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RE: HARRY CAMPBELL

There is attached hereto's memorandum prepared by Supervisor McIntire concerning the personal history of Harry Campbell.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM

Harry Campbell was born on January 1, 1900, in McClintoeville, Pennsylvania. His family later moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he was reared. Very few intimate details are known of his early life. While in Tulsa, Oklahoma, he associated with Volney Davis and Will Green. Green was later sentenced to serve a long term in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and was one of the leaders of the gang which effected its escape from that institution in December, 1931. Green later committed suicide rather than be apprehended. Campbell also associated with Glem Roy Wright and Charles Cotner, Oklahoma outlaws of a very desperate character, who are now incarcerated in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

Campbell was first arrested at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on December 25, 1920, on the charge of investigation. He was fined \$19.00 and costs. On January 30, 1921, he was received at the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, for safekeeping on the charge of bank robbery, and was subsequently discharged on court order for trial on June 11, 1921,

It is safe to assume that Campbell first became acquainted with the Barkers in Tulsa, Oklahoma, for it was here that Volney Davis fraternized with Campbell and here that Volney Davis and Doc Barker murdered a night watchman, for which offense they were each sentenced to life imprisonment in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

Campbell was also a close associate of Terry and Farl Whinrey, of Tulsa. The Thinrey brothers were well acquainted with the Barkers. It is also noted that the sister of Wynona Burdette (paramour of Campbell) married one of the Whinrey brothers.

It is also safe to assume that Campbell, while held in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary for safekeeping in January, 1921, renewed his acquaintance with Doc Barker, who had also been received at that institution on January 30, 1921, for safekeeping on the charge of robbery.

Before this Bureau had reason for any interest in Campbell, he was wanted by the Police Departments at Joplin, Missouri, and Casper, Tyoming, for robbery and burglary, and by the Sheriffs' Offices at Independence and Hutchinson, Kansas, and Stillwater, Oklahoma, for robbery.

- Campbell is married to one Mickey Rheinsmith, daughter of Mina Rheinsmith, formerly of Casper and Midwest, Myoning, where Mina Rheinsmith operated houses of prostitution.

In the spring of 1933 Campbell frequented Casper, Wyoning, where he is alleged to have robbed three safes. He then proceeded to Tulsa, Oklahoma,

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and remained in company with Wynona Burdette until September of 1933, when he arranged to have Wynona Burdette meet him and William J. Harrison at the Savoy Hotel in Hammond, Indiana. At this meeting Doc and Fred Barker were present, and soon thereafter the two Barkers, Campbell and Wynona Burdette drove to St. Paul, Minnesota, where they joined other members of the gang. This group left St. Paul on or about October 6, 1933, motoring to Reno, Hevada, where the gang had good contact with Graham and McKay. This was the first occasion on which Mynona Burdette associated with members of this gang other than Campbella

On or about December 5, 1933, the gang returned to St. Paul, where the various couples took up residences in divers apartment houses. During this period numerous conferences were held by the gang at the apartment of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton. Plans for the Bremer abduction were consummated, Harry Sawyer suggesting Bremer as the proposed victim. On about January 17, 1934, the date of the abduction, the women members of the gang, i.e., Paula Harmon, Mynona Burdette, Edna Murray and Myrtle Eaton, were sent to Chicago, Illinois, where Willie Harrison arranged apartments for them on Chicago's South Side.

In effecting Bremer's abduction, two cars and five men participated. According to Campbell's own statements to Klner Farmer at the Bensenville hide-out, Campbell and Karpis are the two men who entered Bremer's car and beat him over the head. Campbell assisted in transporting Bremer to the hide-out and remained as a guard during Bremer's captivity.

After the payment of the ransom, Campbell and several members of the gang moved to Toledo, Ohio, where they were introduced to Ted and Bert Angus by Willie Harrison. Harrison had been interested in illicit liquors with the Angus brothers in Gary, Indians, as early as 1926. The Angus brothers operate a "hoodlum night club" in Toledo, known as the Casino. This became a meeting place for the Karpis-Barker group. Campbell and the gang spent the summer of 1934 in Toledo, Cleveland, and Sandusky, Ohio. It was in Campbell's apartment in Cleveland that Dr. Joseph Moran conducted "fingerprint operations" on Campbell, Davis, Karpis and Doc Barker.

On September 7, 1934, Wynona Eurdette, Gladys Sawyer and Paula Harmon were arrested in Cleveland, Ohio. The gang immediately fled. In Campbell's apartment was found a machine gun and several other weapons. Campbell, Karpis, Fred Barker and Kate Barker then fled to Miami, Florida, where they lived at the El Commodoro Hotel, having been properly introduced by Willie Harrison, who had known Joseph Adams, manager, for several years. Campbell and Karpis, with the assistance of Harrison and Cassius McDonald, then commenced disposing of large blocks of the Bremer ransom money through banks in Havana, Cuba.

On January 16, 1935, after the death of Kate and Fred Barker at Oklawsha, Florida, Campbell and Karpis fled to the Danmoor Hotel in Atlantic City, Hew Jersey. They were routed out of this hotel during the early morning hours of January 20, 1935, after a gum battle with Atlantic City Police. Campbell and Karpis escaped in a stolen automobile, which car was found abandoned on the morning of January 21, 1935, near Quakerstown, Pennsylvania; at this point they commandeered the car of Dr. H. H. Hunsicker and forced him to accompany them over back roads until they reached Guilford Center, Ohio, at about 9:30 P.H. that evening. Here they bound Dr. Hunsicker hand and foot and abandoned him. Dr. Hunsicker's car was found abandoned about fourteen miles north of Toledo, Ohio, with the motor running, on the morning of January 22, 1935.

On January 22, 1935, at St. Paul, Minnesota, Marry Campbell was indicted on the substantive charge of kidnaping Edward George Bremer. A second indictment was returned against Campbell on the same date, charging him with conspiracy to kidnap Edward George Bremer.

H. S. Department of Justice P. O. Box 1276 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma September 14, 1935

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Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.

Washington, D. C.

FLDERAL BUREAU

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to previous correspondence concerning efforts of Special Agent F. S. Smith, of this office, to obtain information from T. Jack Glynn, of Leavenworth, Kansas, a former intimate, associate, fixer and friend of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Kidnaping

Please be advised that on September 3, 1935, Special Agent Smith, of this office, interviewed Glynn at his home at Leavenworth, at which time Glynn informed Agent Smith that he had in mind approaching Doc Barker under some pretext, figuring that Barker would want to make contact with Karpis through him, Glynn, and in this manner it occurred to him that it would be possible for him to obtain information as to the whereabouts of Karpis; that since thinking the matter over he did not feel that he could afford to double cross a criminal, which he would have to do if he pursued the tactics that he had in mind; that he has always made it a policy to deal squarely with criminals and that in handling matters for Barker and others on previous occasions they had paid him for his services and he does not consider that it would be a good policy for him to acquire the reputation of having double crossed these fellows, but, on the other hand, believes it would be an extremely dangerous course to pursue; that he would not be surprised to see Karpis show up at Leavenworth and, in fact, expected him to come to see him in the interest of Doc Barker; that in the event he does come or should he obtain any information as to the whereabouts of Karpis he would communicate with Agent Smith at Oklahoma City.

After this interview Agent Smith has reached the conclusion that Glynn has no intention of assisting the Government in any manner in this case.

cc: Kansas City Chicago St. Paul Cincinnati

Very truly yours

Special Agent in Charge

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

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with Bureau letter dated September 3, 1935, a check of our file discloses all photos are being retained in Section 7-2-A of the above file.

The following photos were found therein on this

date:

Present listed subjects:

Alvin Karpis	4
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Very truly yours,

T. N. STAPLETON Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 515,

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September 13, 1935.

Director,
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Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated September 11, 1935, Bureau File 7-576, concerning telephone conversation between Mr. K. R. McIntire of the Bureau and me on September 6, 1935, regarding the securing of new indictments against Harry Sawyer, William Weaver, Cassius McDonald, and others, in connection with this case.

This is to advise that I have conferred with United States Attorney George F. Sullivan, Saint Paul, Minnesota, and he is perfectly in accord with the Bureau's suggestion. He advised me that the new indictments will cover a period of time sufficient to show the recovery of money after the death of Fred and Kate Barker in Florida.

Very truly yours,

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H. E. ANDERSEN, Special Agent in Charge.

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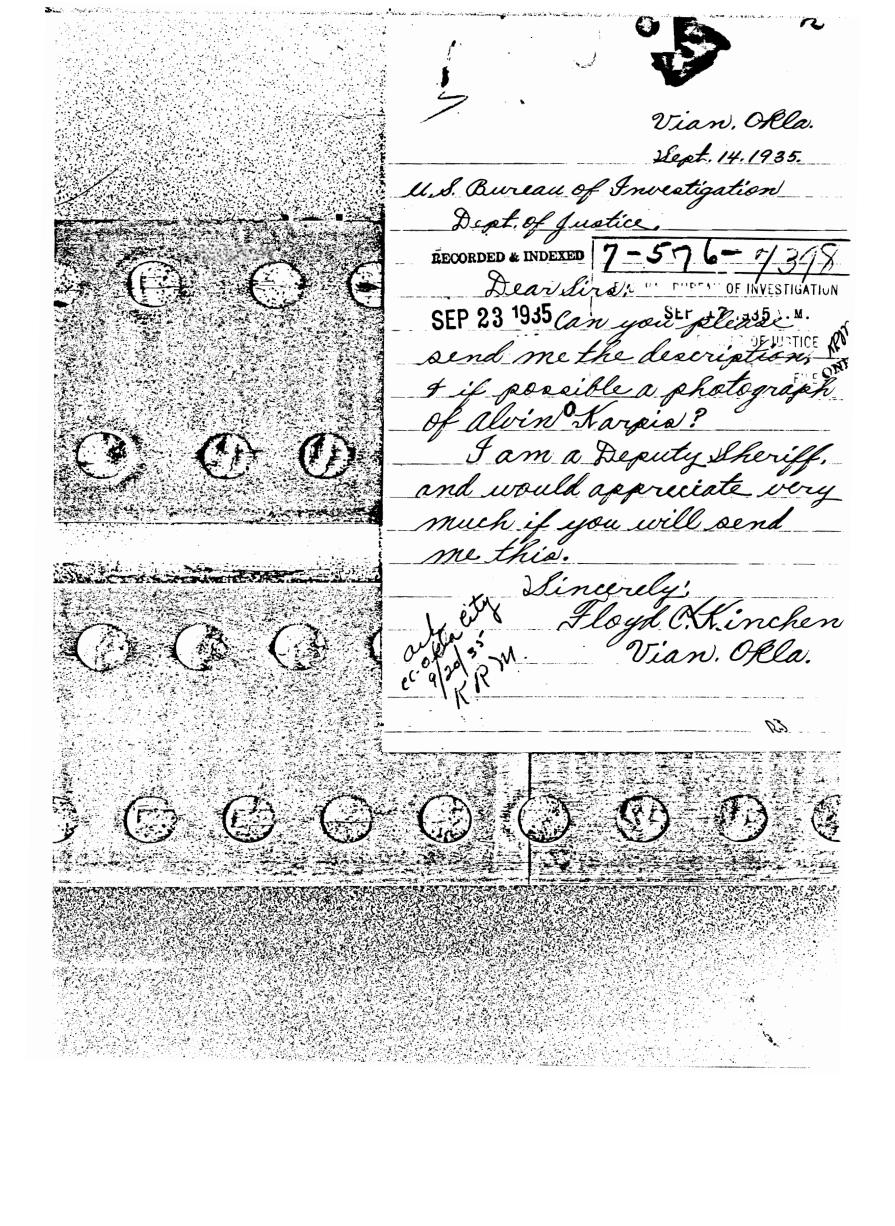
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St. Louis, Mo., dated 7/19/35.					
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Captain D. M. White, Commander of the 168th Infantry, National Guard at Marshalltown, Iowa, caused a thorough search to be made of the records of this company to determine on what date Colt Automatic pistol #18001, was received. The records did not disclose this information, however, and it was explained to Agent that they had been destroyed about 1928 shortly prior to the installation of Captain White as Captain of this company. Captain White said he recalled, however, that this pistol was in the custody of the 168th Infantry at the time he took command in 1929. He suggested that Captain Tarieton of Camp Dodge, Iowa, who keeps the records of all gums issued to National Guard Organizations in Iowa, he interviewed regarding the date this gun was received, by the Iowa National Guard.					
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Captain Tarleton, when asked as to the date this gum was received by the Iowa National Guard, stated that he had no record of the date of receipt since the gum was received prior to 1925. According to his records, the gum was consigned to the 168th Infantry at Marshalltown, Iowa, February 23, 1925. In Captain Tarleton's opinion, however, this gum was received by the Iowa National Guard in 1921, as a large shipment of pistols of this type had been received in that year. An examination of the records revealed that the serial number of this pistol fits into a chain of serial numbers of other pistols which have been in the possession of the Iowa National Guard at least since 1925. In Captain Tarleton's opinion, this gum is probably a Remington gum, but the slide upon which identification marks are made has been changed, and a Colt slide placed on the gum. Captain Tarleton suggested that this peculiarity might identify it from another gum which had been made entirely by the Colt Manufactoring Co.

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September 20, 1935

Er. Floyd C. Kinchen, Deputy Sheriff, Vian, Oklahoma.

Dear Sire

Referring to your letter of September 14, 1935, I am enclosing herewith a copy of Identification Order #1218 issued on Alvin Karpis. For your additional assistance, I am also enclosing herewith one copy of a photograph of Alvin Karpis.

Please be assured of my desire to cooperate with you at all times in matters of mutual interest.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Jederal Bureau of Investigation A. S. Department of Instice Washington, P. C.

September 7, 1935.

Mr. Bernard Levy, National Detective Agency, 35-11 Leavitt Street, Flushing, New York.

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Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for your letter of September 4, 1935, in which you furnished information to the effect that Alvin Karpis was recently located in the vicinity of Saratoga Springs, New York, and that he was seen by you on September 2, 1935, taking a train to go toward Montreal.

Please be advised that the information contained in your letter has been brought to the attention of Mr. R. Whitley.

Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation New York City, who is being requested to have an Agent interview you with regard to this matter in the very near future.

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Very truly yours, For the Director,

Jour agent Called on me, he did not understand why Ireported to trashington, instead of the heur fork by Office; I used my best judgement & did not mean in any way to cause any reflection on anyone I only did my duty as an american litizen to report the matter if I cause from Office at any time, please Comment me, My sincerely forms.

September 14, 1935

Time: 12:03 P.E.

EMORANDUM FOR NR. TANK

RE: Transfer of Arthur Barker and Volmey Davis to Alcatras.

Brien Wokahon telephoned me and stated ... that with regard to the transfer of the two prisoners listed above which I had taken up with the Attorney General before he left, he had received a memorandum from Er. Betes stating that the transfer to Alcatras had been approved for Barker and Davis; Barker on June 14 and Davis on July 30. The memorandum further stated that "it is our custom for reasons of soonomy and safety to defer transfers from Leavenworth to Alcatras until we have enough prisoners, fifteen, to justify a special prison car. At the present time we have nine men approved for transfer at Leavenworth and there are pending recommendations for the transfer of fourteen others, so that a transfer will undoubtedly be made in the near future. Keanwhile Barker and Davis are receiving careful supervision at Leavenworth." Mr. Bates in his semorandum offered to make a special transfer but recommended waiting so that the entire group could be taken in a special prison car. -

I advised Mr. Eckahon that I believed it best to defer to Er. Bates' recommendation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR Federal Bureau of Investigation KRM: CJ A. S. Department of Justice 7-576 Mashington, A. C. September 16, 1935. MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR. Mr. Taux RE: ALVIN RARPIS with aliases -FUGITIVE, I. 0. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim; The following are the developments in the above entitled case for the week ending September 14, 1935: The Chicago Bureau office has made arrangements through confidential informant to be advised when It is anticipated will take place on Tuesday, September 17, 1935 at Toledo, Ohio or in that vicinity. Arrangements have been made to station a proper number of Agents in strategic positions so that they will be available when Respectfully, K. R. McIntire. RECORDED INDEXED FEDERAL EMPEAS OF I SEP 17 1935 1. M. SEP 18 1835 U. S. PEPARTMENT OF PUSTICE MMAT

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her home so they ran over to his automobile. Instead of proceeding in the proper direction, the stranger drove out a different gate and stopped at a beer parlor and suggested that Miss Sheridan permit him to buy her a few beers. After drinking one or two beers, the stranger drove her over toward the airport located on the outskirts of the city of Providence, and stopped at a diner, where he purchased some seven dollars worth of food and Miss Sheridan stated that she then realized that this individual was in a more or less intoxicated condition. He had indicated that he was an unemployed truck driver and resided with his parents in Providence. After leaving the diner, Miss Sheridan stated, she insisted that she be taken home, but instead the young man turned off on a side road to a more sparsely settled district and there indicated a brown bungalow, stating that he had just purchased this house for his father and mother. He finally heeded Miss Sheridan's protests and drove her to Sumner Street, which ran within one block of her home, and she went through the block, reaching her own home on Haskins Street. She stated that she had told him she would return in a few minutes but of course had no intention of doing so. She described this individual as having brown hair, gray-blue eyes, slender build; weight 130 lbs.; height 5'7'' tall; age 27, probably less.

This individual stated that his name was Alvin McDonald or McGregory, the last names being furnished after Miss Sheridan had remarked that the had what she believed to be a Scotch nose and the stranger indicated that his grandfather was a Scotchman. Miss Sheridan was not certain of the last name given to her by this man. She said that she had noted his license number and the following week she had checked the license number and found that it was issued to some party whose first name was Milliam and that he lived in a section far removed from that in which the brown house was located. She stated that she had destroyed her memorandum of this license number. She added that she had a habit of taking license numbers from automobiles whenever there was something about them that struck her as being suspicious and that she also inevitably destroyed her memoranda of the same. She stated that earlier in the summer she had noticed Subject Karpis' picture in the newspaper in connection with some kidnaping in the west and that the same bore a striking resemblance to the individual of whom she had been talking.

Agent then exhibited a picture of Alvin Karpis, together with other pictures, and Miss Sheridan promptly selected the picture of Subject as the party whom she had been out with. However, she began to explain to Agent that the lower half of Subject's face did not appear to be the same as the party whom she had met but that if you would cover up Subject Karpis' mouth and chin, the balance of the picture looked a great deal like the stranger.

Agent had noticed that while she was talking she referred to the stranger as a "mere child" and when questioned as to the age of the individual to whom she referred, she stated that she believed him to

be a very young men and had so remarked to him, but he had stated that he was 35 years old. Miss Sheridan said that this was obviously false; that she herself was over thirty five, a fact which, however, she did not indicate to the stranger. Miss Sheridan presents a much younger appearance than the age she indicated to Agent.

At Agent's request, Miss Sheridan accompanied him to the beer parlor and after a considerable search pointed out the brown house which she stated she believed was the one designated to her by the stranger. Discreet inquiry in the neighborhood revealed that no one by the name of Alvin was known and that no families bearing the name McDonald or McGregory lived in the vicinity.

At the beer parlor, Agent exhibited a photograph of Subject Karpis to two employees who had indicated that they had been connected with this establishment since prior to September, 1934. These employees stated that they had not seen anyone in their establishment bearing a likeness to the picture; that they knew no one by the name of Alvin. It is noted that Miss Sheridan had stated to Agent that the young man whom she was out with apparently was very well acquainted with the employees at this beer parlor.

On September 11, 1935, news items appeared in Boston papers reporting that Alvin Karpis had been seen in an automobile between Camden and Belfast, Maine, September 10, 1935. Similar information had been received in reference telephone call from Mr. Tamm. Upon receiving this information, Special Agent W. J. West contacted Officer Pray of the Maine State Police, Thomaston, Maine, who stated that at about 4 P. M., September 10, 1935, one cay Carver attached to the Alcohol Tax Unit at Lincolnville, Maine, reported that between three and four o'clock he had seen a black Lincoln or Cadillac Seden bearing Ohio plates KD882 proceeding on the highway from Camden to Belfast, Maine. This car contained four men, one of whom it was believed resembled Alvin Karpis. The highways had been searched and guards placed in strategic points, but no such car had been located.

Special Agent W. J. West then contacted by telephone
Lieutenant Cushman, who is the Officer in Charge of the Thomaston Barracks.
Lt. Cushman was reached at his home and stated that he could give no additional information, save that at about 4 A. M., September 11, one of his officers had arrested at Bath, Maine, an intoxicated man. The State Police had communicated with New York relative to this individual's identity, but had not received a reply.

Special Agent West then contacted by telephone the Maine State Police at Bath, Maine and was advised that the man being held there gave his name as Edward L. Kennedy, of 6551 77th St., Middle Village, N. Y.,

and that he was found in a Plymouth Coupe, N. Y. license plates N4884. Officer Thompson, who was the officer contacted, stated that the age and weight of the man he was holding did not agree with the description of Karpis and that he was awaiting word from New York as to the identity of the man being held.

Telephone call was then made to the New York Bureau Office advising them of the facts of the arrest of one Edward L. Kennedy and requesting that a check of this individual be made. A teletype was also sent to the Cincinnati Office requesting a check of the Ohio license plates KD882.

The New York Office subsequently advised by teletype that the Plymouth Coupe in which Kennedy had been arrested was properly registered to Edward L. Kennedy and that he was employed by the City of New York with the Tenement House Bureau and was presently vacationing at Bath, Maine. Mr. Kennedy had resided at 6551 77th St., Middle Village, Long Island, N. Y., for the past seven years.

Special Agent W. F. Keefe interviewed Edward L. Kennedy at Bath, Maine, who stated that he had been arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated and gave his age as 47. Mr. Kennedy is about 5'7'' tall, weight - 150 lbs.; has dark heir turning gray. He stated that he was employed as a clerk in the Department of Buildings, City of New York, and that he had been residing in the vicinity of Boothbay Harbor, Maine since June in an effort to recover his health. He stated that he met two strangers at Boothbay Harbor the afternoon of September 10th and that he and his companions began drinking and that his car had subsequently been wrecked while being driven by one of his companions. Kennedy positively does not resemble Karpis, and upon being exhibited picture of Subject Karpis, advised that neither of his companions resembled the likeness of Karpis.

Special Agent W. F. Keefe then proceeded to Lincolnville, Maine and there interviewed Guy Carver, who stated that he was an informant for Henry Weaver, a Federal Alcohol Tax Unit representative at Portland, Maine, and that on September 10, 1935 at about 4:30 P. M., he had seen a black Lincoln or Cadillac Sedan at Belfast, Maine. This car bore Ohio license plates KD882 and in it were four men, all wearing dark clothes. He stated that about three of the men appeared to be about forty years of age and that one of them was about thirty, the latter bearing a likeness to the picture of Karpis.

Officer Gray of the Maine State Police stated that Carver was not reliable and that he carries with him about 25 pictures of Fugitives which he has cut out of magazines and posted in a note book which he carries with him at all times.

Reference teletype from Cleveland was received advising that Euick Sedan bearing 1935 Ohio license KD882 was registered to Karl Pajello, 8813 Empire Ave., Cleveland, Ohio; and that Pajello is a wrestler and was believed to have wrestled in Boston September 9, 1935. The wrestling matches referred to in this teletype had been postponed from Monday, September 9, 1935 to the night of September 11, 1935 and the writer, together with Special Agent J. J. Meehan, proceeded to Fenway Park, Boston, Mass., for the purpose of interviewing Karl Pajello who was taking part in a wrestling match preliminary to the main bout.

Mr. Pajello stated that at about ten o'clock September 10, 1935, he, together with three other wrestlers, had left Boston for Bar Harbor, Maine, and had arrived at Bar Harbor, early on the evening of September 10. Mr. Pajello and his companions had gone to Bar Harbor to take part in wrestling matches conducted at Bar Harbor, Maine, the evening of September 10, 1935. Mr. Pajello advised that after the bouts were over, he had returned to Boston arriving about eight thirty the morning of September 11th. He stated that he had been accompanied by Jim Kendricks, Henry Peirce and Schaeffer, first name unknown; that all of his companions were larger men than he, being six feet tall and all weighing over 200 lbs. He also said that he had not picked up anyone along the highway. Mr. Pajello advised that he was 42 years of age, and weighed 200 lbs. Agent observed that Mr. Pajello bore no resemblance whatsoever to picture of Karpis. Mr. Pajello could not furnish the addresses of his companions except that he advised that Henry Peirce was taking part in one of the preliminaries that evening at Fenway Park.

Agent had contacted Mr. Pajello in the dressing rooms and upon leaving the dressing rooms was advised that Peirce was presently standing at the head of the runway watching the bouts. Henry Peirce stated that on the previous day he had gone to Bar Harbor, Maine with Pajello to take part in some wrestling bouts and that altogether there were four in the party, one of the men bearing the name Schaeffer. Mr. Peirce could not recall the name of the fourth member of the party. Mr. Peirce is a young man about 6'l' tall, veighing about 215 lbs., with light colored hair and eyes. Agent exhibited picture of Karpis to Mr. Peirce and he stated that none of his companions in any way resembled the picture exhibited to him. He stated that at no time had they picked up anyone along the highway.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. J_{\bullet} Lieehan.

AT BOSTON, MASS.

Mr. J. A. Moyer, Director, Division of University Extension, Mass. Department of Education, State House, advised that his records do not reflect the name of A. R. McCuen as a correspondence student and as there are now over 30,000 class students in Massachusetts, list of these is not presently being kept and therefore, Mr. Moyer was unable to advise whether or not A. R. McCuen was a class student. He also advised that official paper of the

Division of University Extension is stored in the basement of the State House and anyone having access to the basement could secure some of this paper for his own use.

At the Registry of Motor Vehicles, Agent ascertained that Massachusetts (1935) registration plates #239679 were issued to Howard F. Rose, 74 Mill St., New Bedford, Mass., for an Essex Terraplane Coach Motor #25524.

AT NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

A thorough search through the Directory and Telephone Book failed to reveal the name of A. R. McCuen. However, Anna R. McCue was listed in the Directory as residing at 640 County Road, New Bedford.

Agent proceeded to that address and as he rang the doorbell, a young woman about 23 years of age immediately opened the door. She had her coat and hat on and evidently was opening the door to go out as Agent rang the bell. She advised that no one else was at home and that she was on her way to work and was in a hurry. Agent advised her who he was and asked her if anyone in her family had written a letter to Mr. Hoover at Washington. Immediately the young woman became extremely nervous and excited and started to walk away from Agent, denying at the same time that she knew anything about such a letter. Under persistent questioning, she finally admitted that her name was Anna Rangous and that she had written the letter in question.

Because of her nervousness and apparent fear, it was very difficult to obtain any definite information from her. However, the jist of the information elicited from her was to the effect that she had been reading the New Bedford newspapers concerning the arrest of a young man for robbery; that, according to the papers, this young man resided at 407 Mill Street, New Bedford, and also about this time, she had noticed a young man in an automobile bearing Massachusetts (1935) registration plates #239679 who, she thought, resembled Alvin Karpis; that she had never seen the car in the vicinity of 407 Mill Street and she herself had never been in the vicinity of that address, but had obtained this address from a newspaper item. She further stated that she did not know the man who owned the automobile in question and she had no particular reason for writing a letter to Mr. Hoover, but thought that there might be some connection between the man who was arrested for robbery and the driver of the automobile whom she thought resembled Karpis.

During this entire interview, Hiss McCue was continuously walking up the street away from Agent and said that she had no information to give except that which was contained in the letter already written and that if she had known that she was going to be interviewed, she would never have written the letter.

Howard FA Rose, 74 Mill Street, was interviewed at Cherry & Co., a large department store in New Bedford, where he has been employed for

the past few years as a clerk and salesman. Mr. Rose is twenty eight years of age, though he appears to be about 22, $5^{\dagger}7^{\frac{1}{2}}$ tall, weighs 140 lbs., and has blonde curley hair. He advised that he is the only one who drives his automobile and that he has never been in the vicinity of 407 Mill Street and also stated that he did not know anyone in the town who had the family name of McCue.

Inspector J. H. Pollack of the New Bedford Police Department, advised that he personally knows Anna R. McCue and her family; that the father is dead and Mrs. McCue and her two daughters (one the writer of the letter in question) and a son, reside at 640 County Road; that they have no police record and have a good reputation in the community. Inspector Pollack also advised that Howard F. Rose has no police record and also has a good reputation.

Inspector Pollack further stated that on July 19, 1935, a man named George Levesque, who boarded at 408 Mill Street, was arrested for larceny and breaking and entering and that he is now in the House of Correction in New Bedford, awaiting action of the Grand Jury; that the premises at 408 Mill Street are owned by Joseph L. Munro, an elderly man who is a janitor in one of the public schools in New Bedford, that he, Inspector Pollack, personally knows Mr. Munro and Munro has a good reputation in the community, no police record, and it was merely a coincidence that Levesque was boarding with Munro at the time he was arrested.

Inspector Pollack further stated that at the present time Mr. Munro and his wife are the sole occupants of 408 Mill Street and that there is no such address as 407 Mill Street.

The following description of George Levesque was furnished by Inspector Pollack:

Age: 23
Height: 5'8''
Weight: 165 lbs.
Build: Medium
Hair: Light
Complexion: Light

Arrested July 19, 1935; presently confined in House of Correction, New Bedford, eweiting Grand Jury action on charge of larceny and breaking and entering.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF, INVESTIGATION

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO FILE NO. REPORT MADE AT DATE WHEN MADE REPORT MADE BY 9/17/35 9/13,14,16/35 CHARLOTTE, N.C. P.S. BAILEY, JR.: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; I.O. No. 1218 - FUGITIVE, Et Al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING: HARBORING OF FUGITIVES: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE: NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: W. H. Thompson, 8282 West Trade RECEIVED Street, Charlotte, N.C., presently operating privately owned truck, making long distance hauls for R. J. Davis Motor Express, Inc., Charlotte, N.C.; lived in New Smyrna, Fla. for one year, until March, 1935. Mother of Thompson known to have lived at above address for the past five or six years. Nothing questionable as to Thompson's reputation developed; little known of his activities in neighborhood. No police record at Charlotte, N.C. Report Special Agent M. W. Meskins, Jacksonville, REFERENCE: Fla., dated September 9, 1935. DETAILS: AT CHARLOTTE, N.C. Agent ascertained that 8282 West Trade Street is the upstairs of an old brick building, located on the northeast corner of Clarkson and West Trade Streets; that the downstairs portion of this building is occupied by an Atlantic DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES SEF 1 8 1935 3-Bureau 2-St. Paul 2-Cincinnati COPIES DESTROYED 2-Chicago 2-Charlotte

and Pacific Tea Company store.

Agent interviewed Mr. Burt, Manager of the above mentioned Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company Store, in an effort to ascertain who lived upstairs over his store in the apartment. Mr. Burt stated that he had operated the store in that vicinity for only the past few months, and that he did not know the occupants of the apartment over him. Mr. Burt made inquiry of the other clerks in the store, and none of them knew any of the people who lived upstairs, at 828 West Trade Street.

Agent interviewed Mr. H. E. Edwards, who operates the Edwards' Drug Store, directly across the street, on the opposite corner of 8282 West Trade Street. Mr. Edwards advised that he had been in that part of town for the past year; that he was familiar with most people in this locality, but knew very little about the people who lived at 8282 West Trade Street, as his only contact with these people was that they often came to his drug store and used the telephone. He advised, however, that there was a Mrs. Thompson, who, he understood, rented the entire upstairs, which has several rooms, and that she sub-let a portion of the upstairs to two families, one of which was named Pugh and the other, named Parker; that the Pughs had lived at this address for some time, and that the Parkers had recently moved in.

Mr. Edwards further advised that Mrs. Thompson has a son, whose name he did not know, but stated that if he heard it called, he would probably recognize it. (It should be noted here that agent asked if it was W. H. Thompson, and he replied that it was.) He stated that this young man, Thompson, was apparently at work most of the time and he saw very little of him. Mr. Edwards stated he did not know the nature of Thompson's work.

Continuing, Mr. Edwards advised that there was another man who lived with Mrs. Thompson, about the age of forty-five, and who drove a 1928 Model, light blue Buick Coupe; that this party was supposed to work on relief work; that he frequently saw this party, and he was claimed by Mrs. Thompson to be her foster son.

Mr. Edwards advised that the building at 8282 West Trade Street was owned by one, Watts, who is connected with a realty company in Charlotte, and that Bill James, who operated the James Grocery Store, just below his drug store, was probably in a better position to give more definite information regarding

the people who lived at $828\frac{1}{2}$ West Trade Street than he was, and advised agent to contact him.

It should be noted that during the course of conversation with Mr. Edwards, it was learned that some credit company or companies had recently made inquiry relative to W. H. Thompson. It should be noted further that agent did not identify himself as being with the Bureau.

Agent interviewed Bill James, of the James Grocery Store, which is also just across the street from 8282 West Trade Street, in an effort to learn something about the Thompson family. Mr. James advised that Mrs. Thompson has lived in the upstairs of the brick building, which is 8282 West Trade Street, to his knowledge, for the past three or four years; that Mrs. Thompson is a very old lady, and it was his understanding that she had rented the entire upstairs, which consisted of several rooms, and, in turn, sub-let these rooms to various occupants.

As to the Thompson family, Ar. James advised that there was a man who lived with Mrs. Thompson, who is about forty-five years of age, and who, Mrs. Thompson claims to be her foster son; that Mrs. Thompson has a son around thirty years of age, who is married; that the son, whose given name he did not know, had previously worked, to his knowledge, with the McClaren Rubber Company, Charlotte, North Carolina, prior to its going out of business; that at the present time, Thompson is driving a truck, for what company he did not know, but that he occasionally saw Thompson drive up to this address in a truck, which is a black Ford V-8, with a large trailer; that the Thompsons traded with him occasionally and paid cash for all purchases; that he did not believe Mrs. Thompson was in a very good financial condition, but that she had to work hard and live economically, in order to meet her small obligations.

While in the vicinity of 8282 West Trade Street, agent observed a new Ford V-8 truck, black in color, with a large trailer attached, drive up to the side of this building, on Clarkson. Street, and park there; that a man, which appeared to be about thirty years of age, about 5'8" tall, with fair complexion, got out of the truck, with a small suitcase in his hand, and proceeded upstairs to the front door of the apartment. It should be noted that agent could only observe this man from his rear, as he proceeded up the steps, which are outside steps, to the building. This man was dressed in ordinary blue working clothes.

Shortly after this, agent proceeded to the truck, in an effort to ascertain whose truck it was, and it was found that the truck had no identifying name or any mark thereon, but the numbers of the license tag on the front of the truck were S-4016, North Carolina, 1935, and on the trailer were S-6685, North Carolina, 1935.

Agent proceeded to the Carolina Motor Club, Charlotte, North Carolina, for the purpose of ascertaining to whom the above North Carolina truck numbers were issued, and it was ascertained that they do not have any information as to registration of this particular truck or other trucks of this nature; that said information will have to be obtained from the Motor Vehicle Bureau, Raleigh, North Carolina, State Headquarters,

Agent interviewed Lewis P. Watts, 326 South Church Street, who advised that the brick building on the northeast corner of West Trade and Clarkson Streets is owned by him, the lower portion of which is used by an Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company Store, and the upstairs of which is used as an apartment. He advised that the upstairs of this building had been rented to one, Mrs. Belle Thompson, for the past five or six years; that Mrs. Thompson had taken the upstairs of masses do this building shortly after having lost her job as housekeeper for the Selwyn Hotel, Charlotte, North Carolina, and that she had endeavored to make a living by renting the portion of the upstairs at 828 West Trade Street that she did not use; that, to his knowledge, Mrs. Thompson used two rooms, and had four, or perhaps five, which she rented out, the renters not being known to him. Mr. Watts advised that he knew very little about 1rs. Thompson, except that she seemed to be a good and honest woman, a widow, and one who seemed to have a hard time making money enough to pay her rent; that approximately two years ago, due to the fact that her rent was rather hard to collect and inconvenienced him a great deal, he turned the collection of this rent over to the Home Realty Company, Charlotte, North Carolina, and since that date, the Home Realty Company has collected same. Ifr. Watts advised that he knew nothing about the family of Mrs. Thompson, and that if she did have a family, he did not know it.

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who advised that he had a file on W. H. Thompson, 8282 West Trade Street; that his file reflected the following information, the same having been collected around June 27, 1935, by his investigator:

Thompson worked for Morton Stone Company, Charlotte, North Carolina, as a stone-cutter up until about nine years ago; that Thompson returned to the City of Charlotte some time in March, 1935, after having spent several years away from the City of Charlotte; that he did not know where this time was spent, with the exception of one year previous to March, 1935, and for this one year he had been informed through his Bureau, which information had been checked, that Thompson was engaged in the filling station business at New Smyrna, Florida, running a legitimate business, with a good reputation; that, on a whole, his report from Florida was favorable.

further advised that Thompson had, in July, 1935, bought a Ford truck, with a trailer, for the purpose of hauling, same being financed by the Universal Credit Company, and that subject had made his July and August payments promptly, said payments on the truck amounting to approximately \$140.00; that subject was handling business for the R. J. Davis Motor Express, Incorporated, 435 West Liddell Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, said company being a brokerage company, and it was his understanding that Thompson did long distance hauling.

further advised that he understands the R. J. Davis Motor Express, Incorporated, is backed by W. A. Yandle, who operates the Ford Agency at Pineville, North Carolina.

advised that, so far as he knew, the R. J. Davis Motor Express, Incorporated, was a reputable brokerage trucking company, and that Thompson is engaged in a legitimate business while operating his own truck. He further advised that his file reflected that subject was married, and that Mrs. Belle Thompson was his mother, whose address is the same as Thompson's, 8282 West Trade Street.

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that they might have on W. H. Thompson. It was ascertained that they did not have any information on Thompson; that the only -W. H. Thompson that they had in their files was to the effect that in July, 1933, there was a W. H. Thompson, working at 115 North Pine Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, being employed as agent for the Atlantic Refining Company; that this particular Thompson was thirty-five years of age, and at that time gave his occupation as that of a stone-cutter.

Agent interviewed C. H. Howie, Manager of the Miller Motor Express Company, one of the largest transfer companies in Charlotte, North Carolina, for the purpose of ascertaining the reputation of the R. J. Davis Motor Express, Incorporated. Mr. Howie advised that Mr. Davis was an independent operator, operating on a brokerage scale, hiring privately owned trucks after securing the business himself, and dealt principally in long distance hauling; that even though Mr. Davis ran a rather hot competitive business, he knew of nothing that was questionable about the operation of his business.

Agent contacted the Charlotte, North Carolina Identification Unit, in an effort to locate any possible criminal record of W. H. Thompson, and it was ascertained that he was not known to the local police, either in the Identification Unit or personally.

It should also be noted that Frank N. Little john, Chief of Detectives, Charlotte Police Department, was interviewed, and advised that, so far as he knew, the R. J. Davis Motor Express, Incorporated, was operating a legitimate business, and that nothing had come to his attention to the contrary. However, Mr. Little john was not personally acquainted with the operation of this business.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE CINCINNATI OFFICE will consider the information contained in this report and advise the Charlotte Office of any additional information relative to W. H. Thompson, 8282 West Trade Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, and whether or not it is desired that Thompson be interviewed, and along what lines it is desired that he be interviewed.

THE CHARLOTTE OFFICE, at Charlotte, North Carolina, upon receipt of the above information from the Cincinnati Office, will conduct appropriate investigation.

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases I.O. #1218; et al;

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Vict: KIDNAPING FLDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are transmitted herewith copies of the following listed letters:

- (1) Letter addressed to Mr. Robert Delaney, 6045 Kimbark Ave., Chicago, Illinois from Dolores Delaney, who is presently confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan.
- (2) Letter addressed to Miss Dolores DeLaney, who is confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan from Mr. J. Karpavicz, 2842 N. Francisco Ave., Chicago, Illinois.
- (3) Letter addressed to Miss Wynona, Burdette, who is confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milen, Michigan, from her sister, Millie, Box III, Burley, Oklahoma.
- (4) Letter addressed to Miss Wynona Burdette, who is confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, from Mr. & Mrs. A. P. Burdette, 536 Valley St., Lewistown, Pa.

Copies of these letters are also being forwarded to the offices listed below.

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Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

Special Agent in Charge

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Dear Bud:

Listen you - are you going to write or are you? I have tried to wait patiently but gee minny! I can't wait forever. You know I love to get your letter, so please answer this real soon, huh?

what have you been doing with yourself lately? Seen any good shows or anything like that? Man; it's been so long since I've seen a show I've almost forgotten what they're like. Do you know it won't be long 'till I'll be arrested a year. That's an awful long time. I've been in here six months and only have three years and two months to go. Not bad, eh? but an awful long way from being good.

How is Babe and Mugs? I got their letters about a week ago and was I ever tickled to get them. I almost passed out from the shock. Tell them to be good and hurry and come and see me and you, too, you little so and so. I really want to see you. Oh, yes, could any of you kids possibly send me a dollar as soon as you get this? I have exactly twenty cents and see I am amoking Bull Durham and rolling my own I can make it last me a week but that's as far as it will go. Mugs said in her letter that she could send me that much if it would help and it sure would - plenty. Please try to get it to me, won't you? I just hate to ask any of you for it but, golly, I sure do need it bad. I've done everything I can to economize but I've got it down as far as I could with laying off of tabacco completely and I'd hate to have to do that. A dollar a month would see me through for smokes and if I could get an extra dollar every other month for tooth paste, soap, etc. I could make it pretty good. I could use the soap they give here but it's terribly hard on the persons face and I won't want to use it until I absolutely have to.

Have you got a new girl yet? Better hunt around and find one. They are pretty nice to have, I'll bet, if you get the right kind.

It is only 7:30 but I got excused and came to bed. I played "Pinockle" until I was dizzy and as there wasn't anything else to do I decided to catch up on my beauty sleep. I really need it. Itdoesn't seem right now as if I have ever been rested. I'm so dead-tired most of the time I feel that if I could just sleep for about two months I could do this time half-way right. I'm still not sure I can make it without blowing my top.

Have you been over to see that handsome son of mine lately? I hear he is getting better looking every day. "Ain't that sompin?" Emily says every time they put him on the floor he tried to walk. He'll most likely be a champion sprinter when I get out. They say they just can't keep shoes on him, he's always pulling them off and then he always has one foot either in the air or in his mouth.

Buddy, do you run around with any of the boys you used to beside "Bert"? I remember when you and that gang of yours hung around that drug store on 65th St., wasn't it? Remember how you used to "shag" me home. Oh, boy, I used to get so mad at you, I had a lot of fun then, tho even if you were pretty bossy, ha, ha. It was just what I needed. When I get out you can boss me all you want to ----- maybe.

What did you think about Huey Long getting killed? I don't see why they had to pick on that man - I really admired him. Wouldn't he have made a swell "President"? It seems like all the really good people are being killed in some way. Wiley Post and Will Rogers, two pretty swell people in my estimation and then Huey. The Lord only knows who will be next. That's rather a morbid thing to write about isn't it? I'll have to think of something better than that to tell you.

I have started a regular "art shop".here. Anytime any of the girls have a birthday, the rest of them come to see me to make birdthday cards. I draw pictures on the front and make up bits of verse. I've made quite a few already and have a bunch more to make. I have so many to make for others I never get time to make any to wish anyone a happy birthday or anything else for myself. I really like to draw tho' and I am getting pretty fair if I do say so myself - who shouldn't.

Well, honey, I'll say goodbye for now and write real, real, soon and tell me all the news.

Loads and loads of love.

Dolores

P.S. Pat and wynona said to say "hello" and "little Helen" did, too.

Letter by Dolores DeLaney to her brother Robert at 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

2846 N. Francisco Ave., Chicago, Illinois Sept 10, 1935

Dear Dolores:

We are dropping you a few lines just to let you know how things are going here. We sent you some pictures and \$5.00 last month but haven't heard yet whether or not you received them. We received your letter but we had already written. Perhaps the best arrangement would be for you to await our letter before writing yours to us.

The things which you said were supposed to be sent here haven't come and we don't know any thing about them. Both of your sisters were here one day last month and promised to come back in a day or so but haven't been back so far.

I think my daughter, Emily, wrote you a letter. However, we don't know what or when she wrote. The best idea is not to pay to much attention to what she writes. I don't think that she is supposed to be writing at all.

Now about Raymond: he is getting bigger and fatter every day, and stronger every day too. He started to sit alone about a month ago. He had a little trouble cutting some teeth. He will soon have six teeth. We had him to the doctor for his toxoid injection (diptheria prevention). He weighs about 20 lbs. All the things you bought for him are too small. As he is getting bigger he also is becoming smarter and meaner. He spends most all day out-of-doors.

He will soon be sending you \$5.00 again.

We hope you are well and that everything is alright with you.

Yours truly,

(Signed) John Karpavicz

Envelope addressed to Dolores Delaney at Milan, Michigan.

Turley, Okla. Box 111, Sept 7, 1935

Dearest little Sis:

Well here I am just now ans your letter after so long a time. I am very sorry to have been so long writing, forgive me, little dear? I'll never neglect you again, realy, I have been so busy sewing and getting the kiddies ready for school. You see I've got five to send this year. We'll just have the baby at home, and is he a dandy, talks just as big as the rest now. Wish you could see him. I'll get his pitchure made as soon as I can and send you one. I'm sending one of Jimmie and Ruth and one of Kathlein, and Eunice is sending you one of herself and I.

We four girls went to town and stayed all afternoon. Wish you had been with us. We had a jolly good time. I'll send the children in to Ruth's one at a time and let her take them and get their's made and send you.

Honey, girl, I think of you every hour of the day. I pity myself sometime, never getting to go any place and then I think of my baby
sis, bless your heart, Nonie. God knows down deep in your heart you are a
good and sweet little girl. I'll never believe that there is anything but
kindness in that great big heart of your little sis.

Yes, Jimmie is with me but I don't know how long she will be. She is trying to find work so she can get Ellen in school. I wish it was so I could send her but its hard to keep up mine and feed them on twenty dollars a month, it keeps me thinking and pinching pennies, three dollars of that goes to pay the children's insurance each mounth.

I got right at three hundred qts of, first thing and then another up 54 qts of that is B berries.

Ch, yes, honey girl, if you were here I'd make you that berrie cobbler with pleasure and the hot biscuits to. Yes, Nonie, dear, it will be quite a day of rejoicing when we all get together by and by. Oh, how I would love to you little dear, honey, your letter hurt me so and made me feel so blue and neglectful to my own little baby sis.

No, Jim isn't going with Mr. Raffenspurger, he is one fine man and as for me, Nonie, your old sis doesn't want a man or not at the time. I don't feel like it even though they tell me if I would get out of this bottom once in awhile someone would steal me.

Got a card from Art today. He will be coming home soon. Will sure be glad to see him.

Yes, Mr. Hansen has been coming out to see us. All so Mr. Kitchen. Have you ever met him? Nice fellow, both of them. When they were here they are so nice to me, it was like telling home folks goodby when they left. They seem to have taken a great liking to the kiddies.

Homer and his new wife isn't geting along so well. He doesn't get to come out very often now. He goes to see Ruth, he told her that he gets awfull blue to come out. Poor kid.

Esther and R.D. doesn't get down very often. They get down to Lula and Floydes. Did Eunice or Essie tell you that we were all together awhile back? All but you and Art. May, poor girl, sure lookes bad.

Yes, Aaron was out to see me, he is geting more like papa every day. You are not the only one thats gaining weight.

Honey girl, we are all fine andeat like pigs. Will close for this time. Ans soon

Forever your Sis

with love

Millie

Envelope addressed to

Rynona Burdette at Milan, Michigan.

"Lewistown, Penna. Sept. 11/1935/

Dear Sis

Received your sweet letter just before leaving Erie. How do you think I enjoyed setting out of Erie - huh - Helen came up Sat. night and got me - We left there at 10 a.m. and got here at 6 p.m.. Were starting life over a new again - and are both happy - for the third time - Helen was working in Pottstown, Pa. - But we decided to stay here. Were not doing any thing at present but will be soon. We are staying at Helens bro's place and Helen & Edna are washing and scrubbing. Edna is Helens bro's wife. They are surely nice to us and I never saw them but once before at Altoona when Helen and me met for the 2nd time - We went out to tell them we were going to get married and talk it over with them - Helen and me are writing together. I am not going to write very much baby sis for I am pretty tierd am helping Merel paint a car thats Helen's bro.

But you write often.

Your loving bro & sis

Art & Helen xxxxx (x's have circles drawn around them)

P.S. Yes Lena was so nice to me I came home with Helen - ha.

Sept. 11, 35 Lewistown, Pa.

Dear Sisters

Just a few lines in with Arts letter but pardon all mistakes I may makes as Art is using the good pen, this one I have is a pain.

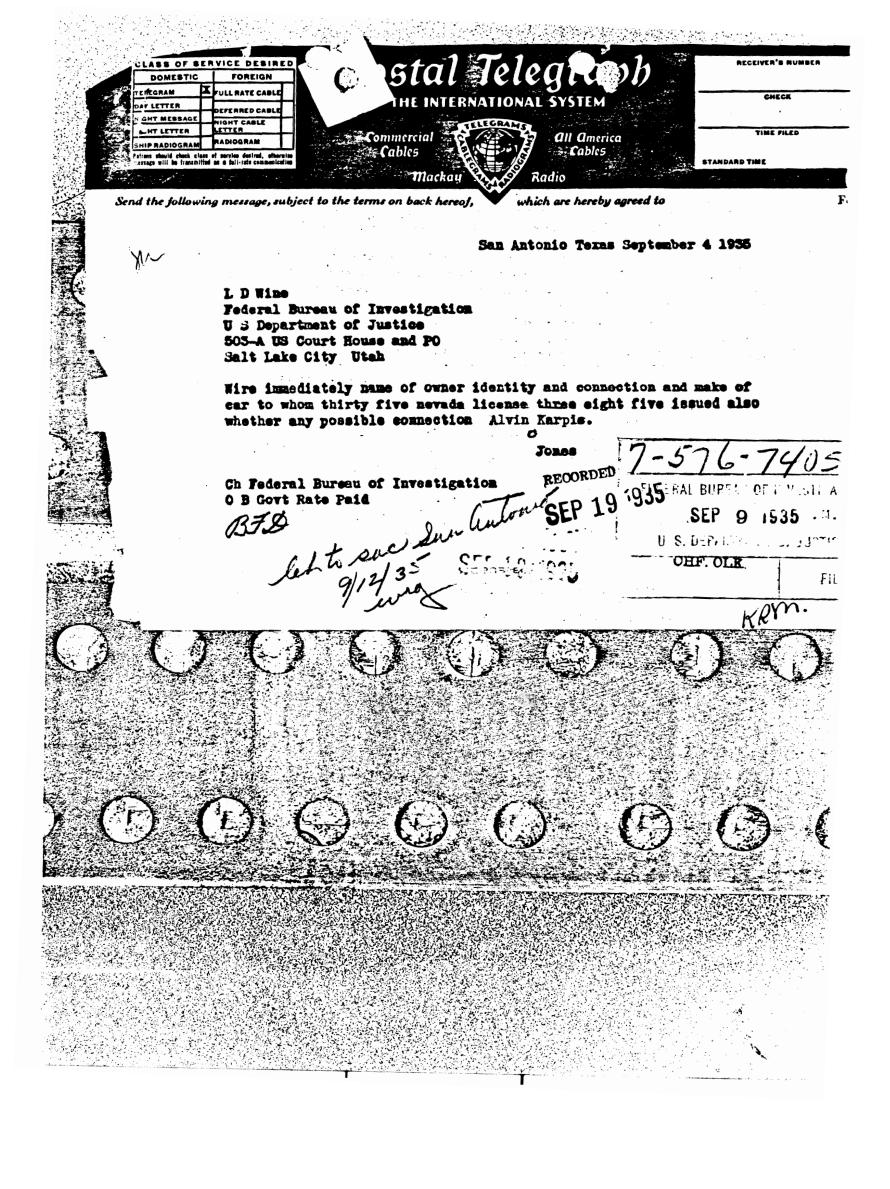
I guess you will be very much surprised to hear of Art and I going back together in fact we surprised our selves as I went up to have divorce papers signed, but as is came back with him in place of the papers and I have no regrets for we are both verynhappy and more in love them when we were married.

Art has stoped so I have to finish but I really don(t know much more to say except we are all thinking of you and hope to hear from you soon.

Your loving bro & sis

Art & Helen

Address: Mr. & Mrs. A. P. Burdette, 536 Valley St., Lewistown, Pa.



TJD: ATW

Special Agent in Charge, San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sire

Reference is made to a copy of the following Postal telegram, addressed to Special Agent in Charge L. D. Wine at the Salt Lake City Office, dated September 4, 1935, which has been forwarded to the Bureau by your offices

Wire immediately name of owner identity and connection and make of car to whom thirty five nevada license three eight five issued also whether may possible connection

Jones*

Your attention is drawn to the fact that Section 81 of the Manuel of Rules and Regulations provides that only translations of code telegrams exchanged between field offices shall be forwarded to the Bureau.

Please give this matter appropriate attention to prevent a recurrence of the forwarding of copies of coded telegrams to the Eureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover REAU Director.

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Deparal Bureau of Investigation

A. S. Department of Instice P. O. Box #1525 Pittsburgh, Pa.

September 17, 1935

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

> ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG. I. 0. # 1218; et al. Edward G. Bremer - Victim KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter received by Dennis H. Stoltz, 607 Thirteenth Street, Altoona, Pennsylvania, received September 14, 1935.

The letter, as you will note, again refers to the fact that KARPIS is in Cleveland, Ohio; that CAMPBELL is in Chicago, Illinois; that WILLIE HARRISON is in Toledo, Ohio; that DR. JOSEPH MORAN is in New York City; that EDNA MURRAY is in Chicago, and that WILLIAM MAHAN is in Butte, Montana.

It may be stated that also on September 14, 1935 Dennis H. Stoltz personally called at the Pittsburgh Bureau Office when he requested to be furnished with a letter indicating that he was engaged in the investigation of the case and that he be permitted to carry a revolver.

As indicated in my letter of September 10, 1935 the informant is somewhat erratic and that he is accuainted with the location of these much sought fugitives through mental concentration. While it is believed that the information given by Stoltz cannot be relied upon his letter is being forwarded to the Bureau and interested offices. His future communications, however, or his future calls to this office will not be seriously taken into consideration, unless, of course, the Pittsburgh Office is advised that he may be correct in some of his predictions.

C. K. FIERSTONE DDL: IW Special Agent in Charge 7-81 cc: Cincinnati Chicago

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Special Agent in Charge Division of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice 620 New Federal Bldg. Pittsburgh, Pa.

In regards to our conversation Sunday Sept. 1st 8 P.M also my letter to you Sept. 7th 1935 and my message & conversation this afternoon about 2.30 P.M E. S. In regards to Bremer and Weyerhaeuser Kidnaping cases. The following additional information and same is what I believe at this writing.

Harry Campbell lives on L avenue South Chicago near 99th St. I wish to correct the name of the station I used and make same read East Side station N. Y. C. RR instead of Englewood Sta. He lives in a three story gray brick house with a stone steps no poarch. same is located on left side of the avenue going north about two or three squares from this East Side Station. The rest the same as my letter to you Sept. 7th, 1935.

I believe Karpis and Mead are making arrangements to leave Cleveland O. this evening after midnight for South Chicago Ill. instead of Sept. 15th as I mentioned in letter Sept. 7th This on account of Indiana Harbor Ind works payday tomorrow and Hershey Ill payday Konday.

I believe Willie Harrison lives at 2460 3rd ave. frame house Toledo. O. rooms and boards there, he wears a wig and has dark curly hair.

I believe Dr. Joseph Moran Plastic Surgeon lives at an apartment 5th floor in building at 177th St. and Broadway New York N. Y. (Bronx) He stays with an Italian named Joe, very dark 5 ft 2 inches weight about 130 Dr Moran does not go out much.

I believe Edna Murray lives in Chicago III. Lake Side Hotel has been there three or four months. She goes by name of Edna Kollick and has changed her hair to blonde.

I believe the man who is working for Wm. Mahan at Bute Mont. is driving an eight cylinder Packard roadster with rumble seat, the car is blue in color. This in addition to my conversation Sept 1st about

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT 7-24 Cincinnati, Ohio. DATE WHEN MADE REPORT MADE BY REPORT MADE AT PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Jacksonville, Florida. B. F. Fitzsimons. Sept. 16,1935 KIDNAPING: CHARACTER OF CASE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, 1.0. 1218, HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; FUGITIVE; et al. OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT:

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Joseph Peter Dowling, with aliases, arrested Miami, Florida, 4-30-35, and released on 5-1-35. Dowling known as small time gambler and card shark.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent A. B. Leckie, Charlotte,

North Carolina, 9/10/35.

DETAILS:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Through inquiry of J. O. Barker, Bureau of Identification, Miami, Police Department, it was ascertained that Joseph Peter Dowling, under the alias of J. P. Donahue, was arrested at Miami on April 30, 1935, on a charge of investigation in connection with his activities as a "card shark". No prosecution was instituted and Dowling was released on May 1, 1935.

Concerning Dowling, and for the information of interested offices, it may be stated that on June 15, 1935, the local resident agent at Miami was called upon to investigate an entanglement involving a passenger aboard the Clyde-Mallory steemship "Algonquin" enroute from Galveston, Texas, to New York City. Upon boarding the boat and interviewing the officers, members of the crew and the alleged victim, it was ascertained that the victim had become engaged in a card game, voluntarily, during the course of which he lost approximately one hundred dollars. One of the individuals with whom the victim had engaged in the card game was Dowling, and when interviewed on that occasion Dowling claimed that he was born at Jackson, Michigan, and that he had spent considerable time in and about

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Detroit. However, it was ascertained, through inquiry of the Police at Miami, that Dowling has been engaged in petty gambling, principally as a card shark, aboard steamers catering to middle class of passengers. At the time of the occurrence mentioned there did not appear to be any violation of a Federal statute within the jurisdiction of the Bureau and the local police at Miami claimed they could not take jurisdiction inasmuch as no local ordinance had been violated and neither the victim nor officials of the Clyde-Mallory Lines would prefer charges against Dowling and his two companions. It may likewise be stated that because of the complaint made by the victim, after he had lost his money, the entire emount was returned to him by the individuals with whom he engaged in the card game.

The report of reference does not indicate Dowling's possible connection in this matter. However, one copy of this report is being furnished to the Atlanta and Boston offices for such assistance as it may offer in connection with the investigations of Dowling in those districts.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR Hederal Bureau of Investigation A. S. Department of Justice Washington, D. C. HN:CSH September 11, 1935 MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE 12:15 P.M. Miss Gandy Mr. Connelley called on the telephone from Chicago an states the situation with regard to the Bremer case is that in the case expects to meet the woman in Elkhart, Indiana. instructions from the woman are that he is to go to Elkhart where she will contact him. This is to occur Sunday night or Monday. Connelley states, of course, that he does not know what is to happen there, but what he has in mind is that Karpis and Campbell may be and probably are in touch with the Leoncavally mob in Toledo and he is figuring on about five men in the house, rather than two. I stated that he could have any men he wanted. He states his present intention is to send McKee over to Toledo to cover the telephone of Edith Barry and that he wants Fortenberry and Muzzey to join McKee there tomorrow morning. I told him to call Detroit and have Fortenberry and Muzzey join McKee in Toledo tomorrow morning. He also stated that by Sunday he thought he could use Barber and Walsh of the Milwaukee Office and Wynn of the Indianapolis Office. I told him to immediately make arrangements to have Barber, Walsh and Wynn be with him by Sunday night, providing, of course, they are not at Camp Perry, although this will be over, I am told, by Saturday. I reminded him that the contact being placed in an in Elkhart, Indiana might consist of automobile and being driven about 500 miles away to another place. He said he had this contingency in mind and knew that almost anything might happen, and that he would endeavor to meet it in the best manner possible. Very truly yours, H. Nathan. FEDERAL BUTTARING ATM RECORDED SEP 16 1935 INDEXED

Minneapolis, Minnesota September 16, 1935

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Many of us wonder what has happened to Mr. Harry Sawyer, whom the Department of Justice decided to prosecute in connection with the Bremer kidnaping. No one seems to know about him and it seems he is immune from prosecution.

I would be glad to have you give me the information.

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September 20, 1935

Mr. C. L. Horn, 2300 Foshay Tower, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 16, 1935 in which you inquire as to the disposition which the Government has made with regard to Harry Sawyer.

This will advise that Harry Sawyer is now incarcerated in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota awaiting trial, having been charged with participation in the abduction of Edward George Bramer of St. Paul, Minnesota on January 17, 1934.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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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, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE, Etal., EDWARD GEORGE BRELIER - Victim. KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that at the request of Special Agent A. E. Farland of this office, a cover has been placed on all communications sent and received by Elmer Farmer, register number 47103, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas. Typewritten copies of all communications will be transmitted to the Kansas City Office, which, in turn, will transmit copies to the Bureau and to those offices designated below.

This action was deemed advisable in that Farmer had been informed during recent interview had with him by Special Agent John Madala of the Chicago office, that he had been suspected of having participated in the alleged killing of Willie Harrison; and it was felt that through correspondence he might endeavor to prove an alibi to the contrary.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Chicago
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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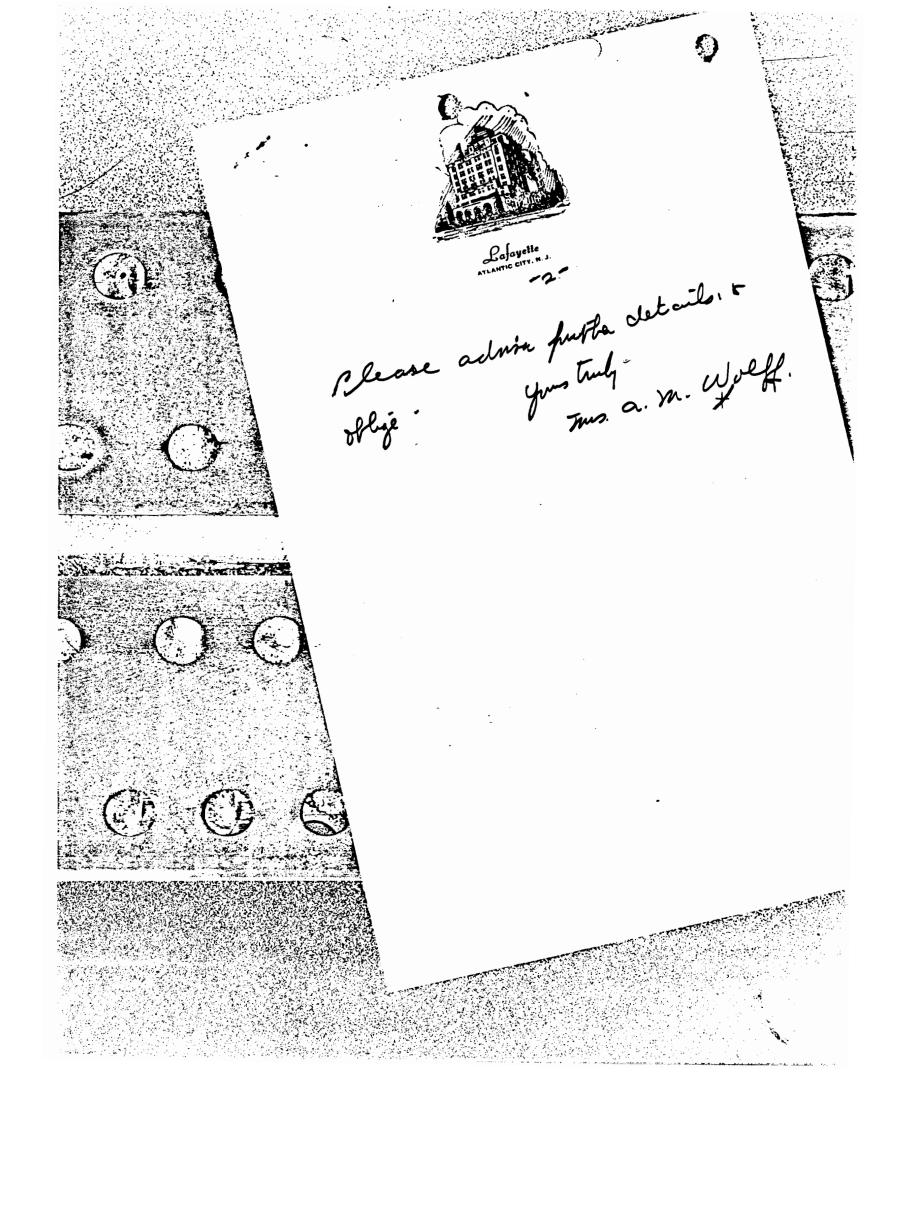
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LAFAYETTE ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

Sept. 15th '55.

Mr. H. Nathan:

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your letter dated the 7th, please be advised to notify me, date & time your agent will call here.

I am not registered here at the present time. I will notify you change of address - as soon as I am permanently located here. Please address letters here for the time being.

Mr. Cumpbell informed me - he and his companion were managing a night club - near the Convention Hall.

They were not at the Mismi Airport - by (?) his mother, wife & child. They left for Havana - the following day. I did not get in touch, with either - in Havana - as I was compelled to return the evening of the day of my arrival.

My daughter and I returned on the Morro Castle.

Please advise further details, & oblige.

Yours truly

(Signed) Mrs. A. M. Wolff.

(Envelope addressed to "Mr. Harold Nathan Asst. Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice
Washington - D. C."
and postmarked at Atlantic City, N. J., 9/16/35)

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September 6, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

There is herewith transmitted to you a memorandum prepared by Supervisor K. R. McIntire, which will reflect the personal history of William J. Harrison and will show his association with the members of the Barker-Karpis gang and the part he played with regard to the abduction of Edward George Bremer.

Respectfully,

Harold Mathan,

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Davis, while in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, asked Barker if this information as to Harrison was correct, Barker stating that Davis had the correct information.

On January 5, 1935, an old barn in Ontarioville, Durage County, Illinois, was observed to be on fire. On January 6, 1935, an unidentified body was removed from said barn by the Sheriff's Office at Wheaton, Illinois. This body was badly charred, nothing remaining of the head, arms, or legs. There was found near the body a pair of octagonal-shaped glasses. Harrison is known to have worn octagon glasses. There was also found near the body a wrist watch containing Elgin works, serial #32166666, case #0211813, sise 6-0, grade 428, nickel case, manufactured in 1928 and sold in February, 1929.

Immediately upon the recovery of these items on January 6, 1935, the State's Attorney at Wheaton, Illinois, made strenuous efforts to trace this watch, without success. Special Agents of this Bureau, acting upon the information furnished by Bavis, immediately contacted the Sheriff's Office at Wheaton, Illinois, securing the above mentioned glasses and Elgin watch. The Agents have now successfully traced this watch into the possession of Harrison and have interviewed the jeweler who repaired this watch for Harrison shortly before his death. He definitely recalls Harrison having brought this watch to him for repairs, and Harrison was personally known to him.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Suite 1107,
Traymore Hotel,
Atlantic City, New Jersey.

RE: ALVIM KARPIS, with eliases, Pugitive, I. O. 1218, et al, EDMARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim, KIDRAPING.

Dear Sire

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I am also enclosing herewith a memorandum prepared by Supervisor K. R. McIntire concerning the background of Harrison and his association with members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

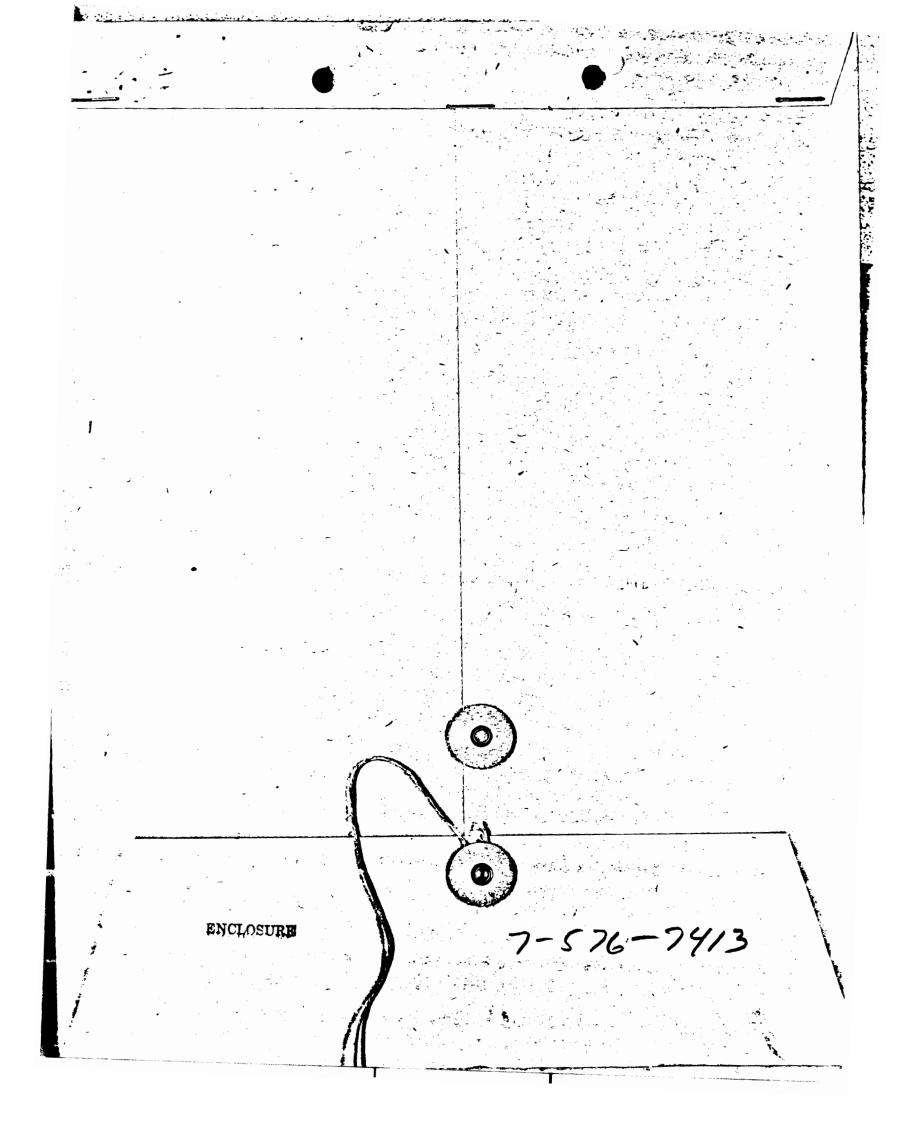
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Director September 6, 1935. Doc Barker and Byron Bolton. Harrison's body was then placed in an upright position on a support made of heavy timbers and this barn was set on fire. Davis, while in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, asked Barker if this information as to Harrison was correct, Barker stating that Davis had the correct information. On January 5, 1935, an old barn in Ontarioville, DuPage County, Illinois, was observed to be on fire. On January 6, 1935, an unidentified body was removed from said barn by the Sheriff's Office at Wheaton, Illinois. This body was badly charred, nothing remaining of the head, erms, or legs. There was found near the body a pair of octagonal-shaped glasses. Harrison is known to have worn octagon glasses. There was also found near the body a wrist watch containing Elgin works, serial #32166666, case #0211813, size 6-0, grade 428, nickel case, manufactured in 1928 and sold in February, 1929. Immediately upon the recovery of these items on January 6, 1935, the State's Attorney at Wheaton, Illinois, made strenuous efforts to trace this watch, without success. Special Agents of this Bureau, acting upon the information furnished by Davis, immediately contacted the Sheriff's Office at Wheaton, Illinois, securing the above mentioned glasses and Elgin watch. The Agents have now successfully traced this watch into the possession of Harrison and have interviewed the jeweler who repaired this watch for Marrison before his death. He definitely recalls Harrison having brought this watch to him for repairs, and Harrison was personally known to him. Respectfully, K. R. McIntire.

MEMORANDUM

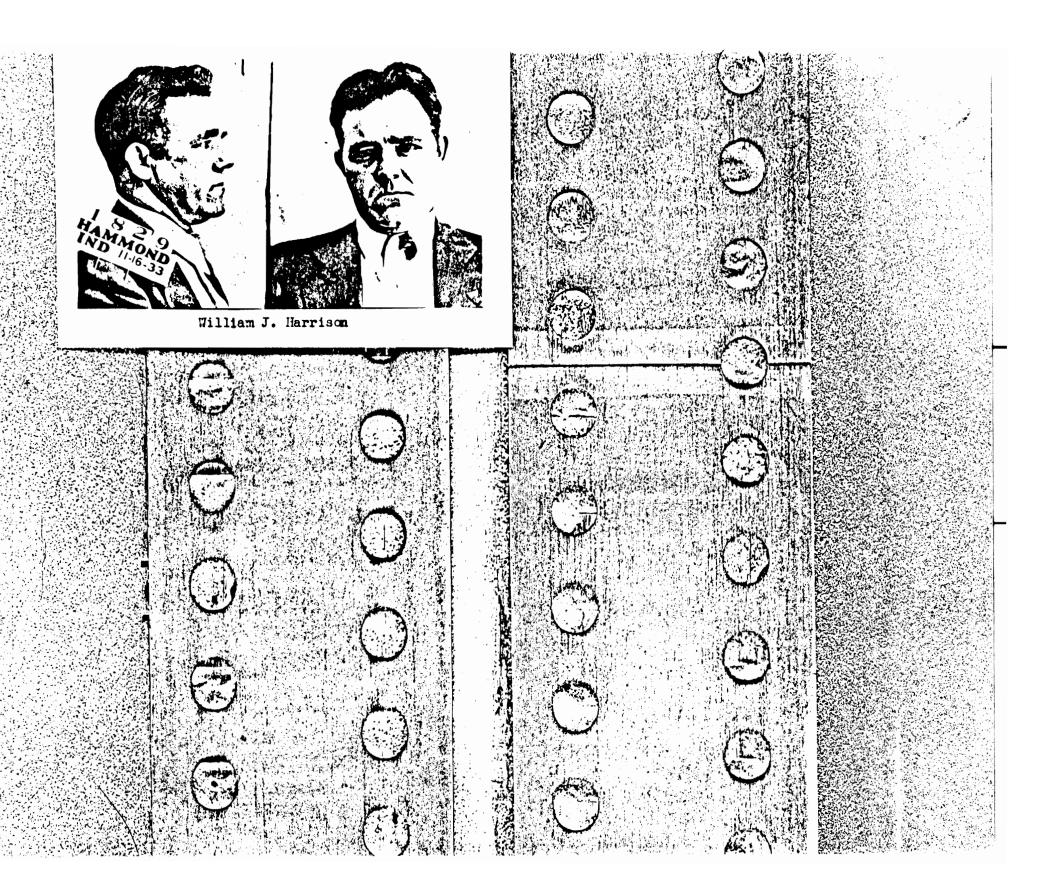
Edward George Brener, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, was kidnaped on January 17, 1934 immediately after he had driven his daughter to the Summit School in St. Paul and was taken to a hide-out at Bensenville, Illinois. A ransom of \$200,000 was demanded and, upon payment, Brener was released on February 7, 1934 near Rochester, Minnesota.

The Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 22, 1935 returned an indictment charging certain members of the Burker-Karpls gang with conspiracy to violate the Federal Kidnaping Statute in connection with the kidnaping of Bremer. William J. Harrison was pamed as one of the defendants in the indictment.

Herrison, a native of St. Louis, Missouri and later Calumet City, Illinois an Hammond, Indiana, has been identified as an associate of the Barker-Karpis gang since early in 1933. He is a professional golfwani has also been engaged in bootlegging activities, having operated at one time a saloon in Hammond, Indiana. Harrison was formerly associated with the principal meabers of the Al Capone Symmioste, in Chiego and frequently played golf at the Eurnham Woods Golf Club.

According to the Engerprint records of the Identification Division of the Jederal Bursu of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Harrison as No. 5232 was arrested by the Police Department Calumet City, Illinois a April 14, 1933 on charges of carrying concaled weapons. This casewas dismissed on the same date. He was next arested as William J. Harrison, £1829, by the Police Department, Hammand, Indians, on November 4, 1933, on charges of assault and battery withintent to commit rape, an as Milliam J. Harrison, £14225, he was turned ever to the State Burea of Identification at Crown Point, Indian on the same charge and as released under £5,000 bond. On September 25, 1934 this case we dismissed.

On September 6, 1935, occial Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, positively identified the body of Milliam J. Harrison hich had been previously located in Ontarioville, Illinois. Harrison had been shot and an attempt made to defeat identification by partial destruction of his body in a fire of incendiary origin.



IDENTIFICATION ORDER NO. 1239 February 12, 1935.

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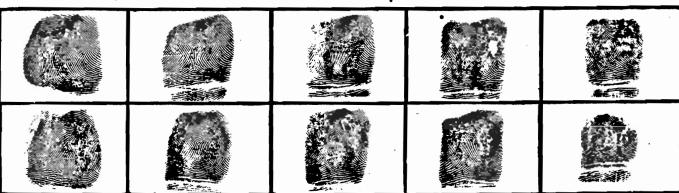
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WANTED

WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases: WILLIE HARRISON, W. J. HARRISON, J. B. BOLTON, W. J. RYAN.

KIDNAPING



DESCRIPTION

Age, 34 years (born St. Louis, Mo., September 27, 1900); Height, 5 feet, 6 inches; Weight, 155 pounds; Build, medium; Hair, light brown; Eyes. blue; Complexion. ruddy; Occupation, golf professional.

RELATIVES:

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Harrison, Sr., parents, 4539 Gibson Avenue,

4539 Gibson Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri. Walter Harrison and Elmer Harrison, brothers, 4539 Gibson Avenue,

St. Louis, Missouri.
Donald Harrison, brother,
1115 Lawn Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.
Ben Harrison, brother. 6164 Crescent Street,

Photograph taken November 16, 1933.



CRIMINAL RECORD

As William Harrison, #15232, arrested Police Department, Calumet City, III., April 14, 1933; charge, carrying con-cealed weapons; dismissed April 14,

As William J. Harrison, #1829, arrested Police Department, Hammond, Ind., Nov. 14, 1933; charge, assault and battery with intent to rape; released to State Bureau of Identification, Crown Point, Indiana.

As William J. Harrison, #14225, received State Bureau of Identification, Crown Point, Ind., Nov. 16, 1933; charge, assault and battery with intent to rape; released on \$5000 bond; dismissed Sept. 25, 1934.

St. Louis, Missouri. William J. Harrison is wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934. An indictment was returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, January 22, 1935 charging William J. Harrison and others with the kidnaping.

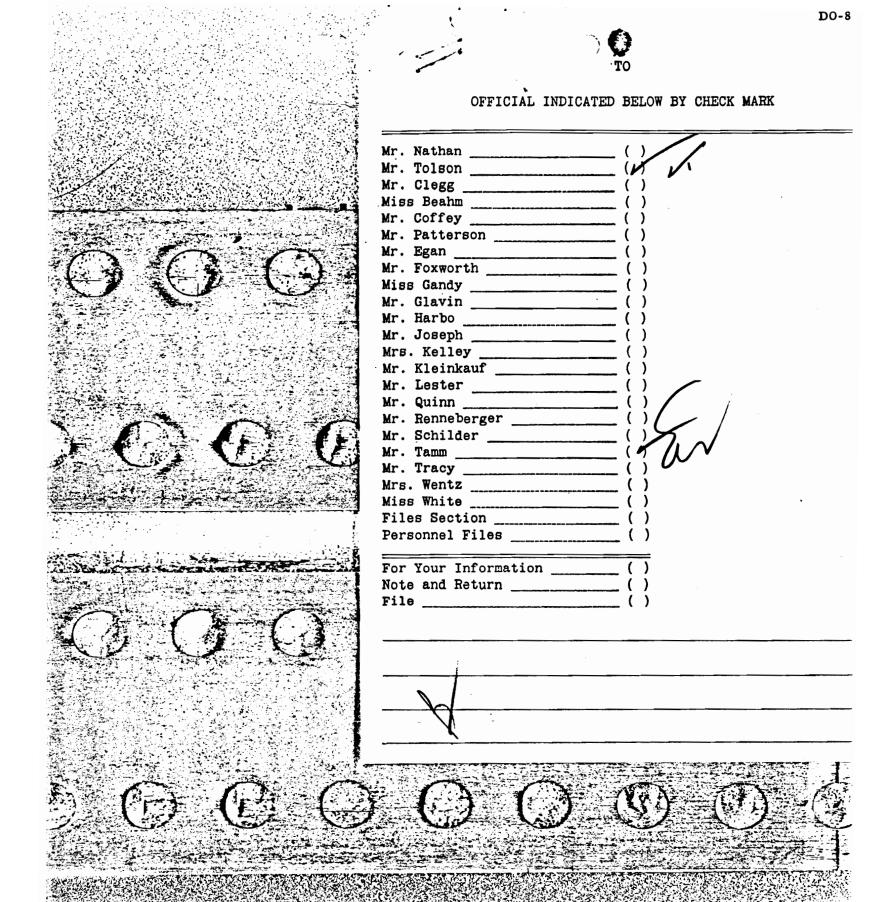
Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to the nearest office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, listed on the back hereof which is nearest your city.

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Issued by: JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR.





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SEPTEMBER 14,1935

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Mr. Keith ...

Mr. Lester ..

DIRECTOR

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PHONE BREKID AGENTS BRYCE CRISS AND BARBER REPORTED CHICAGO THIS MORNING FROM TOLEDO AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT. AGEN WALSH WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AS WILL NOT FINISH UNTIL SEPTEMBER 19. INFORMANT HERE IS GETTING HYSTERIA AS TO POSSIBILITY OF WHAT MIGHT OCCUR TO HIM. HOWEVER HE NOW TELLS US THAT HE DID NOT GIVE US ALL THE INTIMATE DETAILS OF HIS LAST CONTACT WITH BARRY AND SAYS NOW THAT IT IS DEFINITELY UNDERSTOOD THAT EVERYTHING IS TO GO THROUGH MONDAY OR TUESDAY THAT THE PARTIES TO BE HANDLED ARE IN HIS OPINION VERY CLOSE TO TOLEDO - AND WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY HE GETS TO THE PLACE WHERE THEY EXPECT HIM TO PERFORM THE WORK. WE ARE WORKING ON HIM TO RESTORE HIS COURAGE. PLANON HAVING FOUR AGENTS AT TCLEDO . AGENTS BROWN, DEVEREUX, MADALA AND MYSELF WILL BE ELKHART SUNDAY AFTERNOON FOR METING WITH INFORMANT TO MAKE CONTACT ON MONDAY. WILL ARRANGE FOR AGENTS BRYCE, CRISS, BARBER, CASSIDY, AUSTIN, SULLIVAN, WYNN, JONES AND ARMS PROCEED TO DETROIT SUNDAY WITH EQUIPMENT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR MY INSTRUCTIONS THROUGH THE BUREAU . WHEREVER I LOCATE OFFICE IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY TIPOFF AT TOLEDO WILL ESTABLISHBEST POSSIBLE COMMUNICATION WITH THE BUREAU PROPABLY UNDER COVER. WILL ADVISE FURTHER AS DEVELOPMENTS OCCUR. BEST INFOR-MATION IS THAT THERE WILL BE FOUR MEN AT THE PLACE IN ADDITION TO THE WOMEN

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Federal Bureau of Investigation A. S. Department of Justice Post Office Box 515, St. Paul, Minnesota. Sept. 19. 1935.

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RECORDED

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, 11. S. I I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDW. GEORGE BREMER - Victim.

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KIDNAPING.

United States Attorney, George F. Sullivan, informed me on Saturday, September 14, 1935, that this case will not be presented to the Grand Jury on September 16, 1935, as originally contemplated. He stated that his office now intends to present the matter on September 26, 1935.

In connection with the Grand Jury inquiry, Mr. Sullivan has requested that Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Special Agent S. K. McKee, and Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, be present in St. Paul on September 26, 1935.

Mr. Sullivan has requested that the Bureau arrange to have Cassius McDonald taken into custody a day or two before an indictment is returned against him. He stated that he would advise me definitely at a later date just when he would like to have McDonald apprehended.

The Bureau is requested to give this information consideration and to advise me whether it will be feasible to have Cassius McDonald taken into custody prior to the returning of an indictment.

The Bureau is also requested to advise whether the Special Agents heretofore mentioned will be available in St. Paul on September 26, 1935 to testify before the Grand Jury in this case.

CC-SAC E J Connelley, Chgo.

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Special Agent in Charge.

September 21, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge, Cleveland, Chie.

> Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I. 0. 1218 - Fugitive; et al. Edward George Bressr - Victim. Kidnaping.

Dear Sire

The United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, has requested that Cessius McDonald be taken into custody a day or two before an indictment is returned against him in St. Paul, Minnesota. It is anticipated that an indictment will be returned on or about September 26, 1935. The United States Attorney will advise definitely just when he desires to have Cassius McDonald apprehended.

The Bureau feels there is no objection to the apprehension of McDonald provided a complaint is filed. The Cleveland office should immediately endeavor to locate McDonald so that he can be taken into custody at the proper time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Birector.

cc-St. Paul Cincinnati E. J. Connelley (Chicago)

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RECORDEL

Special Agent in Charge, Trenton, New Jersey.

> Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREZER, VICTIM. KINAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. R. Clegg, dated at Trenton, New Jersey, September 18, 1935, which discloses that Ers. A. M. Wolff has departed from the Lafayette Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey, and has left no forwarding address.

I am forwarding to you herewith a copy of a letter directed to the Bureau by Mrs. Wolff, dated September 13, 1935, in which she advises that she will notify the Bureau of her permanent address as soon as possible. When the Bureau has been so advised, the Trenton Office will be informed of the address of Mrs. Wolff, and the necessary investigation should then be conducted.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Inclosure No. 266493

co Cincinnati (with copy of letter from Ers. Wolff)

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Jederal Bureau of Investigation

H. S. Department of Justice 501 Healey Building, Atlanta, Georgia, September 15, 1935.

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. 0. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I. 0. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases, I. 0. 1232; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,
I. 0. 1239, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Chotos sent 1/4/35

With reference to Bureau letter of September 3, 1935, this is to advise you that ten copies of the photographs of the following individuals should be furnished the Atlanta Office: Alvin Karpis; Harry Campbell; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, William J. Harrison; William Elmer Mead.

Very truly yours,

W. A. RORER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BECORDEL

Special Agent in Charge, Atlanta, Georgia.

> Re: ALVIE KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. \$1218, et al; Edward George Brener, Victim -KIIWAPING.

Dear Birs

In compliance with your request of recent date, I am transmitting herewith ten photographs each of the following individuals: Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, William J. Harrison and William Elmer Mead.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

Enclosure No. 283208.

cc-Mr. Connelley at Chicago St. Paul Cincinnati.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812 CHICAGO. ILLINDIS

September 16, 1935

Special Agent in Charge, Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Siri

In re: ALVIE KAMPIS with elianes, FUGITIVE, 1.0. 1218 DR. JOHTH P. MORAH with alianes, I.O. 1282 HARRY CAMPLELL with eliases, I.O. 1256 VILLIAM J. HARRICON with alianes, I.O. 1239 ot al Edward George Bremer, Victim - KINATING; HATBURING OF FUGITIVES; OSSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARDS ACT.

With reference to the report of Special Agent M. W. Moekins, dated Sestember 9, 1935, page 4, in which interview is set out as to Lawrence Johnson, andy Remie and John B. Newson, it is my understanding that Lawrence Johnson has stated that one Jack London who had seen Feaver, under the name of J. W. Osborne, around the sporting goods store of Johnson, is supposed to have seen the identification order on Feaver in the Fost Office at Daytona Beach, Florida, and thereafter called the attention of Johnson to this identification order, saying that he believed that it was the picture of the party they knew as J.W. Caborns.

It is also my understanding that thereafter Johnson is supposed to the to have observed this picture himself in the Post Office, and discounted and the idea that it was one and the same person as Osborne, also referring to the fact that the lack of interest was probably promoted by the idea that no reward was offered.

It is requested that Lawrence Johnson be requested to make a! signed statement as to the circumstances in connection with this identiffcution order as being one and the same as J.W. Osborne, and that Chereafter he be questioned us to the sale of she guns by him to Feever, with particular reference to the day they were sold and the day he observed this picture in the Post Office.

Very truly yours,

R. J. COUNTILLEY.

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Special Agent in Charge Cincinnati, Ohio

ALVIN KARPIS WE 1.0, \$1218 FUCITIVE - et al Edward George Brener, Victim Kidnaping, Obstruction of Justice, Harboring Fugitive, National Firearms Act

On September 12, 1935, Setective Harry Menson of the Lucas County Prosecutor's office, Toledo, reported that he had observed a Cadillac sedan, bearing 1935 Chio license plates 1068 N stop in front of dith Barry's home, at 524 Southard Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, and one of the occupants go in the house.

He drove around the block and upon his return the car was cone.

The above number is listed out of Custer in Woods County, and it is requested that the Cincinnati office secertein at the Eureau of Fotor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, to whom this number is issued 20. this number is issued.

Special Agent in Charge

Chicago St. Paul

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
September 16, 1955

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa - FUGITIVE
I.O. 1218; et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith the following letters, the contents of which have been carefully scrutinized by this office and appear to contain no information of value.

- (1) Letter addressed to Mr. Robert Delaney from Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution.
- (2) Letter addressed to Miss Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution from J. Karpevicz.
- (3) Letter addressed to Miss Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institution from Millie.
- (4) Letter addressed to Miss Kynons Burdette, an inmate of your institution from Mr. & Mrs. A. P. Burdette.

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

Very truly yours,

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1616 PEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI SEPTEMBER 17, 1935

Mr. A. J. Barrett, Postmaster, Topoka, Kansas,

> RE. ALVIN KAPPIS, with aliases; FUGITIVE. 1.0. #1218, Et al. KIDRAPINO.

Dear Sire

Special Agent A. S. Reeder, of this office, has advised me of his recent conversation with you relative to the information which we had received to the effect that Alvin Karpis had some time ago called for mail in the Post Office at Topeka. Pursuant to arrangements made by Mr. Reeder with you, there are being transmitted herewith tem copies of the Identification Orier No. 1218 on Karpis in order that the same may be posted at appropriate windows in your Post Office for the information of the employees serving such windows.

In the event Karpis calls there or you receive any information as to his possible whereabouts I would appreciate it if you would advise me immediately. Please be advised that the telephone number of this office is Victor 3113. Do not hesitate to use the telephone or telegraph, collect, in the event you receive any information of the present whereabouts of Karpis.

Assuring you that your cooperation with this Bureau in bringing about the apprehension of Karpis will be greatly appreciated, I am,

Very truly yours,

W. A. SKITH SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Post Office Box 812 Chicago, Illinois

September 17, 1935

Special Agent in Charge, St. Paul, Minnesota,

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEFH P. DUORAN, with alianes, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; WILLIAM REAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. CHARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1259; MYRILE FATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. EDRARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Mrs. Byron Bolton called at this office for assistance in cashing a check issued by the Treasurer of the United States and payable to Byron Bolton, in the sum of approximately \$600.00. which check was endorsed by him to be paid to her. In the absence of any person who could positively identify the signature of Byron Bolton, she was advised by Mr. Moeller, Assistant Cashier of the American National Eank, Chicago, where she has an account, that it would be necessary for her to have such a person endorse it and in turn the endorser would have to have his signature identified by an officer of a bank where the endorser had an account.

Mrs. Bolton was advised to mail the check to her husband at the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesote, and that you would contact Bolton with a view to having the check cashed and a cashier's draft for the money forwarded to her.

Very truly yours,

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma September 16, 1935

MEMORANDOM TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:

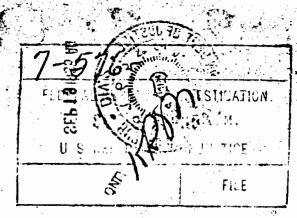
Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with alieses, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM, Kidnaping

The Bureau is forwarding to this office a Summary Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, April 10, 1935.

You are instructed to familiarize yourselves with the details of this report, so that you will have a complete understanding of the background of this case.

> DWIGHT BRANTLEY, Special Agent in Charge

cc; Bureau Butterworth Dennis Murphy Owens Endres Giddens Perkins Graham 🦿 Phinney Rice Hansen Hynes -Smith ... Kage Taylor Welles



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K-M: CSE 7-576 September 18, 1935 Special Agent in Charge, New York, New York. Dear Sirs RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with eliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al, EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim, KIDNAPING. In keeping with your request, I am transmitting herewith a handwriting specimen of William E. Meade, which sas obtained from Post Office Inspector Graham by an agent of your office. Very truly yours, RECORDED INDEXED SEP 19 1930 A.M. John Edgar Hoover, Director. U S.F PARTMER. OF JUSTICE Enclosure 283310. File COMMUNICATIONS SECTION MAILED FEDERAL BUREAS . INVESTIGATION. (Presis returned in File per KRM)

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Investigation by the Cleveland Bureau office has indicated that Edith Barry operates a "call house" at 524 Southard Street, Toledo, and has enjoyed police and political protection in that city for a number of years; that she is intimately acquainted with Ted and Bert Angus, operators of the New Casino Club, Toledo, and that Mildred Kuhlman, former paramour of Doc Barker, is supposed to have first met Doc Barker while answering a call at the house of Edith Barry. The Cleveland Bureau office learned that the address 524 Southard Street is located in the colored district of Toledo and that a surveillance of this house proved to be very difficult. Information was further obtained that Edith Barry either has relatives or at one time lived at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

Due to failure to obtain any direct information to indicate that Edith Barry was directly connected with Alvin Karpis and other subjects of this case. Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley believed it advisable that the cooperate with this matter up directly with the apprehension of the remaining fugitives.

On the night of August 16, 1935, was interviewed by Special AgentsM. J. Cassidy, who had previously interviewed her, R. D. Brown and J. L. Madala. Who is twenty-four years of age, and who has been apparently being greatly infatuated with furnished much the same information concerning the associations between Edith Barry and as is set forth in the report of reference of Special Agent Cassidy. After some discussion, greed to advisor that she had taken this matter up with the Chicago office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and to attempt to induce him to cooperate.

At 10:00 A.M. on 8/17/35, telephoned the writer and advised she had taken this matter up with some hesitancy, agreed to furnish the whole story regarding his contacts with Edith Barry to an Agent of the Chicago Bureau office, and to cooperate in any way Agents might desire.

At 4:00 P.M. on the afternoon of 8/17/35

were met at a point in Jackson Park where
his 1934 model Ford V-8 coupe and entered a Chicago Bureau office car occupied by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan

conversation with

took place at a point in Jackson Park
where the meeting would not be disturbed.

was informed that the Federal Bureau of Investigation would not make any attempt to have the narcotic charges now pending against him in Chicago, Illinois, dropped or altered in any manner, but he was advised that should he be successful in causing the apprehension of subject Alvin Karpis or any of the outstanding fugitives in this case, this information will be confidentially conveyed to the Federal Judge who hears his case, but that no recommendation for leniency will be given. inquired as to any outstanding rewards against subjects, and he was advised that the Federal Bureau of Investigation would pay him an amount not to exceed \$2,500 for information resulting in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis and \$1,000 for the same information as to subject Harry Campbell and \$500 for William J. Harrison. It was pointed out to that subjects Karpis and Campbell were undoubtedly implicated in the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934; that they were involved in numerous bank and payroll holdups, murders, and other criminal activity. He then stated that he was not especially interested in the rewards or assistance in connection with the narcotic case now pending against him, but that after thinking the matter over, he decided he would be glad to assist the Government in the apprehension of these fugitives; that he was sorry that he had not taken the matter up directly with the Chicago Bureau office at the time of the first contact between Edith Barry and himself, which was sometime during the latter part of April of 1935.

Concerning the narcotic case now pending against him, stated that the charge is purely a technical one; that his

was then asked to relate in detail his association with Edith Barry from the beginning.

He stated that some time in 1927 while in New York City,

ne met Edith Barry who appeared to be greatly interested in his line of work. He stated he again met her in 1929 in Chicago when she called at his loop office, reminded him that she had been introduced to him in New York

years of age; that he is divorced from his wife and as a result of the divorce action he lost the major portion of his property, which included among other things his Chicago home and a large apartment building worth approximately \$80,000. He stated that for two or three years subsequent to 1929 Edith Barry made frequent visits to Chicago and often stayed at his home; that she was intimately acquainted with the conversation Agent gathered that has probably had clandestine relations with Edith Barry and that she is undoubtedly extremely fond of him

stated that he has on several occasions visited Toledo, Onio, both professionally and socially and usually spends considerable time with Edith Barry; that he has been at her house located at 524 Southard Street and knows that the same is a high class "call house", which important business and political figures in the city of Toledo frequent for the purpose of drinking and having their so-called "good times". He stated that Edith Barry is intimately associated with a man named "Joe". He was unable to recall the last name of this man but stated this man was formerly connected with an important railroad and was at one time an important political figure at Columbus, Ohio; that he is a Republican and practically dictates the political and police platforms of the city of Toledo and county of Lucas, Ohio; that this Joe is also the undisclosed dictator as to any criminal activity in northern Ohio; that Toledo for a number of years has been known as a "cooling off place", but that criminals must get permission of this Joe before they are allowed to come into Toledo. He described Joe as being a man about fifty to fifty-five years of age, hair dark sprinkled with white, rather tall, with a very ruddy complexion. He stated that Joe has a suite in the Commodore Perry Hotel where he resides when not in Columbus, Ohio. It was first thought that

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this "Joe" might be Joe Roscoe, an important political and criminal figure in Toledo. stated he did not believe this man's last name was Roscoe.

stated that some time during the latter part of April, 1935, Edith Barry called him by long distance telephone from Toledo, advising she wantedto come to Chicago for a conference with him and wanted him to be in his office. He stated on the following day Edith Barry arrived in Chicago and advised

advised that he did not go into the matter very seriously, but indicated to Edith Barry that he would be glad to get the work, after which Edith Barry returned to Toledo, advising him that she would get in touch with him later concerning

He stated that two weeks later Edith Barry again contacted him in his office, at which time she had with her a detective story magazine. She stated she wanted to talk with him in confidence and began by reminding him that they had been friends of long standing and that she considered him entirely trustworthy.

became apprehensive and started "hedging" with Edith Barry

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He stated that Edith Barry objected to having in on the proposition and stated that she, Edith Barry, could act as assistant and suggested that place at a point near Lakeside Inn, located in Canada near Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; that she would arrange for a plane to fly Ste. Marie, where he would be met by a motor boat and taken to the "place", where several small cottages were available. She further suggested her own home in Toledo, and later, after protested against suggested that might take place in his office in Chicago. He stated she also mentioned Cleveland, Ohio, as could take place. a place where Edith pulled from her purse a large roll of bills which she stated amounted to \$2,500, which she wanted him to take as a retainer fee for expenses. stated he refused to take this money and is unable to recall as to whether or not the bills were in small or large denominations, but is of the opinion that the money was in \$100.00 bills.

He stated that after he continuously protested against Edith Barry suggested that he

advised that the question of money then again came up, at which time Edith Barry told him that there would be \$10,000 in it for him and that the money would be good money.

stated that he told Edith Barry he would consider the matter further. Stated that he was "hedging" for time, as he could not decide just how he could gracefully refuse to and that two days later Edith Barry again called his office, at which time he made it a point to be absent from the office and told to tell Edith Barry that he was in trouble with the Government himself on a narcotic charge and could not go through with this deal.

first call at his office with reference to this matter and the was mistaken as to the identity of the second party, this party being Harry Campbell instead of John Hamilton, as had first reported to Government Agents was shown photographs of the various members of this gang and he immediately picked out the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell as being photographs identical with the pictures of these two men shown him by Edith Barry from a detective magazine.

stated that Edith Barry was related in some way to Jackie Osterman, well known orchestra leader and master of ceremonies, who is now opening a new show in New York City; that Jackie Osterman and Edith Barry are also related to a young man in Toledo who owns either one or two airplanes and who often flys Edith Barry to whatever point she desires to go. He was unable to recall the name of this man, but said that he believes this man is a nephew of Jackie Osterman, but does not know the relationship between this pilot and Edith Barry. He further stated that Edith Barry is related in some way to a young man whom he thought to be employed by the United Air Lines and who sold United Air Lines tickets in the Palmer House Hotel, Chicago, and that Edith Barry frequently visited the Palmer House when in Chicago, presumably for the purpose of seeing this relative. He stated that he recalls that Edith Barry made further mention of Dr. Moran and advised that "the boys", meaning Karpis and Campbell, were out to get him as Dr. Moran had \$20,000 of their money and that Moran is presently hiding out at Guadalapaia, Mexico, which place is located in the mountains near Mexico City; that he has been at this place in Mexico and recalls it as being a place where "roses grow in the middle of the streets" and that a great many hoodlums and politicians who become wanted for one reason or another flee to this place for the purpose of "cooling off".

He further stated that Edith Barry has a very close friend, a big blonde girl, who formerly worked in her house and who is now in St. Louis, Missouri, and whose first name is "Bobby"; that Edith Barry frequently visits "Bobby" in St. Louis, Missouri, where she is now residing. He stated he will attempt to recall "Bobby's" true name. He also stated he will attempt to recall the true name of the "Joe" above mentioned.

At the conclusion of this interview with the stated he was anxious to cooperate in any way suggested by Agents; that he realizes that it may be necessary, in making the proper contact, and the line and in so doing he realizes that his line may be in danger, but that he will do so if other plans to ascertain the whereabouts of these two men fail. He went on to state that he believes Edith Barry trusts him implicitly and indicated that it is his opinion that she

is still fond of him; that on the occasion of one of Edith Barry's visits to Chicago in regard to this matter, she made the remark that every other in the United States was being watched.

He further stated that Edith Barry gave every indication of being extremely cautious and made remarks indicating that she thought she was being followed wherever she went. He stated that during a conversation with her on one of the occasions of her visits, she made the remark that during the first month or six weeks that she knew "the boys", she was unable to sleep or eat, but that now her acquaintance with them had become quite matter of fact.

then advised that on the occasion of Edith Barry's last visit to Chicago, at which time she did not she informed that should to "fix" his case and get "straightened around", she should be called by long distance telephone in Toledo and be advised that "everything is all now"; and that a phone booth should be used in making such calls. It was then suggested to that iately call Edith Barry and advise that "everything is all right with him". He immediately agreed and suggested that the writer accompany to a phone booth where the conversation could be overheard. In this connection he stated that he realized that the Government might think his story rather fantastic and might be unwilling to trust and believe in him, and that he wanted all transactions in connection with his attempt to locate these fugitives to be entirely above board.

At approximately 6:00 P.M. on 8/17/35, the writer proceeded to a telephone booth located in a drug store at the corner of 60th Street and Stony Island Avenue, where called Toledo telephone number Adams 4612, which is the telephone listed to Edith Barry at 524 Southard Street. The writer accompanied telephone booth and was able to hear the entire conversation between and Edith Barry. Agent noted that called Edith Barry "Edith" and Edith Barry called After greetings were asked Edith Barry how she was, after which Edith Barry replied that she was fine and had just returned from her vacation in Sault Ste. Marie. Edith Barry then asked replied is all right and everything was, to which Agent noted a distinct raising of the voice is fine now of Edith Barry when she said "That's fine. I am certainly glad to hear then asked Edith Barry, "When are you coming over?" about it". after which Edith Barry stated that she would be over in a few days. then asked Edith Barry to call in the city, upon which Edith Barry agreed to do so and ended the conversation by saying, "I'll be seeing you".

mobile where Special Agent Sullivan and were waiting. When the results of the conversation were conveyed to that he considered the conversation successful and stated he believed Edith Barry would come to visit him very shortly.

Special Agents Brown and Sullivan then obtained a room at

phone and room number in order that or might call immediately should anything of interest take place. On the following day, 8/18/35, Special Agents J. L. Madala and J. M. Jones obtained apartment

radio transmitter was then placed in conversation between Edith Berry and the receiver was placed in apartment eing the apartment occupied by Agents Madala and Jones. The instrument, upon adjustment, operated very well except on occasions when elevated trains would pass at which time very little conversation could be received.

Believing that Austin obtained stated that Edith Barry did not know the location of his present address nor his telephone number, but that she might be able to obtain the same. It was arranged that should Edith Barry call at that the conversation between them take place at this hotel, would pick up the brief case transmitter together with a case of medical instruments, in order to make this action appear legitimate, and would go with Edith Barry would immediately advise Agents in that vicinity and the telephone and receiver would be immediately transferred to and conversation and Edith Barry would then be received by the Agents between as well as in It was arranged that during office was to turn on the radio transmitter hourly and test the hours same for efficiency. Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and R. D. Brown remained where communication could be had with at any time. It was thought entirely possible that Edith Barry might bring Alvin Karpis into Chicago at

The writer then returned to the Chicago Bureau office and conferred with Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd. Special Agent in Charge Connelley had proceeded to Cincinnati, Ohio, in connection with the death

of Special Agent N. B. Klein. As a result of the discussion with Special Agent in Charge Ladd, it appeared desirable that telephonic communication be had with Special Agent in Charge Connelley at Cincinnati with reference to the dispatching of an Agent from the Detroit office to Sault Ste. Marie Michigan, for the purpose of attempting to determine the whereabouts of "Lakeside Inn", and to cover the airport at that point as to visiting planes and also to consider the advisability of having Special Agent C. E. Smith of the Cleveland Bureau office proceed to Toledo, Chio, to obtain information as to any activity at the Toledo airport and to attempt to determine the identity of "Joe" and possibly to determine the Department of Commerce number on the plane being used by Edith Barry and presumably belonging to some of her relatives.

Special Agent in Charge Connelley telephonically advised that he believed these two points should be covered as indicated and suggested that the writer communicate with Mr. Tamm at Washington. Mr. Tamm advised that the above outlined action should be taken and requested that the writer communicate with the Special Agents in Charge of the Detroit and Cleveland Bureau offices. Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland of the Cleveland Bureau office was advised of the pending activity in this connection and dispatched Special Agent Smith to Toledo, Ohio, where he was instructed to register at the Commodore Perry Hotel. Communication was also had with Special Agent in Charge D. L. Nicholson at Detroit, who dispatched Special Agent A. A. Muzzey to Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, for the purpose outlined above.

On 8/20/35 Special Agent C. E. Smith, from Toledo, Ohio, telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley that he had contacted one agreed to act as a confidential informant. He stated is the divorced husband of originally being from Fort Wayne, Indiana, having formerly worked and may now be working out of the call house of Edith Barry. stated his wife divorced him due to Ted Angus and that Edith Barry is very much opposed to him, that while he was associating with his wife prior to their divorce, she indicated that Karpis and Campbell had come to Toledo after the Atlantic City shooting affair; that they had gone to Ted Angus' New Casino Club and Ted ingus took them to Edith Barry's house; that later in February these two subjects had been taken out of Toledo in a cabin plane to the woods in either Wisconsin or Michigan; that Wold Charlie", presumably Charles J. Fitzgerald, was in Toledo at that time and arranged to pay any debts incurred by Karpis and Campbell. He also informed Smith that one Henry I Thomason had arranged for the changing of some money for subjects through the Toledo Trust Company; that he understood they had a first aid kit with them when

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they arrived at Edith Barry's house and that same is possibly now located in the Barry house. The agreed to try to contact his wife again in an attempt to learn further details. On the occasion of this conversation with Agent Smith, Special Agent in Charge Connelley advised him to be cautious in order to avoid Edith Barry's becoming suspicious, in view of the present developments in the matter between Edith Barry and Authority was requested and granted by the Bureau to pay \$50.00 as needed for working as an informant.

Special Agent Smith advised his investigation showed that two airplanes which might possibly be used by Edith Barry are as follows:

Erville four passenger cabin plane, marcon in color, operated by Heinz Bender, and Stinson four passenger cabin plane, Department of Commerce No. NC 12180, color black and silver, belonging to Tommy Metcalfe. Metcalfe also has a red Waco three passenger plane No. NC 610 Ye

Frequent contact was had with Special Agent Smith at Toledo who advised that Edith Barry was apparently out of Toledo. At least Agent Smith was unable to secure any information as to her whereabouts and was unable to locate any reliable person who had seen her recently. On 8/28/35 Agent Smith advised that Edith Barry was back in Toledo as he had seen her that day.

was interviewed daily by the writer from 8/18/ to 8/29/55 and a surveillance

were continued until that date with the exception of the surveillance

which was discontinued on 8/26/35. On 8/20/35 Special Agent V. W. Gillen replaced Special Agent Dickstein at

with Special Agent Austin until the three surveillances were discontinued on 8/29/35.

On the evening of 8/29/35 a conference was again had with relative to the advisability of again conferring with Edith Barry, at which time suggested he use the pretext that it would be necessary for him to attend memorial services for his mother, who was buried in Cleveland; that other members of the family were waiting for a convenient date for him, to hold these services, at which time a stone would be placed over his mother's grave; that he intended to attend this memorial service in Cleveland and he would request her, if it would be agreeable to her and worth while for him, to allow him to stop and see her in Toledo relative to matters of "mutual interest". He also suggested that the pretext that it would be necessary for him to go to Mayo Brothers Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, before very long to undergo an operation which he had been putting off for some time, might be used.

He stated that Edith Barry knows that he is suffering from an ailment which requires periodic attention at Mayo Brothers hospital, and that he will inquire of Edith Barry whether his going to Mayo Brothers hospital in the near future will interfere with any of the plans.

This matter was discussed with Special Agent in Charge Connelley, who was of the opinion that a phone call could well be placed by to Edith Barry in Toledo with the above mentioned pretexts in mind.

On the evening of 8/29/35 the writer accompanied to a telephone booth located in the drug store which she used on the previous occasion, at which time Agent was able to overhear all of the conversation between both parties. Was advised by Edith Barry that she had been occupied for the past two weeks with a very ill friend, not mentioning the name of the friend, causing her to be indoors almost entirely. The theorem that it would be all right for to go ahead to Mayo's Clinic and that if he was contemplating motoring to Toledo alone she would appreciate his stopping to see here

The results of the conversation were then conveyed to who stated that he believed that Edith Barry was suspicious that he recalls that Edith Barry very strenuously objected to having

During the conversation Edith Barry that had instructed her to tell her that he would consider a more reasonable sum for his services, due to the fact that he had been left in bad financial circumstances, due to the "fixing" of his Edith Barry replied that there was no question about the fee. then stated that he believed that if he sat down and wrote in his own handwriting a letter to Edith Barry advising her that he had been able to "fix" the narcotic case pending against him now and to again suggest that he stop in Toledo on his way to Cleveland and to make the letter a social letter as well as a business one, this might bring some action on the part of Edith Barry, and further indicate to Edith Barry that knew nothing concerning the writing of the letter and that a suggestion be made that he would in the future eliminate from further consideration in connection with contemplated operations. This letter was written by and shown to Agent. The same was very cleverly written and contained features which would undoubtedly excite Edith Barry's requested Agent to mail interest in the proposition again. this letter for him, which Agent dide

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Due to the apparent inactivity on the part of Edith Barry the surveillance at the three points above mentioned was discontinued on the night of 8/29/35.

The writer and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley
were in St. Paul, Minnesota, on 9/3/35 in connection with the apprehension
of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, and
municated with the Chicago Bureau office at 9:45 A.M. on that date, advising Special Agent J. L. Madala and Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd
that Edith Barry had just come
minutes later she again called and advised that
Barry were then in conference
A.M. she again called and advised that Edith Barry had left
and was enroute to the Chicago Municipal Airport, from
which point she expected to fly back to Toledo.

viewed by Special Agents J. L. Madala and S. K. McKee, who, upon receiving the first telephone call from

Edith Barry stated she had left Toledo at 3:00 A.M. that morning and had driven to Chicago. She did not say whom she had driven with and stated she was going to fly back to Toledo upon departure from that she would be unable to Edith Barry advised contact Karpis and Campbell until the return of a party from Europe in to understand that this approximately two weeks. She gave party was the only person who could make connections with Karpis and Campbell. She volunteered the information that Karpis is very much depressed and is extremely anxious to see his child. She gave further to understand that she would contact him in about two weeks, after should drive to Elkhart, Indiana, where he should which phone her, Edith Barry, from that point before coming into Toledo; that he should be alone stated he informed Edith Barry in a flattering way that he believed he could dispense with the services of that she. Miss Barry, would undoubtedly be an efficient attendan He stated that he gave Edith Barry the impression that he was somewhat concerned over his safety, and that Miss Barry stated he had nothing to worry about, remindhad been friends of long standing ing him that she and he He stated nothing was mentioned concerning a fee for the case on this occasion, and that Miss Barry made no offer of expense money or a retainer at this time. He stated that several suggestions of mutual interest to them both were discussed, one of which was Jackie Osterman; that Miss Barry informed that she had heard that Jackie Osterman has recently opened a new show in New York City. Discussion was had as to flying and

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United Air Lines at the ticket office in the Palmer House at Chicago, IIIinois, is named Beard and that the relationship between Beard and tha
Barry woman is that Beard's wife is a cousin to Miss Barry. In connection with Edith Barry's frequent trips by airplane,
that he learned from Edith Barry that Dick Wahl (or Wall), who is a nephew
of Jackie Osterman and who is in some sort of construction business at
Toledo, Ohio, is the man who owns the airplane which Edith Barry frequently
uses on her trips to Chicago and St. Louis.

further stated
that he Wahl boy is passionately interested in flying. He further stated
that he learned that the prostitute from St. Louis, who is a very close
friend of Edith Barry's, answers to the first name of "Jerry". He was unable
to obtain Jerry's last name from Edith Barry without causing suspicion.

stated he made every attempt to draw from

Edith Barry further details but was unable to do so and the only answer he could obtain to his casual inquiries with reference to this was that he would receive a call from her, Edith Barry, in a couple of weeks, after which he should proceed to Elkhart, Indiana, and call her at her home from that point. He stated Edith Barry was much more careful about discussing this matter than on previous occasions and did not appear to be as enthusithe impression that she is actually astic as before, but gave in contact with Karpis and Campbell, although she did not want this impression to be revealed to asked Edith Barry if upon his arrival in Toledo he should get "Joe" to obtain a room for him at the Commodore Perry, to which Edith Barry replied that he should not go to any hotel, but should go to her home advised that the interview with Edith Barry was not entirely satisfactory as to details, but that he is convinced that he will receive a call in a shorter period than two weeks and that Edith Barry's story relative to a contact man who is to arrive from Europe is merely a gesture on her part. It is belief that Karpis and Campbell sent Edith Barry to see him immediately after receiving his letter in order to bring back information to them as to his present attitude. It is his opinion that Edith Barry is undoubtedly in contact with these two men and that they are still interested in the proposition or Edith Barry would not have made a trip from Toledo to see him.

It should be related that it is the writer's opinion that is exceedingly clever and there appears to be no doubt but that Edith Berry respects him very highly both professionally and as a friend is ready and anxious to receive a call from Edith Barry and to carryout her instructions. Frequent contacts will be made with in order that he will be impressed with the sincerity and cooperation of the Bureau agents.

on 9/4/35 Special Agent J. L. Madala rented apartment and the radiophone has again been installed in the receiver being in apartment where surveillance is being maintained by Special Agents J. M. Jones and V. W. Gillen, in order that they might be immediately advised should any word be received from Edith Barry or should Edith Barry suddenly appear at with either Karpis or Campbell. Special Agent R. D. Brown has obtained an apartment adjacent to in order to be available during the nighttime should Edith Barry call at

Inspection of the airport at Elkhart, Indiana, will be made in the near future and an Agent will familiarize himself with the streets and highways leading into Elkhart. Investigation will also be conducted at Toledo, Ohio to determine the number, color and further description of the airplane owned by Dick Wahl. Contact with will be closely followed.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. A. Muzzey at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan:

At the Sault Ste. Marie airport, Agent Muzzey ascertained from the airport's registration book that from July 23rd, 1935, to August 19th, 1935, twelve planes landed at the field; that three of these planes were Government planes, four landings by Soo Airways, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, planes, three landings by Hammond Flying Service, St. Ignace, Michigan, planes, one landing by Mulzer Flying Service plane, and one landing by a plane reported owned by Samuel B. Smith-a Sikorsky plane.

The registration book of the airport reflects that, excepting the Government planes, only two of the planes either came from outside of the State of Michigan or the destination was outside of Michigan. On 7/26/35 a Waco F plane number NC 122 Y, belonging to the Soo Airways, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, piloted by Johnny Flannery and carrying two passengers, arrived at the Airport from Chicago, Illinois, and left the same day for Drummond Island, Michigan. On 7/28/35 this same plane arrived at the airport from Drummond Island, Michigan, carrying no passengers.

On 8/15/35 a Sikorsky plane registered as being owned by Samuel B. Smith landed at the airport, having come from Canada. It departed the same day-destination not recorded. Airport attendants advised that this plane had gassed up at the Canadian Airdrome, Smilt Ste. Marie, before arriving at the airport and that further information regarding it could be obtained at the Canadian Airdrome.

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At the Canadian Airdrome Agent Muzzey was advised that a Sikorsky S 36 amphibian, single engine number NC 805 W, owned by Dr. S. B. Smith, piloted by J. Paul Moore, and having as passengers Dr. Smith and wife, landed at the Airdrome on 8/15/35 and departed the same day.

The records further disclosed that on August 17, 1935, a Sikorsky amphibian No. NC 803 W, piloted by Pilot Williams and carrying as passengers Col. C. W. Leeds and wife arrived from Detroit, Michigan.

On July 25, 1935 Douglass amphibian No. NC 982 Y, owned by Powell Crossley, Cincinnati, Ohio, arrived from Manatoulon, Canada, and departed the same date, destination Manatoulon, Canada.

It will be noted that Sault Ste. Marie, Canada, has no landing field—only amphibian planes arriving at the airdrome situated on the St. Mary's River. The above mentioned three planes were the only planes arriving or departing from the Airdrome since July 25, 1935.

At the Canadian Customs Office, Post Office Building, Agent Muzzey ascertained from Mr. Blaney, Customs Inspector, that Dr. S. B. Smith is owner of the Smith Incubator Company and his address is 3108 West 121st Street, Cleveland, Ohio. Agent Muzzey was further advised that Dr. Smith has been interested for the past two years in a gold mine situated at Wawa, Canada, and that quite a bit of machinery consigned from the United States to Dr. Smith's mine at Wawa has passed through the Customs Office. Mr. Blaney advised that nothing irregular relative to Dr. Smith has ever been noted.

Agent Muzzey was further advised that it was highly improbable for a land plane to alight on Canadan soil without the fact of its landing being known to at least one of the law enforcing agencies of the Canadian Government. However, it was entirely possible, in Mr. Blaney's opinion, for an amphibian plane to enter Canada from the United States without being noticed if it alighted on one of the numerous lakes which are not inhabited.

Mr. Blaney further advised that a landplane can alight on a farm anywhere in Canada providing the Customs officials are notified. In other words, the plane does not have to land at an airport in order to enter Canada.

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who advised that he is not familiar nor had any knowledge of a place called Lakeside Inn in the vicinity of Sault Ste. Marie.

He advised that the Rainbow Inn, situated fifteen miles north of Sault Ste. Marie has been "shady in character"; that it is mainly frequented by American tourists and is generally regarded as a "hook joint".

Inn, patronized by American tourists and bearing a snauy reputation. However, neither of these places is classed as a gambling joint. Stated that to his knowledge there are no inns in the vicinity wherein commercial gambling is carried on.

Sheriff Willard T. Welsh does not know of any gembling joint known as the Lakeside Inn in this section of the country.

Relative to telephone No. 661-W, Agent Muzzey ascertained from Sheriff Welsh that same is subscribed for by Lawrence J. Smart, 325 Lyon Street, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. The Sheriff advised that Smart is personally known to him; that Smart is a bridge operator, married, has two or three children, has long been a resident and that he bears a good reputation in the city, being entirely reliable. The Sheriff further advised that Smart would undoubtedly be truthful if interviewed. However, this did not appear desirable.

At the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, Miss Weinseith, in the absence of Mr. Bradford, Manager, who was on vacation and not expected back until September 3rd, refused to disclose any information whatsoever.

On 9/6/35 the writer proceeded to Elkhart, Indiana. Elkhart is a city of approximately 20,000 and the main street of Elkhart forms the intersection of U. S. Highways Nos. 20 and 112. Elkhart is located 104 miles East of Chicago on Highway 20, while Toledo is located 159 West of Elkhart on Highway 20. Detroit is located 176 miles northeast on Highway 112. Highway 112 is a main thoroughfare to all Michigan points including the northern peninsula and Sault Ste. Marie.

It appeared desirable to locate the airport at Elkhart. The same was found to be a small landing field three miles northwest of the city limits. It is not a lighted field and no hangars appear thereon. It was thought possible that the superior property at Elkhart as instructed by Edith Barry, would receive information from her, after communicating with her by telephone at her Toledo home, to proceed to the Elkhart airport where a plane might be waiting for him to take him to the point where Karpis and Campbell are in hiding. It also appeared desirable to locate a likely place where could make a telephone call to Edith Barry.

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It was found that the United States Post Office is located at the intersection of highways 20 and 112. The two principal hotels at Elkhart are the Hotel Elkhart and the Hotel Bucklen, the Hotel Elkhart being the more desirable place. It was found that there are two phone booths located in the Hotel Elkhart, the phone numbers being Elkhart 5172 and Elkhart 3173. Will be instructed to proceed to the Hotel Elkhart while enrouts to Toledo and make the long distance telephone call to Edith Barry from one of these booths. On the occasion of his making this call, an Agent will be occupying a room in the Hotel Elkhart and will be instructed to immediately communicate with the Agent stationed in the hotel room, from the same phone used in communicating with Edith Barry, and advise the Agent of the instructions he received from Edith Barry.

The writer then proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, on Highway 20, and found that at a point about 25 miles west of Elkhart there is a bad detour of about 10 miles. It was thought possible that might be picked up and followed into Toledo by associates of Karpis and Campbell from this detour, as it would be necessary for to drive slowly over this road.

At Toledo, Ohio, the writer again interviewed Detective Harry Manson, who is attached to the Lucas County, Ohio, prosecutor's office. Previous reports will show that Manson and Prosecutor Reams are considered thoroughly reliable.

After discussing possibilities concerning the present hideout of Karpis and Campbell, Detective Manson advised that he believes it quite probable that subjects may be hiding out at Grayling, Michigan, which town has a population of eighteen hundred and is located in the sparsely settled northeastern section of Michigan, just below the upper peninsula. Manson gives as his reasons for believing the hideout may be located here the following: He stated Harry Jennings was formerly Chief of Police at Toledo, Ohio, and was considered strictly "racket", he having received payoffs from nearly all houses of prostitution, saloons and business houses; that Harry Jennings is a very close associate of Joe Thompson, who is undoubtedly the "Joe" referred to by good friend of Edith Barry. He stated Joe Thompson has a suite of rooms s being the very at the Commodore Perry Hotel and is an Ohio state lobbyist, being formerly connected with railroads. He stated that both Joe Thompson and former Chief Jennings are very close friends of the Angus brothers. Manson advised that Jennings while Chief of Police purchased a beautiful cottage located on a private lake and having private grounds near Grayling, Michigan.

He stated this cottage is a large house containing all modern conveniences and has a fence surrounding the property; that racketeers and politicians often visited this cottage as guests of Harry Jennings previous to this summer; that he has learned from various sources that Jennings has not permitted guests to go to his place at Grayling for some time, indicating possibly that fugitives are being held there.

Manson was questioned concerning Richard Wahl, who is a nephew of Jackie Osterman's, this information having been furnished the writer by as previously reported, also having advised that Wahl is related in some way to Edith Barry and operates the airplane used by Edith Barry, which airplane he also owns. Manson stated that Dick Wahl is manager of the Yellow Cab Company in Toledo and also operates the Toledo Parking Garage located at 221 Ontario Street, Toledo, Ohio. Wahl resides at 2215 Collingwood Avenue, where he has a telephone, the number of which is Adams 7459. He also stated that Dick Wahl is very friendly with both Harry Jennings and Joe Thompson and that Joe Thompson lobbies for the Yellow Cab Company in Toledo.

Manson was requested to attempt to determine if Dick Wahl presently owns an airplane and if so the location of the hangar where same is kept. Manson has a reliable contact named

was advised by that he believed Dick Wahl has sold his airplane, it having been a Stinson cabin job, but that he believes Dick Wahl occasionally borrows airplanes from friends. However, he has been unable to determine as yet from whom he borrows planes. He will obtain this information together with the Department of Commerce number appearing on any planes that Wahl uses and furnish same to Manson, who will in turn furnish this information to Special Agent C. E. Smith, who is presently in Toledo Ohio in connection with this matter.

Informed Manson that there is a new maroon colored cabin airplane stationed at the T.W.A. airport at the present time, bearing no Department of Commerce number.

Will ascertain the identity of the owner of this ship together with the license number.

Manson further advised that approximately five years ago he hadoccasion to frequently contact a man named Forrest -- (last name not yet recalled), who is now deceased and who had a barbecue stand on the Dixie Highway leading into Cleveland called The Forrest Inn. He stated that this man's widow now operates the Forrest Inn. Manson stated he recalls that this Forrest once told him that the Angus brothers had a deer hunting

lodge located somewhere in northern Michigan near Sault Ste. Marie and that the Angus boys always visit this lodge during the deer hunting season. Manson will attempt to obtain from "Forrest's" widow information as to the location of this lodge, advising he will be able to do this in such a way as to cause no suspicion.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. E. Smith Cleveland, Ohio, dated 9/5/35, page five, wherein it is stated that Special Agent Smith's confidential informant advised his wife formerly worked for Edith Barry in the late fall of 1934 and winter and spring of 1935 as a prostitute, and had told him she had associated with Karpis at a time when Karpis was staying at Edith Barry's place together with Harry Campbell; that Karpis and Campbell remained at Edith Barry's place for a short time, after which they left Toledo by sirplane for a cabin somewhere in the north woods, which the informant believed was near some town that had recently sprung up as a result of gold discovered in that territory. It is possible that the Angus brothers' deer hunting lodge is located in the north woods of Michigan near Sault Ste. Marie or near Grayling, Michigan.

In a further interview with

furnished additional information concerning his interview with Edith

Barry on 9/3/35 at his office in Chicago. He stated he had unintentionally
neglected to inform Agent that Edith Barry had told him that if he,

did not hear from her further he should proceed

alone in his Ford coupe from Chicago, Illinois, to Eikhart,

Indiana, where he should call her by telephone before proceeding to

Toledo.

stated he pressed Edith Barry for additional

definite information as to whether he would

and she remarked that even though Karpis and Campbell were not

available

Further reference is now made to report of Agent Smith, page six, in which Agent Smith's informant advised him that his former wife who associated with Karpis and who is now mysteriously missing from Toledo, has tattoo marks on both shoulders, design not known but believed to be the initials of her first husband.

These facts have been discussed with Special Agent in Charge
E. J. Connelley and it appears reasonable to believe possibly that
may be requested to
and that should Karpis and his associate find that
is not being watched or followed in any way, he,
will then
be requested to proceed to some point

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pending between and Edith Barry, it is extremely difficult to determine just what procedure will take place after leaves Chicago to proceed to Edith Barry's house in Toledo. Agent Smith's informant, has been instructed by Agent Smith to attempt to determine the present whereabouts of his former wife, In view of the information obtained from , it does not appear unlikely that may now be with Karpis and Campbell.

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Detective Manson described Richard J. (Dick) Wahl as being forty-two years of age, five feet ten inches in height, slightly stooped, weight 150 to 160 pounds, thin and delicate looking, and he advised that Wahl's father was formerly Safety Director of Toledo.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 9/7/35, which contains admissions and information given by subjects Weaver and Eaton while interviewed by Special Agents Suran and D. P. Sullivan.

The writer had occasion to interview both William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton on 9/1, 2 and 3/35. On 9/1/35 at the Jacksonville Bureau office, on 9/2/35 while enroute by airplane from Jacksonville, Florida, to St. Paul, Minnesota, and on the night of 9/2 and the morning of 9/3/35 in the St. Paul Bureau office. The information furnished by Weaver and Eaton to Agents Suran and Sullivan as contained in the reference report of Agent Suran, was also furnished to the writer, it being practically the identical information with certain additional information.

From the time William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were apprehended in Florida to the time the writer left St. Paul, Minnesota, they continually remarked that they were unable to understand how Government Agents were able to locate them. Acting upon the desire to secure further information from Weaver and Eaton to implicate subject Harry Sawyer in this kidnaping, the writer frequently made suggestive remarks indicating to Weaver and Eaton that Harry Sawyer might have been the person who "put the finger on them". However, Weaver stated he did not know whether or not Sawyer was in any way involved in the kidnaping, but that, of course, Sawyer knew the Barker boys, Karpis, Campbell, Davis and other members of the mob. Weaver talked freely relative to other members of this gang with the exception of Fred Goetz, whom he claimed he did not know. With reference to Willie Harrison, he stated he could not understand why the Government suspected Harrison as being implicated in the kidnaping, as he knew that Harrison had nothing to do with it, but was merely an errand boy for members of the gang.

The interview with Weaver from Jacksonville, Florida, to St. Paul, Minnesota, was more productive than interviews with him in the Jacksonville and St. Paul offices. During this flight Weaver was permitted to hold in his arms his little adopted son, Bobby. Weaver is undoubtedly very fond of this boy and while holding Bobby in his arms he would often talk to him in low tones, telling him to be a good boy and not to forget his daddy. Agent frequently remarked to Weaver that Agent was unable to understand why he, Weaver, would not now be willing to give information concerning his knowledge of the Bremer kidnaping, in view of the fact that Weaver would undoubtedly receive a life sentence in this case and already has a life sentence awaiting him on a State charge. After making these statements to Weaver, the writer then questioned him as to certain details of the kidnaping. Weaver would generally sit quietly and give Agent no answer. However, Agent once remarked to Weaver that Mr. Bremer was extremely grateful to him for bandaging his wounded head and giving him kind words while at the hideout. Agent then asked Weaver if it were not true that he took Bremer's part when other members of the gang attempted to get rough with him. Weaver then smiled and stated, "Well, I am not saying I had anything to do with this kidnaping, but if I did have something to do with it that is true". Apparently Weaver was later sorry that he made this remark for Agent continued to question him in an attempt to develop further admissions from him and he would state, "Some day I may be in a position to tell you what actually happened", and further, "I don't think you fellows have all the facts in this case yet".

Weaver was closely questioned concerning his residence with Myrtle Eaton at Grand Forest Beach, Ohio, and furnished much the same information concerning this as is contained on page five of the reference report of Agent Suran. However, Agent questioned him as to the identity of the woman companion of Willie Harrison who visited them at Grand Forest Beach. It will be noted from previous reports that Mrs. Willgrube, who rented Weaver the cottage at Grand Forest Beach, informed the writer that a woman usually accompanied Willie Harrison while visiting the Weavers, whom she knew as Mr. and Mrs. Orhood. Both Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver stated that Willie Harrison had no woman companion while visiting their cottage at Grand Forest Beach. Weaver was then questioned as to his failure to purchase a farm located near Cohill, Ontario, which he had negotiated for by mail at Grand Forest Beach, through the Royal Bank of Canada at Maramora, Ontario. He stated his reason for not purchasing this property was that Myrtle Eaton did not want to get that far from civilization and further that he believed the price asked for this property was too high.

Weaver was also questioned as to how and when he disposed of the 1934 model Chevrolet coupe which he purchased at Des Moines, Iowa, during the spring of 1934. He remarked that Agent probably knew more about

that car than he did, but finally remarked that he had disposed of it in Toledo, Ohio, and obtained another car at the same time. He would not go further into this transaction, however.

During the airplane trip from Jacksonville to St. Paul, various members of the gang were discussed with Weaver. While in a particularly affable mood, Weaver was asked if he would not be willing to advise Agent as to his opinion concerning who was the most dangerous, Karpis or Campbell. He stated that both of these men are very good shots with a machine gun or pistol, but that he believes Harry Campbell to be a more dangerous hoodlum than Karpis. He branded Karpis as being "plenty smart".

As has been previously stated, both Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver continually remarked that they were unable to understand how Government Agents found them. When conversing with both Weaver and Eaton they were asked if they had ever been in Cincinnati, Ohio. Both at first denied this. However, they were questioned as to whether or not Myrtle Eaton had not made a telephone call to St. Paul, Minnesota, during the Christmas holidays of 1934. Myrtle Eaton finally admitted that she had made a telephone call to Andrew Rothmeyer, but was unable to talk with him, having talked with one of the bartenders at Rothmeyer's saloon. She was unwilling to furnish the telephone number which she used on the occasion of this call, merely stating that it was located in Cincinnati and that Weaver was "close by".

Reference is now made to a letter from the St. Paul Bureau office to the Director, dated 9/7/35, page two, paragraph five, which deals with notes which have been passed between Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver while incarcerated in the county jail at St. Paul, Minnesota. The above referred to paragraph advises that Sheriff Gibbons informed Special Agent in Charge H. E. Andersen that one Moriarity, a trusty of the jail, admitted to Sheriff Gibbons that one of the notes passed from Myrtle Eaton to Bill Weaver stated, "The Cincinnati phone call put the finger on us". This appears to indicate that the writer's conversation with reference to the Cincinnati phone call with Weaver and Eaton has convinced them that their location was probably due to this telephone call. Further information concerning the details of this telephone call is recorded on pages 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 5/1/35.

It should be noted from reports in the Hamm kidnaping case that victim Hamm stated a young woman occupied the hideout where he was held and he described her as being a "society matron" type. During the

conversation with Weaver and Eaton, Agent casually referred to Myrtle

Eaton as a "society matron" on several occasions. Both Weaver and Eaton
requested to know why Agent referred to Myrtle as a "society matron".
Previous to this time the writer had made no mention of the Hamm kidnaping. Weaver was casually advised that Agent referred to Myrtle Eaton
as a "society matron" due to the fact that victim Hamm had tentatively
identified her as being the woman present in his hideout during the time
he was held and had called her the "society matron". Weaver apparently
became worried over this assertion and made this emphatic remark, "That
girl had nothing to do with the Hamm kidnaping and I know it. Neither
did I have anything to do with the Hamm kidnaping and I believe I can
prove it". However, Weaver failed to discuss the Hamm kidnaping any
further.

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On 9/5/35 Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd received a telephone call from a man giving his name as Mr. Marcus, who late stated his correct name was Meyer Bogue. He stated he had been involved in the Dillinger case and believed he had information of considerable value to the Bureau concerning Alvin Karpis. He requested that an Agent conact him for the purpose of obtaining this information.

The writer interviewed Meyer Bogue in the Fair Store established on the eighth floor of the Fair Store Building, at 2:30 > 10. On 9/5/35. It should be noted that Meyer Bogue was formerly employed by the Governor of Indiana as a confidential informant to locate members of the Dillinger gang. The file entitled "JOHN PAUL CHASE with aliases, et al" shows that information furnished by Bogue to the Governor of Indiana and later also furnished to the Chicago Bureau office, consisted of gross misrepresentations of the facts which he claimed to be true end which he had supported by affidavits, surrounding the escape of John Dillinger from the Crown Point, Indiana, jail.

Bogue has an extensive criminal record for forgery, embezzlement, confidence game and robbery.

Bogue explained that on September 1, 1935, he had been dropped from the payroll of the Governor of Indiana; that he had been receiving \$250.00 per month and expenses for more than a year. He bost that through his efforts Joseph Fox and Joseph Burns were apprehended Chicago; that he had extensive criminal connections in the city of Ch and could obtain information as to the whereabouts of almost anyone. claimed that during the early part of August he saw Alvin Karpis entitatholic church located on the corner of Western Avenue and Catalpa

He stated he was certain of Karpis' identification because he had seen his photograph. He stated he later saw Karpis again on the street near Chicago Avenue and Kedzie. Bogue was then asked what plans he had with reference to the location of Karpis. He stated that if the Government would pay him a salary of \$250.000 a month and expenses, he would agree to act as an informant. He indicated his expenses would not be more than \$5.00 or \$10.00 a day. Bogue was informed that the Federal Bureau of Investigation would not consider paying him a salary, but that should be learn the whereabouts of Karpis an appropriate reward would be paid him. He stated he would not work under those circumstances, whereupon the interview was terminated. He finally stated he would be glad to call the Chicago Bureau office should he receive information as to the whereabouts of Karpis and collect the reward should he be apprehended. He continually requested that Agent take the matter up with Washington as to paying him a salary and on 9/10/35 he communicated with Agent by telephone and asked whether Agent had deemed it advisable to request that he be employed as an informant. Agent informed him that no such request would be made;

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THE CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE, at Chicago, Illinois, will keep in close contact with

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Post Office Box 4907, Jacksonville, Florida

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September 17, 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 BREMER, Victim;

KIDLAPING, etc.

Enclosed are two newspaper clippings from the Florida Times Union of Jacksonville, Florida, for September 16 and 17, 1935. They refer to the movement of the bodies of Kate and Fred Barker from Ocala, Florida, to Joplin, Missouri, for burial.

This information is being furnished as of possible interest to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt.

Special Agent in Charge

Enclosures (2)
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From the Jacksonville, Florida, Times-Union of September 16, 1935

Bodies of Barkers Will Be Forwarded to Joplin

OCALA, Sept. 15, (UP)—The bodies of Fred and "Ma" Barker will be sent to Joplin, Mo., for burial tomorrow, exactly six months after they were killed by Federal agents in a four-hour gun battle here.

The bullet-ridden bodies have lain in a local mortuary since January 16 while attorneys settled the Barker estate. "Ma" Barker was regarded is the "brains" of the Barker Katpis gang, involved in the Bremer kidhaping at St. Paul.

From the Jacksonville, Florida, Times-Union of September 17, 1935

Florida Claims Ate Ordered Paid from Estate of Barkers

OCALA, Sept. 16, (P)—The final chapter was written today in the case of Fred Barker and his 60-

case of Fred Barker and his 60year-old mother Kate Barker, alias
Arizona "Ma" Barker, who were
slain in a five-hour gun battle with
G-men at Oklawaha exactly eight
months ago today

The bodies of the slain man and
woman will leave Ocala tomorrow in
a Joplin, Mo., funeral coach. All
Florida claims were ordered paid today from the estate estimated at
\$16,000 in cash and jewelry. The estate has been impounded in a local
bank. The bodies have been at a
local mortuary. About \$3,000 was paid

local mortuary. About \$3,000 was paid the mortician for his services. Little interest attached to re-moval of the bodies. Occasionally during recent months some passing

visitor has gone to the undertaker's estiblishment to view the bodies. I ttorneys for "Pa" Barker have been here several times seeking to effect settlement of the estate which was completed today.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Present address of Edward Koeberline, who formerly received mail at 214 Grant Street, Millvale, Pa., unknown. Louisa Koeberline, who may have information concerning Edward, now residing at 230 W. 97th St., New York City.

Report of Special Agent W. J. McHulty, New York City, N. Y., 9-12-35.

AT MILLVALE, PENNSYLVANIA:

MRS. FRANK J. KOERERLINE, 214 GRant Avenue, stated that Edward F. A. Koeberline is a son of Mr. Koeberline's step-brother; that approximately four years ago he resided at 219 Grant Avenue and was employed as a laborer by the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company; that he has not been in the vicinity of Pittsburgh since that time, but that mail has been received at 214 Grant Street for him at various times and he has written Mrs. Koeberline requesting that it be forwarded to various addres-The last mail received for him was in the Spring of 1935 and it was forwarded upon his request to an address in Connecticut, however, Mrs. Koeberline advised that this address had been destroyed and that she did not know the present whereabouts of Edward Koeberline, but that Louisa Koeberline, with whom he resided at 219 Grant Street, and who now lives with her sister, Mrs. John Foley, 74 North Emily Street, Pittsburgh, might be able to furnish Edward Koeberline's present address.

T. A. MESTOR, Superintendent, Millvale Post Office, stated that there is no forwarding address on file for Edward F. A. Koeberline.

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MRS. JOHN FOLEY, contacted by telephone, advised that she had not heard from Edward Koeberline since early in the Spring when he wrote requesting that any mail for him be forwarded to a Connecticut address which she did not remember; further, that Louisa Keeberline, who resided with her, is at the present time in New York City and might possibly know the where bouts of Edward Koeberline, Her address is Care of M. K. Christensen, Apartment 2 D. 230 West 97th Street, New York City.

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THE NEW YORK OFFICE at NEW YORK CITY will interview Louisa Koeberline, Care of M. K. Christensen, Apartment 2 D. 230 West 97th Street, to secure, if possible, the present address of Edward Koeberline and will cause him to be interviewed regarding the letter which he forwarded to the Postmaster at Brooklyn, New York, as stated in reference report.

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA,

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BE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, ET AL EDETARD GEORGE BREITER - VICTIM-KIDHAPING

Reference is made to your letter dated September 13, 1935, addressed to the Bureau, two photographs of Subject William Weaver having been furnished this office with its copy of that letter.

Please be advised that Special Agent A. E. Farland exhibited these photographs of Fillian Weaver to Elver Farmer, number 47103, and Earold Alderton, number 47102, both of whom are incarcerated at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas. Farmer stated he did not believe the photograph was that of a man whom he had seen, stating that the man he had seen was larger than the individual in the photograph, such man being over 200 pounds.

Farmer also added, concerning Harry Samyer, he had never known him nor had he seen him until he met him in jail in St. Paul.

Alderton advised Agent Farland that he could not identify the photographs of Feaver, stating that the ran he had seen was over 240 pounds; was very fat - so fat one could hardly see his belt. Alderton stated this man was called "Heavy".

Alderton also added that he had nover seen Subjects
Volney Davis or Marry Sawyer until he saw them in the jail at
St. Paul.

Agent Farland's contects with Farmer and Alderton ware could for the purpose of exhibiting those two photographs of Subject William Weaver; nothing else being discussed by Farland with those of in view of the other information appearing is your letter to the Bureau dated September 13, 1935.

Very truly yours,

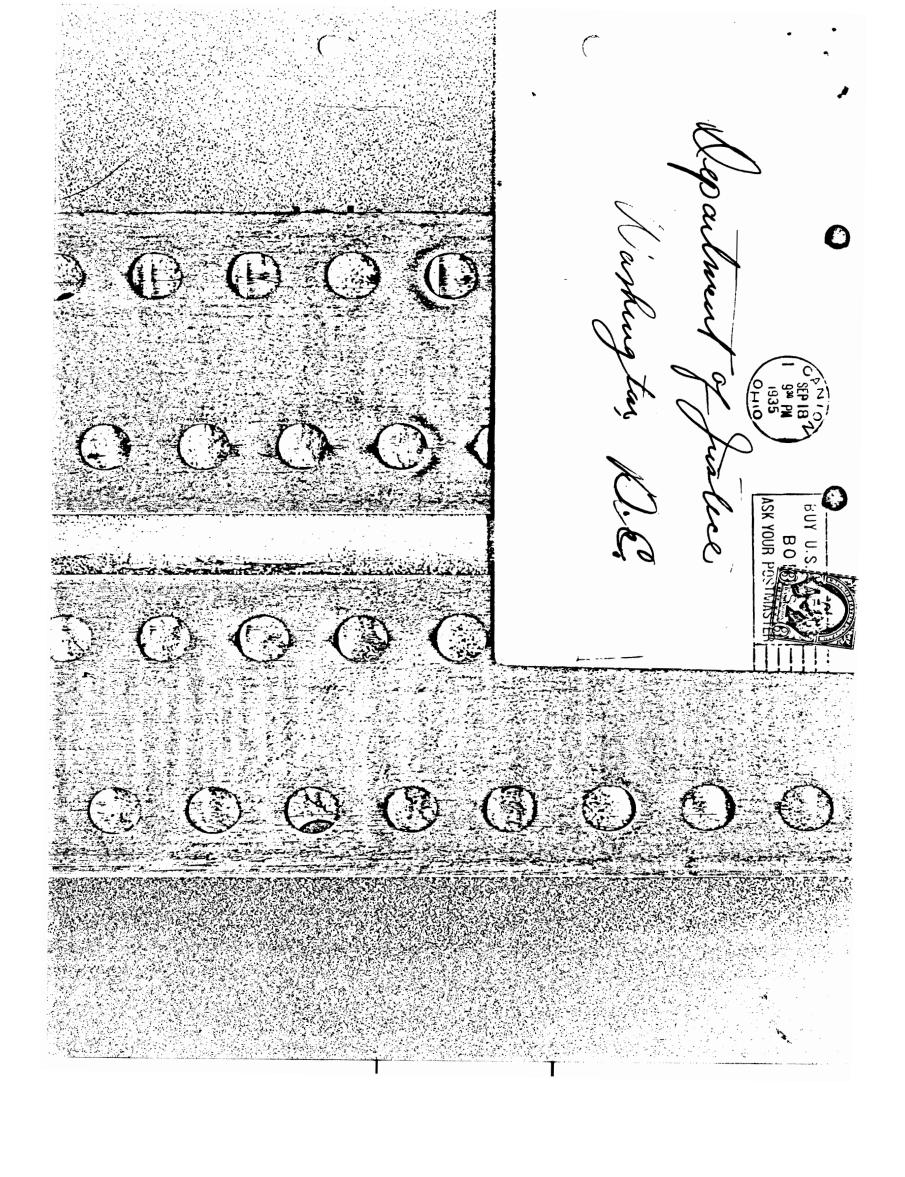
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W. A. SMITH MCS SPECIAL AGRIT IN CHARGE

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September 26, 1935.

Mr. Alva R. Conner, General Delivery, Canton, Ohio.

Dear Sirt

I wish to thank you for your letter of September 18, 1935 in which you suggest the possibility of Alvin Karpis presently residing in Canton, Ohio.

The matter referred to in your letter has been brought to the attention of Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio, who has been instructed to have an Agent interview you in the immediate future in the premises.

Again expressing my appreciation for your assistance in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

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Coptember 26, 1935,

Special Agent in Charge, Cleveland, Ohio.

REA ALVIE EARPIS with aliance FUGITIVE, I. O. \$1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BRENIR - Vieting
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Dear Stat

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter dated September 18, 1935 from Mr. Alva R. Conner of Canton, Ohio, copies of which are being furnished to each office receiving a copy of this communication.

Tou will observe that Mr. Conner suggests the possibility of Alvia Eurpis residing in a very good residential district of Canton, Ohio. It is also noted that Mr. Conner states that there have been observed at said residence several cars bearing Illinois license plates, Illinois license plates sos. 79-736 and 66-072 being mentioned in particular.

The Cleveland office is requested to take invediste inquiries in Canton, Ohio to the end of locating the residence of which Er. Conner speaks and to conduct such investigations at that point as to determine the identity of the persons occupying said home. The Cleveland office is instructed to immediately interview Er. Country in this ratter.

The Chicago office is requested to immediately check the Illinois license plates mentioned in Er. Conner's letter.

The Bureau desires to be inforzed of the progress of this investigation promptly.

Very truly yours.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

724 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

TELEPHONE CIRCLE 7—2741
September 18,1935

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Would you be good enough to forward us whatever data is available on Delores Delaney and Winona Burdette, who were associated with Alvin (Karpis when he escaped from the Danmor Hotel in Atlantic City. If there is any matter you can send us on Karpis' wife we would be deeply grateful.

Assuring you of our gratitude for your kind co-operation we remain,

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Mr. Sidney Bleefeld, The National Police Gesette, 724 Fifth Avenue, Hew York, Hew York.

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your letter of September 18, 1935, in which you request data relative to Dolores Belaney and Mynona Burdette, who were formerly associated with Alvin Karpis. I am pleased to set forth below the descriptions of these two persons:

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Both of these persons were sentenced at Miami, Florida on March 25, 1935 to serve terms of five years each, and they are now presently incarcerated in the United States Detention Farm at Kilan, Michigan.

I am also transmitting heregith two photographs of each of these individuals.

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Very truly yours

John Edgar Hoover,

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DETAILS:

On August 23, 1935 Volney Davis advised Agents of the Kansas City Bureau office and subsequently reiterated said information to the writer on September 10, 1935, that he had been told by Elmer Farmer while they were cell mates in the Ramsey County Jail at St. Paul that Willie Harrison had been killed by Byron Bolton and Doc Barker in typical gangland fashion. Davis stated that it was his information that Harrison had advised Ruth Heidt, his divorced wife, of the location of the Barker mob in Florida and that Ruth Heidt had unwittingly told Doc Barker that she had been so advised by Harrison. Doc Barker fearing that Harrison was talking too freely, enlisted the cooperation of Bolton and Elmer Farmer in putting Harrison out of the way. They conceived a plan whereby Elmer Farmer was to lead Harrison to believe that certain of the Bremer ransom money which was due Harrison was located in an abandoned factory about fifteen miles from Bensenville, Illinois; that Farmer would take Harrison to this factory at which time Doc Barker and Byron Bolton would kill him. Accordingly Harrison was taken to this abandoned factory by Farmer, and Farmer entered the place in front of Harrison and concealed himself inside. As Harrison entered the doorway to the factory he hesitated a moment, at which time Doc Barker and Byron Bolton fired at him with a machine gun and killed him . Harrison's body according to Volney Davis, was then placed in an upright position on a support made of heavy timbers and the factory was set afire, and in this manner the body was disposed of.

Davis further stated that in order to corroborate the information as set out above he asked Doc Barker who occupies the cell across the corridor from him, if he knew anything concerning "the man with the derby", meaning Harrison, and whether what he had heard was true, at which time Barker replied in the affirmative.

Davis stated that he believed this shooting occurred three or four days prior to the time that Doc Barker was apprehended in Chicago by Bureau Agents.

In an effort to verify and follow out the above information Agent proceeded to Bensenville, Illinois and interviewed Chief of Police Cozzy who advised that to his recollection there had been no fires in any abandoned factory or similar place in or around Bensenville for the past two years. He stated that he is a member of the Bensenville volunteer fire department, and that if there had been such a fire he surely would recall_it. He referred Agent to George Courthauer, the Fire Marshal of

Bensenville for the complete record of fires in the vicinity of Bensenville for the past several years.

Mr. Courthauer was located at his place of business and examination of his records revealed that only three fires took place since June, 1933, but none of them were places known to have been abandoned nor had these fires occurred within the period in question.

Agent made similar inquiries of the Chief of Police and Fire Marshal at Itasca, Illinois which town is approximately five miles west of Bensenville. Neither of these persons could furnish any information regarding a fire of this description in the vicinity of Itasca. However the Chief advised that he has a hazy recollection of a fire in Ontario-ville, Illinois which took place last winter and in which a corps was found. He could recall no further details concerning this fire but advised that he could direct Agent to its location. Accordingly, with the aid of the Chief of Police whose name is Henry Frazen, the spot was located, on a side road known as Johnson Road, about 200 feet south of Lake Street or U.S.Highway number 20. This place is located about one mile east of Ontarioville and approximately 12 miles from Bensenville, Illinois.

Examination of the ground in close proximity of this point revealed only a few charred timbers and a pile of ashes, indicating that the building had apparently burned to the ground. This debris was not disturbed and a thorough search will be made at an early date. It is noted that there are no houses within a half mile of this location, and it appears on account of the slant and decline in the highway that this place would not be noticeable to anyone other than a person thoroughly familiar with the neighboring territory.

Agent and the Chief of Police of Itasca drove west on Lake St. and stopped at the first farm house which is located approximately three quarters of a mile from the site of the burned shed. It was ascertained that Ontarioville is in DuPage county. The farmer could furnish no information of value concerning the fire in question except that it happened on a Saturday night some time during last winter; that his son-in-law first saw the flames at about 9.30 P.M. when he drove by; that on the following morning he had heard that a body was found among the ruins, whereupon he proceeded to the location and observed it. He stated that to his knowledge the body has not as yet been identified.

After returning the Chief of Police to Itasca, Agent proceeded to Wheaton, Illinois the county seat of DuPage County and interviewed Sheriff Arthur C. Bennetts relative to this matter. He referred to his records and advised that about 2 P.M. on January 6, 1935 he received a telephone call that a body was lying in the ruins of a burned rabbit shed located on the west side of Johnson road about 200 feet south of Lake St. or U.S. Highway 20; that this property is owned by Herman Hitzeman of Ontarioville, Illinois and had been unoccupied for the past three years. The Sheniff advised that when he arrived on the scene of the fire he observed the body lying due east and west on its back with the head to the east. The body was badly burned and nothing remained but the torso, making any identification impossible. The Sheriff advised that the body was removed to the undertaking parlor at Roselle, Illinois where Coroner Doctor Paul Isherwood conducted an autopsy and determined that the body was of male sex. An x-ray of the body revealed a .32 calibre steel jacketed bullet embedded in the lower part of the right shoulder. This bullet was removed by the Coroner and retained in his files. The Sheriff further stated that he found a five gallon gasoline can and a crank for a model A Ford in close proximity of the body, and according to Mr. Hitzeman the owner, neither of the articles were part of the building or had been there previously to his knowledge. The Sheriff also found among the ashes several metal parts of suspenders and garters; a wrist watch with a link bracelet, and remains of eyeglasses which appeared to have been octagon shaped.

The Sheriff further stated that he interviewed Herman Hitzeman on the evening of January 6, 1935 who advised that he received a telephone call about 10 P.M. Saturday night January 5, 1935 advising him that his barn was on fire. He immediately drove to the place and observed that the shed was burned practically to the ground. He stated he remained until 11 P.M. and then returned home and on the following day about 5 P.M. two neighbors, William Hohmeyer and Edwin Binder, came to his gasoline station and informed him that they had seen the corpseof a human being among the ruins in the shed. Mr. Hitzeman immediately called the Sheriff's office advising him of this information, and then proceeded to the place in company with Hohmeyer and Binder. The Sheriff advised that Hitzeman informed him that the shed had been abandoned for the past three years.

Concerning the remains of the watch which was found, the Sheriff advised that he took it to the Elgin National Watch Company at Elgin, Illinois where one of the employees identified it as an Elgin product

Grade 428, Model, 6-0, Movement number 3,216,666, chrome nickel plated case number 0211813. According to their records the watch was assembled in 1928 and sold on February 15, 1929. Sheriff Bermetts stated that he requested the Elgin Watch Company to trace this watch from the factory but they were unable to find any sales record showing where the watch was shipped; that they did have a record of the watch going to the shipping department from the factory in February, 1929 but could not locate any record as to the disposition of the watch from the shipping room. The Sheriff stated that he was informed by the Elgin Watch Company that they sell to only wholesalers and jobbers, and that in 1929 they had 78 jobbers on their list. The Sheriff stated that they furnished him with this list and he subsequently circularized all jobbers, furnishing them with the description of the watch in question, with the request that they notify his office should they have any record of it on their books. He stated that this circularization was not productive, and thereafter he had the case examined by the Northwestern Scientific Laboratory for further clues; that this laboratory discovered a jeweler's mark on the inside of the case, which bore the number C-635. He stated that he ascertained that the Jewelers Association issues a monthly magazine which is subscribed to by practically all the jewelers in the country, and that he inserted an ad in the June 1935 issue of this magazine, which contained a photograph of the inside of the case and a description of the watch in question; that this was likewise unproductive, and to date he has no clue as to the identity of the owner of this watch.

Sheriff Bennetts turned over to Agent the frame of the eyegleses and the link bracelet, for the assistance of this office in locating the owner of same.

Agent in company with Sheriff Bennetts interfiewed Coroner Doctor Paul Isherwood at his office in West Chicago, Illinois. The Coroner could furnish no additional information concerning the burned body except that his autopsy established that the body was of male sex. He further stated that the body was x-rayed at the Elmhurst Hospital, Elmhurst, Illinois and by this means a bullet was discovered embedded in the lower part of the right shoulder. He stated that this bullet was removed by him and it was later taken to the Northwestern University Crime Datection Laboratory at Chicago, Illinois for technical examination, which resulted in the finding that the bullet was fired from a .32 caliber automatic pistol. The Coroner advised that this bullet was men in his possession and that he would gladly turn it over to the Bureau for ballistics comparison if an official request were made upon him for same.

The Coroner further stated that in view of the condition of the body and the presence of the gasoline can at this fire, he is of the opinion that the murderers poured gasoline over the body and into the victim's mouth in order to accelerate the burning. He turned over to Agent a photograph of the burned torse which according to Doctor Isherwood was placed in an upright position for photographic purposes. It was noted that the torse was practically consumed by the fire, with no head, arms or legs, skin or vital organs remaining. Additional copies were made of this photograph and two copies were forwarded to the Bureau by letter on August 31, 1935.

Mr. Herman Hitzeman, who according to Sheriff Bennetts owns the property on which the body was found was interviewed by Agent at Mr. Hitzeman's place of business on Lake Street approximately two miles west of Ontarioville, where he is operating a gasoline filling station. Mr. Hitzeman stated that about 9.50 P.M. on the night of January 5, 1935 he received a telephone call from a person whose name he does not recall, advising that his barn was on fire. He stated that he immediately proceeded to the scene and observed that the building was practically burned to the ground and that a call to the fire department would have been useless. He remained for about one hour and then left for home. Mr. Hitzeman said that on the following day William Hohmeyer and Edwin Binder came to his home and advised that they had seen among the ruins of the fire what they thought was the corpse of a human being. Mr. Hitzeman stated that he immediately telephoned the Sheriff's office at Wheaton, Illinois and thereafter proceeded with Hohmeyer and Binder to the scene of the fire. Mr. Hitzeman stated that the building had been unoccupied for approximately three years and that he formerly utilized it as a rabbit shed; that it was situated in such a spot that one could scarcely notice it from the highway unless one were looking for it. He further stated that the building consisted of a long shed and a two story frame structure connected to it on the north; that the shed was 104 feet long, 12 feet wide and 8 feet high, and that the house was approximately 30 feet long, 15 feet wide and twice as high as the shed. Mr. Hitzeman stated that the building could very easily be mistaken for a factory in view of the structure and length of it. He stated that he originally erected the building for the purpose of storing grain therein.

Concerning the gasoline can and automobile crank found in the ruins of the fire Mr. Hitzeman stated that he is positive that these articles were not in the shed prior to the time of the fire. In this connection he stated that he went through the building about two or three

weeks before the fire and is certain that these articles were not there at that time. Photographs of Elmer Farmer, Arthur Barker and Byron Bolton were exhibited to Mr. Hitzeman, but he was unable to identify same as persons known to him.

It might be stated that Agent did not reveal to the Sheriff or Mr. Hitzeman the name of Willie Harrison as the person who this office believed was burned in the fire.

A summary of the above information was transmitted to the Bureau by teletype under date of August 30, 1935.

As a point of significance it might be stated that Jack Olson's place is situated on Lake Street approximately one mile east of the location where the fire took place. Previous investigation by this office disclosed that Elmer Farmer had slot machines in Olson's place and was very friendly with him. Certain information received indicated that other members of the Karpis-Barker mob frequented this tavern, they being brought there by Farmer. Jack Olson had been interviewed on several occasions during the early part of this year concerning his knowledge of the Barker-Karpis mob but he refused to identify any of them as persons known to him.

On September 1, 1935 Sheriff Bennetts telephoned Agent at the Chicago Bureau office and advised that the Coroner had located the 32 caliber built which he had removed from the burned body and that it was available to this office for scientific examination. Agent procured the bullet from the Sheriff and forwarded it to the Bureau under date of Sept. 2, 1935 with the request that a ballistics comparison be made of this bullet with the test bullets fired from 32 caliber automatic pistols number 481720 and 304899, which guns were recovered from the apartment of Russell Gibson at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois on January 8, 1935, as reflected in report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois dated February 11, 1935.

Subsequent examination of the files in this case indicated that the above described guns apparently had never been forwarded to the Bureau for technical examination for the reason that it was expected that they would be used as evidence in the trial of Arthur Barker et al at St.Paul, Minn. In view of this, the guns in question together with two loaded and two unloaded clips were forwarded to the Bureau on September 2, 1935 in order

that the bailistics test requested in letter dated September 1, 1935 might be made.

With reference to the above requested technical examination the Bureau notified the Chicago office by teletype under date of September 4, 1935 that the 32 caliber bullet showed evidence that it was fired from a pistol containing five lands and grooves with a right twist, and that this bullet could not have been fired from either of the pistols submitted for the reason that these Colt pistols have six lands and grooves with a left twist. The Bureau further advised that a further check of this bullet would be made with the various known and unknown specimens contained in their files.

The following investigation was conducted in an effort to determine whether the the body found at Ontarioville is that of William J. Harrison:

Clara Gibson, the wife of Russell Gibson now deceased, and who according to her own admissions frequently saw Willie Harrison at her apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois prior to the alleged date of his death, was interviewed by Agent. For the information of the file it should be stated that Mrs. Gibson is still residing with her sister Mrs. Mabel Guymon at 4324 Clarendon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. Gibson stated that she saw Willie Harrison last on the morning of January 5, 1935 at which time he came to her apartment in company with Arthur Barker. She stated that Willie Harrison, Byron Bolton, Russell Gibson and Arthur Barker returned from Florida on or about January 4, 1935, and to the best of her knowledge they met at her apartment that night. Mrs. Gibson was of the opinion that Willie Harrison resided with Mildred Kuhlman and Arthur Barker at their apartment on Surf Street and at first believed that Harrison had been arrested by Bureau Agents along with Mildred Kuhlman and Arthur Barker. Mrs. Gibson denied that she ever met or saw Elmer Farrer in the company of her hus band and others. She could not state whether Harrison possessed a wrist watch, nor could she furnish a description of the eyeglasses that he wore.

After various inquiries at Hammond, Indiana and Calumet City, Illinois in an effort to locate Ruth Heidt, the former wife of Harrison, it was learned through Miss Heidt's grandmother Celia Wagner, who resides at 1102 Truman Boulevard, that Ruth Heidt and Frank Jackson were married on September 1, 1935 and that they are now residing in a rooming house at 906 State Street, Hammond, Indiana.

Ruth Heidt was located at the above address and was interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee and the writer. She stated that she last saw Willie Harrison either on the day or the day after he and Byron Bolton returned from Florida and that she does not have the slightest intimation of where he subsequently disappeared. She stated that since her release she has associated with several of Willie's friends and that they all wondered what had become of him. Ruth Heidt advised that during the time Harrison courted her in 1931 he wore a wrist watch, make unknown, with a yellow gold link bracelet, and she knows that he still had this watch and bracelet after they were divorced. She denied purchasing the watch for Harrison and disclaimed any knowledge as to how it came into his possession. She could furnish no information relative to the type of eyeglasses worm by Harrison.

Inasmuch as several metal parts of suspenders were found in the ashes of the fire Miss Heidt was questioned as to whether Harrison preferred the use of suspenders to a belt. She stated that she is certain that he wore suspenders, but does not know definitely whether he ever wore a belt. Agents did not confront Ruth Heidt at this time with the information furnished by Volney Davis to the effect that she had mentioned to Doc Barker that Harrison told her about his mother and brother being in Florida. However she will be thoroughly questioned as to this at a later date.

Agents interviewed Patricia Lonquest at her home 1712 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois relative to this matter. Miss Lonquest advised that she saw Harrison last on December 15, 1934 when he called for her and Mildred Kuhlman at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois and then drove them to her mother's home at 641 Oakdale Street, Chicago. She stated that she did not hear anything more concerning Harrison until about two weeks later when she asked Mildred what had become of him and Mildred replied that he and the boys were out of town. Patricia stated that a few days later Mildred told her that Harrison had returned; that he would call her on Saturday night January 5, 1935. According to Miss Lonquest she did not receive this call nor did she hear from Harrison at any time after that. Concerning the eyeglasses and wrist watch Miss Lonquest advised that although she observed that Harrison were glasses and a wrist watch she is unable to describe them in any way.

It might be stated that the log which was maintained during the period this office had a tap on the telephone of Patricia Lonquest substantiates the information furnished by her in that she expected Harrison to call her on the night of January 5, 1935, which call she apparently never received. In this connection the following telephonic conversations are

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set out as contained in the log:

January 5, 1935 7 P.M. outgoing call:

January 5, 1935 8,05 P.M. outgoing call

With reference to the above telephone conversations it will be noted that Willie Harrison was known to Patricia Lonquest only as Elmer. Bittersweet 3223 is the number of Tillie Lonquest, patricia's mother, and she resides at 641 Oakdale Street, Chicago, Illinois. Diversey llliwas the unlisted telephone number of Patricia Lonquest, which phone was covered at that time.

A summary of the information furnished by Clara Gibson, Ruth Heidt and Patricia Lonquest as set out above was transmitted to the Bureau by teletype on September 4, 1935.

Inasmuch as the wrist watch found with the burned torso appeared to be the most valuable clue in identifying the body it was deemed advisable to conduct a more thorough and intensive investigation to ascertain the owner of this watch. Accordingly Agent proceeded to the Elgin National Watch Company at Elgin, Illinois and interviewed Mr. J. J. McInerney, manager of the order department. Mr. McInerney advised that he had previously cooperated with the Sheriff of DuPage County relative to this matter and that he is entirely familiar with the details of this case. He referred to his files and advised that the watch he examined for the Sheriff bears the following detailed description:

Size: 6-0 Grade: 428 Jewels: 15 Movement: 32-166-666 Case: 0211815

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Mr. McInerney stated he previously spent considerable time in an effort to trace the watch from the factory but was unsuccessful as to this, inasmuch as the sales record for this particular movement was missing; that the only information which the records disclosed is that the watch was assembled in 1928 and sent to the shipping room on February 15,1929, Mr. McInerney advised he is unable to explain the absence of a record, other than that the shipping clerk was negligent in his duties.

Mr. McInerney further advanced the information that the Elgin National Watch Company sells only to wholesalers and jobbers and the majority of themdo not keep any record of their sales; that is, they do not keep a record of the numbers of the watches sold by them; that in view of this it would be difficult to trace the watch in question, even though he would be able to advise where the watch was shipped from the factory. Mr. McInerney furnished Agent with a catalogue photograph of the watch in this case and same is being retained in the files of this office.

As heretofore stated the Sherif of DuPage County inserted an ad in the June issue of the Jewelers Circular Magazine which contained a photograph of the inside of the case and a description of the watch. A copy of this ad was obtained and two photostatic copies of same were transmitted to the Bureau on August 30, 1935, and two copies of same are transmitted with the copies of this report going to the St. Paul and Cincinnati Bureau offices. Referring to the ad it will be noted that the mark C 633 appears scratched on the inside of the case, and it was the general belief that this mark represented either a repair or sales record. Inasmuch as the possibility of tracing the watch itself seemed remote, in view of the missing sales record at the Elgin National Watch Company it was deemed advisable to confine the investigation in this matter to tracing the jeweler's mark - C 633. The files in this case reflect that Harrison resided in Hammond, Indiana and Calumet City, Illinois from 1929 to the latter part of 1933. Inquiries concerning this watch and jeweler's mark were made at each of the following jewelry stores, the names and locations of which were obtained from the Hammond telephone directory:

Arkins Jewelry Store, 439 State St. Hammond, Ind.
Armstrongs Jewelry Shop, 5142 Hohman Blvd. Hammond
Cousins, Inc. 5153 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, Ind.
John Pappas, 440 State Street, Hammond, Indiana
Paramount Jewelry Shop, 5409 Hohman Ave. Hammond
Silvers, Inc. 465 State St. Hammond, Indiana
Newtons Loan Company, 347 State Street, Calumet City, Ill

None of the foregoing stores could identify the mark in question. While in conversation with Mr. E. W. Hess, president of the Paramount Jewelry Shop he advised that a Mr. Crosby conducts a small watch repair shop around the corner on Clinton Street, and inasmuch as his name begins with the letter C it was possible that the mark in question might be his identifying record.

Agent located this shop at 230 Clinton Street, Hammond, Indiana and interviewed the owner who advised his name was WILLIAM T. CROSEY. He stated that he has been engaged in watch repair work for twenty five years and that up until two years ago his business along this line was very profitable. When questioned concerning whether he kept a record of all repair work done by him Mr. Crosby advised that he did maintain such record until two years ago when he discontinued this practice due to the falling off of his business. He permitted Agent to examine this record, and it was noted that the mark C 633 appeared on page 36 of his record book with the following information set out therein:

"633 - August 21 - Billie Harrison 3/o Elgin 15 jewels; nickel; mainspring and click; 32166666, 9211813".
"Bill 2.00".

Photostatic copies of the page which contains the above record were made, two of which were forwarded to the Bureau under date of Sept. 7 1935.

Mr. Crosby advised that the correct name of BILLIE HARRISON is WILLIAM HARRISON, and that he had known him for approximately six or seven years. He stated that Harrisom formerly worked as a bartender both in Hammond, Indiana and Calumet City, Illinois and that he has not seen him since the latter part of 1933, in fact he last saw him when Harrison obtained the watch from his shop. A photograph of William J. Harrison was exhibited to Mr. Crosby and he positively identified it as being the likeness of the owner of the above watch. Mr. Crosby permitted Agent to take custody of his repair book and same is being retained in the Chicago Bureau office files for future reference.

The information concerning the identification of this wrist watch was furnished to the Bureau by telephone under date of September 6.

With reference to the type of eyeglasses worn by Harrison it will be noted that Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Agent R.D. Brown and S. K. McKee advise that when they observed Harrison at the Morrison Hotel on the night of December 15, 1934 he were octagon shaped glasses with metal rims.

On September 7, 1935 Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Agent S. K. McKee and photographer L.G.Rose proceeded to Ontarioville, Illinois to the scene of the fire and Mr.Rose took various pictures of the site where the building was burned, and in which the body was found. These pictures were forwarded to the Bureau under date of September 7, 1935. Special Agent in Charge Connelley also made a survey of the vicinity of this fire and ascertained that the place where the body was found is 95 paces south of the highway to the west of the side road which leads from the highway; that it is designated as per advertising scene and guide post as Steffenguide corner 184, DuPage County, Ontarioville, Illinois, being to the west, Addison to the East and Schick to the south. The house was 16 paces from the side road and all other farm houses in the vicinity were about one half mile distant.

Inasmuch as the original information funished by Volney Davis was given to him by Elmer Farmer while they were cellmates at St.Paul, Minnesota it was deemed advisable to interview Farmer in an effort to obtained a statement from him concerning his knowledge of the murder. Accordingly the writer proceeded to the Kansas City Bureau office district and interviewed Elmer Farmer at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas on September 8 and 9 and 10, 1935.

Elmer Farmer denied any knowledge concerning this killing and advised that he had heard that Willie Harrison was dead, in that Doc Barker mentioned to him during the trial at St.Paul that Doc Moran and Willie Harrison were two witnesses who would never take the stand against him. Farmer stated that he last saw Willie Harrison in company with Doc Barker, Byron Bolton and Russell Gibson shortly before the Christmas holidays and at that time they were talking about driving to Florida to visit with Doc's brother. He denied that he saw any of these persons since that time and was very much surprised when he heard that Bolton had been arrested by Government Agents on January 8, 1935, as he believed that Bolton as well as the other boys were still in Florida.

Farmer could not recall where he was on the evening of January 5, 1935 but stated that he could produce an alibi when the time came. In questioning Farmer concerning the killing of Harrison Agent endeavored to give him the impression that the information had been furnished by Byron Bolton, and also that he was positively identified as being in the company of Willie Harrison on the night of January 5, 1935 by persons who personally knew him. Farmer admitted that he was very well acquainted with the territory in the vicinity of Bloomingdale and Ontarioville, Illinois advising that he made trips to Jack Olson's place where he had slot machines two or three times a week and that this place is located on Main St. between Bloomingdale and Ontarioville, Illinois. Farmer also admitted that he frequently accompanied Doc Barker, Byron Bolton and Russell Gibson to Olson's place, but denied that he ever traveled with Willie Harrison outside of Bensenville, Illinois.

It might also be stated that Special Agent in Charge Harold E. Andersen of the St.Paul office advised Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley by telephone on August 30th that he talked with Byron Bolton concerning his knowledge of the disposal of the body of Willie Harrison; that Bolton denied that he knew anything as to this, stating that if Willie was disposed of this must have happened after the date that he (Bolton) was taken into custody.

Another point which may be significant in this connection is the letter contained on page 32 of the report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois dated February 3, 1935. This letter was found under a scarf on a table in the living room of the place where Fred Barker and his mother resided at Oklawaha, Florida and is quoted as follows:

"Hello ever one how is that old sumshine down there fine I hope. Boy it is not so hot up here, for we are haveing some winter. I Bet you and Buff are not catching no fish now for I thought I caught then all when I was down there. I took care of that Buisness for you Boysit was done just as good as if you had did it your self. I an Just like the Standard oil always at your service ha ha. tell, Bo, you Know the Boy with the Rosey cheek that Moxey is up here looking for hin and if it is alright to send hin down. I have not seen chuck yet I have Been Busy on that other he was perrty hard to locate. But will see hin right away, and see if he wants come down there, tell mother that deer was might fine and I said hello and her and the squaw had Better not let you Bums Beat then in catching fish ha had well I will close for this time as ever your Big Bud

B. L. Barnes".

It appears that the above mentioned letter was written by Doc Barker and the envelope which contained same indicated that it was addressed to Mr. G. F. Summers, Oklawaha, Florida, postmark 10.50 P.M. January 7, 1935 Chicago, Illinois. This letter bore an air mail stamp and both the envelope and letter were written in pencil. Particular attention is invited to the quotation: "I took care of that Buisness for you Boys it was done just as good as if you had did it your self. I an just Like the Standard oil always at your service ha ha.". It is possible that this sentence may have some bearing on the murder of Harrison although this is not definitely known.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent John L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois dated July 12, 1935, which sets out information obtained from to the effect that Harrison visited her in Bensen-ville, Illinois on July 7, 1935, and requested her to proceed to St. Paul Minnesota and deliver a message to Harry Sawyer in the Ramsey County Jail. Was interviewed on several occasions since the receipt of the information indicating that Harrison was murdered, and without confronting her with this information, she was questioned concerning Harrison. She refused to admit that she had not told the truth about Harrison's alleged visit. It was also suggested to might have been mistaken about Harrison's receivity but she denied this, stating that she had known Harrison for a long time and was certain that it was he who contacted her.

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Some time agd mentioned to Agent that she had received word to the effect that Harrison was dead and had been buried at the same place where Hamilton was buried. She stated that it was her information that the boys from Melrose Park, Illinois buried both Harrison and Hamilton, and indicated that she received this information from Mike Marino. was again questioned relative to the above upon several occasions since the receipt of information as to Harrison's murder. She now advises that Elmer Farmer told her at St. Paul that Harrison was shot across the stomach and that he was buried by the mob from Melrose Park, Illinois. It might be stated that when agreed to serve as an informant Agent suggested that she go to St. Paul and inquire of Elmer Farmer as to where she could locate Harrison, advising him that she desired this information for Clara Gibson who wanted to see Harrison about a certain matter. According to Elmer Farmer told her that Harrison was at a place where noone could locate him, and he subsequently told her about his being shot and buried.

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Laboratory Report

September 16, 1935 Number;

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Alvin Karpis with aliases, Pugitive, I.O. 1218, et al.; Edward George Bremer - Victim,

Specimens:

St. Paul YD Exhibit \$1: One slug found in operating room of St. Joseph Hospital

after McCord was undressed.

St. Paul PD Exhibit #2: One alug taken from body of MeCord by Dr. Hilger.

St. Paul PD Exhibit #5: Two slugs turned over to Officer Moore by Mrs. James

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St. Paul Bureau Office

Date received:

September 10, 1935

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Result of examination:

Examination by:

E.A. Harrington

All of the bullets and the shells submitted for examination were probably fired from one Thompson Submachine Cum. The metal jacketed bullets in Exhibits 1, 2, and 3 were fired from one machine gun, and the three metal jacketed bullets in Exhibit 4 were probably fired from the same cun as that which fired 1, 2, and

Each specimen submitted for exemination was compared with all specimens of that type in the files of the unsolved cases in the Bureau's Laboratory and in the files of test specimens from guns previously submitted for exemination. but no identification has been effected.

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7-576-7425 September 17, 1935

Special Agent in Charge, St. Paul, Minnesota.

> Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, Pugitive I. O. 1218, et al.; Edward George Bremer - Victis, 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 Bureau September 10, 1935.

Very truly yours,

J. E Moore

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Enclosure: #877485

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

> Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa - FUGITIVE I.O. #1218; et al; KOWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below copies of a letter written to Dolores DeLaney, who is confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, the letter being from Mr. Amos Travis of the South Flor-ida Motor Sales Co., Inc., Miami, Florida.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

Special Agent in Charge

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September 11, 1935

Mrs. Delores Delaney, C/O U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

The writer recently visited Havana Cuba and understood that you are the legal owner of one 1934 Ford, Fordor Sedan, which car is now in the possession of the Cuban Police.

It was thought perhaps that you would be interested in selling this car at a reasonable figure and if so I would appreciate very much your writing me at your convenience stating the amount that you would be willing to accept for your interest therein.

I do not know if it will be a very easy matter to obtain this car from the Cuban Police, although I would be more than willing to purchase same, provided that said car could be obtained and that you have sufficient papers to show that you are the sole owner of this machine.

If you are interested in this matter it is suggested that you write me as early as possible.

Thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

Amos Travis, Vice President

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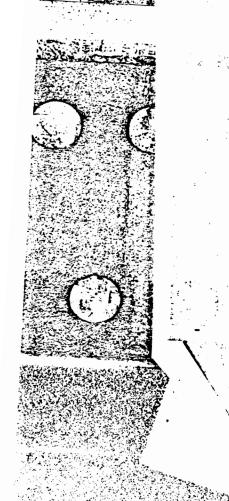
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thereat, and after viewing the pictures of subjects in this case she is positive that none have ever resided there.

2816 Euclid Avenue is a rooming house of the cheaper class. It is run-down condition and it is not likely, in view of the locations subjects have previously resided at, that they would choose a dwelling place in such a location of this type.

A survey was made in the immediate vicinity of this address and observations made at Choo's Chow Mein Restaurant, but nothing of value was noticed. The noon-day patrons of the said restaurant are mostly office workers in the immediate vicinity. The patrons at night are few and mostly people of moderate means, not of the sporty gangster type.

It is not believed that the informant of the Pittsburgh office, whose "wave length" extends to other worlds, has dependable material information, nor can gleam such by his rendezvous with the spirits, that would be of any assistance in this case, and unless instructed to the contrary the further intelligence that he secures concerning the whereabouts of the fugitives in this district, unless it comes from the material world and the source thereof can be checked and verified, will be disregarded.

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Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to conference teletype to the Bureau and this office from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, dated at Chicago, Illinois, September 15, 1935, regarding the child Bobby who was in the custody of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton when they were apprehended near Daytona Beach, Florida, recently and subsequently brought with them, and at their request, to St. Paul, Minnesota.

This is to advise that on September 16, 1935 Mr. Charles R. Hoy, Assistant Probation Officer, Ramsey County, St. Paul, Minnesota, referred to in my communication to the Bureau in instant case under date of September 14, 1935, telephoned me to the effect that he had located and taken into custody the child Bobby, who was found living with Andy Rothmeyer over the latter's saloon in St.Paul.

On September 17, 1935 Mrs. Florence M. Harris, Case Worker for Gertrude Commack, Executive Secretary of the Ramsey County Child Welfare Board, called at this office and after advising that the child Bobby is now in custody of the Welfare Board, requested permission to contact Myrtle Eaton regarding the youngster.

Accordingly, she was permitted to interview Myrtle Eaton in the presence of Special Agent Clinton Stein of this office. According to Agent Stein she did not

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obtain any information from Myrtle Eaton in addition to what she had previously acquired from other sources. Mrs. Harris advised that she has communicated with the mother of Bobby, and also the Florida authorities, and will hold the child until she determines through the Child Welfare Bureau in Florida and the child's mother, what disposition to make of the boy.

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H. E. ANDERSEN Special Agent in Charge

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cc E.J.Connelley,Chicago Cincinnati

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Director,
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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 J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.1239 et al

Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;

HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF

JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to letter of the St.Paul office dated September 13, 1935, in the above entitled matter.

Attention is called to the indicated idea of the United States Attorney at St. Paul of having the indictment against Myrtle Eaton dismissed, in view of what he believes insufficient evidence to connect her with the actual kidnaping or conspiracy to kidnap indictments.

It is believed that the possibility of prosecution of Myrtle Eaton will have a whole lot to do with the possibility of getting William Weaver to tell us what he knows of the situation in connection with the kidnaping, particularly at St.Paul, it being my idea if possible to get him to tell us what connection Tom Brown had with either the Hamm or Bremer kidnapings andany others including Harry Sawyer. It is believed that if we can have some definite charge against Myrtle Eaton to hold her at any and all times, this will promote the idea of Weaver testifying, and if he could give us sufficient information to connect the above indicated parties it is believed it would be sufficiently worth our while to request the United States Attorney having authority as to prosecution of Myrtle Eaton, to consider dismissing any charges against her in consideration of what Weaver might tell us of the general setup at St.Paul.

With this idea in mind it is suggested that possibly the Bureau might desire to have the facts as to the harboring charges against Myrtle Eaton submitted to the United States Attorney in Florida for indictment

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as against this woman, it being indicated that apparently we could very readily establish a case against her, she having a full knowledge as per her admissions, of Weaver's alleged participation in this kidnaping from various articles she had read and which she identified to us. Thereafter it is believed that if a warrant were forwarded to St.Paul and placed as a detainer against Myrtle Eaton, pending outcome of the charge at St.Paul, and she and Weaver both given information as to this pending possible prosecution, Weaver's attention could thereafter be called to the fact that we had a rather definite case against her and both she and Weaver would realize that Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdett received five years each for their similar action in connection with harboring charges in the State of Florida.

It is suggested that this meeting with the approval of the Bureau, the Jacksonville office be advised accordingly.

Very truly yours,

SPUCIAL ASSIGNMENT

Special Agent in Charge.

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Jederal Bureau of Investigation A. S. Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

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September 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sire

RE: ALVIH KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1213, et al, EDWARD GFORGE BREXER, Victim, KIDNAPING.

Beference is made to the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, dated at Chicago, Illinois, September 12, 1935, in this case, on pages 7 and 14 of which it is noted that Edith Barry has a cousin, one Beard, who was formerly employed by the United Air Lines at a ticket office located in the Palmer House in Chicago, Illinois.

In view of the relationship existing between Edith Barry and Beard, the Chicago Office is requested to avoid purchasing airplane tickets in the Palmer House, so that Feard and Edith Barry will not be apprised of activities on the part of Bureau Agents.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, FEDERAL BURFAU CF TO STEP 20.1555

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Special Agent in Cherge, Jacksonville, Florida, [6]

ALVID KAFFIS with eliason, " FOGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al; Edeard George Frence, Victim, KIDKAPING.

Dear Airs

The Bureau desires that the Jacksonville Office imagistaly take proper steps to arrange for the prosecution of MINTAXATOR in the Jacksonville district for the harboring of Millies Feaver.

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In view of the above procedutions, the case against Eyrtle Eaton should be discussed with the United States Attorney, so that appropriate prosecution may be instituted.

The Jacksonville Office should, therefore, immediately propers a successy report for the procedution of Mystle Reton. In the event the Jackronville Office does not have complete information with regard to Write Faton, that office should request of the Et. Faul and Guiosgo Officer such information as will be needed in the preparation of a summary report on Kystle Estone ()

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Federal Bureau of Investigation A. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1887, Charlotte, N.C.

September 19, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

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

It is requested that this office be supplied with fifteen copies each of the photographs of:

Alvin Karpis, I.O. No. 1218; Harry Campbell, I.O. No. 1236; Charles J. Fitzgerald; Dr. Joseph P. Yoran, I.O. No. 1232; William J. Harrison, I.C. No. 1239.

Very truly yours,

G. N. LOWDON, Special Agent in Charge.

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Movember 4, 1985.

Special Agent in Charge, Charlotte, Forth Carolina.

Re: ALVIN KAPPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, 1.0. 1218, et alg EDWARD GEORGE EREKER - Victime KIDNAFING.

Dear Sirs

In compliance with your request of recent date, I an transmitting herewith fifteen photographs each of the following individuals: Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Charles J. Fitzgerald, Dr. Joseph P. Maran and William J. Harrison.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Roover, Director,

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Washington, B. C.

September 17, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

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In compliance with the request of Mr. McIntire, I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of criminal record as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Paul G. Manford, alias Charles Adams, our file #FBI-185726, who is possibly identical with the Charles Adams, whose record Mr. McIntire requested.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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RECORDED 7-576-7436

Mr. Clarence Hartman, 1400 South Garfield, Burlington, Iowa.

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Dear Bir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 15, 1955; in which you inquire as to whether the apprehension of one Charles Adams is desired by this Bureau. You advise that a man known to you as Charles Adams is presently manted by the Shoriff's Office at Los Angeles, California on the charge of kidnsping. You further state that Adams has several relatives living in Burlington, Towa.

The only person known as Charles Adams, whose apprehension is being sought by this Buroau, is one Charles P. Clouse, who has used the alice of Charles Adams. For your assistance and information, I am enclosing herewith a photograph of Charles P. Clouse alics Charles Adams. I am also including the most recent criminal record on this individual.

In the event Clouse is identical with the Charles Adams whom you have in mind, I would appreciate being adviced at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

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P. O. Box 536 Los Angeles, California. September 16, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge, Kansas City, Kissourie

BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dear Sir:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliance, Fugitive I. O. 1218; et al Ridnaping - Harboring of Fugitives -Obstruction of Justice -Mational Firearms Act. LA File 7-42

Your attention is called to the report of Special Agent A. A. Euzzey, Detroit, Michigan, Kay 13, 1935, wherein a lead is set out for your office to interview Richard Galatas relative to information he might possess concerning Cassius EcDonald's association with the underworld.

The report of Special Agent R. C. Coulter, Little Rock, Arkensas, dated July 2, 1935, a copy of which was not furnished to your office, indicates that information was furnished by Er. Herbert Akers to the effect that Galatas recently passed through Hot Springs, trkensas, on his way to California, where he expected to visit his mather and that Galatas intended, after said visit, to engage in the manufacture of Miquor in Tunsas City. Lissouri. Akers claimed not to know the identity of Galatsa associates in the liquor business in Lansas City, but adviced that it was his understanding he was associated with three men who are replicate of Kansas City, lissouri.

Special Agent C. D. Thite of this office has interviewed Fra. Luther Raines, sister of Galatas, and has been adviced that Galatas left Long Beach, California, on July 8, 1935, for Hot Springs and Kansas City.

Your office is requested to endeavor to locate Galatas for the purpose of interviewing him in accordance with the above lead. In the event he is not located in Kansas City the Little Rock office should make every effort to locate him at that point.

Yery truly yours.

J. R. P. DUMN Special Agent in Charge.

co Bureau, Chicago, St. Faul, Cincinnati, Little Rock.

P.O. Box 4907 Jacksonvills, Florida, September 18, 1938.

Fr. E. J. Connelley Federal Bureau of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice 1900 Bankers Building Chicago, Illinois. 7-576
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Dear Sir:

Further reference is being made to the employment of Kiss Irone Mynihan as matron at the time of the apprehension of William Weaver and Myrtle Saton in this district.

I em in receipt of a letter from the Bureau dated September 16, 1935 (67-73572), in which we are authorized to pay the emount of \$46.25 to Miss Kyniham, covering her services for five days at \$6.00 per day, and 5\frac{1}{2} days' per diem during her travel to St. Faul and return, payment to be made by cash on a blue slip.

The Eureau, in connection with the travel to St. Paul which was made by chartered plane, desires to be advised as to whether the terms of the chartering provided for a round trip from Jacksonville to St. Faul, it being noted that kiss kynihan returned to Jacksonville by train from St. Faul. It is necessary that the Eureau be advised whether it would have been possible for her to return to Jacksonville in the chartered plane on its return trip. The Eureau has requested an immediate reply.

It was my understanding, which has been verified by Walter Sternberg, local Fanager of Eastern Air lines. From whom the plane was chartered, that after arrival in St. Faul it was agreed that the plane under charter was to be released within three bours and the plane would be returned to its home port, Atlanta, Georgia.

Flease furnish as soon as possible the information relative to kiss kynihan's return to Jacksonville desired by the Eureau.

When I settle with Fiss Kynihan I will collect from her the amount of \$10.00 which you loaned her to defray a part of her expenses incidental to her return to Jacksonville.

Very truly yours,

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September 19, 1955

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Special Agent in Charge, St. Paul, Minnerota.

ALVIE KARPIS with slianes, FUGITIVE, I.Q. 1218, et al Edward George Bremer, Victim, KILEAPIEG.

Dear Mrs

The Bureau desires that you a wilder with the United States it. Attorney the advisability of having extranscript made of the testimony of the following persons, which testimony was given dilling the tourse of the trial of Arthur "Doe" Barter and others in St. Paul, Minnesoteace

> Botty Bugrania Oliver A. Earg Teron Molton Edward Gl Erezer idolo Mremer Pynona Xurdette

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It is felt that such a transcript would disclose in greater perticularity that to which such persons may be able to testify in the coming trial and in certain instances to bind such witherses to their. testicony in the event they become reductant witnessess by having a transcript of the testimeny, the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Finnerota will be in the preferred position of being able to do prectically all of the testifying in the event a vitness becomes reluctant to testify.

In the case of certain persons above mentioned, such as Ideard G. Bremer and others, it is felt that there will be an adventage in h ving a transcript premised, so that those who are willing witnesses will be but the residual their senories as to the testing a shich they gave in the Tirst trials

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Mrs. O. W. Blackman, 8969 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

George Cahill, Tower Court Apertments, 6708 Constance Avenue, Chicago, Illinois,

John Dactafson, Janiter, Tower Court Apartments, 6708 Constance Avenue, Chicago, Illinois,

Ray Johnson, Janitor, Tower Court Apartments, 8708 Constance Avenue, Chiesgo, Illinois,

John T. Commy, 1665 Fellesley Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Hrs. J. Cullen, 7816 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Obio.

Kr. A. L. Allen, 106-15 Florien Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Er. George Villard, 4425 Fost 171st Etrect, Cleveland, Chio

Ers. Fred ilgrade, Route 1, Euron, Chie.

In connection with this investigation, each office undertaking such an investigation should have reference to the summary report of Epecial Agent K. R. HeIntire, dated at St. Paul, Einnesota, April 10, 1985. This report discloses possible identifications of Neaver, Eston and Savyer by the above sentioned persons. It is felt that more positive identifications can be secured by displaying the sore recent photographs of Feever, Eston and Savyer.

The St. Paul Office will consider with the United States Attorney at St. Paul the desirability of reinterviewing Jess Doyle at the Medrasha State Penitentiary, Lincoln, Medrasha, regarding his association with the "gang" is needictly preceding the kidnaping of Brewer and such other information as he may have with regard to the preparations made by the "gang" for the kidnaping. If such a course of action is approved by the United States Attorney, it should be ascertained whether Jess Doyle will be a willing witness. It is suggested that this matter be expedited, so that in case he is willing to testify be may appear before the Grand Juny at St. Paul, Kinnesota, where he will furnish his information under eath. The St. Paul Office will recall that on August 24, 1935 Jess Doyle was contained at Fairbury, Mobraska to serve ten years in the Mebrasha State Penitentiary on the charge of having robbed the Fairbury Mational Bank on April 4, 1935.

The Et. Paul Office is also requerted to reinterview Edward H. Klopp, Assistant Hanager, Kahler Hotel, Rochester, Minnesota and present to bim the latest photographs of Harry Sewyer, to determine whother he is still able to identify Harry Sewyer as being in the Kahler Hotel on the night Bremer was released, February 7, 1954.

The St. Faul Office will also consider with the United States Attorney the advisability of using Mildred Kuhlman as a mitness before the Grand Jury, so that she may be placed on oath and her testimony used during the course of the trial. It is believed that since "Doc" Barker has been prosecuted, she may be willing to testify in behalf of the Government.

The St. Paul Office will consider with the United States Attorney the advisability of arranging for Edna Murrey, who is presently incarcerated in the Eissouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, to appear before the Grand Jury. It is folt that she will be able to testify to very valuable information.

It is desired that the Et. Faul Office immediately accign an agent to this case who is conversant with the facts and to arrange for a proper review so that all possible evidence will have been made evaluable for the use of the United States Attorney in ample time before the trial communes.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoovers

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GJS:RK 62-5469 Room 1403, 370 Lexington Ave., New York, N.Y.

September 19, 1935.

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

Re: SOURCE OF MACHINE GUNS IN HANDS OF CRIMINALS.

Dear Sir:

7-576.776 Reference is made to Bureau letter of September 11, 1935, file No. 7-576, in the above matter.

The following firearms have been received at the New York Office for the purpose of having comparisons made at the factories of the Colt's Patent Firearms Mfg. Co., and the Winchester Repeating Arms Company.

- 1 Browning Automatic Rifle, serial 211774, from Bureau Technical Laboratory.
- 1 Browning Automatic Rifle, serial 211349, from Rock Island Arsenal.
- 1 Browning Automatic Rifle, serial 211774, from Rock Island Arsenal.
- 1 Colt Automatic Pistol, Caliber .45, from Rock Island Arsenal.

It is noted from the Bureau letter that the Jacksonville office has been requested to forward to the New York Office Browning Automatic Rifle, Serial 211349, after it has served its purpose in connection with a trial pending in Miami, Florida.

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September 17, 1935

Mr. J. E. P. Dunn, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 536, Los Angeles, California.

Deer Sir:

Despite the fact that the investigation of the Bremer and Weyerhaeuser Kidnaping cases has been repeatedly pointed out to Special Agents in Charge as being of major importance, it does not appear that your office has handled leads referred to in these cases in other than routine manner. Obviously, the public is looking to the Bureau for the successful investigation of these cases, and I feel and have so indicated previously to the field, that the investigation of leads in these cases should take precedence over routine assignments in all field office districts. Despite these instructions, however, it is obvious that your supervision and assignment of the leads in the above named cases have been of an exceedingly negligent nature, and the investigative reports submitted by the Special Agents assigned to the Los Angeles Office have been lacking in investigative aggressiveness and ingenuity. It is my desire that effective immediately, and without any exception, the leads transmitted to your office in the Weyerhaeuser and Fremer Kidnaping cases be given immediate preferred and vigorous attention.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover, Director. 7-576-7441

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Special Agent in Charge Detroit, Michigan ONE DE METALINI OF JUSTICE

Rei ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. No. 1218 FUCITIVE, ET AL; EDRARD GEORGE BROKER, Vietia Eidnaping

Dear Sir:

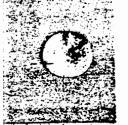
Please refer to letter of the St. Faul office, dated 9-4-35, wherein it will be noted that the United States Attorney at St. Faul authorizes the return to Ers. Harry Savyer of certain property allegedly taken from the apartment located on Best 171st Street, Cleveland, Chio, presumably during September of 1934, described as follows:

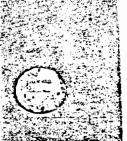
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- 1 Throw made up of 2 silver foxes, matched furs, value \$850 liscellaneous property not described

relative to the description and location of the property of transaver herein described or of any other property?

If this property has never come into the possession of the Eureau and is in the hands of the police at Cleveland or other authorities and your files to reflect, it night be that the Eureau will, as a matter of rolley, want to suggest that the attorneys for his. Savyer take up the ratter direct with the police or other authorities relative thereto or whoever soized it.

As the files in this office do not reflect a description of this property or a receipt therefor given to Fra. Fewyer by Bureau representatives, it is not believed that the Eureau should now assume any responsibility therefor or place itself in a position of accepting liability therefor by acting as a medium to return the same to her or to take it into its possession at this late date, even for the purpose of transmittal, which might be construed as accepting responsibility for the seizure of property by the police on their own initiative, which has not come into the possession of the government and of which the Bureau has no record and mixed prior to the arrival of agents at the apartment.





The report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, dated at Detroit, Michigan, September 25, 1934, indicates that the premises at 4419 west 171st Street. Cleveland, Ohio, were in the hands of the police several days before the arrival of agents, notwithstanding which fact an inventory was taken. The inventory does not list any of the property desired returned by Mrs. Sawyer.

The Bureau is respectfully requested to advise in the premises of its desire in the matter of this office securing possession of this property, if it is in the hands of the police, for forwarding to St. Paul.

Before contact will be had with the police here advice from the Detroit office in the premises will be awaited.

Very truly yours.

J. P. RAC TARLAND Special Spec

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P. C. Box #766, Cincinnati, Ohio

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September 19, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley, Special Agent In Charge, P. O. Box #812, Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent P. S. Bailey, Jr., Charlotte, N. C., dated September 17, 1935, in the above entitled case, which contains a leqd for the Cincinnati Office to advise the Charlotte Office whether W. H. Thompson should be interviewed.

Incomuch as Thompson is reported to have been rather closely associated with subject deaver, it is believed entirely possible that he may have been an acquaintance prior to the time Weaver went to Florida, and in view of the feet that Thompson was absent from Charlotte, N. C., for a number of years, it is even possible that Thompson has been an associate of Meaver in criminal enterprises, and possibly has been in prison with Meaver at some time.

In any case, it is believed that Thompson may have some information concerning Weaver's contacts, and that he should be interviewed. The matter of instructions to the Charlotte Office in this regard is being left to your discretion.

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent In Charge.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detrolt - Michigan
September 18, 1935

Mr. John J. Ryan Superintendent United States Detention Farm Milan, Michigan Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa - FUGITIVE I.O. 1218; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim Kidanping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a letter addressed to Dolores Delaney, an immate of your institution from Mr. Amos Travis of the South Florida Motor Sales Co., Inc.

The contents of this letter has been carefully scrutinized and appears to contain no information of value.

Cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

AAM:RES Enc. cc-Bureau D. L. Nicholson Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box #766, Cincinnati, Ohio

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September 19, 1935

Special Agent In Charge, Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. 0. #1218, et al: Edward George Bremer, Victim KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to your letter dated September 16, 1935 in the above entitled case, advising that a Cadillac sedan with Ohio license 1008-N was observed in the vicinity of Edith Barry's nome at 524 Southard Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

Please be advised that this license plate was issued to W. W. M. Mennhardt, Custar, Ohio, for a 1929 Lincoln sedan, motor and serial #53229. Kannhardt certified that this car was sold to the Timmerman Motor Sales, Lima, Ohio, and on June 4, 1935, the license was transferred to a 1932 Lincoln Town 3edan, motor KB-725, which is presumably the car which was seen at Toledo, Ohio.

Very truly yours.

E. J. CONNELLEY. Special Agent In Charge.

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Division of Investigation A. S. Department of Justice

629 First National Bank Building, Omaha, Nebraska. September 16, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Please refer to my letter to Mr. E. J. Connelley of the Bureau, at Chicago, Illinois, dated August 22nd, 1935, letter from the St. Paul Bureau Office to the Omaha Office, dated August 23rd, 1935, letter from the Chicago Cffice to the Bureau, dated August 24th, 1935, and your letter to the Chicago Bureau Office, dated August 31st, 1935, copy of which went forward to the St. Paul and Cmaha Offices, in which letter you stated that the responsibility rested upon the latter two offices to locate and interview Charles W. Gilbride, and that he be informed in no uncertain terms that the Bureau will not tolerate further behavior of the type referred to in the communications cited.

I have to report to you that Charles W. Gilbride resides at 1214 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. Inquiry there through Agent W. P. Ellwood of this office on September 5th, 1935 resulted in learning that Mr. Gilbride was attending the funeral of M. F. Glenn, near Menlo, Iowa, on that date, and that he would proceed thereafter to the Lamar Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska.

Inquiry in Cmaha resulted in learning that there is no hotel in Cmaha, Nebraska, of the name of Lamar. Inquiry at the Castle Hotel, Cmaha, Nebraska, from which hotel it is known that Mr. Gilbride telephoned the Cmaha Bureau Office on August 22nd, 1935, resulted in learning that while Mr. Gilbride was not registered at that hotel, mail for him was held there. Daily contact thereafter was established with the Castle Hotel, as a means of locating Mr. Gilbride, and on September 14th, 1935, it was learned that Mr. Gilbride was registered at the Merriam Hotel. Cmaha, Nebraska.

I personally contacted Mr. Gilbride and invited him to this Bureau Office and interviewed him at this Bureau Office on the afternoon of September 14th, 1935, at which time Mr. Gilbride stated the following:

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That he was born at Des Moines, Iowa, and that he met Herman Mollis, formerly a Special Agent with this Eureau and now deceased, when both were very young boys; that they became friends and this friendship continued all during the life of Mr. Hollis; that he has known Mrs. Herman Hollis since she first started keeping company with Herman Hollis, at the age of about seventeen years; that his wife, Mrs. Gilbride, also enjoyed a very close friendship with both Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hollis; that he and Mrs. Gilbride spent about one week, during June 1931, in Chicago, Illinois, and while there occupied an apartment in an apartment building in which Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hollis resided. which was then located on the south side of Chicago, that he and Mrs. Gilbride age in visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hollis on or about Labor Day of the lest year of the world's Fair, held at Chicago, Illinois, and that on that occasion, too, they remained about three days in an apartment located in the same apartment building in which Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hollis lived; that during this letter period spent at Chicago, he and Mrs. Gilbride spent much of their time with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hollis and during that period he and Mrs. Gilbride made the acquaintance of several Special Agents of the Bureau, who were then attached to the Chicago Office of the Bureau, and their wives, the acquaintance with the Agents and their wives occurring when the latter visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hollis. Mr. Gilbride stated that it is his understanding that the Agents and their wives whom he met on that occasion, resided in the same apartment building as did Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hollis, which apartment building was the Sherone Apartments.

Mr. Gilbride further stated that he and Mrs. Gilbride again visited at Chicago, Illinois, during Christmas of 1934, on which occasion they again visited Mrs. Herman Hollis, and that he and Mrs. Gilbride last visited Mrs. Herman Hollis at Chicago on or about August 15th, 1935.

With reference to the information which Mr. Gilbride is said to have telephoned to the Omaha Office during the early hours of the morning of August 22nd, 1935, and to the St. Paul Bureau Office during the early morning hours of August 22nd, 1935, he stated that during the early morning hours of August 22nd, 1935, he was at the Castle Hotel in Omaha, Nebreska; that during those hours he had been drinking; that he observed in the newspapers, on or about that date, a news item to the effect that Alvin Karpis had sent a threatening letter to the Director of this Bureau; that because of his high regard for Herman Hollis and Mrs. Herman Hollis, the friendship of Mrs. Gilbride and himself with them, and because of his fear that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell might attempt some harm to Mrs. Hollis, he telephoned this office.

The information which Irwin Olsen, Night Typist at the Omaha Bureau-Office, submitted to me in memorandum form as having been telephoned to the office by Mr. Gilbride, was read to Mr. Gilbride and he expressed his sur-

prise at certain of the information, stating that he could not recall that he had said the things attributed to him. He stated that he had no information then, now or at any time concerning Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, or the whereabouts of either, and that he cannot understand why he stated they were hiding in Chicago, Illinois, nor why he suggested that Apartment 1004 of the Sherone Apartments, 4423 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois, should be watched, nor why he should have stated that Karpis or Campbell were going to those apartments to harm Mrs. Hollis, or that she was trying to cover Karpis and Campbell. He stated he could not recall suggesting that the Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, should be checked. He stated that while at the Castle Hotel on that date, he made the acquaintance of one Bill Eston, who stated that he was a representative of the Midwest Studios, of Portland, Oregon. Discussing the matter of Karpis and Campbell with Mr. Eaton, Mr. Eaton told him that he, Eaton, knew of a Harry Campbell who resided at 8604 Collis Avenue, Seattle, Washington. Learning the description of this man from Mr. Eaton and thinking that it resembled the description of Harry Campbell, he suggested that this office inquire into the Harry Campbell who lived in Seattle. Mr. Gilbride stated that he had on his person at that time, and always carries on his person, a photograph of Herman Hollis, and upon learning that Mr. Eaton represented the Midwest Studios, he turned over to Mr. Laton the photograph of Mr. Hollis, for the purpose of having an enlargement made and having it finished in natural color.

Mr. Gilbride recalled that he had telephoned this office during the early morning hours of August 22nd, 1935, and admitted that he telephoned the St. Paul Bureau Office, from Sioux City, Iowa, during the early morning hours of August 23rd, 1935.

Questioned concerning the source of his information for believing and for stating that Mrs. Hollis had been working on "plants" in the Bremer Case, he stated that he had never heard of the Bremer Case as such, but had heard of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. He stated that he did not learn from Mrs. Hollis that she was working on any "plants". He seemed to have some difficulty in explaining the source of his information in this regard, and impressed Agent with either seeking to shield someone, or else not recollecting just where he heard the information. However, he intimated that while visiting Mrs. Herman Hollis, during which time he met several Special Agents and their wives, the names of whom he could not furnish, he overheard some conversation which led him to believe that she was doing so. He explained his reason for believing that she might be harmed by Karpis and Campbell by saying that he knew that a number of Special Agents of the Bureau and their wives lived at the same apartment building as did Mrs. Herman Hollis, and that it was his understanding that at times all the Agents left their apartments and proceeded to the Chicago Bureau_Cffice in the morning together. The best that I could get from this explanation was that possibly Mrs. Hollis, on occasions, proceeded to the Chicago Bureau Cffice with them and that he thought that possibly some attack might be made upon the Agents on the occasion of leaving the apartment building occupied by them.

Asked to explain why he did not want the information which he furnished the Cmaha and St. Paul Bureau Offices on August 22nd and 23rd, 1935, brought to the attendion of Mr. D. M. Ladd, Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Bureau Office, he stated that it was his understanding that Mr. Herman Hollis and Mr. D. M. Ladd did not get along very well together and did not care for each other. He stated that it was his understanding that Mr. Hollis attributed his separation from the Detroit Bureau Office as Special Agent in Charge to Mr. Ladd. Mr. Gilbride stated that this latter information did not come to him either through Mr. Herman Hollis or Mrs. Herman Hollis.

Mr. Gilbride is a young man in his thirties, of very nice appearance, and impresses me as a pretty decent sort of a fellow. I am firmly of the belief that the injection of himself into this matter and the information conveyed by him to the Omaha and St. Paul Bureau Offices is due entirely to the fact that he was under the influence of intoxicating liquors at the time he furnished the information. There is no question in my mind but what he and Mrs. Gilbride have been very close friends, of long standing, with Herman Hollis, and are close and long standing friends of Mrs. Herman Hollis, and he impressed me as believing that Mrs. Hollis' life might be in danger from the members of the gang involved in the Bremer kidnaping case, and who were associated with George "Baby Face" Helson.

I spoke very plainly and in no uncertain terms to Mr. Gilbride. I pointed out to him the expense to which he has placed this Bureau in running out leads which had their base on information furnished by him and stated that no information, no matter how far fetched it might appear, in a matter of this importance, could be everlooked. I told him very plainly that he was proving an annoyance to our Bureau Offices and that his conduct was obnoxious, and would have to stop, or such action as could be taken would be taken to cause a cessation.

Ir. Gilbride felt very badly about the whole affair and at times seemed to be at the point of tears. I believe that the Bureau will not be troubled by him again in the future.

He inquired if Mrs. Herman Hollis was acquainted with his conduct in this regard, and the fact that he was being sought for questioning. I told him that Mrs. Hollis, in so far as I knew, knew nothing concerning the fact that he had telephoned this and the St. Paul Bureau Office, and that she did not know, so far as I am advised, that this Bureau has been seeking to contact Mr. Gilbride for an-interview. Under such circumstances, therefore, I thought it prudent of me to suggest to him, diplomatically, that should he again visit Mrs. Hollis

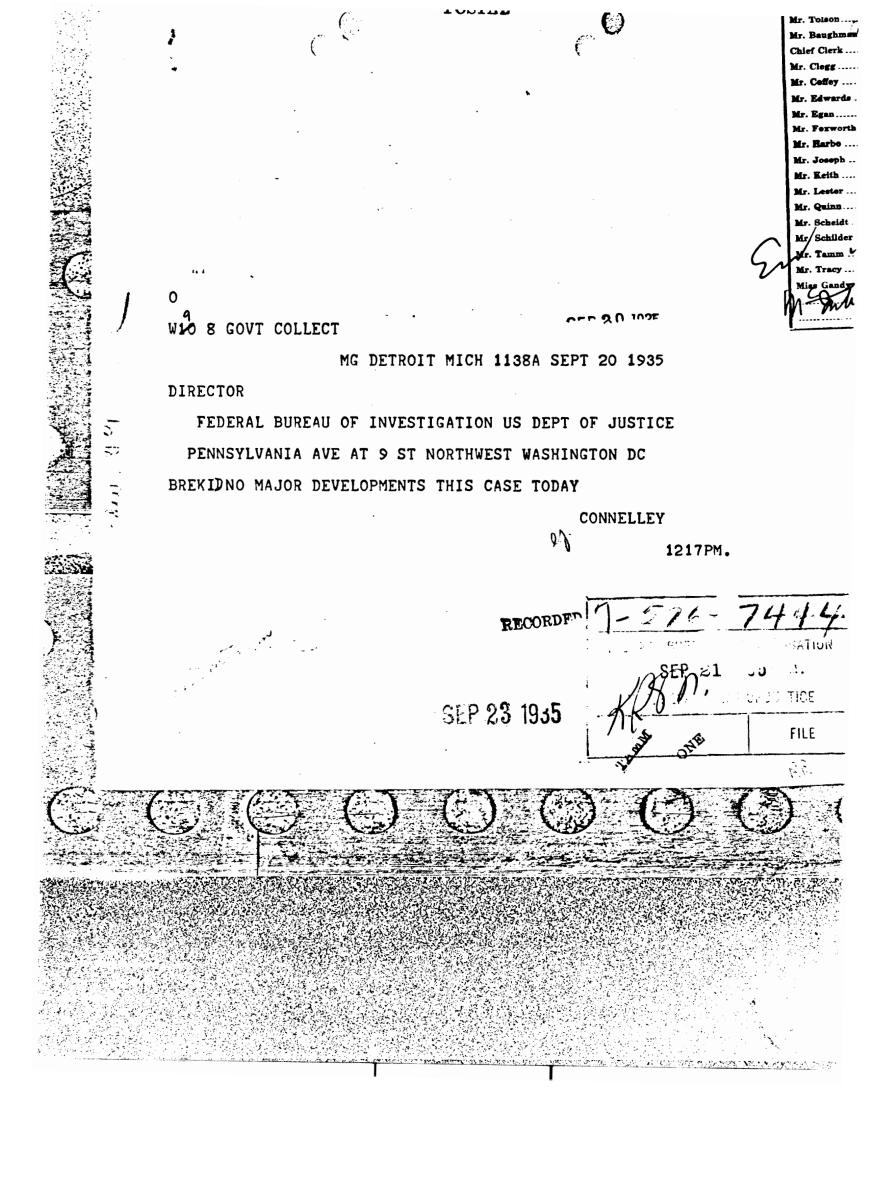
or telephone her, or in any manner meet her, that he should not inquire into this matter. He was not acquainted with the fact that Mr. Ladd learned that he, Mr. Gilbride, had telephoned Mrs. Hollis several times at her apartment in Chicago recently.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD.

Special Agent in Charge.

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November 4, 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 your request of recent date, I am transmitting herewith thirty-five photographs, showing full face and profile views, of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #283153.

cc-Mr. Connelley at Chicago St. Paul Cincinnati.

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Washington Field Office, Room 5252
Washington, D. C.

September 20, 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. 93, #1218, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM --KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 3, 1935, suggesting that a review of the file in the above entitled case be made for the purpose of ascertaining the number of photographs needed to conduct further investigation with respect to the remaining fugitives.

This office respectfully requests 35 photographs of subjects Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, showing full face and profile views for distribution to each of the Agents.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge.

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