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

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POST OFFICE BOX 818  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

October 9, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1238  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1235  
et al - Edward George Bremer, Victim;  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

In connection with a surveillance being maintained on  
the telephone conversations of EDITH BARRY at ADAMS 4612, 524 Southard  
Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, a house of prostitution and a call house, it having  
been indicated that Edith Barry is in definite contact with Alvin Karpis  
and Harry Campbell.

It is indicated that she called from  
ADAMS 4612 on December 19, 1934, CEDAR 4138 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.  
A call was also made again in a similar manner to this same number on  
February 9, 1935.

It is also noted that a similar call was made from  
Edith Barry's place on December 28, 1934 to COLFAX 2916, St. Louis,  
Missouri, and a call again made on March 28, 1935 to this same number at  
St. Louis.

The Pittsburgh and St. Louis offices are requested to  
advise the name of the party to whom these telephones were listed as of  
the dates indicated, and make a very discreet confidential inquiry as to  
who and what these people may be, keeping in mind the possibility that they  
may be contacts with whom Karpis and Campbell may now be connecting,  
although possibly this may be only calls incidental to the house of pro-  
stitution run by Edith Barry, she having a clientele of business men who  
call at Toledo and who usually make their calls from the Secor Hotel.

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Any inquiry made must be conducted with understanding  
that no information shall get back to Edith Barry at Toledo.

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Should anything  
develop at these numbers it is requested that you communicate with me  
at Chicago, in order that we may definitely decide what if any further  
investigation is necessary before any direct investigative action is  
taken by either St. Louis or Pittsburgh.

Very truly yours,

R. J. CONNELLEY,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Bureau ✓  
St. Louis (2)  
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U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

October 9, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1238  
et al - Edward George Bremer, Victim;  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to telephone conversation of Mr. E.A. Tamm with Mr. D. M. Ladd at Chicago, Illinois October 3, 1935, referring to telegram which had been received by Agent McIntire, then in re-training school at Washington from one BILL REILLY, Ripon, Wisconsin, indicating that Reilly was a petit larceny hoodlum from Birmingham, Ala. who claimed connections with the Touhy gang, it being indicated that this telegram advised that Karpis had been in and out of the Twin Cities; that Tommy Carroll's brother is a bartender at a saloon at Seven Corners, 3rd and Hennepin, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and requesting further that he be wired ten dollars at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

On the night of October 3, 1935 this individual William Reilly appeared at the Chicago Bureau office, he being 20 years of age; height 5 ft. 9 inches; weight 130 pounds; black hair; gray eyes; wearing light gray top coat, green suit; red tie and white shirt, this description being set out for possible identification should he appear elsewhere. This party indicated he had seen Charles Carroll only to know him but was not personally acquainted with him, and his general information indicated he was not particularly familiar with the criminal setup in St. Paul or Minneapolis. He claimed to have been arrested with Tommy Carroll and numerous others in connection with the robbery of the Kraft State Bank three years ago at the time the son of the cashier of such bank was killed in the robbery; that he was released after being held a

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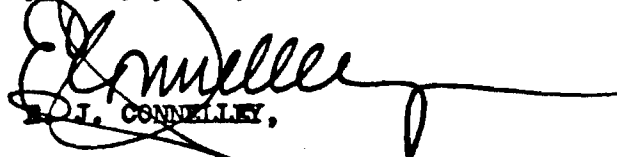
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short time as to this, and he claims he has no criminal record. Apparently his knowledge of criminals who were previously around St. Paul is based on the fact that he supposedly was one of the "hangers on" at the corner where these individuals congregated.

When asked directly as to what his information was that Karpis was in and out of the Twin Cities, he indicated he had absolutely no information whatever as to this; that this was only a "hunch"; that he believed he could find Karpis. However, this is very doubtful, and he was advised to furnish us any information he might obtain but it was indicated to him that he would not be considered for position as a paid informant. He indicated that his mother, Mrs. Rose Reilly, is living at St. Cloud, Minnesota; that he attended the St. Cloud Cathedral High School and one year at St. Thomas College, 1932 to 1933; that he went to Ripon, Wisconsin with a friend who was going there for the ride and intended to proceed to Birmingham, Alabama. He advised he was acquainted with Pat Reilly at the time he was around the saloon of Harry Sawyer. Reilly indicated he was employed by the Fleming Transfer Company at Birmingham; that the Hollywood Country Club, a night club, was being operated in his name at that point but that he had nothing to do with same.

It is not believed that this individual has any information of value, and no time should be lost in consideration of his alleged "hunches."

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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CC St. Paul  
CC Cincinnati  
CC Birmingham

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**U. S. Department of Justice  
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Cincinnati, Ohio**

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Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
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; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Jacksonville Office to the Bureau under date of October 7, 1935, relative to one Morris Hermer, 660 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida, who claims to have had information in 1932 concerning Alvin Karpis being located on the outskirts of Hamilton, Ohio, or at Ironton, Ohio, or at a point on the Ohio and Indiana borders.

It is noted in the last paragraph of the letter of reference that the suggestion is made that the Cincinnati Office confer with the Sheriff's office in Cincinnati relative to this individual. The present personnel of the Sheriff's office at Cincinnati has changed entirely since 1932 but contact has been made with Emil Gau, formerly Chief Investigator for the Sheriff's office during the time that office investigated the so-called Bob Zwick and "Dago" Rose case. Mr. Gau advises that from the description of Morris Hermer he immediately recognized him as an individual who was employed as a confidential informant during the above investigation. Gau advises that this man has a criminal record, having served terms in Sing Sing and in the Ohio Penitentiary. He believes the last term was served under the name of Katz. Gau states that this man came to him and claimed to have considerable information about Zwick and his associates and the informant was therefore given some money and instructed to proceed to Hamilton, Ohio, and vicinity; that after about ten days bills began to pour into the Sheriff's office for items purchased by this individual and hotel bills incurred by him charging these various items to the Sheriff's office; that the informant never did report back to the office and the last they heard of him was when a bill came in from some hotel in Florida; that he is absolutely unreliable and is undoubtedly attempting to secure money from the Bureau under a similar scheme.

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Mr. Gan advises that although this man did not use the name Hermer at that time, it can not possibly be any other individual inasmuch as there were no informants or other persons connected with the Sheriff's office who could possibly answer this description.

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[REDACTED] who, according to Mr. Gan, secured the information which lead to the apprehension of Zwick. [REDACTED] is a confidential informant of the Cincinnati Office and is in frequent contact with the Agents at this office. He is well acquainted with conditions at Hamilton, Ohio, and has furnished this Bureau with very valuable information on various occasions. Special Agent H. D. Harris was recently in contact with [REDACTED] at which time the possibility of subjects Karpis and Campbell being in this part of Ohio was discussed and [REDACTED] advised that he has heard nothing to indicate that these individuals have ever frequented this part of the State, but that he will notify the Cincinnati office immediately if there is any possibility of their visiting this section.

Under the circumstances, it is not believed that any credence can be placed in any statements made by Hermer.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Connelley*  
E. E. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Jacksonville (2)  
Chicago (2) (S.A.C. Connelley)  
St. Paul (2)  
Cleveland  
Indianapolis

1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
OCTOBER 10, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. 1218, ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

As instructed in Bureau letter dated October 4, 1935,  
there are being transmitted herewith two copies of the report  
of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom in the above entitled case,  
dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 9-26-35.

It is requested that your office conduct the investi-  
gation suggested in paragraph 3, page 2 of the above mentioned  
Bureau letter.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Bureau \_\_\_\_\_  
cc - Chicago  
cc - St. Paul  
cc - Cincinnati

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769 Starks Building  
Louisville, Kentucky

October 10, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

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

Dear Sir:

There are being transmitted herewith to  
your Office, copy of a letter sent to Special Agent  
in Charge E. J. Connelley, along with copies of a  
memorandum of Special Agent W. J. Devereux, from the  
Detroit Office, to Louisville, Kentucky.

Inasmuch as Mr. Connelley did not report  
to Louisville, Kentucky, the above referred to copies  
are being sent to you, for delivery to Mr. Connelley.

Very truly yours,

O. C. DENEY  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau  
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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.  
OCTOBER 10, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. 1218, ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

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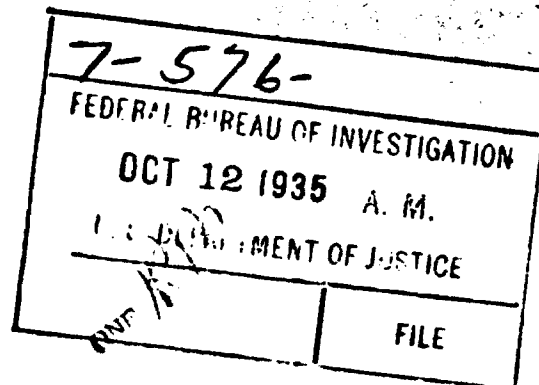
It is requested that your office conduct the investi-  
gation outlined on page 2 of the above referred to Bureau letter.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Chicago  
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cc - Bureau





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JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA OCTOBER 10 1935

## DAY LETTER

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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ST PAUL MINN

BREKID INDICTMENT RETURNED AGAINST MYRTLE EATON WA NINTH INSTANT ORLANDO FLORIDA AND FILED JACKSONVILLE TODAY TWO COUNTS CHARGING HARBORING WEAVER ABOUT SEPTEMBER FIRST NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE NEAR ALLANDALE FLORIDA THIRD COUNT CHARGES CONSPIRACY WITH WEAVER AND OTHERS UNKNOWN TO VIOLATE SECTION ONE FOUR ONE CRIMINAL CODE STOP CERTIFICATIONS BEING FORWARDED USA ST PAUL BOND TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS RETURNABLE JACKSONVILLE FORTHWITH

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cc Bureau, Cincinnati, and

Connelley at Chicago

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*Ed. George Bremer*

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

Via AIR MAIL\* \*\*

Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois

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

Dear Sir:

Referring to your oral request of September 29, 1935, to Special Agent B. M. Hirsch of this office relative to individuals owning certain telephones, please be advised that Special Agent J. L. Willard of this office ascertained that reference telephones are listed to the following individuals at the following addresses:

Garfield 9241 - Hollywood Royal Club  
1916 East 81st St., Cleveland, Ohio

Garfield 4780 - Mrs. Ardiell Quinn  
1916 East 81st St., Cleveland, Ohio  
(operator of the Hollywood Royal Club)

Lakewood 4585 - Boulevard Club (pay station)  
1382 West 116th St., Cleveland, Ohio

Main 4700 - J. C. Thompson,  
Hotel Hollenden

Ardiell Quinn possesses a questionable character and reputation and is a notorious character in Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

JLW:h  
cc: Bureau

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BREXID AND WEYNAP CASES CHECK HAS BEEN COMPLETED OF TRAVEL  
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REPORT MADE AT <b>CLEVELAND, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/10/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/8/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>E. H. WILLIAMS</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218 - FUGITIVE; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

E. F. Parker, alias Hunter, Tommy Coleman and Harold King, reputed Cleveland, Ohio, gamblers recently seen in Hot Springs, Arkansas, are unknown to local police and sheriff's offices.

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**REFERENCE:**

Teletype from Little Rock office, dated 10/8/35.

**DETAILS:**

On October 8th, 1935, the Cleveland office received a teletype from the Little Rock office requesting that the identity of E. F. Parker alias Hunter, Tommy Coleman and Harold King, reputed Cleveland gamblers seen recently in Hot Springs, Arkansas, be established. The teletype advised that Parker was driving a 1935 Hudson Coupe, Ohio license #H 372 M, Motor #60348, purchased August 1st, 1935, from the Manning Marione Company, Youngstown, Ohio, for cash. It is advised that the state registration records reflect that Parker resides at 323 N. Phelps Street, Youngstown, Ohio, but that the police in that city advised that he is unknown there. He is reported to be accompanied by a man by the name of George, last name unknown, who is driving a similar automobile with Ohio license plate #H 85 M.

Agent interviewed Captain Frank Story, Detective Bureau, Sargeant Bernard Wolf, Homocide Squad and Lieutenant William Ziemer, Gambling Squad and they each advised that E. F. Parker alias Hunter, Tommy Coleman and Harold King were persons unknown to them and stated

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that if these were their correct names that they were not from Cleveland. They advised that if a photograph or physical description was given them that they might be able to identify them.

Agent interviewed Mr. George Koestle, Chief of the Identification Unit, Cleveland Police Department, and after a search was made of his records advised that he had no record of any of those three men.

Agent interviewed Mr. Bruce Sontali, Chief of the Identification Unit, Sheriff's office, Cuyahoga County, Cleveland, Ohio, and after a search was made of his records, advised that he had no information on these three men.

The Little Rock office was informed by teletype dated October 8, 1935, that Parker, Coleman and King were unknown in Cleveland.

No undeveloped leads are being set out to have physical descriptions forwarded to this office, it being left within the discretion of the Little Rock office whether a description or a photograph be sent in a further attempt to identify the men in question.

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October 11, 1935.

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*Edmund J. Bremer*

**MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM**

Colonel Gates telephoned and inquired as to the truth of a report that \$92,000 had been found in Harbor Oaks, Florida, where William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were taken into custody. I advised Colonel Gates that there was no foundation to such a report.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
October 9, 1935

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**PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL**  
**AIR MAIL**

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.  
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated  
October 5, 1935 (Bureau file 7-576) requesting this office  
to obtain a transcript of the testimony of JOE ADAMS before  
the Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, September 26, 1935.

Enclosed herewith is a transcript embodying  
the testimony of LOUISE DEEMER, BRYAN BOLTON, ELMER FARMER,  
JOSEPH E. ADAMS and HAROLD ALLDERTON.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*  
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H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
New York, New York.

RE: SOURCE OF MACHINE GUNS  
IN HANDS OF CRIMINALS.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of  
September 19, 1935, in which you advised that certain  
firearms had been received at the New York City  
Office for the purpose of having comparisons made at  
the factories of the Colt Patent Firearms Manufacturing  
Company and the Winchester Repeating Arms Company.

Please advise the Bureau immediately as to  
the progress being made in connection with this  
comparison.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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cc - Mr. Connelley at Chicago  
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*Edward J. Bremer*

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida

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October 10, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

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

I wish at this time to invite the Bureau's attention to the several letters which have passed between the Bureau and this Office (62-28539) wherein the Jacksonville Office was directed to dispose of three seized automobiles, namely: A Buick Coupe, a Ford Coupe and a Ford Sedan.

Special attention is invited to my letter to the Bureau, dated September 30, 1935, wherein I advised that the Sheriff at Ocala, Florida, refuses to accept the Buick. Special attention is also invited to a letter, dated October 1, 1935, from the Trenton Office to the Jacksonville Office wherein it is shown that Henry Randall has requested that the Ford Coupe be delivered to him at Newark, New Jersey, and it is indicated that Gregory I. Codomo has refused to accept the Ford Sedan.

I am just as desirous of disposing of these automobiles and terminating my responsibility therefor as the Bureau is and I therefore request that advice be given me as to what steps the Bureau proposes to take in the matter and especially what action I should take, if any, with respect to delivering the Ford Coupe to Henry Randall at Newark, New Jersey.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

Jax #7-24  
cc Cincinnati  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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October 18, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GLAVIN

Re: CONFISCATED CARS IN POSSESSION OF THE JACKSONVILLE  
OFFICE SEIZED IN CONNECTION WITH THE BREMER CASE.

The Jacksonville Office is holding at the present time three automobiles seized in connection with the Bremer Case. Effort has been made by the Jacksonville Office to turn these cars over to the United States District Court for appropriate disposal. However, the Federal Judge there has declined to assume jurisdiction over the cars.

The particular action taken in connection with each car is set out below:

\* FORD SEDAN, Motor #18-1190702. This car was seized from Gregory I. Codomo. On August 31, 1935 a letter was sent to the Jacksonville Office, requesting that this car, if possible, be returned to Codomo. Under date of October 10, 1935 the Jacksonville Office advised that the Trenton Office had advised them that Codomo had refused to accept the Ford Sedan.

\* FORD COUPE, Motor #18-1037480. This car was seized from Henry (Duke) Randall. On August 31, 1935 the Jacksonville Office was advised by letter to return this car to Randall, if possible. On October 10, 1935 the Jacksonville Office was advised that the Trenton Office had contacted Randall and he had requested that the Ford Coupe be delivered to him at Newark, New Jersey.

\* BUICK COUPE, Motor #2884746. This car was seized at Oklawaha, Florida. On August 31, 1935 the Jacksonville Office was requested to turn this car over to the sheriff having jurisdiction over the place where it was seized, in order that he might sell it at public sale. On September 30, 1935 the Jacksonville Office advised that the sheriff had refused to take custody of this car. In connection with this case effort is being made to have the Administrators of the Barker Estate, who are located in Joplin, Missouri, take possession of this car.

The Jacksonville Office desires further instructions regarding the disposition of these cars.

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Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

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

Your attention is invited to the attached communication received from the Jacksonville Office regarding the disposition of confiscated automobiles in its possession. Your attention is invited also to a memorandum addressed to me concerning this matter.

It is believed that this Bureau might be able to turn these cars over to the Procurement Division of the Treasury Department, for assignment to other Federal Agencies. It is understood, of course, that such a procedure is not the most desirable one. However, it appears to be the only possible way in which this Bureau can dispose of these cars, unless they are taken off and purposely abandoned.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin

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Memo to Mr. McBlair, Genl. Act.  
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11/1/35. J.E.H. for the Director.

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H. J. McBlair  
General Agent

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

326½ Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.  
October 11, 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.

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218 -  
FUGITIVE; et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM;  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 3, 1935,  
in which it is suggested that each office review its files and ascer-  
tain the number of photographs of subjects and suspects in the above  
entitled case which will be needed to conduct investigative work in  
its district.

The files in the New Orleans Office have been reviewed, and  
it is requested that ten photographs of the following be forwarded to  
the New Orleans Office:

Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I. O. 1218 - Fugitive;  
Harry Campbell, with aliases, I. O. 1236;  
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I. O. 1232;  
William J. Harrison, with aliases, I. O. 1239.

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Very truly yours,

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D. W. Magee,

Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

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

Dear Sir:

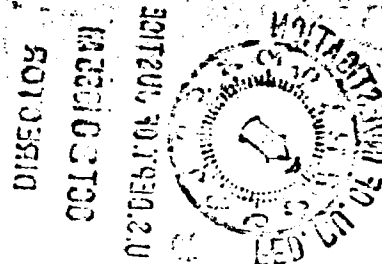
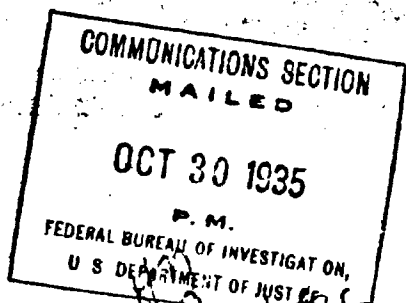
In compliance with your request of recent date,  
I am transmitting herewith the following photographs:

Ten photographs each of Alvin Karpis, Harry  
Campbell, Dr. Joseph P. Moran and William J. Harrison.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW ORLEANS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-11-35.</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-1-35.</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>C. H. OLSON</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> All banks located in the New Orleans Office District circularized relative fifty \$1,000.00 Federal Reserve Notes. Stop Orders placed on Pontiac Sedan, Motor 933155, and Chevrolet Sedan, Motor 4543556. Letter written to Bureau requesting additional photographs of subjects not apprehended. Della Marie, 416 Ingleside, Lake Charles, Louisiana, referred to in report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, 7-22-35, as a known associate of confidence workers, is a young girl, just out of a Convent, and investigation indicates she is the daughter of Wm. R. Day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, 7-22-35. Bureau letter dated 9-3-35. New Orleans Office letter to the Bureau dated 8-11-35.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> <u>AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.</u></p> <p>Under date of August 11, 1935, a circular letter was sent to all banks located in the New Orleans Office District relative fifty \$1,000.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, with serial numbers 00022451A to F-00022500A.</p> <p>In response to the circular letter, the following banks have advised that they have no record of the bills, and in event any of them come into their possession they will notify the New Orleans Office:</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>D. W. Magee</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT 3-Bureau 2-Cincinnati 2-St. Paul 2-Buffalo 2-Chicago (E. J. Connelley) 2-New Orleans		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <p>7-1576-7652</p> <p>OCT 14 A.M.</p> <p>ONE COPY SENT</p> </div> <div> <p>OCT 14 1935</p> <p>OCT 15 1935</p> </div> </div>	



First National Bank, Jeanerette, Louisiana.  
Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Natchez, Mississippi.  
Commercial National Bank & Trust Company, Laurel, Mississippi.  
Whitney National Bank, New Orleans, Louisiana.  
First National Bank, Biloxi, Mississippi.  
Homer National Bank, Homer, Louisiana.

A review of the files reflects that Stop Orders have been placed with the Motor Vehicle Registration Departments in Jackson, Mississippi, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana, relative Chevrolet Sedan, Motor #4543656, and Pontiac Sedan, Motor 935155.

A letter has been written to the Bureau requesting additional photographs of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1218; Harry Campbell, with aliases, I. O. 1236; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I. O. 1232; William J. Harrison, with aliases, I. O. 1239.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, New York, dated 7-22-35, in which it is set out that one "Della Marie" of 416 Ingleside, Lake Charles, Louisiana, is a known associate of confidence men, while in Lake Charles, Louisiana, agent conducted the following investigation for the purpose of determining the identity of "Della Marie." The investigation was conducted in a very discreet manner and persons contacted do not know the purpose for which information was requested relative this party.

416 Ingleside Avenue, Lake Charles, Louisiana, is a single story white frame house, having either four large rooms or six small rooms, with two doors leading out on the front porch. There are no garages around this house and the house is about fifty yards away from the houses on each side. A surveillance was maintained on this place by agent for several hours, and during this time one elderly lady, about seventy years of age, a middle-aged woman, and one man was observed. This man was driving a pick-up truck for the Halburton Oil Company. Nothing of a suspicious nature was observed.

B. H. Landry, Service Desk, Light and Power Company, Lake Charles, Louisiana, made an examination of his records which revealed that a woman by the name of Mrs. Marie Duhon owned this property and paid the electric light bills. From the account it did not appear that very much electricity was used in this house as the bill did not go over the minimum of \$1.00 a month, indicating that no parties were held at this house and no late hours maintained.

From the City Directory it was determined that Mrs. Marie Duhon is a widow of Jules Duhon, and the City Directory did not indicate that anyone else was living at this residence.

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[REDACTED] from the records on file in her office, showed that this home had been built in May of 1934 and is the property of Mrs. Duhon; that Mrs. Duhon has been living with her daughter,

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Mrs. Freda Day, and her granddaughter, Della Marie Day, who is the daughter of Mrs. Freda Day. From discreet telephone calls by [REDACTED] it was determined that Della Marie is about eighteen or nineteen years of age; that she completed her schooling in a Convent located in Lake Charles, Louisiana, last year and is now taking a business course in a local business school. Telephonic inquiries developed that the husband of Mrs. Freda Day is Glen C. Day, who is supposed to be a traveling salesman and who has not been seen around Lake Charles, Louisiana, for some time, and his present whereabouts is evidently unknown.

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The City Directory shows that Glen C. Day did live in Lake Charles, Louisiana, in 1917. The files of [REDACTED] do not have a record of Glen C. Day or of Mrs. Glen C. Day.

W. J. Wise, Mail Carrier who delivers mail to 415 Ingleside Avenue, and who is acquainted with Mrs. Duhon, Mrs. Day, and Della Marie as a result of delivering mail at this address, advised that Della Marie and her mother have been living here for over a year; that they receive very little mail; that occasionally a letter comes addressed to Della Marie; that there are no men around this place with the exception of W. G. Drummond, who is employed by the Haliburton Oil Company, and who rents one of the rooms in this house. W. J. Wise stated that he knows that Della Marie is a very refined young lady; that she does not go out often and has very few friends; that he has not seen her father and has never heard anyone mention him.

In view of this information it appears that WM. R. DAY, as mentioned in the report of Special Agent Doherty, is possibly GLEN C. DAY, the husband of Mrs. Freda Day and the father of Della Marie Day.

No further investigation is being conducted at this time relative the identity of "Della Marie."

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FILE NO. **7-5**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Phoenix, Arizona</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/4/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/3-5-20-24-25-26-27/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. E. Marshall</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-ARMS ACT.</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Information that Karpis, Campbell and "Doc" Moran had been seen in Phoenix unverified by investigation. 1935 Arizona license NS37 in possession of Mrs. Homer Harris, Roll, Arizona, who states she has not been out of the State of Arizona. All banks in Arizona circularized for information as to location of certain \$1000 bills.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b></p> <p>Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, El Paso, dated 7/8/35. Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelly, Chicago, dated 8/16/35.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p>On June 3, 1935, Special Agent D. C. Dewey, who was on that date on special assignment at Phoenix, Arizona, on the Jurob case, submitted a memorandum to the Los Angeles office, a copy of which was furnished the Phoenix Bureau office, regarding the interview had by Special Agent Dewey with James M. Pyle, United States Indian Service, Tucson, Arizona, who resides at 1509 East 9th Street, Tucson.</p> <p>Mr. Pyle advised Agent Dewey that several days prior thereto he had talked with a friend of his, George Pratt, who was a second-hand automobile salesman at Phoenix, Arizona, and Pratt had advised him that two weeks prior thereto he had talked with Harry Campbell in Phoenix, Arizona.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Memorandum of Special Agent Dewey further sets forth that both Mr. Pyle and Mr. Pratt came from around Muskogee, Oklahoma, and according to Pyle, both knew all of the Karpis-Barker gang and Pratt is said to have known Campbell well before he left Oklahoma and before he became mixed up with large gangs. Pyle was unable to give Pratt's address and could only advise that he was a used-car salesman in Phoenix, Arizona.

Subsequent investigation was conducted in Phoenix, Arizona, by Special Agent C. J. Endres for the purpose of locating George Pratt and the memorandum submitted by Agent Endres reflected that H. V. Petersen, Special Agent of the National Automobile Theft Bureau, and J. J. McGrath, Chief of Detectives, and Harry Diehl, Detective, in charge of auto thefts, advised Pratt was unknown to them, that investigation by Agent Endres at used-car lots in Phoenix and automobile agencies failed to reveal any information regarding Pratt.

James M. Pyle, United States Indian Service, Tucson, Arizona, was interviewed by the writer and advised prior to 1933 he was connected with the Indian Service in the Osage Indian country and had been in Oklahoma for a period of ten years, that he is well acquainted in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and knows Harry Campbell and his family very well. Pyle stated that during the early part of June, 1935, he had been in Phoenix, Arizona, and had accidentally run into a man by the name of George Pratt, whom he had known in Muskogee, Oklahoma, that Pratt had advised him he had, a week or two prior thereto, talked to Harry Campbell on the streets of Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Pyle stated he did not know a great deal regarding Pratt's past history and was not well acquainted with him but had known him for about ten years. Mr. Pyle stated he had not seen Pratt since the occasion in June, when Pratt had advised of his conversation with Harry Campbell and that he did not know Mr. Pratt's address in Phoenix, Arizona, but had been told by Pratt that he was working on a used-car lot situated on Van Buren Street in Phoenix. Mr. Pyle could furnish no further information regarding Pratt, and stated he had not seen Harry Campbell since he became a criminal and could furnish no information whatever regarding Campbell or his activities. Mr. Pyle stated if Pratt is not in Phoenix, Arizona, he has probably returned to Fairfax, Oklahoma, where he had formerly worked and that Pratt had told him he might possibly return to Fairfax.

Enquiry at the Post Office, Police Department and Sheriff's Office, Phoenix, Arizona, revealed George Pratt is unknown at any of those places.

Enquiry at all used-car lots situated on Van Buren Street, Phoenix, Arizona, revealed George Pratt is unknown at any of these used-car lots.

Enquiry at the Packard-Phoenix Motor Company Used-Car Lot, 4th Avenue and Van Buren Street, Phoenix, Arizona, revealed that W. J. Wagner is originally from Oklahoma and at one time worked in Fairfax, Oklahoma.

W. J. Wagner, Packard-Phoenix Motor Company Used-Car Lot, Phoenix, Arizona, advised James M. Pyle of the U. S. Indian Service, Tucson, Arizona, and Harry Campbell

proached lights were turned on in the apartment. Shortly after dark agents observed an individual come out of the front door of 14 Church Street and proceed back down the driveway to where the car bearing the Florida license was parked. As this individual turned up the driveway he was accosted by agents representing themselves to be inspectors of the Motor Vehicle Department. Inquiry was made as to the identity of the party accosted and he was asked if he was the owner of the automobile. The individual stated that his name was Lou Whitney and that the car belonged to him. He stated that he had arrived in Massachusetts about three weeks ago from New York City. Agents stated that they were required to check all out of state cars and had been informed that he had been in the State of Massachusetts for a longer period. He stated he could not understand why the state of Massachusetts should check his license, that the state of Florida permitted Massachusetts cars to stay indefinitely without being molested. Agents assured him that it was merely a routine matter and his having a car bearing Florida license plates was something which they did not believe was of much importance. Mr. Whitney then started a general conversation with agents and stated that he was married to a Salem girl and that they customarily came to Massachusetts every summer, staying a considerable period of time. He stated that his wife's family name was Sweeney, whose family lived on Charter Street and were well known in Salem. Mr. Whitney stated that he had been employed at Miami, Florida with the Embassy Club and Bradley's as a croupier and in consequence of such employ was well acquainted with the gambling fraternity and prior to his coming to Massachusetts had been employed in an unnamed club on Long Island. He stated also that a party known as Finn had employed him at Saratoga Springs, New York but that he had discontinued that employment after one night. In view of Mr. Whitney's declarations together with the facts of the Bell tracing it was deemed inadvisable that the name of subject Meade be mentioned to Mr. Whitney inasmuch as agents felt that he had a close connection with confidence men and other associates of Meade and would undoubtedly apprise them of the nature of the inquiry.

Mr. Whitney exhibited his papers covering registration of car which indicated that his address was c/o Elks Club, Miami, Florida and that he operated a Chevrolet Sedan bearing Motor Number 5405275, Serial Number 22408-53633 and that the car was financed through the G.M.A.C., Jamaica, Long Island. It was observed that the car bore Florida license plates D670.

Agents observed Mr. Whitney's fingers and no mutilation was apparent. It is noted that the upper half of Whitney's features resemble a great deal the similar features of Meade but Whitney is positively not Meade.

Before agents had accosted Mr. Whitney they had been approached by the patrolman directing traffic in front of the apartment house on Church Street and questioned about the parking of Bureau automobiles in restricted areas. Agent identified themselves and the officer permitted agents to leave the cars parked as they were which was essential to properly block escape from the driveway.

After agents left Mr. Whitney it was observed that he approached and talked to this patrolman and shortly after Mr. Whitney had re-entered his apartment this agent contacted the patrolman who stated that Mr. Whitney had asked

him who those fellows were and wanted to know whether or not they were connected with the local police department. The patrolman stated that he did not believe that the agents were connected with the local police department but believed them to be inspectors from the motor registry.

Agent expressed his appreciation of the officer's help in this matter and in view of what the officer had told Mr. Whitney no further attempt was made to contact him.

The reference report containing the details relative to the parties known as Fred Freed, Finn, and the connection of the Miles Standish Hotel to this investigation.

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At North Easton, Massachusetts, Mrs. A. K. Briggs, postmistress, and John Wilde, mail carrier, stated that John Badaracco lived on Harlow Street at North Easton and that Mr. Badaracco apparently was connected with some newspaper typesetters' union with headquarters at Boston, Massachusetts, and further that Mr. Badaracco was apparently a well known political figure in Boston and was recently given a testimonial dinner. Agent was informed that Mr. Badaracco was a man who kept his own counsel and that very little was known about him. He is described as follows:



Age: 50-55 years.  
Height: 5 feet 11 inches.

Weight: 200 lbs.  
Build: Rasky.  
Complexion: Dark.  
Hair: Streaked with gray.  
Complexion: Dark, clean shaven.  
Neat dresser.  
Marital status: Married.  
Drives Chevrolet car - sedan or coach.

He has been observed to spend his evenings occasionally at the Lake Shore Gardens located just out of North Boston, Massachusetts.

Lester H. Standley, 30 Federal Street, Boston, stated that John Badaracco had offices at 185 Devonshire Street, Room 407, and was the Treasurer of the Pressmen's Union. Mr. Standley was unable to furnish agent with information as to his acquaintances.

As a result of a mail cover which was made upon the mail of Herbert F. Callahan, the mail tracing indicated that a letter was received at his office, address 810 East 45th Street, Brooklyn, New York, on September 16, 1935, at 2:00 PM. The letter was mailed at Brooklyn, New York, on September 16, 1935, at 2:00 PM.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE BOSTON OFFICE at Boston, Massachusetts will develop and determine the contacts and acquaintances of John Badaracco to determine if he is a friend of William E. Meade and the party who possibly furnished the bail for his release from Northampton jail July 13, 1935.

Will conduct such investigation as is believed advisable in checking [redacted]

THE NEW YORK CITY OFFICE at New York City will determine the identity of Samuel Cooper, 810 East 45th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio** **St. Louis** FILE NO. **7-576-7656**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Louis, Mo.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>10-11-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>10-3-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. A. LOUGHRAN</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases-FUGITIVE I.O.#1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O.#1252; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases I.O.#1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases I.O.#1238; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p><b>J. L. Gordon, shoe repair shop Metropolis, Ill., unable to furnish any definite information of value regarding his report that Karpis was patronizing road houses near Metropolis, Ill.</b></p>			
REFERENCE: Letter from the Chicago Office dated 9-11-35.			
DETAILS: Letter of reference enclosed a letter from Metropolis, Illinois dated August 28, 1935 which reads as follows:			
<p><b>*John Edgar Hoover Federal of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice.</b></p> <p><b>Dear Sir:</b></p> <p>I have learned thru some underworld that our Public Enemy No. 1 Karpis is at present, living in Chicago, Ill. in a district known as (Cicero) and is disguised, but could not learn just how, and also that he makes almost weekly trips South from Chicago on Route 1 to the Ohio River where we have three <u>mutch</u> patronized Road Houses, on Sat. nites where the underworld <u>meetes</u>. I have tried to get our Local Officers to get Dillinger when he used to make this town on Sat Nites they gave me the laugh and said they always passed the Buck to somebody else. If you send any body herede not notify any of the Local Officers, but have them come to see me first at my Shoe Repair Shop, all the G men in this District calls on me.</p> <p>RS. Local officers here have it in for me because I stand Pat.</p>			
DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <b>J. E. Vetter</b>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-7656	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>OCT 14 1935</b>
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/s/ J. L. Gordon,  
Electric Shoe Repair Shop,  
Metropolis, Ill.

Mr. J. L. Gordon was interviewed and advised that his report to the Bureau was based on information he received in overhearing a conversation, or fragments of a conversation of "the underworld" in the person of a couple of strangers who stopped at his place to have their shoes repaired. Mr. Gordon has the front part of his counter covered with photos of men who are wanted by the police. He advised that he "makes a study of crime". When "the underworld" came in this day one of them pointed at Karpis' photo and said "There is one of the boys there". He missed some of the following conversation due to the fact he had his machine running but the next thing he overheard was "Yes, we will see him tonight". That was all the conversation he overheard but advised that there are only three places in town he would meet these men and that would be at either the Green Lantern, the Egyptian or another roadhouse near the glove factory in town. He had no reports direct that Karpis had been seen in town. He pulled a frayed envelope out of his shirt pocket and showed agent two letters he had received from the Director in 1934 regarding information he had submitted as to whereabouts of Baby Face Nelson in Little Rock, Arkansas about the time and after the death of Nelson in Chicago. He further stated that Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., frequented the town of Metropolis but had not seen him personally and apparently was unable to advise agent where his information came from. During the interview the impression was left by this person that he was mentally unbalanced on this subject.

Postmaster E. E. Mitchell and Assistant Postmaster E. G. Korte were interviewed at Metropolis, Illinois and interrogated regarding the reliability of information furnished by Gordon. They advised agent that the old man was just a bit off on the subject of religion and it extended into the field of the criminal and that any information he might furnish would probably not be reliable.

Agent contacted the three night clubs mentioned above and presented the photograph of Karpis together with that of Campbell and Robinson but no one was able to identify the photographs except that each thought it resembled some one in town who had lived there a lifetime.

PENDING.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

October 12, 1935.

Time - 11:50 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Cassius McDonald.

Walter Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, and advised that this morning, he has been in conference with Mr. Patrick of the Criminal Division, and an attorney from Detroit named Bernard, who represents Cassius McDonald. Among other things, Mr. Bernard is again making demands for the brief case which was seized at the time Cash McDonald was arrested in Florida. Mr. Barlow said that this was also brought up previously in Florida, and that he, upon the hearing on the motion in Florida, represented to Judge Ritter that at that time, while it could not be stated the papers in this brief case were the instrumentality by which the offense was committed, the Government was conducting an investigation of the matters disclosed by the papers, and requested a reasonable time in which to respond to the motion. Judge Ritter had previously stated he felt they were entitled to the papers, but in view of the fact that Agent McKee of the Bureau was going in a short time to Cuba to check up on the matters disclosed by the papers, they got the judge to say that he would not pass upon the motion at that time, but that the Government should have a reasonable length of time in which to conduct its investigation in Cuba. However, the judge informed the attorney in Florida for McDonald that if he would renew the motion after the lapse of a reasonable length of time, he would order the papers returned to them.

In connection with the indictment pending against McDonald in St. Paul, the defense attorneys represent that the papers are necessary in the preparation of their defense, which defense is that the ransom money came to McDonald in the regular course of conducting gambling enterprises in Cuba; that he changed it as he did other money received in the same fashion.

Mr. Barlow said that he is convinced that the matters contained in the brief case are of no value in connection with the prosecution of McDonald in Florida; further, that if the issue is again brought up in Judge Ritter's jurisdiction, it will undoubtedly be returned to the attorneys of McDonald. He continued that unless there appears to be some use for the case and its contents in the prosecution in St. Paul, he believed they should be returned to McDonald's attorneys.

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In view of this attitude on the part of Mr. Barlow, and at his suggestion, I informed him that proper steps would be taken to have the brief case and its contents returned to the United States Attorney at Detroit for transmission to McDonald's attorneys, proper receipt, of course, being obtained therefor.

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Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
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Chief Clerk .....  
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Mr. Keith .....  
Mr. Lester .....  
Mr. Quinn .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

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ONE FILE

Los Angeles, California  
October 9, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, ET AL;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim  
Kidnaping  
L. A. File 7-42

I am transmitting herewith for your information and appropriate attention [redacted] by a confidential informant who is cooperating with the Bureau in connection with the instant matter. I believe that the identity of this informant is well known to you, inasmuch as the records in your office will reflect a contact which he made with Special Agents Little and Hansen during the [redacted]

You will note, of course, [redacted] referred to does not on its surface give any indication that fugitive Alvin Karpis is the subject [redacted] however, our informant emphatically believes that [redacted] Karpis has recently been placed in a hideout spot by Margaret Sevier, the wife of William Sevier, who is at the present time an inmate of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma.

May I suggest that after conferring with Special Agent Paul Hansen you take such steps as may appear appropriate to ascertain whether or not it would appear to be desirable at this time to arrange for a further contact between our informant and [redacted]

Very truly yours,

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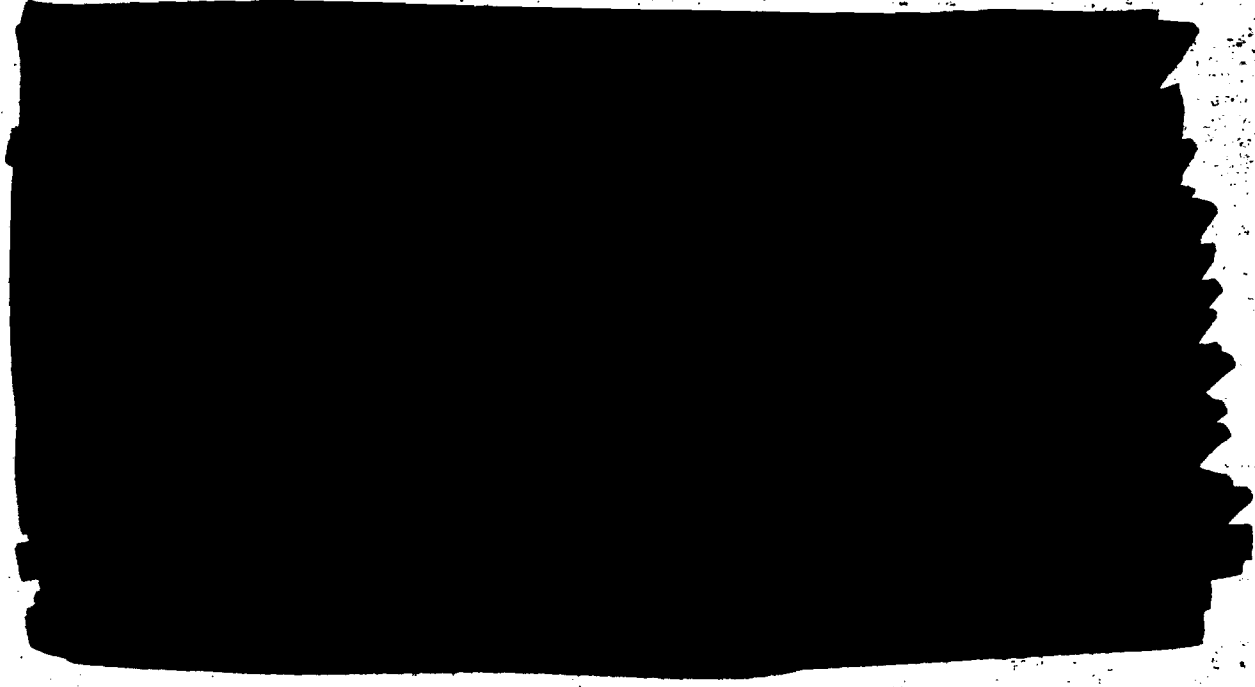
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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

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. 1238 et al  
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;  
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

[REDACTED] it is believed  
that this matter is developing satisfactorily; that however it is necessary  
to await definite developments as apparently this woman is in a position  
where it will be necessary for her to await the pleasure of these individu-  
als or their contact man with her.

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In connection with the setup at Toledo, Ohio where we have a tap on the telephone of Edith Barry nothing definite has been learned over the telephone other than the prostitution operations of Edith Barry and as to her friends and associates, none of whom apparently are involved with the present setup as to Karpis and Campbell. Unless something develops as to this between now and Sunday October 13, 1935, it is planned to discontinue the tap on the telephone there, with the idea in mind that should developments occur in the future which would warrant same we can immediately restore the tap. Discontinuation of the tap is planned in order to relieve the number of Agents whom it has been necessary to use in order to maintain this tap twenty-four hours per day, and in order to have these Agents return to Chicago where certain other developments can be worked out as to this case. It is planned however, to have Agent C. E. Smith continue at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio in order to maintain contact with our informants there and possibly run out certain leads through the addresses obtained by reason of certain long distance telephone calls made from the telephone of Edith Barry. It is planned to run these out very discreetly in order that we may ascertain whether any of these might be a contact of Karpis and Campbell, without doing anything which might get back to Edith Barry and cause her to be apprehensive in any way.

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It is with this thought in mind that I believe that discontinuance of our direct activity as to her at Toledo is advisable at this time.

You will be advised further when and if we discontinue the tap as to Edith Barry.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
W. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
October 12, 1935

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa - FUGITIVE  
I.O. #1218; et al;  
EDWARD 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 letters written to Wynona Burdette, who is confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, from her brother, Art, and her sister-in-law, Helen.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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Dear Sis:-

Just a few lines in answer to your most welcomed letter of a few days ago was more than glad to get but I will have to apologize for Art and I both for not writing sooner. Although Art did write a card it isn't like a letter is it?

We just came back from eating Art tuned a piano this afternoon so I went along (By Request) Ha.)

Pardon me if I make mistakes Art is playing the Violin and every 2 minutes wants me to stop and listen, shall I spank him?

It sure is getting cold here I have been wearing a winter coat, you see Lewistown is in the center of four mountains so you can all most guess what it's like.

Honey you wanted a picture of me like I sent the other girls and I'm really sorry but I don't have any. Art has one and had it hand painted looks real good, I wanted him to let me send it to you but it didn't work, Ha, but I did sell him on giving you this one and it's terrible looks like I have a chew in my mouth. It was taken last winter and another party was with me so Art cut it off and had mine in his pocket book, you know how blonde my hair was when Art and I were married then I had it dyed and after the dyed went my hair got lighter it is almost white in fact. I have had several things change me.

Had my gold tooth taken out and a white one put in looks much better.

Well Honey we have three pieces of paper here and I wrote half so I'm going to let Art have some he has a simple streak in him to night he said tell you he was broke and only in the way, he's sitting on the floor just being funny.

Will close for now hoping to hear from you real soon.

Lovingly

Helen

Dear Sis

I am not going to write very much as I just mailed you a card and helen says I must write a line - I dont no I am down in the mouth - I just made \$5.50 all last week and three of that went for room rent so what do you think we eat on - how I would like to be back in good old Okla. right tonight - woof - woof - Say why dont you drop Opal Davis a card you no the girl at So Coffeyville she would be tickled I'll bet to hear from you.

I have wrote to every one at home but no ans - dad rot it their just so busy they cant find time to do anything ha - well I suppose I'll be here another week so if you can write me -

I'll close for now

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Your loving bro

Art

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Los Angeles, California

October 9, 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, ET AL;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim  
Kidnaping  
L. A. File 7-42

I am transmitting herewith an article appearing in  
the October 4, 1935 issue of the Los Angeles Times, entitled  
"Wife of Karpis Seeks Divorce".

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DUNN  
Special Agent in Charge

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### ***Wife of Karpis Seeks Divorce***

TULSA (Okla.) Oct. 3. (AP)—Mrs. Alvin Karpis, wife of the current Public Enemy No. 1, filed suit today for divorce, charging her fugitive husband with desertion and non-support.

LOS ANGELES "TIMES"  
OCTOBER 4, 1935.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

October 9, 1935

KRM/AEK

Time - 10:00 AM

October 8, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Interview with Mr. Wint Smith of  
State Highway Patrol, Topeka, Kansas.

Mr. Nathan  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Baughman  
Chief Clerk  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Edwards  
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Miss Gandy

This will advise that on October 8, 1935 Mr. Wint Smith of the State Highway Patrol, Topeka, Kansas, appeared in this office. He stated that Tommy Carpenter was arrested on October 5, 1935 at Neosho, Missouri, and that Carpenter was a former "pal" of Jimmie Lawson, Glenn Roy Wright, Volney Davis, and Harry Campbell.

Mr. Smith stated that his Department is very much interested in solving the bank robbery which occurred at Independence, Kansas on or about March 9, 1934. He informed that during his interview with Carpenter the latter advised that Edna Murray had put Volney Davis "on the spot" and she was in a position to state the identity of the participants in the bank robbery at Independence, Kansas. Mr. Smith wanted me to tell him the identity of the persons who participated in the bank robbery at Drexel, Missouri during the spring of 1935. His reason for wishing to know the identity of the participants of this robbery was because he had heard that Preston Paden, the son of Edna Murray, had participated in this robbery with Volney Davis. I advised Mr. Smith that I did not know the identity of the persons participating in the Drexel job but would have been pleased to inform him had I known their identity. He intimated that if he could show definitely Preston Paden participated in the Drexel job he would have a talking point when he interviewed Edna Murray and would tell Edna Murray that if she would disclose the identity of the participants in the Independence, Kansas, robbery he and his fellow officers would "lay-off" her son, Preston Paden.

Practically no other conversation was held, Mr. Smith merely advising he had come here for the purpose of learning the names of the persons who took part in the Drexel robbery.

Respectfully,

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K. R. McIntire.

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October 11, 1935.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 5th St., N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Special Agent D. P. Sullivan who proceeded to Orlando, Florida in order to appear as a witness before the Grand Jury there on October 7, 1935, returned to Toledo, Ohio on October 9th, where he is engaged in undercover assignment in connection with telephone tap being maintained there as to Edith Barry.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge.

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c.c. Jacksonville  
cc. Cleveland.

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October 11, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Special Agent W. J. Devereux in conformity with subpoena and advice of the Indianapolis office, arrived at South Bend, Indiana on the afternoon of October 10, 1935, in order to appear before the Grand Jury there as a witness, and he has completed his testimony and is leaving South Bend, Indiana at 3 P.M. today in order to return to Toledo, Ohio where he is engaged in undercover investigation in connection with telephone tap being maintained on the telephone of Edith Barry there.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box #1525  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

October 11, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE;  
I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with  
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL,  
with aliases, I.O. 1234; WILLIAM J.  
HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; et  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

The Stop Order placed with the Bureau of  
Motor Vehicles, State Road Commission, Charleston, West  
Virginia on Chevrolet Coupe, Motor Number 4,135,550, pur-  
chased by William Weaver under the name of J. A. Orhood,  
has been withdrawn.

Yours very truly,

C. K. FIERSTONE  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau  
St. Paul  
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P. O. Box 536  
Los Angeles, California  
October 3, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Portland, Oregon

Re: WILLIAM DAINARD, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1252-A, et al;  
George Weyerhaeuser, Victim;  
KIDNAPING - EXTORTION

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication dated September 24, 1935, requesting investigation at the National Military Home, West Los Angeles (Sawtelle), California, for the purpose of securing information regarding PATRICK J. LYONS in order that he might be located and interviewed regarding the two above-entitled cases.

Special Agent Leon Bone made inquiry at the hospital at the National Military Home and, upon an examination of the records, it was ascertained that Patrick J. Lyons had never been an inmate of that institution. Special Agent Bone also made inquiry at the administration office and was advised that a search of the records failed to indicate that this individual had ever been an inmate of the Soldiers' Home.

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DUNN  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc/ Bureau  
Chicago, Connelley

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
October 12, 1935

Mr. John J. Ryan  
Superintendent  
U. S. Detention Farm  
Milan, Michigan

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith two letters addressed to Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institution, from her brother, Art, and her sister-in-law, Helen.

The contents of these letters have been carefully scrutinized and appear to contain no information of value.

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

Very truly yours,

AAM:R.S.  
Enc.  
cc-Bureau ✓

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SPECIAL AGENTS

St. Louis, Mo.  
October 11, 1935.

In re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218, et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Under date of September 12, 1935 the following letter was received from the Bureau:

"There are being transmitted under separate cover two copies of a Summary Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, April 10, 1935.

You are requested to instruct all Agents attached to your office to familiarize themselves with the details of this report, so that they will have a complete understanding of the background of this case."

Kindly govern yourselves accordingly.

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Portland, Oregon

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Special Agent in Charge

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cc/ Bureau  
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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
October 12, 1935

Mr. John J. Ryan  
Superintendent  
U. S. Detention Farm  
Milan, Michigan

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith two letters addressed to Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institution, from her brother, Art, and her sister-in-law, Helen.

The contents of these letters have been carefully scrutinized and appear to contain no information of value.

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

Very truly yours,

AAM:RJS  
Enc.  
cc-Bureau ✓

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SPECIAL AGENTS

St. Louis, Mo.  
October 11, 1935.

In re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. No. 1218, et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Under date of September 12, 1935 the following letter was received from the Bureau:

"There are being transmitted under separate cover two copies of a Summary Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, April 10, 1935.

You are requested to instruct all Agents attached to your office to familiarize themselves with the details of this report, so that they will have a complete understanding of the background of this case."

Kindly govern yourselves accordingly.

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC-Bush

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P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, October 10, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

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 AND OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in your  
letter of September 30, 1935, the wanted notices placed by  
this office in the States of Montana and Idaho on Chevrolet  
Coupe, motor #4,135,550, which was purchased by William  
Weaver as J. A. Orhood, have been withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

D. H. DICKASON  
Special Agent in Charge

DEH/TM

cc Bureau  
St. Paul

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U. S. Department of Justice  
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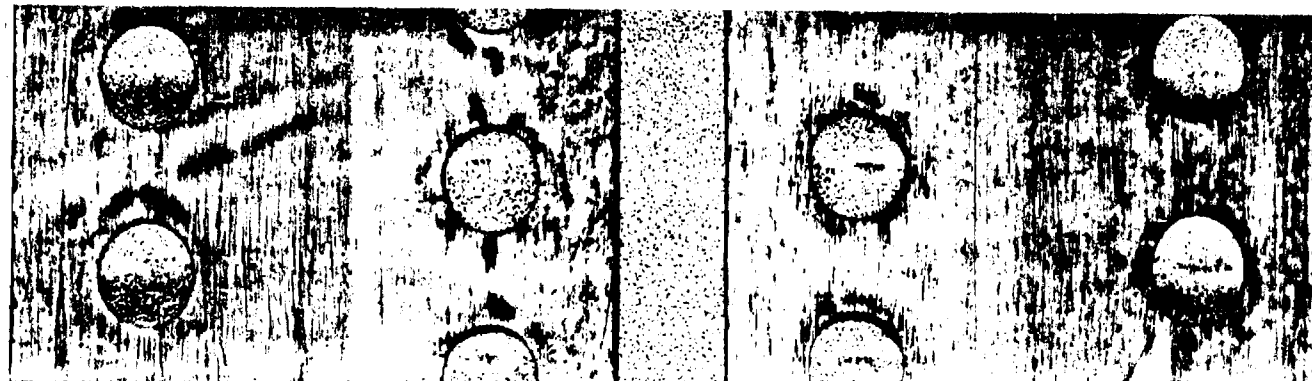
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*Ed. George Bremer*

Division of Investigation

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

October 12, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1238  
et al - Edward George Bremer, Victim  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUC-  
TION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to my conversation with Mr. McIntire of the Bureau indicating that Mr. Tamm had advised that the two zipper brief cases containing personal property of subject Cassius McDonald taken possession of at the time of the arrest of McDonald at Miami, Fla., if in the possession of the St. Paul office should be forwarded to the Detroit office for surrender by the Detroit office to the attorneys for McDonald at Detroit, inasmuch as the attorneys at Detroit had arranged to obtain an order from the U.S. District Court there that these two bags and their contents be surrendered to Cassius McDonald; that provided the U.S. Attorney at St. Paul had no objection to this procedure, it being noted that we have photostatic copies of the complete contents of these two bags as obtained by the Jacksonville office, these should be surrendered in the manner indicated.

Telephone conversation was had with Acting Special Agent in Charge Stein of the St. Paul office today and he was advised in accordance with the above information. At this time particular reference is made to the letter of the Jacksonville office under date of October 4, 1935 addressed to the St. Paul office indicating that they were forwarding by registered mail the two zipper brief cases, together with complete contents, which were surrendered by subject McDonald upon the occasion of his arrest at Miami, to the St. Paul office. The St. Paul office was advised that they should consult with the United States Attorney as to what his wishes were in this matter, and he being agreeable they should comply with the instructions indicated;

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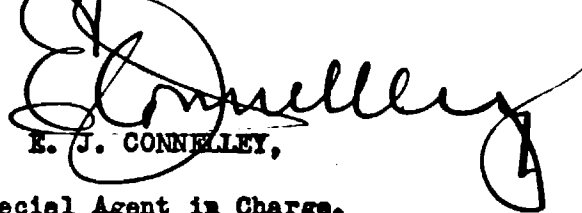
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that however, before forwarding these two bags to the Detroit office they should communicate with the Bureau as to the decision of the United States Attorney, and their intention to forward same to the Detroit office for the purpose indicated.

Very truly yours,

  
E. J. CONNELLEY,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

Special Agent in Charge.

CC Cincinnati  
CC St. Paul  
CC Detroit  
CC Jacksonville

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Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
Oct. 12, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE  
I.O. #1218. ET AL.  
KIDNAPING.

In compliance with telephone requests from Special Agent  
in Charge E. J. Connelley, I am enclosing two zipper brief  
cases, together with contents which were surrendered by CASSIUS  
MC DONALD upon the occasion of his arrest at Miami, Florida.

This property is being forwarded to you so that you may  
in turn deliver it to the United States Attorney at Detroit who  
will make proper disposition of it in accordance with Court  
order issued in his District. Photostat copies of contents of  
these cases are on file in this office.

I am also attaching a list of the contents.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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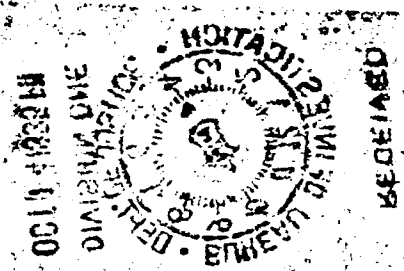
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George Bremer



St. Paul, Minn.  
Oct. 12, 1935.

One black leather zipper brief case containing:  
blank customers' credit orders,  
customers' drafts,  
transferred checks, on the International Consolidated Stock Exchange,

One booklet written in Spanish containing financial data relating to the Hipodromo, Casino Nacional, and the Jockey Club House bearing the name H. Menendes.

Carbon copy of letter from McDonald to Sr. Juan R. Jimenez written in Spanish dated May 7, 1934.

One typewritten document entitled "Bases for lease".  
Typewritten document entitled "Their first proposition".  
Typewritten document entitled "Our proposition".  
Typewritten document entitled "Their second proposition".  
Typewritten document showing income and expenditures from 1926 to 1933 of the Casino Club.

Typewritten document written in Spanish entitled "Bases for arrangements".

Typewritten document entitled "A contract for the term of ten years".

Handwritten document dated June 2, 1934, addressed to "Dear Juan".

Letter from Jimenez to McDonald dated at Havana, Apr. 12, 1934.

Typewritten document entitled "General basis for a contract for operation of the race track and the Casino".

Telegram to McDonald from McLean dated January 30, 1934, purported to have been sent on private wire of Fenner, Beane, and Underleider.

Receipt for \$5.00 from McDonald signed Benjamin Martel dated Havana, January 26, 1934.

Telegram via Fenner and Beane to M.D. signed "Temp".

Typewritten document entitled "General basis for a contract for operation of the race track and the Casino".

Typewritten document in Spanish entitled "General basis for contract to operate the Hipodromo and the Casino".

Letter to McDonald from Mario Artesiano written on stationery of Marimar Swimming Club, Havana, bearing postmark March 29, 1934.

Typewritten letter to Jimenez written in Spanish dated June 27, 1934, signed "Carlos Emanuel de la Cruz".

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Handwritten note addressed to "Dear Friend" and signed "McD".  
Letter to Jimenez dated Detroit, June 25, 1934, bearing type-written signature C. M. McDonald.

Letter to Mrs. McDonald dated January 10, 1935 from the Secretary to Senator Couzens.

Letter to McDonald dated Detroit, March 13, 1934 from Charles L. Bartlett, Attorney, Hammond Building, Detroit.

Letter to McDonald from Charles Bartlett, dated Feb. 21, 1934.  
Copy of cablegram to Bartlett from McDonald dated March, 1934.

Letter to Bartlett from Senator Couzens dated March 20, 1934 with enclosure of copy of letter to Senator Couzens from Cordell Hull.

Letter to McDonald from Senator Vanderberg dated May 23, 1934.  
Letter from Bartlett to McDonald dated March 23, 1934.

Envelope containing calling cards.

Note to McDonald from C. R. Cameron.

Handwritten letter from Jimenez to McDonald dated April 24, 1934.  
Letter to McDonald signed "John McLean" dated May 4, 1934.  
Copy of telegram to Col. Albert Sabath, undated, signed "C.M.Mc".  
Letter from Albert Sabath to McDonald dated Aug. 11, 1934.  
Letter to McDonald from Joseph Jones, Havana, March 28, 1934.  
Letter to McDonald from Ethel Artesiano, undated.

Newspaper clippings.

1 tube of paste.  
Rubber binders.

Western Union and Postal telegram blanks for messages received.  
Western Union and Postal Telegraph envelopes.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

October 11, 1935.

Time - 10:40 A.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Special Agent in Charge Alt at the Jacksonville Office and told him that in the Washington papers today there appears an Associated Press dispatch to the effect that Federal Agents have recently dug up \$92,000 at Harbor Oaks, Florida, near where the Weavers were recently captured. I asked Mr. Alt if he knows anything about this.

He said that he has heard nothing about this at all; that he has had no Agents in that vicinity at all, with the possible exception of Agent Donaldson, who was in that vicinity recently checking at the Western Union, but he certainly did no digging, and more certainly found no money. Mr. Alt continued that none of his Agent has been digging around that farm at all.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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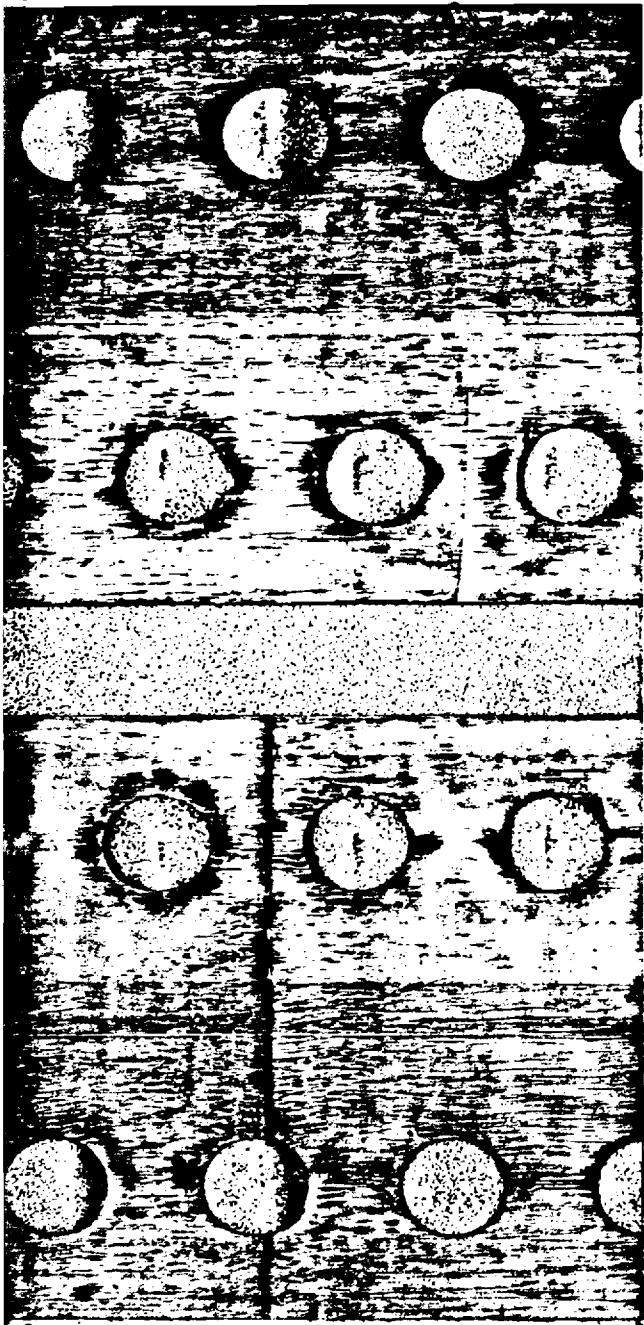
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DIRECTOR

PHONE BREKID ASSOCIATED PRESS HERE ADVISES ST LOUIS BROADCASTING  
INFORMATION THAT KARPIS WAS RECENTLY IN HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS, AND THAT  
FEDERAL AGENTS RAIDED PREMISES WHERE HE WAS STAYING SUBSEQUENT TO HIS  
DEPARTURE. THIS INFORMATION ERRONEOUS AND PROBABLY RELATES TO  
INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED HOT SPRINGS BY THIS OFFICE 7TH INSTANT TO DETER-  
MINE IDENTITY OF THREE UNKNOWN PERSONS REPORTED BY CHIEF OF DETECTIVES  
HERBERT AKERS HOT SPRINGS AS BEING THERE UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES  
WHICH MIGHT INDICATE IDENTICAL WITH KARPIS AND CAMPBELL. INVESTIGATION  
DISCLOSED THAT PERSONS REFERRED TO WERE NOT IDENTICAL WITH EITHER FU-  
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

P. O. Box 709  
Portland, Oregon

October 9, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

For the completion of the files  
in this office, it is requested that one  
copy of Apprehension Order #338, re Harry  
Sawyer, with aliases, I. O. #1240, be fur-  
nished.

Very truly yours,

*C. C. Spears*  
C. C. SPEARS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-36**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-11-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/29 - 10/1, and 7/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>John B. Little</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Bodies of Kate and Fred Barker interred Williams Cemetery, Welch, Oklahoma 10-1-35. Nothing of interest observed at ceremonies. George Barker reported presently en route to California with wife of Frank F. Dixon, co-administrator of estate.</b>			
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REFERENCE: <b>Bureau wire dated September 27, 1935.</b>			
DETAILS: Information having been received to the effect that the burial of Kate Barker and Fred Barker would take place at the Williams Cemetery near Welch, Oklahoma on October 1, 1935 at 3:00 P. M., arrangements were made to cover the burial by Special Agents Frank S. Smith, A. Paul Kitchin, and John B. Little.			
[REDACTED] Agent Little was present in the cemetery, under pretext, before and during the services and the services were covered by Agents Smith and Kitchin from nearby timber.			
[REDACTED] The Williams Cemetery is an unkempt country hillside graveyard, full of undergrowth and weeds. The services were attended by a small number of relatives and curious onlookers. It was estimated that approximately twenty-five people attended the services, altogether, which included six undertakers, Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, who, it was later ascertained, was responsible for airplane observations of the services, and Dee Watters, and Charles H. DeLaughter, operatives of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation. The funeral sermon was preached to the living, with no mention being made of the deceased, and invoking the blessings of the Deity upon the surviving members of the family. It was quite noticeable that the minister			
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 Report of Kate Barker

qualified the request for such blessings with the statement "if it be Thy will". The bodies were buried next to the grave of Herman Barker. No one attending the funeral corresponded with the descriptions or photographs of any outstanding fugitives in connection with this case.

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[REDACTED] reported that Mr. Barker attended the funeral under the care of Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Dixon, Mr. Dixon being the operator of a filling station and cabin camp known as "The Tri-State Oil Company", on east 7th Street in Joplin, Missouri. The home address of the Dixons is 204 South Sargeant Street, Webb City, Missouri. [REDACTED] Mr. Dixon made three trips to Florida representing Mr. Barker and on one occasion he stayed a month; that he also went to Chicago with reference to money which was in the possession of Doc Barker, and was interested in opening a safety deposit box in Chicago; that Mr. Barker visited Doc at Leavenworth on October 4, 1935; that the burials were handled by the undertaking firms of Haines-Woodard of Webb City, Missouri and Durnil of Picher, Oklahoma. [REDACTED] that the funeral was not attended by any outstanding fugitive wanted in connection with the instant case.

[REDACTED] information to the effect that the first trip to Florida on the part of Frank F. Dixon was financed by Claude Kenny, Attorney for the Tri-State Oil Company, Mr. Kenny also making the trip; that the second trip on the part of Dixon to Florida was financed by the Merchants and Miners Bank, of Webb City, Missouri. Dixon returned from the second trip to Florida with a Cashiers Check for \$9,700.00, which was deposited in the Merchants and Miners Bank in Webb City. The total expense of returning the bodies of Fred and Kate Barker was reported as \$3,000.00, the caskets costing \$800.00 each. Kenny and Dixon are reported to have had a slight disagreement over the fact that Kenny wanted fifty per cent of all that Dixon recovered and had promised Mr. Barker twelve and one-half per cent of the fifty per cent, in the event an allowance was made of the fifty per cent. Apparently Mr. Kenny became skeptical and compromised on one-third. Mr. Barker, however, is not to receive any of the one-third, although this has not been definitely decided.

[REDACTED] Dixon had Mrs. Barker's diamonds, consisting of four rings, on his return from Florida, the present whereabouts of these rings being unknown. A. W. Wolfenbarger and his son are on Dixon's bond as co-administrator of the estate. Wolfenbarger is an official of the Tri-State Oil Company of Webb City. One Bowie, an attorney of Ocala, Florida, who assisted in the claim there, demanded a fee of \$1200.00.

[REDACTED] information was received that both Fred and Doc Barker had lived at the Gable Hotel in Webb City, posing as Barnsdall accountants and that the landlady found guns in their room and called law enforcement authorities. It was reported that lists of names were found in this room, which might be of value in establishing connections.

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the effect that Dr. Stimson attended Mr. Barker in Webb City after the death of Fred and his mother, at which time Mr. Barker was in the Dixon's home. It is also reported that a Minneapolis attorney representing Doc Barker wrote Mr. Barker regarding furniture and \$6500.00 belonging to Doc, which is presently in Chicago. The attorney paid \$250.00 storage charges on the furniture which is now stored in Webb City in one of the Vanhooze Buildings. The attorney in Minneapolis made an agreement with the Brewery Company for \$1500.00 and the furniture.

Mr. Barker, Mrs. Dixon, and one Jenny, left Friday, October 4, 1935 about 8:00 A. M. for California, driving a black Chevrolet Sedan, 1934 Model, with Missouri license issued in the name of Frank F. Dixon, Webb City, Missouri. The purpose of this trip was not disclosed. Mrs. Dixon is described as 5 feet, 3 or 4 inches tall, weight about 130-35 lbs., age 40-45, swarthy complexion, dark hair, dark eyes, loud clothes, and bored expression.

The woman named Jenny, was described as age 25-30, dark hair, rather attractive appearance, slim build, hazel eyes, height, 5 feet, 1 or 2 inches.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE will conduct appropriate investigation in Webb City, Missouri, with the view to locating the lists referred to by [redacted] as having been found in room occupied by Fred and Doc Barker at the Gable Hotel, in an effort to determine whether such lists might be of value in establishing contacts of the members of the gang, and such other investigation as the details of this report might warrant.

P E N D I N G

KPM/ALX

September 28, 1935

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR**

Re: Cassius McDonald

I am transmitting herewith a confidential memorandum prepared by Supervisor K. R. McIntire, disclosing the part which Cassius McDonald played in the Bremer kidnaping case, and also reflecting a brief outline of his career.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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September 28, 1935

**MEMORANDUM**

It is not possible to state exactly the manner in which Cassius McDonald became acquainted with members of the Barker-Karpis gang. It is known, however, that Ted and Bert Angus in 1935 were dealing in illegal liquor in Gary and Hammond, Indiana, with William J. Harrison; that on or about February 15, 1934 Harrison took Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang to Toledo, Ohio, where they were introduced to Ted and Bert Angus, who were then operating the Casino Club, a well-known gambling den in Toledo. It is safe to assume that Cassius McDonald was introduced to the Barker-Karpis gang by Ted and Bert Angus, who are known to have extensive contacts in Toledo, Ohio and Detroit, Michigan.

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September 28, 1935


MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Cassius McDonald

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I am transmitting herewith a confidential memorandum prepared by Supervisor K. R. McIntire, disclosing the part which Cassius McDonald played in the Bremer kidnaping case, and also reflecting a brief outline of his career.

Respectfully,

  
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U. S. Department of Justice

October 3, 1935.

Time - 1:16 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent F. T. McIntyre, who is in training school here in Washington, received last night a telegram from Ripon, Wisconsin, from a person who signed his name "Rielly", but who, McIntyre says, is really named Bill Rielly, 22 years of age, from the vicinity of Birmingham, Alabama; that Rielly claims he used to be a member of the Toughy gang, but McIntyre says he is more or less of a small time racketeer, petty thief, etc. The telegram in question says in effect that Karpis has been in the Twin Cities lately; that Charlie Carrol, Tommy's brother, is above the bar at seven corner or bar at 3rd and Hennepin, Minneapolis. This telegram goes on to request that Mr. McIntyre send him, Rielly, twenty dollars for certain travel.

I told him that the Bureau does not attach any particular significance to this telegram, other than the fact that it says Karpis has been in the Twin Cities lately. I told him that we are not going to send him the twenty dollars, but that I thought possibly Mr. Connelley would be interested in the matter.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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October 12, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri,

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

Dear Sir:

On October 2, 1935 Special Agent P. I. McIntyre received a telegram from one Rielly at Ripon, Wisconsin. This telegram advised that Karpis has recently been in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota and that Charlie Carroll, a brother of Tommy Carroll, now deceased, is working in a bar at "Even Corner" or at 3rd and Hennepin, Minneapolis, Minnesota. In this telegram Rielly requested \$20 of Agent McIntyre so that he, Rielly, can go to Kansas City to contact Karpis. Copies of the telegram to Agent McIntyre are being forwarded to each office receiving a copy of this letter. In a telephone call made by Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Bureau to Special Agent in Charge D. E. Ladd of the Chicago office on October 3, 1935, the Bureau declined to pay Rielly the \$20 requested.

Special Agent McIntyre advises that Rielly is identical with one Billy Rielly, aged twenty-two years, who formerly resided in the vicinity of Birmingham, Alabama; that Rielly claims he is a former member of the Touhy gang of Chicago, but Agent McIntyre informs that Rielly is more or less of a small time racketeer and petty thief.

In connection with this matter the attention of the Kansas City office is directed to the report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, [REDACTED]

These observations are being furnished your office for your information only at this time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; ET AL:  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim:  
Kidnaping; Harboring & Obstruc-  
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Dear Sir:

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: Nathaniel H. Heller.

There is attached hereto a memorandum  
prepared by Supervisor K. R. McIntire, disclosing  
all of the evidence available against Nathaniel H.  
Heller.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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NATHANIAL H. HELLER was arrested on the night of January 31, 1935 by Cuban authorities in Havana, Cuba, as an undesirable alien, on the basis of information which had been obtained by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. He remained in the custody of Cuban officials until February 12, 1935 when he was released on the understanding that he would voluntarily proceed to Miami, Florida. Upon his arrival in Miami on February 12, 1935, he was arrested by the United States Marshal and was immediately placed in the Dade County Jail, Miami, Florida, in default of \$25,000.00 bond.

On February 7, 1935 at Jacksonville, Florida, Heller had been named in four indictments returned by a Federal Grand Jury. The first indictment charged him with Harboring and Concealing Alvin Karpis. The second indictment charged Heller with Misprision of a Felony, in that he did not disclose that Karpis was a person who had fled in interstate commerce to avoid prosecution for a crime cognizable under the laws of the United States. In the second count of this indictment Heller was charged with the same offense for failing to disclose that Karpis was a person who had fled in interstate commerce to avoid prosecution for a crime cognizable under the laws of the State of Minnesota. A third indictment was returned charging Heller, Duke Randall, Joseph Adams, Dolores Delaney, Wynona Burdette, and Cassius McDonald with Conspiracy to Harbor and Conceal Alvin Karpis. A fourth indictment was returned against Heller charging him with Conspiracy to Commit Misprision of a Felony, in that he and others conspired to conceal the fact that they knew Karpis was wanted for prosecution of a certain crime cognizable under the laws of the United States and had fled in interstate commerce.

Heller is now at liberty on bond.

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SPECIAL AGENT R. D. BROWN,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

SPECIAL AGENT S. K. McKEE,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
426 U.S. Custom House and Post Office,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

These witnesses will advise that on the morning of January 31, 1935 they interviewed Nathaniel Heller at the Park View Hotel in Havana, Cuba, at which time he made certain free and voluntary oral admissions which are noted below.

Heller advised that he was born October 23, 1891 in New York City; that he first entered Cuba in January of 1915; that he became interested in the Park View Hotel in 1930 and that he is presently Manager and Coproprietor of the Park View Hotel; that on September 21, 1934 a man and a woman (Karpis and Dolores Delaney) registered at his hotel under the name of E. M. Wagner and wife and brought with them a calling card from Joe Adams, Manager of the Hotel El Comodoro, Miami, Florida, on the back of which card was written - "This man is all right" or words to that effect. Heller has identified the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being E. M. Wagner and a photograph of Kate Barker as being a Mrs. Ryan, who was a guest at the Park View Hotel and who later visited the Wagners at Varadero Beach. He has also identified the photograph of Dolores Delaney as being identical with Mrs. E. M. Wagner. Heller advised that Wagner (Karpis) stated his health was bad and he wanted to obtain a place on a beach somewhere; that Heller suggested Varadero Beach and advised Wagner to get in touch with Mr. and Mrs. Bermudes who operated the Playa Azul Hotel at Varadero. Heller stated that Wagner asked that he be allowed to place an envelope containing money in the hotel safe; that he, Heller, looked in the envelope and saw eleven \$1,000 bills which he placed in the safe. At this point Heller admitted that it was most unusual for a tourist guest to have such a large amount of money in \$1,000 bills.

Heller stated that about four days after the arrival of the Wagners and after the Wagners had rented a home at Varadero Beach, Wagner came to him, Heller, requesting Heller to accompany Mrs. Wagner to a Ford dealer to purchase a car for him, Wagner. Heller admitted that he complied with this request, receiving a commission of \$50.00 from the dealer and that Mrs. Wagner paid for this car in bills of large denomination.

At first Heller staunchly denied that he had ever rented a safety deposit box for Wagner, advising that he had his own safety deposit box in the Royal Bank of Canada, Havana Branch. He later admitted, however, renting a safety deposit box during September of 1934 in his own name, but for the sole use of subject Karpis alias Wagner.

Heller also admitted that a short time after Wagner had moved to Varadero Beach, Wagner asked him, Heller, to recommend a place where he, Wagner, could purchase a motor for his boat; that Heller took Wagner to the Bassalo Sporting Goods House on Obispo Street, where a motor was purchased by Wagner for \$175.00, same being a Johnson Seaborn. Heller also admitted that he had purchased a radio for Wagner. Heller further admitted that he had carried on several long distance telephone conversations with Wagner from Havana, Cuba to Varadero Beach. He advised that several letters were received for Wagner at the Park View Hotel. He also stated that Wagner received and sent three or four cablegrams while at the Park View Hotel; that when the cablegrams would arrive for Wagner, he, Heller, would telephone the information to Wagner at Varadero Beach. He further stated that Wagner made frequent visits to Havana and admitted that he, Heller, would order Wagner's groceries for him, in order that Wagner might take them back to Varadero with him. At this point Heller was questioned as to whether this was a usual custom with him, to go to such great inconveniences for a guest, to which he replied that he would have done the same for any guest.

Heller further admitted that after Wagner had departed from Varadero Beach he personally went to the Wagner home and secured certain property for them, stating that when Mr. and Mrs. Wagner left Havana they left with him their Ford sedan and told him to keep it until they returned, giving him permission to use same. He stated that shortly after the Wagners left Havana, he received a letter from Mrs. Wagner written on Hotel El Comodoro stationery, requesting him to close the house at Varadero Beach and to remove their effects to the Park View Hotel and to hold them until they returned to Havana; that in reply to this request he drove, using the Wagner's Ford sedan, to Varadero Beach; stored the said property in the Park View Hotel, which property he advised consisted of the motor to the boat, a radio and a small suitcase containing wearing apparel.

(It should be noted that when the Cuban authorities seized the car of E. N. Wagner (Karpis) in Havana, Cuba, the car was found to bear 1935 Cuban license plates AN 753).

During the interview with Special Agents Brown and McKee, Heller admitted that he had personally purchased the new license plates. In this connection he stated that he had purchased said license on January 22, 1935 and that this purchase had been made after he had read a newspaper article concerning the gun battle in Atlantic City; further, that the



license was purchased on his own initiative and without any request from Karpis or his wife. He was asked why he had purchased the new license and he replied that he wanted the car to be ready for operation in the event either Karpis or his wife returned to Havana, Cuba. He was asked if he would have turned the car over to either Mr. or Mrs. Wagner in the event they called for same and he replied that he would have done so if they had paid the storage charges. Heller was asked if he would have notified the police in the event Karpis called for this car and he said that he would not, informing in this connection that he was not a policeman. Heller was then asked if this was his idea of American citizenship, after knowing that Karpis was being sought by every law enforcement agency in the United States and that he was badly wanted and Heller stated that he did not care about that.

(In connection with the purchase of the 1935 Cuban license by Heller, attention is invited to the fact that Dolores Delaney (Mrs. E.H. Wagner) was in custody in Atlantic City, New Jersey at the time this license was secured, while subject Karpis was still a fugitive. The gun battle at Atlantic City, New Jersey, in which Karpis and Campbell escaped and as a result of which Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette were captured, occurred during the early morning hours of January 20, 1935).

Heller also informed that on one occasion he introduced Karpis' wife to a Doctor Agramonte, who happens to be the hotel physician at the Park View Hotel and that this doctor was consulted on several occasions by her because of her pregnant condition. Heller advised that Karpis and his wife took by far the greater percentage of their meals in their hotel room on all occasions while they were guests at the Park View Hotel. He stated that their meals were brought to them and was unable to explain the reason for this, but did advise that he did not know of any other guests who had followed this procedure.

Heller advised that he did not have knowledge of Karpis' identity and stated that he did not know the identity of this man until the newspaper publicity following the Atlantic City affray on January 20, 1935. He also stated that he was ignorant of the reason for the sudden departure of Mr. and Mrs. Wagner; that he did not know the nature of Karpis' business or the reason of his visit to Cuba, but did admit that Karpis told him he, Karpis, was a bootlegger and that Heller believed Karpis was "hot", but that he did not know the reason why Karpis was "hot".

Heller advised that he did not know how Mrs. Wagner left Havana when she departed so suddenly early in December of 1934, but that Karpis traveled to Miami, Florida via P. & O. Steamship to Key West, Florida, thence to Miami by train. Heller stated that he happened to go to Miami on the same boat, but that he did not make the trip with Karpis.

(In this connection, attention is directed to the records of the

Steamship Company disclosed in this report showing that Karpis and Heller traveled on the same boat having the same destination on December 5, 1934. The steamship records also show that Dolores Delaney (Wagner) proceeded to Florida from Havana, Cuba on December 4, 1934.)

Heller was questioned with particular regard to three cablegrams which were addressed to Joe Adams, El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida and signed by Heller. Heller denied that he had sent any cablegrams to Adams but stated that on several occasions Karpis, alias Wagner, came to him with a message addressed to Adams and requested that he cable the same. Heller explained his name being signed to these messages by saying that Karpis advised he had several friends at the El Comodoro Hotel who were "broke" and that if they knew where he was then located, they would try to borrow money from him.

(Attention is also directed to one cablegram which was sent to Heller by Joe Adams. Heller could not account for Adams having addressed a cablegram to him and Heller was asked how Adams would understand that the cablegrams signed "Heller" were from Wagner and not Heller and he was totally unable to explain this).

Heller was questioned concerning the identity of the persons referred to in the cablegrams by the names of Ryan and Willie and he stated that after the arrival of Kate Barker at the hotel he realized she was the person referred to as Ryan. He stated that he at no time was aware of the identity of the party Willie.

Heller advised that he was absent from the hotel when Kate Barker, as Mary Ryan, registered at the Park View Hotel in Havana, Cuba; that upon his return to the hotel he found she had left a message for him to the effect that she wanted to see him. He stated he did not know she was coming to the hotel and said that upon his return following her arrival, one of the bellboys told him that a woman had been inquiring for the young married couple who were living in the country. He stated that he went to the room of Mary Ryan, as she had requested, and she asked that she be put in touch with the young couple whose name, according to Heller, she did not know.

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, page 41 et seq )

S. K. McKEE,  
Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
426 U. S. Custom House and Post Office Building,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

This witness will advise that he interviewed Nathaniel E. Heller at the Hotel Parkview on the night of May 11, 1935, at which time Heller admitted that it was his custom to read all Spanish newspapers published in Havana, Cuba and in this connection the papers "El Avance", "Havana Post", and "Diario de la Marina" were among the papers which he admitted it was his practice to read. (This is mentioned because it will be recalled that on December 4, 1934 the photograph of Alvin Karpis and several other persons whose apprehension was then being sought by American authorities appeared in the "El Avance", with a narrative stating that the arrest of these persons was being sought by American authorities).

This witness will further advise that Heller admitted to him that on January 29, 1935 he, Heller, was shown the photograph of Karpis by one of the Econimedes brothers (co-proprietors of the Hotel Parkview) and that this picture appeared in one of the New York papers of several days previous and was in connection with Karpis' escape from Atlantic City on January 20, 1935; that he recognized the photograph as being that of Mr. Wagner; that he tried to telephone the American Consul General, Cameron, at the Consulate, but learned that the American Consul was away from the city.

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, May 23, 1935, pages 37 and 38.)

**"EL AVANCE"  
A Newspaper,  
HAVANA, Cuba.**

Officials of this newspaper will produce an issue of "El Avance" dated December 4, 1934, in which there appeared a two column group of photographs approximately four inches in height showing the photographs of Alvin Karpis, Arthur Barker, John Hamilton and Thomas Robinson. A literal translation of the Spanish under this group is as follows:

**"GENTLEMEN OF GANGLAND."**

These four individuals are on file with the Justice Department of the United States as public enemies, and orders have been issued for their arrest wherever they can be found. Their names from left to right, Alvin Karpis, Arthur Barker, John Hamilton and Thomas J. Robinson, Jr."

There is only one copy of the issue of December 4, 1934 in the files of the above mentioned paper and the officials declined to turn this over to Agents, however, it is noted that Mrs. Lenora Bermejo, seen earlier in this report, also has a copy of the above mentioned photographs as they appeared in "El Avance". (Particular attention is directed to the witnesses who were employed by Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney at Varadero Beach, who advised that after burning numerous papers, Karpis and Dolores Delaney hurriedly departed from Varadero Beach, giving no explanation for their hurried departure. Attention is also directed to the records of the steamship company seen in this report showing that Dolores Delaney left Havana, Cuba on December 4, 1934 and that Alvin Karpis and Heller departed from Havana, Cuba on December 5, 1934 on the same boat for the Florida mainland.)

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, May 25, 1935, page four)

JOSEPH H. ADAMS,  
El Comodoro Hotel,  
Miami, Florida.

This witness will produce books and records of the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, which will show that Mrs. E. M. Wagner (Dolores Delaney) and Nathaniel Heller registered at that hotel on November 14, 1934; that Mrs. Wagner was assigned to Room 1005, where she remained until November 18, 1934; and that Heller was assigned to Room 1004, where he remained until November 20, 1934.

The records will further show Heller's registration at said hotel on December 5, 1934, where he remained until December 7, 1934 as a guest.

(See report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, February 20, 1935, page 10R.)

L. E. GRAY,  
Room Clerk,  
El Comodoro Hotel,  
Miami, Florida.

This witness furnished a signed statement to Special Agents S. K. McKee and J. H. Hanson of this Bureau at Miami, Florida, on April 12, 1935.

The witness will state that Nathaniel Heller and Dolores Delaney were guests at the El Comodoro Hotel for several days about the middle of November, 1934; that the Delaney woman was using the name "Wagner"; that he saw them together a few times and on one occasion Heller expressed a wish that he had a car as he and the Wagner girl wanted to look at some apartments and houses; that the witness loaned Heller his personally owned Oldsmobile Sedan; and that the witness knows that Heller and Mrs. Wagner used this car for two or three hours one day, the date being after this couple had been in Miami for two or three days. The witness will also state that he saw Heller and Mrs. Wagner (Dolores Delaney) eating together in the dining room of the El Comodoro Hotel about this time; that on the same day Heller borrowed the witness' car Heller asked him if Mrs. Wagner could use said car alone; that as the witness recalls Heller told him that Mrs. Wagner wanted to look at some furniture; and that the witness gave Heller permission for Mrs. Wagner to use said car.

The witness will also state that he recalls registering M. H. Heller of Havana, Cuba, on December 8, 1934 at the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, assigning Heller to Room 1005.

(See report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, April 23, 1935, pages 29 and 31.)

MRS. LEONORA CALDWELL BERNARDEZ,  
Playa Azul Inn,  
Varadero Beach, Cuba.

This witness will advise that the Wagners (Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney) were sent to her some time during the latter part of September, 1934 by N. H. Heller, Manager of the Park View Hotel, Havana, Cuba; that Mr. Heller had told them to see her and enlist her cooperation in attempting to locate a house; and that through her efforts the Wagners rented a house from Mr. Pedro Acebo, who resides at Carabanas, Cuba. Mrs. Bernardez will advise that she rented the house as an Agent of Mr. Acebo to Mr. Wagner (Karpis), and that the rental period was to extend from October 1, 1934 to February 15, 1935 and for this rental period Mr. Acebo collected from Wagner (Karpis) \$300.00 in large bills. This witness will identify Kate Barker as being a visitor of the Wagners during this period, and will state that Kate Barker was using the name Mrs. Ryan.

She will advise that Wagner advised her Mr. Heller had purchased a motor for his boat, and also stated Heller brought towels and linens from his hotel for the use of the Wagners. This witness will advise that she received a letter from Mr. N. H. Heller, dated December 18, 1934, in which Mr. Heller advised her after the departure of the Wagners that he had decided to close the house at once, as his wife and children could not make the trip to Varadero, and in this letter Heller requested that Mrs. Bernardez express to him a quantity of sheets, pillow cases, blankets, and a Hot-point iron which belonged to him and which had been used by the Wagners, also to place one of the Wagners' dogs in his grip and send it to the Park View Hotel. (This letter is in the possession of the Jacksonville Office of the Bureau.) In this letter Mr. Heller also requested that Mrs. Bernardez return the keys of the house to the owner.

The witness will state that a short time prior to the receipt of this letter Mr. Heller had called personally at Varadero Beach, driving Mr. Wagner's Ford Sedan, and took from the Wagner home the motor for a boat, a radio, and two suitcases, and advised that Mrs. Wagner had instructed him to do this. She will advise that during the first few days of December, 1934, the Wagners departed hurriedly and unexpectedly, giving no notice of their departure.

(The above information is found in the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, pages 21 through 25.)

Mrs. Bermudez furnished a signed statement to Special Agents S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters at Varadero Beach, Cuba, on May 18, 1935, in which all of the above information is found, and in which she furnished certain additional information.

This witness will advise that at the request of the Wagners (Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney) she furnished them with a cook, namely, a Korean named Juan Lee Park; that the Wagners became dissatisfied with Juan's services and fired him; and that on two occasions the Wagners secured new cooks through Nathaniel Heller. She will advise that shortly after the Wagners left, Mr. Heller came to the Beach in the Wagners' Ford car and secured some of their personal effects; that at this time the witness told Heller his friends (the Wagners) were very rude, as they had left without saying good-bye; that upon making this statement Heller's face flushed noticeably; that the witness then asked Heller if he knew the address of the Wagners, and at this point Heller replied that Wagner had only told him that he (Wagner) was "Number One in the U. S. A." The witness will further advise that after the Wagners departed she personally inspected their house and found they had burned all papers with the exception of a few magazines.

This witness will also advise that she received a letter from Nathaniel Heller on the stationery of the Hotel Park View, Havana, Cuba, dated December 29, 1934. This letter is in the possession of the Jacksonville Office and is quoted as follows:

"Mrs. Julio Bermudez,  
Varadero, Cardenas, Cuba.

Dear Mrs. Bermudez:

I have your letter of recent date regard that rumor about the Wagners. I have not heard anything since they left here, only a Christmas card which arrived yesterday. I have been expecting to hear from them, therefore delayed writing to DuPont and also to Dr. Alcebo. However, I wrote them both yesterday a letter advising that I would communicate with them as soon as I heard from Mr. Wagner. You know, that he ask me to make a claim for a refund of rental from Dr. Alcebo. I wrote to Mr. Wagner and told him that that was out of question. Dr. Alcebo is making a claim for Elec. Light for \$25.84. I am waiting for an answer, also for him to send me the money. There were bath towels and other things left there as I do not know exactly how many they were we had best forget about it.

I received the spreads, but I thought that you might have kept them as you said in your letter, however, if you need any I will be glad to have the El Encanto send you some.



"The price for the seventy-one was \$1.95 and eighty-one \$2.25.

With kindest personal regards and wishing you and Mr. Bermudes a Happy New Year,

Very truly yours,

(signed) H. E. Moller  
Manager,  
Hotel Park View.

Her baby was due about 15 of Jan."

CONSTANTINO ECOMINEDES,  
Coproprietor, Park View Hotel,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will be able to produce books and records of the Park View Hotel disclosing the following registration record of Kate Barker and Alvin Karpis, Alvin Karpis using the alias E. H. Wagner and Kate Barker using the alias Mary Ryan:

Kate Barker - October 25, 1934 - Room 404,  
Account number 9838, checked out same day.

Alvin Karpis - September 21, 1934 - Room 408,  
Account number 9753, departed September 25, 1934. (This covered room for Karpis and wife).

Alvin Karpis - October 16, 1934 - Room 508,  
Account number 9815, departed October 20, 1934.

Alvin Karpis - October 30, 1934 - Room 408,  
Account number 9849, departed October 31, 1934.

Alvin Karpis - November 2, 1934 - Room 408,  
Account number 9858, remained until the following day.

Alvin Karpis - November 12, 1934 - Room 508,  
Account number 9884, checked out November 15, 1934.

Alvin Karpis - November 18, 1934 - Room 408,  
Account number 9898, checked out November 19, 1934.

Alvin Karpis - November 26, 1934 - Room 412,  
Account number 9919, checked out November 27, 1934.

Alvin Karpis - December 2, 1934 - Room 408,  
Account number 9943, checked out same day.

The same witness will be able to produce a telephone book maintained by the Park View Hotel, showing that two long distance telephone calls were made from the Park View Hotel to Varadero, Cuba on October 1, 1934 and one call on November 19, 1934; that the charge in each instance amounted to \$1.55; that the first two calls were charged to cash, while the third was charged to Wagner.

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, pages 49 and 50).

REINALDO GONZALES VILA  
c/o Hotel Park View,  
HAVANA, Cuba.

This witness will advise that Heller had been very friendly with Karpis and his wife on the various occasions they stayed at the hotel; that Heller was always going to and from Karpis' room and that his intimacy with Karpis caused the various hotel employees to be suspicious of Karpis, who was known in the hotel as Wagner. This witness will furnish a narrative of Heller's various transactions with Karpis, which are in line with the story furnished by Heller himself. This witness will be able to identify the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Kate Barker. The witness will further advise that on one occasion Heller was absent from the hotel for a period of about three days; that upon his return he was sunburned and remarked that he had been down to Varadero Beach fishing with Wagner. According to this witness, he will advise that Heller received a registered letter on one occasion from Varadero Beach. The witness will state that Heller had in his possession the following property belonging to Karpis:

A Ford sedan  
An outboard motor  
A radio  
One dark brown suitcase  
One large black suitcase and  
Two bulldogs.

The witness will advise that when Karpis and his wife first came to the hotel, Karpis had a very large suitcase which was extremely heavy and also one other bag; that the large, heavy bag was taken away from the hotel by Karpis; that one night Mr. Heller took a large, heavy black bag out of the hotel; had a bellboy take it to his car and cautioned the boy to be careful of the bag at the time.

(If this person is to be used as a witness, he is reported to be working for a brother in a cigar stand located somewhere on 23rd Street in New York City).

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, pages 47 and 48).

ALBERTO GALAN,  
Sales Manager,  
Auto Universal de Cuba,  
171 Belasconia Street,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will be able to introduce records showing that on September 24, 1934 Dolores Wagner purchased from said Agency a 1934 Ford sedan, motor No. 18-918995, color, black with cream wheels, car containing a radio, sold for \$1,077 in cash. The witness will further advise that this car was sold through the salesroom at Twenty-fifth and Mariana Streets by Augusto Dominguez.

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, page twenty-four)

AUGUSTO DOMINGUEZ,  
Auto Universal de Cuba,  
Twenty-fifth and Mariana Streets,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will advise that on September 24, 1934 Dolores Wagner, accompanied by a large Jewish man who spoke good Spanish, appeared in the Ford Agency at the above address and purchased the automobile noted under the testimony of Alberto Galan. He will advise that \$1,077 in silver pesos was paid for the car immediately and that delivery was made at once. 1934 Cuban license No. FX 212 was purchased by Dolores Wagner for this automobile.

(It is confidently stated that this witness will positively identify Nathaniel Heller as the large Jewish man who accompanied Dolores Wagner at the time of the purchase of this car. It will be noted that Heller has admitted having assisted in the purchase of this car).

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, page twenty-four)

ESTEBAN JUNCADILLA,  
Administrador, Royal Bank of Canada,  
Prado 79-A,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will produce bank records disclosing that safety deposit Box #39, which uses key #15, was rented to N. E. Heller, Park View Hotel, Havana, Cuba, on September 26, 1934, at a yearly rental of \$5.00; that two keys were given to Heller at the time and the arrangements were such that only Heller had access to the box.

(It should be noted that when Heller was interviewed by Agents McKee and Brown he informed said Agents that he did not know the number of this box but that he had key #15 for this box, which had been given to him by the bank).

This witness will be able to produce records of the bank which will show the following record of entries to Box 39 during the period September 26, 1934 to February 4, 1935:

October 5, 1934  
October 15, 1934  
October 20, 1934  
October 27, 1934  
November 15, 1934.

(No information is available as to the type of property which Heller kept in this box).

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, page 51)

MRS. TORRES,  
Cuban Telephone Company,  
Varadero Beach, Cuba.

This witness is employed by the above mentioned telephone company and will advise that Nathaniel Heller of the Park View Hotel, Havana, Cuba, made numerous telephonic calls to Mr. Wagner (Karpis). These calls are particularly recalled because it was necessary for someone to go from the Torres Hotel to the Wagner home to advise Wagner to come to the telephone.

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, page 20.)

A. HOWARD SOLER,  
Superintendent of Traffic,  
Cuban Telephone Company,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will produce records of the above mentioned company extending from September 15, 1934 to December 10, 1934, which will disclose long distance telephone calls between Havana, Cuba and Varadero Beach, Cuba, as follows:

September 28, 1934, Havana to Varadero Beach - Mr. Heller talked from telephone M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for four minutes at a cost of \$1.65, to central office in Varadero Beach. Operator #22-B handled the call.

October 1, 1934, Havana to Varadero Beach - Mr. Heller talked from telephone M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for three minutes, at a cost of \$1.55, to Mr. Wagner at central office telephone. Operator #28-A handled the call.

October 1, 1934, Havana to Varadero Beach - Mr. Heller talked from telephone M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for three minutes, at a cost of \$1.55, to Mr. Wagner at central office telephone. Operator #29-A handled the call.

November 18, 1934, Havana to Varadero Beach - Mrs. Wagner talked from telephone M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for three minutes, at a cost of \$1.55, to Mr. Wagner, at central office telephone. Operator #28-A handled the call.

(Mr. Soler advises the procedure to follow in the event it becomes desirable to use these calls as evidence in the United States is to have the American Ambassador in Havana secure an order from the Judge of the proper Cuban court to the telephone company, describing the above calls and demanding that the records relating to the calls be produced before the court.)

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, May 23, 1935, pages 29 and 30.)



MR. CARY,  
Manager, Western Union Cable Company,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will produce records of the said company disclosing that cablegrams signed by Heller were directed to Joe Adams at the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida under dates of October 16, October 18 and November 2, 1934 respectively and will show a message received by Heller from Adams under date of October 25, 1934. The cablegrams are set forth as follows:

"1934 NOV 2 PM 8 16 17 2.65

FULL RATE  
JOE ADAMS  
COMODORE HOTEL  
MIAMI FLA

DID ANYONE COME OVER IF NOT WHEN ANSWER IMMEDIATELY COLLECT

HELLER

C A S E  
ROOM 408 HOTEL PARKVIEW

"OCT 16/34 23 1.85

LC JOE ADAMS  
EL COMODORE HOTEL  
MIAMI FLA

WHEN DOES PARTY EXPECT TO COME OVER HAVE YOU HEARD FROM WILLIE  
ANSWER COLLECT

HELLER  
HOTEL PARKVIEW

C A S E  
HOTEL PARKVIEW HAVANA, CUBA."

"1934/OCT 18th/ 10 0.85

LC ADAMS  
EL COMODORE HOTEL  
MIAMI FLA-

CAN WILLIE COME TO-MORROW

HELLER.

CASH  
HOTEL PARKVIEW HAVANA, CUBA

1954 OCT 25 AM 12 55

MEMO 11 CABLE-MIAMI FLO 25 244A

LC MR KELLER  
PARKVIEW HOTEL HAVANA CUBA

RYAN ARRIVES THURSDAY PLANE

ADAMS.

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville,  
Florida, dated February 25, 1955, pages fifty-  
seven, fifty-eight and fifty-nine)

MANUAL DuPONT,  
Varadero Beach, Cuba.

This witness will advise that he was employed at the Wagner (Karpis) home on Varadero Beach, Cuba, from approximately October 1, 1934 to December 12, 1934. He will identify the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being E. H. Wagner, Kate Barker as being Mrs. Ryan, and Dolores Delaney as being Mrs. E. H. Wagner. He will advise that Mrs. Ryan (Kate Barker) came to the Wagner home during either October or November, 1934, and remained for approximately three or four days. This witness will also advise that the Wagners left very suddenly early in December; that he was not advised of the reason for the departure; and that shortly after the Wagners departed a hotel man (Heller) from Havana, Cuba, came to the Wagner home driving the Wagners' Ford Sedan and took away a motor which had been used by Karpis in a motor boat, a radio, and other property belonging to the Wagners. He will further advise that Wagner (Karpis) received frequent telephonic calls from someone in Havana, Cuba. He will also state that the Wagners had two small, white bulldogs in which Heller showed considerable interest at a later date.

(See report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935, page 19.)

JUAN LEE PARK,  
Velasque 128,  
Cardenas, Cuba  
(This witness cannot speak  
or understand English. Will  
need a Spanish interpreter.)

This witness will advise that he was hired by Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney to act as a cook for them while they lived at Varadero Beach. He will identify the photographs of Alvin Karpis, Dolores Delaney and Kate Barker, the latter having used the name Mrs. Mary Ryan while visiting Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney in October, 1934 at Varadero Beach.

This witness will state that one day Karpis left Varadero Beach early in the morning, stating he was going to Havana to purchase groceries and would be back the following day; that about midnight on that night Karpis returned, bringing no groceries or other packages with him; that Karpis and Dolores Delaney arose on the following morning at about 6 o'clock and instructed this witness and Ramona Saures, another servant, to have everything packed as they were leaving at 9 o'clock; that before leaving Dolores Delaney came into the kitchen and burned numerous papers and letters; that upon their departure Karpis informed the servants that he was going to take a ten day trip to Santiago de Cuba, and that Karpis and Delaney left at about 9 o'clock, as planned.

This witness will advise that he and Ramona Saures remained at the Karpis home, expecting Karpis and Dolores Delaney to return; that about ten days after the departure of Karpis and Delaney, Heller came to the cottage and informed them that the Wagners had sailed; that at this time Heller secured the remainder of the clothes which Karpis had not taken with him and also secured a dog which Karpis had left behind.

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, May 23, 1935, pages 62, 63 and 64).

RAMONA SAUREZ,  
Central Tinguaro, Cuba  
(This witness may also be  
located at the Palya Azul  
Inn, at Varadero Beach, Cuba)

This witness will testify to substantially the same facts  
as are expected from Juan Lee Park.

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville,  
Florida, May 23, 1935, pages 64 and 65).

AMERICAN VICE CONSUL EDGAR,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will advise that during the time subject Heller was under arrest in Havana, Cuba, Heller informed him, Edgar, that several days prior to his, Heller's, arrest, he, Heller, learned of Karpis' identity and that he considered the advisability of communicating with the Consul and then decided he did not desire to become involved in the matter and, therefore, took no steps to report his knowledge concerning subject Karpis.

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, May 23, 1935, page 56.)

MARIA XIQUES,  
Telephone Operator,  
American Consulate General,  
Havana, Cuba

This young lady will advise that she is positive Heller made no call to the Consulate on January 29, 1935 inquiring for Mr. Cameron. She will state that she is well acquainted with Heller and would know his voice in case he called, and for this reason she is positive that she received no such call from Mr. Heller.

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, May 23, 1935, page 56.)

C. R. CAMERON,  
American Consul General,  
Havana, Cuba.

This witness will advise that he was not absent from the American Consulate on January 29, 1935 when Heller alleged that he made efforts to contact Cameron to furnish Cameron with information regarding Karpis. This witness will state that only on January 31, 1935 was he absent from the American Consulate, on which date he made a trip to Matanzas, Cuba. This witness will state that he received no call from Mr. Heller with regard to this matter.

(See report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, May 23, 1935, page 56.)



JOSEPH H. WALLIS,  
District Director,  
Immigration and Naturalization Service,  
U. S. Department of Labor, Room 444,  
U. S. Post Office and Court House Building,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

This witness will produce inward manifests of persons entering the United States of America in District No. 6, which includes Florida, which will disclose that on November 14, 1934 Dolores Wagner (Dolores Delaney) and Nat Heller, age 22 and 42 respectively, embarked at Havana, Cuba, for Key West, Florida, on the SS. Cuba, occupying Staterooms 240 and 216 respectively, the ticket furnished Dolores Wagner being Number 29157 and the ticket issued to Heller being Number 14475.

He will also produce records showing that on December 5, 1934 Nathaniel H. Heller and Edward H. Wagner (Alvin Karpis), male, age 42 and 28 respectively, embarked at Havana, Cuba, for Key West, Florida, sailing on the SS. Cuba, and occupying Staterooms 234 and 105 respectively, J. L. Ley being purser and A. R. Wiggin the immigration officer, Havana tickets Number 46919 and Number 29179 respectively.

(NOTE: It is significant to observe that it was on or about December 5, 1934 that Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney suddenly departed from Cuba without giving notice of their departure. It is also significant to note that on December 4, 1934 the photograph of Alvin Karpis and other American public enemies appeared in a Cuban newspaper called the "El Avance".)

The witness will also be able to produce records showing that on December 4, 1934 Dolores Wagner (Dolores Delaney), female, 22 years of age, embarked at Havana, Cuba, for Miami, Florida, travelling on Pan-American Airways plane (Number NC-81-V.R.), O. D. Sullivan being pilot and Paul W. Gray being the immigration inspector.

(See report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, February 20, 1935, pages 154 and 155.)

ROY RAINY,  
Auditor, P. & O. Steamship Company,  
Florida National Bank Building,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

This witness will be able to produce records  
of the P. & O. Steamship Company which will show  
the travel of subjects in this case mentioned under  
the witness Joseph H. Wallis.

(See report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson,  
Jacksonville, Florida, February 20, 1935, page 133.)

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The criminal record of Nathaniel Heller, as disclosed by the records of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, is as follows:

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October 12, 1935

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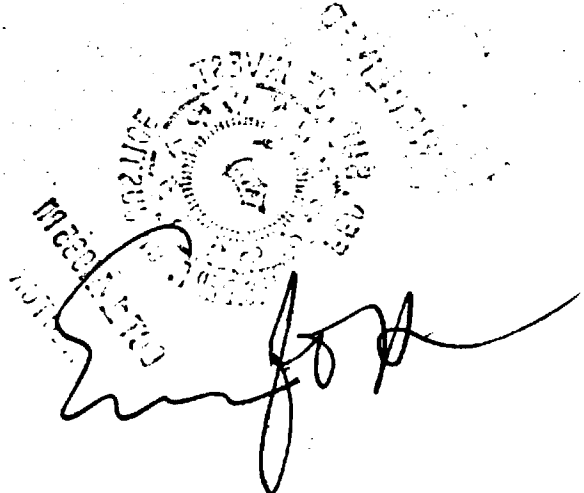
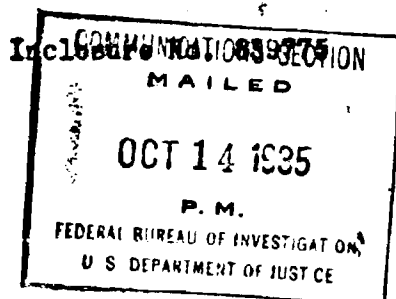
RE: NATHANIEL H. HELLER  
(Bremer Kidnaping Case)

For your assistance in the prosecution of  
Nathaniel H. Heller, I am transmitting herewith a  
memorandum containing a summary of all of the available  
evidence against Heller which has been collected by  
Special Agents of this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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ADDRESS REPLY TO  
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AND REFER TO  
INITIALS AND NUMBER

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 18, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

In re: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE.

I thank you for your memorandum of the 13th instant containing information concerning Cassius McDonald, indicted with others in Florida charged with participation in the Bremer Kidnaping Case. The defendant I had in mind, however, was not McDonald but Nathan H. Heller.

The case against Heller is weak in that we have been unable to find any evidence of value indicating that Heller knew Alvin Karpis by any other name than E. M. Wagner. Proof is lacking upon the question of knowledge that Karpis was a fugitive from an indictment charging kidnaping in Minnesota.

I would be glad if you would let me have your views regarding the defendant Heller.

Respectfully,

*Joseph B. Keenan*

JOSEPH B. KEENAN,  
Assistant Attorney General.

*Send copy to Keenan.*  
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TO: ☐ Director

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*Please prepare memo  
to Nathan*

E. A. Tamm - Room 5107.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
October 11, 1935

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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  
KIDNAPING

In conformity with telephone conversation had with Special Agent in Charge H. E. Andersen from Washington on this date, I secured from United States Attorney George F. Sullivan the attached list of witnesses, with the substance of their testimony, which he deems absolutely necessary to convict Cassius McDonald.

Mr. Sullivan stated that he had prepared this list after consulting with Special Agents S. K. McKee and John H. Hanson as to the necessity to perfect the chain of evidence. He called attention to the two witnesses, Rene Bolivar and Juan P. Ruiz, stating that both will testify to the same transactions, but that he has been advised by Agents McKee and Hanson that it is doubtful if either would stand up alone; that if they are brought here together they will support each other's testimony.

Mr. Sullivan further advised that he is now conferring with Cassius McDonald's attorney for a reduction in bail if McDonald consents to removal to this district.

Very truly yours,

RECORDED & INDEXED

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN  
Special Agent in Charge

OCT 15 1935

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E.J. Connelley, Chicago

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P. O. BOX # 1225  
PITTSBURGH, PA.

October 14, 1935

Postmaster,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS w.a. FUGITIVE I.O. 1218,  
et al.;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation it is  
desired that all mail received by all occupants of 2515 Linwood  
Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., be covered for the period of thirty  
days and that tracings thereof be forwarded to this office as  
soon as made.

In forwarding tracings, it would be greatly appreciated  
if they, the tracings, contain this office's file number 7-39.

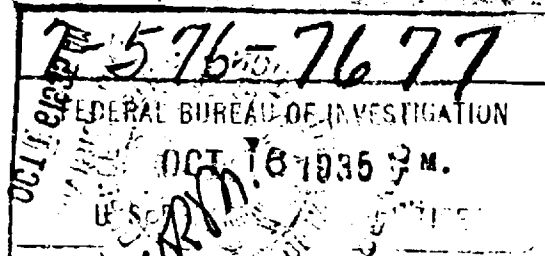
Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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CC: Bureau

C. K. FIERSTONE  
Special Agent in Charge

OCT 17 1935



Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
Oct. 14, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

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

This office is in receipt of a letter from the Auto Sales and Service Company, Inc. McMinnville, Tennessee, requesting photographs of WILLIAM LEAVER and MYRTLE EATON. It is stated that this company lost a car and would like to see the photographs for comparison. The letter is signed by M. Patrick.

It is suggested that you communicate with the Auto Sales and Service Company at McMinnville, in this regard.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit, Michigan  
October 14  
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Special Agent in Charge  
Jacksonville, Florida

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated October 5, 1935, addressed to the St. Paul office concerning letter from that office dated September 22 requesting data from the Jacksonville files to be used as evidence in St. Paul in connection with the impending trial in this case.

Your particular attention is invited to the last paragraph on page 2 of your letter concerning the original Bell Boy Records and Arrival and Departure Book of the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida.

Special Agent S. K. McKee and J. H. Hanson have advised me that during their investigation in Miami in April 1935 the above mentioned records were brought to the office of the United States Attorney on an occasion when Mr. Sandercock, Clerk in the El Comodoro Hotel, was interrogated by the Agents and when he was also interrogated by Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General. These Agents advise me that these records at that time were left in the office of the United States Attorney along with the rest of his file, which included some other exhibits in this case. They advise that to the best of their recollection they do not know of any instance when the records were taken from the office of the United States Attorney, and it is believed that they are located there at this time, unless he has consented to some official of the El Comodoro Hotel obtaining the return of the records.

It might also be mentioned that Special Agent Hanson recalls that these records were maintained in a file drawer directly opposite the desk of the stenographer in the reception room of the United States Attorney's office.

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It is also suggested by Special Agents McKee and Hanson that if another search of the office of the United States Attorney is unproductive, contact might be had with Clerk Sandercock at the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, 10/16/35.

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Comodoro Hotel who might be of assistance in locating these records.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nielsen  
Special Agent in Charge

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PHONE. BREKID. AT HEARING BEFORE UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER HERE  
TODAY CASSIUS MCDONALD WAIVED REMOVAL TO ST. PAUL AND IN DEFAULT OF  
\$25,000 BOND WAS COMMITTED TO COUNTY JAIL AT DETROIT. THIS ARRANGEMENT  
WAS EFFECTED BY UNITED STATES ATTORNEY HERE AND UNITED STATES ~~ATTORNEY~~  
ATTORNEY AT ST. PAUL, THE LATTER FEARING THAT IN CASE OF CONTESTED  
REMOVAL, MCDONALD MIGHT FILE PROCEEDINGS THAT WOULD DELAY HIS REMOVAL  
TO ST. PAUL FOR PERIOD OF SEVERAL MONTHS. PRESENT ARRANGEMENT PROVIDES  
FOR MCDONALDS COMMITMENT TO COUNTY JAIL HERE FOR TWO WEEKS PERIOD  
DURING WHICH TIME HE WILL BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO FURNISH BAIL FOR  
HIS APPEARANCE AT ST. PAUL ON DECEMBER 16 NEXT. IF BAIL NOT MADE  
WITHIN THAT PERIOD HE WILL BE ORDERED REMOVED.

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ERNEST CASSIUS McDONALD PORTFOLIO MAILED YOU TODAY.

ANDERSEN.

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Cc - Bureau ✓  
Cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago.

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*Edward Bremer*

P. O. BOX # 1525  
PITTSBURGH, PA.

October 14, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley, Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Ill.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS w. a., FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218  
et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

Reference is had to your letter dated October 9, 1935 in  
the matter entitled as above.

A preliminary inquiry made by this office has developed  
that telephone number Cedar 4133, Pittsburgh, Pa., was assigned on December  
19, 1934, and is assigned now, to CHARLES A. BECKER, the owner and the  
resident of a two-story home situated at 2615 Linwood Avenue, Northside,  
Pittsburgh, Pa. Charles A. Becker, a widower, is an interior decorator by  
occupation. His wife, Ella, has died within the past year and since the  
death of Mrs. Becker at least two of her three married daughters have been  
making their home at the given address.

According to information received, Charles A. Becker, a man  
of about fifty years of age, has not worked steadily during the past year.  
His financial status has not been determined to date [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] contained no information on the matter. It has been ascertained [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

The inquiry is being continued, and a thirty days' cover on  
all mail received by all occupants of 2615 Linwood Avenue has been requested.

Additional information on the matter will be transmitted to  
you as soon as obtained.

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Very truly yours,

OCT 17 1935

C. K. VINTAGE

Special Agent in Charge

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C. K. VINTAGE  
Special Agent in Charge

1300 Liberty Trust Building,  
Philadelphia - Pennsylvania.

October 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Pittsburgh Office to the Philadelphia Office dated October 2, 1935, in the above entitled matter, requesting contact be made with Arthur F. Burdette, 534 Valley St., Lewistown, Pa.

Please be advised that on October 6, 1935, Special Agent H. K. Moss ascertained that Burdette has been residing at the Mrs. Peters' Apartments, 31 Third St., Lewistown for the past two weeks. Burdette was advised as requested in letter of reference of the Bureau rewards presently outstanding for information leading to the arrest of Karpis and Campbell. Burdette admitted that he is in financial straits, that such reward money would be an incentive to him but claimed frankly that at present he had no information of value.

He did, however, recall an incident occurring during the latter part of the month of August, 1935, in which one Danny Dundon, residing at 10th & Walnut Sts., Erie, Pennsylvania, had exhibited to him a magazine, name unknown, containing an article accompanied by a photograph of Karpis attired in woman's clothing, Dundon further remarking that he had seen an individual bearing a marked resemblance to this photograph at Mike Daniles Beer Garden, 1924 Parade St., Erie, Pennsylvania on a few evenings before. Incidentally, Burdette was employed at this beer garden on the evening that this individual was supposed to be present and claimed to Agent Moss that after thinking the matter over this unknown person did bear a resemblance to Karpis. Burdette was unable to furnish any other information concerning Dundon except that he was employed by some railroad and bore a good reputation. Burdette was unable to recollect anything about the companions of this person on that particular evening.

It is entirely possible that Burdette fabricated this incident but it is suggested that contact be made with Danny Dundon unless this matter has been given attention.

Burdette advised that he is giving up his residence in Lewistown, Pa. and may be contacted henceforth at the Hi-de-ho Club, address unknown, Altoona, Pa., where he expects to be employed by one E. F. Kennedy. He stated also that he would advise Special Agent S. S. Rubenstein, Pittsburgh, Pa. of further change of address.

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cc Bureau  
cc Chicago  
cc Cincinnati  
cc St. Paul

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Very truly yours,

R. G. HARVEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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SAC PORTLAND

PHONE. RE WEYNAP AND BREKID, PORTLAND TELETYPE DATED SEPTEMBER  
20, 1935. MRS. NELLIE LYONS, 1662 TIOGA STREET, SHAMOKIN, PA.,  
RECEIVED LETTER POSTMARKED TILLAMOOK, OREGON, ON OCTOBER 7, 1935,  
BEARING RETURN ADDRESS PATRICK J. LYONS, F.E.R.A., WILSON  
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Press inquiries concerning the  
location of Alvin Karpis.

Col. Gates telephoned and said that he had received several inquiries as to a story that the Bureau was about to apprehend Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell in Oklahoma.

I stated that I had no comment to make on the case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

October 14, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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

There were no developments in the above entitled case at Toledo, Ohio during the week ending October 12, 1935. Mr. E. J. Connelley has expressed the belief that it will be advisable to withdraw most of the Agents from the vicinity of Toledo, Ohio, returning them to their respective headquarters to await further developments. He states that this is advisable because he does not desire Edith Barry to learn of the Agents' activities in the vicinity of Toledo. He intends to leave one Agent at that point to keep in contact with informants there so that Mr. Connelley will be advised of all developments in the matter.

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Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire  
K. R. McIntire.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: DIRECTOR

FBI MILWAUKEE 10-15-35 9:45 P.M. JH

PHONE BREKID ACTING S.A.C. STRIN TELEPHONED TODAY ADVISING AGENTS SURAN AND KIRKLAND LEFT ST. PAUL VIA THE 400 ON NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY FOLLOWING BELLE BORNE EN ROUTE EITHER MILWAUKEE OR CHICAGO. I COMMUNICATED THIS INFORMATION BY TELEPHONE TO S.A.C. CONNELLEY CHICAGO. THE 400 ARRIVED MILWAUKEE 8:45 P.M., AND WAS MET BY AGENT MELVIN AND I. BELLE BORNE HURRIEDLY GOT OFF TRAIN PURCHASED ANOTHER TICKET AND DEPARTED ON ANOTHER NORTHWESTERN TRAIN. AGENT MELVIN TOGETHER WITH AGENTS SURAN AND KIRKLAND DEPARTED SAME TRAIN WITH BELLE BORNE. I IMMEDIATELY CHECKED WITH TICKET AGENT AND HE WAS UNABLE TO REMEMBER INDIVIDUAL ANSWERING DESCRIPTION BELLE BORNE PURCHASING TICKET AFTER ARRIVAL OF THE 400. AGENT SURAN INFORMED ME BELLE BORNE PURCHASED ROUND TRIP TICKET FROM ST. PAUL TO MILWAUKEE. S.A.C. CONNELLEY CHICAGO IMMEDIATELY ADVISED BY TELEPHONE. S.A.C. CONNELLEY LATER CALLED INFORMING THAT AGENT SURAN TELEPHONED HIM FROM RACINE, WIS., ADVISING BELLE BORNE PURCHASED TICKET TO WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS. S.A.C. CONNELLEY STATED AGENTS FROM CHICAGO OFFICE WILL MEET TRAIN WAUKEGAN.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Edward J. Bremer*

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P.O. Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida,  
October 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your request of recent  
date for certain evidence to be used at the forthcoming  
trial in this matter at St. Paul, Minnesota, I wish to ad-  
vise that it has been possible to locate in the office of  
the United States Attorney at Miami, Florida, the original  
arrival and departure book and bell boy records of the El  
Comodoro Hotel.

These records are being forwarded to you this  
day by registered mail.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt  
Special Agent in Charge.

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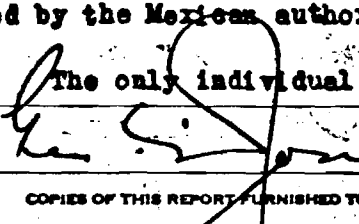
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

St. Paul

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REPORT MADE AT: San Antonio, Texas.	DATE WHEN MADE: Oct. 14, 1935	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: Oct. 3-10, 1935	REPORT MADE BY: Gus T. Jones
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE; I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1234; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1238; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE Kidnaping Harboring and Obstruction of Justice; National Fire- arms Act.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <p>Thorough check of the records of Mexican Consulates and Mexican Immigration Service on the American and Mexican side at the ports of Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Laredo, and Brownsville, Texas, of all travel into Mexico by automobile, train, and airplane fails to develop any definite information relative to Dr. Jos. P. Moran. Only one person, Dr. S. H. Kraft, Chicago, Ill. will be further investigated. P.</p> <p>Reference: Report SAC Gus T. Jones, San Antonio, Texas, October 12, 1935, in the case entitled William Dainard, with aliases, I. O. #1252-A, Fugitive, George Weyerhaeuser, Victim, Kidnaping - Extortion.</p>			
DETAILS:  <p>A thorough check of records of the Mexican Consulates and Mexican Immigration Service on the American and Mexican side at the border ports of Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Laredo, and Brownsville, Texas, of all travel into Mexico via automobile, train, and airplane, in an effort to determine whether any person suiting the description of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, entered Mexico through any of these ports under his true name or any of his known aliases, failed to develop any information that would definitely link any traveler with the fugitive Moran.</p> <p>As noted in report of reference, no physical description or photograph is required by the Mexican authorities on tourist permit cards.</p> <p>The only individual who entered Mexico that might justify a check as to</p>			
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his identity, was Dr. S. H. Kraft, age 46, home address Chicago, Ill. boarded Pan-American plane at Brownsville, Texas, on October 13, 1934, destined to Mexico City. No record was obtainable showing that this individual ever returned to the United States.

Identification Order #1232 was furnished Mexican Immigration and Customs authorities at the border ports above mentioned who stated that a close watch will be maintained for Dr. Moran and the San Antonio office would be notified by long distance telephone should any person be detained suiting his description.

The Identification Order on Dr. Moran had previously been furnished all American Immigration and Customs authorities as well as officials of the Pan-American Air Ways, Inc. which air lines enter Mexico at the port of Brownsville, Texas.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

Chicago office: It is thought advisable, if possible, to discreetly ascertain the identity of Dr. S. H. Kraft, age 46, who gave his home address as Chicago, Ill. no street address, and who entered Mexico via airplane at the port of Brownsville, Texas, on October 13, 1934.

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October 15, 1935

Department of Justice  
Washington D. C.

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jt.  
Dear Sir;

Please send me by the first return mail any information you have on the life and record of Alvin<sup>o</sup>Karpis. If at all possible I-should like to have this information by Friday Morning, October 18, 1935.

Thanking you very much for this service, I am

Yours respectively

*David Elmore*

David Elmore  
Carson-Newman College (Box 27)  
Jefferson City  
Tennessee

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Mr. David Kinore,  
Carson-Newman College,  
Box 27,  
Jefferson City, Tennessee.

Dear Sirs:

In keeping with your request dated October 15, 1935,  
I am forwarding to you herewith an Identification Order which  
was issued by this Bureau on Alvin Karpis in connection with  
the Bremer kidnaping case.

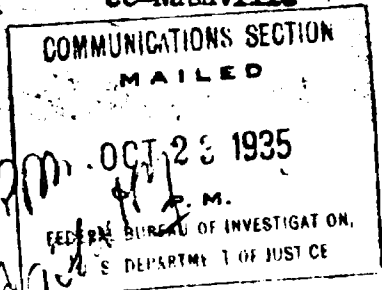
It is hoped that the information contained thereon  
will be sufficient for your purposes.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure No. 661015

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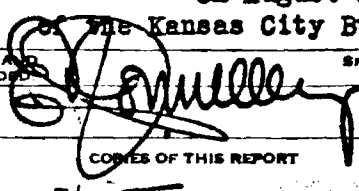


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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Chicago, Ill.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/15/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/9, 10/11, 12/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JOHN L. MADALA JLM:LM</b>
TITLE <b>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 ELMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING &amp; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Edna Murray, inmate, Missouri State Penitentiary, confidentially advised that she was present at the Casino Club, Toledo, Ohio, on or about 6/1/34 when Fred Barker and Russell Gibson had unfriendly words with Dr. Joseph P. Moran concerning his actions and drunkenness. Dr. Moran made assertion during this argument that he had the gang in the palm of his hand, whereupon Fred Barker and Russell Gibson took him for a boat ride on Lake Erie. Fred Barker subsequently informed Edna Murray that Dr. Moran would never cut again and remarked that the "fishes" had him. The same information was furnished to her by "Doc" Barker. Edna Murray advised that Dr. Moran was not seen any more after the above date. Elmer Farmer advised he received word from "Doc" Barker at St. Paul, Minn., that Moran was one person who would never testify against him. He also was informed by Volney Davis that Dr. Moran was killed in Toledo by "Doc" Barker and Russell Gibson.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, Mo., dated 8/24/35.</p> <p><b>DETAILS: AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:</b></p> <p>On August 23, 1935, Volney Davis advised Special Agents of the Kansas City Bureau Office, and subsequently reiterated the</p>			
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same information to Agent on September 10, 1935, that Dr. Joseph P. Moran had been killed by Russell Gibson and "Doc" Barker, and that his body was disposed of in Lake Erie.

Davis stated that it was his information that Russell Gibson, "Doc" Barker and Dr. Moran were drinking in the Casino Club, in Toledo, Ohio, and that Dr. Moran engaged in a drunken brawl with a patron of the saloon. When reprimanded by Gibson he made the assertion to Gibson that he, Dr. Moran, had nothing to say to him in that he had the gang in the palm of his hand. Davis said that he understood that Gibson had then invited Moran out of the place with "Doc" Barker, and shot him and disposed of his body in Lake Erie by weighting it down with heavy stones. Davis further stated that he believed that Ted Angus had assisted them in disposing of the body as "Doc" Barker and Russell Gibson had used Angus' speedboat to go out on the lake, and he, Volney, knew that neither Barker nor Gibson were able to operate the boat, and he felt that Ted Angus must have operated the boat for them.

Edna Murray was interviewed by Agent and Special Agent V. I. Parry, of the Kansas City Bureau Office, at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on October 11 and 12, 1935, relative to this matter.

In response to the first question put to Edna Murray concerning Dr. Moran, she replied that he was dead, and thereafter proceeded to relate the following information concerning her knowledge of the circumstances surrounding her statement in this regard. She continued that she met Dr. Joseph P. Moran at Toledo, Ohio, during the early part of May, 1934; that on this occasion he was at the home of Harry Campbell at Point Place, Toledo, Ohio, and was preparing to operate on the fingers and face of Volney Davis. She stated that shortly after she became acquainted with Dr. Moran she had several discussions with him concerning an operation on her breast, which she needed, and that in these discussions she informed him that Dr. Fields of Aurora, Illinois, had examined her and was willing to perform the operation but demanded the record of her previous operation, with which she could not very well supply him in view of her fugitive status. She stated that Dr. Moran advised her that under the circumstances he would perform the operation if she were willing to risk it without the necessary hospital facilities. In this connection she advised that she was

willing to undergo the operation, but that "Doc" Barker and Volney Davis cautioned her not to have anything to do with the doctor, calling to her attention the poor job he performed on the faces of Alvin Karpis and "Doc" Barker. Edna advised that Dr. Moran demanded \$300.00 to undertake the operation.

She further advanced the information that around this period Dr. Moran was likewise endeavoring to have William Weaver avail himself of an operation similar to that which Dr. Moran performed on the fingers of the other boys, but that Weaver was somewhat sceptical of his ability in this work. She stated that Dr. Moran charged Volney Davis \$500.00 for the operation on his face and fingertips, and that Davis, "Doc" Barker and Harry Campbell paid Jimmie Wilson \$100.00 per week to take care of them during their convalescent stages.

Edna further advised that a few days subsequent to May 24, 1934, the day of the derby at Aurora, Illinois, which she and Volney attended, Dr. Moran, Fred Barker and "Slim" Gibson were at the Casino Club; that she likewise was there waiting for Volney Davis who had gone to Bill Weaver's place at Sandusky, Ohio, on a visit; that Bert Angus was on duty at this time. She stated that Dr. Moran had done considerable drinking, and that usually when he was in an inebriated condition he wanted to operate on someone; that he was discussing with Fred Barker and Russell Gibson the possibilities of operating on the fingers of Bill Weaver, and in his assertions that Weaver was "yellow" Moran became unduly loud; that Fred Barker cautioned him to quiet down and to stop drinking, but Moran did not heed him and kept wanting more drinks. Edna stated that Fred Barker then told Dr. Moran that the boys were very much dissatisfied with the work he had performed on them, and that he had been negligent in taking care of them after the operations; that he was nothing but a drunkard and that they were sorry they ever had anything to do with him. She stated that Dr. Moran became more boisterous in his actions and remarked: "What are you trying to do? Bawl me out? You fellows got me into this trouble and now I got all of you in the palm of my hand." She further stated that Fred Barker winked at her and "Slim" and then put his arms around Moran's shoulders and said: "Never mind, Doc, you're a little 'tight'." What you need is a boat ride." She stated that Dr. Moran accompanied Fred and "Slim" away from the Casino Club, and she observed them drive away in

Fred's Ford Sedan. She stated that she did not see Dr. Moran any more after that day, whereas before this time he was at the Casino Club almost every day.

Edna Murray continued that a few days later she had occasion to drive with "Doc" Barker to Aurora, Illinois; that at this time "Doc" had his face bandaged as a result of the facial operation performed on him by Dr. Moran; that an infection had set in on "Doc" Barker's nose, and during the discussion concerning the poor work that the doctor had done on them, "Doc" Barker made the remark that he, Dr. Moran, would not do any more cutting up - that the "fishes" had him. Edna immediately suspected that the boys had disposed of Dr. Moran on the day mentioned above, but did not question "Doc" Barker in this connection. However, she told Volney Davis some times afterwards of the argument between Dr. Moran, Fred Barker and Russell Gibson, and also as to what "Doc" Barker had subsequently told her.

She further stated that a few days later she drove to Cleveland, Ohio, with Fred Barker to visit Paula Harmon; that enroute the subject about her needed operation came up and Dr. Moran was brought into the discussion, whereupon Fred remarked that "he isn't cutting up any more people."

Continuing, Miss Murray advised that during the trial in St. Paul, Minnesota, in which she was a defendant, Dr. Moran's name was mentioned in one instance in the testimony produced, whereupon John De Coursey, attorney for "Doc" Barker and herself, turned around and whispered to her that Dr. Moran was dead. She stated that Jimmie Wilson apparently heard this statement because during the recess following immediately thereafter he questioned her concerning whether to her knowledge Moran was actually dead, and Edna replied that she did not know. She stated that Wilson then said: "I'll bet he is dead and that sure puts me in the middle". At this point Edna advised that she was of the belief that Wilson was entirely ignorant of the fact that Dr. Moran had been killed. She also stated that a week or so after the disappearance of Dr. Moran in Toledo, Ohio, Jimmie Wilson inquired of her as to the whereabouts of the doctor, stating that he was "flat broke" and needed money. He at that time believed that Dr. Moran had gone to Chicago and had left him stranded in Toledo without any money. She further advised that on this occasion she loaned Jimmie Wilson

a few dollars, as did Volney Davis and "Doc" Barker because they all felt sorry for him as they knew that Dr. Moran was responsible for Wilson's association with the gang; that a few days later "Doc" Barker drove Jimmie Wilson to Chicago and instructed him not to return to Toledo any more.

Edna advised that the boys were very resentful toward Dr. Moran because of the poor jobs he had performed on their faces and fingertips. As an example, shortly after the operation on the face of "Doc" Barker an infection settled on his nose because Dr. Moran had not adequately treated the wounds during the convalescent period; that because of this negligence and other actions of which the gang did not approve, the boys frequently talked among themselves about later disposing of Dr. Moran.

On September 9, 1935, Agent had occasion to interview Elmer Farmer at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, and with reference to Dr. Joseph P. Moran he advised that he does not know him personally, but that he often heard "Doc" Barker and Russell Gibson talk about him. He stated that while he and "Doc" Barker were on trial in St. Paul, Minnesota, in April and May, 1935, "Doc" Barker on one occasion mentioned, when Dr. Moran's name came up in the testimony of the trial, that Willie Harrison and Dr. Moran were two persons who would never take the stand against him.

Elmer Farmer further stated that Volney Davis informed him, at the time he celled with him in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, that Russell Gibson and "Doc" Barker murdered Dr. Moran either at Toledo, Ohio, or at Detroit, Michigan, after the doctor, while drunk, made the assertion that he, the doctor, had the gang in the palm of his hand. Elmer Farmer stated that he could furnish no further information in this regard, and does not know what disposition was made of Dr. Moran's body.

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CHICAGO, ILL.,  
OCT. 15, 1935.

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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PHONE BREKID. DISCREETLY DETERMINE IF RUTH POTTIS, AGE 28, HEIGHT 5 FEET  
9 INCHES, 165 POUNDS, RED BOBBED HAIR, CHICAGO NURSE UNTIL 2 YEARS AGO,  
NOW RESIDING SARASOTA FLORIDA, ALSO IDENTITIES HER FRIENDS AND MANNER IN  
WHICH SHE MAKES HER LIVING. THIS WOMAN KNOWS EDITH BARRY MADAM HOUSE  
PROSTITUTION TOLEDO LATTER BEING REPUTED CONTACT KARPIS AND CAMPBELL.  
MAKE VERY DISCREET INQUIRY FOR POSSIBILITY SHE IS ASSOCIATED WITH OR  
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