a reputed hangout for the Barker-Karpis gang. Eddie Donovan and John Ball were associated with the labor rackets in Chicago, Illinois and have some connection with the Motion Picture Operators Union, and it is believed that the telephone call from Miami, Florida was made to either Eddie Donovan, Thomas K. Malloy or Johnnie Ball. A list of the long distance telephone calls from the Motion Picture Operators Union has been secured, among which were the following:

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11/26/34 - Brooklyn, N.Y. Defender 31636

1/17/ 35 - New York, N.Y. Pennsylvania 0943 - George E. Brown, from Tom Malloy.

2/25/35 - New York, N.Y. Wisconsin 73808

3/ 5/35 - New York, N.Y. Circle 72700 - George Brown

1/ 2/35 - Detroit, Michigan - Cadillac 3050

2/ 5/35 - Detroit, Michigan - Cadillac 3050

3/ 6/35 - Detroit, Michigan - Redford 0688.

2/16/35 - Cleveland, Ohio - Main 7854.

This same number was called on 2/27/35; 3/1/35 and 3/4/35.

2/4/ 35 - Hot Springs, Arkansas - 732 - Hale Bathhouse.

2/4/ 35 - (incoming) from Hot Springs, Ark. 362 -Broughton (Probably name of individual calling.

It is requested that appropriate investigation be conducted to determine if the individuals or organizations to which the above telephones are listed are contacts of the fugitives in this case.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Detroit
CC Little Rock
CC St. Paul
CC Bureau

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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April 12, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:-

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

There is being enclosed a letter addressed to
Wynona Burdette, Jacksonville, Florida, c/o Department of
Justice, postmarked Ponca City, Okla., 12:30 A. M. April
10th, 1935, signed "Hy".

This letter appears to be from an old flame of
Burdette's. He operates a public market in Ponca City,
Okla. His name is unknown to this Office.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

CC - Bureau ✓
St. Paul
Mr. Connelley.

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Post Office Box #812
Chicago, Illinois

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April 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
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MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of April 10, 1935, the following bank employees were contacted on April 11, 1935:

Arthur Austin, Note Teller, Hamilton State Bank, 3916 Broadway,
Herbert P. Hoot, Cashier, Hamilton State Bank, 3916 Broadway,
Vincent W. Becking, Cashier, Howard Ave. Trust & Savings Bank,
Lemorne Hatch, Teller, First National Bank, 38 S. Dearborn St.,
William Zoch, Teller, City National Bank & Trust Co., 208 S. LaSalle,
Chester Hooker, Teller, Howard Ave. Trust & Savings Bank,
William B. Bleschke, Teller, Lakeview Trust & Savings Bank,
B. Althaus, Teller, Lakeview Trust & Savings Bank, 3201 N. Ashland,
Leonard Rabin, Teller, Main State Bank, 1965 Milwaukee Avenue,
John Gaskewitch, Teller, Uptown State Bank, 1050 Wilson Avenue.

Each of these witnesses was advised that they need not appear on April 17th, but should hold themselves in readiness to leave for St. Paul when advised by the Chicago Bureau Office. They were also instructed to bring with them any and all records that they may have regarding the Bremer ransom bills.

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge

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TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
DAY LETTER	DEFERRED
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT LETTER
NIGHT LETTER	SHIP RADIOGRAM

Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

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R. B. WHITE
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

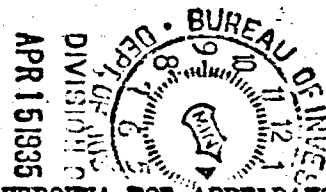
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
252 POST OFFICE
ST PAUL MINNESOTA



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BREKID W H MORGAN IDENTIFICATION OFFICER TULSA PD HAS SUBPOENA FOR APPEARANCE STPAUL
APRIL FIFTEENTH REQUESTING HIM BRING NEGATIVE AND ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPH AND FINGERPRINT
RECORDS WILLIAM CAMPBELL STOP MORGAN STATES HAS NO RECORD OF A WILLIAM CAMPBELL STOP
ADVISE IMMEDIATELY BY WIRE IF THIS SHOULD BE HARRY CAMPBELL

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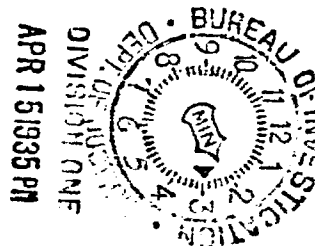
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U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 11, 1935.

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

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
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MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 28, 1935, relative to the information that former members of the Capone syndicate and other Chicago gangsters were obtaining information concerning the activities of Bureau Agents.

The original information in this matter was furnished by our informant [redacted] who has again been interviewed by Special Agent R. C. Suran in this connection. [redacted] states that the former members of the Capone syndicate and other Chicago gangsters do receive this information, but that he has been unable to determine through what source.

If any additional information is received concerning this matter the Bureau will be promptly advised.

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Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

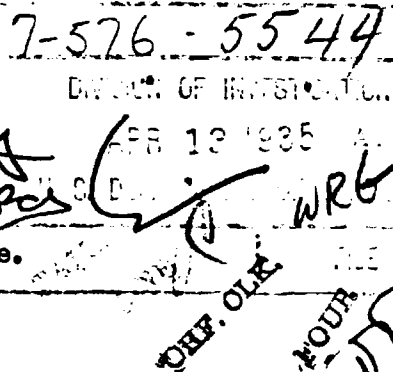
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CJ

Time - 11:46 A. M.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 11, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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

Mr. Hanson called from Miami and advised that they still have a few days work down there; that Sam McKee has to be in St. Paul next Tuesday morning and could take a train out of Miami Saturday night at 9:30 which would get him to St. Paul in time; that if they work together until that time they will have just about everything cleaned up. Agent Hanson said he will still have to go over to Cuba to conduct some more investigation and that it would not be absolutely necessary for Agent McKee to go to Cuba, although he knows the city and the people who are to be interviewed so well; that it would be a good idea for Agent McKee to interview Barry Bolton or Monty Carter while at St. Paul and also make a trip over to Milan, Michigan to interview the two girls, Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette. I told Agent Hanson this would be very desirable. He said it is important that they be interviewed again as they have never told the Bureau anything about what they have really done in Miami and their conversations with Joe Adams.

I suggested that it might be possible for Agent McKee to go to St. Paul and Milan to conduct the above investigation and for Agent Hanson to complete the Miami angle of the investigation; then for Agent McKee to go back down to Miami after he has finished at St. Paul and if necessary have another Agent accompany him back to Havana to complete the investigation there; that by doing this we take advantage of Agent McKee's having been to Havana before and it would enable Agent Hanson to complete the Miami angle and get back to his own office. Mr. Hanson agreed with me in this respect.

Mr. Hanson advised that the trial would be in June; that some of the cases would be represented to the Grand Jury and that Barlow left yesterday for New Jersey and probably would not return until May; that he indicated to Mr. Hanson that he, Hanson, would have to come back for the Grand Jury hearing in May, as well as for the trials in June. Mr. Hanson said he has been instructed to be in Washington on April 22nd. I told him I would let the Faculty know about it and see if he could not be scheduled for a later date

Mr. Nathan ✓
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
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Mr. Tracy
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at the Training School.

Cul I advised Agent Hanson that Agent D. O. Smith called me relative to the case entitled ISAAC T. ROBINETTE with aliases - Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution, of which Pittsburgh is the office of origin. Robinette murdered a police officer or sheriff in West Virginia and fled to the Florida-Georgia state line. Agent Smith wants to go down there some Saturday night and capture this man, who is a bank robber and murderer and has several men with him. He has the local police down there "buffaloed" and that the only time we can get a line on him is when he comes in to see his wife on Saturday nights. I told him I would like to have him go over the matter carefully with Agent Smith and pick out some proper men to capture the man and should be handled by experienced men. Agent Hanson said he would call Agent Smith and work it out very carefully with him.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

Mr. Nathan.....
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DIRECTOR

SAC ST PAUL

BREKID ST PAUL ADVISES USA DESIRES PRESENCE VARIOUS AGENTS ST PAUL
 9 AM APRIL 15 INCLUDING R N PRANKE, CHARLES JENKINS, A H CROWL AND
R D BROWN. BUREAU REQUESTED INSTRUCT ACCORDINGLY.

ST PAUL REQUESTED CONFER USA AND EFFECT ANY ARRANGEMENT WHICH WILL
 POSSIBLY ELIMINATE ALL OF THESE AGENTS BEING PRESENT AND WAITING TO
 TESTIFY PARTICULARLY CONFER AND ARRANGE FOR APPEARANCE S K MCKEE NOW
 LOCATED MIAMI CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION THERE AND HAVANA CUBA IN ORDER
 TO DEFER APPEARANCE MCKEE LATEST POSSIBLE DATE. AGENTS MF GLYNN,
 JOHN L MADALA, W P LORRY, R C SURAN, W C RYAN, T M MCDADE, AND H L
 SCOTT WILL PROCEED FROM CHICAGO CONFORMITY REQUEST. ST PAUL REQUESTED
 KEEP CLOSE CONTACT USA DETERMINE ESSENTIAL NECESSITY THESE AGENTS
 APPEARING FOR THEIR RELEASE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE AFTER APPEARANCE.
 AGENT MADALA CONFORMITY TELEPHONE REQUEST TODAY WILL APPEAR ST PAUL
 TOMORROW MORNING.

Edward J. Brennan

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P. O. Box #1987
Pittsburgh, Pa.

April 15, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent U. G. Dewey dated March 15, 1935, with particular reference to the undeveloped lead #2, on Page # 22, for the Chicago Office, wherein that office is requested to make an effort to identify "Skip" and "Mamie", who reside in Chicago.

There is not available at this office a copy of the letter of Inspector Clegg dated May 8, 1934, but it is my personal recollection that while on assignment at Chicago, in company with Special Agents J. C. White, R. D. Brown, and others, two colored women, one very heavy and dark colored, while the other was rather small and of a medium build, were located in an apartment on the South Side in Chicago. These persons were taken to the Chicago Office and questioned at length because it appeared that the larger of the two at one time had worked for Beattie Green. It is my recollection that this individual's name was "Mamie".

It is suggested that a check of the file in your office may substantiate this information.

Very truly yours,

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J. J. WATERS
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Bureau
Omaha
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 29, 1935

Time - 2:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Alt at the Jacksonville Office with reference to the investigation to be conducted by Agent McKee in Havana, Cuba, and inquired if McKee has come through Jacksonville as yet. Mr. Alt replied in the negative. I then informed him that I was going to get in touch with the Charlotte Office and have Agent Faulkner proceed to Miami, Florida to meet McKee in order that McKee will not have to conduct the investigation in Havana alone. I further informed him that I would instruct the Agent in Charge of the Charlotte Office to telephone Mr. Alt the approximate time Agent Faulkner will arrive in Miami so that Mr. Alt might make arrangements for McKee and Faulkner to meet in Miami before going to Cuba.

Mr. Alt assured me that he would take care of this.

Respectfully,

E. T. TAMM

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Time -

April 6, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: JOHN E. DILLINGER
JOHN PAUL CHASE AND
ALVIN KARPIS CASE

I called Mr. Connelley at Chicago relative to newspaper representatives making some statements concerning the press dispatch to the effect that Dillinger used a real gun to make his escape from the Crown Point jail and that the statement was made from one source that an Agent of the Bureau expressed his opinion to an attorney relative to same. Mr. Connelley stated that Agent Walsh did not express an opinion on this matter to the United States Attorney; that he only submitted the facts as they are; that half of the persons at Crown Point say that Dillinger used a real gun and half say he used a wooden gun, so Agent Walsh could not give an opinion either way on it. Mr. Connelley said that any opinions given would be those of United States Attorney Fleming and that written reports were submitted to him by the Bureau on this matter.

I also advised Mr. Connelley that the Department is attempting to obtain a transcript of testimony in the prior trial of the Piquett case so the Bureau would have same in its files. I told him that I felt that what was said at the trial was more nearly what would be said at the next trial than what was recorded in the reports of the Bureau.

Mr. Connelley advised that there was nothing new on the Bremer case and that they had several "taps" in certain places which are being covered.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
503-a U. S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.,
Salt Lake City, Utah,
April 9, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

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Please refer to your letter of March 26, 1935, having
to do with drawing from the Identification Bureaus of Police
Departments in this territory, certain temporary ~~wanted~~
notices in this matter.

Permit me to advise you that on April 5, 1935, Agent
A. D. Horn arranged with Mr. John L. Allen of the Identification
Bureau of the Salt Lake City Police Department to withdraw the
temporary "wanted" notices placed for Jess Doyle, Edna Murray,
Volney Davis, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, Myrtle Eaton, and
Harry Campbell. The temporary "wanted" notices were withdrawn
by Mr. Allen in the presence of Mr. Horn and destroyed in his
presence.

On the same date Agent A. D. Horn called at the State
of Utah Bureau of Identification, Capitol Building, Salt Lake
City, and arranged with Mr. James A. Faust of that Bureau to
withdraw the temporary "wanted" notices filed with that Bureau
on the above-named persons. The temporary "wanted" notices
referred to were not destroyed inasmuch as Mr. Faust stated that
it was the policy of his department not to destroy any fingerprints
or notices in his department but to file them away in a separate
miscellaneous jacket. However, Agent Horn made certain that in
the master fingerprint files in the State Bureau of Identification,
the regular identification orders were inserted in place of the
temporary "wanted" notices in order that there would be no
confusion met with in the future.

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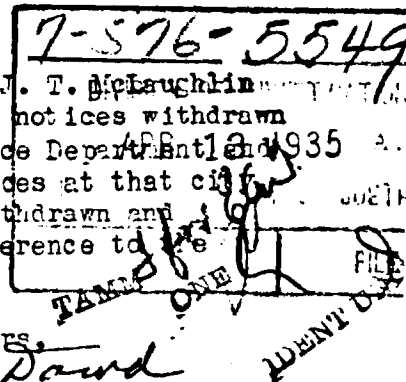
Instructions have been issued to Agent J. T. McLaughlin
at Reno, Nevada, to have the temporary "wanted" notices withdrawn
from the Identification Bureau of the Reno Police Department and
with the withdrawal and destruction of the notices at that city
all notices in this territory will have been withdrawn and
destroyed except as is explained above with reference to the
State Bureau of Identification.

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Very truly yours,

John A. Dowd
JOHN A. DOWD
Special Agent in Charge

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From
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN

To

OFFICIAL INDICATED BELOW BY CHECK MARK

The Attorney General.....
The Solicitor General.....
Assistant to Attorney General Stanley.....
Assistant Attorney General Wideman.....
Assistant Attorney General Stephens.....
Assistant Attorney General Sweeney.....
Assistant Solicitor General MacLean.....
Assistant Attorney General Blair.....
Mr. Stewart.....
Mr. Hoover, Director, Division of Investigation.....
Mr. Bates, Director, Bureau of Prisons.....
Division of Accounts.....
Chief Clerk.....
Appointment Clerk.....
Records Division.....
Mr. Finch, Pardon Attorney.....
Mr. Parrish.....
Mr. Ridgely.....
Mr. Kiefer.....
Mr. Ramsey.....
Mr. Fisher.....
Mr. Butler.....
Mr. Preston.....
Mr. Fort.....
Mr. Jones.....
Mr. Dean.....
Mr. Gottshall.....
Mr. Woll.....
Mr. McGuire.....
Mr. J. H. Smith.....
Miss Brookley.....
Miss Broomhead.....

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Moore;
Please note
the two letters
attached to this
file which have
been assigned to
Mr. Dean. The
letter at the marked
place in the file
shows the Bu. of
Inv. requested the
information from
State Dept.
Please assign
to Bu. of Inv.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington

April 4, 1935.

In reply refer to
LA 337.1121 - McDonald, Cassius M./16

My dear Mr. Attorney General:

With reference to your letter of March 9, and supplementing mine of March 19, 1935, concerning investigations made by our Consulate General at Habana into the circumstances of various arrests of Cassius McDonald by Cuban authorities in February and March, 1934, and in January, 1935, there is transmitted herewith a copy of a despatch, dated March 26, 1935, from the Consul General, with the enclosures therein referred to, completing all information in this case available in the files of the Consulate General.

Upon the receipt of the report which the Consul General has requested from the Cuban police authorities,

I shall not fail further to communicate with you.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

/s/ Sumner Welles
Assistant Secretary.

The Honorable

Homer S. Cummings,

Attorney General.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington

In reply refer to
LA 337.1121 McDonald,
Cassius M/17

April 5, 1935

My dear Mr. Attorney General:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of
April 1, 1935, referring to a previous communication
dated March 9, 1935, requesting copies of records of
investigations said to have been made by our Consulate
General at Habana on the occasion of the arrest of
Cassius Michael McDonald.

By letter of March 19, 1935, the Department trans-
mitted copies of despatches from the Consulate General
dated March 20, 1934, and January 10 and 17, 1935, re-
porting the latter's action on the occasions of McDonald's
arrests on February 8 and March 6, 1934, and January 3,
and 6, 1935. No other information concerning this case
was then available in the Department.

By letter of April 4, 1935, there was transmitted
a copy of a despatch, dated March 26, 1935, together
with the enclosures therein described, received from

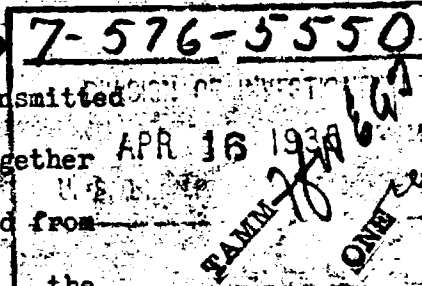
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The Honorable

Homer S. Cummings,

Attorney General

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the Consul General at Habana in reply to an instruction sent as a result of your letter of March 9, 1935, thus completing the information in the Consulate General's files concerning this case.

As stated in my letter of April 4, 1935, the Consul General is endeavoring to obtain a report from the competent Cuban authorities of the result of investigations made by Cuban police into the activities of McDonald and his associates. The Consul General anticipates, however, that there may be a delay in receiving such records. You may be assured that this Department will promptly transmit this material to you upon its receipt from the Consulate General.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

For the Secretary of State:
Sumner Welles
Assistant Secretary.

C O P Y

NO. 523

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL

Habana, Cuba, March 26, 1935.

SUBJECT: The Case of Cassius Michael McDonald.

THE HONORABLE

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WASHINGTON.

SIR:

I have the honor to refer to the Department's instruction of March 19, 1935 (file 337.1121 - McDonald, Cassius M./13), advising of the forwarding to the Attorney General of certain despatches from this office in regard to the activities of Cassius McDonald, and instructing the Consulate General to forward to the Department copies of any additional records which may be in the Consulate General's possession concerning Mr. Cassius McDonald, or any other data obtainable from the Cuban authorities.

The Consulate General has requested the Chief of the Technical Police of the Cuban Department of Interior, who is known to be in possession of considerable data concerning this party, to supply a transcript of his files. However, since it is probable that there will be a delay in receiving this information, the Consulate General is enclosing copies of certain consular documents which may be of interest to the Attorney General.

The report

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The report from the Cuban authorities will be forwarded as soon as it is received.

Respectfully yours,

C. R. Cameron,
American Consul General.

Enclosures:

1. Copy of report of investigation made by Inspector Jack Shoemaker, February 8, 1934.
2. Copy of memorandum by Consul General F. T. F. Duval, March 7, 1934.
3. Copy of telegram from Chief of Police, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, March 19, 1934.
4. Copy of letter from Chief of Police, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, March 20, 1934.

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(Submitted in quintuplicate)

A true copy of
the signed original PR } Stamped

Enclosure No. 1 to despatch No. 330, March 26, 1935,
American Consulate General, Habana, Cuba.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

Habana, Cuba
February 9, 1934

Report of Investigation Made by Inspector Jack Shoemaker
at 4:30 p. m., February 8, 1934, at the Presidente Hotel

Subject: Cassius M. McDonald, alias Charles
McDaniels.

This individual was arrested by the Cuban police on the afternoon of the eighth instant and taken to the Jefatura for examination. The writer called at the Presidente Hotel for the purpose of interviewing the alleged wife of McDonald with a view to checking her story against his. On arriving at the hotel it was found that McDonald had been released from the custody of the police and had already arrived at the hotel.

His story was that he was down here for the purpose of securing a contract covering the leasing of the Oriental Park Race Track for a period of thirteen years; that he represented a syndicate of seven or eight and that he had been doing business with an attorney by the name of Carlos M. Le Ruz who represented the Cuban owners of the racing park. McDonald had in his possession a mass of contract forms, papers and receipts covering the basis on which the contract was to be written. The name of the company McDonald claimed to represent was the Cuban American Amusement Company and the concern is to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange, 500,000 6% preferred non-taxable shares and 1,000,000 common shares. McDonald stated he was the friend of a man by the name of William Day who expected to put some money into the venture, Day having been formerly interested in the Agua Caliente track and hoped to become interested in the concern McDonald represented in the event the contract could be secured. McDonald was asked why he and Mr. Day entered Cuba under the names of Charles McDaniels and William Dayton respectively in lieu of their correct names. He stated he did not wish his competitors who were bidding for this racing contract to know of his presence in Cuba. Asked why he and Mr. Day were not accompanied by their wives on the plane approximately as of January 20 last, he stated his wife was ill and that she and Mrs. Day came from Miami by the Steamer Munargo of the Munson line.

Mrs. McDonald's testimony and her documents bore out all the statements of McDonald.

(S) JACK SHOEMAKER
Jack Shoemaker
Immigrant Inspector

JS/A

Enclosure No. 1 to despatch No. 520, March 25, 1934,
American Consulate General, Habana, Cuba.

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL
Habana, Cuba, March 7, 1934.

MEMORANDUM, made at the Consulate General, Habana,
on March 7, 1934, Consul General Dumont questioning Mr.
Cassius Michael MacDonald, with questions and responses
as follows:

Q. What is your name?
A. Cassius Michael MacDonald.

Q. Where were you born?
A. In Chicago, Illinois, on October 16, 1895.

Q. Have you ever used any other name?
A. I have.

Q. What?
A. Charles MacDaniels.

Q. Have you always used that name?
A. When I am traveling.

Q. You have never used any other?
A. No.

Q. What is your present residence?
A. Detroit, Michigan.

Q. The exact address?
A. 500 Trembler Road, Grosse Point, Michigan.

Q. How long have you lived there?
A. About five or six years.

Q. You own the house?
A. Mrs. MacDonald owns the house.

Q. What is your occupation?
A. Engineer.

Q. What type?
A. Civil.

Q. Where were you educated?
A. At Notre Dame and Purdue University.

Q. When did you graduate?
A. My father died in 1905 - I did not re-entrainate
in September, 1907 - that was my Junior year.

Q. Then you did not finish there?
A. No.

Q. You have no degree of Civil Engineer?
A. Except from the United States Government.

Q. They can't give you a degree?
A. But they classified me so - let me spend five hundred
million dollars.

Q. You

Q. You were in Government service?
A. Yes.

Q. Where?
A. Washington, D.C.; Buffalo, New York; Dayton, Ohio.

Q. You will have to give the dates.
A. You want to test my memory.

Q. Exactly. I can give the dates where I have been on succeeding occasions a good deal farther back than that.

A. (Pondering) War was declared in 1917. I was sent for in January - No, December, 1917, to come to Washington.

Q. To report to whom?
A. To report to Senator Lewis, to J. P. Tamm.... I was the first one....

Q. You know that name is pronounced Tamm, don't you?
I happen to know him very well.
A. I only met him on that one occasion, at the -----Hotel.

Q. How long did you remain?
A. I was sent to Colonel Landbetter, recruiting production men. Colonel Landbetter interviewed me, and sent me to Major Oakley to go to Dayton, Ohio, to go into the then-known Dayton-Wright Plant, and to make a thorough investigation as to the woods being used in the J N 4 and D H 4 planes.

Q. Going back, now...what did you do after your father died?
A. I was in the lumber business, Upper Peninsula, Michigan.

Q. How long did you remain in it?
A. I remained there until war time.

Q. Always in the lumber business?
A. Yes, and my father's estate.

Q. Your father's estate was in Michigan?
A. No. in Illinois - had some property in Michigan.

Q. What was your father's name?
A. Michael C. MacDonald.

Q. Born in the United States?
A. Yes. In New York State.

Q. Where?
A. Near Lockport I believe. A few miles outside of Niagara Falls.

Q. What have you been doing since the War?
A. Since the War?....Been practicing engineering.

Q. Where

Q. Where?

A. In Detroit....And looking after my own interests in Upper Peninsula, Michigan. I was one of the first forestry students in the United States.

Q. What kind of engineering, exactly?

A. I specialize in timber testing.

Q. And that's what you carry on?

A. Yes, and at the Forestry Products Lab...that used to be at Purdue.

Q. You have never promoted anything until now?

A. Only from the appraisal end.

Q. What was your wife's maiden name?

A. Edith Gordon.

Q. Where did you marry her?

A. In New York.

Q. On what date?

A. Married....she could tell you, about 11 years ago.

Q. Of what state is she a native?

A. Michigan.

Questioning concluded at 5:30 p.m. of the same day, i. e., March 7, 1934.

NOTE: By Consul General Duvont.

It appears that the owners of the property are Cepedee, Cartier, and Carlos de la Cruz; that the stock of the company is pledged with the National City Bank which owns the property subject to the mortgage bonds which have been issued. Schellens, manager of the Bank, states that Mr. MacDonald is perfectly right in dealing with Carlos de la Cruz. MacDonald was warned, however, that a triangular piece of property in the middle of the racetrack is not owned by the above persons, and no contract should be signed by them unless this piece of property is included. Mr. Helick stated that police had other information concerning Mr. MacDonald, and were endeavoring to identify him as a person wanted in New Jersey. MacDonald stated he had never been in New Jersey, and had never been mixed in promotion of any kind except in this case. Helick was told to see the Sub-chief of the Jefatura at five o'clock, tell him of this testimony, which had occurred and ask to see the evidence which they have against MacDonald, and to endeavor to explain MacDonald's use of the name MacDonnell in entering Cuba; in other words, to procure MacDonald's release if it is at all possible under the laws of Cuba, unless a charge in the sub chief's hands can be substantiated and also sufficient to cause the deportation of MacDonald.

Enclosure No. 2 to Despatch No. 980, March 24, 1905,
American Consulate General, Habana, Cuba.

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ADVIS DETROIT CHIEF OF POLICE BROCKHOUTMAN

Enclosure No. 4 to despatch No. 280, March 24, 1934,
American Consulate General, Havana, Cuba.

J. C. Drysdale, Chief
Residence Phone 7887

Phone Home 788

VILLAGE OF GROUSE POINTE PARK
Department of Police
Municipal Hall

March 24, 1934

J. E. F. Dwyer
American Consul General
Havana, Cuba

By WTD/jc
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Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 16th,
1934, regarding information concerning Cassius Michael
MacDonald, of 829 Franklin Road, Grosse Pointe Park,
Michigan.

He is known to me as claimed in your letter, and
has been a resident of Grosse Pointe Park, for several
years. To my knowledge he has never been in trouble of
any kind, and is held in high esteem in this community.

I know nothing of the Mr. and Mrs. Robert Day, who
are with the MacDonalds.

Trusting this information is what you have requested,
I remain

Respectfully yours

(3) JAMES C. DRYSDALE
James C. Drysdale
Chief of Police

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April 15, 1935

Mr. J. E. Hansen,
222 - 28th Street,
Miami Beach, Florida.

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

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of an additional dispatch dated March 26, 1935, forwarded to the Department of State by the American Consulate General, Havana, Cuba, with the enclosures referred to therein, reflecting information concerning Cassius M. McDonald.

The Department of State has also advised that a request has been made of the Cuban police authorities for copies of a report concerning its investigations into the arrest of McDonald during February and March, 1934, and when the report is received copies will be furnished to the Bureau for transmittal to you.

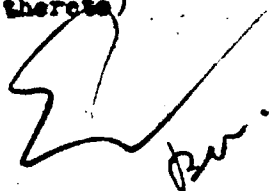
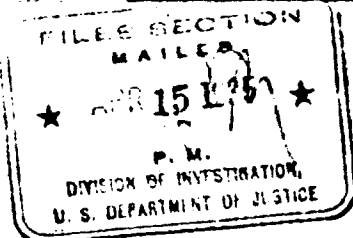
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Encl. #284302

CC - E. J. Connelley
Jacksonville
St. Paul

AIR MAIL Encls. (copies of dispatch, dated 3/26/35 to all offices;
SPECIAL DELIVERY together with copies of enclosures thereto)



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El Paso, Texas,
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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 812,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241
OLIVER A. BERS with aliases, FUGITIVE, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is had to your letter of March 30, 1935 requesting that Mr. F. X. Hollenberger at Montezuma, N.M., be interviewed relative to information he might have obtained relative to the Karpis-Barker gang.

I located Mr. Hollenberger on April 9 at Montezuma, N.M., which is a small village, five miles north of Las Vegas, New Mexico, and where he is a teacher of foreign languages in the Montezuma Baptist College. This college is a run down institution, maintained in an old barn-like structure and apparently on its last legs. They have only about sixty students and seem to operate in dire poverty. When I visited the place there was no fire in the building, those students whom I saw were shabby and disreputable looking and I found Mr. Hollenberger living with his wife and child in a bare barn-like room without any heat whatever. Hollenberger himself was shabbily dressed and apparently unshaven for several days. I sized him up as being one of those helpless creatures with a certain amount of education but no force.

Mr. Hollenberger seemed to attach a great deal of importance to the fact that he was being interviewed by a Bureau representative and was extremely cordial and apparently anxious to cooperate. He several times brought up the subject of his poverty and the fact that he was not getting any money

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where he presently is and would like to have a job with the Government. I found that he apparently knows nothing of the Karpis-Barker matter or of any other gangster activities, other than what he has been able to deduce from the book written by him for Mrs. Gus Winkler, a printed copy of which he gave me and which is being retained at this office, inasmuch as you are already in possession of a copy. Mr. Hollenberger also furnished me with his original typewritten manuscript of the book which was furnished the printer and I enclose same herewith for your perusal, inasmuch as it is not exactly like the book, some alterations and deletions having been made in the book as printed.

Mr. Hollenberger informed me that the book was printed by the Keller-Crescent Co., Evansville, Indiana; that, according to his information, Chicago politicians and others learned about it and paid the Keller-Crescent Co. \$20,000.00 in cash to suppress the book and destroy the 5000 copies which had been printed. Hollenberger asserts that this money was paid by State Senator Charlie Weber of Chicago. He asserted that several major crimes could be solved by a careful reading of the book and following up the information contained therein. He alleges, for instance, that Frankie Yale (Uale), the Chicago gangster was killed by Gus Winkler and George Cook, alias Little New York, alias Lefty Loui, and another, and that George Cook, with aliases, is still at liberty, unpunished, and resides at 2934 Maple, Berwyn, Illinois. Among other statements, he advised that Mrs. Winkler received \$75,000.00 in cash from her husband, Gus Winkler, the day before he was killed and that this money was probably transferred to evade payment of income tax. He alleges that W. W. Smith, a gangster attorney of Chicago, still has part of this money in a safety deposit box.

With respect to the stories appearing in Chicago papers alleging that Bryan Bolton had confessed to taking part in the St. Valentine's Day Massacre, Hollenberger asserts that these stories were put out by Walter Marsh, the present husband of Mrs. Winkler, and that Marsh now resides with his sister, Mrs. Stone, at 926 or 928 First Street, Louisville, Kentucky. Hollenberger stated that Mrs. Winkler did not converse with him much about gangster affairs in general, other than with relation to the facts, or alleged facts, set up in the notes which she furnished Mr. Hollenberger from which to prepare his manuscript. He adds that these notes contain material which he persuaded Mrs. Winkler not to put in the book and that he still has these original notes in the handwriting of Mrs. Winkler in his cottage at Lake Wandavega, Wisconsin; that he will be very glad to turn them over to the Bureau, if desired, and that he will deliver to the Bureau the key to his cabin if they want to go there and get the notes, provided they lock everything up as it was.

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I am convinced from my interview with Mr. Hollenberger that he has no information whatever of any value to the Bureau concerning the Bremer kidnaping gang. I do not think the professor had the remotest idea of what went on in the underworld until he got in touch with Mrs. Winkler through an advertisement in the papers and then entered into a contract with her to write the book. He intimated that when he entered into the contract he did not even anticipate what it would be about, and frankly states that if he had known what kind of a book it was going to be he would have been afraid to take part in writing it, but after having once signed the contract he was afraid to withdraw. Mr. Hollenberger stated that the Bureau was welcome to use him in any way they saw fit, provided he did not receive any publicity.

I would suggest that if you think it worth while to examine the original notes furnished Mr. Hollenberger by Mrs. Winkler that you write to him at Monteruma, N.M., and procure from him the key to his cabin at Lake Wandavega.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
cc St. Paul.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
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April 12, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

Re: Arthur Flegenheimer Case.

Mr. McEvers of the Tax Division called yesterday afternoon in connection with the testimony of Mr. Appel in the Flegenheimer Case at Syracuse, New York on April 15th. Mr. McEvers stated he was very much disappointed that Mr. Appel could not appear because of a prior subpoena on the 15th at St. Paul in the Bremer Kidnaping Case. Mr. McEvers stated the Attorney General had asked that Mr. Appel be used in the Flegenheimer Case and that although he has two other handwriting experts to testify, that is Osborn and Dr. Souder, he was still hoping he could have Appel.

I told him the Director was very much interested in seeing Flegenheimer successfully prosecuted and that I knew he would do all he could to assist, but at the same time the Bremer Case was being regarded as the most important case in the Bureau at the moment. I told Mr. McEvers, however, that we would make inquiry and request the United States Attorney at St. Paul to make every effort to release Appel early enough to permit him to reach Syracuse in time to offer testimony in the Flegenheimer Case. McEvers stated he expected the latter case to be on trial for two weeks but that, of course, he would want the handwriting testimony during the first week. He was leaving for Syracuse yesterday afternoon and asked me to convey any information obtained to Mr. Boyd of his office to be relayed to him at Syracuse.

Following my telephone conversation with you I called Mr. Coulter at St. Paul and gave him this information, requesting that he have a conference with the United States Attorney. He stated he would and would advise us by wire. Incidentally, I asked Mr. Coulter if his case was in good shape for trial and he responded in the affirmative. He stated that the case would go to trial promptly on Monday morning, April 15th, but that a number of witnesses had been excused until the 18th and it was not expected the testimony would be reached until that time.

Subsequently a teletype message was received from St. Paul indicating that Appel could possibly be released on the 18th or 19th. This information was furnished Mr. Boyd by re.

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Mr. Appel will be instructed to make further inquiry when he reaches St. Paul and to advise us by telegram as soon as he can determine at what time they will finish with him there. If he is still wanted at Syracuse we can then have him proceed by air.

Respectfully,

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E. P. Coffey.

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DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 13, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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

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

During the week preparations have been made for the trial of Arthur R. Barker and eleven others in St. Paul, Minnesota, commencing April 15, 1935 on charges of kidnaping Edward G. Bremer.

Acting on information developed by the St. Paul office, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and a squad of Agents of the Chicago office conducted investigation at Mankato, Minnesota with a view to locating C. J. Fitzgerald, who is believed to be associating with the remaining members of the Barker-Karpis gang. It had been reported that Belle Korn, the woman companion of Fitzgerald, had returned to her farm at Mankato, Minnesota. The investigation conducted by Mr. Connelley was without result.

The New York office is continuing the surveillance of Alice Conrad and Frankie Foster, who are possible contacts of Harry Sawyer, one of the remaining fugitives in this case.

There are no immediate leads relative to the whereabouts of Subjects Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and the others who are being sought in connection with this case.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO. 7-65

REPORT MADE AT: Washington, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4/16/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/10/35	REPORT MADE BY: Arthur McLaughlin
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>Miss Rebecca Thigpen, Glen Lyn, Va. has had no correspondence from George Lawrence Harper, alias of subject Volney Davis. If she obtains any such correspondence she will immediately advise the Washington Field Office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Letter from Chicago Office dated February 14, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: AT GLEN LYN, VA.</p> <p>Agent interviewed Miss Rebecca Thigpen, who is a member of the "Get Acquainted Correspondence Club of Denver, Colorado". She stated she had received no correspondence from George Lawrence Harper, nor from Volney Davis; however, she advised that if she did receive any such correspondence she would immediately notify the Washington Field Office, the address of which was furnished to her by this Agent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- PENDING -</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J.M. Keith</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-5556	RECORDED AND INDEXED: APR 17 1935
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April 11th, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that Clerk Harry Wild and Photographer Leon Rose have been subpoenaed to appear at St. Paul, Minnesota, to testify in connection with the Bremer trial.

It is requested that the Bureau advise whether these clerical employees should proceed to St. Paul using Government Transportation Requests and should claim \$5.00 per diem, or whether they should travel on the funds furnished by the Marshal and claim witness fees.

Inasmuch as these employees must leave Chicago on Sunday, April 14th, 1935, it is requested that you advise by telegram the desires of the Bureau in this regard.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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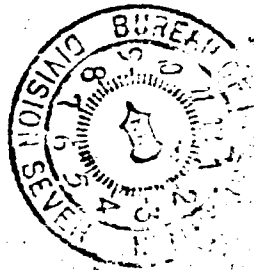
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R. B. WHITE
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

San Francisco, California,
April 8th, 1935.

J. E. P. DUFF,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
617 Federal Building,
Los Angeles, California.

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WHEREABOUTS FITZPATRICK ALIAS MURPHY.

Charge: Federal Bureau of Investigation
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405 P.O. Bldg.
San Francisco, Calif.

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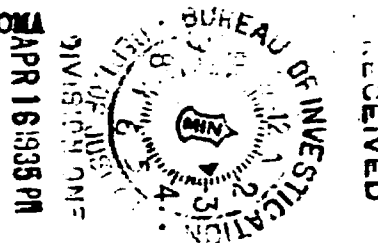
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R H Colvin
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U S Dept of Justice
1331 First National Bank Bldg
El Paso Texas

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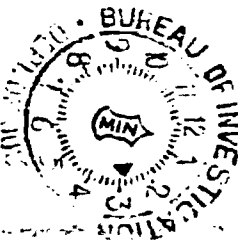
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Kansas City, Missouri

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April 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1216,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Reference is made to your letter of March 29, 1935,
addressed to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota,
concerning efforts of the attorney representing Edna Murray to
obtain certain of her property.

You are advised that the United States Marshal at
Topeka, Kansas, has been informed on several occasions by this
office that we have no reason for him to hold this property.
However, he recently advised Special Agent A. J. Norstrom of
this office that he did not intend to release this woman's
property until he had a court order to do so. In this situation,
no further action will be taken by this office in connection
with this subject's property.

Very truly yours,

R. B. KATHLMAN
Special Agent in Charge

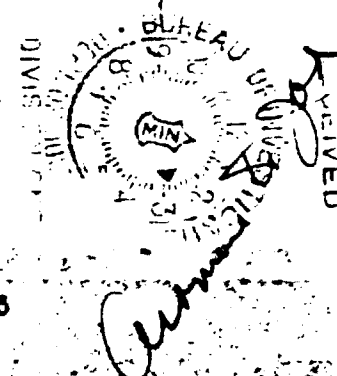
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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

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April 18, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241;
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter addressed to this office by the St. Paul office under date of April 4, 1935, a copy of which was furnished you relative to the ransom money now being held by the National City Bank, Havana, Cuba. It is noted in this letter that Mr. Sullivan, United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, suggested that his office be furnished with the names of all persons handling these bills, together with their addresses in order that if it became necessary he could secure the attendance of witnesses in the court to testify to this ransom money.

It is believed desirable that an agent of your office should personally list the serial numbers appearing on the ransom bills now being held at Havana, Cuba, the list of which was furnished the Chicago office by Mr. F. J. Dawson of the National City Bank, in order that original notes will be available from which an agent can testify if necessary in a subsequent trial, which might be held in connection with this case in St. Paul.

Very truly, yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge

Special Assignment
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cc Bureau
St. Paul

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

April 13, 1935.

Hon. George F. Sullivan,
United States Attorney,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

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

I am transmitting herewith to you by Special Agent K.R. McIntire
of this office the following pages which are to be inserted in the sum-
mary report on ARTHUR "DOC" BARKER:

Pages 139-A, 239-A, 142-A, and 21-A.

I am also transmitting herewith page 17-A to be inserted in the
summary report of ELMER FARBER and page 28-A to be inserted in the sum-
mary report of WILLIAM E. VIDLER.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 536
Los Angeles, California
April 11, 1935

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DIVISION ONE



Special Agent in Charge
Omaha, Nebraska

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

L. A. File #7-42

Reference is made to your letter of March 19, 1935,
transmitting a tracing of a letter addressed to Edward
Sandlovich, 2225 Michigan Blvd., Lincoln, Nebraska, bearing a
return address of Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, 4333
Mountain Blvd., Los Angeles.

Please be advised that an appropriate inquiry con-
ducted at the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital reflected that
there is no doubt the usual printed envelope available in
the hospital to all patients, visitors and any other persons
in the hospital. Inquiry reflects that the records did not
contain anyone by the name of Sandlovich, Sawyer or other names
important to this investigation as having been patients at or
employees of the hospital.

It does not appear, therefore, that any efforts can
be made to ascertain the writer of this letter unless same is
determined through investigation at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DUNN
Special Agent in Charge

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P.O. Drawer 567
San Francisco, California.

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April 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir: Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218,
 et al. Edward George Bremer - Victim.
 Kidnaping.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent D. E. Hall,
Detroit, Michigan, dated March 14, 1935, and letter of Special Agent
in Charge William Larson, Detroit, Michigan, dated 3/30/35.

The records of the California State Motor Vehicle Depart-
ment, Sacramento, California, reflect that Buick Club Sedan, motor
#2875177, bearing 1935 Ohio license #38716, was sold by C. J. Murphy,
on February 6, 1935, to George McPheeters, 1190 E. Anaheim Street,
Long Beach, California, who obtained 1935 California license #7Y4091,
on February 7, 1935, as sole owner.

The car was re-sold on 3/2/35 to George H. Mitchell, 1801
E. Anaheim Street, Long Beach, California, who, on 3/4/35, re-sold
the same to George C. Pilkington, 272 Roy Crest Avenue, Long Beach,
California, as sole owner.

Very truly yours,

E. P. GUINANE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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c.c. St. Paul.
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 6, 1935.

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

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letters of February 13 and March 30, 1935, referring to the source of the information upon which certain newspaper articles were based, and possibly indicating that this information as to Bureau activities had been furnished to the press by someone at Chicago.

I have given this matter considerable thought and attention as well as making certain discreet inquiry, and also by making what I believe were tests, inferences which might lead to someone giving out this information, provided it was anyone connected with the Chicago office, and in my opinion it is very doubtful that anybody at the Chicago office is intentionally furnishing any information which might reach the newspapers.

In most of the instances where stories have appeared, while we have no definite information indicating the source of these, it is apparent that the information indicated could very well have been obtained from other sources or circumstances than a contact with somebody associated with the office. The only matter which seems to be impossible of satisfactory explanation is the information which was given out as to the fact that Arthur Barker was held at the Chicago office, as to which it is noted several days after he was held, the newspapers made inquiry and obtained copies of his Identification Order, and it is possible that they may have exhibited his picture in the neighborhood in which the raids were conducted on the night of January 8, 1935, resulting in an identification to them by some person who knew of him having been apprehended on the night of January 8th, or at least knew of him having been a resident at 432 Surf Street, or a visitor at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago.

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The references as to HELEN GILLIS having been held at the Chicago office, particularly when she was first apprehended and held here, it is believed are known to the Bureau, that is, as to the source from which the newspapers obtained the information indicated..

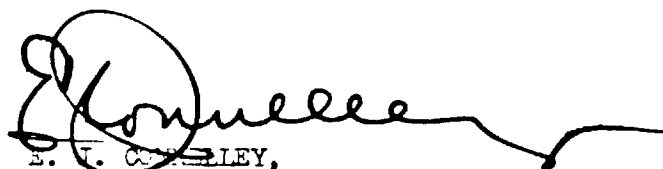
As to the articles which appeared the night before Helen Gillis appeared before the Grand Jury in January, 1935, no one was aware of the fact that she was held here at that time until late the day before she appeared before the Grand Jury, at which time this information was furnished to the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois, and it is possible that the U.S. Attorney made some reference to the fact that he intended to use her before the Grand Jury, and this may have been the source from which the newspapers inferred that she was being held by us at that time. It is known definitely that it was announced early the following morning that she would appear before the Grand Jury that morning to testify in that case, as this was announced to the newspapers by the U.S. Attorney.

The article which appeared as to the alleged confession of WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON and his connection with the St. Valentine Day massacre February 14, 1929, was based entirely upon mis-information, inasmuch as he had made no such statement to anyone, and at the time these articles appeared Bolton had been taken to St. Paul and surrendered for official custody at that place, indicating of course definitely that we previously had had him in custody. The recent articles appearing in the papers referring to the alleged confession furnished by JESS DOYLE to Federal Agents at Kansas City I do not believe had any reference to any information obtained at Chicago, and judging from the report from the Kansas City office that the associated press dispatches there do not show a dispatch to St. Paul, and the explanation offered by the representative of the associated press at St. Paul that he had received this in an associated press dispatch from Kansas City, this would indicate that the source of this information was probably St. Paul, and while I have no information upon which to base same, it is my belief that possibly Attorney DeCoursey at that point may be responsible for this article which appeared.

Previously we have had a very careful check made of the telephones at the Chicago office, and the telephone company has indicated there is no possibility of a tap on any of our lines here, and also judging

by the conversations which have been had over these lines, and the information transmitted, it is my belief that the papers did not have this source of information, because of the fact that many more important things have been discussed, which could very easily have been the subject matter of press releases if they had been able to overhear such conversations.

Very truly yours,



E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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DIRECTOR

BREKID WILL PROCEED DETROIT THURSDAY NIGHT ARRANGE FRIDAY
 TO ASSIST CHECKING MIDDLE ISLAND. PLAN PROCEEDING MIDDLE ISLAND
 SATURDAY MORNING. WILL TAKE AGENTS JONES, CAMPBELL AND WINSTEAD WITH
 ME AND USE THREE AGENTS FROM DETROIT TO ASSIST.

DEVELOPMENTS CHICAGO BREKID ARE CONTINUING THROUGH CHECK VARIOUS PLACES
 INCLUDING 2024 MILWAUKEE AVENUE, 1130 WEST MADISON, 3808 BROADWAY
 AND HY-HO CLUB CIGERO AS WELL AS JOLIET AND AURORA. LATTER TWO PLACES
 PARTICULARLY AS TO DOCTOR MORAN WHERE REPORTED SEEN.

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U. S. Department of Justice
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
APRIL 15, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218, FUG.;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1235;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237, FUG.;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. #1238;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. #1240;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. #1241;
OLIVER A. BERG with aliases - FUGITIVE;
BRUNO PUTIS with aliases - FUG., ET AL
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

There is being transmitted herewith a copy of a letter
dispatched by this office to all Postmasters in this district with
respect to Subject Volney Davis. It will also be noted, by perusing
this letter, that an Identification Order of this Subject was
transmitted to each Post Office with the letter.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan
R. B. NATHAN HEA
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - St. Paul (Encl.)
cc - Chicago, Mr. Connelley (Enc.)

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.
Kansas City, Missouri

March 26, 1935

Dear Postmaster:

There is enclosed herein an Identification Order issued by this Bureau, relative to Volney Davis, who has used numerous aliases, as shown on the Identification Order. In addition to those names, it is known that Davis has within the recent past used the names of George Lawrence Harner and B. R. Larson. He has the appearance of a Scandinavian, and often uses other aliases indicating his nationality as Scandinavian. The description of Davis is shown on the Identification Order.

It is known that in the past Davis has, on a number of occasions, engaged post office boxes in small communities, the offices in which boxes have been rented being usually adjacent to some larger city. In renting the boxes, he has indicated that he resided in the town in which the box was rented, but has in all instances been unknown in these towns, and has not given any references which could be checked. I am writing this letter to request your cooperation, having in mind the possibility that this man, who is badly wanted, may continue to operate as in the past. It will be greatly appreciated if you will determine from your records whether there has been, within the recent past, the rental of any box in your office to anyone using the name or aliases of this man, or whose photograph or description might be recognized by you or those employed in your office. Should there have been such a rental, it will be appreciated if you will immediately notify this office, in order that an appropriate investigation may be undertaken. This office should also be notified of any rentals within the past sixty days where the circumstances were suspicious and the person renting the box is not known to postal officials.

Should you have any information which you think would relate to this man, it is desired that we be advised by telegram to the above address, Government rate collect, or by telephone to Victor 3113, Kansas City, collect. Your cooperation with us in this matter will be sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

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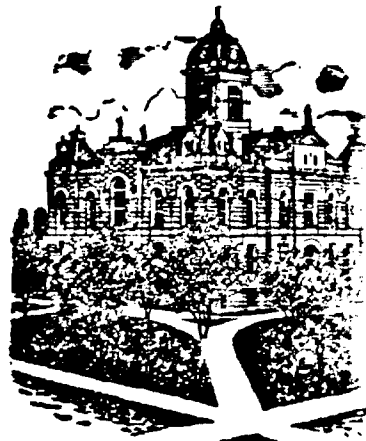
OFFICE OF
The Sheriff of Jefferson County

Office Phone 25

Member State Sheriffs' Association

Fairbury, Nebraska

April 5, 1935



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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 2, 1935 in which you ask us to advise, as to the number of persons held for prosecution on minor larcenies (under \$50 in value).

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In my Annual Return Of Offenses Known To The Police, I placed the persons held for minor larcenies in Return B, under Larceny b (under \$50 in value) and did not show them in Return C. In my return I believe you will find under Return B, Larceny (under \$50 in value) offenses reported 30, number of actual offenses 30, cleared by arrest 25 and not cleared by arrest 5.

Mr. Hoover, as you know on April 4th, 1933, the First National Bank of Fairbury, was held up by six or possibly seven men, whom I engaged in a gun fight and fatally wounded one of the men and was shot through the leg myself in the battle. Several months ago Mr. Greene and Mr. Smith of the Department of Justice were here investigating this robbery and through their very fine work the gang that pulled this robbery were identified, as the Karpis, Barker gang, this was several months before Jess Doyle confessed to being one of the gang.

I would like to have photographs of Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker, Arthur (Doc) Barker, Frank Nash, Verne Miller, Jess Doyle and the man I killed, who was supposed to be Earl Christman. I would like these photo's to clear up this robbery here and thought that you might get them for me, or inform me where I might obtain these Photographs

Thanking you for your co-operation, I am

Sincerely yours

W. S. Davidson

Deputy Sheriff

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April 15, 1935

Mr. W. S. Davidson,
Deputy Sheriff,
Jefferson County,
Fairbury, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 5, 1935 wherein you explain the entries made on the Annual Return of Offenses Known to the Police.

You also referred to the robbery of the First National Bank of Fairbury, Nebraska, which occurred on April 4, 1935, during which robbery you engaged the robbers in a gun fight, fatally wounding one of them. Pursuant to your request, I am inclosing herewith photographs of the individuals referred to in your letter.

May I take this opportunity of thanking you for the cooperation which you have in the past rendered to representatives of this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure No. 859047

cc - Omaha
St. Paul
Mr. Connelley

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Division of Investigation
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Miami, Fla.
April 15, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. #1218, Et Al,
Edward George Bremer, Victim - Kidnaping.

Reference is made to Bureau letter of April 11, 1935, addressed to me in connection with the above entitled case and which letter outlines certain investigative activity to be conducted in Miami, Florida and Havana, Cuba.

This is to advise that in accordance with telephonic conversation with Mr. E.A. Tamm the investigation desired in Miami only will be conducted at this time. In accordance with Mr. Tamm's instructions, Special Agent S.K. McKee, who left Miami for St. Paul, Minn., to testify in this case on April 16, 1935, will interview subject Bolton for further information in connection with the activities of Adams, as well as the other subjects in Miami, and he will also go to Milan, Michigan to interview former subjects Dolores Delaney and Winona Burdett for similar information. Upon concluding the work at these places he will return to complete the investigation necessary at Havana, Cuba, in line with the Division letter of reference.

This also is to confirm conversation with Mr. Tamm concerning his approval of having the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies check all messages, both incoming and outgoing, received in Miami, Florida during the period August 29, 1934 to January 18, 1935, both dates inclusive, for the following:

1. Jos. H. Adams
2. Frederico
3. Cassius McDonald
4. Wm. J. Harrison
5. Nathaniel Heller
6. J.B. Bolton
7. E.N. Howe
8. E.N. Wagner
9. R.R. Brown
10. T.C. Blackburn
11. M.L. Summers
12. G. Summers
13. Mrs. G.E. Ryan
14. Mrs. E.M. Wagner.

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The Postal Telegraph Company advised me that to check these messages it would cost approximately \$15.00 and the Western Union Telegraph Company, which has a greater volume of business, advised that the cost will be \$75.00.

The above suggestion was made inasmuch as while at the Postal Telegraph Company today I found that subject Joseph Adams had received the following telegram:

"26 HA 22 Cable

Mi Habana 12/31/34

NLT Joe Adams

El Commodore Hotel Miami Flo

"Happy New Year Tell Arthurs contact club assured
Here Have Rayonel contract for Delrio Tobacco

Frederico
11:55 P".

It is my opinion that this telegram was sent by subject McDonald, using a cable address, to Adams and that the Arthur referred to therein is either Arthur Barker or Arthur Hebebrand. Adams has denied knowing either of these men and claims that the only telegram that he sent to Havana is one concerning the departure of Kate Barker under the name of Ryan for Havana in October, which telegram is mentioned in the report of Special Agent R.D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida dated 2-25-35.

The telegraph companies will be furnished with a Subpoena Duces Tecum to produce the results of this search before the Grand Jury sitting in Miami on May 27, 1935, but the officials of both companies, namely Messrs. Rogers, Supt. of the Postal Telegraph Company, and Johnson of the Western Union Telegraph Company, advised me that they would permit an agent to see these telegrams prior to that time and any investigation that is necessary can then be conducted prior to the trial of these cases, which are set for June 17, 1935. They also advised me that it will take several days to conduct this search and for that reason I have acquainted Special Agent Fitzsimons with this matter, in order that he can keep a contact with these companies and secure the results of the examination.

Very truly yours,

S. J. Fitzsimons
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Jacksonville
E.J. Connelley
St. Paul

P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
April 15, 1935

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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

RE: JOHN PAUL CHASE, with aliases;
JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I. O. #1230;
et al - National Motor Vehicle Theft
Act, Obstruction of Justice, Harbor-
ing of Fugitives, Murder of Inspector
S. P. Cowley and Special Agent E. E.
Hollis.

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218;
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I. O. #1236; VULNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I. O. #1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1233; WILLIAM
WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. #1238; HARRY
SAWYER, with aliases, I. O. #1240; WILLIAM
J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. #1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. #1241.
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March 30, 1935
concerning a suggestion made by Albert W. Reilly alias Pat Reilly
that he be released for a period of thirty or sixty days to obtain
information from contacts at St. Paul, Minnesota, which would assist
in the location of the road side grave of John Hamilton, and also in-
formation resulting in the apprehension of Harry Sawyer and Alvin
Karpis, as well as probably some of their associates, and thereby
given a full pardon.

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Agent Paul Hansen again contacted Reilly April 12, 1935, and talked with him for a long time at the reformatory. Reilly said that it would be impossible for him to give any information regarding the location of Hamilton's grave, or the location of fugitives in the BREKID case without making certain contacts in St. Paul. He said, however, in no uncertain terms, that as he has been double-crossed by agents of the Bureau by being promised a six months sentence if he would plead guilty, that he was not taking any further chances, and "if they want to take a chance I'll show them that I can get what they want." Agent Hansen suggested to Reilly that he give some information that would result in discovering the Hamilton grave, as a means of selling himself, and showing his worth to the Bureau, but Reilly said that he could not do this if he wanted to ever so much, as he will have to be in St. Paul to obtain further information before this can be done. Reilly again reiterated that he is willing to put Harry Sawyer, Alvin Karpis, and whomever might be with them on the spot for a promise by the department that if he did so he would be given a full pardon. He says that he is positive that he can do this job, and thinks it might be done even in thirty days, but is sure it would not take longer than sixty days. He said if the trial of the other subjects in this case could be held up at St. Paul for thirty days, he is sure that he would have other principal defendants located by that time.

Agent Hansen asked Reilly to communicate with him if he ever obtained any information in this matter, or if he changed his mind about what he knew, or wished to tell, but Reilly said that this would never be as long as he is in the reformatory, as he has no connection whatsoever, and especially due to the fact that most of the people there are short termers, the majority of them being there for liquor violations. Reilly is extremely anxious that he be transferred to Leavenworth, where he states "people at least keep clean, and don't eat like pigs."

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc E. J. Connelley at
Chicago

St. Paul

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

April 15, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley
Special Agent in Charge - Special Assignment
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 612,
Chicago, Illinois

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237, FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1238;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. #1240;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239;
MYRTLE KATON with aliases, I.O. #1241; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Special Agent John L. Madala interviewed WYNONA LORDETTE at the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 11, 1935 and secured the following information from her.

She advised that while she and HARRY CAMPBELL were living at the El Commodore Hotel in Miami, Florida, during November 1934, WILLIE HARRISON and "DOC" BARKER came there on one occasion during this period and stayed for two days; that this was the first time she saw either "DOC" or WILLIE since her arrest at Cleveland, Ohio, in September of 1934; that WILLIE was very antagonistic towards her and accused her of squealing on him. He indicated to her that he received this information from GLADYS SAWYER, the wife of HARRY SAWYER.

WYNONA further stated that WILLIE HARRISON was so belligerent in his accusations concerning her that HARRY CAMPBELL warned him that he would kill him if he did not shut up. She advised that she informed both CAMPBELL and FRED BARKER that she made a complete statement to the Government, and repeated to them exactly what she revealed to Agents of the Bureau. She stated that neither CAMPBELL nor FRED BARKER held any grievances towards her for making such a statement, but merely stated that she was hurting herself; however, they warned her not to repeat her statement in open court should she be called upon to do so, and for this reason she refuses to testify in behalf of the Government in this case.

Agent directed WYNONA BURDETTE'S attention back to on or about January 18, 1934, and she advised that when PAULA HARMON and she arrived in Chicago, Illinois, around this time they encountered considerable difficulty in locating WILLIE HARRISON, whom they were instructed to contact upon their arrival here; that on the night of their arrival in Chicago, Illinois, PAULA HARMON and she checked in at the Fullerton-Plaza Hotel and remained there for two days; that during this period they made numerous efforts to contact WILLIE HARRISON but failed to do so until on or about January 20, 1934. WYNONA further stated that WILLIE HARRISON assisted them in moving from the Fullerton-Plaza Hotel to the Biltmore Apartments, 6248 University Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, at which address EDNA MURRAY was residing under the name of MRS. SNYDER. WYNONA advised that WILLIE HARRISON visited them almost every evening during their stay in Chicago, and that numerous times he took EDNA MURRAY and herself cabaretting; that on one occasion he drove them to some small town in Indiana near Chicago, Illinois, and stopped at a place which was supposed to be the home of his former father-in-law; that they had some beer at this place, and while they were there a girl named RUTH, whom HARRISON advised was his former wife, came in and WILLIE introduced her to EDNA and herself. WYNONA stated that WILLIE HARRISON often talked to her about his former wife RUTH, and from his conversation she gathered the impression that he still cares for her considerably but that she does not care very much for him. WYNONA advised that WILLIE HARRISON drove into this place on another occasion but that at that time RUTH was not at home and they only remained for a short while.

The foregoing information is being furnished for your attention in view of the fact that it will be recalled that RUTH HEIDT denied knowing both WYNONA BURDETTE and EDNA MURRAY at the time she was interviewed by Agents of the Chicago Bureau Office while she was being detained there.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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BREKID NO SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENTS AS TO LADSXXX LEADS BEING COVERED
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INFORMANT, [REDACTED] ADVISES TONIGHT, SUNDAY, HE SAW JOHN RUSSELL
MORAN VICINITY BROADWAY AND DIVERSEY. THIS MORAN SUPPOSED CONTACT
WILLIE HARRISON. CHECK BY AGENTS AND MYSELF HOWEVER FAILED TO LOCATE
MORAN. VARIOUS AGENTS PROCEEDING ST PAUL SUNDAY NIGHT FOR TRIAL
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BREKID REPORT BY JOHN F KURTZER HE HAD SEEN KARPIS AND JOSEPH FOX AT 2404 MCMEAN AVENUE CHICAGO CHECKED TODAY NH UNFOUNDED HOWEVER CHECK OCCUPANTS THIBLADDRESS TO BE PRZSSD FURTHR. CONTC73\$ CONTINUED EFFORT AND CHECK BEING MADE CICERO AND CHICAGO ML TO WILLIE HARRISON AND HIS ALLEGED ASSOCIATE JOHN RUSSELL MORAN. LONG CONFIDENTIAL CONTNQT HA WITH FATHER OF ALVIN KARPIS BY AGENT CHAFFETZ AND INOX INFORMAN INDICATES LACK OF INDICATION FATHER HAS BEEN IN CONTACT BUT ADVITS HE IS MAKING EFFORT TO CONTACT ALVIN FOR DISCUSSION OF WHAT KARPIS SHOULD DO AS TO SURRENDERING. KARPIS NOT KXX LIKELY TO SURRENDER BUT POSSIBLY SOME LEAD WILL DEVELOP THRU THE FATHER.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

April 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 27, 1935, requesting information concerning an individual by the name of Joe Turdock, true name either Joe Taconi or Joe Rankini, who arrived in Reno, Nevada, shortly after Russell Gibson was slain by Federal Agents at Chicago, Illinois. Please be advised that the various Federal agencies in Chicago have been interviewed in connection with the matter and have advised that they have no information pertaining to the above named individual.

No one by this name is wanted by the States Attorney's office, Chicago, Illinois, or the Chicago Police Department and our several informants now employed in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case have advised that they know no individual by the names above mentioned.

Very truly yours,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT
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E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

EB:GAJ

April 15, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

There is attached a memorandum in
the form of a press release dealing with the
Bremer case.

Respectfully,

Edgar Backus
Edgar Backus.

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Mr. Nathan
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April 15, 1935.

MEMORANDUM

After an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation which has covered practically the entire United States and Cuba, trial of twelve principal persons identified as participants, directly or indirectly, in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, opened today in St. Paul, Minnesota, with the selection of a jury. This group of twelve is a part of the twenty-two named as having taken part in the events preceding or following the \$200,000 pay-off which effected Mr. Bremer's release approximately 14 months ago.

Charges on which trial started today are incorporated in two indictments returned on January 22, 1935, the first charging twelve persons with the kidnaping, and the second charging ten with forming a conspiracy in connection with the kidnaping. Those now going to trial are: Arthur R. Barker, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, Byron Bolton, Oliver A. Berg, John J. McLaughlin, William E. Vidler, Philip J. Delaney, James J. Wilson, Jess Doyle, Edna Murray, and Bruno Austin.

Involving some of the most dangerous characters in the criminal element of the United States, the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer has developed a maze of inter-relations with other crimes and individuals not members of the original gang.

On January 17, 1934, Mr. Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank at St. Paul, was seized after he had taken his daughter to school. He was held in confinement from that date until February 7, when, after lengthy negotiations, he was released upon payment of \$200,000 in ransom money.

Several individuals were brought into the case by the appearance of the ransom money, the serial numbers of which had been recorded. As this money was released into circulation, it was traced, and the identities of those attempting to effect the exchange were established.

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Developments in the Bremer case moved rapidly during January of this year. On January 8, Arthur R. Barker was apprehended with his paramour, Mildred Kuhlman, in Chicago. Coincident with this capture, Russell Gibson was located, and when he resisted arrest, was killed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

On the 16th of January it was definitely established that Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker, were living in a house on Lake Weir, Oklawaha, Florida, and plans were made for their arrest. The house in which they were living was surrounded, all of the neighbors were warned to leave the vicinity, and Special Agents, identifying themselves, demanded that Fred Barker and his mother surrender. Their demand was met by gunfire, and there resulted a battle which lasted for several hours, finally ending in the deaths of both Fred Barker and his mother.

Subsequent to this raid, investigations indicated that several persons in Miami, Florida, and Habana, Cuba, had assisted in concealing Alvin Karpis. On February 7, 1935, an indictment was returned at Jacksonville, Florida, charging sixteen persons with harboring, and affiliated charges, and this case is now pending.

Meanwhile continued investigations by the Federal Bureau of Investigation had resulted in the apprehension of many persons associated with the Barker-Karpis gang.

John J. McLaughlin, Sr., was located and admitted negotiating for exchange of the money on a five percent cut basis. Byron Bolton, Elmer Farmer and Harold Alderton were picked up, and on January 20, 1935, Bruno Austin, likewise known as Bruno Putis, was taken into custody at the conclusion of his wedding ceremony in Chicago.

Jess Doyle, after a gun battle with Special Agents in Kansas, on February 7, surrendered at Girard, Kansas, and was removed to St. Paul for trial. Edna Murray was apprehended and likewise removed to St. Paul. Her brother, Harry C. Stanley, and his

wife, Mary Stanley, were taken into custody and on March 12, 1935, entered pleas of guilty at Wichita. Stanley was sentenced to serve six months and pay a fine of \$1,000, and his wife's sentence was suspended for a period of five years.

From the first the investigation of this case has involved persons known to be desperate criminals. Arthur Barker and Volney Davis were convicted of a murder in Oklahoma and both had been given paroles or leaves of absence. Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker were identified as those sought for the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelly, at West Plains, Missouri.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

April 13, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O.#1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O.#1232; WILLIAM WEAVER,
with aliases, I.O.#1238; HARRY SAWYER,
with aliases, I.O.#1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,
with aliases, I.O.#1239; MYRTLE EATON, with
aliases, I.O.#1241; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim. KIDNAPING -
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUS-
TICE - NATL. FIREARMS ACT. St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Special Agent John L. Madala interviewed JESS DOYLE at the Ramsey
County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 11, 1935, and obtained the following
additional information from him:

Identification Order #1200 on WALTER HOLLAND alias WALTER O'MALLEY
alias "IRISH" O'MALLEY, subject in the case entitled WALTER HOLLAND with alias-
es, I.O.#1200, MRS. GEORGE CHASE, with aliases, I.O.#1199, ILOYE DOYLE, with
aliases, I.O.#1208, et al, AUGUST LUER, Victim, KIDNAPING - EXTORTION THROUGH
USE OF THE MAILS, was exhibited to JESS DOYLE and he positively identified the
same as being identical with the person named "LEO", mentioned frequently in
his signed statement to Agent Madala, dated at Kansas City, Kansas, February 25,
1935, as an associate of VOLNEY DAVIS. DOYLE stated that he never met any of
"LEO'S" other associates and, therefore, is unable to make any further identi-
fications. He reiterated, at this time, that he is certain that "LEO" and his
crowd were responsible for the Okemah, Oklahoma, bank robberies perpetrated
last December, and that the Mellon Travellers Checks identified as part of the
loot taken in these robberies, some of which were found in his and VOLNEY DAVIS'
effects at the time of their arrest, were obtained by VOLNEY from "LEO". DOYLE
was interviewed at great length with respect to the basis of the above allega-
tion and he finally admitted that VOLNEY DAVIS indicated to him that he obtained
these travellers checks from "LEO" some time during the month of January of this
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Special Agent Madala also questioned JESS DOYLE concerning the bank robbery at Neosho, Missouri, on March 2, 1935. He advised that he believes VOLNEY DAVIS, "LEO", and his associates, were responsible for this crime. In this connection, he stated that two or three weeks prior to his, DOYLE'S, arrest, VOLNEY DAVIS approached him in Kansas City and solicited him to take part in this robbery advising that he "cased" this bank for some time and it looked like a cinch; that, at that time, VOLNEY DAVIS also volunteered to DOYLE the information that "LEO" and another person, whose name DOYLE cannot recall, were to assist him in this robbery.

Concerning WILLIAM WEAVER, one of the subjects in this case, DOYLE stated that VOLNEY DAVIS told him last December that WILLIAM WEAVER had purchased a farm in the State of Arkansas and that he was living on this farm with MYRTLE EATON. DOYLE stated that VOLNEY DAVIS did not furnish him with the exact location of this farm but DOYLE believes it is somewhere near WEAVER'S home in that state.

DOYLE also stated that he believes HARRY SAWYER is presently either in Chicago or New York City; that, in this connection, DAVIS told him on one occasion that the "Syndicates" in Chicago and New York think very highly of HARRY SAWYER and that they would not hesitate to provide him with a place of refuge.

JESS DOYLE indicated to Agent Madala that he is willing to testify in behalf of the Government in this case; that, in the event the Government decides not to prosecute him, and removes him to Drexel, Missouri, for the bank robbery there, he will plead guilty as to his participation.

Very truly yours,

D.M. Ladd
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Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

April 15, 1935.

Hon. George F. Sullivan,
United States Attorney,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 8, 1935, requesting that Agents of the Chicago office assist the United States Marshal in serving subpoenas on Clara Gibson, Patricia Lonquest and Simon Cinotto. Please be advised that your letter was addressed to the Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., and was not received in Chicago until April 12, 1935, at which time the subpoenas on Clara Gibson and Simon Cinotto had already been served by the United States Marshal's office. You are advised that on April 13th an Agent of this Bureau assisted the United States Marshal's office in the location of Patricia Lonquest, at which time a subpoena was served on her for appearance at St. Paul, Minnesota on April 15, 1935, at 10:00 o'clock A.M.

Very truly yours,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM
WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM
J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREYER, Victim - KIDNAPING;
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Mr. E. L. Road,
Editor, New Smyrna Daily News,
New Smyrna, Florida.

Dear Mr. Road:

I have been intending to write you relative to the editorial "In the War on Gangsterism", which appeared in the New Smyrna Daily News, and which your newspaper, on January 19, 1935, forwarded to the Department of Justice.

Permit me to say that I enjoyed very much reading this editorial, which, as you will recall, dealt with the encounter between Special Agents of this Bureau and members of the Barker-Karpis gang at Oklawaha, Florida, resulting in the deaths of Fred Barker and his mother, Mrs. Kate Barker.

The editorial showed clearly that the New Smyrna Daily News is cognizant of the problem faced by law enforcement officers in their endeavor to bring about the arrest of desperate criminals. It is vitally necessary that these gangsters, who will continue to menace both the lives and property of law abiding citizens as long as they remain at large, be apprehended and brought before the bar of justice. They are, however, entirely devoid of any regard for the sanctity of the lives of others and will not hesitate to kill to make their escape or to continue their depredations. The officer, on the other hand, must endeavor to capture them without fatalities.

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The first thought of Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is the safety of the innocent non-combatant. The Agents are thoroughly trained in the use of firearms and other equipment incidental to such encounters in order that the highest degree of accuracy possible may accompany the use of such weapons. Every effort is made to avoid resorting to gunfire through carefully planned coups to take the gangster by surprise, and through offering him the opportunity to surrender without bloodshed, and firing only in self-defense.

I want to thank you for pointing out so graphically the factors involved, and to assure you that the confidence expressed by the statement in the editorial that "the strong arm of the government will protect the hopes of the citizens of the United States" is deeply appreciated.

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With best wishes and kind regards, I am
Sincerely yours,

CC Jacksonville

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H. L. Rood, Editor

H. H. Clegg. /

IN THE WAR ON GANGSTERISM

The slaying of two members of a kidnap gang at Oklawaha, Florida, near Ocala Wednesday gave rise to criticism as well as praise of the manner in which the federal agents led by Capt. Connelly set the trap and went through with the battle.

The "narrow escape" of a woman and her daughter who lived next door to the house in which Fred and "Ma" Barker were killed, has been the foundation for a line of thought regarding warfare against gangsters, which, if it runs without correction, will be the means of seriously hampering the work of the Department of Justice.

Occasionally we hear stories about how this and that person's life was endangered by bullets from federal guns, and the comment usually is that "it is to shame."

Recalling the first move on the part of the government to stamp out gangdom in the United States, it will be remembered that federal forces were far from being well organized for the job when Raymond Moley was assigned to make a study of crime conditions. At that time the Dillingers and other notorious gangs were getting in their severest licks. The lives of people had not been safe at any time. The Lindbergh baby had been kidnaped and this was followed by the John Factor kidnaping, the Bremer kidnaping and the Alice Speed Stoll kidnaping and many others.

The situation was getting serious, and nothing short of an organized warfare on gangdom seemed equal to the task.

The results of the Department of Justice's plan of action today speak for themselves. The Dillinger gang, the Touhy gang and the Barker gang have been broken up and most of the leaders have been killed. Bandits still roam the country but the worst of them have been eliminated. Once again the feeling that the strong arm of the government will protect the homes of the citizens of the United States is returning.

This is something to be thankful for, and the only loss of life so far has been the lives of those brave federal men who have taken one risk after another to safeguard general society. No one person of the many persons who have been pointed out here and there as having been terrorized by federal bullets has died or been wounded. Just as was the case of the woman and her daughter at Oklawaha, Florida, Wednesday, in the majority of the cases the danger was highly imaginary.

In exciting times like these, when machine guns sputter and bullets tear up earth and rip splinters from buildings, it is easy to imagine that one's life is in great danger. But a machine gun is a more or less accurate instrument. It isn't like a shot gun; it doesn't spread bullets over a wide area at reasonably close range. The federal men who man those guns know their business. They can pick out an object from a group of objects, fill the one object full of holes and leave the others untouched. And that is precisely what happens in most all cases where people complain that their lives have been endangered by federal guns. That was no doubt what happened at Oklawaha.

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