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BREKID [redacted] TOLEDO OHIO TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED LAST NITE SHE IS DESPERATELY IN NEED OF MONEY AND FOR PAST MONTH HAS BEEN UNABLE TO FREQUENT NEW CASINO CLUB OPERATED BY ANGUS BROTHERS AND OTHER TOLEDO CLUBS WHERE ASSOCIATES OF KARPIS AND HARRISON ARE KNOWN THUS BEING UNABLE TO KEEP CONTACTS SHE HAS BEEN ABLE TO BUILD UP. SHE APPEARS STILL ANXIOUS TO COOPERATE . IN VIEW HER PAST VALUABLE ASSISTANCE AND POSSIBILITY SHE MAY AGAIN BE ABLE TO PRODUCE SHOULD HER REQUENT BE GRANTED FOR IMMEDIATE PAYMENT OF FIFTY DOLLARS ?

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July 5, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

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

Dear Sir:

Under date of June 6, 1935, the Bureau addressed a communication to Mr. W. C. Simpson, c/o Sheriff's Office, Gulfport, Mississippi, a copy of which was furnished your office, in which letter the Bureau advised Mr. Simpson that the matter of remuneration would be held in abeyance until you had had an opportunity to comment upon the information set forth in his letter dated May 11, 1935.

The Bureau desires that you give this matter immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
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NEW YORK CITY	7/5/35	6/26/35	F. E. WRIGHT

TITLE:	CHARACTER OF CASE:
ALVIN KARPIS, with Aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.	KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Mail cover and tracing established on mail addressed to Miss Joan [redacted] W. 70th Street, New York [redacted] two letters [redacted] 7/21/35 respectively. No attempt made to rent or lease fourth floor apartment of 131 W. 70th St., N.Y.C.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent L. C. Burum, Chicago, Ill., dated 6/21/35.

DETAILS:

In accordance with lead set out for this office in reference report, the proper Post Office officials in New York City were requested by letter to discontinue the cover on all mail [redacted] occupants of 131 West 70th Street, New York City, and to further request that a mail cover and tracing be maintained on all mail addressed to Miss John Bowers residing at that address in the apartment listed to Miss Dorothy Kaye, mentioned in reports of Special Agent F. E. Wright, New York City, dated June 7, 1935 and June 8, 1935.

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The report of the Superintendent at Fort [illegible] that on June 11, 1955, [illegible] was received by John Bowers, with the return address 3711 [illegible] Avenue, Miami, Florida. On June 26, 1955, this office received a covering letter addressed to Miss Joan Bowers, 131 West 70th Street, New York City, with return address 3711 N.E. [illegible] Avenue, [illegible], 2 F[illegible], Florida. In neither case did the name of the [illegible] the return address. This tracing is being retained in the New York File.

Mr. B. K. Bracher, rental agent for the apartment house at 131 West 70th Street, informed that no attempt had been made as yet by anyone to rent the vacant fourth floor apartment.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The CHICAGO OFFICE, will determine advisability of requesting investigation at 3711 N.E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida.

The NEW YORK OFFICE, at NEW YORK CITY, will re-contact Mr. B. K. Bracher, rental agent at 131 West 70th Street, to ascertain if any individual has attempted to rent or lease the vacant fourth floor at that address.

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Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

July 5, 1935

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

Dear Sir,

Concerning my teletype today relative to the Brekid case wherein it is stated that John Hagan, previous subject of an Identification Order, called this Office by long distance telephone from Kansas City, please be advised that Hagan called and inquired as to "how anxious the Department was to apprehend Karpis and Campbell." I informed him that the Bureau was, of course, quite anxious to locate these individuals.

He then inquired as to how much of a reward was offered and I informed him that no reward had been offered by the Bureau but that he should discuss the matter thoroughly with Mr. Conroy of the Kansas City Office. He seemed hesitant to do this but after some discussion in the matter he agreed to do so.

He stated that he had real good information as to their present location but would not furnish the information over the telephone.

I immediately called Mr. Conroy of the Kansas City Office and informed him of these facts and Mr. Conroy advised me that Mr. Davenport of the United States Secret Service in Kansas City had previously informed him that today Hagan had approached him, Davenport, with a similar story and that Mr. Davenport had referred Mr. Hagan to Mr. Conroy.

Very truly yours,
M. H. Purvis
M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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July 5, 1935.

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

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

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to my letter of July 2, 1935, concerning information furnished by Ike McAnally, reporter for the "New York Post", concerning certain advances made by local racketeers, which McAnally believed might have reference to Subject Karpis.

McAnally advised me today that yesterday, July 4th, in compliance with request sent to him by Luciano, he saw Luciano alias Luckie, at the Aqueduct Race Track; that Luciano informed him that some time ago he received information through his party, whom he knows by sight but whose name and whereabouts are unknown to him that Karpis was coming to New York. Luciano advised that he might possibly be able to get in contact with this party again, and secure further information concerning the alleged visit of Karpis to this city. McAnally states that Luciano then informed him that certain New York racketeers have heard that former U. S. Attorney Conboy has secured additional and very damaging evidence to be used at the second trial of Dutch Schultz, which will be held the latter part of this month; that Luciano indirectly and more by innuendo than direct statements suggested that McAnally get word to Mr. Conboy through Acting U. S. Attorney Frank Adams, Southern District of New York, that he (Luciano) and others will endeavor to secure information and "turn up" Karpis in the event Schultz is not prosecuted too vigorously. McAnally states that he informed Luciano that such a proposition was out of the question; that he would not, under

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any circumstances, take part in it, and that he very definitely and positively informed Luciano that any efforts along that line on the part of Schultz's friends were a waste of time. McAnally states that Luciano was inclined to agree with him that there was no possibility of having any consideration shown Schultz, through the sources suggested.

McAnally states that he also during the conversation informed Luciano that if he or any of his associates had any information concerning Karpis the "smart" thing for them to do would be to get in touch with me immediately, and that he also reminded Luciano of the numerous convictions being obtained by this Bureau of persons charged with harboring fugitives. McAnally advises that Luciano did not indicate what his reaction was to this suggestion, but merely stated that he had not seen Karpis, did not know whether he was in town, but that he "might be able to find out."

McAnally is of the opinion that Luciano has or is in position to get information concerning the whereabouts of Karpis. He stated that he would, at the first propitious moment make a casual contact with Luciano and try to sell him on the idea of working with this office. If this plan does not succeed, some other method of approach will have to be devised. In any event McAnally will have to be kept out of the picture, and I have assured him that no contacts will be made which will indicate to any one that he (McAnally) has been advising me concerning developments.

I consider McAnally reliable and I will keep the Bureau fully informed.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Chicago

cc - St. Paul

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July 5, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Under date of May 28, 1935 the Bureau addressed a communication to your office, furnishing copies to each of the offices indicated below, setting forth information obtained from the Bureau files regarding various confidential informants from whom reliable information had been obtained in the past. It was requested that all Agents in Charge receiving a copy of the letter furnish the Bureau with information which they may possess concerning these individuals. The Bureau has not yet received any communications in response to its request.

This matter should receive the prompt attention of all Special Agents in Charge receiving a copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Special Agent R. D. Brown of the Cleveland office arrived at Buffalo, N.Y. 12 P.M. July 4, 1935. He departed from here 10:30 A.M. on July 5, 1935 for Hastings County, Ontario, Canada to perform investigation in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case.

Very truly yours,

T K Stapleton

T. K. STAPLETON
Special Agent in Charge

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July 5, 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
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WM. 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.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated July 3, 1935 requesting advice as to what progress has been made in connection with the development of possible harboring charges against individuals who assisted Volney Davis subsequent to his escape at Yorkville, Illinois on February 6, 1935.

Your attention is invited to the report of Special Agent Charles Jenkins, Chicago,Illinois dated June 26, 1935 which reflects the investigation made by Agent Jenkins at Rockford,Illinois regarding this matter. It appears from the information obtained that there is apparently no basis upon which to predicate the filing of a harboring complaint against any of the individuals investigated. However this matter is being held in abeyance until the Kansas City Bureau office reports the results of its interview with Volney Davis as requested in the report of Special Agent Jenkins.

The possibility that TONY MARENO may be involved in the theft of automobiles will be vigorously followed out with a view to prosecuting him and his associates for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

With reference to the matter of MATTHEW GLEASON who is under indictment for harboring Volney Davis, your attention is invited to

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letter from this office to the Bureau dated June 18, 1935, which sets out that the trial of Matthew Gleason has been continued to September, 1935.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Laboratory Report

July 3, 1935.

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. #1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-6456

Specimens: Eight fingers of an unidentified dead man.

Examination requested by: Detroit Bureau Office.

Date received: June 22, 1935.

Examination requested: Fingerprint

Result of examination:

Examination by: Donaldson

An attempt was made to reproduce fingerprints by inking and with negative results. The fingers have been treated with various lead powders, and X-ray photographs taken, also with negative results. Major Dodge of the Army Medical Museum has been consulted and by the description furnished by the Technical Laboratory he is of the belief that all possible means to develop prints have been exhausted. The fingers will be shown to Major Dodge and a supplementary report on his findings will be submitted at a later date.

Further tests are being conducted in the Laboratory to determine, if possible, the group specific substance corresponding to the blood group. A supplementary report will be submitted at the completion of this analysis.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

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

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division June 22, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota

July 3, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated June 29, 1935 requesting the disposition made of Thompson sub-machine gun No. 7679.

In reply thereto your attention is invited to letter from the St.Paul Office to the Bureau in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - Fugitive, I.O.#1218; et al, Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping, dated March 14, 1935, wherein it is stated that the Thompson sub-machine gun in question was delivered to Mr. John A. Todd, President, Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, South St. Paul, Minnesota, on March 13, 1935. In that connection, it should be noted that this machine gun was the property of the South St.Paul Police Department.

In view of the foregoing, it is suggested that Thompson sub-machine gun No. 7679 be removed from the inventory of this office at Washington.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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July 5, 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
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Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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This is to advise that Special Agent John L. Madala informed me this morning that [redacted] advised him last evening that the family of Philip J. Delaney who was recently acquitted at St.Paul, Minnesota, endeavored to "frame" Special Agent R. D. Brown [redacted] which they hoped would discredit Agent Brown's testimony against Delaney and McLaughlin during the trial at St.Paul.

In this connection [redacted] advised Agent Madala that shortly prior to the completion of the trial at St.Paul for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, in which Delaney was a defendant, the wife of Delaney inquired of [redacted] whether she was very friendly with Special Agent Brown as she had noticed her talking with Brown on numerous occasions in and out of the courtroom. [redacted] informed Mrs.Delaney that she had merely a speaking acquaintance with Agent Brown and inquired why she desired to know. According to [redacted] Mrs.Delaney then suggested that [redacted] acquaint her daughter Kathleen Delaney, who is sixteen years of age, with Agent Brown, after which [redacted] should endeavor through a ruse to get them together either in her room, or in Agent Brown's room; that should she succeed in this plan the entire Delaney family would come upon them in the room and contend that Agent Brown had inveigled Miss Delaney into the room with immoral intentions.

[redacted] advised that she thought the entire plan extremely silly and for this reason did not take any part in it.

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A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Cleveland office for the attention of Special Agent R. D. Brown.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Leon Allderton, 1215 E. Jefferson St., Kokomo, Ind., brother of Harold V. Allderton, is apparently respectable, law-abiding citizen living in congenial surroundings with his family. His mother is presently residing with him. Leon Allderton stated that the only subjects in this investigation with whom he was acquainted were his brother and Elmer Farmer.

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Reference: Reports of Special Agents D. T. Sullivan, Chicago, Ill., 3/12/35; K. R. McIntyre, 1/25/35.

Details: AT KOKOMO, INDIANA

LEON ALLDERTON resides with his family at 1215 East Jefferson Street, Kokomo, Indiana, which location is in a very nice residential section of Kokomo. His family apparently consists of his wife and two young daughters. His mother is also presently residing with him. Mr. Leon Allderton is apparently a respectable and law-abiding citizen of Kokomo, Indiana. He advised he originally came from Marion, Indiana. He is an employee of the telephone company. He stated that the only subjects involved in this case with whom he was acquainted were his brother and ELMER FARMER; that he occasionally visited his brother at Bensenville, Illinois, and during those visits he became acquainted with Elmer Farmer and occasionally he and his brother went to Elmer Farmer's tavern to drink beer; that Elmer Farmer was always bragging about his connections and

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seemed to consider himself well connected politically and criminally; that HAROLD ALLDERTON frequently hung out at Elmer Farmer's tavern and for a while ran a poker game there. Mr. Leon Allderton was unable to give any further information.

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

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1216, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, Salt Lake City, Utah, dated May 21, 1935, a copy of which was received by the New York City Office, in which reference is made to the fact that Nicholas Delmore alias Jack Howard and William Weisman alias William Welder are very friendly with subject Alvin Karpis.

It is desired that appropriate investigation be conducted to ascertain if Delmore is associating with Karpis at the present time, it being thought that Delmore is a person known to the New York Police Department. In the event information can be obtained regarding the present address of William Weisman, it is desired that interview be had with him for any information he may have concerning Karpis.

Very truly yours,

R. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent In Charge.

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236; ~~WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238;~~ WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BRELER, Victim

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Frank Dixon, Joplin, Missouri, Administrator of the estate of Fred and Kate Barker, deceased, advised that he employed Claude B. Kenny, Joplin, Missouri, as attorney for the estate. He also states that Arthur "Doc" Barker suggested to Kenny when interviewed at the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, that Kenny contact Mildred Kuhlman in Chicago for any information concerning his effects, which was done, but with negative results by Dixon and Kenny. Kenny bears a reputation at Joplin of being an inferior lawyer. Original communications received and sent by Arthur and Lloyd Barker at penitentiary being secured under present arrangements with officials at penitentiary. Unidentified individual slain at Willow Springs, Mo.; not Harry Campbell. Surveillance being conducted at Topeka, Kansas, over the activities of John Karpovicz. Volney Davis (U.S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas) refused to impart information to Bureau Agents.

DETAILS:

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent J. J. Waters, Kansas City, Missouri, 6-5-35.

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In accordance with letter from the Chicago office dated June 15th and letter from the Bureau dated June 19, 1935, on June 25, 1935, the writer contacted Mr. E. H. Eckholdt, Secretary to the Warden at the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, who advised that on June 5, 1935, Claude B. Kenny and George E. Barker had called at the Penitentiary and requested permission to see Arthur "Doc" Barker. Kenny stated to Eckholdt that he was attorney for the Administrator for the estate of Kate and Fred Barker, deceased; and that he was interested in ascertaining if a certain $5000. deposited in a Chicago bank was the property of Kate or Arthur Barker. Kenny showed Eckholdt a photostatic copy of Kate Barker's signature card at this Chicago bank, which Kenny stated had been given to him by a Department of Justice Agent in Chicago, and that the Department waived all claim to this money.

Kenny further told Eckholdt that the Schmidt Brewing Company was suing as intervener to recover the aforementioned money.

Eckholdt then granted Kenny permission to see "Doc" Barker, but refused George Barker, his father, permission to see him.

Kenny interviewed "Doc" Barker in the Isolation Cell for approximately three minutes, according to Eckholdt, during which time Eckholdt sat on a bench between them. Kenny had never met "Doc" Barker, according to Eckholdt, and the conversation between them related only to the $5000. aforementioned. "Doc" Barker advised Kenny that he had not deposited this money, but that the money had been deposited by Kate Barker, and that he was willing to make a deposition to this effect.

Eckholdt stated that "Doc" Barker had little to say to Kenny and Eckholdt was quite positive that no messages passed between them concerning anything other than previously related. - However, in a letter to the Kansas City office dated July 2, 1935, Mr. Eckholdt stated that he recalled that the name of a woman, Miss Mildred Kuhlman, Care John Kuhlman, Leipsic, had been mentioned between Kenny and Arthur Barker.

George Barker was granted permission to see Lloyd Barker, his son, however, and both Kenny and Barker talked to Lloyd for more than an hour in the Warden's office. Mr. Eckholdt did not hear the conversation between them, however.

In discussing the possibilities of "Doc" Barker communicating with those outside of the penitentiary, Mr. Edkholdt advised that "Doc" Barker is in daily contact with the orderlies in the isolation ward, who clean the cells and bring food to the inmates. He further advised that all orderlies are prisoners, they being chosen for their loyalty and dependability, but that it would be very possible they would assist "Doc" Barker in getting communications to the outside if the right overtures were made to them.

Relative to the censorship of letters, Mr. Eckholdt stated that due to a lack of sufficient employees only two civilian employees are in charge of the mailing room to censor mail, altho they have fifteen or sixteen prisoners as assistants to handle the clerical work, such as keeping the register of mail sent and received; that each prisoner is allowed two letters a week and practically each one takes advantage of this. The prison's population being 2800, approximately 5600 letters are sent each week and almost double that amount received, and according to Mr. Eckholdt a thorough censorship of that amount of letters is practically an impossibility.

Special Agent A. E. Farland of the Kansas City office made arrangements with Mr. Eckholdt to secure the original copies of all communications received and sent by Arthur and Loyd Barker at the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. This was done as a precautionary measure to avoid any possibility of secret messages being communicated. These original letters will be transmitted to the Kansas City Bureau office, which in turn will transmit them to the Bureau for appropriate attention.

Mr. Eckholdt also stated that the order from the Bureau of Prisons relative to the transfer of "Doc" Barker, from the U. S. Penitentiary to Alcatraz Island, has been received, but the penal authorities at the latter place are not in a position to accept him as yet.

Mr. Eckholdt also stated that Lloyd Barker had been refused permission to see "Doc" Barker.

The names of the correspondents of Arthur R. Barker, No. 46928, at the penitentiary as were received from Mr. Eckholdt are as follows:

George Barker, father, Box 724, Joplin, Missouri, sent May 29, June 6 and 17 and received June 9.

Lloyd Barker, Register No. 17243, to George Barker, father, Joplin, Missouri, Box 724; sent Jan. 21, Feb. 4 and 18, March 11, April 11 and June 13 and 20; received Feb. 12 and 17, 1935, and May 18 - all 1935.

Mr. Harvey Lee, Attorney, Washington, D.C. Box 724; sent Jan. 23, 1935.

Mr. W. H. Peterson, Cincinnati, Ohio, no address given, friend; received Feb. 22, 1935.

Doc Barker nor Lloyd Barker has received any visitors other than George Barker and Claude B. Kenny on their visit of June 5, 1935.

On June 28, 1935, the writer also conducted an investigation at Joplin, Missouri, relative to the activities of Claude B. Kenny and George Barker in that city.

Interview was had with Stanley P. Clay, Room 604, First National Bank Bldg., Joplin, Missouri, Secretary of the Jasper County Bar Association, who advised that he had known Kenny, an attorney, in the Miners Bank Bldg., at Joplin, rather intimately for the past twenty years.

Clay stated that Kenny is utterly devoid of legal ability and expressed the opinion that Kenny would not have the ability to properly try a case in the Justice of the Peace Court. He further informed that Kenny has run for the office of County Attorney in Jasper County in the last three elections, but has been decisively defeated in each instance. He said that Kenny depends entirely upon small damage suits for his legal practise; these cases being acquired through "ambulance chasing and snitching" methods. Clay said that altho Kenny was not particularly vicious, he did cut corners in ethical practice and would use practically any unethical device to gain his point. However, he stated that no one in the community has ever reported Kenny to the Bar Association for unethical practise.

According to Clay, Kenny has never represented a defendant in a criminal trial of any consequence because of his utter lack of legal ability, as no one would be willing to risk their case with the man.

Clay further informed that Kenny's father, a wealthy farmer near Neosho, Mo., had recently died and left Kenny more than $20,000, and that Kenny had been able to pay the expenses of numerous lawsuits which he had solicited as a result of this money.

Mr. Clay further informed that he understood that Kenny was the attorney for the Barker estate and that he, Clay, was quite interested in the estate in that his firm had been engaged by the Schmidt Brewing Company of St. Paul, Minnesota, to file as intervener of the estate.

Clay further advised that Ray Kenny, Claude's older brother was postmaster at Neosho, Missouri, and in his opinion was a great deal more unethical than Claude. He is reported at one time to have practised law in Kansas City, but is reported to have given this practise up after having been censured for unethical practise.

The writer interviewed Haskell Trusty, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, First National Bank, Joplin, Missouri, who formerly officed with Kenny. He advised that Kenny had no ability as a lawyer and was a "shyster and ambulance chaser" in his opinion. He stated that Kenny had a very poor clientele and was unable to understand how he managed to live off of his law practice.

He further stated that Kenny was not courageous enough to openly flaunt the law, but if someone gave him an opportunity to make money he would use unethical means to gain his ends. Trusty stated that it was his opinion and that of the majority of the business men of Joplin that Kenny was a very inferior lawyer, and he said that he would not employ him as his attorney, as he was positive that Kenny was not intelligent enough to successfully handle a case or give a correct opinion. Trusty cited an instance that happened several weeks prior to the interview in which Kenny is alleged to have severely beaten and kicked a fellow lawyer of Joplin who took a client away from him. According to Trusty this occurred in the County Court room and this attorney was taken to the hospital where he remained for several weeks as a result of the severe beating that he received at Kenny's hands.

Ed Portley, Chief of Detectives, Police Department, expressed the opinion that Kenny was apparently honest but a "rotten" lawyer, and that none of the criminal element around Joplin ever called him as defense counsel.

The writer interviewed Frank Dixon and Tony Wolfenberger, who operate the Tri-State Oil Company, Joplin, Missouri, where George Barker resides.

During the course of the conversation, Dixon volunteered a great deal of information without being asked about it. He said that he was appointed Administrator of the Barker Estate in that George Barker had resided with him for about five years and that Dixon had handled all of his affairs. He further informed that he went to Florida in February shortly after the demise of Fred and Kate Barker and tried to get ancillary administration in Florida over the $14,000 found in the Barkers' possession, but was refused. Shortly thereafter he retained Kenny as attorney for the estate, Kenny having been his lawyer for a number of years. He took Kenny with him to Florida on a subsequent trip with reference to the Barker estate and according to Dixon, Kenny is apparently paying his own expenses pending the outcome of the administration of the estate; for, according to Dixon, neither he nor George Barker has any money to pay for attorney fees or expenses at the present time. Dixon also stated that he is quite interested in recovering

all of the properties of the Barkers which may be concealed because of the 5% he retains as Administrator of the estate.

Dixon stated that on June 5, 1935, George Barker, Kenny and himself went to the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, where Kenny interviewed "Doc" Barker. Dixon said that Kenny had told him that "Doc" Barker said to communicate with Mildred Kuhlman through her sister at Ottawa, Ohio, as she could give him the story "about plenty."

Dixon said that he was not acquainted with "Doc" Barker nor Mildred Kuhlman, nor was Kenny, and that he, Dixon, had only met Fred Barker on one occasion about two years prior to the interview. At that time Fred Barker had been introduced to him under an assumed name by one Crichton of Webb City, Mo., a bank robber, who is now serving life in the Missouri State Penitentiary.

Concerning the letters George Barker had received from "Doc," Dixon said that "Doc" had instructed his father not to pay De Courcey, his attorney, as he had been well taken care of. According to Dixon, "Doc" had engaged De Courcey for a stipulated fee of $1,000 and after that time De Courcey had obtained a judgment against "Doc" Barker for $6,000.

Dixon said it was his information that "Doc" Barker had paid off De Courcey.

Dixon also said that he had employed an attorney named Cox to represent the Barker interests in Chicago, and that he would have nothing to do with De-Courcey.

He further stated that "Doc" had sent the "old man" three letters, which he had read, but there was nothing of unusual interest in any way in that he was positive that "Doc's" letters at the penitentiary would be censored. He believed that George Barker had destroyed these letters.

Kenny having received the information about Mildred Kuhlman from "Doc" Barker wrote her a Special Delivery letter, which he sent in care of her sister at Ottawa, Ohio, which was subsequently delivered to her at Chicago, stating that he would be in Chicago on June 13th and requested that she contact him. No answer was received to this communication. On June 13th Dixon and Kenny drove to Chicago in Dixon's automobile and registered at the Y.M.C.A. Hotel. Dixon called Mildred's sister at Ottawa, Ohio, over the long distance telephone and she informed that Mildred would make a contact with him in thirty minutes. Before the thirty minutes were up, Mildred called from the Morrison Hotel and Dixon answered the telephone and said that he was Kenny and told her to come over to the hotel. He told Kenny about this, but Kenny didn't want her over as he was afraid of some of her mob, altho Dixon said that he had no fear of any of them. A short time later Mildred appeared at the hotel with a "little Jew" and that they went to Dixon's room and had some drinks. Dixon said it was his idea that he would get Mildred drunk to

see if she would tell him anything about "Doc's" affairs. However, Dixon said that he found that this was impossible and also found that Mildred Kuhlman was "off of Doc" and wanted nothing to do with him. Dixon said that he also tried to make love to her without results. He wanted to go to some night club with her, but she refused. However, she stated that one of the boys who was hot and in hiding had the receipt for Kate Barker's furniture, but she was "too hot" herself to play with him as there was not enough in it. Dixon said that he believed this was partially untrue in that he had been informed that there was no receipt for the furniture and he felt that he would have little trouble in including it in the estate.

Dixon said that Mildred Kuhlman was extremely shrewd, and that he had little success in obtaining any information relative to any other money that "Doc" had hidden, but that he was going to continue his efforts, and he was interested in getting all the money possible for their estate rather than let Mildred get her hands on it.

Dixon further informed that he met Mildred Kuhlman the following day at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago, but he received no information of value from her other than De Courcey had been paid "his Grand."

Dixon also stated that Mildred gave Kenny a telephone number to call in Chicago in the event he wanted to contact her; that a party answering the line would tell Kenny who to contact in order to reach her. Dixon said he did not remember this number, but that Kenny had it in his possession. He felt quite sure that Mildred knew where more of "Doc" Barker's money was, and that he was going to Chicago in the latter part of July and try to get more information out of her about it, when he had more time to work on it. The writer intimated that he would contact Dixon again so that some discreet plan might be worked out to get this information from Mildred. The interview with Dixon was terminated because his presence was required at his restaurant, the "Tumble Inn" at Joplin, and George Barker was not contacted that evening in that it was past Midnight when the interview terminated, and the writer was required to depart for Kansas City shortly thereafter.

Numerous efforts have been made to contact Attorney Kenny, but in each instance he was out of town.

In accordance with the request made in the teletype messages from the Chicago office dated June 27th and 28th to the Kansas City office and Bureau teletype message of June 27th to the Kansas City office that appropriate surveillance be conducted relative to the activities of John Kerpovicz at Topeka, Kansas, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agents Franklin Welsh and A. J. Norstrom:

On June 28, 1935, Agents endeavored to contact Albert Grooms, 1234 Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas, son-in-law of John Karpovicz, who at one time had expressed the desire to cooperate with the Bureau in effecting the apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

Inquiry was made at the Capital Iron Works, Topeka, Kansas, where Grooms was formerly employed, where it was discovered that Grooms is presently unemployed. Agents Norstrom and Welch then proceeded to 1100 East 2nd Street, Topeka, Kansas, the building on which property it is assumed that Karpovicz is contemplating repairing. Neither Karpovicz nor Grooms was observed in the vicinity of this dwelling and Agent Norstrom then conducted a discreet investigation in the vicinity of 1234 Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas, for the purpose of locating Grooms that his cooperation might be enlisted, without results. It should be noted that Grooms' residence does not contain a telephone and it was imperative to contact Grooms in such a manner that his wife, a sister to Alvin Karpis, would not be aware of this.

In that Grooms was not available, Agents then made a discreet surveillance of Grooms' home until such time that he could be located for an interview. At approximately 6:00 P.M. that evening a 1927 Buick car, green in color, with an attached truck, Illinois 1935 license #179755, was observed parked in front of the Grooms' house. Agents then retired to a suitable vantage point about a block from the house and continued the surveillance.

At approximately 6:30 P.M. that evening several cars were noticed driving in the vicinity of the Grooms' residence, and occupants of these cars were recognized as Topeka Police Department Detectives, Shawnee County Deputy Sheriffs, and Kansas State Highway Patrolmen. The Agents then proceeded to the Police Department, in view of the above developments, where Sheriff Dean Rogers, Shawnee County, Topeka, Kansas; Frank Stone, Assistant Director of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, Topeka, Kansas, and Chief of Police Stone of the Topeka Police Department were found in conference.

They advised that a confidential informant, a woman, whose name they did not ascertain, had called each of them by telephone at approximately 6:15 P.M. that evening and advised that she had seen John Karpovicz, a former neighbor of hers, riding around Ripley Park in an automobile that afternoon, and having not seen Karpovicz in the city for the past two years, she observed his movements closely for about two hours, during which time he remained in the park in his automobile. He left the park about 5:30 P.M. that evening and proceeded to the business district of Topeka, she following in her automobile at a suitable distance. It is to be noted that Ripley Park is a city park in the poorer section of Topeka, of about 40 acres, and is about one block from the 1100 2nd Street address. This informant immediately telephoned Sheriff Rogers, Frank Stone and Chief Stone, and they were in the process of notifying the Kansas City Bureau office of this fact when the Agents appeared.

Sheriff Rogers had made arrangements with a confidential informant, a close friend of the Grooms family and Karpovicz, to observe the movements of Karpovicz closely and report them to the Sheriff. Frank Stone had already placed men in tourist camps in the vicinity of Topeka as well as all possible points of contact for Alvin Karpis in that city. These arrangements had been perfected prior to the time of the Agents' arrival at the conference.

Due to the fact that it was necessary that Agent Norstrom return to Kansas City on subpoena, Special Agent Welch continued the investigation at Topeka, Kansas.

On July 1, 1935, Special Agent Welch interviewed Albert Grooms and endeavored to enlist his cooperation in conducting the surveillance of John Karpovicz's activities at Topeka, however, Grooms advised Agent Welch that he would not cooperate with the Bureau, in that he felt quite angry over the constant surveillance made of his home by officers of the Topeka, Kansas, Police Department, both during the instant surveillance and at other times. Grooms further advised that even tho Alvin Karpis did make an appearance in Topeka, he would not report the fact to law enforcement agencies. However, Sheriff Rogers has secured the services of an informant, whose name he did not care to divulge, whose father is a very, very close friend of John Karpovicz. This informant will observe Karpovicz's movements closely and report them in detail to Sheriff Rogers. It will be noted that Karpovicz is supervising the painting of his home in Topeka and it is not known how long the duration of his stay in Topeka will be. However, the surveillance of the Grooms' home and the activities of Karpovicz will be continued with the assistance of local law enforcement agencies.

On June 28, 1935, the following investigation was made by Special Agents A. E. Farland and E. L. Cochron, interviewing Volney Davis at that time at the United States Penitentiary for the purpose of ascertaining information relative to his association with one Matthew Gleason:

At the time Davis was interviewed by Agents Farland and Cochran at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, his morale appeared to be rather low. He stated that his parents, particularly his mother and father, had come to the prison for the purpose of visiting him and the visit was not allowed; that he had been visited by an attorney, Mr. Lee Bond, of Leavenworth, Kansas, who had called on him at the request of his mother and father for the purpose of getting certain property which had been taken from him, particularly his money; that he wanted his parents to get what money he had which had been taken from him. He was advised that his automobile had been confiscated by the Government. However, Agents were unable to give him any information as to what disposition would be made of the cash which had been taken from him.

Davis further stated he had entered a plea of guilty, believing that he would be shown some consideration by entering a plea, but that he had been given life imprisonment and had been sent to the penitentiary and had been in solitary confinement since his arrival there. He did not believe, in view of this fact, it would do him any good to furnish the Government any information. However, he stated he was in a position to furnish some information if he thought it would do him any good. He mentioned the fact that if it were not for his father and mother he would do away with himself.

Several hours were spent with Davis but he would furnish no information other than what had already been given and is contained in reports in this case. However, concerning a memorandum book which had been taken from him, on the first page of which was the following notation: "15-16 Main Jack Richards, 467951," he stated that the Jack Richards mentioned was a saloon keeper from Joplin, Missouri, who had a place on Main Street between 15th and 16th.

In view of the fact that Davis was not disposed to furnish any information at this time, it was deemed advisable by Agents to let the matter rest for a day or two and again interview him.

On June 28, 1935, a letter was received from the Chicago office advising that under date of June 14, 1935, the United States Attorney, George Sullivan of St. Paul, Minnesota, had instructed the St. Paul office that the personal property of Volney Davis, now in possession of the Bureau should be turned over to Davis as soon as possible. It is believed that when this information is furnished Davis he might be willing to make a statement.

On June 3, 1935, Frank Stone, Assistant Director of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, Topeka, Kansas, telephonically advised the Kansas City Bureau office that he had information that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell would shortly make their appearance in Topeka. Special Agents R. P. Shanahan and the writer conducted the following investigation:

At Topeka, Kansas, a conference was had between members of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, Shawnee County Sheriff's office and the Topeka, Kansas, Police Department relative to the above mentioned information. Mr. Frank Stone, the spokesman for the group advised that Detectives Plant and Thompson of Topeka, Kansas, Police Department, had informed him on that date that Bert Campbell, a former Topeka, Kansas, Police Department detective, had advised them that he had received an anonymous telephone call from some woman. She had told Bert Campbell that a girl friend named Hazel, who had been living with her at her home in Topeka, but who now resided in Wisconsin, had received a letter from Milton, Washington, dated May 28, 1935, and she had taken the liberty of opening it. The contents of this letter as received by Bert Campbell over the telephone are as follows:

"Will be in Topeka sometime next week. 3 of us. Tell Hazel to have Rex see Andy and get us a Ford V8 Coupe. Tell him to put plenty of miles on it so it won't heat. Will pay him when I get there. Will be there sure if everything goes all right.

(Signed) The One that was with you last January 4th."

The anonymous informant further advised Bert Campbell that about this date three men were in Topeka and Hazel knew some of them and that she got another girl to go on a party with them; they contacted a fellow named Andy, a large good looking fellow who took them to a house on the west side of Topeka and then took them out on the Dover Road to Topeka to a liquor plant where a young couple lived.

A few days later the informant asked Hazel who the men were and was informed that one was Alvin Karpis. The other men were known as Cam and Bill. The informant could be no more specific than this concerning the expected arrival of these parties in Topeka and Campbell was unable to obtain from this anonymous person her identity or the identity of Hazel.

The members of the local law enforcement agencies at this conference were not adquainted with the person described as Hazel. All agreed that the Andy mentioned was probably Andy Yoacum, a local bootlegger, and that a surveillance should be conducted as to his activities for a period of a week or so. Agents Shanahan and Norstrom took no part in the surveillance, but arrangements were perfected to notify the Kansas City Bureau office in the event that anything of value developed. However, no further information concerning this surveillance was received until June 28th when Special Agent Norstrom contacted Frank Stone in Topeka with reference to another matter and he advised that nothing of consequence had developed as result of such surveillance, and that it had been given up after about one week.

On June 19, 1935, the Police Department at Springfield, Missouri, telephonically advised the Kansas City office that as a result of a gun fight at Willow Springs, Mo., on the same date between bandits wanted for a night club robbery at Poplar Bluffs, Missouri, and Missouri State Highway Patrolmen, one bandit had been slain, who the officers said fitted the general description of Harry Campbell. Special Agent R. T. Mann of the Kansas City office immediately contacted George Spencer, Springfield, Missouri, Police Department, who had taken the fingerprints of the slain bandit at Willow Springs, Missouri. The fingerprints of Harry Campbell and the dead man were compared and it was found that Campbell's fingerprints were not the same as those of the deceased.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated 3-30-35, wherein it was requested that the photograph of Jess Doyle be exhibited to Miss Ida Cook, employee of the Cloud County Bank at Concordia, Kansas, in an effort to have him identified as one of the participants in the robbery of that bank on July 26, 1932. On July 24, 1935,

Special Agent F. L. Welch of the Kansas City office exhibited the photograph of Jess Doyle to the following employees of the Cloud County Bank, Concordia, Kansas, in an effort to identify him as a participant in the robbery of that bank on July 26, 1932:

Miss Ida Cook
Miss Marie Donahoo
Robert Worley
Mabel Cox

None of the employees was able to identify Doyle as a participant. Miss Donahoo stated that she thought Doyle's eyes looked like those of one of the men, but that she couldn't say definitely that Doyle was one of the men. Miss Cook stated that she only saw four of the men who participated in the robbery, but that Doyle was not one of the four she saw and that the only two she was positive of that did participate were Karpis and Barker. The four listed above are the only employees presently connected with the bank, who were there at the date of the robbery.

With reference to Bureau letter dated 3-26-35, Special Agent B. P. Cruise of the Kansas City office consulted B. T. Andrews, Superintendent of the Identification Bureau, Police Department, St. Joseph, Missouri. Mr. Andrews withdrew from his file the temporary wanted notices with reference to:

Jess Doyle
Edna Murray
Harry Campbell
Volney Davis
William Weaver
Harry Sawyer
Myrtle Eaton.

Mr. Andrews had previously withdrawn the temporary wanted notice with reference to Fred Barker.

The temporary wanted notices with reference to Clyde Nimerick, Bureau #77961, and Charles J. Fitzgerald, Bureau #9580, Mr. Andrews stated will be retained in his files. Mr. Andrews also showed Agent the Identification Orders issued with reference to Harry Campbell, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer and Myrtle Eaton, which were conveniently filed in his office as wanted notices.

With reference to Bureau letter dated March 26, 1935, on June 13, 1935, Special Agent R. T. Mann of the Kansas City office removed the following wanted notices from the Springfield, Missouri, Police Department files:

Fred Barker
Jess Doyle
Edna Murray
Harry Campbell
Volney Davis
William Weaver
Harry Sawyer
Myrtle Eaton.

On June 25, 1935, Mr. J. Sullivan, 2827 Campbell Street, Kansas City, Missouri, and Mr. Paul Weitkam were interviewed at the Kansas City Bureau office by F. L. Welch. Mr. Sullivan stated that he had been living on a farm near Collinsville, Missouri, until October of 1934, and that a Mr. John Hagan, also had a farm located about one and one-half miles from Collinsville.

Sullivan stated that Hagan drove a large Auburn Sedan and always carried a machine gun in the car, and altho he had no positive knowledge that Hagan had ever robbed any banks he was positive that he was the means of contact for other criminals. Sullivan said that he had seen machine guns and many other types of weapons in Hagan's home, and that he had been there when there were ten or twelve men around.

Sullivan stated that among Hagan's companions was Little Mazoo from Minneapolis, Minnesota, and it was his knowledge that Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd and Adam Richetti had been at Hagan's farm at one time and that in the summer of 1934 Tommy O'Connor had appeared at Collinsville to see Hagan.

Mr. Sullivan further advised that the officers around Collinsville, Mo., were afraid of Hagan and allowed him to do as he pleased. Mr. Sullivan thought that perhaps the Bureau could send him to Collinsville to assist in securing more information on this hide-out, and his address and telephone number were secured, and he was informed that if anything should come up requiring additional information he might be contacted. On June 28, 1935, Mr. Sullivan again appeared at the Kansas City office and advised Special Agent Welch that Mr. Jack Pritchard and one Pistol Redmond had just arrived in Kansas City from Humansville and that they had advised Sullivan that while at the home of John Hagan they met a man known only as "Highpower Fingers." Sullivan stated that the only person he knew in the vicinity with a name similar to that was an individual known as Three Fingers Hightower from Chicago, who had been staying with Hagan and who bore a bad reputation. Mr. Sullivan wanted to furnish this information in the event it would prove to be of assistance in the future.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO OFFICE. In that the Kansas City office is not acquainted with what arrangements have been made with their informant to contact Mildred Kuhlman, investigation of this matter is being left to the discretion of that office.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Joplin, Missouri, after a lapse of a suitable length of time will again endeavor to contact Frank Dixon to perfect arrangements, if possible, to obtain pertinent information from Mildred Kuhlman.

The Kansas City office at the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, will again interview Volney Davis for the purpose of obtaining information relative to his association with one Matthew Gleason.

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July 16, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent A. J. Horstrom, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 5, 1935, in the above entitled case.

The report sets forth information indicating that the local peace officers at Topeka, Kansas, had perfected arrangements with local contacts, through which they would receive information concerning suspicious activities at the home of Albert Grooms, 1234 Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas, who is the brother-in-law of Subject Alvin Karpis. It appears that the arrangements made by the local peace officers produced the desired results when John Karpovicz, father of Subject Karpis, put in his appearance in Topeka, Kansas, on June 28, 1935. It does not appear from a review of the report that similar arrangements had been made by your office with local contacts at Topeka, Kansas, to furnish you with any information concerning suspicious persons who might be observed frequenting the home of Albert Grooms.

The Bureau desires that you immediately give consideration to all contacts in your district where all important Bureau fugitives are likely to appear, and perfect arrangements with local informants to immediately advise your office in the event suspicious persons are observed.

With respect to that portion of the report of reference, setting forth information concerning John Hagan, who resides on a farm located about one and one-half miles from Collinsville, Missouri, the Bureau desires that a very thorough investigation be conducted respecting the activities of Hagan and his associates. In this connection, it is to be noted that Hagan has recently made advances to the Bureau with the proposition of furnishing information concerning the whereabouts of Subjects Karpis and Harry Campbell. Every effort should be made to develop confidential informants who will keep your office advised as to the activities of Hagan.

These matters should receive your personal attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

July 8, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

With reference to the transfer of Special Agent JOHN L. MADALA to the New York Bureau office, please be advised that in view of a recent development in the Brekid case which Agent Madala is handling it is deemed advisable to keep him in this office until on or about July 10, 1935.

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As the Bureau is already aware Agent Madala has received the promise of [redacted] to contact HARRY CAMPBELL who she learned is presently at Berwyn, Illinois. Agent Madala advises me that [redacted] will not under any circumstances work with another Agent in this office, and for this reason I believe it advisable to keep Agent Madala here until this matter comes to a definite head.

Agent Madala is also preparing to submit a lengthy report on the Brekid case and a parole report on Louis Piquett who was recently sentenced to two years, which will require about one and one half days work.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

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

July 5, 1935.

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I.O.1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul File 7-30.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letters dated March 23, April 23, and June 17, 1935.

It is noted that the information requested in the above referred to letters is set out in report of Special Agent T. G. Melvin, St. Paul, Minnesota, April 22, 1935, the particular investigation being conducted by Agent Fortenberry. Special Agent J. M. Klees again contacted Mr. Lydick at Pennington, Minnesota, on June 24, 1935, and Mr. Lydick had no further information to offer.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Salt Lake City, Utah
July 5, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.C. #1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.
Kidnaping. S.L. file 7-27

In reference to your letter of June 17, 1935, I desire to state that this case is assigned to Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin of this office, inasmuch as he is best acquainted with the background of the case and for the further reason that principal leads in this case are located in the Nevada District, where it will be recalled Alvin Karpis and his associates resided at Reno for some time.

Very truly yours,

Louis D. Wine

LOUIS D. WINE,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul, Minn.	7/6/35	6/29/35	F. G. TILMAN

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.	KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: BRYAN BOLTON interviewed relative to PETKY and JIMMIE the Swede. Advises they are unknown to him, but recalls one "Swede", a golfing associate of WILLIAM HARRISON.

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REFERENCE: Teletype from Chicago Office, 6/29/35.

DETAILS:

On June 29, 1935, a teletype was received from the Chicago Office requesting that the identities of PETKY and JIMMIE the Swede, alleged members of the Capone Syndicate be ascertained from BOLTON and also advising that these members are intimate friends of the Subject WILLIAM HARRISON and reside at Cicero or Berwyn, Illinois.

BRYAN BOLTON advised that both PETKY and JIMMIE the Swede, were unknown to him, stating that he knew a "Swede" who played golf with WILLIAM HARRISON and WILLIE HEENEY and was a resident of Cicero. BOLTON stated he does not know the true name of this individual nor his address or hang-outs. WILLIAM HARRISON advised BOLTON that this "Swede" was taken in to the Chicago Bureau Office by Agents for some purpose during the summer of 1934. BOLTON does not recall the exact date when "Swede" was taken to the Bureau Office.

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Inasmuch as this Swede is supposed to be a golfing associate of HARRISON, BOLTON was questioned regarding golf courses favored by these individuals. He advised that although HARRISON played on practically all the courses in Chicago, he, and this group, seemed to prefer the Harlem Golf Course situated on Harlem Avenue and 12th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The Chicago Office was notified by teletype under date of June 29, 1935 as follows:

> "BREKID. BOLTON claims PETEY and JIMMIE the Swede unknown to him. Advises that Swede who played golf with William Harrison and Willie Heeney resident of Cicero. True name, address, and hangouts unknown. Harrison advised Bolton this Swede was in Chicago Office last summer. Harrison usually plays golf at Harlem Golf Course, Harlem Avenue and 12th Street, Chicago."

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BOSTON, MASS.	7-8-35	7-3-5-35	F. W. ALLEN

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with als. FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with als. I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with als. I.O. 1236; WILLIAM WEAVER, with als. I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with als. I.O. 1239; ~~MURPHY, with als. I.O. 1241; et al.~~ EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.	KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation conducted at Taunton Dog Track, Taunton, Mass., and Narragansett Park Track, Pawtucket, R.I., relative to whereabouts of subject William J. Harrison without result. H. McBride, detective employed at Taunton Dog Track advises subject Harrison seen January, 1935, at Hollywood Dog Track in Florida seeking employment.

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REFERENCE: Letter from the Chicago office dated June 27, 1935.

DETAILS: This is a joint report of Special Agents W. F. Keefe and F. W. Allen.

At the Narragansett Race Track owned by the Narragansett Racing Association, Inc., at Pawtucket, R.I., the above Agents passed the sellers' and cashiers' cages several times observing the employees but no one was observed who appeared similar to the photograph of subject William J. Harrison. The Agents also mingled with the crowd both in the grandstand and club house but no one was observed who appeared to be similar to the photograph of subject Harrison.

The cars parked at the Narragansett Race Track were observed and it was noted that among the cars parked was a 1931 Buick Sedan bearing Florida 1935 license plates D-10-966. The Jacksonville office advised that this car was registered in the name of William H. Owen, Hialeah Hotel, Hialeah, Florida; that William H. Owen registered at that Hotel November 21, 1934, and checked out March 26, 1935, leaving a forwarding address of 5127 West 30th Street, Cicero, Illinois.

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At about 6 P.M. a man about 50 years of age, 5'4" tall; 180 pounds, gray hair, left the grounds driving the instant car and it was noted that there was no resemblance to subject William J. Harrison and that this person did not answer the description of subject Harrison.

Donald Hay, who employs all the mutual employees, consisting of approximately 400, stated that he failed to identify the photograph of subject William J. Harrison and it was unknown to him. Donald Hay also stated that he travels to all the different race tracks in the country and desired to have two Identification Orders of subject William J. Harrison to be retained in his office and these were furnished to him. Mr. Hay further stated that he would be pleased to co-operate with the Government in this matter and in the event he receives any information regarding subject, William J. Harrison, he will communicate with the nearest Bureau office.

At the Bristol County Kennel Club, Taunton, Mass., which operates the Taunton Dog Track, the above Agents passed the sellers' and cashiers' cages several times for the purpose of observing the employees but none were observed who resembled the photograph of subject William J. Harrison. The Agents also mingled with the crowd at the track but no one resembling the photograph of subject Harrison was observed.

Agents contacted Chief of Police John Duffy of Taunton, Mass., who stated that Edward J. O'Hare, one of the promoters of this track was found to be absolutely reliable, that he insists upon having the highest type employee that he can find in the City and that last week he discharged two employees who had been in his employ for the past seven years for having an argument in the presence of the public and that he, Chief Duffy, was sure that O'Hare would co-operate and could be relied upon.

Edward J. O'Hare, promoter of the Bristol County Kennel Club, Taunton, Mass., on interview stated that he was interviewed in January of this year in Florida by one of the Bureau Agents concerning William Harrison. He stated that he was acquainted with Harrison; that he employed Harrison at the Miami Beach Kennel Club, Miami Beach, Florida, in 1927, 1928 and 1929; that he gave subject Harrison a job because of his ability to play golf and that sometime in 1929 subject Harrison was at the track under the influence of liquor and that he immedietely discharged him from his employ and he has not seen him since that time and he does not know his present whereabouts. He further stated when shown the Identification Order of Harrison that it was a very poor likeness and he would never be able to pick Harrison out from the Identification Order photograph. O'Hare also stated that subject Harrison wears silver-rimmed glasses and is never seen without a chew of tobacco which he holds in his right jaw. O'Hare also stated that he had had a great deal of opposition from the people of Massachusetts in connection with the Taunton Dog Track and that he could not afford to have any fugitive in his employ or found about his premises and that he is ready and willing at all times to co-operate with the Government in apprehending subject William Harrison.

O'Hare further stated that his home is in St. Louis, Missouri; that he is acquainted with one Leo Cronin of St. Louis, who is at present manager of the dog track at Buffalo, New York, and that Cronin is well-acquainted with subject Harrison and if contacted there is no question in his mind but that Cronin will assist in every way.

Mr. O'Hare called his chauffeur, Henry Beckman, into his office, who was also well-acquainted with subject Harrison. When shown the photograph of subject Harrison appearing in the Identification Order which had been cut out he failed to recognize the photograph and stated that he was acquainted with subject Harrison during the time that he was employed at the Miami Beach Kennel Club, Miami Beach, Florida, but has not seen or heard from subject Harrison since he left the employ of Mr. O'Hare. Mr. O'Hare also stated that one Mr. Simms is a promoter of dog race tracks in Albany and Buffalo and suggested that Simms be interviewed relative to the location of subject Harrison.

H. McBride, a detective in the employ of Mr. O'Hare, formerly a Pinkerton detective, upon interview stated that a person answering the description of subject William Harrison and somewhat resembling the photograph of him, appeared at the Hollywood Dog Track, Hollywood, Florida, in January of this year seeking employment but was not given a position at that track.

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BUFFALO OFFICE: Is requested to locate Leo Cronin, manager of the Dog Track in that City for information concerning the location of subject William J. Harrison. In the event Cronin is reluctant to give information regarding subject Harrison he should be advised that he is being interviewed at the suggestion of Mr. Edward J. O'Hare. Also obtain the full name of one Simms, who is promoter of the Albany and Buffalo tracks, who should be interviewed concerning subject Harrison.

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July 16, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

From a review of the report of Special Agent F. W. Allen, dated at Boston, Massachusetts, July 8, 1935, in the above entitled case, it would appear that the Bureau is concerned with only one fugitive, namely, William J. Harrison, subject of Identification Order No. 1230.

For the information of the Boston Office, the Bureau is conducting an intensive investigation in nearly all of its field offices, looking toward the location and apprehension of the six remaining fugitives in this case, all subjects of Identification Orders.

The reports submitted reflect that all of the subjects have been associated with one another, and, therefore, when an investigation is conducted with respect to one subject, the other subjects should be given the same investigative attention.

The Bureau desires that an additional investigation be conducted at the various dog tracks located in your district, with a view to ascertaining whether any of the fugitives in this case are frequenting those tracks at the present time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N.Y.

July 8, 1935

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. NO. 1218, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly forward 100 photographs of Harry Campbell, to enable us to distribute one to each Agent assigned to this office.

The photograph referred to is that which was attached to your letter of July 2, 1935.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 18, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

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

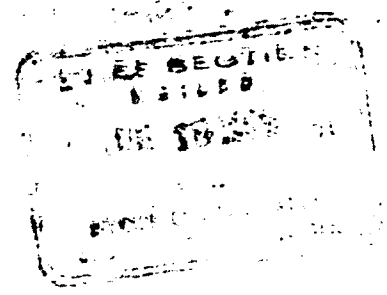
Dear Sir:

In response to the request contained in your letter dated July 8, 1935, please be informed that the Bureau does not deem it advisable to furnish each Agent with the photograph of Harry Campbell, inasmuch as each Agent is already in the possession of a very good likeness of Campbell.

The photograph reflecting a likeness of Campbell in three different poses, which was furnished your office with Bureau letter dated July 2, 1935, should, of course, be exhibited to each Agent assigned to your office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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PITTSBURGH, Pa.	7-8-35	6/14,17,20/35	E. S. RUBENSTEIN

TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - Fugitive, I.O. No. 1218; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Arthur P. Burdette, Erie, Pa. proceeded to Detroit, Mich. to visit his sister, Winona Burdette, at the U. S. Federal Detention Farm, Milan, Mich. Burdette stated that Karpis and Campbell after they robbed bank in Neosho, Missouri were believed to have gone to a hide-out in Kansas, Okla., where they robbed a bootlegger in Spring Creek, Okla. Campbell alleged to have married Winona Burdette in Denver, Colorado, using the name of Martin.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated June 4, 1935.

DETAILS: AT ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA.

On June 14, 1935 agent endeavored to contact ARTHUR P. BURDETTE. Burdette could not be located and it was learned that he still works for the FORREST CAFE, 1004 Parade Street, where he plays a piano in the evening. Burdette resides in a rooming house at 704 Wallace Street. It was also learned that during the day Burdette works for the WINTER PIANO COMPANY, as a salesman.

DETAILS

On June 13, 1935 the Pittsburgh office received a letter from the Detroit office dated June 12, 1935, advising that the necessary arrangements had been made with Superintendent John J. Ryan of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, for Arthur Burdette to visit his sister, Winona, at this institution.

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On June 17, 1935 agent contacted Arthur Burdette in Erie and he agreed to go to Detroit in order to interview his sister at Milan, for the purpose of eliciting from her any information which she may have regarding the whereabouts of Karpis and Campbell. He stated he could go to Detroit on Thursday, June 20, 1935 in order that he could be there Friday, June 21, 1935, which is the regular visiting day at the Detention Farm. On the same date, Burdette wrote to his sister informing her that he intended to visit her on June 21st; that he had Superintendent Ryan's permission to do so.

On June 20, 1935 agent met Burdette and furnished him with the necessary transportation and expense funds to Detroit. Agent telegraphed the Detroit Office accordingly. Burdette left Erie for Detroit at 3:20 P.M., Eastern standard time, New York Central Train #43, Pullman car #391, seat #4.

In conversations had with Burdette, at the various times he was contacted, Burdette stated that he had heard that about three months ago Karpis and Campbell were known to have been in Kansas, Oklahoma (Delaware County) and also in a place known as Spring Creek, Oklahoma, (Mayes County); that after Karpis and Campbell had robbed a bank at Neosho, Missouri of about $18,000.00, they then proceeded to Kansas, Oklahoma and there robbed a bootlegger of about $100.00. Burdette believes that Karpis and Campbell have hide-outs in the vicinity of Spring Creek, Oklahoma or somewhere along Spring Creek.

The Oklahoma Office on June 24, 1935, was advised of this information by letter and it was suggested that appropriate investigation be made at these two places.

Burdette also stated that he had learned that Winona had married Harry Campbell in Denver, Colorado, under the name of MARTIN; that Winona also used a fictitious name; that they, however, both used their correct given names. This information was transmitted to the Denver office on June 24, 1935, requesting that they verify the authenticity of this statement.

It was also requested by letter of June 24, 1935 that the Detroit Office question Winona regarding her alleged marriage to Campbell, at Denver.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
827 Broad Street National Bank Building
Trenton New Jersey

July 8, 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:

It is kindly requested that you forward to this Office Bureau letters directed to all Offices, dated October 13, 1934, February 2, 1935, and March 26, 1935, with reference to the placing and withdrawing of "Wanted" notices in the above-entitled case.

This Office has a copy of a letter from the New York Office to the Philadelphia Office, dated June 21, 1935, which indicates that "Wanted" notices mentioned in the Bureau's letter of October 13, 1934 were distributed at the following police departments:

Jersey City, N. J.
Elizabeth, N. J.
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Hoboken, N. J.
State Police, Trenton, N. J.

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Upon receipt of the above-requested letters, appropriate action will be taken by this Office.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Listerman

W. L. LISTERMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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July 15, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1818; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated July 8, 1935, requesting to be furnished with copies of Bureau letters dated October 13, 1934, February 2, 1935, and March 26, 1935, directed to all offices, concerning the placing and withdrawing of wanted notices in the above entitled case.

The Bureau does not deem it necessary that your files contain the letters referred to, but for your information, temporary wanted notices were furnished to all field offices under date of October 13, 1934, and on February 2, 1935, the Bureau directed a letter to all field offices, requesting that the temporary wanted notice issued on Fred Barker, with aliases, Bureau No. 59163, be withdrawn. On March 26, 1935, the Bureau directed a letter to all field offices, requesting that the temporary wanted notices on the following individuals be withdrawn:

Jess Doyle, Bureau No. 99402,
Edna Murray, with aliases, Bureau No. 9387,
Harry Campbell, with aliases, Bureau No. 419856,
Volney Davis, with aliases, Bureau No. 400411,
William Weaver, with aliases, Bureau No. 17920,
Harry Sawyer, with aliases, Bureau No. 421335, and
Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, Bureau No. 837474.

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The foregoing individuals have either been apprehended or Identification Orders have been issued by the Bureau.

It is desired that the temporary wanted notices issued by the Bureau on Clyde Nimerick, with aliases, Bureau No. 77981, and Charles J. Fitzgerald, Bureau No. 95780, remain in the files of the local Police Departments, inasmuch as the Bureau is interested in ascertaining the whereabouts of these individuals who are considered as possible contacts for the remaining members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Your office should immediately ascertain at the Police Departments located in the cities listed in your letter whether the temporary wanted notices, indicated above, have, in fact, been withdrawn pursuant to Bureau instructions.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati

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GEO. A. SKULTETY
COUNTY ATTORNEY
Jefferson County
Fairbury - Nebraska

July 6th, 1935.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Pennsylvnia Avenue & 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C,

Dear Mr. Hoover: In Re: Jess Doyle.

Your agents apprehended one Jess doyle in February of this year, and on February 15, 1934, at Kansas City, Kansas, Jess Doyle made a statement to John L. Madala and R. P. Shanahan, special agents of your bureau, in which, among other things, he confessed to participation in the robbery of the First National Bank of Fairbury, Nebraska, on April 4th, 1933. He was later released byo your department and turned over to the Sheriff of Jefferson County, on a warrant for bank robbery.

A preliminary hearing was had in the County Court of Jefferson County, and he was bound over to the District Court of Jefferson County for trial on a charge of bank robbery. Since that time I have been trying to prepare a case for the prosecution. I have had more than fifty witnesses view this man, but I am unable to get more than an opinion that he resembles one of the robbers that pulled the job here, and the opinion of the witnesses vary as to which man he looked like. It seems that I will have to rely almost entirely on his confession, which your agents secured.

I contacted your Omaha Branch office asking to get in touch with John L. Madala and R. P. Shanahan, but was informed that they would not be available for conference, but could be obtained as witnesses for the trial. I cannot go into the trial of this case without first knowing the circumstances in regard to this confession. It would be foolish for me to call the case up for trial and not know what my evidence is going to be. Doyle expects to repudiate the confession. In addition to the information about this confession, your department could probably give me further

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information that would help me in this prosecution.

I would be greatly obliged if you can help me in any way, and it is absolutely necessary that I talk to the men who took this confession, before I go into the trial of the case. Please let me know when and where I can see these men.

Very sincerely yours,

Geo. A. Skultety
County Attorney.

REN:LL
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July 15, 1935

Mr. George A. Skultety,
County Attorney,
Jefferson County,
Fairbury, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Skultety:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 6, 1935, relative to the contemplated prosecution of Jess Doyle on charges of robbery in connection with the robbery of the First National Bank of Fairbury, Nebraska, which occurred on April 4, 1933.

With respect to your request for permission to confer with Special Agents John L. Madala and R. F. Shanahan of this Bureau, concerning the statement obtained by them from Jess Doyle, in which he confessed his participation in the robbery, please be advised arrangements will be made for such a conference to be held at Chicago, Illinois, on any date indicated by you.

Upon receipt of further word from you, I shall arrange for Agents Madala and Shanahan to be present at this Bureau's Chicago Office for a conference with you.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Omaha (with copy of incoming letter)
cc-Little Rock "
cc-New York "
cc-Chicago "

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

Mr. Conroy telephoned from the Kansas City Office and advised that he had just received a call from Agent D. A. Bryce at Joplin, Missouri, who advised that he has an informant who may be able to furnish information which will lead to the apprehension of the two above named subjects; that, however, there is some sort of a deal involved, the nature of which could not be discussed over the telephone with Mr. Conroy by Agent Bryce, and as a result, Mr. Conroy is proceeding at once to Joplin to take care of the situation. He wanted to know what the top figure would be as the amount the Bureau would pay for information leading to the apprehension of these men by the Bureau Agents.

As top figures, I told Mr. Conroy that we would pay $2,500 for Karpis and $1,000 for Campbell; that, however, we would rather get them for $350.00 each if possible, thus indicating to Mr. Conroy the desire of the Bureau to pay as little as possible for this information. Mr. Conroy said that he would bear in mind, of course, the desire of the Bureau in this regard, but wanted to get what the top figures would be.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida,

July 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:-

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

Please be advised that on the morning of July 5, 1935, Assistant United States Attorney W. Sanders Gramling, Miami, Florida, exhibited to Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, the original of a typewritten letter, dated Newark New Jersey, June 1, 1935, addressed to Chris Switzer, night jailer, Dade County Jail, Miami, Florida, over the signature of Henry Randall, Hotel Grant, 127 Lyons Avenue, Newark, New Jersey. Randall, it will be recalled, is under indictment at Miami, Florida, for harboring Karpis, and for violation of the National Firearms Act.

The letter in question was merely Randall's expression of appreciation for Switzer's kindness to him while he was incarcerated in the Dade County Jail, prior to his release on bond, and the original letter is being retained in the file of the United States Attorney at Miami.

The foregoing information is being furnished to the Trenton Office merely as a matter of information and in anticipation of possible further contact with Randall.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

July 6, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Regarding charges preferred against the Chicago Bureau office, in accordance with instructions from Assistant Director Nathan, Special Agent W. E. Hopton of this office secured the signed statement attached hereto from Detective Delmar E. Potts of the Lakewood, Ohio, Police Department.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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July 6, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with the contacts which are being made by Special Agent J. L. Madala with [redacted] with a view to developing information concerning the whereabouts of the remaining Fugitives in this case, the Bureau desires to be furnished with additional information concerning the identity of [redacted] and her associates.

Under date of August 25, 1933 the Chicago Office forwarded to the Bureau a memorandum prepared by Special Agent W. A. Smith regarding the kidnaping of Mr. Thomas Dwyer on April 1, 1933. In the last paragraph on page three of the memorandum, reference is made to one [redacted] who was alleged to have been the leader of the kidnaping gang. The memorandum sets forth that in October, 1930, his automobile, containing bullet holes, was found partially submerged in the drainage canal in Chicago, but [redacted] body was not found. Other members of the gang of kidnapers were tried and convicted, and sentenced to the Illinois State Penitentiary.

The foregoing is the only reference to [redacted] in the files of the Bureau, according to the indices. There does not appear to be a criminal record in the Identification Division of the Bureau under the name of [redacted] In view of the unusual name, [redacted] it is possible that [redacted] is related in some manner to [redacted] and, therefore, the Bureau desires additional information concerning the latter and, to this end, the records of the Chicago Police Department should be consulted.

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This matter should receive prompt attention.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
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July 8, 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.

This morning Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Resident Agent at Miami, Florida, advised that Federal Judge Halsted L. Ritter at Miami, received a communication dated July 5, 1935, from Dolores Delaney, complaining that her baby's things, a bed and wearing apparel, which were left in the Thomas home in Miami when she and Alvin Karpis hurriedly left that point in January, 1935, had not been shipped to Karpis' parents in Chicago, Illinois, as agreed.

Judge Ritter referred this communication to Probation Officer William Fox, who in turn handed it to the Marshal's Office. Judge Ritter had previously instructed the Marshal's Office to obtain the aforementioned property and arrange for its shipment.

A Deputy Marshal advised Special Agent Fitzsimons that Mrs. Thomas was holding the baby clothing and a small bed, since after Delaney departed she was required to pay an electric light bill and one or two other minor bills. It will be remembered that Karpis paid the Thomases $750.00 for the rental of the Thomas' home, and lived therein only from December 16, 1934, to January 16, 1935.

Agent Fitzsimons advised that Judge Ritter is of the opinion that this property should be obtained by an Agent ~~of this Bureau for~~ shipment to Karpis' parents in Chicago.

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It appears that Wynona Burdette has informed Dolores Delaney that the Bureau is obtaining her effects in Oklawaha, Florida, for shipment to her relatives in Oklahoma, and now Delaney is endeavoring to have Karpis' relatives obtain possession of her baby's belongings now being held by Mrs. Thomas in Miami.

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TO DIRECTOR 7-8-35

Agent Fitzsimons has been instructed by me to take no action in this regard, pending the Bureau's instructions.

The Bureau's advice will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 30, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1818; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated July 8, 1935, advising of a letter received by Federal Judge Halsted L. Ritter at Miami, Florida, dated July 5, 1935, from Dolores Delaney, complaining that certain property belonging to her had not been forwarded to the parents of Alvin Karpis in Chicago, Illinois, as had been agreed upon.

Inasmuch as the Bureau was not a party to the agreement to obtain and forward the property in question, it feels that no further action should be taken in this matter since no benefit can be gained by so doing. In the instance where the property of Wynona Burdette was obtained and forwarded to her sister, the Bureau anticipated the development of a source of information to assist in the location and apprehension of the remaining fugitives in this case. No such assistance can be expected by cooperating with Dolores Delaney in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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BREKID EFFORTS BEING MADE THRU INFORMANT TOLEDO TO DEVELOP INFORMATION FROM EDITH BARRY OPERATOR OF HOUSE OF PROSTITUTION BELIEVED DIRECT CONTACT WITH BARRY WOMAN UNDESIRABLE AT THIS TIME. ALL LEADS THIS DISTRICT BEING GIVEN APPROPRIATE ATTENTION. SPECIAL AGENT BROWN WHO IS ESPECIALLY ASSIGNED TO THIS CASE IS NOW IN CANADA DEVELOPING LEAD LOOKING TOWARD APPREHENSION SUBJECT WEAVER.

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TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.	KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: At The Tennessee Auto Department, Nashville, stops placed on automobiles still thought to be in possession of Bremer kidnapers and stop notices withdrawn on automobiles no longer wanted. Circular letter forwarded to all banks in Tennessee, requesting information on $1,000 bills, issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, beginning with serial F-00022451A and ending with serial F-00022500A. Information received that Karpis was living in an apartment at 1226 16th Avenue South, Nashville, Tenn. Investigation by Nashville Bureau Office discloses that a young man of similar appearance to Karpis lives at this address but that he is a man of a respectable family and has lived in this neighborhood for the last five years.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minn., dated 5-1-35.
Report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Ill., dated 4-29-35.
Report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, San Francisco, California, dated 5-22-35.
Letter from Cincinnati Bureau Office, dated 6-21-35.

DETAILS: At the Tennessee Auto Department, 319 7th Avenue, North, Nashville, in accord with information set out in the reports of reference of Special Agents McDade and Criss, a careful check was made and stop notices on cars no longer wanted were removed and stop notices were placed against all automobiles

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: W. A. Smith, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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thought still to be in the possession of members of the Bremer kidnaping gang.

A circular letter was forwarded to all banks in the State of Tennessee, requesting that the Nashville Bureau office be immediately advised in the event that any $1,000 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, beginning with serial F-00022451A and ending with serial F-00022500A, came into their possession.

On the evening of July 2, Special Agent E. C. Dorris was telephonically advised by the Police Department of Nashville that one of their patrolmen had come in contact with a fruit peddler who stated that he had been delivering vegetables to a man who seemed to be identical in appearance with Alvin Karpis. Police Department advised that they did not know the name of this fruit peddler but that this information could be obtained at the drug store located at the intersection of 10th Avenue North and Jefferson Street. Agent Dorris immediately contacted Special Agent in Charge W. A. Smith who, accompanied by Agent Dorris, proceeded to the drug store aforementioned and interviewed Mr. Roy Mansfield. Mr. Mansfield advised that the name of the fruit peddler was Frazier, who lives at 1036 Scovel and that his telephone number is 6-5424. Mr. Mansfield advised that Frazier had been in the drug store some nights before and, while looking through the True Detective Magazine, saw a picture of Karpis and stated that he had delivered vegetables to a man on his route who is identical in appearance to Karpis. Special Agent in Charge Smith and Agent Dorris then proceeded to the home of Paul Frazier and interviewed him and there he stated that on Saturday, June 29, 1935, at the Outwater Apts., located at 1226-28 16th Avenue, South, he delivered some groceries to an individual who looked identical to the photographs he had seen of Karpis appearing in the True Detective Magazine. Frazier advised that he again had seen this individual Monday morning, July 1, in front of the apartment building, getting out of a 1933 Chevrolet Sedan. Frazier described this man as being about six feet in height, twenty-four or twenty-five years old and very nervous in appearance. Photographs of Karpis were then exhibited to Frazier by Special Agent in Charge Smith and Agent Dorris. Frazier was positive in his identification and stated that if not the man he had seen at this address, he was his twin brother. Arrangements were made with Frazier to meet him the following morning in the neighborhood of 1226 16th Avenue, South, to determine if this individual was still occupying this apartment.

On the morning of July 3 about ten A. M., the writer and Agent Dorris met Frazier and made arrangements with him to go to 1226 16th Avenue, South, and again try to sell the individual in question some vegetables. Frazier drove his horse and cart to this address and proceeded to the second floor of the apartment building where this individual lived and knocked on the door three times but was unsuccessful in finding anyone at home.

In the meantime, Special Agent J. B. Fitzgerald contacted Mr. John McGhee, city mail carrier #89, Post Office, Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. McGhee stated that he delivered mail to the Outwater Apts. at 1226-28 16th Avenue, South, Nashville, Tennessee, and said apartment building accomodates four families, all of whom he is acquainted with. They are named and located as follows:

1226 lower - Mrs. Davis, a widow.
1226 upper - C. F. Sarvis and family.
1228 lower - Rowe Family.
1228 upper - McClanahan and family.

The upper apartment to the left is occupied by Mr. C. A. Sarvis, his wife, a daughter aged 14 and two sons, ages 18 and 16 respectively. Mr. Sarvis is a traveling salesman for the Perfection Stove Company and is away most of the time. The daughter and sons attend Hume-Fogg High School, Nashville. Mr. McGhee said this family lived at this apartment for the past three years and and, prior to that time, lived about two years in another apartment to which he also delivered mail. He said his step-daughter was well acquainted with the young people in this family, that they had been in his home and never were in any trouble nor absent from the apartment for any period of time. He stated he never saw any strange men in their automobiles around this apartment and described Mr. C. F. Sarvis as follows:

Age	50
Height	6 ft.
Weight	180 lbs.
Hair	Quite grey
Remarks:	Very gentlemanly in appearance and walks very erect.

Mr. McGhee stated further that Sarvis drives an old Chevrolet Sedan in which he understands he carries an oil stove which is evidently a sample from the company by which he is employed. After the foregoing information was received from Agent Fitzgerald the writer and Agent E. C. Dorris contacted Mrs. Davis, who lives on the first floor at 1226 16th Avenue, South. Mrs. Davis advised that she was the owner of instant apartment building and that she was well acquainted with all the occupants. She stated that Charlie Sarvis lived at 1226 upper. She Stated that he was a married man and had two grown sons and a daughter. She stated that he was a salesman for the Perfection Stove Company and that he had been renting instant apartment for about the last two years and that prior to that time he had lived in the same neighborhood for three years. She advised that Mr. and Mrs. Rowe and their two children, a son aged 20 and a daughter aged 18, lived in 1228 lower. She stated that Mr. Rowe was manager of the local telegraph company. She stated that in 1220 upper Mr. and Mrs. McClanahan lived and that Mr. McClanahan was a wholesale druggist and had been a tenant of her for about one year. Agents exhibited to Mrs. Davis photographs of Karpis and she advised that she did not know anyone that looked like him and was positive that no one of his appearance lived in her apartments. Mrs. Davis impressed agents as being a sincere, honest old lady.

In view of the fact that it now seemed evident that Paul Frazier had been mistaken in his identification of subject Karpis, it was deemed advisable to interview the occupants of 1226 upper in order to definitely determine that no one of occupants was actually subject Karpis. Accordingly, the writer and Agent Dorris went to the apartment occupied by Mr. Charlie Sarvis and family. After knocking at the door for some time a young man finally appeared to answer the call.

He was about six feet in height, seemed to be about the age of from twenty-two to twenty-five years old, weight about 160 pounds and had blue eyes anddark hair. His face was somewhat similar in appearance to that of Karpis. He seemed quite nervous and has a defect in his voice and stutters a great deal. He advised that his name is Charles Sarvis and that his father is C. F. Sarvis and that he was not at home. Charles advised that he had a brother by the name of Robert and that he was presently working at a laundry located near by. Agents then proceeded to the neighborhood laundry and contacted Robert Sarvis. He was a young man about six feet tall and looked to be about 17 years old. It was deemed unnecessary to contact Mr. C. F. Sarvis, Sr., for identification purposes in view of the information received from the mail carrier and Mrs. Davis. The party that Frazier evidently identified as Karpis was Charles Sarvis, Jr. Charles looked somewhat similar to Karpis and could quite easily be mistaken for him by one not fully acquainted with an accurate description of Karpis and his character. Agents closely examined Charles Sarvis and are positive that he is not subject Karpis and that subject Karpis is not known and has not been seen in the neighborhood of 1226 and 1228 16th Avenue, South.

In the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated May 1, 1935, St. Paul, a lead is set out for the Nashville Bureau Office to conduct investigation at Chattanooga, Tennessee, and vicinity, with a view to locating Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver. The necessary investigation has been conducted at Chattanooga, as set out in the report of T. W. Dawsey, Nashville, dated April 19, 1935. Special Agent Suran's report indicated that a post card written to Andrew Rothmeyer at St. Paul, Minnesota, by Myrtle Eaton at Chattanooga, Tennessee, would be obtained and information appearing thereon forwarded to the Nashville Bureau Office.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE ST. PAUL BUREAU OFFICE, at St. Paul, Minnesota, if they have obtained postal card received by Rothmeyer and written by Myrtle Eaton, will forward any information appearing thereon that might be of value in locating subject Eaton and Weaver to the Nashville Bureau Office.

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908 Rust Building
Tacoma, Washington

July 6, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

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

Dear Sir:

Please furnish [redacted] b7d
copies of Identification Orders on the above named subjects for use in conducting an investigation requested by this office.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONKELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri,
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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

REGISTERED MAIL

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I. O. #1218 - FUGITIVE, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER - Victim
Kidnaping - Harboring and Obstruction
of Justice - National Firearms Act.

In compliance with the request made in your letter dated June 24, 1935, there are transmitted herewith, under registered mail, one copy of the following reports:

Report of Special Agent:	Dated
W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, Missouri	8-20-34
M. C. Spear, Kansas City, Missouri	9-27-34
B. P. Cruise, Kansas City, Missouri	10-6-34
R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri	10-23-34
W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, Missouri	2-4-35
R. H. Nathan, Kansas City, Missouri	2-11-35
R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri	2-21-35
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Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge.

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The following teletype message sent to Boston Office from Jacksonville Office July 4, 1935, at 12:49 P.M.:

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BREKID REFERENCE OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS YESTERDAY AND EXCHANGE TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS WILLIAM H OWEN AND WIFE REGISTERED HIALEAH HOTEL NOVEMBER 21 LAST CHECKED OUT MARCH 26 LEAVING FORWARDING ADDRESS 5127 WEST 30 ST CICERO ILLINOIS NO INFORMATION OBTAINABLE OTHER THAN OWEN INTERESTED IN HORSES DURING RACING SEASON OWEN DESCRIBED ABOUT 45 YEARS 5 FT 4 STOCKY BUILD DARK HAIR PARTIALLY GRAY PLAIN DRESSER NOSE GLASSES. WIFE ABOUT 30 YEARS 100 LBS 5 FT. SLENDER BUILD BLOND HAIR

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Special Agent In Charge,
New Orleans, La.

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

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. H. Olson, New Orleans, La., dated July 2, 1935, which contains an undeveloped lead requesting the Cincinnati Office to furnish any information in the files regarding the relationship of James A. Moran with subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

Examination of the files reveals that the name of James A. Moran arose in connection with [redacted], who is a contact and associate of subject William J. Harrison and so far as this office knows, is in no way related to Dr. Joseph P. Moran. The mail cover in question had [redacted] and Mary Ford, the first of which is [redacted].

In view of this situation it is suggested that the New Orleans Office discontinue all inquiries regarding James A. Moran.

Very truly yours,

K. J. COMMILLEY,
Special Agent In Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge
Boston, Mass.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. No. 1218; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREKER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of July 5, 1935, in which you requested that I immediately ascertain to whom Florida license tag for 1935 # B-10966 was issued, advising that the same now appeared on a 1931 Buick sedan in your district.

It was ascertained in the office of the Motor Vehicle Commissioner at Tallahassee, Florida, that the described tag was issued to William H. Owen, Hialeah Hotel, Hialeah, Florida, for use on Buick sedan, motor #2712361. This information was forwarded to you telegraphically on July 3, 1935, with request that you advise whether additional investigation was desired at Hialeah.

Pursuant to your teletype message of July 3rd at 9:08 P.M., Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Resident Agent at Miami, Florida, ascertained that William H. Owen and wife registered at the Hialeah Hotel, Hialeah, Florida, November 21, 1934, and checked out March 26, 1935, leaving forwarding address 5127 West 30th St., Cicero, Illinois. No information was obtainable other than that Owen was interested in horses in Miami during the racing season; and he is described as being about 45 years of age, 5' 4" in height, stocky build, dark hair, partially gray, plain dresser, wears nose glasses; and that his wife is about 30 years of age, weight 100 lbs., height 5', slender build, blond hair. This information was furnished you by teletype on July 4, 1935, at 12:49 P.M.

I desire to call your attention to the fact that there is an error in our teletype message of the 4th instant above referred to, wherein we describe the wife of William H. Owen as being five ft. tall. She is reported to be 5' 7" in height.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

July 6, 1935.

Mr. Walter D. Smith,
Vehicle Commissioner,
Dover, Delaware.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUG,
I.O. 1218, Et Al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the stop order recently placed on Chevrolet sedan, 1934 model #4543656, serial 1 DA 07-49267, this is your authority to withdraw the stop order inasmuch as this car has been located.

Very truly yours,

R. G. HARVEY
Special Agent in Charge.

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

July 6, 1935.

H. Richard Stickel,
Commissioner of Motor Vehicles,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUG.,
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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

July 8, 1935.

Commissioner of Motor Vehicles,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUG.
I.O. 1218, Et Al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the stop order recently placed on Chevrolet sedan, 193[illegible] model [illegible]4543656, serial 1 DA 07-49267, this is your authority to withdraw the stop order inasmuch as this car has been located.

Very truly yours,

R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Drawer #1457,
St. Louis, Missouri,
July 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to your letter, dated June 21, 1935, addressed to the Chicago Bureau Office, with reference to a recent communication received from Mr. Frazier Reams, Prosecuting Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, wherein it appears that he requested assistance in determining the identity of the owner of a 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, bearing Illinois license #467-613 or 467-613.

Please be advised that a check of the automobile licenses as issued by Secretary of State of Illinois reflect that license plates #467-613 were issued to Martha Stafford at Kincaid, Illinois.

Mr. Richard Lawrence, Postmaster, Kincaid, Illinois, advised Special Agent D. S. Hostetter that Martha Stafford and her husband, Ellis Stafford, who is employed at #7 coal mine, have both resided at Kincaid, Illinois for the past three years and are considered respectable citizens in the community. From observation, it was determined that a black 1931 model A Ford Coupe, bearing 1935 Illinois license #467-613 was parked beside the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stafford, however, neither of these individuals were interviewed, inasmuch as both were absent at that time.

In view of the above information, it was deemed inadvisable to conduct further investigation at Kincaid, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

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San Francisco, Calif.	7/5/35	7/1/35	V. H. CROSS - SP

TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, With Aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BRAMER - VICTIM

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No record of death of Charles J. Fitzgerald at Vallejo, California, under correct name or aliases. Fitzgerald, as Charles J. Murphy, was patient at Vallejo General Hospital from August 5 to November 20, 1934, and left presumably for the east. Information obtained from James Britt, Special Agent, National Auto Theft Bureau, San Francisco, that John Ferrick, possibly using the name of Jack Kennedy was foreman of Stewart's Mine, Silver City, Nevada, approximately two years ago, and might still be so employed.

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REFERENCE: Chicago Office Letter, 6/4/35;
Bureau Letter, 6/19/35;
Salt Lake City Office Letter, 6/25/35.

DETAILS: AT VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA.

A check of the records in the City Clerk's Office, failed to disclose the death of Charles J. Fitzgerald under his correct name or aliases.

DETAILS:

During the month of January, 1935, the San Francisco Bureau Office made an extensive investigation at the Vallejo General Hospital in connection with the John Dillinger case. Every nurse in the hospital, as well as Dr. J. Judson Sale of San Francisco and Dr. Edward A. Peterson, identified the photograph of Charles J. Fitzgerald as Charles J. Murphy, who had been a patient at that hospital from August 5, 1934 to November 20, 1934.

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This person departed from Vallejo shortly after November 20th, 1934, presumably for the east. Dr. Sale advised that Fitzgerald was operated on for an improperly set fracture of the hip. He was tohave returned to the Vallejo General Hospital some time in January or February, 1935 to have certain pegs removed from the bones of his leg, but he did not return. It may be mentioned that the arrangement for his return was made prior to the above referred to harboring investigation which resulted in the conviction and sentencing to a Federal Penitentiary of Thomas C. Williams, With Aliases, Manager of this hospital.

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

A check of the files in the San Francisco Police Department disclosed that a bulletin, dated November 10, 1931, issued by the St. Paul, Minnesota Police Department requested the apprehension of three individuals including John Ferrick, alias John Klein. A subsequent bulletin, dated June 12, 1932, advised of the apprehension of two of these individuals and requested the apprehension of Ferrick, a narcotic addict, who was described as follows:

Name	John Ferrick, alias John Klein
Age	Forty Three
Height	5' 10½" tall
Weight	158 pounds
Hair	Dark chestnut, turning grey
Complexion	Dark, sallow
Build	Slender
F.P.C.	21 U 0 S / S - M S
Charge	Kidnaping and torturing a resident of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mr. James Britt, Special Agent, National Auto Theft Bureau, San Francisco, advised that approximately two years ago, while checking on an automobile believed abandoned by John Ferrick, alias John Klein at Pheonix, Arizona, he had learned at that time

that Ferrick, believed to be using the name of Jack Kennedy, was working as a foreman at what was known as Stewart's Mine, Silver City, Nevada. He stated that this mine was owned by a Dr. Andrew W. Morton, who is manager of The Morton's Hospital, Ltd. 1055 Pine Street, San Francisco, California. This hospital, according to Mr. Britt, is of questionable reputation in that it caters to diseased women, narcotic addicts, etc. Mr. Britt had no general information which would be helpful in this matter.

In view of the alleged questionable reputation of Dr. Andrew W. Morton, he is not being interviewed by the San Francisco Bureau Office at this time.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE:

At Virginia City, Nevada, will conduct appropriate investigation relative to John Ferrick, With Aliases, in accordance with the instructions contained in the Bureau letter of reference.

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Washington Field Office, Room 5745,
Washington, D. C.

July 9, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. S. No. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BRUMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - Etc.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated July 2, advising that a mail tracing revealed that Clarence Wollinsky, 306½ Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa, is in [redacted] postmarked Lorton, Vir[redacted] and dated June 24, [redacted] a return address, "Box [redacted] Lorton, Virginia".

This is to advise that Mr. E. J. Welch, Assistant Superintendent of the District of Columbia Reformatory, Lorton, Virginia, advised Special Agent L. B. Nichols that the Post Office Box of the Reformatory is Box 25, and that a search of his files revealed that [redacted] one Michael Quinn, who was received at Lorton Reformatory in March, 1932, on a charge of housebreaking and larceny; further, that he has a long record beginning in 1903. His record shows arrests at Joplin, Missouri; Des Moines, Iowa; and other places.

Special Agent L. B. Nichols will be at the District of Columbia Reformatory, Lorton, Virginia, on other matters in the next day or so, at which time he will interview Michael Quinn for any information that he might have concerning subjects in this case and Clarence Wollinsky. Of course, no reference will be made as to how this Bureau secured his name.

If any information of value is secured, you will be advised.

Very truly yours,

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J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota FILE NO. 7-27

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Salt Lake City, Utah	7-5-35	6-11 to 25 inc. 1935	J.T.McLAUGHLIN OS

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1216, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.	KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject Moran reported to be in Reno approximately three months ago, where he attempted to secure financial assistance from Attorney T. L. Withers. Detectives Melliver and Fletcher, Reno Police Dept., who know Subject Karpis, have been assigned by their superior officer to assist the Bureau in its investigation in Reno and vicinity; they advise there are rumors to effect that Karpis is hiding out close to the Nevada-California line, and possibly indirectly contacting Scarface Sullivan, a partner of Graham and McKay, Reno gamblers. Various contacts at Lake Tahoe and Reno being contacted weekly.

P.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J.T. McLaughlin, Salt Lake City, dated 5-21-35.

DETAILS: Recently while in a general conversation with T. L. Withers, Attorney at Law, Reno, Nevada, photographs of various persons connected with this case were exhibited to him; he identified the picture of Dr. Joseph P. Moran as being in Reno about three months ago and attempted by trick to obtain $50.00 from him. According to Mr. Withers, the man is identical with the photograph of Dr. Moran; that he appeared first at the First National Bank at Reno and requested assistance in locating a reputable attorney to handle an income tax matter, and the bank referred him to Withers; Withers interviewed him in his office and this man informed him he was in difficulties in Chicago on an income tax matter in connection with slot machine operations and advised he thought he could make a settlement with the Government for $10,000, and that negotiations could possibly

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be made through the United States Attorney's office at Reno. Withers advised this man that he had better secure the $10,000, whereupon the man sent a wire to some woman in Chicago, and after the wire was sent stated he was without funds and asked Withers to accommodate him with a loan of $50.00. Withers informed this fellow that he could go to one of the local hotels and he, Withers, would be responsible for his bills for a few days until the money arrived, and that the man left and he has not seen him since. Withers further stated that just as soon as he is through with his present case in court, which is taking up all his time for the present, he will review his files and endeavor to secure the name of the man who resembled Moran and, if possible, secure a copy of the telegram and other details relative to the transaction in question.

Withers further stated he has a large home close to Cal-Neva Lodge at Lake Tahoe, which is operated by James McKay and William Graham, and that he in the past has been well acquainted with the latter two individuals, but feels now, like all the other good citizens at the Lake, that they are a hindrance and that the lodge is an incubator for criminals. He stated he recalled seeing Baby Face Nelson at this lodge, Alvin Karpis, William Weisman and numerous other persons whose names had been mentioned frequently in connection with investigations conducted by the Federal Government and leading police departments throughout the United States. He advised any assistance he could give the Federal Bureau of Investigation he would do so and help clean up Lake Tahoe and Reno, Nevada.

Acting Chief of Police Brady advised the writer he had assigned Detectives Andy Welliver and George Fletcher to assist the writer at Reno in connection with the possible location of fugitives wanted by the United States Government. He advised Fletcher knew Alvin Karpis, inasmuch as Karpis resided next door to Fletcher when he was in Reno, and had met him and conversed with him, and that his services would be invaluable to the Government in locating Karpis in event he came into or near Reno.

In this connection it might be stated that both Detectives Welliver and Fletcher were interviewed and they advise they had received some confidential information which was reliable to the effect that there were three men at Reno and its vicinity, close to the California-Nevada line, who were wanted by the U. S. Government; that these individuals were known to Scarface Sullivan, a partner of William Graham and James McKay, leading gamblers at Reno and now under indictment in U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, for violation of mail fraud statute. They stated it is possible Mrs. Sullivan is making the contacts with these individuals at Walley Hot Springs, which is located out of Minden, Nevada. It will be recalled that this is the last resort or hideout that Lester M. Gillis, alias Baby Face Nelson, had while he was in Nevada during the latter part of 1934. Detective Welliver stated he believes one of the individuals is Alvin Karpis and that he and Detective Fletcher will lend every effort to determine the identity of these individuals and communicate with this Agent in event any information is secured by them.

In connection with Lake Tahoe, Nevada, the writer has secured the promise of cooperation from Maynard Kenny, former Reno police officer, now employed by Graham and McKay at Cal-Neva Lodge, to keep a sharp lookout for all individuals that might be wanted by the Federal Government, particularly Alvin Karpis, Dr. Joseph P. Moran and Harry Campbell. He states he will lend every effort to assist the Government along these lines, inasmuch as he believes it is the only thing he should do as an American citizen, and further for the reason that there might be some possible financial compensation in event he does locate anyone of the important fugitives for the Government.

The State of California has increased its Highway Patrol along Lake Tahoe, Nevada, to four men this summer, and they have promised fullest cooperation; they have been furnished all identification orders relative to important fugitives wanted by this Bureau.

All contacts at Lake Tahoe and Reno will be re-interviewed weekly if possible and every effort will be made to secure some possible information as to the present thereabouts of persons wanted in connection with this case.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

Salt Lake City Office: At Reno, Nevada, will conduct further investigation among the various sources of information to determine whether or not any of the persons wanted in connection with this case are located in or about Reno and Lake Tahoe, and secure any information which might lead to their present location.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

July 5, 1935.

Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
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Mr. Schilder
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Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Re: Development of Fingerprints on Fingers Submitted to Laboratory.

Mr. E. R. Donaldson of the Technical Laboratory consulted Major R. O. Dart of the Army Medical Museum by telephone concerning the development of fingerprints on the eight fingers submitted by the Detroit Bureau Office. It was the opinion of Major R. O. Dart that all steps had been taken which might develop fingerprints. The services of the museum were offered and it is planned that several of the fingers be shown to Major R. O. Dart on Wednesday, July 3, in order that he may offer any suggestions as to future procedures to be followed.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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July 1, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

Time - 2:00 P. M.

RE: MERTON WARD GOODRICH
with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1243; Unlawful
Flight to Avoid Prosecution

The writer interviewed Dr. Edward J. Ryan of Evanston, Illinois, who is President of the Chicago Dental Society and editor of "Oral Hygiene" and "The Dental Digest". The combined circulation of these two magazines is approximately 100,000. "Oral Hygiene" is distributed free of charge to all practicing dentists in the United States.

In discussing the identification order issued on Merton Ward Goodrich, Dr. Ryan stated that for the purposes of sight identification by a layman the description given thereon relative to the teeth was adequate. He stated, however, that a scientific description of the teeth and dental work of Goodrich would enable any dentist to mentally picture what the teeth of Goodrich actually looked like. It may be stated at this point that in the July issue of "Oral Hygiene" a description of Goodrich, together with the description of his teeth, as appearing on Identification Order No. 1243, is being published.

Dr. Ryan also discussed the possibilities of a standardized classification for the purpose of identification according to peculiarities of the teeth and oral cavities. He stated that it is quite generally agreed among dentists that no two dentifications are alike. He stated that he was not mathematician enough to state the probabilities or possibilities of any two persons having like dentifications. This is due to the fact that teeth differ as to size, form and shape, the arch formation, the alignment of teeth, the relationship between the two jaws, etc. He also stated that the shape of the roof of the mouth does not change from maturity until death. He stated that there are several factors, aside from the teeth themselves, that could be standardized.

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It is the opinion of Dr. Ryan that some form of identification could be worked out whereby codes and charts could be used and dentists circularized. He stated that he had not gone into this matter thoroughly enough to at this time suggest any standard classification for the purpose of identification by teeth. He stated that it would be about five minutes work for a chart to be made of a prisoner's teeth when he is admitted to a penitentiary. When asked

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concerning the possibilities of dentists maintaining charts of the patients in their offices, he stated that many dentists do not make a chart, although the better class of dentist does. He further stated that it would be necessary to educate dentists to chart all dental work and the formation of all teeth appearing in the patients' mouths.

Dr. Ryan exhibited a scrap-book which contained newspaper clippings of identifications of dead persons made through dental work. Dr. Ryan was asked what information would be most helpful to a dentist to whom the body was not available for the purpose of making an identification by means of teeth. He stated that the most complete method that could be used for the purpose of circularizing all the dentists would be to have a dentist make a chart of the unidentified dead person's teeth which would be published. Also there should be published a scientific description of all the teeth, together with a photograph of the teeth, if possible. He stated that the taking of photographs of teeth would be a comparatively simple matter if there was no flesh left on the body. However, he stated that, if the head of an unidentified dead person still possessed flesh, a photograph could be taken by a commercial photographer under the supervision of a dentist.

Dr. Ryan was informed that a body had been recovered from the Detroit River and that the Bureau was anxious to identify this person. He stated that the best means of circularizing dental information to members of that profession would be by charts, photographs and scientific descriptions, as above related. He further suggested that, if it had not already been done, Dr. Floyd Straith, an oral surgeon in Detroit, would be an excellent man to prepare such charts.

As the writer accompanied Dr. Ryan to the office of Mr. Coffey, Dr. Ryan stated that he believed his trip to Washington had been well worth while because of the opportunity of viewing the Technical Laboratory and the Identification Division.

Respectfully,

E. L. Richmond.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1215, ET AL,
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING.

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Dear Sir:

Dr. Edward J. Ryan of Evanston, Illinois, who is President of the Chicago Dental Society and editor of "Oral Hygiene" and "The Dental Digest", called at the Bureau and offered assistance in the matter of identifying and locating fugitives in Bureau cases.

In connection with the body which was received from the Detroit River, which has not as yet been identified, Dr. Ryan suggested that a detailed chart of the teeth be prepared, together with a photograph of the teeth, to be used in circularizing all dentists in the Chicago area with a view to possibly establishing an identification. Dr. Ryan suggested that the services of a commercial photographer be employed, under the supervision of a dentist, and stated that Dr. Floyd Straith, an oral surgeon of Detroit, Michigan, would be an excellent person to prepare the charts and supervise the photographing of the teeth, and would gladly render any additional services to assist this Bureau.

This matter should receive your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Cincinnati
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July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Aberdeen, South Dakota. + ALL Field Offices

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Glavin.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Abbatiechio

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Appel

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

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John Edgar Hoover,
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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Baughman

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Blackburn

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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Special Agent in Charge,
Attention: Mr. Bryan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Chambers

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Clegg

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Coffey

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Crowl

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director,

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Douglas

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Edwards

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 519677

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JUL 2 1936

REK:LFW

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge

Attention: Mr. Egan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319679

FILE SECTION
JUL 2 1935

RE:HFW

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Foxworth

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319681

RM:MB

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Hair.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No 319927.

FILE SECTION
MAILED
JUL 2 1935
P.M.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

RJB:MR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Harbo.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No 319929.

FILES SECTION
JUL 2

RJB:MR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Hince.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

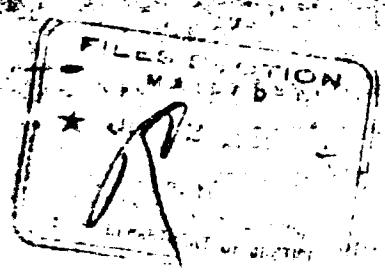
There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319931.



MEM:BR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Attention: Mr. Joseph.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319933.

FILES SECTION
MAILED
★ JUL 2 1935
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

KEH:MR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Keith.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319939.

FILED AND MAILED
JUL 2 1935

REM:BR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Lester.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319935.

REN:MFW

July 2, 1938.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Lord

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 210355

FILES SECTION
MAILED
JUL 2 1938
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REN:MF

July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. McArdle

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319680

FOLDER SECTION
MAILED
JUL 2 1936

PEM:MR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. McGarraghy.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No 319934.

FILES SECTION
MAILED
★ JUL 2 1935 ★
P. M.
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Nathan.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319937.

FILES SECTION
MAILED
JUL 2 1935

RFM:MR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Newby.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319936.

FILES SECTION

REN:MPW

July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Pennington

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:-

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. #19354

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REM:MPW

July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Franke

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No.
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RKN:MPW

July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Quinn

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319357

FCM:BR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Ramsey.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319940.

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JUL 2 1935

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July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Ramsberger

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319354

FILED SECTION
JUL 2 1935
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

REM:MFW

July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Attention: Mr. Reynolds

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Enclosure No.

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RKN:MYW

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. E. L. Richmond.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319070

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REH:MFW

July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. L. R. Richmond

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319672

FILES SECTION
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KEN:MFW

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Scheidt

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No.

319074

FILES SECTION
JUL 2 1935

REH:MPW

July 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Schilder

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319676

RER:MFW

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Swanson

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319678

FILE SECTION
JUL 2 1935

RED:MPW

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tamm

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No.

319682

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JUL 2 1935

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July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Thompson.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319926.

FILE SECTION
MAILED
JUL 2 1935

RXH:DR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tolson.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319928.

FILES SECTION
MAIL
JUL 2
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

EZM:RR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tracy.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319938.

FILES SECTION
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JUL 2 1935
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MEM:BR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Karnas.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No 319930.

FILES SECTION
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JUL 2 1935

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RED:BR

July 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Weeks.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of him than the photograph appearing on Identification Order No. 1236.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 319932.

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P.O.Box #766,
Cincinnati, Ohio

July 8, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of carbon copy of Bureau letter dated July 3, 1935, addressed to the Chicago Office referring to Bureau communication dated May 28, 1935, which latter communications furnished information obtained from the Bureau files regarding various confidential informants and requesting that all Agents in Charge receiving a copy furnish the Bureau with information which they may possess concerning these individuals.

Please be advised that the Cincinnati Office is unable to locate a copy of the communication dated May 28, 1935. Will you kindly furnish us with a copy of the letter in question in order that it may receive appropriate attention at Cincinnati.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Los Angeles
St. Paul
New York
Chicago.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
JUL 10 1935
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box #64
Buffalo, N.Y.

July 9, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Special Agent R. D. Brown returned from Canada where he has been conducting an investigation in the Bremer kidnaping case, and departed from Buffalo, N.Y. 3 P.M. this date via Bureau owned automobile for the Cleveland Office at Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

T W Stapleton

TWS:MS
cc: Cleveland

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Washington, D. C.

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DIRECTOR

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...al Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
July 5, 1935.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Berghman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Edwards .....
Mr. Green .....
Mr. Harbo .....
Mr. Keith .....
Mr. Lester .....
Mr. Quinn .....
Mr. Scheidt .....
Mr. Schilder .....
Mr. Smith .....
Mr. Tamm .....
Mr. Tracy .....
Miss Gandy .....

Time - 1:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Conroy telephoned from the Kansas City Office with reference to his telephonic conversation with me on the afternoon of July 3, 1935, at which time he informed me that he was going immediately to Joplin, Missouri, to see Agent D. A. Bryce, about a call which Mr. Bryce had made to him stating that he had an informant who could possibly give information leading to the apprehension of both Karpis and Campbell. He said that upon contacting Mr. Bryce, he learned that the situation is this: Leonard Short, who is involved in the robbery of the banks at Okemah, Oklahoma, and who is a brother of Congressman Dewey Short, has made the proposition to Mr. Bryce that if his bond is reduced from $50,000 to $25,000, he would accompany an Agent of this Bureau, and within three or thirty days, will locate both Karpis and Campbell; that, however, if he does this, the charges against him in connection with the robbery of the banks at Okemah, Oklahoma, must be dismissed.

Mr. Conroy said that he told Bryce that we cannot deal with Short on this basis under any circumstances; that if will furnish us with information which leads to the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell, we will see that the same is brought to the attention of the United States Attorney when Short is brought to trial.

As another angle on the Karpis-Campbell situation, Mr. Conroy said that after talking with me on the afternoon of July 3, 1935, he received a call from Special Agent in Charge Purvis of the Chicago Office, and also from the Operative in Charge of the local office of the Secret Service, about one John Hagan, who was the subject of an Identification Order issued by this Bureau, and who is the person supposed to have received the $25,000 reward offered for information leading to the arrest of the murderers of Jack Lingle, the reporter for the Chicago Daily News. Later, Hagan called at the Kansas City Office in person and stated that he has an informant who within the last few days has seen both Karpis and Campbell. Hagan, of course, wanted to know how much the Government would pay for information leading to the apprehension of these two persons, but Mr. Conroy stalled him off until talking with the Bureau. Hagan also stated in effect that the Bureau would have to pay his expenses as well as those of his informant for a period of time (exact period not specified), and also the reward when the men were turned to us.

7-576-6641

JUL 11 1935

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I told Mr. Conroy that we would, of course, do business with this man, but we certainly would not be going into a proposition like this on the indefinite basis now the information of Mr. Conroy. I again told Mr. Conroy that we would pay $2,500 for Karpis and $1,000 for Campbell, but we certainly would not pay the expenses of Hagan and his informant for an indefinite period of time. Mr. Conroy said that he is going to call Hagan again today, and at this time will try to get something definite about this situation. Mr. Conroy said that if he sends an Agent with Hagan, he will instruct the Agent to keep him informed of the whereabouts of Hagan at all times.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri,
July 8, 1935.

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO 1218;
DR. JOSEPH POMERAN, with aliases, IO 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, IO 1234;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, IO 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, IO 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, IO 1241, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to your letter of 6-1-35 in the above matter in which your office requested that a photograph of Sam Cusik be secured, together with other pertinent information that might be found in the files of the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and that one copy of the above photograph, together with the information secured, be furnished the Omaha office.

In reviewing the file in the instant matter it was noted by Special Agent A. J. Norstrom that while the photograph of Cusik and other information pertaining to him as contained in the files of the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth were secured on 5-7-35, the same had not been forwarded to the Omaha office as yet.

However, at this time, photograph of Sam Cusik, together with a memorandum covering the investigation of the matter on May 7, 1935, by Special Agent W. John Mc Nulty, is being transmitted to the Omaha office. Copies of the memorandum are being sent to the Bureau and to the Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Paul offices, also.

Very truly yours,

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JUL 11 1935

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7-576-6642

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
JUL 11 1935 A.M.
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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The following investigation was performed by Special Agent W. John Mc Nulty, at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, on May 7, 1935, as requested by the letter of the Chicago office, dated May 1, 1935.

Two photographs of Sam Guzik were secured from Mr. Eckholdt, Assistant to the Warden, at the Penitentiary. One of these photographs is being forwarded to the Omaha office, as requested in the reference letter, and the other is being retained in the files of the Kansas City office.

Sam Guzik, Leavenworth No. 39045, was committed to the United States Penitentiary of Leavenworth for one year and one day, for violation of the Internal Revenue Act - evading taxes. The date of his commitment was June 6, 1931, Guzik having been sentenced April 17, 1931. He was incarcerated at Leavenworth until March 26, 1932. At the date of his arriving at Leavenworth, he was thirty-two(32) years of age.

Under the alias of Harry Stone, Guzik was sentenced from two to five years for larceny to the Michigan State Reformatory at Ionia, Michigan, being incarcerated at that institution from 12-16-16 to 12-17-18. His register number there was 8665. He gave his occupation in 1931 as "jobber;" is presently married and has two children and his family(wife, Sadie)in 1931 resided at 3245 South 53rd Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Guzik was born in the United States, and his parents were born in Russia. The last known address of his father was 1072 Dundas Street, Los Angeles, California. His mother is now deceased.

Guzik's medical report at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth reveals that he is lazy and indolent; the egocentric type and suspicious and evasive in his replies to questions. He was believed to have been formerly connected with the Capone interests in Chicago. His correspondence at the prison and relatives were listed on the prison records as follows:

Mrs. S. Bigham,
2108 South May Street,
Chicago, Illinois. - Correspondent.

D. Swartz,
1004 St. Charles Road,
Maywood, Illinois. - Nephew and correspondent.

Wm. Waugh,
140 South Dearborn Street,
Chicago, Illinois. - Attorney for Sam Guzik.

Ben Guzik,
Drake Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois. - Brother.

Joe and Jack Guzik,
7240 So. Luela Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois. - Brothers.

Harry Guzik,
1215 East 71st Street,
Chicago, Illinois. - Brother.

Mrs. Bess Rubenstein,
Larchmont Blvd.,
Los Angeles, California. - Sister.

Mrs. Fannie Ginsberg,
Albion Street,
Chicago, Illinois. - Sister.

Mrs. Kate Freed,
Moorse Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois. - Sister.

Molly Leaghter,
1072 Dundas Street,
Los Angeles, California. - Sister.

Mrs. Bernice Simon,
1500 Lunt Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. - Sister

M. R. Sernian, 3307 W. Douglas Blvd., Chicago. - Correspondent.

J. Weinigsberg, 420 Wabash Ave., Chicago. - Relationship not stated.

It was observed from the record of Guzik that his father was very ill in 1931 and could not live for many months.

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: All banks in the State of Michigan sent form letter requesting information relative to $1,000.00 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, bearing serial numbers beginning with F-00022451A and ending with F-00022500A. -P

REFERENCE: Letter from the Cincinnati Office to the Bureau dated June 21, 1935.

DETAILS: Pursuant to the request contained in reference letter, all banks in the State of Michigan, which is the district covered by the Detroit Bureau Office, were sent the following form letter:

DETAILS:

"In connection with an official investigation being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, it is kindly requested that you ascertain if you are in possession of $1,000.00 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, bearing serial numbers beginning with F-00022451A and ending with F-00022500A.

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D. S. Nicholson, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6643	JUL 11 1935
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"If there are in your possession any of these bills, will you kindly furnish, if possible, information as to the identity of the person from whom the bill was received.

"In the event none of the bills bearing the above mentioned serial numbers are in your possession, it is kindly requested that you place stop orders against these bills and notify the Detroit Bureau Office immediately by telephone, collect, telephone number Cadillac 2835, when any of these bills are passed.

"For your convenience in replying a self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is being enclosed herewith.

"Your cooperation and assistance in this matter will be sincerely appreciated."

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM

Information provided by Edward A. Gowdish, 5473 Kendall Avenue, Dearborn, to effect that individual resembling Alvin Karpis was residing at 7524 Anthony Street, Dearborn, Michigan, ascertained to be erroneous. -P-

DETAILS: This report is predicated upon a telephone call received by the Detroit Bureau office on 7/5/35 from Lieutenant Rueben Orr of the Detroit Police Department Detective Bureau. Lieutenant Orr advised that he on 7/5/35 had received a telephone call from one Mrs. Anderson residing at 6241 Penrod Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, informing him that she had been told by her landlord, Edward A. Gowdish, that he, Mr. Gowdish, had a tenant in one of his houses whom he thought to be a police character, and whom he thought bore a resemblance to Alvin Karpis.

Lieutenant Orr upon interview stated that Mrs. Anderson had told Detective Larue of the Detective Bureau with regard to the above information and that Detective Larue had contacted Mrs. Anderson, but was unable to obtain any further information from her than that related above.

It was ascertained that Edward A. Gowdish resides at 5473 Kendall Avenue, Dearborn, Michigan, telephone number Oregon 3805,

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and that he is part owner of the Concrete Block & Products Company, situated at 5740 Martin Street, Detroit, Michigan, Garfield 1711. It was deemed advisable to openly contact Mr. Gowdish concerning the information he had provided Mrs. Anderson relative to a tenant of his being a police character. However, upon interview by the writer, Mr. Gowdish was not informed that information had been received from Mrs. Anderson in this matter. Mr. Gowdish stated that he had had a tenant living in a house owned by him for the past four and a half months, the name of the tenant being Dave Hogg, and that he was living on the second floor of a house at 7524 Anthony Street, Dearborn, Michigan. Gowdish further advised that he has had considerable difficulty in collecting rents from Hogg and that each time he has visited the Hogg family for the purpose of collecting rents, Mrs. Hogg has answered and asked who was there. Accordingly Gowdish thought that Hogg was a wanted police character inasmuch as he, Hogg, never came to the door, and for the further reason that the neighborhood in which Hogg resides a few years ago was the hideout for kidnap victims. Mr. Gowdish has seen photographs of Alvin Karpis in the newspapers and he thought that Hogg bore a resemblance to Alvin Karpis. He stated that Hogg is five feet nine inches in height, weighs 125 to 130 pounds, slender in build, has dark brown hair, bulgy eyes, color thought to be blue, and that he is between 30 and 35 years of age. He further stated that Hogg was a musician playing a trumpet at the Paradise Caves Tavern on Fenkell Avenue between Livernois and Wyoming Avenues in Detroit. He further advised that Hogg is married and has two children, and that it is his understanding that either Hogg's or his wife's parents reside at the corner of Diversey and Anthony Streets in Dearborn, Michigan. Mr. Gowdish was shown photographs of Alvin Karpis, as well as those of other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, and he failed to identify the photograph of Alvin Karpis or any of the other photographs as being identical with Hogg.

Agent interviewed Chief of Police Carl Brooks of the Dearborn Police Department, and from him learned that he was personally acquainted with Gowdish; that Gowdish a few years ago had been in receipt of an extortion letter, and that his officers had maintained an unproductive plant on the spot where Gowdish was supposed to pay the sum of $200, as demanded by the extortion letter. He further advised that Gowdish has a highly imaginative mind and that he was in great fear of being murdered as a result of receiving this extortion letter, and that he, Gowdish, had asked Chief Brooks to approve the issuance of a permit for him to carry a gun for his protection. However, Chief Brooks stated that he had denied this request of Gowdish for the reason that he thought Gowdish was a highly imaginative person whose fears in the main were unfounded, and that he considered Gowdish a little mentally unbalanced. He further stated that Gowdish had provided information to the Dearborn Police Department in the past which information was purely a creature of the imagination, and it was ascertained by his officers to be totally

erroneous.

Chief Brooks further advised that at the corner of Diversey and Anthony Streets in Dearborn, Michigan, the family of David Hogg resides, and that this family is personally known to him and are regarded as being highly respectable citizens in the community. Further, that Dave Hogg, the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hogg, is a peaceful, law-abiding citizen, and the worst that could be said about him is that he has been in poor financial straits; that if Dave Hogg has been doing any "dodging" it has been from bill collectors.

In view of the above information it was deemed unnecessary to conduct any further investigation relative to this unfounded report that Alvin Karpis was residing in Dearborn, Michigan, and also in view of the fact that Chief Brooks has stated that if Alvin Karpis were residing in Dearborn, Michigan, his department would surely know about it, inasmuch as he claims that he has four informants in Dearborn, Michigan, who are in touch with every criminal situation in the city.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota

July 9, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
I.O.# 1218 - FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St.Paul File No. 7-30

This office is in receipt of a copy of Bureau letter addressed to the Chicago Office dated June 24, 1935, enclosing photographs of Rocco DeGrazia for possible identification as the "Rocky" referred to by [redacted]

Bryan Bolton has been interviewed in the Ramsey County Jail, St.Paul, Minnesota, concerning this matter and has made the suggestion that the person referred to is probably Rocky Stacci, brother of Doc Stacci, who operated the O. P. Inn, as he is familiarly known as "Crazy Rocky" Stacci.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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July 10, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, D. C.

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

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the oral request of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, there are submitted herein data concerning Alvin Karpis to be furnished the American Urological Association for insertion in its magazines:

"A Federal warrant of arrest was issued by the United States District Court, St. Paul, Minnesota on January 22, 1935, for Alvin Karpis, charging him with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer. Karpis is reported to have gonorrhea infection of a chronic urethritis type and will undoubtedly seek frequent treatments. He is described as follows: Age, 26 years (1935); Height, 5 feet, 9¾ inches; Weight, 130 pounds; Build, slender; Hair, brown; Eyes, blue; Complexion, fair; Marks, one inch cut scar lower knuckle left index finger; large visible scars on face extending below ears caused by an attempted facial operation; Ears, lobes formed by an operation - originally without lobes. Kindly communicate any information concerning this individual or individuals suspected of being Karpis to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., by telegram - Government rate - collect, or telephone the nearest field office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice."

The photograph of Alvin Karpis to be used in the magazine in connection with the above has already been furnished to Mr. Ladd.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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FEDERAL BUREAU
~~Division~~ of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
908 Rust Building
Tacoma, Washington

July 6, 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:

Your letter dated May 31, 1935 quoting a telegram received from Twilight Lodge, Ashcroft, British Columbia, was referred to Special Agent W. G. Banister, who was in Vancouver, B. C. at the time, for handling.

Agent Banister contacted [redacted] and was informed that Twilight Lodge was probably a small hotel or Tavern located at Wright, B. C.; that all telegrams in this territory are sent by way of Ashcroft and that Wright, B. C. is located about twenty five miles Northwest of the one hundred mile house. This is in what is known as unorganized territory and it would take approximately a week for an Agent to make the round trip to this place.

Agent Banister phoned this information to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Tacoma, Washington and was instructed to request [redacted] to secure the desired information. [redacted] a copy of the telegram and requested that the identity of the sender be ascertained and all information in his possession concerning the whereabouts of subject Karpis be ascertained. [redacted] requested that Identification Orders of the subjects in this case be furnished him [redacted]

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The Portland Bureau office is being requested to furnish Identification Orders direct [redacted]

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Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul, Minnesota	7/9/35	7/5/35	F. G. WILLMAN

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; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Andy Yokum residing at Longville, Minn., said to be farmer and reputable citizen. Deputy Sheriff Al Malmquist, Walker, will make discreet inquiry to determine if Karpis is in vicinity.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Milwaukee Office, 5-27-35.

DETAILS:

In the absence of C. E. Merry, Sheriff, Cass County, Walker, Minnesota, Al Malmquist, Special Deputy, was interviewed to ascertain if Andy Yokum, R. B. Price, Lenny Lyons, ALVIN KARPIS, or De Mayo resided in the vicinity of Walker or Leech Lake. Malmquist stated that one Andy Yokum farmed at Longville, a small community situated approximately 28 miles east of Walker, together with his brothers, John and Ben Yokum. Andy Yokum is said to have resided there for approximately twelve years; is in moderate circumstances, and owns his farm. John Yokum was formerly a special deputy under Sheriff Merry, and, according to Malmquist, all bear excellent reputations. Malmquist says he is well acquainted and on friendly terms with the Yokums. At this Agent's request, he will visit them within a few days and conduct a discreet investigation to determine if KARPIS or any strangers have been visiting Yokum as well as to learn if these Yokums have any connection with the individuals at Kansas City referred to in the letters of reference. The results will be communicated to the St. Paul Office by letter.

Malmquist advised that, to his knowledge, Andy Yokum has not been away from Longville for an extended period since he has lived there. He

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also states that he has not observed or heard of any visitors being at his place and does not believe that he has relatives in Kansas.

Malmquist will communicate to the Sheriff the information given to him by this Agent.

No inquiry was made at Leech Lake inasmuch as it is covered by the Sheriff at Walker and the information concerning the cabin at this place will be transmitted to the Sheriff by his deputy.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The ST. PAUL OFFICE will report the contents of Deputy Sheriff Malmquist's letter when received.

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P. O. Box #766,
Cincinnati, Ohio

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July 8, 1935

Special Agent In Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to letter under date of July 1, 1935 from the Omaha Office to this office in which it was requested that handwriting specimens of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton be furnished for use in connecting [redacted] mail [redacted] 306½ Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Examination of the file in this office indicates that the only handwriting specimens available are those appearing on the Identification Orders with respect to these two persons. It is requested that handwriting specimens of these two individuals be supplied the Omaha Office in the event same are available at Chicago. If handwriting specimens are located, it is also requested that same be supplied to this office.

Very truly yours,

R. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent In Charge.

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JULY 10, 1935.

F. G. Zerbst, Warden
United States Penitentiary
Leavenworth, Kansas

Attn: Mr. E. H. Eckholdt

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your two letters of July 8, 1935, enclosing one original letter from G. E. Barker to Arthur Barker and one original letter from Lloyd Barker to G. E. Barker.

Your cooperation in this case is very greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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In Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fug.
I.O. #1218, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BRETER - VICTIM
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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

July 9, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Cincinnati, Ohio

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;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O.1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O.1241; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent M. W. Keeking dated June 4, 1935, at Birmingham, Alabama, in which leads are set out for the Chicago Office based upon information obtained by Special Agent A. J. LeMaire from one Esther May Page, with aliases.

In view of the information contained in the report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter in the same case dated 6/26/35 at St. Louis, Missouri, that the said Esther Page is reported to be virtually insane, untruthful, and has in the past made up mythical stories concerning fictitious individuals with whom she thought she had associated, no action is being taken at the present time on the leads set forth in the report of Special Agent Keeking referred to above.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
July 8, 1935

Re: ALVIN KARPIS w.a. - FUG. I.O. 1218
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim.
Kidnaping - etc.

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

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are letters written by Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institution, to Mrs. C. R. Jones, her sister, Box 111, Turley, Oklahoma, and to Art Burdette, her brother, 1004 Parade Street, Erie, Pennsylvania. There is also enclosed letter written by Dolores Delaney to Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

These letters have been scrutinized very carefully by this office and have been found to contain no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am,

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

July 8,1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1216 -FUGITIVE. Et Al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING
ST. PAUL FILE # 7-30.

Referring to your telephone call to this office on July 5, 1935, relating to representations made by JOHN HAGEN and his contemplated endeavor to have an emissary contact Mr. Bremer with reference to procuring funds in addition to that authorized by the Bureau for the apprehension of KARPIS and CAMPBELL.

Special Agent John E Brennan of this office, interviewed Mr. Adolph Bremer and Mr. Otto Bremer, father and uncle respectively, of the victim, and procured their assurance that in the event any person calls on either of them with an offer to assist the apprehension of KARPIS and CAMPBELL or either of them, and discusses the matter of obtaining funds for this purpose, that they will obtain as full and complete information as to the identity of this emissary, as well as such information regarding the possibility of locating KARPIS, as they may be able to obtain, and will immediately notify this office.

Both of these men stated that they will neither guarantee any money to anyone that may call on them, nor refuse to consider such a proposition, but will endeavor to create the impression that they are interested. This matter was also discussed with EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, the Victim, and the same arrangement was made with him.

Very truly yours,

H. X. ANDERSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 9, 1935.

Mr. W. R. Briggs,
Post Office Inspector in Charge,
Federal Building,
[redacted]

Dear Sir:

In connection with a very important investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that a cover be placed on all first class mail, including [redacted] and registered packages or matter, addressed to Attorney, 1201 Third National Bank [redacted] This cover is requested for a period of thirty days.

It is the information of this office that Attorney Egan resides a short distance outside of Dayton, Ohio [redacted] thank you to have this mail cover include [redacted] addressed to him at his home. Please be good [redacted] tissue tracings of all mail received, as soon as they [redacted] by you.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this and other matters, I am,

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Bureau.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. KIDNAPING, etc.

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Laboratory Report

July 8, 1935

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. #1218, et al.;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-6456

Specimens:

Eight fingers of an unidentified dead man.

Examination requested by: Detroit Bureau Office.

Date received: June 22, 1935.

Examination requested: Fingerprint and blood test.

Result of examination: Examination by: Donaldson.

Major R. O. Dart, Curator of the Army Medical Museum was consulted concerning the possibility of developing ridge detail on the fingers submitted in order that the fingerprints could be taken. Major Dart could offer no further suggestion as to methods to follow and it is his belief that the fingers had perhaps become desiccated to such an extent prior to shipment that it made it impossible to develop the ridge detail.

An attempt was made in the Laboratory to obtain group specific reactions for the purpose of determining the blood group of the individual but with negative results. It will be noted that a small part of the specimens were used up in this test.

The remaining specimens are being returned to your office, preserved in ten per cent formaldehyde, and it is suggested that they be returned to the coroner or other officer for such disposition as is usual in these cases.

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July 10, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

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

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a supplementary laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter previously reported on in laboratory report #4790 dated July 3, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #589390
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Cincinnati
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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. #1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1241 et al.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

Investigations at Dayton Jockey Club, Dayton, Ohio and Harrison Kennel Club, Harrison, Indiana made with negative results. 1935 Ohio License YP 328 issued L. P. Kaiser, Elyria, Ohio; license YP 329 issued J. E. Benham, Route #1, W. Dover, Ohio; lead to Cleveland. Attorney John E. Egan, Dayton, Ohio, stated inquiry by letter at Miami, Florida regarding Dolores Delaney was made through curiosity and not in behalf of any client. Frank Falk, dog owner, N. College Hill, Ohio advised no parties of this investigation are connected with or frequent Harrison Kennel Club; identified photo subject Harrison as person seen at Jeffersonville, Indiana dog track; stated one Massner could supply data of value.

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DETAILS: REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cincinnati, Ohio, 6-21-35; report of Special Agent F. M. Headley, Chicago, Illinois, 6-28-35.

DETAILS: AT DAYTON, OHIO

On June 26, 1935, while the writer was in Washington,

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D. C., one Seymour Fox, who is connected with the boxing commission at Miami, Florida called at the Bureau and in conversation with Mr. R. E. Newby and the writer advised that he thought the horse track at Dayton, Ohio would be a good place to look for subjects Karpis, Campbell and Willie Harrison. Mr. Fox could not set out any particular reason for this statement, but said that if he wanted to find these persons he would go to Dayton. It was recalled that Attorney John Egan, Dayton, Ohio had written a letter to the Clerk of the U. S. District Court in Miami, Florida requesting information as to the sentence imposed upon Dolores Delaney, also data as to whether the term of Court during which she was sentenced had terminated and if the same term was not in session when the next term would meet. In view of this fact Mr. Newby instructed appropriate inquiries at the Dayton Jockey Club.

On June 28, 1935 Special Agents J. S. Johnson and S. K. McKee attended the races at the Dayton Jockey Club. It was noticed that there are very few $5.00 windows at this Club and only one $10.00 window. During the course of the races on June 28 no one was observed making a $10.00 bet and there were very few $5.00 bets. Observations at the betting windows failed to indicate the presence of any person resembling either Karpis, Campbell or Harrison.

Observations were also made at other parts of the Club grounds but with negative results. It is to be noted that Attorney John E. Egan is Treasurer of the Dayton Jockey Club. The present meeting at the Dayton Jockey Club ended on June 29, 1935.

On July 3, 1935, Special Agent S. K. McKee attempted to locate John E. Egan for interview. His Secretary stated that he was away from the City and she could not state when he would return. Inquiry was made of her regarding the letter written to the Clerk of the District Court in Miami, Florida concerning Dolores Delaney and she advised that she had written the letter on instructions of Mr. Egan and did not know his reason for having written same. She advised that she would be glad to have Mr. Egan communicate with Agent upon his return to the City and stated she felt that he would be willing to furnish any information desired as to the letter in question.

Under date of July 5, 1935 Egan communicated with the writer via long distance telephone at the Cincinnati Bureau office and informed that he had written to Miami, Florida regarding Dolores Delaney merely through his own curiosity. He stated that he had never had any contact with associates of the Delaney woman; did not desire to have any such persons as clients and was positive in his statement that no one had contacted him with respect to the Delaney woman.

This statement on the part of Attorney Egan seems highly improbable and for that reason further investigation regarding him will be conducted. [redacted] at Dayton, Ohio, requesting that a cover be pla[redacted] of thirty days. Efforts will be made to secure information through the

telephone company regarding long distance telephone calls made by Egan during the past three months. In the event no information of value is obtained through these mediums, efforts will be made to effect an arrangement through Inspector Si Yendes with the Dayton Police Department to secure information from Egan regarding the identity of the Catholic Priest who contacted Egan regarding Dolores Delaney.

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Special Agent J. E. Thornton contacted Mr. Judson Harmon and ascertained that 1935 Ohio license YP 528 was issued to L. P. Kaiser, 250 Eighth St., Elyria, Ohio, for use on a1934 Studebaker Sedan, Motor D-8449, Serial #65,895; that the Bill of Sale is numbered 11424 and is registered in Lorain County, Ohio.

It was also ascertained that 1935 Ohio license YP 329 was issued to a J. E. Benham, Route #1, West Dover, Ohio for a 1929 Chevrolet Coach, Motor #677371, Serial 1-AC-54038 and that Bill of Sale is also on file in Lorain County.

AT HARRISON, OHIO - INDIANA

On the night of July 3, 1935, Special Agents H. D. Harris and S. K. McKee attended the races at the Harrison Kennel Club, Harrison, Ohio. It is to be remembered that Danny McFarland of Chicago, Ill., who has been intimately associated with subject Willie Harrison in the past, when interviewed by the writer at Miami, Florida during April, 1935 stated that he felt Willie Harrison might frequent the dog races at Harrison, Ohio. It should also be stated that Typist Christian Eckerlin advised the writer when the subject of the Harrison Kennel Club was broached, he had a distant relative by the name of Frank Falk, who owns a kennel of dogs, which he is presently racing at the Harrison Kennel Club. Christian Eckerlin ascertained that Falk occupies box 8 at the Harrison track and resides on Clovernook Avenue, North College Hill, Ohio. He also stated that he felt Falk would be more than glad to furnish any information desired as to the track or persons who frequent same.

Observations at the Harrison track failed to locate any persons resembling the subjects of this investigation. It was noticed that there is only one $5.00 window where bets are taken and that this window is used for straight, place and show tickets. There is no $10.00 window and it should be stated that the play at the $5.00 window was very slow.

Frank Falk was contacted at the track by the writer and an appointment was made for interview on the following day.

Upon interview Frank Falk informed that the Harrison Kennel Club was purchased approximately two years ago by a stock corporation from the Bill Dwyer interests of Cincinnati. Of his own volition he informed that interests with which Joe Adams of Miami, Fla., is associated attempted to acquire control of this track about a year ago, but without success. Falk said that the stockholders of the Harrison track are made up entirely of people from Harrison, Ohio, North College Hill, Ohio and Cincinnati, Ohio; that there are a large number of stockholders and that none of them own a considerable amount of stock. He stated that no large bets are placed at the track and that he was certain the place is not frequented by professional gamblers. Falk was very frank to state that the track is operated by virtue of a "fix" with the Indiana authorities, as is the dog track located at Jeffersonville, Indiana.

In response to inquiries Falk stated that so far as he knows the dog track at Jeffersonville, Indiana is controlled by Joe Adams, Tom Hogan, Carson Bradford and one Gleason, who originated in St. Louis, Mo. He stated it is common knowledge in the dog racing world that the Jefferson track is a "hoodlum set-up". He stated that during the past three years he raced his dogs at Jeffersonville and came in contact with many persons there whom he regarded as "hoodlums". In this connection he said he classed both Joe Adams and Carson Bradford as "hoodlums". Falk was shown photograph of subjects Karpis, Cambell, Weaver and Harrison and he identified the photograph of Harrison as an individual with whom he had an altercation at the Jefferson track during the Spring of 1934. He was unable to identify any other photograph. He said Harrison was very friendly with a dog owner some place in Indiana known as "Kokomo Joe" (surname unknown(; that Harrison would hang around the paddocks and get information from owners through "Kokomo Joe" and then place bets at the windows. The altercation resulted from Harrison having asked Falk for information on a dog named "Wild Clover"; Falk said he did not know what the dog was going to do and when he won the race Harrison became angry and wanted to start a fight but was quieted by one McGowan, a trainer who is presently at the dog track at Revere, Mass. Falk claimed McGowan is "no good" and is the type of person who could not be safely approached in this investigation. It was also stated that Carl Kauffman, who is the racing Secretary at Jeffersonville is a person who would know about such persons as Harrison frequenting the track and who might be in a position to get in touch with him. Falk stated, however, that he did not think it would be safe to approach Kauffman for interview. Falk advised that there is a dog owner named Dennis Callahan who races his dogs in

Jeffersonville and who might be there at the present time. He said Callahan is a high type man and could be safely approached for information with regard to this case.

Frank Falk is President of the Ohio Greyhound Breeders' Association and seems to be a high type individual. He said he would communicate with the Cincinnati Bureau office if he obtained any information of value to this investigation.

At the time of interview with Frank Falk he mentioned the fact that he, along with other members of the Ohio Greyhound Breeders Association had been active during the past Spring in endeavoring to secure the passage of legislation which would legalize dog racing in Ohio. He stated that the necessary legislation was due to be passed making it legal to operate one track in all Counties except those of more than 750,000 population, in which cases two tracks would be permitted. He stated that during the course of the negotiations regarding this legislation it was learned that Joe Adams and a man named Knight from Miami, Florida flew to Cleveland, Ohio and through the use of influence in that City had the Bill changed to the extent that four tracks would be permitted to operate in Counties of more than 750,000 population. This set-up, according to Falk was undesirable and through the use of influence in Cincinnati and other parts of the State, the Ohio Greyhound Breeders Association managed to have the entire Bill killed. He stated that members of the association consider the above action on the part of Adams and Knight unwarranted and feel very badly towards them. According to Falk there is no dog track operating in the State of Ohio at the present time, not even on a "fixed" basis.

On July 5, 1935 Frank Falk communicated with the writer by telephone and stated he had been in touch with one Massner who is Manager of the Harrison Kennel Club and who can be reached on Cincinnati telephone Parkway 5276; that Massner had told him he was in a position to furnish information of value, and that he would be willing to talk with an Agent. Effort was made to reach Massner for interview but with negative results.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CINCINNATI OFFICE at Cincinnati, Ohio will interview a man named Massner, telephone Parkway 5276 for all information in his possession regarding Fugitive subjects or means of securing data regarding their whereabouts.

At Dayton, Ohio will follow mail [illegible] on John E. [illegible] [illegible]; [illegible]; will

endeavor to secure records of long distance telephone calls made by Egan during the past three months and will endeavor to effect arrangement with Inspector Si Yendes, Dayton Police Department to obtain information regarding the identity of the priest on behalf of whom Attorney Egan made inquiries at Miami, Florida as to Dolores Delaney.

CLEVELAND OFFICE at West Dover, Ohio will ascertain identity of J. E. Benham and learn if he still has this year's license plates YP 329 in his possession.

At Elyria, Ohio will make appropriate inquiries concerning L. P. Kaiser and ascertain if he still is in possession of this year's automobile license YP 328.

For the information of the Cleveland Office and in way of background as to the above investigation, there is being attached hereto one copy of the report of Special Agent F. M. Headley, Chicago, Illinois 6-28-35. This report should be returned to the Cincinnati office when it has served its purpose.

INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE at Jeffersonville, Indiana will conduct investigation in an effort to ascertain if subject Willie Harrison is frequenting the dog track located at this place. It is suggested that it be ascertained if Dennis Callahan, dog owner is racing his dogs at this track and if so, he should be interviewed for information of value. It is also suggested that effort be made to effect an arrangement through an informant who can learn from Carl Kauffman, racing Secretary, data as to the whereabouts of Harrison.

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, 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. BERG, with aliases, FUGITIVE, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
~~NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT~~

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: All banks in Oklahoma circularized regarding $1000.00 bills which may be in possession of Karpis and Campbell. Inquiries made at Ponca City, Oklahoma regarding possible contact Harry Campbell may have there, with negative results. Emmett Welch, confidential informant, believes that Campbell is likely to contact Dan Tubbs of Alcova, Wyoming. Willard Oller, an Osage County, Oklahoma resident, believes he can obtain some information regarding location of Campbell, but has been unable to do so to date.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 6/17/35.
Telegram from Chicago Office dated June 13, 1935.
Bureau letter dated June 14, 1935.
Letter from Cincinnati Office to Bureau, dated 6-21-35.

DETAILS:

DETAILS: With reference to letter from the Cincinnati Office to the Bureau, dated June 21, 1935, on June 25, 1935 the Oklahoma City Office forwarded a form letter to each bank in Oklahoma, advising of the serial numbers on the $1,000.00 bills, thought possibly to be in the possession of Karpis

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and Campbell, at this time, and asked each bank to forward to this office any information obtained regarding any bills with the serial numbers in question.

Reference is made to the letter from the Pittsburg, Pennsylvania Office, dated June 24, 1935, regarding an interview with Arthur P. Burdette, brother of Wynona Burdette, at Erie, Pennsylvania. In April of this year, Aaron Burdette, brother of Arthur, was interviewed at his home near Kansas, Oklahoma, and appeared very anxious to assist in apprehending Harry Campbell. The night after this interview he communicated with Special Agent Whelan and the writer, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and stated that he had definite information that Karpis and Campbell were in that neighborhood, in company with a fugitive by the name of Stoneburner, who is wanted by the Bureau, at the present, in connection with another case. When Burdette was interviewed concerning this information he stated that he had no definite information that Harry Campbell and Karpis were in that neighborhood except that he knew Stoneburner was an outlaw, and reasoned that as all outlaws stay together, Campbell and Karpis may be with him. The result of that investigation was reported in the Stoneburner case, though it was very evident that Stoneburner, as well as Karpis and Campbell, were not in that neighborhood and it was some other unknown person who held up a bootlegger at Kansas, Oklahoma and robbed him of about $100.00.

Spring Creek, Mayes County, Oklahoma, is near Kansas, in Delaware County, Oklahoma, and the information about Karpis and Campbell being near Spring Creek had the same origin. It is definitely known that Karpis and Campbell were not connected with the robbery of a bank at Neosho, Missouri, as the recent robbery of a bank at that place has been completely solved. It is apparent that the information obtained from Arthur P. Burdette was obtained from his brother Aaron, and for the above reason, no further investigation will be made in that regard, as it is conclusively apparent that the information is of no value.

On June 13, 1935 a telegram was received from the Chicago Office requesting complete information on 1935 Oklahoma license No. 98-A-673.

Special Agent B. L. Demron contacted the State Highway Commission, State Capitol, Oklahoma City, and ascertained that this license had been issued on April 3, 1935 to the Tom Cooper Motor Company, 201 West 10th St., Oklahoma City, and for a 1931 model Cadillac Coupe, Motor No. 1002552, and that their records showed no subsequent transfers of this car or license after April 3, 1935.

Inquiry of the Tom Cooper Motor Company disclosed that the above mentioned Cadillac Coupe, together with the 1935 Oklahoma license attached thereto, was sold on May 8, 1935 to Sam May, who gave his local address as

the Wells-Roberts Hotel, Oklahoma City, and business address as 2640 Belmont Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. At the time Mr. May purchased this automobile it was financed through the Finance Auto Investment Company, who, upon inquiry, advised that the only information appearing among the finance records was that Sam May is a salesman for the Valley Manufacturing Company, 2640 Belmont Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

The substance of the above information was forwarded to the Chicago Office by telegram of the same date.

An interview with Emmett Welch is reported in the report of the writer, dated June 17, 1935, wherein he advised of his willingness to assist the Bureau in apprehending Harry Campbell, with whom he is very well acquainted, Campbell having lived with him and his family, at Evansville, Wyoming, for about three years. At the time of the interview Welch expressed the opinion that Oscar Felt, a bootlegger at Evansville, is unreliable, and may aid Campbell if the opportunity arose. Since that interview Welch has contacted Agent A. Paul Kitchin on two or three occasions, and secured for Agent Kitchin some photographs of Campbell, which he believes to be more recent photographs and a better likeness of Campbell than the one of Campbell on the Identification Order. Welch advised Agent Kitchin that after thinking the matter over very thoroughly, he has concluded that Harry Campbell may be in hiding at the place of Dan Tubbs, at Alcova, Wyoming. He said he had heard that Campbell had been seen in this place last fall and as Tubbs is a very close friend of Campbell, as also a friend of other criminals, he believes that it is possible that Campbell may have some contact with him. The Denver Office is being requested to make some inquiries along this line at Alcova, Wyoming, in line with the other inquiries in investigation that have been made in that vicinity by that office.

With reference to the first report of reference, it will be noted that C. G. Garrett, Manager of the Ambassador Hotel, Tulsa, Oklahoma, was unable to locate the registration card of E. L. Pendleton when he registered at that hotel. Since the writing of that report Mr. Garrett has advised Agent A. Paul Kitchin that he had found this registration card. Agent Kitchin made a tracing of this card which shows the following registration: "E. L. Pendleton & Wife 625 N. Delaware K. C. Mo." This information is merely being reported for the benefit of the Kansas City Office, concerning any further investigation they may make in Kansas City, regarding Pendleton and his associates.

With reference to Bureau letter, dated June 14, 1935, transmitting copies of a communication received at the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, addressed to Wynona Burdette and signed "Hy", the following investigation was made by Special Agent John R. Welles:

At Ponca City, Oklahoma, on June 24, 1935 Edward R. Brewer, a postman, delivering mail to 108-110 South 4th Street, Ponca City, was questioned concerning the persons receiving mail at that address. He stated that only one person received much mail there and his name is Hiram Raffensperger, also known as Hy. Mr. Brewer advanced the information that Raffensperger and his wife formerly lived with Wynona and Jimmy Burdette at the Grand Hotel, 312½ East Grand, and he, his wife and Jimmy Burdette have recently moved to 134 Glenside Street, Ponca City. [redacted] that at one time he had been requested to cover the [redacted] Hotel, but that up to this date, [redacted] never seen any mail addressed to either of them.

At the time agent talked with Mr. Brewer he had, in his possession, a card addressed to Jimmy Burdette, in care of Hy Ruffenpergerr, Grocery and Market Streets, Ponca City, Oklahoma, which read as follows:

"Dear Sis I came to visit Wyona see her she looks fine
about 10 lbs hevier dont smoke would like to C her often
But I cant get any thing to do here so am going Back to
Erie Your Loving Bro. Art. 1004 Parade Erie."

It was ascertained from Mr. Brewer and Postmaster Thomas G. Gammie, as well as Assistant Postmaster E. A. Gillespie, that Hiram Raffensperger is in charge of the Public Market at the address noted above, which market is owned by J. F. Erhard. Mr. Raffensperger has worked in this capacity for the last twelve years or more and is known as a rather reliable citizen.

Inquiry from the Postmaster and Mr. Brewer developed the fact that there is no one at the Grand Hotel sufficiently trustworthy to be interviewed concerning the connections between Raffensperger and the Burdettes. [redacted] cover all mail addressed to [redacted] or until such time as he was advised to discontinue same.

It is considered possible that Raffensperger may be a contact man between Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette.

A tracing of the post card and the writing thereon from Art to Jimmy Burdette, as noted above, was obtained and is being held in the Oklahoma City files.

A description of Hiram Raffensperger, as obtained from Mr. Brewer, is as follows:

Name	Hiram Raffensperger
Age	40 to 45
Height	5' 8"
Weight	155
Build	Stocky
Hair	Brown, thin on top
Eyes	Brown
Beard	Heavy
Complexion	Dark

Description of Mrs. Raffensperger, as obtained from Mr. Brewer, is as follows:

Age	35
Height	5' 6"
Weight	150
Build	Very stout
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Dark

It might also be stated in connection with the above that Hiram Raffensperger kept company with Wynona Burdette, as stated before in reports from this office, the latter part of the time Wynona was in Ponca City, before she left with Campbell the last time. It was Raffensperger who was with Wynona, visiting her sister, Mrs. Wilson, at Arondale, Oklahoma when some man, who is, at present unidentified, called at the Wilson home, talked confidentially with Wynona, and apparently arranged with her for a meeting with Campbell. Immediately after she returned to her apartment in Ponca City, Oklahoma, this night, Campbell called for her and she immediately left with him. The investigation is being made by the Oklahoma City Office, at this time, to ascertain the identity of this person who called to see Wynona, as he is apparently a contact for Campbell.

The following investigation was made by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin, June 20, 1935:

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Agent was contacted on the evening of June 19, 1935, telephonically, by Dick Connor, Sheriff at Pawhuska, Oklahoma, who informed that an informant by the name of [redacted] would be in Pawhuska at noon on June 20, 1935 and desired to talk to either Agent Kitchin or Agent Hansen. This [redacted] is a man that Dick Connor has referred to, to Agent Kitchin, on several occasions and, according to Connor, he is in position to be of great assistance in locating Harry Campbell.

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Agent talked to this man for about three hours on the afternoon of June 20, 1935, and was sold on the possibility that he may be of material use to the Bureau if handled correctly.

[redacted] stated that he first met Harry Campbell a few weeks prior to the time that Earl Smith, Attorney, was killed by Campbell. He stated that on this occasion, one Clarence Roper, gambler, and gangster, [redacted] tried to get [redacted] to handle some diamonds for him that had been stolen by Clarence Hays and his mob, and at the time, Roper was accompanied by Campbell and Glen Roy Wright; that a few weeks later he heard of the murder of Smith and ascertained, to his own satisfaction, that Campbell had done this job. He stated that he saw Campbell no more until about two years ago, when Campbell, accompanied Roper on another trip [redacted] when Roper tried to sell [redacted] some hot bonds. [redacted] stated that last year he bought a farm [redacted] and when he moved out to this farm he found Campbell and Alvin Karpis camped on one of the creeks on his property; that he had had some trouble concerning some cattle that Ed Smith, Osage County, had accused him of stealing and that he mentioned this fact to Campbell who told [redacted] that he and his pal would gladly kill Ed Smith and the whole bunch that reported [redacted] to the Sheriff and it would not cost him a dime. [redacted] stated that they left in a few days after he moved and he found about a hat full of empty cartridges (.45 caliber) at the place where they were camped. He said that a while after this, Campbell and Karpis returned, in company with Clarence Roper, to his home, at which time they stopped in front of his house and honked their horn, and he went out; that they had a big bag of money and some more hot bonds that they offered him for 20¢ on the dollar. [redacted] stated that last Fall he again found Campbell and Wright camped on his ranch and they they immediately left and stole another car; that the officers from Pawhuska were notified but the license number of the car which they abandoned was given instead of the car which they were driving and therefore the officers passed them on the road but did not know them and they got away.

Some of [redacted] story was verified by Dick Connor who has great confidence i[redacted] connections. [redacted] is the husband of [redacted] and is not in need of any money and has not suggested that he be paid anything for his services. He drives a new Buick Eight Sedan and is in good financial condition, judging from outward appearances. According to Connor, [redacted] is a smart outlaw himself, and has been accused of several serious crimes but has always been too smart to get fixed.

[redacted] states that he is of the impression that Campbell is in hiding in the Osage Country and that due to the fact that he may come back to his farm he is desirous of seeing him apprehended. He also stated that he is positive that both Raymond and Walter Dulin know of Campbell's whereabouts and that he, [redacted] is very familiar with Walter and will endeavor to ascertain from him any information possible and notify either Agent Kitchin or

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Dick Conner in the next week or so. He also stated that Clarence Roper is always in touch with Campbell and Karpis and that Roper can be located by discreet inquiries at the Broadway Hotel or through one "Long-goodie", a dope-head in Oklahoma City.

Agent will keep in touch with Dick Connor and will advise of any further developments.

It is observed that [redacted] tells of Campbell and Karpis being camped on one of the creeks of his property in Osage County and on a later date of seeing Campbell and Wright camped on his ranch. The dates given by [redacted] are incorrect as Glen Leroy Wright was apprehended during the late spring of 1934. It is quite definitely known that after Campbell drew away from Wright and his associates in Oklahoma, that he joined up with Karpis and the Barkers and has been with them since and after he left Wright was not with him again to the time Wright was apprehended. The information, therefore, supplied by [redacted] would not seem to be reliable. The Oklahoma City Office, however, will keep in touch with him until it is definitely known that he has no information of value concerning these fugitives.

The report of Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry, Detroit, Michigan, dated June 27, 1935, which sets out information concerning an interview by Arthur Burdette with his sister, Wynona, at Milan, Michigan, has been reviewed and the contents noted. Most of the information contained therein, concerning the Oklahoma City district is familiar to this office; however, some inquiry will be made in the very near future regarding some of the alleged contacts of Harry Campbell which Wynona mentioned to her brother.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DENVER OFFICE

At Alcova, Wyoming:

Will make some inquiries regarding the possibility of Dan Tubbs having some connection with Harry Campbell at the present time, in line with the facts set out in the details of this report.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Kidnaping Case

Time - 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Purvis called on the phone from Chicago. He states that [redacted], one of Agent Madala's informants, advised that Willie Harrison desires [redacted] to take a message to Harry Sawyer in St. Paul; that Willie Harrison has contacted [redacted] that he is going to contact [redacted] again within the next couple of days, the exact date not being known. Mr. Purvis stated that previously the Bureau did not want Willie Harrison apprehended. He understood that these instructions were issued to Mr. Connelley; that this was in order that Harrison might lead the agents to the other members of the gang.

He states that the other day the [redacted] had talked to Bartholomew, and Bartholomew was going to take [redacted] to Harry Campbell. However, this did not go through. [redacted] tried to get in touch with the Postmaster, and he was not there.

Sunday afternoon, the [redacted] received a mysterious telephone message, coming from a woman who said she was a friend of [redacted] and asked if [redacted] was going to be home for a while. The caller said that a friend of hers would drop in to see [redacted] and [redacted] would be surprised. In about half an hour, Willie Harrison drove up. He said that [redacted] was to go to St. Paul and stay a few days with Gladys Sawyer, so that when Gladys visited the jail with clothes to see Harry she would not arouse suspicion; that when the two of them went to the jail, [redacted] was to deliver a message verbally to Harry Sawyer. While talking about the matter, Harrison said it was too bad that Elmer Farmer was not out because if he was, Harry would not have to go to Leavenworth.

While Purvis was on the telephone, I inquired of Mr. Tamm if he knew of any sweeping general instructions to Purvis to the effect that Willie Harrison was not to be picked up, and he said he did not; that on one or two specific occasions the field office was cautioned not to rush in and destroy existing contacts, but that no general continuing instructions to this effect had been issued. I so informed Mr. Purvis, and told him that his action in the current matter would have to be left to his own judgment. Purvis said

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it was their judgment in Chicago that Harrison should not be picked up at this time, inasmuch as through Harrison and the woman they believed they would be able to get more valuable information. He says that the point where the woman lives is in a locality where it is not possible to conduct a continued surveillance without arousing the suspicions of the Postmaster; that they would plan not to pick Harrison up, but would let [redacted] go through with carrying the message, because both of them together will probably lead the agents to Karpis and Campbell. I told him that I would so record his intentions and the reasons therefor.

Respectfully,

H. Nathan.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
~~Division of Investigation~~
U. S. Department of Justice
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JULY 10, 1935.

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 - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1218, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim
KIDNAPING

With further reference to my letter dated July 3, 1935, transmitting correspondence of Lloyd Barker and Arthur Barker at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, please find enclosed the following:

The original of a letter from Lloyd Barker to his father G. E. Barker, P.O. Box 724, Joplin, Missouri.

The original of a letter received by Arthur Barker, Leavenworth, Kansas from his father, G. E. Barker, postmarked Webb City, Missouri, July 6, 1935.

The enclosures should be examined at the Technical Laboratory, as suggested in my previous letter dated July 3, 1935.

Copies of the enclosed letters are being attached for the Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Paul Offices, and a copy is being retained in the Kansas City file.

Very truly yours,

RECORDED

E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Paul

Copy and Specimens Retained in Case File

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C O P Y

JOPLIN
~~WEBB-CITY~~, MISSOURI

July 6, 1935

Dear Arthur:-

I received your letter a few days ago found me feeling fairly well.

I would come to see you but I have not been able to get permission to see you yet if you know any way I might get in let me know as I want to see you I hope they leave you there so when things clear up I can come and see you often. I suppose my attorney explained the things in Chicago to you.

Hoping we all stay well and I will see you soon as I can.

Your father

G. E. Barker,
Joplin, Mo.
Box 724.

- -

Envelope addressed to "Arthur Barker, Box 7, Leavenworth, Kansas."

Postmarked "Webb City, Mo., July 6, 1935, 12:30 P.M.".

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COPY

"Post Office Box 7 Leavenworth, Kansas July 8, 1935.

Dear Dad:-

I received your always welcome letter a few days ago and you can bet I am always glad to hear you are feeling alright. So stay right in there and take the very best of care of your Self as I want you in tip top shape when I get out, and if you will just stop and think it wont be so very long now untill I will be out there with you and there wont be any strings on me either. What I mean is we can go where we will want to go and stay as long as we want to, that will mean a lot wont it.

You ask me the year and date of Docks Birth. I had it wrote down some place but for the life of me I cant find it that is one reason I have not answered you any sooner, but the best I remember it is the year of 1900, October 4th. Now Dad that may be wrong I am not sure but you can find out upon your visit here. I hope it wont be long untill I will see you again. You ask about our Ball team. Yes we have played 13 games and lost one, that is pretty good dont you think, and we have had some pretty tough games, but it takes a pretty good team to come in here and beat us. thanks for wishing us luck.

How is Mother Farmer and Jack, be sure and give them my very best wishes the next time you see them and the same goes for Mr. and Mrs. Dixon and the rest of your friends.

Be sure and answer real soon always your loving son

Lloyd Barker
17243 "

Envelope addressed to "Mr. G. E. Barker, P.O. Box 724
Joplin, Missouri."

Printed notations on envelope as follows:

"If not delivered in ten days return to
POST OFFICE BOX 7
Leavenworth, Kansas. "

"17243 (Pencil)
Place your register
number here. "

7-576-6652

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

Case: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.C. #1218, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim
KIDNAPING.

Number: 7-576-6652

Specimens:
7-576-6652 A. Original letter beginning,"Dear Arthur:- I received your letter**", and signed "G. E. Barker".
" B. Envelope in which above letter was mailed to Arthur Barker, postmarke Webb City, Mo., Jul 6, 1935, 1230 PM.

Examination requested by: Kansas City Bureau Office.

Date received: 7-13-35

Examination requested: Secret Writing.

Result of examination: 7/15 Examination by: Appel

7-576-6652 C. Original letter beginning,"Dear Dad:- I received your***", and signed "Lloyd Barker #17243".
" D. Envelope in which the above letter was enclosed, addressed, "Mr G. E. Barker, P.O. Box #724, Joplin, Missouri".

CC Chicago
Cincinnati
St. Paul

7/15 Indented on envelope 6652 D
is 17243, July 8 & 5,

G. E. Barker
Box 724
Joplin
Missouri
Lloyd Barker "

C 7/17/35 CAA

nothing shown on FOB

on 6652C is indented or sympathetic inks. It appears just above other writing exactly where sympathetic inks usually occur but since date "July 8, -35-" appears just above pencil date & this corresponds with indented writing on envelope it is possible that entire message was previous letter written on sheet of pad which slipped slightly off so lines just above these also under Dear Dad appear to be above present Dear Dad altho so indistinct that entire outline not visible. all tests iodine, light U.V. chemicals & mild tests tried without success also heat with flavine I believe indented.

On Envelope - Evidently written on sheet of paper attached over envelope -

17243
July 8 5
G. E. Barker
Box 724
Joplin
Missouri
Floyd Barker

clip mark

Indented Writing

written by Barker

(Envelope addressed before letter inclosed -)

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7-576-6652

RECORDED

July 30, 1935.

Mr. E. E. Conroy,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory report #5048, dated July 16, 1935 in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive I. O. #1218, et al.; Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

In accordance with your request there are being returned herewith the following:

A. Original letter beginning "Dear Arthur:- I recived your letter***" and signed "G. E. Barker".

B. An envelope addressed to Arthur Barker, Leavenworth, Kansas postmarked "Webb City, Missouri, July 6, 1935, 12:30 P. M.".

C. Original letter beginning "Dear Dad:- I received your always***" and ending "your loving Son Lloyd Barker. 17243".

D. Envelope addressed to "Mr. G. E. Barker P. O. Box 724 Joplin Missouri".

JUL 30 1935
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #589470

REGISTERED MAIL.

cc - Chicago
Cincinnati
St.Paul

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Post Office Box 516
Saint Paul, Minnesota

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Special Agent in Charge
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I.O./1218 - FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St.Paul File No. 7-30

JUL 16 1935

It is noted in your letter to the San Francisco Office under date of June 25, 1935 that a photograph and description of John Ferrick is desired by your office to facilitate investigation at Virginia City, Nevada.

There is enclosed a copy of a photograph of John Ferrick, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, #25215, which is the latest photograph available.

The records of the St.Paul Police Department on John Ferrick, alias Jack Ferrick, #17520, show his description as follows:

Age:	38 years (1931)
Height:	5' 10 3/8"
Weight:	150 pounds
Build:	Slender
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Dark chestnut, tinged with grey
Marital Status:	Single
Criminal Record:	[redacted]
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The records of the St.Paul Police Department show this man to be wanted for [redacted]

Mr. M. Kinkead, Ramsey County Attorney, St.Paul, Minnesota, has advised this office that Ferrick is still wanted for this offense and will be returned to St.Paul in the event he is apprehended.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

JEB:ACF
Encl.

CC Bureau
CC Cincinnati

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

July 9, 1935.

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.1218,
FUGITIVE; ET AL. E. G. BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File 7-30.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated June 26, 1935, relative to a $5.00 Federal Reserve note, number I05966583A, which has been identified as one of the notes paid as ransom in connection with this case.

This note was delivered to Mr. C. Dunlop, Comptroller, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, to be forwarded by him to the Redemption Division of the Treasury Department at Washington, D. C., for mutilation. Another $5.00 bill was given in exchange for this note, but as the files of this office do not indicate the manner in which Special Agent J. H. Rice obtained possession of this ransom bill, that is, whether he exchanged $5.00 of his personal funds for it, this office is communicating with the Special Agent in Charge at Oklahoma City, requesting that this information be obtained from Special Agent Rice so that proper disposition of the $5.00 bill obtained in lieu of the ransom note may be made.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen Soc # 6457
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H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc Cincinnati

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

July 9, 1935.

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

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
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
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.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter dated July 1, 1935 from the Omaha office to the Cincinnati office in which it was requested that handwriting specimens of William Weever and Myrtle Eaton be furnished for use in connection with a mail cover [redacted] Street, [redacted] Iowa. Reference is also made to letter dated July 5, 1935 from the Cincinnati Bureau office to this office, advising that the only handwriting specimens available at the Cincinnati office are those appearing on the identification orders of these two individuals and requesting that in the event these specimens are available at this office they should be supplied to the Omaha office.

Please be advised that an examination of the file in this office indicates that the only handwriting specimens available are those appearing on the identification orders of Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver. It is therefore requested that if other specimens are available in the Bureau, copies of same be forwarded to the Omaha, Cincinnati and Chicago offices for future reference.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Cincinnati
CC Omaha
CC St.Paul

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July 26, 1938.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 9, 1938 in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. #1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping wherein you request that you be furnished with copies of such handwriting specimens of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton as are available in the files of the Bureau.

In accordance with your request there are being transmitted herewith photostatic reproductions of the signatures as appear in the files of the Identification Division for Phoenix Donald alias William Weaver, #FBI-17920 and Myrtle Eaton, #FBI-807115.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #369451
cc - Cincinnati
Omaha
St. Paul

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO — FILE NO. 7-50

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
Charlotte, N. C.	7-11-35	6/27/35 7/3 & 7/35	A. B. LECKIE MSK.

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, ET AL, Edward George Bremer, Victim.	KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Identity of E. Alkins or others writing letters to Miss Sue Gregory, Mobile, Ala. from Greensboro, N. C., unknown to Post Office authorities, FERA, or police department. Post Office officials will endeavor [redacted] address of E. Alkins and will [redacted] office. B. R. Fuller, [redacted] S. C. advises Virginia Miller inmate State Training School for Feeble-minded, Clinton, sending mail to Mrs. [redacted] Gregory, Mobile, Ala. J. R. Stone, [redacted] of Mails, Spartanburg, S. C., possesses [redacted] information but [redacted] by Charlotte [redacted] if identity of [redacted] Gregory, 55 McLawrence [redacted], Mobile is [redacted] Frank Sorgee, Aiken, S. C., advised individual living near Aiken strongly resembles subject Alvin Karpis. Investigation discloses no trace of Karpis at Aiken.

DETAILS:

R. U. C.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. S. Kavanaugh, dated at Birmingham, Alabama, June 21, 1935.

On July 5, 1935, Mr. R. E. Newby of the Bureau telephonically advised this office through Special Agent W. E. Peters that the Bureau had received a telegram from

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		RECORDED AND INDEXED:
J. H. Gordon		7-576-6656	JUL 12 1935
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one Frank Sorgee, Jailor, Aiken, South Carolina, requesting that he be supplied with full description of Alvin Karpis. Mr. Newby stated that the telegram did not give the reason for the inquiry. He requested that Sorgee be immediately contacted and that the Bureau be immediately advised results by telegraph.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent N. H. McCabe:

At Aiken, South Carolina.

Agent interviewed Mr. Frank Sorgee at the Aiken County Jail, Aken, South Carolina. Mr. Sorgee stated that a barber in Aiken, Mr. A. L. Eubanks, came to him and asked him if he had a good picture of Alvin Karpis and his description; that Eubanks informed him that a stranger who had been visiting his barber shop recently resembled a picture of Alvin Karpis which he saw in a detective magazine; that this man seemed to have plenty of money and tipped generously; that he claims to be a relative of a Mr. Youngs, a wealthy man from New York who visits Aiken in the winter; and that he has leased a place about six miles from Aiken situated on a small pond. Mr. Sorgee stated further that he has not seen the subject, and that neither he nor Mrs Eubanks have told anyone in Aiken of their suspicions due to the fact that they understood that there was a reward offered for the capture of Karpis, and wanted to avoid any dispute as to who this reward would go to in the event the suspect turned out to be Karpis.

Mr. Sorgee stated that he was very friendly with Mr. Eubanks and that he could drive by the barber shop, pick up Mr. Eubanks and drive him back to the County Jail without attracting any attention. This was done, and agent interviewed Mr. Eubanks at the County Jail where Mr. Sorgee makes his home.

Mr. A. L. Eubanks, 13 Columbia Drive, Aiken, South Carolina, stated that he runs a barber shop at 819 Laurens Street, Aiken; that he first noticed suspect about four weeks ago, at which time he came into his shop to be shaved and gave him fifty cents for a shave which costs twenty cents; that suspect came into his shop two or three times a week after that, and always tipped generously; that the last time he was in the shop was on Tuesday, July 3, 1935; that he sees suspect on the street in Aiken often, and that suspect has made acquaintance with several boys in town; that he has never seen suspect with any strangers, but that he is always with local boys or alone.

Mr. Eubanks stated that suspect calls himself Theodore Peck, and that he claims to be related to a Mr. Youngs, a wealthy New York man. Mr. Eubanks described Peck as follows:

Name: Theodore (Ted) Peck
Age: 27 years
Height: 5' 6" to 5' 8"
Weight: 150 lbs.
Eyes: gray or blue (not certain)
Hair: light brown
Complexion: medium
Scars: scar on lower lip. No other scars noticed.
Peculiarities: right ear close to head; left ear protrudes out further from head.
Appears nervous

Mr. Eubanks stated further that Peck lives about six or seven miles from Aiken on the Old Cedar Creek Farm Road on a place formerly owned by Mr. J. D. Woodward of Aiken; that he is pretending to farm, although he knows nothing whatever about farming; that he recently purchased a new Plymouth Coach or Sedan, and spends much of his time driving about the town in his car; that last Saturday night,

June 29, 1935, Peck was riding about town with another boy and a couple of girls from Augusta; that he and Jesse George, a son of the former Chief of Police of Aiken, got into an argument over a parking place; that Jesse George challenged Peck to get out of his car and fight, at which time Peck pulled out a gun and pointed it at George; and that Peck was later arrested by the Aiken police department and the gun taken away from him. Mr. Eubanks stated that he heard that the Sheriff had given Peck a permit to carry a gun.

Agent showed Mr. Eubanks the picture of Karpis on the Identification Order #1218, and Mr. Eubanks stated that the picture resembled Peck somewhat, especially the right ear, which appears in the picture to be almost flat against his head. Agent questioned Eubanks closely regarding scars running downward from the ears, scars over the eyebrows, and the lobes of the ears, but Eubanks could not remember any scars other than the one under Peck's lower lip, and could not recall whether or not he had any lobes on his ears.

Both Mr. Sorgee and Mr. Eubanks agreed to keep this matter strictly confidential, and not to tell any one about this investigation.

Agent interviewed Chief of Police M. L. Kibler at police headquarters, Aiken, South Carolina, in regard to delinquent fingerprints, as reported by the Bureau, and in the course of the conversation that followed mentioned the fact that there had been several armory robberies in South Carolina recently, and inquired whether any guns had been recovered from prisoners recently. J. K. Staubes of the Aiken Police Department showed agent a revolver which he stated was taken from a Theodore Peck last Saturday night, June 29, 1935. Agent examined the revolver closely and ascertained that it is a Colt Police Positive Revolver, 32-20 W.C.F. #168789. This revolver appears to be rather old and shows indications of having been knocked around

considerably and has not had the best of cam. Staubes described the incident between Peck and Jesse George substantially as told by Mr. Eubanks, and stated that he arrested Peck late Saturday night when the latter returned from Augusta at the City Cafe in Aiken; that he locked Peck up for the night at the police station; that Peck resented being arrested and displayed a badge, claiming to be a deputy sheriff; that Peck was not fingerprinted at the time he was arrested; that he expected Jesse George to swear out a warrant for Peck, but that this was not done, and Peck was released after paying a $10.00 fine on Sunday morning. Mr. Staubes stated that he sees Peck around town considerably, and that he drinks a great deal; that he claims to be a step-son of a Mr. Youngs in New York; that he is living about six miles from town in a place formerly owned by J. D. Woodward, and claims to have leased the place from a Mr. Appleton, the present owner, who lives in New York. Mr. Staubes described Peck substantially the same as described by Mr. Eubanks, with the exception that he believes Peck is about twenty or twenty-one years old, and stated that he thought it rather strange for a young fellow presumably well off to be spending the summer months in Aiken.

Agent leafed through some Identification Orders with Mr. Staubes and Mr. Hendrix, who was present when Mr. Staubes arrested Peck, but neither was able to identify Peck with any of the pictures on the Identification Orders. When the Identification Order of Karpis was shown, Mr. Hendrix inquired if we had captured him yet. Agent asked Mr. Hendrix and Mr. Staubes if Peck resembled the picture of Karpis, and both were emphatic that he did not.

Agent discreetly interviewed Sheriff Pierce Howard, Aiken County Court House, Aiken, South Carolina, who informed agent that he had given Peck permission to have a pistol in his possession upon the recommendation of Mr.

J. D. Woodward, who formerly owned the place where Peck is staying. Sheriff Howard stated that he knew very little about Peck, but that Mr. Woodward could tell agent all about him.

Mr. J. D. Woodward, Chairman of the Board of Education, Aiken, South Carolina, informed agent that he sold the place where Peck is now staying to Mr. Robert Appleton, East Hampton, Long Island, New York; that Peck has leased this place from Mr. Appleton; that Peck's mother is a Mrs. Youngs of New York City; that Mr. F. A. Barton, who works at the municipal garage in Aiken, was formerly caretaker of this place for Mr. Appleton, and lived on the place for about a month with Peck, and could give agent more information than he.

Mr. F. A. Barton stated that he and his wife had formerly lived on Mr. Appleton's place and took care of it for him; that sometime last winter Mr. Appleton told him that there was a young man who was coming down to look over the place and might lease it; that sometime in April he received a telegram from Mr. Appleton, asking him to meet Mr. Peck when he arrived and show him over the place; that he did so and on May 8, 1935, Peck came back and moved into the place; that he and his wife stayed for a month and furnished meals for Peck, but did not like the way he carried on, drinking and using bad language, and did not think it the proper environment for his children, and moved out. Mr. Barton stated that Peck's mother is Mrs. Graham Youngs, 1120 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York; that Peck had shown him several letters that he received from his mother; that Peck did not have an account in a local bank to his knowledge, and that he had introduced Peck to the cashier of the Farmers and Merchants Bank in Aiken so he could cash his checks which his mother send him. Mr. Barton was given the impression that this interview was for the purpose of determining Peck's credit standing. During the course of the conversation, Mr. Barton mentioned the fact that Peck was about five feet, eight inches tall and was ruggedly built, weighing about 160 or 170 pounds.

Agent visited several places in Aiken which Peck frequents, but was unable to locate anyone who answered his description.

Inasmuch as Aiken is a town of about 6,000 population, it was deemed inadvisable to conduct further investigation in view of the information received and to avoid attracting attention.

Under date of July 7, 1935, a telegram was directed to the Bureau, as requested by Mr. Newby, relating the findings of the investigation at Aiken, South Carolina.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Roswell E. Smith:

At Greensboro, North Carolina.

Mr. Eldridge, Superintendent of Mails, Post Office, Greensboro, North Carolina, made a thorough search of all Post Office directories and consulted his General Delivery clerk, but was unable to find any trace of an E. Alkins.

Mr. Eldridge stated he did not know any one who was corresponding with a Miss Sue Gregory, 55 Lawrence St., Mobile, Alabama, and that it was utterly impossible in a town the size of Greensboro, North Carolina, to identify the sender of a letter who did not have a return address thereon.

R. A. Oehman, General Delivery clerk, Greensboro, North Carolina, stated that the general delivery file and his personal recollection contain no information relative to E. Alkins. Agent requested Oehman to keep a record of E. Alkins and in the event he called for mail at the general delivery window to obtain his address and advise the Charlotte office. He stated that he would gladly do this.

Mr. Atkinson, Supervisor of the Records, FERA Headquarters, Greensboro, North Carolina, stated that his records do not disclose any one by the name of E. Alkins or a similar name.

Mr. Whitley, Identification Bureau, Police Department, Greensboro, North Carolina, searched his records thoroughly, assisted by agent, and no trace was found of an E. Alkins.

Mr. Whitley's records did disclose one Samuel Edwards Atkins, alias Ed. Atkins, Greensboro, PD #5280, 419 N. Elm Street, Greensboro, North Carolina, who was arrested [redacted] This individual at that time was nineteen years old, 5 feet, 10½ inches tall, weight 140 lbs., of slender build and medium complexion and having hazel eyes.

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The following investigation was conducted by reporting agent:

At Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Agent interviewed [redacted] Superintendent of [redacted] Office [redacted] Spartanburg, South Carolina, who [redacted] that [redacted] unable to [redacted] Miss Sue Gregory, [redacted] 55 [redacted] Street, Mobile, [redacted] that he would post a notice with his clerk and would make [redacted] obtain the name and address of the [redacted] to notify the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Charlotte office, with reference to this matter.

Under date of June 26, 1935, B. R. Fuller, Postmaster, Clinton, South Carolina, addressed a letter to the Charlotte office, advising that the sender of mail to Mrs. W. A. Gregory at 55 North Lawrence St., Mobile, Alabama, is a Miss Virginia [redacted], an inmate of the State Training School

for the Feeble Minded, at Clinton, South Carolina. She is a girl of about nineteen years of age and of a fairly normal type of mind. This mail came from Box 239, Clinton, South Carolina.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: THE NEW YORK OFFICE: At New York City: will make discreet inquiry of Mrs. Graham Youngs, 1120 Fifth Avenue, New York City, relative to the identity of Theodore Peck, who is said to be the son of this party.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
July 10, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue 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.

Kindly refer to letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, dated at Cincinnati, Ohio, June 21, 1935, addressed to the Bureau, in the above entitled case, requesting that all the offices circularize all the banks in their respective districts with relation to the $1000.00 bills believed to have been exchanged for ransom money in the instant case.

The New Orleans Bureau Office contemplates transmittal of a circular letter similar to the one attached.

The Bureau is requested to advise whether such a dissemination of information as is indicated in the proposed form letter will be acceptable to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.

DWM/cw.
7-15.

Gentlemen:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1218;
Harry Campbell, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
William Weaver, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
William J. Harrison, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

In connection with the location of subjects in the above entitled case, this office is endeavoring to locate the holders of fifty $1000.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, and received in exchange for ransom money.

Investigation by this Bureau has developed facts that it would be reasonable to presume that fifty $1000.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, numbered from F-00022451 A to F-00022500 A, were exchanged for the ransom money. The exchange occurred in another city. Three bills, $1000.00 denomination, numbered F-00022457 A, F-00022463 A and F-0002464 A, have been located.

Information is desired as to the locality in which these bills are being passed, together with names and addresses of the holders of these $1000.00 bills, so that appropriate investigation may be made which may result in effecting the apprehension of the subjects sought in instant kidnaping case.

I would therefore appreciate information from your bank whether any of these bills passed through your bank or are now held by your bank. In the event you have no record of these particular $1000.00 bills, kindly arrange to place a "stop notice" on these bills and advise this office immediately of any information you may later receive, either by telephone or telegram, government rate collect, at the following designated address or telephone number:

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
326½ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.
Telephone - Raymond 1965.

Your confidential cooperation on this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee
D. W. Magee
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE:	CHARACTER OF CASE:
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim.	KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Arizona license CS-37 on Willys Sedan registered to Howard McLair, former guard at Federal Prison Camp #10, Tucson, located El Paso. Twenty one real estate agencies, El Paso, checked for William Weaver and various persons interrogated think they have seen him. None recognize Myrtle Eaton's photograph. All night clubs and bootlegging joints in El Paso checked without locating anyone who could definitely identify William Weaver or Myrtle Eaton. Mexican Consulate records do not contain name or aliases of Weaver or Myrtle Eaton or descriptions of either. Photographs furnished Customs and Immigration inspectors both bridges between El Paso and Juarez. Bar rooms in Juarez and Saragosa checked. No one recognized photographs of Weaver or Myrtle Eaton. Bill Greet endeavoring to assist in location of Weaver. Post Office records disclose Mrs.C.R.O'Donnell had air mail letter sent to her from El Paso to San Francisco July 1, 1935. San Francisco notified.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Special Agent O.C.Dewey dated Tucson, Ariz., June 5, 1935, to El Paso Bureau Office. Report of Special Agent J.A. Dowd, Omaha, 6/5/35. Report of Special Agent Kenneth Logan, Omaha, 6/20/35. Letter from Special Agent in Charge E.J.Connelley, dated Cincinnati, June 21, 1935.

DETAILS: AT EL PASO, Texas:-

Special Agent in Charge R.H.Colvin received information from Mrs. J.A.Street to the effect that she had seen a man whom she believed to be a fugitive

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		RECORDED AND INDEXED:
RH Colvin		7-576-6658	JUL 12 1935
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owing to the hunted look in his eye; and that she believed him to be Alvin Karpis. Mrs.Street stated: "There was quite a difference in the light and dark but every line of the face was the same, and his hair looked to be sandy blonde, and he was driving a tan sedan, small make of car." She believed the license number of the car to be NS-37, Arizona.

It was ascertained from the Division of Motor Vehicles, Phoenix, Ariz., that this license was issued to Mrs. Homer Harris, Gadsden, Yuma County, Ariz., for a Chevrolet cabriolet.

Immediately upon receipt of this information the description of the car and license number were broadcast over the El Paso Police Department radio system without result. Two or three days later the police checked the car at a garage near the Paso del Norte Hotel, and found it to be a tan Willys sedan. The driver thereof in no way resembled Alvin Karpis. This car bore Arizona license CS-37 and was registered to Howard M.Lair, c/o Federal Prison Camp, #10, Tucson, covering 1933 Willys sedan, motor #2470. This man had been in and around El Paso for several days and had baggage tied on the car, as described by Mrs. Street.

The personnel of twenty one real estate agencies in El Paso was shown the photographs of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton. Mr.John Beckley, of Coles Bros. real estate office, stated he believed one morning about a month ago he received a telephone call to go to a house located at 4300 Cambridge St., which house was listed for rent, furnished, by Coles Bros.; that he went to that address and found a man and a woman in a Plymouth coupe. As nearly as he can remember it was a black car with cream color wheels. They wanted to rent the house and he showed it to them. He stated that he asked who they were and where they were from and the man stated: "It doesn't make any difference where we are from, does it?" Beckley then told them that it was necessary for a person renting a furnished house to give references. Mr.Beckley said the woman then spoke up and stated: "I don't think the house would suit us any how," and they left; that he did not obtain the State in which the license was issued, or the number thereof; that he believes the man resembles the photograph of William Weaver, but the photograph of Myrtle Eaton was not a likeness of the woman with the man at that time.

A large number of real estate agents interviewed stated: "That picture certainly looks familiar." Others stated definitely that they had never seen the man.

For the information of all offices receiving copies of this report, there is no public gambling going on in El Paso. Two or three places have maintained gambling games up until the past month or so, when the police began making raids regularly and they have all closed down. Gambling has been closed down in Juarez for at least the past six months, and when a no gambling order is issued by the authorities in Mexico it is most effective until the authorities permit gambling to reopen. No such permission has been granted.

Special Agent in Charge Colvin talked personally with Dave Lawson, owner of what is known as the Knickerbocker Club in El Paso, the only first class night club, and until gambling was closed the only first class gambling place in El Paso. Lawson was shown photographs of Weaver and Myrtle Eaton and some one of the employe at the club stated that he believed he had seen Weaver in the club about two oclock one morning sometime ago, but he could not fix the date nor be absolutely certain in his identification.

This Agent called on E.F.Flores at La Posta Night Club, at the edge of the El Paso City limits, which is also an up to date place where gambling is not carried on, however. Flores stated that he is sure that neither of the parties, Weaver or Myrtle Eaton, has ever been in La Posta.

On July 1, 1935 the records of the Mexican Consulate at El Paso were checked. These records did not bear names indicating that either Myrtle Eaton and/or William Weaver has obtained permission to visit the interior of Mexico since September, 1934. These records contain the names, description, and citizenship, with age of persons making applications for permits.

Fred Bourland, Manager of Lobby #2 bar, Juarez, Mexico, and J.A.Bermudez, proprietor and his employees at Waterfill Gardens night club, Saragosa, Mexico, upon being shown photographs of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, each stated that he is certain neither has ever been at those places.

Photographs of both Weaver and Myrtle Eaton have been furnished to the Customs and Immigration inspectors stationed at both the Stanton St. and Santa Fe St. international bridges between El Paso and Juarez, Mexico. It might be stated that the Stanton St. bridge is the bridge used by persons entering Juarez from El Paso by automobile or street car, and the Santa Fe St. bridge is the one over which they return from Juarez to El Paso. Only foot passengers cross from El Paso to Juarez via the Santa Fe St. bridge.

Photographs of both William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton have been furnished City detectives in El Paso and they have endeavored through their informants, associated with the underworld both in Juarez and El Paso, to get some line on these individuals, but to date without success.

This Agent has known and been friendly with Bill Greet for a number of years. Mr.Greet is the County Clerk of El Paso County, Texas,and formerly was the chief of detectives of the El Paso Police Department. Greet probably is the most likely person in El Paso to act as a contact for visiting members of the underworld. It is public property that at one time Greet had 15 or 16 California ex-convicts who were living in El Paso paroled to him. Agent took up the matter with Mr.Greet as to whether or not William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton are in El Paso. He stated that to his knowledge he had never seen William Weaver or Myrtle Eaton, but would do everything in his power to ascertain their whereabouts and will notify the El Paso Bureau Office as to his success.

There are two other persons who at one time lived in El Paso and who may know William Weaver. One is Cherry Moler, formerly a well known landlady and prostitute in El Paso, but now operating a tourist camp at or near Willows, Calif. At one time Frank Nash and some of his confederates visited in El Paso and stayed at Cherry Moler's house. She at that time notified a local City detective by the name of Bob Drennan, and arrangements were made to take Frank Nash and his companions, but for some reason or other this was not done. It is believed that if an Agent of the San Francisco Office would call on Cherry Moler, identify himself, and state to her that City Detective Bob Drennan, of El Paso, Texas, suggested that she be contacted, she may give the desired information as to the location of any members of this gang, if she knows.

The other person referred to is Josephine Redmond, who is now reported to be

living with Sam Lard at Ft. Worth. City Detective Bob Drennan, of El Paso, stated that Sam Lard would most likely be known to the local Police at Ft.Worth, and in that way he may be located. Josephine Redmond is a pretty tough character and is living with Lard merely because of the fact that he is purported to have a great deal of money. At any rate, she at one time arranged with several local El Paso boys to bring Lard back from Juarez drunk and deliver him to them so that they could roll him and make him sign papers conveying title to a ranch he is supposed to have in New Mexico. This information is set out in order that the office contacting Josephine Redmond may have some idea of her background.

In checking the records of the Post Office, nothing was found which might indicate that Weaver or Myrtle Eaton was in El Paso at any time receiving mail, except a postal card which was received on July 1 by the Postmaster at El Paso from San Francisco, in a woman's handwriting, which read: "There is an airmail letter in the El Paso Post Office addressed to Mr. and Mrs. C.R.O'Donnell. Forward same to Apartment 301, 956 Post St., San Francisco." This information was furnished the San Francisco Bureau Office by telegram with a request that discreet investigation be made at that address.

Upon receipt of the reference letter from Special Agent in Charge E.J.Connelley, the El Paso Bureau Office circularized all banks in the district covered by this office, requesting that the El Paso Bureau Office be notified in case any of the $1000 Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Ga., bills, serial Nos. from F00022451 A to F 00022500 A, inclusive, should appear.

All persons contacted in this matter, particularly those operating bar rooms or places where gambling might be carried on secretly, have promised that in case any information comes to them concerning William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, they will immediately convey same to the El Paso Bureau Office.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

PHOENIX BUREAU OFFICE: AT GADSDEN, Arizona, will ascertain whether or not license #NS-37, issued to Mrs. Homer Harris, is still on her Chevrolet cabriolet motor #2763984.

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE: AT WILLOWS, Calif., will endeavor to locate and interview Cherry Moler at a tourist camp operated by her. The interview should be along the lines set out in this report.

DALLAS OFFICE: Will undertake to locate and interview Josephine Redmond at Fort Worth, Texas, regarding her knowledge of William Weaver, inasmuch as she comes from Oklahoma and has lived in El Paso where she operated a bootlegging joint and house of prostitution.

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July 22, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
El Paso, Texas.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. No. 1218, et al,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, dated at El Paso, Texas, July 8, 1935, which sets forth the results of the investigation in your district respecting the whereabouts of subjects William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton. It does not appear from a review of the report that consideration was given to the possibility that the other subjects in this case might have been frequenting your district.

The Bureau desires that whenever an investigation is conducted respecting one of the fugitives of this case, consideration be given to all the remaining fugitives, inasmuch as investigation in the past indicates that they frequently associate with one another.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati

July 9 1935
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Director, Division of Investigation,
U.S. Dept of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
JUL 12 1935
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sirs:

Today I was TONE ning the pages of my copy of the Aug. Startling Detective magazine, and come accross the picture and discription of Harry Campbell.

I am positive he is the same man who said his name was Ray Smith, that

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was visiting in this vicinity a few weeks ago, ~~he~~ was about 35 years old.

weight " 135 lbs.
blue eyes, Brown hair,
ruddy medium complexion.
scar in corner of left eye.
lame in right leg.
decayed teeth
about 5½ ft tall.

He carried a gun, very quick tempered.

He was here visiting with his girl friend Dale* Griffin, and her sister Lucy *Griffin. These girls live with their parents

Mr. and Mrs Jesse Griffin, at or near Lowell Ohio.

He was supposed to live near the Griffins.

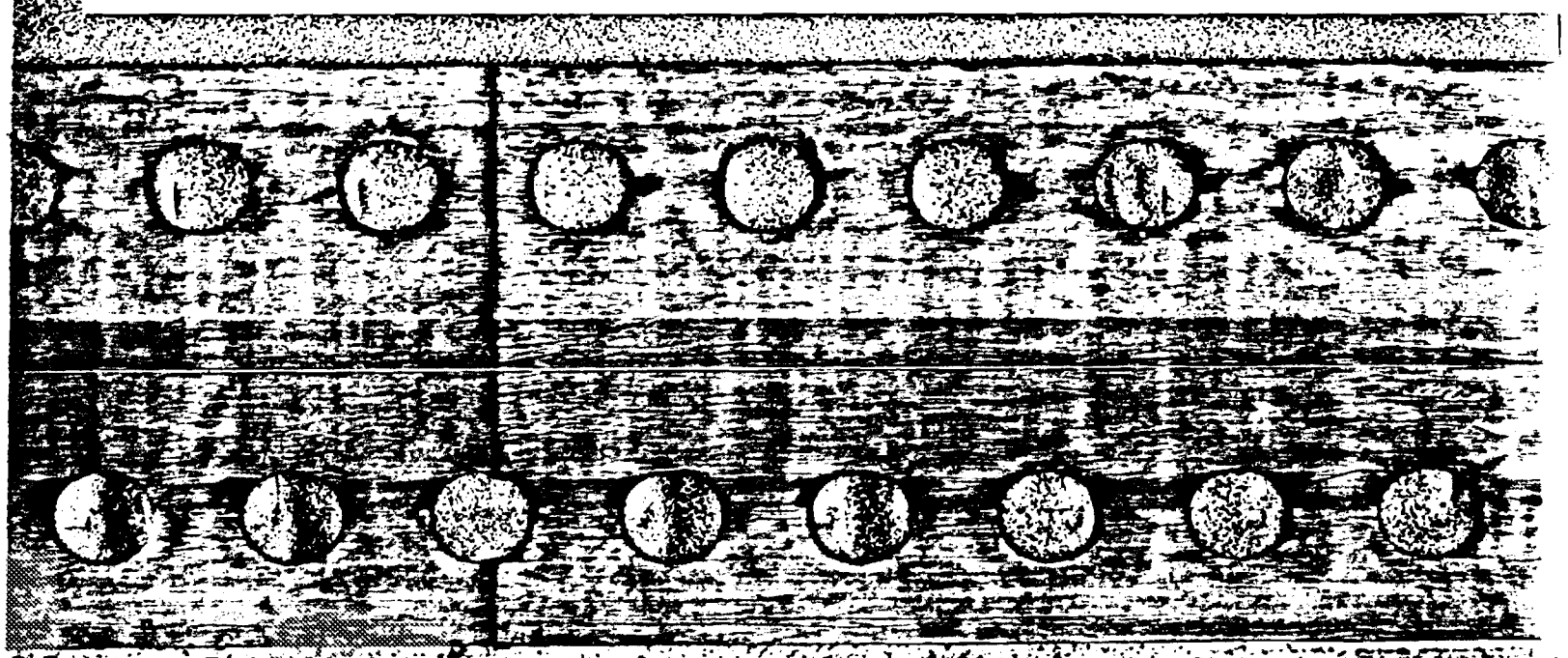
Jesse Griffin

Resp.

Flossie Perrine
Minnara W.Va.

P.S. Please refrain from using my name for my own safety.

(Thank you.)



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July 16, 1935.

Miss Flossie Perrine,
Minnora, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 9, 1935 furnishing information concerning an individual who resembles the photograph of Barry Campbell which recently appeared in the Startling Detective magazine.

Please be advised that I have referred a copy of your letter to Mr. C. K. Fierstone, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 620 New Federal Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, who will assign an Agent to interview you in the very near future.

Thanking you for your interest and cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC - Pittsburgh
Cincinnati
St. Paul
Encl. (copy of letter from Miss Perrine, dated July 9, 1935, to each office)

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Washington Field Office, Room 3745,
Washington, D. C.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your letter of July 1 and my letter of July 9, regarding a mail tracing received by your office from a letter addressed to C. Wollinsky, 306½ Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa. This is to advise that while at Lorton, Virginia, yesterday Special Agent L. B. Nichols ascertained from E. J. Welch, Assistant Superintendent of the District of Columbia Reformatory, that one Michael Quinn, who has been incarcerated in that Reformatory from March, 1932 until the present time, addressed the letter to C. Wollinsky; that Quinn has constantly been in prison since 1903 and is a pickpocket and housebreaker by profession.

In addition to corresponding with Wollinsky, Quinn's correspondence record shows that he had been in correspondence with Vick Allen, Windsor Hotel, St. Paul, Minnesota; Otto Miller, Windsor Hotel, St. Paul, Minnesota; Harry Watts, Bessie Watts, and George Russell, of 735 Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland; The Avenue Loan Company, Fourth & Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa; and Myrtle Brown, Ardmore Apartments, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Quinn, when interviewed, advised that his home is in Des Moines, Iowa, and that while he was connected with various circuses he became well acquainted with Clarence Wollinsky; that Wollinsky sold most of the jewelry purchased by circus people, and that he is strictly legitimate. Photographs of the Karpis-Barker crowd were shown to him and he stated that he did not know any of them, with the exception of Harry Sawyer; that he

frequently visited Sawyer's Saloon in St. Paul, but he was unable to furnish any information of value concerning Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BREKID THIS IS TO CONFIRM ALL PREVIOUS TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS WITH BUREAU REGARDING THIS MATTER. [redacted] CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT, ADVISED AGENT MADALA ON JULY 3 THAT FRED BARTHOLOMEW, POSTMASTER, BENSENVILLE, ILLINOIS, INFORMED [redacted] HARRY CAMPBELL IS PRESENTLY LIVING IN BERWYN ILLINOIS ON SAME STREET FRED [redacted] GOETZ LIVED WHEN KILLED IN MARCH, 1934. ACCORDING TO INFORMANT HARRY CAMPBELL WANTED BARTHOLOMEW TO BRING INFORMANT TO BERWYN TO DO HIM A FAVOR BUT INFORMANT WAS HESITANT TO GO BECAUSE OF FEAR. AFTER INFORMANT TALKED THE MATTER OVER WITH AGENT MADALA IT WAS SUGGESTED [redacted] MAKE THE CONTACT WITH CAMPBELL. [redacted] THEREAFTER CONTACTED BARTHOLOMEW ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS MAKING [redacted] AVAILABLE FOR HIM TO AGAIN APPROAC[redacted] IN THIS CONNECTION. ON [redacted] JULY 6 BARTHOLOMEW PROMISED TO TAKE INFORMANT TO CAMPBELL IN NEXT FEW DAYS. ON SUNDAY SUBJECT WILLIAM J HARRISON PERSONALLY CONTACTED INFORMANT AT [redacted] HOME [redacted] REQUESTING [redacted] PROCEED TO ST PAUL AND DELIVER A MESSAGE TO HARRY SAWYER AT THE COUNTY JAIL. INFORMANT

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PREVIOUSLY MET HARRISON IN JANUARY, 1934, AT [redacted] HOME WHEN HE AND FRED GOETZ VISITED ELMER FARMER. HARRISON ADVISED INFORMANT THEY BELIEVED [redacted] THE MOST

LOGICAL PERSON TO MAKE THIS TRIP AS [redacted] WAS KNOWN TO GOVERNMENT AGENTS IN ST PAUL [redacted]. HARRISON INQUIRED OF INFORMANT WHETHER [redacted] KNEW MRS SAWYER, WHICH [redacted] DOES. HARRISON THEN EXPLAINED THAT INFORMANT SHOULD VISIT WITH MRS SAWYER AT ST

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PAUL AND POSSIBLY LIVE WITH HER A FEW DAYS THEN VISIT SAWYER AT THE JAIL IN COMPANY WITH HIS WIFE AND DELIVER THE MESSAGE TO HIM THAT IN THIS WAY THE GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT BECOME SUSPICIOUS [redacted] THINKING [redacted] MERELY ACCOMPANIED MRS SAWYER AS HER GUEST. ON THE OTHER HAND ACCORDING TO HARRISON, IF INFORMANT VISITED SAWYER [redacted] OR

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WITH SOMEONE F[redacted] AT THE JAIL THE GOVERNMENT WOULD CERTAINLY BECOME SUSPICIOUS OF SUCH VISIT AND IN ALL PROBABILITY CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION INFORMANT ADVISED HARRISON INDICATED [redacted] THAT MRS SAWYER IS FULLY AWARE OF THIS MATTER. UPON INQUIRY WHETHER THE MESSAGE WAS A PACKAGE OR LETTER HARRISON INDICATED TO INFORMANT THAT IT WAS NEITHER AND STATED THEY WOULD MAKE IT WORTH [redacted] WHILE IF [redacted] MADE THE TRIP. INFORMANT GAVE HARRISON NO DEFINITE ANSWER, STATING [redacted] WOULD TALK THE MATTER OVER WITH [redacted] HE CAUTIONED [redacted] NOT TO DIVULGE HIS IDENTITY TO [redacted] NOR INFORM [redacted] THE TRUE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP. HE WILL CONTACT [redacted] AGAIN IN A FEW DAYS. AT ONE TIME DURING CONVERSATION WITH HARRISON HE REMARKED TO INFORMANT THAT "IT IS TOO BAD ELMER FARMER IS NO LONGER IN ST PAUL AS IF HE WERE HE MIGHT NOT HAVE TO GO TO LEAVENWORTH", LEAVING THE DEDUCTION OF A POSSILBLE DELIVERY OF HARRY SAWYER. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY INSTRUCTED THIS OFFICE WILL COMPLY WITH THE ORIGINAL INSTRUTIONS OF SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE E J CONNELLEY CONTAINED ON LAST PAGE OF REPORT SPECIAL AGENT D P SULLIVAN, CHICAGO, DATED MARCH 12,1935, ADVISING THAT WHEN HARRISON IS LOCATED IMMEDIATE ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE TO PLACE HIM UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE FOR A PERIOD [redacted] OF TIME IN AN EFFORT TO LOCATE OTHER MEMBERS OF THIS MOB. IN THE LIGHT OF BARTHOLOMEW CONVERSATION WITH

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INFORMANT AND SUBSEQUENT CONTACT [redacted] BY WILLIE HARRISON IT IS NOW BELIEVED HARRISON, CAMPBELL AND POSSIBLY KARPIS ARE TOGETHER IN VICINITY OF CHICAGO. AS IT IS BELIEVED HARRISON IS LEAST IMPORTANT OF THE THREE MENTIONED FUGITIVES EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF INFORMANT TO OBTAIN THROUGH HARRISON THE EXACT WHEREABOUTS OF CAMPBELL AND KARPIS.

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FRANK SORGEE JAILER.

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July 10, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

Time - 12:15 P. M.
(7/5/35)

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

Pursuant to your instructions I telephoned Acting Special Agent in Charge W. E. Peters at the Charlotte office and advised him of the contents of a telegram received July 5, 1935 from Frank Sorgee, Jailer, Aiken, South Carolina, containing a request for a full description of Alvin Karpis.

I instructed Mr. Peters to have an Agent call upon Mr. Sorgee and furnish him with a full description and photograph of Karpis and to ascertain what prompted the telegram, suggesting the possibility that a prisoner in custody at Aiken might have been Karpis. The Charlotte office telegraphically advised that the individual in custody at Aiken was not Karpis.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby

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July 9, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

The following items of interest are noted for your attention in the annual report of the Bureau of Police of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota, for 1934, a copy of which is attached.

Page 80-there is given herein a short account of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, the shooting of Eugene Green and of Homer Van Meter.

Respectfully,

Inc.

Edward Scheidt.

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

July 11, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Penn. 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.
K I D N A P I N G
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

In connection with the above captioned matter, the Indianapolis Office desires to be advised by the Bureau as to the proper steps to be taken in the event subject WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. #1241, is located in the Indianapolis district, that is, whether or not he should be immediately apprehended or whether he should be kept under surveillance in the hope he might possibly contact the remaining unapprehended subjects of this investigation.

In the event it is the desire of the Bureau that William J. Harrison be kept under surveillance if located rather than be taken into immediate custody, the Indianapolis Office will appreciate being advised as to what action should be taken in the event it appears that the surveillance will be unsuccessful and there is a likelihood of loosing subject Harrison. In such a case, should he be taken into custody immediately?

7/18/35 acd. Green

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Very truly yours,

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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H. H. REINECKE
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Cincinnati

RECORDED REN:TD 7-576 — 6664 July 18, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218, etal
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter dated July 11, 1935 in the above entitled case, please be advised that no set procedure can be adopted in the event subject WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. No. 1241, is located in your district.

It would seem, however, that the best procedure would be to immediately notify the Bureau in the event Harrison is located in your district, furnishing full and complete information relative to the circumstances under which he has been located, at which time it can then be decided whether Harrison should be placed under surveillance for a reasonable length of time or be immediately taken into custody.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1256;
WOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1257;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1258;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241;
BRUNO PUTAS, with aliases; ..... et al .....
..... EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM .....

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NAT'L. FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Peter C. Kuehl, Route 1, Hempstead, Texas, states he does not know any hideouts for gangs, but that he knows Clark Lamont is very close to underworld characters at Davenport, Iowa and Lamont has represented himself to be a Government Officer, also that Lamont is a fixer and brains for bank robbers and hijackers. That a man named Brown, 408-10 Harrison Avenue, Davenport, Iowa, over Haupt Suter's Produce Company furnished silencers for rifles for hijackers and gangsters thru Lamont. RUC.

Reference: Report of Special Agent Kenneth Logan, Omaha, Nebraska, dated June 20, 1935.

DETAILS:

DETAILS: Peter C. Kuehl, residing six miles northeast of Hempstead, Texas, Route 1, states that the reason he lost his job at Davenport, Iowa, was because he testified for the Government in a big conspiracy case at Peoria, Illinois, and that the underworld crooks and gangsters around Davenport tried to put him on the spot and that is why he moved to Texas. That he is unable to give any information of any hideouts of this particular gang or any information of either of them, but that he does know Clark Lamont is the brains and fixer for bank robberies and hijacking jobs. That Lamont has used a Government badge representing himself to be a government officer and would catch some of the

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: [signature] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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gang violating the laws and thru the pretext of being a Government Officer would then be able to be the dictator and would plan bank robberies and hijacking jobs. That Lamont was very smart and would keep in the background but would in his, Kuehl's, opinion possibly drive the automobile that may pull a job. He stated further that Lamont was a fixer for gangsters in supplying guns, rifles, and silencers for firearms and that he operated or was furnished silencers etc., by a man by name of Brown who operates a repair shop of some description located upstairs over the firm of Haupt Suter Produce Company, 408-10 Harrison Avenue, Davenport, Iowa.

He also stated that Lamont was very close to Mike Talarico and Rex Garzole when they were on the ground. That an ex-convict by name of Jack Wall, Lamont's enemy, can furnish possible information as to Lamont's activities and connections with gangsters. He further stated that a barber by name of Bill Helm at Davenport may furnish information as to Lamont's gangster connections. Mr. Kuehl further stated Lamont would handle stolen automobiles and that the party who operated the Bivens Auto Supply Company, Myrtle and Second Street, Davenport, Iowa, was named Chas. Palmer, but Palmer was now deceased.

He further stated that Sam Kelly, Bill Henley and Frank Brady, officers at Davenport may know of Lamont's contacts with gangsters and can be approached, also that Dennis Bennett, Night Captain, Rock Island, can be approached.

Mr. Kuehl further stated that an Italian, name unknown, residing at Lyons, Iowa, was connected with Lamont and other gangsters and could not be approached.

Mr. Kuehl stated he did not know any of the members of the Karpis gang.

Mr. Kuehl is very bitter toward Lamont.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The Omaha office if deemed advisable may check Mr. Kuehl's statement as to Lamont's activities and connections with gangsters at Davenport, Iowa.

Referred upon Completion.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 10, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1218, et al, Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping, Obstruction of Justice, National Firearms Act, and to letter from the Bureau dated March 26, 1935.

Agent Paul Hansen of this office personally arranged with Mr. D. Downer in charge of the Bureau of Records, Oklahoma City Police Department, to have the temporary wanted notices of the following listed persons taken from the files of that department:

Fred Barker, with aliases, Division #59163
Harry Campbell, with aliases, Division #419856
Volney Davis, with aliases, Division #400441
Jess Doyle, Division #99402
Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, Division #337474
Edna Murray, with aliases, Division #9397
Harry Sawyer, with aliases, Division #421335
William Weaver, with aliases, Division #17920

The temporary wanted notices regarding Charles J. Fitzgerald, with aliases, Division #95780, and Clyde Nimerick, with aliases, Division #77961, were checked and left in the files of this department.

This is the final check of the police departments in the State of Oklahoma where these temporary wanted notices were left, and all have been withdrawn except temporary wanted notices of Fitzgerald and Nimerick.

Very truly yours,

7-576-6666

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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