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Mr. ROBERT Be STOCKING, Assistant Manager, Hotel
Empire, Broadway at 63rd Street, New York City, advised that Mr.
OSCAR LOYNAZ-PAEZ, a Venezuelan, checked out of the Empire Hotel
about one week after Special Agent GEORGE J. STARR, of the New
York Office, interviewed him, which was on August 25, 1935; that
he understood that Mr. LOYNAZ-PAEZ was to return to his native
country. Mr. STOCKING stated further that within the past few
days, he received information that Mr. LOYNAZ-PAEZ died about the
middle of October, 1935. Mr. STOCKING, after viewing the photegraph of subject KARPIS, advised that he has not seen anyone
around his hotel who resembled the subject, with the exception
of Mr. LOYNAZ-PAEZ, and that he is sure Mr. LOYNAZ-PAEZ was not
identical with subject KARPIS after more closely viewing the photograph.

Agent called at the Lenox House, 45 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., and interviewed Mr. B. J. CHUDACK, Day Clerk at the Lenox House. Photographs of subjects KARPIS and CAMPBELL were exhibited to Mr. CHUDACK and he advised that he does not recall ever having seen any person at the Lenox House who would fit the description and appearance of either of these subjects. He had a copy of I. O. #1218, which Special Agent W. J. McNULTY, of the New York Office, had furnished to him on a previous interview, and he stated that he was keeping his eyes open for any person who resembled subject KARPIS, and that he would notify the Bureau Office at once if he maw any person at the Lenox House who would fit the description and appearance of subject KARPIS. Mr. CHUDACK advised that when Agent McNULTY talked to him and exhibited to him pictures of 🕟 KARPIS, he thought he had seen an individual resembling KARPIS but, since that time, he has refreshed his memory and feels certain that he has not seen any person who resembles the photograph of KARPIS; that he probably had seen pictures of KARPIS in the newspapers and, at the time Agent McNulty exhibited pictures of KARPIS to him, he advised Agent McNULTY he recalled having seen an individual resembling KARPIS, and that it was very probable the reason he did this was because he remembered the newspaper pictures of KARPIS.

Mr. L. J. DuBARTEIL, Special Investigator, in charge of the Unattached & Transient Division, Emergency Relief Bureau, 262 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., informed agent that he recalls having been interviewed by Special Agent McNULTY a couple of months ago and that he has pictures of subject KARPIS in his desk,

and that if any person applies to him for relief who resembles the description and appearance of KARPIS, he will notify the New York Bureau Office at once; that he has not seen any person who would fit the description or appearance of KARPIS since he was interviewed by Agent McNULTY in September, 1935.

At 230 West 97th Street, New York City, it was ascertained that Mrs. CHRISTENSEN had moved from this address about two months ago.

At Post Office Station "H", 178 West 102nd Street, New York City, telephone number, Academy 7-7640, it was ascertained that Mrs. M. K. CHRISTENSEN and Miss LOUISE M. KOEBERLINE had a removal order for 325 West 93rd Street, New York City.

Mrs. M. K. CHRISTENSEN was interviewed at the
New York Bureau Office and she advised that LOUISE M. KOEBERLINE
was her sister and has lived with her at 230 West 97th Street, New
York City, for a time, and later, at 325 West 93rd Street, New York
City; that at the present time, LOUISE M. KOEBERLINE is living at
74 North Emily Street, care of Mrs. J. FOLEY, Crafton, Pa.; that
Crafton is a suburb of Pittsburgh. Mrs. CHRISTENSEN advised that
KDWARD F. A. KOEBERLINE is a son of her step-brother, and that he
does not seem to be mentally right; that he does not have a permanent address but moves from place to place, and that she does not
know his address at this time. She suggested that the only person
in the femily who would know KDWARD F. A. KOEBERLINE'S address would
be LOUISE M. KOKBERLINE.

At the Breevort Hotel, Fifth Avenue and 8th Street, New York City, it was ascertained that Mr. J. F. STRATTON and his daughter, GRACE, checked out of the hotel on November 3, 1935, and left a forwarding address of 415 Central Park West, New York City, Apartment 14E.

At the above address, it was ascertained that Mr. STRATION had an office at 225 Broadway, Room 1612, New York City, telephone number, Barclay 7-0740, and an appointment was made with Mr. STRATION for an interview on the following morning, which was November 20, 1935.

Mr. STRATTON was interviewed at his office at 225
Broadway, New York City. This office is that of J. ALLEN, FINANCIAL
SERVICE BUREAU, which Mr. STRATTON claims he is now operating. In

addition to this Financial Service Bureau, he claims to be operating a securities business in the development of the business of the Igo Mining Company, Redding, Cal., and the Shasta Hydraulie Gold Mining Company, Trinity Center, Cal. He claimed that he owns one-half interest in these two mines; that the Engineers' Exploration Company, of which John Hays Harmond is in charge, owns the remaining half. He advised that he has lived in New York City for the past twenty years, with the exceptions of trips west once in a while on business, and when he went to Reno, Nev. in the past year to secure a divorce from his first wife. He advised that while in Reno, Nev., he lived at the "Holcomb Place" on Virginia Street; that when he first arrived in Reno, he lived at the Parkway Hotel for only a couple of days until he secured the rental of the Holcomb Place; that he lived at the Holcomb Place from November, 1934 to January, 1935, when he returned east; that he again went west and was in St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco in May, 1935; that he has been in New York City most of the time since returning to New York in June, 1935, with the exception of a few trips on business to Arizona and California. Mr. STRATTON was questioned as to whether he had ever seen subject KARPIS and whether subject KARPIS had ever visited in his home in Reno. Nev. He advised that he had never seen KARPIS to his knowledge, and was sure that KARPIS had never visited him in his home or at his hotel in Reno; also, that he does not recall ever having met any of the Barker-Karpis gang at any time and that, to his knowledge, he has never mentioned to anyone that he knew any member of this gang. Mr. STRATTON seems to be in bad health and is a cripple. He advised that he was a pilot during the World War and that he had had a crack-up in the Argonne Forest and that he had a great deal of trouble with his spine; that he has to take morphine regularly to reduce the pain which he suffers with his spine. Mr. STRATTON advised that he is, at present, under indictment on a narcotic charge in the west; that this charge was as a result of a fellow, whom he employed as a chauffour, by the name of Mr. J. CA TRAXLER, placing some morphine tubes in his home at the Holcomb Place and then reporting it to the officers; that he feels sure he will be able to beat this charge as it is nothing more than a frame-up by TRAXLER who hopes to get some money in this case. STRATTON advised that while he was in Reno, he had some repair work done on his car by FRANK COCHRAN, Manager of the Air A Service Company, which operates a garage on South Virginia Street, Reno, Neve; that he understands COCHRAN, at the present time, is serving time as a result of harboring "BABY FACE" NELSON; that harboring charges are also pending against COCHRAN'S wife in the "BABY FACE" NKLSON case. STRATTON advised that on several occasions, be became friendly with COCHRAN when COCHRAN was drinking, and that COCHRAN advised that KARPIS and other members of the BARKER-KARPIS

gang had kept their cars in the Air Service Company garage in Reno, and that during a conversation with him, he (COCHRAN) had obtained information as to their activities. Mr. STRATTON was of the opinion that if COCHRAN is interviewed properly and some assurance could be given him that probably his wife would not be prosecuted in the "BABY FACE" NELSON case, COCHRAN might be able to furnish some information as to the hidecuts and activities of the BARKER-KARPIS gang. STRATTON stated for certain that he recalled COCHRAN advising that CAMPBELL and KARPIS had kept their cars in the Air Service Company's garage, of which COCHRAN is the manager. STRATTON was unable to furnish any information as to whether or not he had heard COCHRAN mention anything about Dr. J. J. MORAN. STRATTON was advised that the Bureau would not make any promises to COCHRAN in order to secure any information. However, STRATTON prepared the following letter which is being set forth. This letter is written on the stationery of J. F. STRATTON, Securities, 225 Broadway, New York City, N. Y., Barclay 7-0740-1, dated November 20, 1935, beginning "Dear Frank" and signed, "As Ever, your friend, Jack F. Stratton":

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"I have been trying for quite some time to do something to help you, if it were possible in your trouble. I have finally contacted some friends of mine who can possibly help you as well as your wife.

Saw Jim Draggi several times in Reno and told him I was doing all I could to help you.

The Fact is that fellow Traxler I hired as a secretary certainly caused me plenty of trouble and I don't know what to make of it.

The chap that is bringing this letter is a friend of mine and trying to do something for you. I believe that by you cooperating with him it will be a way of accomplishing a great deal. Whatever you tell him I know will be strictly confidential. If you feel you don't want to confide in him let he or I know at once and I will jump a plane and come out personally.

From information I have with you cooperation, I think it is possible to have your wife's matter straightened out, while I cannot guarantee anything for certain, I am sure this can be done and am willing to do whatever I can to help you, let me know how you are anyway.

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Also advise me whether I should pay the balance of my bill to the garage or hold it untill I hear from you; Jim Draggi told me to hold it and I have waiting to hear from you.

Mr. STRATTON was again advised that the Bureau would not make any promises to COCHRAN; that this letter would be submitted to the proper person in charge of the investigation for whatever use he may want to make of it in this case. This letter, submitted by STRATION, is being forwarded to the Chicago Office for Mr. CONMILLEY for whatever use he desires to make of the same. Mr. STRATTON emphasized the fact that if COCHRAN were approached correctly, he would be able to furnish information of some value about the Barker-Kerpis gang. However, he does not feel that COCHRAN is the type of man who would furnish the information to a federal officer unless the federal officer has some way to get in with COCHRAN through a letter from some friend and, for that reason, STRATTON furnished the above letter. STRATTON stated further that JIM DRAGGI, an employee at the Air Service Company garage, Reno, Nev., might also be able to furnish some information of value about the Barker-Karpis gang. Mr. STRATTON stated that he would have furnished this information before this time about COCHRAN and DRAGGI, but that he did not want the Government to get the opinion that he was trying to obtain some fawors in his own case on the narcotic charge; that he gives this information of his free will and does not expect any favors in return for same.

GRACE CONSTANTINE, adopted daughter of Mr. STRATTON, was present during the course of the interview, and she prepared the letter which STRATTON addressed to "Frank", which is set forth above in this report. STRATTON advised that GRACE is his adopted daughter; that she was the daughter of a friend of his who died many years ago; that he has raised GRACE ever since she was six years old; that her present age is 21. STRATTON tried to impress agent during the interview

with the fact that he was a big financial wizard and stated on several occasions that he could go out in the street and, in a few minutes, borrow \$100,000. He appeared to be a very talkative type, and it is doubtful if the information he furnished would be of much. value.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent W. R.
RAMSEY, JR., San Francisco, Cal., dated November 24, 1934, in
the case entitled "LESTER M. GILLIS, with aliases - Fugitive, I.O.
#1223, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Conspiracy to Harbor
Fugitives; Probation Violation", New York File #26-3092, in which is
set forth a statement secured by Special Agents VEHNON E. CRISS,
J. T. McLAUGHLIN, and C. E. WEEES, from FRANK BRADFORD COCHRAN, Manager of the Air Service Company, 241 South Virginia Street, Reno, Nev.
This statement is dated at Reno, Nev., November 12, 1934.

Further reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. K. McKEE, Chicago, Ill., dated October 31, 1935, in the case of "JOHN PAUL CHASE, with aliases, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; Murder of Inspector S. P. CONLEY and Special Agent H. E. HOLLIS", New York File #26-3092, in which is set forth the fact that FRANK BRADFORD COCHRAN was sentenced at San Francisco, Cal., on April 5, 1935 in this case, and the further fact that ANNA E. COCHRAN is under indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury, San Francisco, Cal., January 29, 1935, for conspiracy to harbor LESTER JOSEPH GILLIS; that she pleaded not guilty and that same was pending. It is noted in the statement signed by COCHRAN under date of November 12, 1934, that no mention is made of the BARKER-KARPIS gams.

Post Office Inspector HERBERT GRAHAM was again interviewed at the New York Office, and he advised that the only additional facts other than those furnished to Special Agent W. J. McNULTY in the location of WILLIAM MEADE and as set forth in Agent McNULTY'S report dated at New York City, October 3, 1935, are that he understands MEADE is friendly with a man named B. J. McCAFFERTY, a gambler, ROY WILLIAMSON, and a man by the name of REIGHBORS, first name probably WILLIAM, father of D. C. NEIGHBORS, a confidence man;

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that McCAFFERTY, WILLIAMSON and NEIGHBORS probably use the Greystone Hotel, Casper, Wyoming, as their headquarters; that these three men can probably be located at this hotel. Mr. GRAHAM further stated that it was his opinion that it would not be wise to contact the local police in trying to locate any of these men as he was of the opinion that no one of the police could be absolutely trusted. He feels certain that if MEADE is not with the three men, they would probably know of his whereabouts. A lead is being set forth in this report to attempt to locate these three men at Casper, Wyoming, and ascertain from them such information as they might have as to the whereabouts of MEADE.

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Mr. JULIUS KAUFMAN, 25 Mast 86th Street, New York City, advised that he met THOMAS J. O'DELL in Chicago, Ill., about fifteen years ago; that O'DKLL was, at that time, traveling with the Hagenbach & Wallace Circus; that for the past twelve years, he had not seen O'DELL until he saw him at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., last winter. Mr. KAUFMAN stated that he spent last winter at Fort Lauderdale and understands that O'DELL was spending the winter at Daytona Beach, Fla.; that, upon his return to New York City, he and his wife became very friendly with O'DELL and his wife; that O'DELL lived for a time at Hotel Adams, 2 East 86th Street, New York City; that O'DELL checked out of Hotel Adems on the Friday before this interview. The interview of Mr. KAUFMAN took place on Wednesday, November 20, 1935. Mr. KAUFMAN stated that Mr. O'DELL, at the time he checked out of the hotel, advised that he was going to Daytona Beach, Fla., for the winter. Mr. KAUFMAN informed agent that he did not have Mr. O'DKIL'S address at the present time, but was certain that he would have it in the next couple of weeks as O'DKIL would probably correspond with him. Mr. KAUFMAN stated that he would furnish the New York Bureau Office with Mr. O'DELL'S address only if he were certain that all Mr. O'DELL was wanted for by the Bureau Office was for questioning. He was advised that O'DEIL was only wanted for questioning in a certain case and, with this information, he promised to furnish O'DELL'S address as soon as he received same. Mr. KAUFMAN would not advise as to the type of work O'DELL was in at the present time. KAUFMAN himself advised that he came from Chicago to New York about six years ago and has been living here since that time; that at the present time he is not in any business, but hopes to get into some business shortly. Mr. KAUFMAN was questioned as to whether he knew MEADE, and he advised that he did not, and that he had never heard O'DELL mention MEADE, either under his correct name or his various aliases.

Mr. ARMSTRONG, Manager of the Adams Hotel, 2 East 86th Street, New York City, advised that his records revealed that Mr. O'DELL lived at this hotel from September 23, 1935 until November 18, 1935, when he checked out and did not leave a forwarding address; that he understood that O'DELL was going to Daytona Beach, Fla., for the winter.

On Friday, November 22, 1935, Mr. THOMAS J.
O'DELL called the New York Bureau Office by telephone and spoke
to this agent. He advised that Mr. KAUFMAN had informed him that
agent desired to question him about the location of some party.
He stated that due to some domestic trouble, he would not be able
to be interviewed until Wednesday, November 27, 1935; however,
that at that time he would appear at the Bureau Office and be interviewed. Mr. O'DELL hung up the telephone receiver before agent was
able to secure his present address. However, he stated that he
would be at the New York Office at 2 P.M., on November 27, 1935.

In view of the fact that Mr. O'DEIL has consented to appear at the New York Office for interview, the leads set forth in the report of Special Agent W. J. McNULTY, dated at New York City, October 3, 1935, requesting interview with Mr. and Mrs. MAX WEINGARTEN, 250 West 100th Street, New York City, and to establish the true name of "FRANK", Manager of Minsky's Burlesque, who resides at the Whitby Hotel, 325 West 45th Street, New York City, will not be carried out. It seems that these leads were set forth to learn the whereabouts of O'DEIL. It also appears that it will not be necessary to carry out the lead as set forth in the report of Special Agent W. H. BINNS, dated at New York City, August 30, 1935, in which a further interview with Lt. W. P. McCUE, of the New Britain Folice Department, was requested with reference to the whereabouts of THOMAS O'DEIL and the exact address of O'DEIL'S sister, ANNA, in Tampa, Fla.

Mr. JOHN J. RYAN was interviewed at Sing Sing Penitentiary, Ossining, N. Y., by Special Agent J. J. KEATING and the writer, on November 18, 1935. He advised that he was born in New York City on January 5, 1891 and was sent to Sing Sing in May, 1908 on a manslaughter charge; that he was released in October, 1915; that he was again sent to Sing Sing in October, 1916 on a second-degree murder charge; that he escaped on October 3, 1925, from the old prison; that he was working in the prison chapel and that he slid down a rain pipe into the Hudson River, swam to the shore, at the corner of the prison, and caught a freight train for New York City; that he had never heard of JEN OTTON, and that he was the only man who escaped at that time from Sing Sing Prison, as far as he knows. He further stated that he did not pay anything to get

out of the prison; that while working in the chapel that day, he made up his mind to escape and that he escaped, as set forth hereinabove. He stated that before going to Sing Sing Prison in 1908, he was a tile-layer's helper. RYAN advised that after arriving in New York after escaping from Sing Sing, he got some money from his friends and relatives and went west: that he had never been . west before, except on a visit to Chicago in 1916 for two weeks. He stated that upon his arrival in Chicago in 1925, he tried to get a job but was unable to do so for about three or four months; that during this time, he lived on the \$1,000 which he had borrowed in New York City. He informed that he finally secured a job at the Belmont Theatre on Belmont Avenue, Chicago; that this was in May, 1926. He worked in this theatre for six months as a stage-hand and was a member of the Stage-hands Union, Local #2. At this point, RYAN advised that although a member of the union in 1926. it was necessary for him to serve an apprenticeship before he could secure his union card and, for this reason, he did not secure his union card until 1928. After his employment terminated at the Belmont Theatre, he went to the Olympia Theatre located on Clark Street, where he worked for six months; that the reason for his leaving the Belmont and Olympia Theatres was because they discontinued stage shows at these theatres; that after leaving the Olympia Theatre, he went to work for the Uptown Theatre located at Broadway and Lawrence Streets, Chicago; that he worked regularly at the Uptown Theatre from 1928 until the Fall of 1934, with the exception of one year between January, 1933 and January, 1934, when he was laid off because the Uptown Theatre discontinued stage shows during this time. He advised that between 1933 and 1934 he worked at the Illinois Theatre located at Jackson Boulevard and Congress Street, and at the Olympia Theatre; that the information pertaining to his work at these various theatres can probably be located through the Stage-hands Union, Local #2, which is located in the building on Randolph Street just across the street from the Palace Theatre; that GEORGE BROWN is the head of this union.

RYAN advised that, while in Chicago, he used the name of JOHN EURKE; that he first met VERNE MILLER in 1928 in a cabaret at the corner of Grace Street & Broadway, Chicago; that he was introduced to VERNE MILLER through JACK HARRIS, deceased; that he had known JACK HARRIS in New York and, also, at Sing Sing Prison. RYAN stated that he had learned that HARRIS hung out at this cabaret and that he, RYAN, used to go up there to see HARRIS. He stated that,

at the time of introduction, he was told that MILLER was a bootlegger; that a woman, known to him as VI-EILLER, was with VERNE MILLER at that time; that MILLER was living at the Dunmoore Hotel on the north side, which hotel was owned and managed by MAX LEAVITT. After this introduction, MILLER became friendly with him and they would go out and eat together at various times; that MILLER had been informed of his "rap" and escape from Sing Sing Penitentiary through JACK HARRIS; that after he had known MILLER for about six months, they took a trip together to St. Paul, Minn.; that VI MILLER went on this trip with them; that they were in St. Paul for about one week and stayed at the home of friends of MILLER, whose names he does not recall, and the address of whom he does not remember; that these friends lived on a farm near St. Paul; that during this trip they visited the farm of VI MILLER'S parents at Brainerd, Minn.; that VI MILLER remained with her parents when he and MILLER returned to St. Paul and, later, to Chicago. He recalled that while in St. Paul on this trip, he met HARRY SAWYER; that HARRY SAWYER was operating a saloon in St. Paul, and that he and MILLER took a few drinks at Sawyer's place; that upon his return to Chicago, he saw MILLER on and off at various times. In 1930 he loaned MILLER \$100 and MILLER was always very friendly to him after this. RYAN stated that while MILLER was living at the Dunmoore Hotel in 1929, MILLER introduced him to a person known as "BIG TOM", whose right name was HARVEY BAILEY; that he only saw BAILKY this one time; that he kept up the acquaintence with MILLER until the Spring of 1933, when he had an apartment in Oak Park, Ill., and that he visited MILLER at this apartment on various occasions. Living in this apartment with MILLER were LILLIAN HOLDEN and VIVIAN MATHIS, and MILLER was supposed to be a salesman. RYAN advised that on his visits to this place he was supposed to pose as the brother of LILLIAN HOLDEN.

Special Agent J. J. KEATING, who had made investigation as to the apartment which VERNE MILLER had in Oak Park, Illes in the Kansas City case, had not been able to identify the brother who used to visit one of the girls in this apartment. RYAN admitted to Agent KEATING that he was the person known as the brother of LILLIAN HOLDEN. RYAN stated that he never lived at this apartment, but during the time when he was not working regularly, he used to visit the apartment of MILLER on various occasions; that about two months prior to the Kansas City massacre, MILLER took him out to LOUIE CERNOCKEY'S place at Fox River Grove, Ill., end that he was

introduced to persons maned ALVING FRANK and FRANCIS MASH. He stated that he later identified persons he met as ALVIE KARPIS, 1900 BARKES, I DAVIS, and EDRA MURRAY. He also met some other whom he does not remember at this time, Photographs of the ous members of the BARKER-KARPIE gang were exhibited to him h he was unable to pick out may other persons when he mut or k with the exception of the exes mentioned shows. Be edvised all of those persons were at LOUIE CERNOCKEY'S place that for a dance; that, also, on this occasion, he was introduced LOUISCERNOLEY for the first time; that MILLER had hely previous to the visit, not to mextion to any of the i that he was a working man. RYAH stated that MILER had far him that the bunch of people whom he met at LOUIS (REMOCK) place that night were from St. Rul. RYAN informed agents after this introduction, he did not see only of the mage that night at LOUIE CERNOCKEY'S place, with the exception of MASS, then be car at MILLER'S aperturat several time at la

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visit to the apartment in Oak Park shortly before the Kansas City massacre, which was in June, 1933. He stated that he had never moved or helped move VIVIAN MILLER to any place and that, furthermore, he does not even drive an automobile. He advised that he does not know who took VIVIAN MILLER to New York City after the Kansas City massacre and, furthermore, he does not even know where she went.

HYAN stated that he met HELEN FERGUSON and a girl named NINA, possibly, NINA REINSHAGKN, at the Ogden Grill, Chicago, Ill., in the late Spring of 1933; that he was introduced to HELEN FERGUSON by an ex-bartender, whose name he does not now recall; that shortly after meeting HELEN FERGUSON, he took her to his bungalow at Lake Okauchee; that they went to the lake in HELEN FERGUSON'S Buick automobile; that he and HELEN were at the lake when he read in the newspaper of the Kansas City massacre; that they remained at the lake for a couple of days and that they then returned to Chicago; that he did not find out where HELEN FREGUSON was living in Chicago. However, he was of the opinion that she had an apartment somewhere in the Loop; that during this time, he did not have any information or any knowledge that HKLEN FERGUSON knew any of the BARKER-KARPIS gang; that he recalls that upon his return from the lake on the occasion of HKLEN FERGUSON'S visit there, some Jewish insurance man came back to Chicago with them; that this insurance man was renting a bungalow about three doors from the one which RYAN occupied. RYAN informed agents that when he met HELEN, she told him her husband was a real estate man and that he was dead and had left her some money; that he recalled while he was living with her, she was in mourning and, at various times, would become very despondent; that on mo. occasion did he ever inform HELEN FERGUSON that he had escaped from Sing Sing Penitentiary, Ossining, N. Y., or that he knew MILLER, BARKER, KARFIS, or any member of the BARKER-KARPIS gang; that the only information he furnished her was that he was a stagehand. He advised that he lived with HELEN FERGUSON from January, 1934 for about eight months, at 4540 Magnolia Street, Chicago, Ille, until the time that HELEN FERGUSON was picked up by the Federal Government in August, 1934; that during the time HKIEN lived with him, the only friends who visited them were friends of his; that HELEN FERGUSON never had any of her friends visit the apartment, as far as he knows. He advised that in August, 1934, he started into the apartment when he saw HELEN FERGUSON being brought out of

the apartment by some men who seemed to have her under arrest and, since he realized that if he were picked up and fingerprint ed, he would be identified as a person wanted at Sing Sing for escaping from prison, he "beat it"; that after the federal officers had raided his apartment and picked up HELEN FERGUSON, he never went back for his clothes but went to live with a friend of his in Chicago. RYAN refused to give the name of this friend. stating only that he was a working man, not knowing any members of the racket, and that he would not disclose his name; that shortly after this time, he secured work at the Star & Garter Burlesque House on Madison & Halsted Streets; that he worked there for a week or so until this theatre closed; that about this time HELEN FERGUSON was released and she inquired for him at various taverns which she knew he frequented and, finally, she located him at Paul Taglio's Saloon, which was at that time located at the corner of Adems & Halsted Streets; that she told him she had been picked up by the federal officers because she was connected with the BARKER-KARPIS gang. After receiving this information from her, he told her that if she were that type of woman, he did not care to associate with her further; that he borrowed \$20, gave it to her and has not seen her since that time.

RYAN advised that after living with a friend of his for a short time after HKLEN FERGUSON was picked up, he then went to live at a hotel located on the corner of Jackson & Halsted Streets; that he lived at this hotel on and off from this time until he was arrested in July, 1935; that during this time, he worked at different theatres for a day or two at a time, and that the records of the Stage-hands Union, Local #2, of which GEORGE BROWN is the head, should reveal where he worked. He stated that at no time did he ever tell HELEN FERGUSON that he knew any members of the BARKER-KARPIS gang or any other members who were in the racket.

BARKER_KARPIS gang, and he advised that he does not know anything about the members of this gang, with the exception of having met some of them, which was mentioned previously in this report, at LOUIE CERNOCKEY'S place on one occasion, and that that was the only time he had seen any of these parties; that if he had any information that would aid the Government in the location of any of the members of the BARKER-KARPIS gang, he would be willing to furnish the same. He denied ever having seen EDNA MURRAY except the one

time that he saw her at LOUIE CERNOCKEY'S place. He also deried the story KDNA MURRAY told that he had escaped from Sing Sing 18 to with "JEN OTTO", and also, that any money passed hands on account of his escape; that he never had to move VIVIAN MILLER any place! and does not know anything about how VIVIAN MILLER moved her things from the Oak Park apartment. He stated that the name, YEN YENT AYAN was a name that he picked up on the streets of New York while a kid, and that VERNE MILLER knew him by this mickname of "YEN YEN", having been advised of the same by JACK HARRIS, who introduced him to MILLER. RYAN admitted that he had gone to the O. P. Inn with MILLER on several occasions to eat. However, he does not remember having seen any members of the BARKER-KARPIS gang at this inn. He also admitted that he knew FRANK FOSTER, having met him at the Dummoore Hotel with MILLER; that he only saw FOSTER a few times. He further stated that he recalls that at the time he met MILLER, that JACK HARRIS was living at the Dunmoore Hotel with BOBBIE MOORE. RYAN advised that he has at least six more years to serve in Sing Sing Penitentiary before he can be released; that he just happened to be picked up in Chicago on a larceny charge and was identified through his fingerprints, and was sent back to Sing Sing. RYAN was questioned in detail about his knowledge of the BARKER-KARPIS gang, and continued to insist that the only information he had about any members of this gang were the facts as set forth above in this report.

The following description of RYAN was obtained through agent's personal observation:

Name ;	JOHN J. RYAN			
Age:	44 years (born January 5, 1891)			
Height:	51 5 ⁴			
Weight:	142 1bs.			
Build:	Medium			
Hair:	Gray.			
Eyes:	Blue-gray.			
Complexion:	Ruddy.			
Occupation:	Stage-hand.			

He refused to give any information about his relatives. However, he stated he had some sisters and brothers living in New York City.

RYAN stated that he could have worked with VERNE MILLER, but that he did not desire to enter into a racket again as he wanted to go straight and to make an honest living; that although he did go around with VERNE MILLER at various times, that at no time did he have any connection with MILLER'S activities and that he never worked with MILLER in any way.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

PITTSBURGH OFFICE:

At Pittsburgh, Pa., will interview Miss LOUISE
M. KOEBERLINE, 74 North Emily Street, Crafton, Pa., care of Mrs.
J. FOLEY, and secure from her the address of EDWARD F. A. KOEBERLINE,
and set out a lead to have EDWARD F. A. KOEBERLINE interviewed regarding the letter which he forwarded to the Postmaster at Brooklyn,
N. Y., as stated in the report of Special Agent W. J. McNULTY, at
New York City, dated September 12, 1935. The Pittsburgh Office is
in possession of a copy of Agent McNULTY'S report.

DENVER OFFICES

At Casper, Wyoming, will attempt to locate B. J. McCAFFERTY, a gambler, ROY WILLIAMSON, and a man by the name of NEIGHBORS, possibly, WILLIAM NEIGHBORS, father of D. C. NEIGHBORS, a confidence man, and interview these parties with reference to their knowledge of the whereabouts of WILLIAM MEADE. It is possible that these men may be making their headquarters at the Greystone Hotel. MEADE is wanted by the Bureau for questioning with reference to a confidence game that he worked on a friend of victim BREMER, and which money MEADE received was borrowed by this friend from BREMER.

For the benefit of the Denver Office, a photograph of MEADE is being forwarded with copies of this report.

Undeveloped Leads: (Cont'd.)

NEW YORK OFFICE

Will interview THOMAS J. O'DELL when he calls at the New York Bureau Office in the near future, for all possible information concerning the whereabouts of MEADE.

Will again confer with Post Office Inspector HERBERT GRAHAM relative to the developments of this case, and obtain from him names of MEADE'S confederates in the swindle on which the Post Office Department has indicted MEADE. (See report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, Mass., dated November 15, 1935).

will discreetly interview ALBERT GURANTE, apartment 1, 2808 35th Street, Astoria, L. I., with reference to the present whereabouts of his brother, ANDREW GURANTE. Also report the outcome of the cover placed on the mail of ALBERT GURANTE, looking towards the location of the present whereabouts of ANDREW GURANTE.

At Hartford, Conn., will furnish JOE HARRISON, Aetna Life Insurance Co., 151 Farmington Avenue, with specimen of the handwriting of WILLIAM MEADE, and re-interview him with regard to any information developed by a more thorough search of the Aetna Life Insurance Co. files.

Interview Regional Director Hoffman, State Capitol Building, relative to whether a PWA auditor called upon the firm of Gneglia & Gervasini on or about July 31, 1935, and whether he fits the description of WILLIAM MEADE.

At Torrington, Conn., will re-interview HUGH E. MEADE, Chief of Police, relative to further information he may have concerning WILLIAM MEADE.

Will contact ROMEO GERVASINI and exhibit photograph of WILLIAM MEADE for possible identification.

Make further investigation among building contractors in the vicinity as further developments may justify.

(In connection with the above Connecticut leads, see the report of Special Agent Gene H. Hemry, dated at New York City, September 23, 1935).

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ADDENDUM:

THOMAS J. O'DEIL telephoned the New York Bureau Office and advised the writer that her husband would be unable to keep his appointment at 2 o'clock that afternoon as he had been called to Washington, D. C. on business. She stated that her husband would get in touch with the New York Office upon his return to New York. The writer attempted to secure Mr. O'DEIL'S address in Washington from Mrs. O'DEIL, but she would not give the same. Agent also advised Mrs. O'DEIL that if she would furnish Mr. O'DEIL'S address in Washington, some agent from the Washington Field Office of the Bureau would call upon him with reference to the information desired by the Bureau. Mrs. O'DEIL stated that she had rather not furnish the Washington address of Mr. O'DEIL as he would rather be interviewed by the writer at the New York Office upon his return to New York.

A letter postmarked Washington, D. C., December 2, 1935, and written on the stationery of the Hotel Hamilton, Washington, D. C., was received by the writer on December 3, 1935. This letter was from Mr. THOMAS O'DELL and he gave his return address as 60 High Street, New Britain, Conn. In the letter, he advised that he understood agent desired to interview him with reference to one WILLIAM MEADE. Mr. O'DELL stated in his letter that he met MEADE in Jacksonville, Fla., during the month of November, 1955; that he only saw MEADE on that one occasion and has not ever seen him since that time; that he met MEADE through his (O'DELL'S) lawyer, who was also representing MEADE at that time; that he does not believe he ever spoke more than half a dozen words to MEADE in his life.

It is very probable that the attorney O'DELL has reference to, who had represented him in Jacksonville in 1933, was Attorney M. HAYERSON, who is mentioned in the report of Special Agent in Charge R. A. ALT, Jacksonville, Fla., dated July 26, 1935, as having represented WILLIAM E. MEADE in Jacksonville in the early part of 1934.

A lead will not be set out to ascertain if O'DEIL is stopping at the Hotel Hamilton, Washington, D. C., although the letter received from him was written on this hotel's stationery. It is not thought that O'DEIL would write a letter to the Bureau on the stationery of the hotel in which he was stopping.

However, a lead is being set forth to make appropriate investigation at 60 High Street, New Britain, Conn. and secure from his mother, Mrs. ANNA O'DEIL, THOMAS O'DEIL'S address, in view of the fact that O'DEIL gave that as his return address. In the event Mr. O'DEIL does not get in touch with the New York Office in the near future and his address is not secured from his mother at New Britain, Conn., a lead will be set forth to again interview Mr. JULIUS KAUFMAN, 25 East 86th Street, New York City, and ascertain from him the address of Mr. O'DEIL.

The letter received from Mr. O'DELL is being retained in the New York Bureau Office file.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK OFFICE:

At New Britain, Conn., will interview Mrs.

ANNA O'DELL, mother of THOMAS J. O'DELL, 60 High Street, and ascertain from her the present address of her son, THOMAS J. O'DELL.

In the event that Mr. THOMAS J. O'DELL does not again contact the New York Office, and his address is not secured from his mother at New Britain, Conn., this office will contact Mr. JULIUS KAUFMAN, 25 East 86th Street, New York City, and ascertain if he knows the present whereabouts of O'DELL.

Bivision of Investigation M. S. Bepartment of Justice

Post Office Box 515 Saint Paul, Minnesota November 27, 1935

7-30

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

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Reference is made to Bureau letter of the 19th instant, Bureau File No. 7-576, and letter to the Bureau from this office dated November 12, 1935.

Mrs. Annalanderson was again interviewed at the Bureau Office on November 24, 1935, at which time she stated that on the occasion of her recent trip to Mankato she visited Belle Born and that Belle appeared to be very friendly and took Her driving for about an hour; that in the course of conversation with Belle, Belle stated that she knew that "they" were looking for Chuck, and that they could go ahead and look as Chuck is dead. Mrs. Anderson stated that Belle Born had informed her son that Chuck was dead prior to Mrs. Inderson's visit to Mankato,

Mrs. Anderson stated that Belle seemed to be somewhat concerned about the suit that Mrs. Anderson intended instituting against Belle for alienating the affections of her husband, Ole Anderson. She stated that before she left Mankato she had consulted with her attorney and told him that she did not intend to sue Belle Born, and that he should drop any action that he might have intended to institute on her behalf. She further stated that at no time during her conversation with Belle did Belle make any reference to any conversations which she thought Mrs. Anderson may have had with any representatives of this Bureau, but that her son had informed her that Belle had stated to him that she knew Mrs. Anderson had talked to some "G" men.

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It may be stated that such information as was given by Mrs. Anderson appears to have been furnished with considerable reluctance, and as it appears that Mrs. Anderson has settled what disputes she has had with Belle Born, it is possible that she may have made the assertion relative to Belle's having stated to her son that she knew Mrs. Anderson was furnishing information to the Government as an excuse for avoiding further interviews with Agents of this Bureau. Whether or not this is so, Mrs. Anderson has been of little value to this office as an informant.

With respect to Charles "Chuck" White, heretofore reported to be the adopted son of Belle Born, Mrs. Anderson stated that there was a young man who stayed at Belle Born's place up to about two years ago. She does not know the identity of this young man other than that he was referred to as "Chuck", and that she had never heard of Belle having a son, adopted or otherwise.

When Special Agent in Charge K. J. Connelley was in St. Paul recently he indicated that Belle Born was cognizant of the fact that surveillance was being maintained on her during her trip to Waukegan, Illinois, as a result of which upon Mr. Connelley's instructions the close surveillance of Belle Born has been discontinued, since which time two Agents have been detailed to the telephone tap on her telephone at Mankato, and one to observe her place of residence from a nearby farm house, particularly with respect to the identity of persons visiting her. Previously Belle Born was followed whenever she left her home. This is the "close surveillance" which has been discontinued.

Conversations overheard on the telephone tap indicate that Belle Born suspects that a tap is being maintained, as she has stated that she does not care to discuss things over the telephone as someone is always listening. Mrs. Anderson stated that Belle related that she was being matched and that her telephone was tapped. In view of this it is requested that the Bureau and Mr. Connelley give consideration to the discontinuance of the tap being maintained at Mankato, and to the suggestion that a direct interview may be had with Belle Born.

It does not appear possible that the Agents detailed to Mankato, Minnesota, could have imparted any information to anyone who may have informed Belle Born of the interview had with Mrs. Anderson, as these Agents had no knowledge that Mrs. Anderson had been interviewed relative to Balle Born.

Very truly yours,

H.E. Anderen B.S.

H. E. ANDERSEN Special Agent in Charge

JEE: ACF

cc Cincinnati
cc Mr.E.J.Connelley, Chicago

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Special Agent in Charge, St. Paul, Einnesota.

> ALVIS KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. \$1218, et al; Rdward George Braser, Victing Kidnaping.

Dear Sira

Referring to your letter of Movember 27, 1935, please be informed that the Bireau feels that the surveillance and the tap on the tele, home of Belle Born may be discontinued.

It is desired that immediate arrangements be made for an open interview with Belle Born. This interview should be conducted by one thoroughly familiar with the Brewer ouse, and the interview should be exhaustive, touch us upon all contacts of members of the Barker gang with which Belle form may be familiar. Every effort should be made to develop information indicating that C. J. Fitzgerald is dend, and all facts and circumstances surrounding the death should be ascertained. If it is possible the place of his burial should also be learned.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar boover, Director.

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A. S. Bepartment of Justice Post Office Box 812 Chicago Illinois

December 5, 1935

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

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

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There are attached hereto for future handwriting reference eight prescriptions in the handwriting of subject Dr. Joseph P. Loran, which were obtained by Special Agent J.L.Madala of this office, from Mr. G. Engler of the Depue Pharmacy at Depue, Illinois, for temporary use...

It is kindly requested that these prescriptions be returned to this office after they have served their purpose so that same can be forwarded to Mr. Engler.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge

JLM:FB 7-82 Encl.

cc St.Paul; Cincinnat

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Laboratory Report

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7-576-8273 Number:

Specimens: 7-576-8273 A. 8 prescriptions in the handwriting of Dr. Joseph

P. Moran.

Examination requested by:

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Result of examination:

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Examination requested by: Chicago

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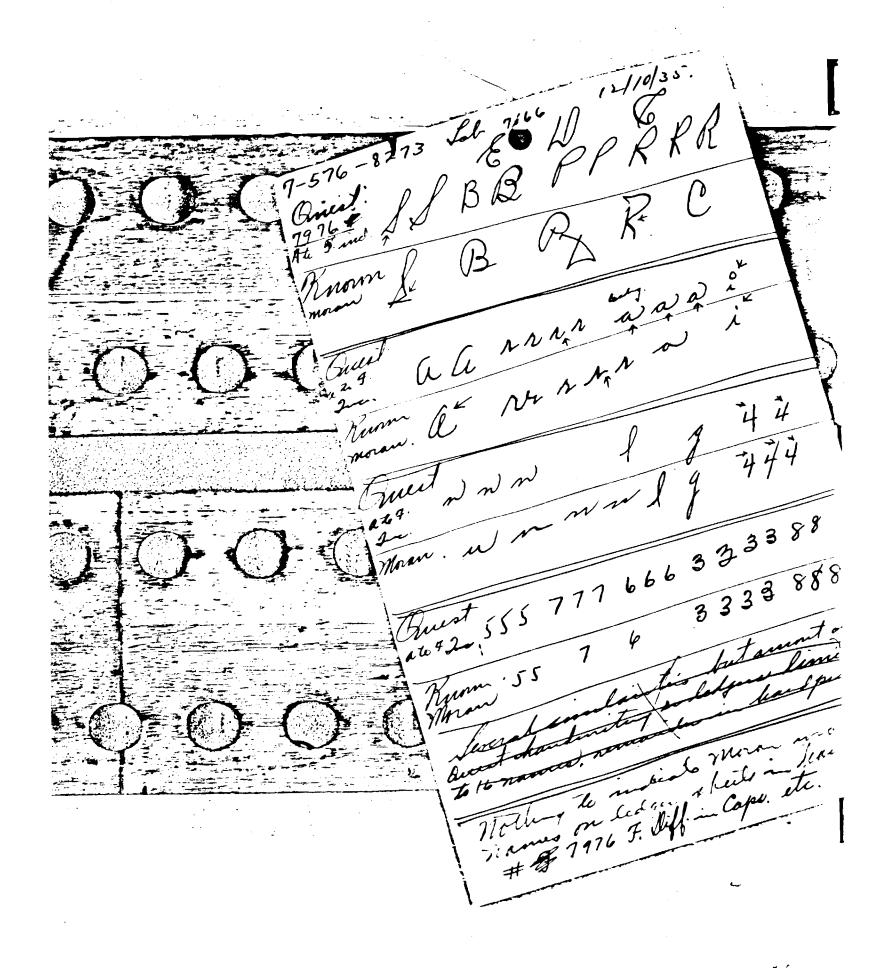
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P. O. Box 1276 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma December 4, 1935

RECORDED & INDEXED Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Permsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,

Dear Sir:

Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with allases. 1935 ... M. DEC 18 1935

Fugitive, I. 0. 1218, et al, Edward George Bremer, Victim

KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to your letter of November 30, 1935 (Bureau file 7-576), requesting that I explain to the Bureau why a surveillance of the residence of the parents of Harry Campbell had not been considered prior to its initiation a few days ago, and to furnish an expression of my opinion as to whether I did not consider it dangerous procedure in interviewing Milton/Lett, an alleged contact and intermediary of Harry Campbell and his family.

I beg to advise you that a surveillance of the Campbell residence at Tulsa was considered for many months prior to its initiation, and some inquiry was made with the view to placing such surveillance, but no person living in the immediate vicinity of this residence was considered one in whom we could place sufficient confidence to go into their residence, save the widow of J. Earl Smith, a deceased attorney, who is said to have been murdered by Campbell. Agent Hansen, from time to time, maintained a contact with Mrs. Smith, who it appears would have been eager to have furnished any information to this Bureau concerning the alleged murder of her husband. Until recently there was not found to be any house available for the use of Bureau Agents in this surveillance. Mrs. Smith and her sister are said to be in Muskogee, and probably Okmulgee, Oklahoma, most of the time. It has not been deemed worth-while to contact them within recent weeks.

With respect to the action taken by this office in interviewing Milton Lett, I discussed this metter several times with Special Agent Hansen, and the efforts to obtain some information concerning Lett and as to his whereabouts extended over several weeks, as will be reflected in investigative reports emenating from this office in connection with this case, and upon due consideration I concluded that we should go forward with the interview with him, which was done, and at this time I do

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not feel that any mistake has been made in approaching him. There may be some element of risk in this procedure, but in my opinion it is imperative that such risks be taken by us frequently in connection with our investigations. I can assure the Bureau that I did not go into this particular phase of the case without due reflection and consideration.

This case will continue to receive my close personal supervision.

DWIGHT BRANTLEY, COU Special Agent in Charge.

Very truly yours

RECORDED

Er. Dwight Brantley, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 1276, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sire

The Bureau is in receipt of your communication of December 4, 1935, in reply to its letter of Hovember 30, 1935, and has carefully moted the contents thereof with particular reference to the surveillance of the residence of the parents of Harry Campbell.

The Bureau notes your statement that the surveillance of Campbell's residence in Tulsa was considered for any months prior to its initiation, and some inquiry was made with a view to placing such a surveillance, but no person living in the immediate vicinity was considered sufficiently trustworthy, other than the widow of J. Earl Smith. The Bureau feels that some method of surveillance of the residence of Campbell's parents was of primary importance and that intensive consideration should have been given to this surveillance over a considerable period of time. Providing this consideration was given to the surveillance in question, it is believed that some method of securing informants or definite information should have been developed.

The Bureau is particularly of the opinion that the contacts with the wides of J. Earl Smith were handled with a considerable degree of laxity. Certainly, she should have been contacted at least once a week, with a view to ascertaining whether any information had been secured by her or whether she was still interested in maintaining the surveillance in question. A contact of this kind would have developed that the Smith woman had left this particular house at some time entirely unknown to the Agents of the Oklahoma City Office. Had any interested, enthusiastic endeavor been manifested to secure a place to maintain a close surveillance of the residence of Campbell's parents, the residence of the Smith woman could have been secured by the maintenance of a close contact with her, inasmuch as the residence in question would have been available immediately upon Mrs. Smith's departure which, as will be noted, was effected without the knowledge of the Oklahoma City Office. The report of Special Agent S. Le

Fortenberry, dated at Detroit, Michigan, June 27, 1935, on page 3, paragraph 2, reflects that Arthur Burdette had advised there was a man in Tulsa, Oklahoma, known to him only as "Mel", who had driven Harry Campbell from Coffeeville, Kansas to Tulsa, Oklahoma, on tee eccasions during the summer of 1933 for a price of \$20 each trip. It would appear that the Oklahoma City Office was placed on notice by this information of the possibility, to say the least, of Campbell effecting some kind of contact with his parents at Tulsa.

With regard to the action taken by the Oklahoma City Office in interviewing Milton wett, the Bureau notes that you discussed this matter several times with Special Agent Hansen, and that efforts to obtain information concerning Lett's whereabouts extended over several weeks. The Bureau further notes your statement that there may be some element of risk in this procedure, but in your epinion it is imperative that such risks be taken frequently in connection with ? the Bureau's investigations, and also your statement that you did not go into this particular phase of the case without due reflection and consideration. The Bureau agrees that risks must be taken in cases involving this type of activity. The point at issue, however, is the question of the judgment involved in risking an apparently valid means of cintacting Campbell through registered letters alleged to have been sent by him from Cleveland and Brunswick, Ohio to his perents in Oklahoma, through Lett. The Oklahoma City Office is apparently relying upon the good faith of Lett in not indicating to Campbell, providing Lett knows Campbell's location, that it will not be desirable for Campbell to transmit any further letters of this type for delivery by Lett. In view of the fact that this action has already been taken and you feel it was justified, the Bureau will await further developments with regard to this phase of the case. although it sould appear to have been a rather dangerous procedure, not because it involved a risk, but because it involved the possibility of destroying a connection seekingly already made for one the value of which was conjectural.

Regardless of the possible difference of opinion in the Lett matter, the Eureau feels that you obviously displayed administrative laxity in the handling of the surveillance of the residence of Campbell's parents for the reasons indicated in the foregoing.

Yery truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

CC Mr. Connelley at Chicago

Director.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

A. S. Bepartment of Justice 722 Midland Savings Bldg., Denver, Colorado December 3, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive, IO 1218; HARRYOCALPBELL, with alieses, IO 1236; DR. JOSEPH P.DMORAN, with aliases, 10 1232; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BRETER - Victim KIDNAPING

Mrs. Hager of 4822 Perry Street, Denver, Colorado, called at the Denver Eureau office and stated that she was a niece of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, one of the subjects in this case, and said that she had read newspeper accounts that Dr. Moran had been killed at Toledo, Chio, and his body thrown into the lake. She stated that she had not seen or heard of Dr. Moran for the past five or six years, but that inasmuch as she was his niece, he being the youngest brother of her father, she was interested to know whether he was in fact dead.

Mrs. Hager was reluctant at first to furnish her name or to give any information whatsoever, but did state that sometime previous to the time that the newspapers reported the death of Dr. Moran she had heard indirectly from some of her relatives in Spring Valley, Illinois, that Dr. Moran had fled to Cuba and had enlisted in the Cuban army. She said that there was nothing definite whatever as to this report, but that she believed her relatives thought this is what had happened to him until newspapers reported he had been killed in Toledo. She stated that she had not seen Dr. Moran for five or six years, the last time she had seen him was when she had returned to Spring Valley, Illinois, to visit relatives there, at which time she also saw Dr. James Moran, his brother.

She was asked whether she believed that Dr. Moran, if he was not deed, would probably be found in Cuba, and she replied that she did not have any foundation on which to base her belief, but that when she heard that he was in Cuba and had enlisted in the

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army there, she thought that this would be just like him to do something like that, and really believed that he had gone to Cuba.

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Mrs. Hager stated that she did not want to become involved or have any publicity whatsoever concerning the case, and that she had merely called at the office to see whether she could definitely determine to her own satisfaction that Dr. Moran was dead. The only reason why she consented to give her name or her address was because of the fact that she was advised that we had no definite information at this office, but that I would be glad to communicate with her in the event that I did receive definite information.

The writer endeavored to get Mrs. Hager to state which of her relatives gave her the information that Dr. Moran was supposed to have fled to Cuba, but she stated she could not recall at all as the information was rather indefinite, and she had no idea at this time which of her relatives she had heard this from. She stated that she did communicate with Mrs. Chapell, her aunt, in Tabernash, Colorado.

The next time an agent is at Tabernash, Colorado, Mrs. Chapell will be interviewed to see whether she has any information whatsoever relative to the possibility of Dr. Moran fleeing to Cuba.

The above is submitted to the Eureau for whatever value the information might have.

Very truly yours,

E. P. Gumant pol.
E. P. GUINATE
Special agent in Charge

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cc: Cincinnati

December 21, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Commelley, Federal Buresu of Investigation, D. C. Department of Sustice, Post Office Box \$12. Chicago, Illinois.

> RE: ALVIN RAFFIS, with aliance, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1518, et al EDEATE GEORGE BRIMER - VICTIE

Dear Birt

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter, a copy of which is attached hereto, from the Denver Office in the above entitled matter deted Necesber 3, 1935, reflecting an interview with Mrs. Mager of Cerver, Colorado, who is a siese of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. It is noted therein Mrs. Mager suggests the ressibility of Dr. Moran having joined the Cuben Aray.

The Bureau observes that no copies of this letter were forwarded to offices other than the Bureau and Cincinnati, for which reason a copy of said letter is being forwarded herewith to the offices designated below,

Yery truly yours,

John Edgar Boovers Directors

Reclerance \$839835 ce-St. Faul (Enclosing copy of letter above referred to.) Cleveland DOSTOR - Jacksonville

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building Kenses City, Missouri December 5, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated November 30, 1935, (7-576) requesting that interview be had with Edna Lurray and Jess Doyle concerning the identity of the Mexican doctor who is now alleged to be attending "Blackie Doyle.

In this connection the attention of the Bureau is directed to page thirty-eight and succeeding pages of the report of Special Agent R. P. Shenshan, dated April 25, 1935, at Kansas City, Missouri, wherein information is set out to the effect that Dr. Nicholas Jaime, a Spanish doctor with an office at 2405 Broadway, Kensos City, Missouri, had treated Jess Doyle and Dorist C'Connor on numerous occasions. It is believed that Dr. Jaime is identical with the Mexican doctor referred to on page three of the report of Special Agent M. C. Spear, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, November 16, 1935, mentioned in reference letter.

An immediate investigation will be conducted to determine if in fact "Blackie" Doyle is being attended by Dr. Jaime and, unless otherwise directed, an interview will not be had with Edna Murray in this regard.

W. A. SITH,

Special Agent in Charge.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: E. J. CONNELLEY, CHICAGO

December 4, 1955

BREKID; REFER REPORT R. D. BROWN CHICAGO NOVEMBER 7, 1935 PAGE 2 ASCERTAIN NAME AND ADDRESS OF PROPER PERSON TO TEXTIFY AS TO THE PUBLICATION OF MARCH ISSUE OF MASTER DETECTIVE MAGAZINE AND WHO CAN INTRODUCE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SUCH ISSUE FURNISH BUREAU A COPY OF SUCH ISSUE AIR MAIL OBTAIN SAME INFORMATION RE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF STARTLING DETECTIVE MAGAZINE AND SEND COPY SAID ISSUE TO BUREAU AIR MAIL

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Federal Bureau of Investigation H. S. Bepartment of Justice KRM: CJ 7-576 Washington, B. C.

December 5, 1935.

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

Reference is made to the attached teletype message which I anticipated would be directed to the Chicago office. My reason for requesting the investigation contained therein is as follows:

During the time that I prepared the above entitled case for trial at St. Paul, Minnesota, the United States Attorney suggested that news items appearing in the Chicago papers relating to the Bremer case be obtained and that the name and address of the proper person who could introduce such papers be secured so that these news items could be introduced showing that "Boss" MicLaughlin had knowledge of the Bremer kidnaping.

I recall that newspaper articles were used during the trial of Evelyn Frechette in the Dillinger case in St. Paul. I was not present during the course of that trial and do not know the manner in which they were introduced but I do know that they were used. It appeared to me that it would be reasonable to believe the Court would insist that the Government produce a witness who could introduce the Master Detective Magazine and the Startling Detective Magazine, at the same time testifying that such magazines were true, correct and exact copies of those which were published and distributed throughout the United States and were identical with the copies which were read by Myrtle Eaton. It is observed that these magazines contained information to the effect that Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver were wanted in connection with the Bremer kidneping case. It was anticipated that these magazines could be used to show Euilty knowledge on the part of Myrtle Eaton. 7

I do not know that the Court would insist upon the Government GATION producing a representative of the publishing companies which issued the above mentioned magazines but I presumed that it would DECocobe 35 bam. the Government to show that the articles introduced, proving guilty knowledge on the part of Myrtle Eaton, were true and correct copies of USTICE the articles which were read by Lyrtle Eaton giving her such guilty knowledge.

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A. S. Department of Justice Washington, **D. C.**

December 5, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, fugitive, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping.

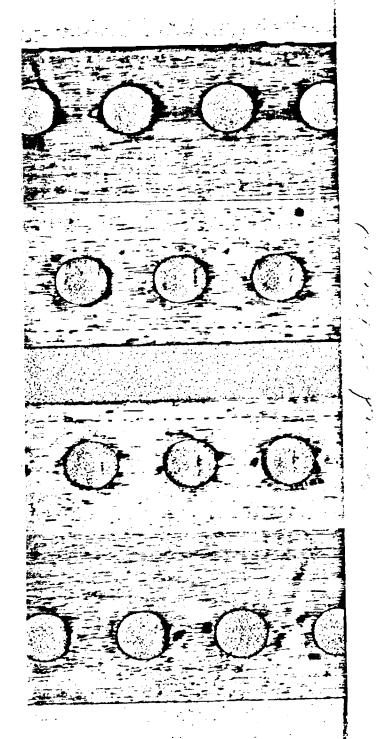
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with reference to your inquiry concerning the telegram addressed to the Chicago Office in this case, in which information is requested as to the identity of a person competent to testify as to the publication of the March issue of the Master Detective Magazine, and who can produce a true and correct copy of this magazine in Court and similar information concerning the September issue of startling Detective Magazine, you are advised that this information was requested to include in a summary being prepared for the use of the Criminal Division in rewriting the indictment, charging Myrtle Eaton with the harboring of William Weaver in Florida.,

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Mr. McIntire, the supervisor preparing this teletype, informed me yesterday afternoon that he considered it desirable to obtain this information, in order that it would be available should be. M. the Criminal Division or the United States Attorney desire to introduce these magazines. The purpose of introducing these magazines is to establish that Myrtle Eaton had knowledge of the fugitive status of William Weaver, during the time that she resided with him in Florida, and investigation discloses that she had read in the magazines indicated articles concerning the fugitivity of William Weaver. I accordingly authorized Supervisor McIntire to inquire of the Chicago Office concerning the identity of the persons competent to testify concerning these magazines. Upon being informed that you questioned the necessity for this teletype, I instructed Mr. McIntire to prepare his summary of the evidence available against Myrtle Eaton in such a manner that it would be indicated that Myrtle Eaton had read these magazines which contained articles concerning William Weaver's being a fugitive, giving the date and name of the magazine, together with information available to show that Myrtle Eaton had read these magazines and let the United States Attorney determine how he would introduce these magazines in evidence, stating that if necessary, after the Criminal Division had reviewed the summary of the evidence,. we could then ascertain the name of a person competent to introduce and identify copies of these magazines. Mr. McIntire's handling of this matter was entirely at my direction.



OFFICE OF DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

December 4, 1935.

Ré: Telegram to Chicago office re person to testify as to the March issue of the Master Detective magazine.

Mr. Tamm asked that this wire be returned to him. He will get the facts and send it in in the morning.

Special Agent in Charge, Jacksonville, Florida,

> Bo: ALVIS KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, et al; Edward George/Breser, Victing Kidnaping.

Dear Sirt

The Bureau's file fails to disclose any photograph of Joseph E. Adams. It is desired that you make immediate arrangements to obtain such a photograph 17 it is available and forward save to the Bureau im-Rediately RECORDET & INDEXED 7-5

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John Edgar Hoover, ALCHE'LT OF JUSTICE Director.

ec Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago Cincinnati

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Mr. R. J. Connelley. Tederal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to your letter of Movember 19, 91955 in connection with the case entitled, Alvin Karpis with aliases - Jugitive, I.O. 1218, et al.; Edward OD Brozzer - Vietim, Kidnaping. MENT OF 19 1906

In accordance with your request, the following specimens FILE are returned herewith, photographic copies of some having been made for the completion of our files:

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Very truly yours,

John Edger Hoover,

Director.

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

I have in my possession a 20 Dollar Note, & LO4919773A, Federal Reserve Bank, San Fransisco, Calif.

During the last four months I have been watching this party's place, from whom I reserved this note and it locks very suspicious to me, a number of new automobiles are always around the place. I think they have connection with the Karpis gang.

If you are interested in obtaining more information, you may send a man from your Chicago office.

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Hr. Morgan H. Borglum, 3224 Carroll Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sirt

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of
Movember 30, 1935, and I desire to inform you that the
serial number appearing on the Federal Reserve Bank note
issued by the Federal Reserve District of San Francisco,
California, which was mentioned in your letter, has been
checked with the serial numbers on all ransom lists issued
by this Bureau, but has not been found to be identical with
any of the ransom money in such cases which have been
handled by this Bureau.

Please be advised that the information contained in your letter pertaining to Alvin Karpis is being furnished to Mr. D. M. Ladd, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Inventigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers! Building, Chicago, Illinois, who it is anticipated will have an Agent interview you in the immediate future.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

cc St. Paul Cincinnati Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago (Enc copies of incoming letter)

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1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

December 6, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

There are being forwarded to the Bureau under separate cover four .45 caliber copper alloy jacketed bullets, appropriately packed for shipment, to be submitted to the Technical Laboratory for ballistic examination.

These four bullets were marked with an "X" by Deputy Sheriff Clarence/Marsh of the office of the Sheriff, Arnold Isch, Wood County, Bowling Green, Ohio. These bullets were recovered from the car of Deputy Sheriff Marsh, who advised that at about 5:30 P. M. on November 25, 1935 four men occupying a 1934 model Ford V8 seden, while approaching a barracade at the intersections of highways 64 and 65 near Bowling Green, Ohio, at which point Deputy Sheriff Marsh and Constable Cole were searching automobiles for illegal possession of game, drove up to this point and suddenly backed their car at a high rate of speed to a point where they could turn around, and fled in a northerly direction. Deputy Sheriff Marsh and Constable Cole immediately followed this car, and at a point some distance away, at which time the officers were about to overtake this car, some one broke out the rear window of the fleeing Ford sedan and fired at the officers car, puncturing the radiator and left rear tire. The officers believed the fire to have originated from a machine gun.

Witnesses to the incident said that the men occupying this car appeared to be individuals approximately thirty years of age. However, no identification of the wanted fugitives in the above captioned case could be made due to the failure of any of the witnesses to closely scrutinize the men.

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These bullets should be compared with the bullets of this type already on file at the Bureau and may be retained for future comparison.

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CC - Chicago - Cincinnati - St. Paul

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge

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POIT OFFICE BOX 812 CHIC.GO.



Special Agent in Charge, Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

RE: BRUKID

Upon receipt of your telegram on December 5, 1925, advis-Kentucky as was plained, Special Agent J. W. Coulter of this office ascertained that ad failed to arrive at Lexin ton, found it necessary to postpone his trip to Lexington, and that he does not at the present time know what day he will be able to make the proposed trip.

When a definite date is determined, you will be advised.

D. M. LADD.

Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

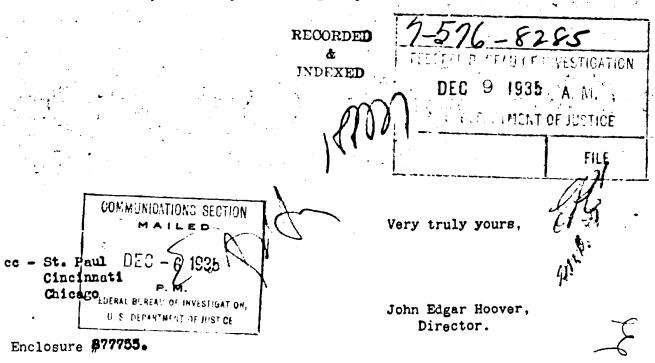
Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliance, Fugitive, I. 0. \$1218, et al., Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidneping.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Laboratory Report $\#_{\text{FOOS}}$, in connection with the above entitled case, there are transmitted herewith photographic copies of the following specimens which your office submitted for examination:

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- A. One page of letter beginning "Dear Mrs_Karpis_ I am a".
- B. One page of letter beginning "I would like to here from you".
- C. One envelope addressed to Mrs. Dorothy Karpis, Tulsa, Oklahoma, postmarked "Los Angeles, California, 15, October 8, 1935, 8 P. M.".
- D. One plain white envelope addressed to Mrs. Dorothy Karpis, Tulsa, Oklahoma, containing no postuark.



STÄNDARD FORM NO. 14A APPEND BY THE PRESIDENT MARCH 18, 1988 MEAL TELEGRAPH

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

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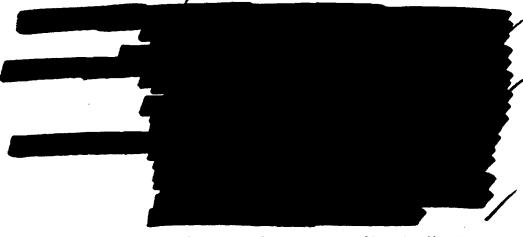
Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Referring to Bureau teletype dated December 6, 1935, requesting disposition of case of William Elmer mieade arrested by Denver Police Department on July 9. 1912, please be advised that the data in instant teletype is incorrect according to records at the Bureau of Identification, Denver Police Department.

Sergeant George Beckvermit, in charge of the Bureau of Identification, was interviewed by Special Agent R. H. Groff this date and ascertained that Meade's arrest record in this city is as follows:

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It will be noted that, according to the Denver Police Department records, Meade's arrest number as of July 9, 1912 was #G-1578, and that his arrest number as of . August 24, 1922, is #8390. There is not a record at this Department that he has ever been charged with grand larceny and shop-lifting

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Special Agent A. R. Gere is making a further investigation at the Colorado State Penitentiary, the results of which will be transmitted to the Bureau immediately.

Disposition sheet of the arrest of July 9, 1912, is submitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

E. P. Quinane Amb.
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Cincinnati
E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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769 Starks Building Louisville, Kentucky

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Special Agent in Charge Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BEEKID

Deer Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter from the Bureau, dated December 4, 1935, addressed to Mr. E. J. Connelly, Chicago, Ill., in the above entitled case, with earbon engles indicated for St. Paul, Cincinnati, Cleveland, and Louisville.

As two copies of this letter were received in the Louisville Office on this date, and one of the copies has the pencil notation "Cleveland" on same, it is presumed that this copy was intended for the Cleveland Office.

Very truly yours,

O. C. DENET Special Agent in Charge

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Fost Office Box 4907.
Jacksonville, Florida.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley. Post Office Box 812 Chicago, Illinois.

pear Sir:-

RE: BRILD.

The postmaster at Sarasota, Florida, has forwarded to the Jacksonville Office the enclosed smil Trapings, which were obtained as a result of the cover placed on the mail of /da and Ruth Potts, and Mrs. E. A. Mead, Sarasota, Floride, and which are as follows:

- (1) Letter addressed to Ruth Jane Potts, 145 West 5th Avenue, Sarasota, Florida, postmarked East Chicago, Ind. on Dec. 2, 1935, at 3:50 P. M., with return eddress of Inland Steel Company, East Chicago, Ind., MR. A. Perry.
- (2) Letter addressed to Mrs. L. A. Bead, Louise Apertments, Laurel St., Sarasota, Florida, postmerked Chicago, Ill., Morgan Park Ste., Dec. 2, 1935, 11:30 A. M., with return address of R. G. Mead, 11810 S. Bale Ave., Chicago, Ill.
- (3) Letter addressed to Miss Euth Potts, 143 K. 5th St., Seresote, Florida, postmarked New York N.Y., Sta. N., Dec. 4, 1935, 4-FM, with return address of Miss L., Swanson, Com ander Hotel, 240 West 73 St., New York, N.Y.

Very truly yours.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO.

CELAHA NEBRASKA	12/7/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/29/35	W. P. KLLWOOD
I. 0. #1218, et al		GITIVE;	CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING A FUGITIVE - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - HAT'L FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

William Weaver, using the name of J. A. Orhood, purchased a 1934 model Chevrolet Seden from the Ed O'Dea Chevrolet Company, Des Moines, Iowa, March 23, 1934. Weaver introduced to George Shane, salesman, by Gail Johnson, now imprisoned at the Iowa State Penitentiary, Fort Madison, Iowa.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent C. E. Smith, Cleveland, dated 11/4/35.

DETAILS:

At Des Moines, Iowa

John Van Gorkem, Credit Manager of the Ed O'Dea Chevrolet Co., advised upon examination of the sales records of this Company that a 1934 model/Chevrolet Sedan, motor #4135550, serial #1DAO3-13359, was purchased from this Company by a Mr. J. A. Orhood, March 23, 1934. Van Gorkem advised that this auto was paid for in one cash payment upon its delivery to Orhood. Van Gorkem said he had not seen this individual, but Orhood had dealt with Vance Kinsey, and George Shame in buying the auto.

Vance Kinsey was shown a photograph of William Weaver, and he identified same as the individual using the name of J. A. Orhood, who had purchased a Chevrolet car March 23, 1934. Kinsey said Weaver had been very mysterious about the purchase of this car, not having even taken time to examine it thoroughly. He said Weaver appeared to be anxious to get the car and finish the transaction as soon as possible.

The license plates for this automobile were purchased by

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the Ed O'Dez Chevrolet Co. Kinsey said George Shane, a salesman who really completed the sale of this car was now employed by the Goodman Motor Co., Des Moines, Iowa.

George Shane, Goodman Motor Co., recognized and identified a photograph of William Weaver as the man who purchased a 1934 Chavrolet sedam through him in March 1934. Mr. Shane said Weaver seemed very anxious to get this automobile with the least possible amount of trouble. Shane said one, Gail Johnson, had introduced Weaver to him as J. A. Orhood. Shane said Gail Johnson is a known criminal and that he is now serving a long sentence at Fort Madison, Iowa, for having robbed a store at Burlington, Iowa, during which robbery a policeman was killed. Shane said Johnson and Weaver appeared to be well acquainted. Shane said Weaver gave his address as 317 E. Fifth St., Des Moines, Iowa.

At 317 E. Fifth St., Agent found a second-hand goods store rum by David Altman. Altman was questioned thoroughly regarding any knowledge as to Weaver and also shown pictures of Weaver, but he stated he had never seen this man. Altman appeared to be honest and reliable and it would appear that the address given by Weaver at the time of his purchase of the car was entirely fictitious. There were no apartments or rooms above 517 E. Fifth Street.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE CMAHA BUREAU OFFICE: At the Iowa State Penitentiary at Fort Madison, Iowa, will interview Gail Johnson, who was incarcerated in that institution recently for the shooting of a policeman while engaged in a robbery. Johnson should be closely questioned as to his connection with William Weaver. All information possible as to the hideouts and contacts of Weaver and Karpis, etc., should be fully developed.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

POTE NO. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, CHIO

St. Louis
FILE NO. 45

St. Louis, Missouri	12/6/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/30/35	HAYNE A. THOMPSON HAT:C
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

John Contos presently residing at 247 8. High Street, Columbus, Chico

REFERENCE: Letter from New York City Office directed to the Bureau, dated October 29, 1935. Letter from Chicago Office, deted November 19, 1935.

DETAILS: At St. Louis, Missouri.

Mrs. M. Smith, owner of the Monticello Apertments, located at 4535 Lindell Boulevard, informed agent that John Contos had moved to 247 South High Street, Columbus, Chio about November 21, 1935.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE CINCINNATI OFFICE at Columbus, Ohio, will interview John Contos, as suggested in reference letter from the Chicago Office, dated November 19, 1935.

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December 2, 1935.

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Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1213, et al; Enward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

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In regard to arranging for the litnesses 1, what to be present in St. Paul, Minnesota, on Univery 6, 1930, I called Mr. Parrich of the Department, and he stated that since he mew nothing about the matter, he would have Mr. Fisher call me. Mr. Picher did coll later and advised that he is today writing a letter to the State Department to arrange for the removal of the witnesses in tube so that they will be in a position to testify at St. Paul. He stated that there was no way in which they might be in used to come to the mainland and then be served with subpossure by Special Agents. I asked him what arrangements were usually made by the State Department in such instances. He said that it was so what on a contract basis; that the State Department would offer to pay the traveling expenses and each person \$5.00 per diem. I taked him what is done in the event they will not come under those conditions.

Mr. Fisher then stated that the State Department will then offer then other pecuniary inducements which may induce them to proceed to St. Paul.

It is therefore apparent at this writing that no action has been taken looking toward their removal, and that no action will be taken until the State Department has received the letter which is being directed to it today by Mr. Fisher.

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Post Office Box 4907. Jacksonville, Florida.

Special Agent in Charge, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir: -

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Please be advised that on December 5, 1935, Special Agent B. Y. Fitzsimons, resident agent at Kiami, while in convergation with J. W. Maesner, Ponce de Leon Hotel, concerning this matter, was informed by Massner that in a previous interview with Special Agent in Charge C. D. McKean of the Boston office, Massner had understood that the Bureau was interested in the location of one Kkokomo Joe", an employee of dog race tracks. However, at that time Massner knew nothing of the whereabouts of "Kokomo Joe", who is now in Mismi and has been seen on several occasions by Kassner at the Biscayne Kennel Club, now operating under the management of Joe Adams, a subject in this matter. --

Innemuch as the Jacksonville office is not in possession of information to indic to the possible connection of "Nokomo Joe" in this. matter it will be appreciated if you will furnish this office with sufficient data to enable an intelligent questioning of "Kokomo Joe", provided, of course, he has not been previously interviewed.

Yery truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CHICAGO, ILLINDIS FILE NO. 62-2134 REPORT MADE AT DATE WHEN MADE 12/7/35 12/5,6/35 Chicago, Ill. JOHN L. NADALA JLM:LM TITLE ANTHONY VAITEVICIUS alias Anthony V Vaitkus INVESTIGATION OF CHARACTER & REPUTATION OF INTERPRETER Investigation of Vaitkus discloses education limited to one year high school, speaks and . understands Lithuanian language fluently, is of good character and reputation, and formerly worked as dental laboratory assistant. His family enjoys an excellent reputation in community. Father employed with Illinois Central ... Railroad twenty-five years. References advise Vaitkus is reliable, dependable and of good moral habits and health. Recommend him very highly for the assignment sought. Vaitkus is an officer of Knights of Lithuania Fraternity and member of All Saints Catholic Church choir. Previous employers advise he is reticent, honest and trustworthy, but resents overtime work, particularly without pay, but in interview with him Vaitkus appeared willing to work on a twenty-four hour basis. No police or credit record. Teletype from the Bureau dated 12/5/35 in case entitled REFERENCE: ALVIN CARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, 1.0.1218, ET AL. DETAILS: This is a joint report of Special Agent W. J. White and the writer. AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS: In an effort to locate an interpreter the can speak and understand the Kithuanian language fluently for Mee in connection DEC 9 1935 COPIES OF THIS REPORT Bureau - 2 C Cnicago - 2

with the surveillance of the telephone of John Karpavicz, Chicago, Illinois, the father of Alvin Karpis, Agent called upon the Reverend Victor Cernauskas, Junior Pastor of the All Saints Lithuanian Catholic Church, located at 108th Street and Wabash Avenue. In this connection Agent explained to the father the type of individual desired by the Bureau, and the nature of the work, and that it was for temporary employment of possibly one month's duration. Reverend Cernauskas immediately mentioned the name Anthony Vaitkus, stating that this individual has been known to him for approximately four years, and that he is entirely trustworthy and dependable. He further stated that Vaitkus is the treasurer of the Enights of Lithuania, a young men's social organization, and that there is. entrusted to him considerable money. He advised that Vaitkus is very active in connection with the various church activities, and is well thought of by everyone who knows him. Reverend Cernauskas further stated that Vaithus is twenty-six years of age, was born ... in Chicago, Illinois, and comes from a very substantial family; that his father is employed as a laborer with the Illinois Central Railroad, which position he has held for approximately twenty-five years; that the entire family, which consists of two sisters and a younger brother, are good church members, and that at no time did he, the priest, ever hear any scandal or gossip involving this family. He advised that Vaitkus, to his knowledge, does not indulge in intoxicating liquors, has good moral habits and occasionally places bets on horse races; that he is very close-mouthed and can be depended upon to treat any information which might come into his possession as a result of an assignment very confidentially; that he considers this young man "head and shoulders" above all other young men within the church and its . affiliates.

Reverend Cernauskas further advanced the information that he is the spiritual director of the Knights of Lithuania Fraternity, and that as a result is in frequent contact with numerous boys and girls; that he has noticed that Vaitkus is very popular among his fellow associates, and that on several occasions Vaitkus has appeared in plays and sketches sponsored by this organization; that only recently Vaitkus appeared over a radio broadcasting station, WIND, Gary, Indiana, in a Lithuanian sketch, which to his mind, was very well produced. The priest further stated that the Eureau cannot go wrong on Vaitkus, and that he is positive the young man will perform any duties given him to the best of his ability.

While Agent was interviewing Reverend Cernauskas the Senior Pastor of the all Saints Lithuanian Catholic Church, the Reverend Paskaukas entered the office, at which time the character of Vaitkus was discussed with him. He briefly stated that he has known Vaitkus for nine or ten years, and that he comes from a very good family; that the church has always found him entirely reliable and trustworthy, and that his integrity is above reproach; that whenever the church sponsors a social activity it always delegates Vaitkus to handle the funds of these affairs. He remarked that he will stake his life on Vaitkus.

Agent asked Reverend Cernauskas to contact Anthony Vaithus and inform him that this Office desired to interview him relative to a possible temporary position as a Lithuanian interpreter. Anthony Vaitkus appeared at the Chicago Bureau Office on the evening of December 5, 1935, at which time he was interviewed by Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd and the writer. At the outset of the interview with Vaitkus Agent explained to ... him in a general way the nature of the work expected from him, and the fact that it would be necessary sometimes to remain on an assignment for a period of twenty-four hours per day. He statel that he would be willing to work on that basis. It might also be stated that Vaithus was likewise advised at this time that the instant interview should not be considered by him as an assurance for employment at this time, but that he is merely being considered for availability in the event his services will be needed in the future.

Vaithus stated that he was born in Chicago, Illinois, on June 26, 1909, and that he presently resides at 10713 Wabash avenue, Chicago, telephone - Pullman 5465; that he is single and resides at the above address with his parents and two sisters and a brother; that his father, Martin Vaithus, was born in Lithuania and has been employed with the Illinois Central Railroad as an oiler for the past twenty-five years; that he expects to be pensioned in the next year. Vaithus further advised that his older sister, Frances, is employed as clerk with the Federal Electric Company, 87th and State Streets, Chicago, Illinois, and that his younger sister, Elizabeth, is at home helping his mother with the housework; that his brother, Adolph, age sixteen, is a student of the Fenger High School, Chicago.

Vaithus further stated that he graduated from the All Saints Lithuanian School, Chicago, in 1924, and that he thereafter

attended Tilden Technical High School in Chicago for one year; that he was forced to leave school on account of his father being ill, and because he therefore had to find employment. He stated that he went to work with the American Dental Company, 5 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, in 1925, as an arrand boy; that he later worked himself into the laboratory where he did the work of an inch. assistant laboratory man until 1929, at which time he resigned for the reason that he did not enjoy this type of work; that while with the American Dental Company he worked directly under the % supervision of John Erlenborn, Foreman of the Bridge Department; ... that his salary was \$22.50 per week at the time of his severance with that company. He further stated that he worked at various odd jobs from 1929 to the latter part of 1934, working as a. grocery store clork, caddy, newsboy, and at sundry other positions; that he went to work with the Monroe Dental Laboratory, 185 North Webesh Avenue, in the early part of 1935; that his salary at this place was \$6.00 per week, but that he did not stay here very long because the company refused him an increase in salary. He further stated that while with the Monroe Dental Laboratory, Mr. Schroll, President of the American Dental Laboratory where he had previously worked, had him sign a complaint against the Monroe Dental Company for violation of the code of the NRA in that the Honroe Dental Company were paying him a salary which was under the limit provided by the provisions of the code. He stated that he signed this complaint against the Monroe Dental Laboratory Company, and as a reward the American Dental Laboratory rehired him to work in their laboratory; that at this time he remained with them for approximately three months at a salary of \$16.00 per week; that he resigned this position to accept employment with the J. E. Kennedy Company, Dental Laboratory, located at 69th and Helsted Streets, Chicago; that he worked at the letter place for only a few weeks inasmuch as he lacked the experience desired of him. He further stated that he has been steadily unemployed since June, 1935, but has made numerous contacts, and calls, in an effort to obtain another position.

Anthony Vaitkus further stated that he occasionally takes a drink of beer but does not drink to excess; that he is a member of the All Saints Church choir, and treasurer of the Roseland Knights of Lithuania Fraternity; that he partakes in various athletic activities, perticularly bowling, billiards, baseball and ping pong; that he liked to read and attend movies.

Anthony Vaithus furnished the following names of persons who will wouch for his character end integrity:

Father Victor Cernauskas, Junior Pastor, All Saints Church, residence - 108th and State Streets, Chicago;

Father George Paskaukas, Senior Pastor, All Saints Church, residence - 108th and State Streets, Chicago;

James Rakauskas, Organist in All Saints Church, residence 10850 State Street, Chicago;

Dr. A. Jacobs, Dentist, office - 10758 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago;

Peter Gravenits, owner of confectionery store at 10800 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago.

Agent contected and interviewed Dr. A. W. Jacobs, Dentist, at his office 10758 South Michigan Avenue. He stated that he has known Vaitkus for a period of approximately eight years, mainly through contacts and associates with him in connection with the various social activities sponsored by the All Saints Lithuanian Catholic Church; that Vaitkus is treasurer of the Knights of Lithuania Fraternity, of which Dr. Jacobs is also a member, and that considerable money is entrusted to Vaitkus' care as a result of holding this position. Dr. Jacobs further stated that he considers Vaitkus entirely dependable, trustworthy and that his character is above reproach; that he does not drink in excess, and that as far as he knows Vaitkus' habits are good. In this connection he stated that the intersection of 108th Street and Michie gan Avenue is more or less of a hangout for the boys of the neighborhood, but that to his recollection he never observed Vaitkus among them; that he is very active in connection with the various social activities of the church and is popular among his fellow associates. Dr. Jacobs advised that he himself is of Lithuanian extraction, and is well acquainted with the language; that he has often heard Vaitkus speak Lithuanian and take part in Lithuanian plays, and that in his opinion Vaitkus has a good command of this language.

Dr. Jacobs further stated that Vaitkus went to elementary school with his wife, and that they very often discussed him among themselves; that both he and his wife think very highly of

Veitkus, and to his knowledge he has never been arrested or involved in any kind of trouble. He further stated that he, Dr. Jacobs, and therefore never did any dental work for Vaitkus or his family, and therefore is unable to comment on his ability to pay his debts; that he knows the family very slightly and from what he has heard they are good, which honest, working people. Dr. Jacobs recommended Vaitkus very higher ly for any assignment or position, stating that he can be depended upon to keep to himself any confidential information.

At this time Dr. Jacobs introduced Agent to Dr. I. K.

Maker, a physician who maintains an office immediately across
the hall from Dr. Jacobs. With reference to Vaitkus Agent was
advised by Dr. Waker that he has known the young man for approximetely three years, having come in contact with him in connection
with the social activities of the church; that it is his opinion
that Vaitkus has a good command of the Lithuanian language, and
speaks it more fluently than probably the average Lithuanian boy
of his age; that as far as he knows Vaitkus habits are good and he
has never known him to have been involved in any trouble. He
further stated that he knows the Vaitkus family only slightly
but has never given them any medical attention. He further stated that Vaitkus is very much reserved and does not have much to
say, and he is of the opinion that he will keep any information
of a confidential nature to himself.

Agent next interviewed James Rakauskas at his home, 10850 South State Street, Chicago. He edvised that he has been employed as an organist in the All Saints Lithuarian Cetholic Church for approximately ten years, and is well acquainted with wirtually all of the members of the parish. He stated that his best friend in the parish is Anthony Vaitkus, whom he has known for nine years; that he has always found Vaitkus to be a true friend, companion and one who has always given him a hand when he needed it; that Vaitkus, as well as he, is a member of the choir of All Saints Church, and they likewise are executive officers of the Knights of Lithuania Freternity; that Vaitkus* family is of a good industrial class, and that its reputation is above reproach; that the father is employed as a laborer or mechanic with the Pullran shops, although he is not certain as to this, where he works nights; that Vaitkus' two sisters are good and intelligent girls as far as he knows, and he has never heard of them to be involved in any kind of trouble, gossip or scandal. He further stated that Vaithus occasionally indulges in a drink of beer, but not to excess; that he can be entirely trusted with

money, and in this connection stated that when the church sponsors a social function the restors always entrust Vaitkus with the funds; that Vaitkus has handled money for the church for about five years now, and he has always accounted for every cent. In Rakauskas further edvised Agent that Vaitkus from time to time worked with several dental companies but is not very adept at this type of employment, and therefore never remained with one company for a long period of time. He stated that Vaitkus habits are very good, and that he does a great deal of reading; that if any work is requested of him and he feels that he cannot do it, he will tell the person so; that he is very frank and close-mouthed; that he has always been well thought of for his integrity and truthfulness.

Mr. Rakauskes further stated that Vaitkus has a good command of the Lithuanian language, and that he has in the past taken parts in several Lithuanian plays which were sponsored by the church. He stated that to his knowledge Vaitkus is not connected with any newspaper, although he has in the past written small articles with respect to the activities of the Knights of Lithuania Club for publication in the Lithuanian weekly paper the "Draukas."

Inasmuch as the first interview with Reverend Paskaukas was very brief, he was again contacted at his home 108th and State Streets, Chicago. Agent was advised that Vaitkus is a good church member, and is very active in the Knights of Lithuania Fraternity, which is a young men's order organized for the purpose of developing goodfellowship and goodwill among the Lithuanian boys living on the south side of Chicago; that Vaitkus is treasurer of this organization, and as a result of that position large quantities of money are entrusted to his care; that he recalls no instance where Vaitkus was short any money, and that in view of this he,—Reverend Paskaukas, and Peverend Cernauskas always placed him "head and shoulders" above the others.

Reverend Paskaukas further advised that Vaitkus' family are good, hardworking Lithuanian people and excellent church members; that he never heard anything derogatory against the family as a whole, and that the senior Vaitkus bears a good reputation among the church members; that the father has worked hard all of his life and has raised a good family; that the two daughters are fine girls and have always been working; that the younger boy is presently attending high school, and during the summer months

he works as a caddy on golf courses. He further stated that young Veitkus speaks the Lithuanian language very fluently and understands it well; that the mother tongue is spoken in his home, and that while Vaitkus went through elementary school he was given extra instructions in the rhetoric of the Lithuanian language for a half-hour every day; that he has noted Vaitkus in several Lithuanian plays which were sponsored by the church, and he feels that he is therefore qualified to comment on Vaitkus ability to speak that language.

Reverend Paskaukas further advised that he does not know exactly where the senior Vaitkus is employed, but knows that he has been connected with this company for many, many years; that he recently heard that he will be pensioned within the next year. He further stated that young Vaitkus could be trusted with highly confidential information, and especially finances; that he has proven this fact to them, and he is certain that same could be prover to others; that Vaitkus is very popular among those people who know him, and that he was always active in connection with the Church's activities; that his integrity and moral character are above reproach, and he had never heard anything derogatory said against Vaitkus. The priest stated that to his knowledge Vaitkus formerly worked in the dentists' laboratory in downtown Chicago, end resigned his position for the reason that the department in which he was working was discontinued; that he was M unable to perform any other type of work within this laboratory and therefore was dismissed. He also advised that he does not believe that young Vaitkus is or has been connected with any newspaper except that he occasionally wrote short articles which the church placed in the weekly Lithuanian publication, and the second

Agent questioned Reverend Paskaukas as to whether he has knowledge of any relatives of the Vaitkus' family, and he advised that I'rs. Vaitkus' sister, whose name is I'rs. A. Janaush, resides at 10625 Lafayette Street, Chicago; that her husband, Stanley Janaush, died about four years ago, and since that time she has been living at the above address with her youngest son, who last summer was employed as a lifeguard in Lincoln Fark. He advised that I'rs. Janaush has four other children all of whom are married and live in various parts of the city; that he does not know what any of these children and their respective families do, or with whom they are connected; that I'rs. Janaush has always been a good church member and has never been involved in any trouble, scandal or gossip, and that her husband, prior to his death, was a trustee of the church. He stated that these are the only

relatives of the Vaitkus' family known to him. In conclusion
Reverend Paskaukas stated that he recommends young Vaitkus very
highly for the assignment in question, and that he is positive
that the Government will find the young man willing and a capable...

Agent again contacted the Reverend Cernauskas with reference to the scholastic record of Vaithus while he attended the All Saints elementary school the priest produced this record, and on examination of same it was disclosed that Vaitkus' correct name is Anthony Vaitkevicius, and that he was born in Chicago, Illinois, on June 26, 1909; that his father's name is Martin Veitkevicius, and that at the time Veitkus attended school there he resided at 155 East 107th Street, Chicago; that he graduated a in June, 1924. No scholastic marks were observed on this card, and in this connection Reverend Cernauskas stated that he does not believe that this record could be located as they usually are destroyed when they are more then ten years old. With respect to the difference in the name of the young man as noted above. Reverend Cernauskas advised that it is not unusual for Lithuanian people to shorten their names to make them easier to pronounce; that this shortening of a name is legal, and is very commonly done by people who have names which are difficult to pronounce,

At this time Reverend Cernauskas permitted Agent to examine his Baptismal Record Book, and it was noted therein that Vaitkus under the name of Anthony Vaitkevicius was born in Chicago, Illinois, on June 26, 1909.

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Agent endeavored to interview the neighbors living on either side of Vaitkus' residence, but observed that they were very illiterate and could not speak the English language; theresore, no mention was made to them of the instant investigation.

At 10731 Wabash Avenue, which is approximately five doors from the Vaitkus' residence, Agent interviewed Las. Stanley Zilis, who advised that her husband is employed with the city of Chicago in the Water Department. Mr. Zilis was absent from home, and therefore kas. Zilis was interviewed in connection with this matter. She stated that they have lived in the community for approxi-

mately ten years, and that she and her husband have known that Veitkus' family since that time; that Mr. Vaitkus apparently works for some mechanical shop as she sees him every morning coming home from work garbed in a mechanic's clothes carrying a lunch box; that she is personally acquainted with Mr. Vaitkus* two daughters, the oldest of whom is a member of the same bridge club to which she belongs; that the youngest of the family is and presently going to high school and works on the golf course during the summer. Mrs. Zilis further stated that she is only acquainted with young Vaitkus through contacts made with him in connection with their church activities, and that she has always found him to be a gentlemar and a boy of good personal habits; that she has never heard any gossip or scandal involving the Vaitkus' family, and that they bear an excellent reputation within the neighborhood; that Ir. and Irs. Vaitkus are old-fashioned and typically foreign people, and that they are very quiet and keep to themselves; that not one of them are "social hounds." She further stated that as far as she knows none of the Vaitkus' family were ever arrested or involved in any trouble whatever; that the senior Vsitkus is not communistic in any way, which is very typical of foreign people. Mrs. Zilis could furnish nothing concerning young Vaithus except from her observations. She said that he is industrious as she sees him very frequently working about the house.

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It might be stated that Mr. and Mrs. Zilis are of Lithuanian nativity. Agent asked Mrs. Zilis whether any persons living in her block are not of Lithuanian nativity, and she referred Agent to Mr. Swart and Mrs. Peterson, who reside at 10721 and 10723 habash Avenue respectively.

Mr. Al Swart was interviewed in his home, and he advised that he is a carpenter by trade, but has been unemployed for several years. He stated that he has known the Vaitkus family for over twelve years, and that he has always considered them as good neighbors; that they are not boisterous, destructive or rude in any way, and that both Mr. and Mrs. Vaitkus appear to be hardworking people. He further stated that he has never heard anyone mention anything against these people, and that to his knowledge they have never been the subjects of any gossip or scandal, or involved in any trouble whatever; that Mr. Vaitkus is employed with the Illinois Central Reilroad Company as a repairman, and that he recently has been working nights; that the two daughters have been living at home, and that they are likewise good, respect-

able girls. Mr. Swart further stated that the senior Vaitkus never has much to say, and that he keeps to himself most of the time; that he does not speak English very well, and on occasions when he talks with him he, Mr. Swart, has difficulty in understanding him. He also advised that he has never heard Vaitkus make any comments indicating that he has communistic ideas.

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With reference to Anthony Vaitkus Mr. Swart advised that he does not know much about him except that he has seen him around the house making repairs or working in the yard; that he has never heard anything against the boy, and as far as he knows young Vaitkus has good personal habits; that it is his understanding that Vaitkus at one time worked for a dental laboratory downtown in Chicago, but he could not furnish any information concerning the young man.

Agent called on Mrs. Peterson, who lives on the second floor at 10723 Watash Avenue, Chicago, and she advised that she has known of the Vaitkus family for many years, and that they always kept out of trouble, which is more than she can say about other families living in the neighborhood. She does not know young Vaitkus personally, but has observed him several times working in the yard in the rear of his home.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. J. White on December 6, 1935, and same was dictated by him:

Mrs. J. English, Registrar's Office, Tilden Technical High School, 4747 South Union Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised that Anthony V. Vaitkus enrolled at that school on September 2, 1924, and discontinued his studies in June, 1925. He was registered in a four-year technical course, and received an average grade of "Good" in his studies. The school records did not indicate any further information on Vaitkus with the exception of his birth date which is recorded as September 6, 1910.

Mr. W. H. Schroll, President of the American Dental Company located at 5 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, advised that Vaithus was employed by his firm in September, 1925, as an errand boy, and that he remained with that firm until May 16, 1931, at which time he was engaged in technical dental work in the Bridge Department. Vaithus' salary was increased from \$10.00 per week in 1925 to \$24.00 per week in 1931. Ir. Schroll stated that some time in April or May, 1931, Vaithus received a \$2.00 per week increase in pay, and that upon receiving notice of this increase, he, Vaitkus, immediately went to hr. Schroll and informed him that he was not satisfied with a \$2.00 " increase, and believed that he should have received at least a \$5.00 per week raise. Mr. Schroll did not grant Vaitkus' request for a \$5.00 increase, and from that time until May 16, 1931, Vaithus' attitude towards his work changed considerably, and he was always surly and apperently greatly dissatisfied. On May 16, 1931, he was discharged by Mr. Schroll because of his changed attitude towards his work. During March, 1935, Vaithus again applied to Mr. Schroll for employment, stating that he had been out of work for several months, and that he needed work very badly. He advised ir. Schroll that if he would reemploy him he would never leave his service again. On March 15, 1935, he was reamployed in their Plate Department at a salary of \$16.00 per week, and on May 24, 1935, he left that firm without giving any notice. Mr. Schroll stated that he knows little or nothing about Vaitkus. rersonal habits; however, he knew him to be a rather reticent type of individual, and believed him to be trustworthy, but he did not consider him a dependable employee due mainly to the menner in which he left their employ on both occasions. Mr. Schroll

stated that he would not on any condition reemploy Vaitkus and did not feel that he could recommend him for employment with anyone.

Mr. Schroll also stated that from February 19, 1933, to about April, 1935, he acted as NRA Code Authority at Large for the dental laboratory industry. He recalled that some time during July or August, 1934, Vaitkus came to him and advised that he had been employed by the American Dental Company and that he received less pay than the minimum required by the dental laboratory. He advised that Vaitkus filed a formal complaint with the local board, and he recalled that the president of the American Dental Company was called in for an explanation, and denied Vaitkus charges. Mr. Schroll stated that the case had been continued for several months, and that it was finally dropped shortly before the NRA's codes became ineffective.

ir. John Erlenborn, Foreman of the Bridge Department of the American Dental Company, advised Agent White that Vaitkus worked under his direct supervision from April, 1927, until May, 1931; that in April, 1927, he was promoted from an errand boy's .. position to that of an apprentice in their laboratory. He advised that Vaithus* work was entirely satisfactory, and believed him to be honest and trustworthy, and also advised that Vaithus was very quiet and impressed him as a type of person who sould be trusted with any confidential information. He also stated that it is his recollection that Vaitkus left their employ voluntarily, and that the reason he did so was due to the fact that he had been transferred from the Bridge Department to the Plate Department, and that he did not like that type of work. He stated that he knew little or nothing of Vaitkus' personal habits with the exception that he seemed to be greatly interested in towling and golf. Mr. Erlenborn stated that he would reemploy Vaitkus again, and that he would recommend him for a position with the Government.

hr. Albert Hirsch, President of the Monroe Dental Company, 55 Last Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised Agent White that Vaithus was employed by his firm for four or five days during July, 1934; that Vaithus came to their firm in answer to an advertisement which had been placed in a Chicago newspaper for a technical apprentice in dental work. He stated that he does

not have any record of Vaitkus' salary; however, he believed that it was \$14.00 or \$16.00 per week. Mr. Hirsch also stated that their usual working hours are from 8:30 in the morning until 5:30 at 100 at night. However, it was necessary that Vaitkus remain until 7 or 😘 8 o'clock in the wening, and that when Vaitkus received his first pay check he came to Mr. Hirsch and asked him if they did not pay : ?? for overtime. Vaithus stated that he had worked every night since he had been there, and he felt that he was entitled to some come pensation for his extra hours of work. He also told Mr. Hirsch that inasmuch/he lived so far away from their office he did not care to any work overtime, and that if this position required him to stay were that late every evening and not to receive any overtime, he would resign. Mr. Hirsch stated that Vaitkus left his employ, and that Vaitkus filed a complaint with the local NRA board alleging that he was not paid the basic salary required by the dental industry code. Ir. Hirsch advised that the only basis he had for this claim was the fact that he did work more than the ordinary working hours. He advised that no action was ever taken by the code authority on Vaitkus' complaint.

Miss N. Bartlett, of Hills Reports, Inc., 209 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, advised that their files do not contain any credit information on Vaitkus or his family.

Mr. H. T. Hancock, Bureau of Criminal Information & Statistics, Chicago Police Department, advised that they had no criminal or traffic records on Anthony Vaitkus, Martin Vaitkus, his father, or for his brother Adolph Vaitkus.

A summary of the foregoing investigation was transmitted to the Bureau by teletype under date of December 6, 1935, under the caption ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218, ET AL, Chicago file 7-82.

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Post Office Box 812 Illinois Chicago

AIR MAIL SPLCIAL DELIVERY December 7, 1935

Mr. Nathan

Mr. Clegg ..

Kr. Ban hman ... Chief Clerk.

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Fenns; lvania Avenue at 9th Street, IW, Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephone conversation between 17. E. A. Tamm of the Bureau and myself on December 5, 1935 in which Mr. Tamm suggested that this office immediately arrange to secure a *confidential informent who can fluently speak and understand the Lithuanian language for temporary assignment in connection with the telephone surveillance now in existence on the Karpavicz family in Chicago, Illinois.

In connection with the above Special Agent John L. Madala contacted Mr. Walter Duginnis, who is of Lithuanian nativity and with whom this Agent attended high school in Chicago, Illinois, for assistance in locating a reliable and dependable person for the contemplated assignment. It might be stated that Ir. Buginnis is very prominent and active among the various Lithuanian orders and movements on the south side of Chicago. Ir. Buginnis advised Agent Madale that he did not know of anyone personally who, in his opinion, would ably serve the Bureau for the essignment sought, and referred the Agent to the Junior Pastor of the All Seints Lithuanian Catholic Church located at 108th and State Streks, Chicago, Illinois. He stated that this Pastor is the spiritual adviser of the Knights of Lithuania Fraternity which is a young mens organization with membership limited only to persons of Lithuanian nativity and that the Junior Pastor is in a better position than he to refer Agent to a reliable person.

Agent Medela called upon the Junior Pastor at the All Saints Church, the Reverend Victor Pernauskes, and explained to him the type of individual desired by the Bureau and the nature of the contemplated work. He immediately suggested Anthony Taitkus, stating that this box is very reliable and can be depended upon to keep any information which he might secure as a result of his assignment in strict confidence and A also that he comes from a very substantial family | -RECORDED & INDEXED

At this time Agent Ladela Elso discussed this matter with the Senior Fastor, Reverend George Paskaukas, and he likewise highly recommended the Veitkus boy.

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The Bureau was advised of the recommendations of Anthony Vaitkus, as stated above, on December 5, 1935, with the request that he be employed as a Lithuanian interpretor for one month at the rate of \$5.00 per day. The Eureau granted the above request on the same date by teletype message, instructing that an investigation be immediately instituted relative to the background and character of this individual.

The results of the above requested investigation are covered in the attached report of Special Agent John L. Madala, dated at Chicago, Illinois on December 7, 1935. It will be noted that Vaitkus speaks and understands the Lithuanian language very fluently, is of good character and reputation and is recommended very highly by the various persons interviewed for the assignment of an interpretor.

The Bureau was advised on December 6, 1935 that unless this office received instructions to the contrary, Anthony Vaitkus would be established at the Karpavicz plant immediately.

Please be advised that in the absence of any contrary Bureau instructions, Anthony Vaitkus was placed, this morning, on the plant in question, which is presently being maintained by Special Agents V. E. Criss, J. M. Jones, R. P. Shanahan and R. A. Guerin.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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	Mrs.Bessie Skinner with aliases was taken into custody by Bureau Agents on the evening of April 5, 1934 at St.Paul, Minnesota. She was indicted on April 28, 1934 by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota on a charge of conspiracy to harbor John Dillinger, a fultive from justice Indicted at the same time as co-conspirators were Evelyn Frechette, Doctor Clayton Ellay, Mrs.Augusta/Salt, Homer Van Meter, John Hamilton and Pat/Riley. On May 5, 1934 Mrs. Skinner entered ples of guilty and on May 23, 1934 she was sentenced to serve a period of fifteen months						
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in the Industrial Institution for Women at Alderson, West Virginia. Mrs. Skinner is presently on parole from that institution.

After the apprehension of this woman on April 5, 1934 she was interviewed on numerous occasions by Inspector H. H. Clegg, and Mrs. Skinner from time to time furnished Mr. Clegg with information concerning the activities of the Dillinger mob, and also of the Karpis-Barker gang.

Mrs. Skinner stated that she was born in Linton, North Dakota and that her maiden name was Bessie Hines. She stated she married a man named Skinner on June 13, 1914 at Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada, and that she is the mother of one child Leonard Skinner, who is now 19 years of age. She stated that she is divorced from her husband and has not been in contact with him for a number of years. During the course of time since her divorce she has lived with the following individuals:

Bob Walsh; Ray Moore; T. J. Randall alias Eddie Green, without having been married to any of them. She at one time was a waitress and later hostess at a notorious night club called the Hollywood in St.Paul, owned and operated by one Danny Hogan who was later slain in gangland fashion in St.Paul, Minnesota. Krs.Skilmer further advised that she once operated a place herself in St.Paul, known as the Alamo, and she there entertained on various occasions a number of notorious hoodlums such as Vern Miller, Frank Hash and other members of the Karpis-Barker gange

BARKER-KARPIS GANG

Then interviewed by Inspector Clegg in connection with the Bremer kidnaping, Bessie Skinner stated that on Christmas day 1933, Fred Barker was at "outs" with Doc Barker, and Fred and his mother Kate Barker departed from the Twin Cities and went to Chicago and remained in Chicago through Christmas, while Doc remained in the Twin Cities. On Christmas day the mob had dinner with Harry Sawyer at Sawyer's farm. Included among those present were Doc Barker, Bill Weaver, Myrtle Eaton, Paula Harmon, Volney Davis and his girl Grace. She described Grace as a platinum blonde who was short and husky, and who had been Davis' sweetheart for a long time. Mrs. Skinner later admitted that this woman's true name was Edna Murray who had a son sixteen or seventeen years old, whose first name was Preston. Mrs. Skinner stated that Eddie Green told her that Volney Davis and Grace occupied an apartment at the corner of Lexington and Osceola St. in St. Paul for some time.

Concerning the actual kidnaping of Mr. Bremer, Bessie Skinner advised Inspector Clegg that from the rumors she had heard, she would not be surprised if Harry Sawyer had planned this matter, but that however, Fred Barker and Ray Karpis were the "brains" in making the actual snatch. She stated she is also of the opinion that Doc Barker, Volney Davis and Harry Campbell, as well as Bill Weaver, were in on the actual kidnaping, and holding of Mr. Bremer. Mrs. Skinner furnished this information to Mr. Clegg during the various interviews had with her from the period April 5 to 12, 1934. Mrs. Skinner claimed that Bill Weaver was from the south, perhaps Arkansas or the Ozark mountains region; that he was slow and easy going; that his girl friend was Myrtle Raton, who for a number of years occupied an apartment at 565 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. She stated that Myrtle disliked Weaver very much, but that Weaver would on occasions kidnap her and force her to accompany him on trips at the point of a gun. She stated that he had even held her up in her bathroom, at the point of a gun, and had wrapped her in clothing and carried her away, and that she believed that Myrtle Eaton would welcome Bill Weaver's apprehension because she was in desperate fear of hime

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During an interview with Bessie Skinner on April 12, 1934 she advised Mr. Clegg that Volney Davis and Bill Weaver had stopped at the apartment occupied by herself and Eddie Green en one night, and that she was better acquainted with them than she had previously admitted. Mrs. Skinner advised that Harry Campbell has never been seen by her although she did know Harry's girl who is a Cherokee Indian, about 18 or 19 years of age, and that her name is Wynona or Naomi, Mrs. Skinner not being certain of this name. Mrs. Skinner also furnished the name of Paula Harmon as being the girl friend of Fred Barker. She claimed that she had never seen the girl friend of Doc Barker, although she understood that Doc's girl was a daughter of a banker in Reno, Nev. and that this girl is a widow. She furnished the further information that the girl of Ray Karpis was named Dolores and that she resided in Chicago. Mrs. Skinner stated that she saw this woman in Chicago in the Spring of 1932, and was informed that Karpis kept the girl in Chicago at all times where she maintained an apartment. Further concerning the Barker-Karpis gang and the Bremer kidnaping, Mrs. Skinner stated that she was in Topeka, Kansas when she read in the papers that Bramer had been kidnaped, and that the place where she was residing was an apartment building consisting of three wings, which building is owned by Senator Capper, and that the three wings were known as the Capper, the Curtis and the Senate Apartments. She stated that she resided in the

wing known as the Senate wing, for a period of about two weeks with Eddie Green. She stated that from the information that Eddie Green had picked 🔫 🕏 up in conversation with the Barker-Karpis gang, and later relayed to her, it was Green's opinion that the Barker-Karpis gang had been in Reno, Nev. prior to the latter part of Movember, 1932, and that one of the Barker boys was supposed to have lost quite a bit of money at the Bank Club in Reno; that the gang drove from Reno to the Twin Cities by automobile, and while on route to the Twin Cities through the mountains Volney Davis' car turned over three times and his girl friend Edna Murray was injured; that when Edna arrived in St. Paul her eyes were black and she had an injured hip. Bessie Skinner fixed the time of this return as the latter part of November, 1932. She stated that the girl members of the mob had told her from time to time that they spent most of their daylight hours at the Bank Club in Reno, and Bessie described these women as individuals who drank heavily and liked the wild excitement of night life. According to further information Bessie obtained from Eddie Green, the \$200,000 that was paid as ransom for the return of Bremer would not be available for the gang for a period of 90 days from the time they received it, as the money according to her understanding was "hot", and they had to turn it over to someone to exchange it for "clean" money. It was her understanding that Eddie Green had learned that Jack Pfeiffer and Harry Sawyer received this money from the gang and were going to negotiate the exchange of the money for a cut in the total smount; and she was of the opinion that the Gleckmans would handle the transaction for them, but that the exchange would probably not take place in St. Paul or Minneapolis as the towns were too small and the amount of money would cause comment. She stated that it was her opinion that Chicago would be a much better "bet" than the Twin Cities, but that she actually believed that the exchange would be made in New York. Bessie Skinner claimed to have nothing to base this on except various comments made by Eddie Green. She advised that it was her opinion that if the trail of these individuals were picked up, and it was found that they were pretty well in hiding and leading a quiet life, this would indicate that they were still "broke" because if they had money they spent it freely in gambling and night life.

With further reference to the Barker-Karpis crowd Bessie Skinner stated that some time during the years 1932 and 1933 this crowd was living in a house which they had rented at Grays Lake, Illinois and that the crowd had at various times been associated with Doc Stacey at Chicago and Joe Bergyl of Cicero, Illinois. With regard to Reno, Nevada she stated that it was her understanding that the outfit was closely associated with the

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political boss there who arranged for their accommodations upon their arrival at Reno. Bessie Skinner stated that the mob had connections in Kansas City; that she recalled them referring to Tony's place at 12th and Main Streets in Kansas City, and that the Barkers were very close friends of Johnnie Lazia. She also advised that Tony's place was a contact place in Kansas City, serving a purpose similar to that of Louis' Place north of Chicago. She stated that the gang had a close connection with someone in Leavenworth, Kansas who is known as the "fixer" there, but she was unable to give further details as to this individual's identity. She stated that Herbert and Esther Farmer of Joplin who figured in the Kansas City messacre were not only well known to the Barkers, but a couple of . years ago visited the Alamo, operated by Mrs. Skinner at that time, at which time they were accompanied by Harry Sawyer. Bessie Skinner furnished the further information that Big Homer, later identified as Homer Wilson, and Dutch, later identified as C. D. Harris, DesMoines Iowa Police number 9024, were members of the Barker-Karpis gang and were probably affiliated with them at the time of the kidnaping. She stated that she knew Dutch and Big Homer well and had been out on parties with them, but that she did not know Big Homer's correct name. She stated that Big Homer hung around Cicero, Illinois and was also a friend of Jack Pfeiffer of the Twin Cities. According to Bessie Skinner, a woman by the name of Frances was last known to be the woman associate of Dutch.

CHICAGO ADDRESSES AND CONTACTS OF BARKER-KARPIS GAMC

On May 26 and 27, 1934 Mrs. Skinner accompanied by Inspector H. H. Clegg, Special Agent Newby and Special Agent McIntire, drove about the city of Chicago, and pointed out to the Agents various addresses known to her to be in some way connected with the gang. Mrs. Skinner pointed out an apartment house at 217-222 Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, Illinois as the place where she and Eddie Green lived in an apartment on the second floor front in the Spring of 1933. In this same building Fred Barker, Doc Barker and Kate Barker lived during the Winter of 1932, and she knew that they were there in December, 1932. At that particular time one of the stores in front of the building was occupied by a tailor, on the 217 Kedzie Avenue side of the building, and the tailor rented these apartments. She stated that the tailor was known as a "right guy" and she advised that Doc Stasey of Chicago directed Eddie Green and herself to this building, and she believed he had directed others to the same addresse.

Mrs. Skinner subsequently pointed out the establishment of the Bates Motor Company, dealers in Hudson and Essex automobiles, at 4600 Washington Boulevard, Chicago. It was at this place according to Mrs. Skinner that she and Eddie Green bought their Terraplane automobile and she understood that a good many of the gangsters, including Dillinger and the Karpis mob, got their cars from this establishment, as well as from Joe Bergyl, a dealer in Cicero, Illinois. Mrs. Skinner stated that on one occasion when she drove into the garage Mr. Bates came up to her and although she had never seen him before he recognized the car and gave her the certificate of title to it. She also pointed out to the Agents the Home Apartment Hotel, 112-114 Oak Street, Oak Park, Illinois as the address where Doc Barker and Kate Barker had lived under the glias of Davis. She further stated that a woman known to her as Helen Ferguson also had lived in an apartment in this building, directly behind the Barkers, and that Helen lived with a girl nemed Nine from St. Louis. Helen Ferguson according to Mrs. Skinner had been the girl friend of an individual named Earl, who with Eddie Green, Frank Mash, Vern Miller, Fred Barker, Doc Barker and Alvin Karpis robbed the bank at Fairbury, Nebraska at which time Earl was shot; that the mob brought him to Kansas City and kept him in a bungalow which Miller had used on many occasions and which had been described by her and identified by her as the bungalow which Bureau Agents at Kansas City had located as one of the hideouts of the Kansas City massacre mob. She stated that Eddie Green remained in Kansas City helping to care for Earl; that later Earl's condition grew more serious and they moved him to some place in the country, the location of which is not known to her, where Earl died, and was buried by members of the mob in an unidentified grave.

Bessie pointed out an apartment building at 219 North 2nd Ave.

Maywood, Illinois, the second floor rear apartment, as the place where

Volney Davis and his girl friend Grace, later identified as Edna Murray,

lived in June, 1933. She stated that Ray Karpis had lived at this same

address before Volney Davis occupied it. She stated that after the Kansas

City massacre she recalled that Miller came to this apartment and stopped

off there while Vi Miller proceeded to the Twin Cities to make arrangements

about their daughter. It was from this apartment that Volney Davis depart
ed for the Kentucky Derby in 1935.

She also pointed out a residence at 607 South 7th St. Maywood, Illinois as that of Doc Stacey. She also stated that there was an out of town eating place north of Chicago where Ray Karpis and Dolores Delaney

frequently took their meals, and that she end Eddie Green had dinner with them there on one occasion. This place she pointed out on a rural highway at 7825 North Avenue, and stated it is known as Buckley's Esting Place.

She also pointed out a two story building on the corner south and west of the Edward Hines , Jr. Veterans Hospital near the flying field. This place she stated has old-fashioned booths and she stated that a man known as Buck, who usually worked behind the bar, operated this place. The sign on the outside of this place indicates that it is the Riverside Inn. It was at this place Mrs. Skinner stated that Dutch alias C. D. Harris alias Clyde Nimerick alias James A. Woodruff, and also Homer Wilson alias Big Homer alias the Big Boy frequently hung out. She advised that members of both the Karpis gang and the Dillinger mob had patronized the Chicago and Twin Cities stores of Maurice L. Rothehild.

In connection with the renting of various apartments by the Barker-Karpis gang Mrs. Skinner advised that they usually stopped at apartment: houses were the manager or owner was considered friendly to the gangsters and their interests.

HARRY SAWYER

Bessie Skinner advised that Harry Sawyer's real name is Sandlowich and that he formerly resided in Lincoln, Nebraska; that Sawyer has one brother who is a butcher and another brother in the automobile sales business. One brother's name is Sam while another brother is named Ray, and the latter's wife's first name is Margaret, although she did not know which of these individuals is in the butcher business and which is in the automobile business. She stated that Sawyer's mother likewise lives in Lincoln, as well as a sister named Bessie. She stated that Sawyer's father died in Lincoln seven or eight years ago; that Harry Sawyer as well as his wife Gladys are very heavy drinkers; that Mrs. Sawyer has a sister who studied at a business college six or seven years ago, and included in her studies was shorthand, typewriting and bookkeeping, and that this sister is supposed to reside somewhere in California. Mrs. Skinner stated that Harry Sawyer at one time operated an automobile repair place and garage in St. Paul with a young man who was practically forced out of business; that working in this garage was a mechanic whose first name was Eddie; that after the dissolution of the partnership between Sawyer and the young man, Fred

Barker purchased a garage in St.Paul and this Eddie was at the time of this interview with Bessie Skinner operating the garage for Fred Barker. Mrs. Skinner pointed out a garage located at 93 K. Annapolis Street, St.Paul, Minnesota as being the garage in question. Special Agents T. J. Dowd and G. F. Hurley ascertained that this garage is the business of the Westlund Auto Paint Company and the Traefald and Antl Auto Repairs. Mrs. Skinner was of the opinion that it was in this garage that the numbers of the automobile license plates were changed, and that the usual method was to change maughts on the license plates to the figure 8. Mrs. Skinner further advised that after the robbery of the Fairbury Bank, Fairbury, Nebraska the money was returned to St.Paul and turned over to Harry Sawyer who disposed of it through Sam Terrin, the latter individual accomplishing the exchange in Chicago, Illinois.

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At the time of these various interviews with Bessie Skinner the Bureau was making an effort to locate Harry Sawyer. In this connection she stated that Sawyer knows of a place in Wisconsin which is something in the nature of a hospital; that when "heat" is on Sawyer he usually gets sick and goes to this hospital or sanitarium, just outside of Hudson or Taylor Falls, Wisconsin. She stated that she believed however, it is near Hudson. Bessie Skinner stated that this place has the appearance of a private residence and is privately owned. It is used quite a bit formental cases, and Sawyer used it as a place to "cool off" and likewise as a place to sober up, and from the kidding which she had heard the "boys" of give Sawyer she believed that some of the windows of this building had iron bars for the purpose of keeping secure the insane patients who might go there.

HAMM KIDNAPING

Mrs. Skinner advised that the persons responsible for the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm were Vern Miller, Frank Nash, Fred Barker, Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis. She stated that Davis was cut out of this job because the snatch was pulled off while he was out of town; that Tonmy Gannon was invited to participate in this kidnaping but got drunk and was unable to go ahead with it. She stated that the ransom money was split twelve ways W. W. Dunn employed in the Hamm brewery getting one share, being the first person who received word from the kidnapers. She stated that this information was given to Eddie Green by Volney Davis who felt badly about being cut out from participating in this kidnaping. She stated that the fact that Volney Davis and Bill Weaver were not in on the kidnaping was confirmed in part by the fact that Davis and Weaver were living on borrowed money before the kidnaping of Bremer.

TOM BROWN

Review of the file at the Chicago office indicates that the only information Mrs. Skinner furnished concerning Tom Brown of the St. Paul Police Department is to the effect that Brown was planning to run for Sheriff of Ramsey County, and that Eddie Green, John Hamilton, John Dillinger, Homer Van Meter, Baby Face Nelson and Tommie Carroll each contributed equal parts to make up a total of \$1500.00 which was delivered personally in cash to Tom Filben of — St.Paul, Minnesota for the purpose of defraying expenses of Brown's campaigne

JOHN DILLINGER MOE

During the initial interviews with Mrs. Skinner had by Inspector Clegg, she furnished information to the effect that on the evening of Saturday March 51, 1934, there called at the home of Eddie Green's mother in St. Paul, an individual whom she described as small, with reddish hair, who inquired for Eddie Green. She claimed this individual was unknown to her. She stated he was advised by Eddie Green's mother that Eddie was not at home, whereupon he requested that just as soon as Eddie returned he should be informed that he was wanted at the boathouse just as quickly as he could get there. Eddie Green did not arrive home in the meantime, and about one half hour later a big fellow who looked like a prize fighter, wearing a dark heavy sweater with turtle neck, called at Mrs. Green's residence and inquired for Eddie. He left a similar message to the effect that Eddie should immediately proceed to the boathouse. Mrs. Skinner advised Mr. Clegg that she did not know, but would assume that there was a likelihood that if Eddie were a friend of or associated with John Dillinger, John Dillinger was at that time in the boathouse, or else a contact was there who would have put Eddie in touch with Dillinger. (The boathouse is believed to be identical with the one referred to by Tom Filben of the Federal Acceptance Corporation, St. Paul, as being the first boathouse to the right of Wabasha Street bridge, St. Paul). Bessie advised during this interview with Mr. Clegg that if she were endeavoring to locate John Dillinger she would get in touch with a man and woman named Goldie and Ida, Ida being Goldie's wife, as they both worked for Harry Sawyer in the Twin Cities and if Harry Sawyer had anything to do with arranging a hideout for Dillinger he would probably turn to Goldie and Ida to effect such an 🔫 arrangement. She stated further that Ida's mother is supposed to either own or manage an apartment building in Minneapolis, and it would be her guess that Dillinger might be located in such apartment house. [Ida's mother was later determined to be a Mrs.Bishop who was suffering from cancer].

Bessie expressed the opinion that following the shooting episode on March 31, 1934 Dillinger would remain in the Twin Cities; that information of value concerning the location of hoodlums in the Twin Cities could usually be obtained by making contact at Vick's, which was a well known establishment in the Twin Cities. She further suggested that if it was desired to obtain information as to the possible whereabouts of Dillinger or his hoodlum friends, she would locate a boy named Pat, and ? she confirmed the information that Pat referred to was none other than . Pat Riley, who she stated is commonly known as Harry Sawyer's man "Friday"; that Sawyer undoubtedly confides a great deal in Pat who eventually becomes involved in practically all of Sawyer's transactions. Bessie described the following as members of John Dillinger's Twin City mob: John Dillinger, Tommy Carroll, an individual named Van, whom she later identified as Homer Van Meter; an individual named Jimmie whom ahe later identified as Baby Face Helson, and also another individual named Bill whom she subsequently identified as William Weaver, although she later stated that Weaver was not a member of the Dillinger mob but was a member of the Barker-Karpis gang. She stated that she met Baby Face Nelson about one year prior to this interview, through Alvin Karpise

Mrs. Skinner stated that Homer Van Meter had called at the apartment occupied by her and Eddie Green at 5300Fremont Avenue in Minneapolis on Saturday night March 51, 1934, the day on which the shooting occurred on Lexington Avenue. She stated that Van Meter advised her of the shooting on Lexington Avenue and stated that Dillinger had his girl friend Billie with him, and Mrs. Skinner identified a photograph of Evelyn Frechette as being identical with Billie. She stated that Van Meter told her that Dillinger had been shot in the leg but that the wound was not serious. She stated that Homer Van Meter had been living in the Marshall Avenue Apartments in St. Paul where the negro woman Lucy Jackson had called to obtain whatever could be found in the apartment, in accordance with instructions from Eddie Green. Concerning the machine gun and ammunition found in the apartment occupied by Eddie Green and Bessie Skinner at 5300° Fremont Avenue, Mrs. Skinner stated that she positively did not know that any of this ammunition was in the apartment; that if it had been found there she would guess that Van Meter had brought this equipment to the

apartment on the previous evening, although she claimed to have been out of the apartment a portion of the time while Yan Meter was there, which is According to information Mrs. Skinner received from Van Meter on the day of the shooting on Lexington Avenue, Mrs. Skinner stated about ten or fifteen minutes before the shooting an individual by the name of Red. identified by photographs as John Hamilton, together with two girls known 🔻 to Bessie Skinner as Pat and Opal, and identified subsequently by her as Patricia Cherrington and Opal Long, had departed from the Dillinger apartement and had gotten into an automobile and driven away, expecting to be gone for but a short time. She also advised that John Hamilton and these two girls subsequently returned to within one block of the apartment; that they saw there was some excitement about the building, and did not some back into the building but left; that Hamilton and the girls them drove to St.Paul, Minnesota to Pat Hiley's home, but he was not there; that they then drove to McCormick's restaurant and from theresomeone took them away in a Ford sedan. She claims that she had heard that Harry Sawyer was in the restaurant at the time, and that he had furnished the car, ar had instructed someone to prosure a car for this get-away; that Hamilton and the two girls then drove to someone's place in the country, which Harry Sawyer knew about, and she stated she believed this place was Harry Sawyer's farm. She advised that she had heard that prior to a raid which she understood was conducted at Sawyer's farm subsequent to the shooting. an individual named McMullen with the St. Paul Police Department had tipped off Harry Sawyer that the raid was about to be conducted, and he escaped the trap, and word was sent out to John Hamilton and the two girls in sufficient time for them to make a get-away. This farm is located near a lake but is fairly mear town. Mrs. Skinner stated that Van Meter furnished this information to her when he called at her apartment Saturday night after the shooting had occurred. Mrs. Skinner slaimed that when she entered her home after returning from the store she found Van Meter's car parked near the entrance to an alley close to the apartment building in which she was living; that Van Meter then came to her spartment and she and Van Meter had an argument because of the fact that Van Meter was "hot" and his car was parked near the apartment building and would bring the officers in on and the Greense She stated that she expressed herself very vigorously to Van Mater and he took exception to this, and she finally left Green and Van process Meter and locked herself in her bedroom and told Van Meter that he was where never to return to their house. Mrs. Skinner stated that Billie Frechette told her immediately after the shooting, when Billie came to her home, that : John Hamilton, Opal Long and Pat Cherrington had left the Lexington Avenue

apartment about ten minutes before a knock was heard at the door. Hamily ton and the two girls were expected back in a few minutes and Billie and John Dillinger had not yet gotten out of bed, and Billie answered the doer when the knock came, expecting it to be Hamilton, but shen she asked whe was there she was informed that it was a peace officer. Mrs. Skinner stated that Billie advised her that she told this officer that she was not dressed; that she alammed the door quickly and attached the chain latche She then dressed hurriedly and John Dillinger began dressing hurriedly and they began picking up as much as they could take with them. They were 🛴 according to Billie "stalling for time" expecting the return of Hamilton most any minute; that Billie told her they come directly to her home at 5500 Fremont Avenue. Mrs. Skinner stated that Eddie Green left her apartment with Billie Frechette, and she understood that Green went with Billie and John Dillinger and made a contact with Doctor Clayton E. May, and / Doctor May caused Dillinger to be placed in a flat in the building at 1855 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minneaota; that Doctor May is supposed to have treated Dillinger at this place on Saturday March 51, 1934; that later that night it was desired that Dillinger receive additional medical treatment and there had been some difficulty involved in handling Doctor May's aute as the space left in the garage to the rear of the house was not sufficient to entirely conceal this automobile. Therefore Bessie stated she proceeded to Doctor May's office in the Masonic Temple Building, seventh floor, in Minneapolis, and accompanied Doctor May in the latter's Chevrolet automobile to 1835 Park Avenue. It was found that there was another garage available in the rear of the house and Doctor May's automobile was placed in this garage. She went into the flat with Doctor May and there found that John : Dillinger was on a small bed in a small room in the rear of the flat. He did not have his leg in any kind of a harness but was lying flat on the bed, and in the same apartment were Doctor May, Billie Frechette and Eddie Green. She stated that it was obvious that all of those present knew that John Dillinger was there, and that in addition to those she mentioned there was a woman who she understood was in charge of the flat, although she did not know the woman's name.

She stated that she believed John Dillinger remained in this flat from the time of the first treatment after the shooting on March Slat, at 95-95 Lexington Avenue, until the afternoon when Eddie Green was shot, which was Tuesday April 5, 1954; that she felt sure that Dillinger left town Tuesday afternoon April 5, 1954, or that night, because from discussions with Eddie Green she understood that Dillinger, Hamilton and perhaps other members of the mob except Eddie Green were planning to leave St.Paul that night Bessie Skinner elaimed not to know just when Dillinger first came to the Twin Cities. Her first knowledge of him being in the Twin Cities was when Dillinger and Billie Frechette were occupying an apartment on the corner of 55rd and Gerard Streets in Minneapolis. On many eccasions she stated she had driven Eddie Green to the front of the building in which Billie and Dillinger were living, although she denied that she knew all along that they lived there. She stated that she and Eddie had talked the matter over and that Eddie was of the opinion that Dillinger was bringing too much "heat" to the vicinity.

Mrs. Skinner stated that Eddie Green had told her that on a trip to Chicago, Illinois Dillinger and Van Meter and Nelson had stopped at a place 45 miles morth of Chicago called Louis' place. While there they had drinks and steek dinners and also two pints of liquor, for which Louis charged them \$20.00 each. She stated that Louis was a Bohemian and that the place he sperates was an ideal contact place or hideout. She stated that a few years ago anyone desiring to contact may of the mob in Chicago would contact Louis' place, where all of them would call from time to time. She stated that Green had not known Van Meter very long and to her knowledge had met him since January 1, 1934, Harry Sawyer having put Van Meter in touch with Green.

Further concerning this mob she stated that she felt quite sertain that those involved in the Mason City, Iowa and Sioux Falls, South Dakota bank robberies were John Dillinger, John Hamilton, Eddie Green. Townie Carroll, Homer Van Meter and Baby Face Helson. Mrs. Skinner stated that between the time of Dillinger's escape from Crown Point, and prior te the shoeting on March Slat at St. Paul, Minnesota, Dillinger had been hurt, and Van Meter had come to her apartment and instructed Eddie Green to get in touch with Pat Riley to get a doctor; that Riley had obtained the services of Doctor Mortenson, who treated Dillinger for a "shot".

After incarceration of Bessie Skinner in the Woman's Industrial Institution at Alderson, West Virginia, she was interviewed by Special Agent Lee F. Malone and advised Agent Malone that Pat Riley well knew who he was taking to Doctor Mortenson when he took Dillinger, Hamilton and Green there. She stated that Riley had known Eddie Green for years, and on this particular occasion one of the gang had been sent down to the boathouse to get Riley to run them to doctors. She stated that Riley knew Green well enough to know the phone number of the mother of Green, and to come out and do errands for Eddie and also to leave messages at mother Green's house. She stated also

that Riley knew the gang well enough so that after the trouble on Lexington Avenue on March \$1,1954 Hamilton and the girls drove to Riley's place and there changed cars, and Riley found another place for them to stay. She stated that this same information was known to Tommie Gennon and Evelyn Frechette.

Mrs. Skinner further advised that she had been talking to Jean Crompton after her incarceration in the institution at Alderson, and that Jean had told her that two days before Carroll was killed, she had seen John Dillinger in Chicago, and that he was alive and well, and had had an operation performed on his face which changed it somewhat.

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Post Office Box 4909, Jacks: Wille, Florida. Special Agent is Charge. Oklahoma City, Okla-CONFISC. IED FORD SENTE. Motor Number 18-1190708. Dear Sirt-The above described automobile was purchased by Harry Cambell, under the mame of G. F. Summers et Calmerville, Florida, and Florida certificate of title number 952564 was issued in the and of G. J. Summers for this care During investigation of the Pomer case at Gainesville, Plorids, it was ascerts and that synons underte delivered title to this Ford Sedam to Duty Codomo, from whose possession it was recovered title to Gregory I. Codomo, from whose possession 15 was recovered in Kismi, Florida, by Bursau Acents during January, 1935.

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WES registered in the mess of the Eurona by the Motor Vehicle Commissioner at Tallshessee, Florids. Efforts to dispose of this car have not been successful thes for. The Federal Court has refused to assume jurisdiction of this ear-Gregory I. Dodono, the last owner, has refused to accept some, and the Department has advised that a transfer of this ear to another deverment The Bureau in its letter of December 5, 1935, instructed that Agency cannot be effected. Duke Rendall, who formerly owned the ear, be contacted to determine if be will accept it. Further instructing that is the event Bandell refused to take possession of it, the relatives of Harry Campbell should be contacted for the nursues of Seterminian if they will assent it. to take possession of the relatives of marry-oneposit it. Duke Mandall, whose true mome is Heary Sterm, is presently residing in Michig. Florids. In reply to a commission from the Taskenny 112 Office. he latter dated December 2 1938 Bank 1 Delaws Jacksonville Office, by letter dated December 6, 1955, Bart & Riler, Attorney at Kirmi, Florida, representing Bradell, advised that Readall does not come all right title and almin to the core of the externer time and time and the externer time and that he waives all right, title and claim to it ARTMENT OF JUSTICE DEC 101935 FILE COPIES DESTROYED 848 MAR 25 1965

TO BAC OKLAHOM CITY, 12-7-35.

Since a number of Campbell's closest relatives reside in Tulse, Oklahoma, it is suggested that pursuant to the Bureau's instructions they be contacted to ascertain if they will accept the ear.

It is presently stored in our contract garage here, is in excellent mechanical condition, and all tires are in first class shape.

Please advise the result of your inquiry as soon as possible.

Yery truly yours,

R. A. ALT, Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Inbestigation H. S. Department of Justice Washington, P. C. December 4, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent Muzzey, who is the only Agent in the Bureau speaking Lithuanian, has been covering the telephone tap upon the residence—of the parents of Alvin Karpis. A majority of the conversations heard upon this tap is in Lithuanian. I feel that the maintenance of this tap is very desirable at this time, and of course, the tap necessarily must be maintained by someone with a speaking knowledge of Lithuanian. If you approve this procedure, I will cell Mr. Ladd and instruct him to make immediate arrangements for the purpose of securing the services of a thoroughly reliable man with a speaking knowledge of Lithuanian to be employed for the duration of this tap. If this is done, the tap will be arranged in such a manner that two head sets will be available in order that we will have a check by an Agent upon all conversations going over the telephone.

I have talked with Mr. Connelley this morning about this matter, and he agrees that this procedure is probably the Bureau's best approach to the situation at this time. In addition, Mr. Connelley suggests that if the person employed indicates an aptitude for our work, we might endeavor, when the opportunity presents itself and after the termination of the telephone tap, to have him take up a residence in the apartment house where Karpis' father is employed as a janitor, and, without disclosing to the senior Karpavicz that the informant speaks Lithuanian, attempt to work himself into the confidence of the family.

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IL S. Department of Justice

629 First National Bank Building, Omaha, Nebraska Dec. 6, 1935

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

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

Dear Sir:-

I have at hand a copy of the Bureau's letter to the Kansas City Office, dated December 3, 1935, in which it seeks a determination concerning the purchase of the underwear, shirt and socks given to Victim to wear in place of his own clothes, immediately preceding his departure from the hideout at Bensonville, Illinois.

I note that the Bureau offices having jurisdiction over the territories in which Edna Murray, Jess Doyle, Volney Davis and Wynona Burdette are now located, are requested to immediately arrange interviews with these persons in the hope of determining where the purchases were made.

I respectfully invite your attention to my letter of December 3rd, which had to do with an interview with Jess Doyle, for the purpose of learning the identity and location of a certain Mexican doctor. In that letter, I suggested that Agent D. P. Sullivan, of the Chicago Office, make that inquiry when he interviews Jess Doyle at the Nebraska State Penitentiary and I suggest, at this time, that Agent Sullivan also make inquiry of Jess Doyle at that time, as it relates to any information Doyle might have concerning the source of the purchase of wearing apparel mentioned in your letter of December 3rd to the Kansas City Office.

Will the Bureau be kind enough to advise me if it agrees that the interview with Jess Doyle should be conducted by Agent Sullivan; if not, I will arrange to have both interviews expedited?

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JOHN A. DOWD. Special Agent in Charge U.S. DEPARTE

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December 12, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge, #. Onaha, Sobraska,

No: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, POGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al; EDRARD GEORGE BRIBLIR - VICTIM; KIDRAPING,

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Referring to your letter of Becember 6, 1935, with regard to the interview of Jess Doyle at the Rebresks State Penitentiary, Lincoln, Bebresks, please be informed that Special Agent D. P. Sullivan will proceed to Onaha, Rebresks, in the very near future for the purpose of conducting a complete interview with Jess Doyle.

For this reason, it will not be necessary for you to assign an Agent of your office to conduct such interview.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Attention - E. H. Makhaldt

Dear Sire

This will acknowledge receipt of the following letters you have forwarded this office relative to the mail of Kimer Farmer, your #17103 -

Letter from Rolen Conliff to Farmer, dated 11-13-35.
Letter from Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated 11-16-35.
Letter from Blanche Brabant to Farmer, dated 11-15-35.
Letter from Farmer to Blanche Brabant, dated 11-19-35.
Letter from Helen Conliff to Farmer, dated 11-18-35.
Letter from Blanche Brabant to Farmer, dated 11-22-35.
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Letter from Farmer to Blancho Brabant, dated 11-21-35.

Letter from Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated 11-21-35.
Letter from Helen Conliff to Farmer, dated 11-20-35.

Letter from Blanche Brabent to Farmer, dated 11-29-35. Letter from Helen Conliss to Farmer, dated 11-30-35.

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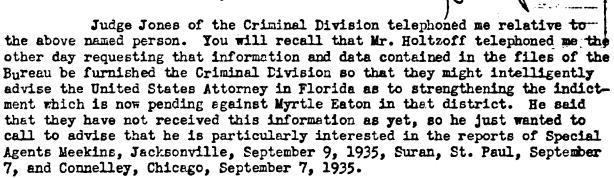
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December 4, 1935.

Time - 10:17 A.M.

Re: Myrtle Eaton.



I explained to Judge Jones that each of the reports which he has named contains approximately a hundred pages, much of which does not pertain to the particular thing in which he is interested. To this end, I informed him that the Bureau Supervisor handling this matter is at this time making a digest of all the information contained in these and other reports which pertains to the activities of Myrtle Eaton in this case. I told him that this is quite a job, but as soon as the information is ready, the same would be immediately furnished to him.

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Special Agent in Charge, San Prancisco, California.

ME: ALVIN KAPPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. \$1218, Et al. EDNARD GEORGE BRETER - Victim KIDNAPING, RIC.

-Deer Sir

In accordance with the request contained in the letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley to the Kansas City Office, dated November 27, 1935, in the above captioned matter, there is transmitted herewith one copy of the receipt obtained from Krs. Bodney Davis for the money and property of Volney Davis, which, in accordance with instructions, was turned over to Krs. Davis.

Yery truly yours.

W. A. SHITH SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, Et al.;
EDWARD GEORGE/BREIER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING, ETC.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your letter dated September 8, 1935, relative to a cover being maintained on the mail of ElmeryFarmer, register #47103, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, there are being transmitted herewith to the Bureau and to each of the offices designated below copies of the following correspondence:

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, November 13, 1935.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated November 16, 1935, at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, November 15, 1935.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant, dated November 19, 1935, at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Letter from Helem Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, November 18, 1935.

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Elmhurst, Illinois, November 22, 1935.

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Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant, dated November 24, 1935, at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated November 24, 1935, at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, November 26, 1935.

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Elmhurst, Illinois, November 29, 1935.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, November 30, 1935.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated December 1, 1935, at Leavenworth, Kansas.

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #17103; postmarked Chicago, Ill., Nov. 13, 1935.

Chicago, Wednesday Afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:

Received your letter a few minutes ago and so as I was waiting to hear from you thought I would answer immediately. I am so sorry you are locked up almost all day. Wish I could do something to help you. I know that sounds silly as it is impossible but I mean it. I told you I was going to school at Fields and I did yesterday and Monday, so hope to hear from them within a few days, at least thats what they told me last night. If I do not hear from them I think I will answer some of the "ads" in the paper for housework after all. Why not? I can do it for the winter anyway.

Nick is just about the same, but I think he is getting weaker. The Doctor is going to stop in tonight to see him. He is just as he told you in the letter and he cannot eat anything and if he does, he cannot keep it down so thats the way it is. I feel sorry for him too. He looks for your letters every week just as I do, then after I read then I tell him what is in them that I think he would like to hear.

I do not know what to think about those agents coming to see you. After having you in St. Paul and not being very successful I should think they would leave you alone. After all they have not been so very nice. Sullivan did not even bother to acknowledge my letter, so why dont you just refuse to answer their questions and perhaps they will stop annoying you? You really must be a very important witness to them or I do not think they would bother with you so much. Really, this will surprise you. Albert went downtown to the W. P. A. and applied for a job. You know that is for people who are unable to get a job and are willing to work on government projects, you know like the people did who were on relief in Bensenville. I suppose he is hoping he does not get anything. I suppose you were surprised to hear I had to go to school to work at Fields? A lot of Hooey, but quite tiresome. I went to school from 9 to 1 and from 1.40 to 5.30 and learned a lot of things but you had to learn so much in such a short time that I am afraid I will forget part of it if I do not go right to work, so heres hoping I do. I suppose you look just about the same but honestly honey, it really is terrible for you not to get outside oftener. How about Harold? I thought they could not differentiate between you?

I am going over to Martha's house after while for supper she always asks for you and tells me to say "hello". Have not heard from anyone in Bensenville so cannot tell you very much about them. Will you like going back to St. Paul if they should send you? Its too cold up there for me.

Well, dearest, I guess this is just about all for this time, news is rather scarce. I did give you all the news Sunday when I wrote to you so will close and hope you are well and until I hear from you which I hope will be soon with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
4143 West End Avenue
Chicago, Illinois.

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Letter to Helen Conliff, written by Elmer Farmer #47103.

Leavenworth, Kansas, Nov. 16, 1935

Dear Helen:

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I will write my usual Sunday letter. I received three letters from you last week. So Nick is not any better I am sorry to hear that and hope when he gets to the hospital he will get better soon. So you should be working by now any way lets hope so. Things are about the same for me down here and from the looks of things in here I dont think they will give me any work, but will transfer me to some other place maybe Alcatraz Island, thats where most of them are sent to from here. so you were out to Bensenville last week thats nice about all the board asking about me and sending these regards, say hello to them for me when you see them agin, also to Lonard Dules. Jacobsons must have that place fixed up quite nice now, and I suppose will do good business any way I hope so, as they didnt do very good where thay were at. You also seem Chub and Pete and thay were going along in goos shape. Chub is not doing much business out there now just about getting by and I dont suppose he will until next year. Was there any thing in the old place where I had the tavern, that dont sond so good for smoke. did you see J. P. Lynch. Harold is getting along alright and is working most of the time. he must have all his teeth out by now I dont get to see him. I was out in the yard one afternoon last week we were cleaning up around it. that was the first time I was out in some time. Its been trying to snow for the last few days but so far very little has fallen it looks dark out side to day so it may snow any time now. it dont look very bright for Albert getting any work from the Government when thay wont give me any. I am not looking to go back to St. Paul and hope thay dont send me up there. I sure cant help there case any and will do more good for those on trial thay anything. Monte is in bad shape up there. he is locked up all the time and is a very sick man. I cant see what good all this will ever do him. the government will have to send him some place to do his time, thay cant let him go as he is wanted for other things in Chicago and will be sent there if he ever gets out of this. I am felling fine and getting along good this sure is some rest for me but I wish it would let up soon and I would go to work. I will be going to dinner soon now so will mail this letter on my way over you should get this letter about the same time as last week. best regards to all.

Elmer Farmer

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, #17103, postmarked Elmhurst, Ill. Nov. 15, 1935.

November 15, 1935

Dear Elmer,

I received your letter last night, we were in Chicago as Gifford was finishing up at the dentist and your letter was here when we came home. Last week I wrote your letter and intended to mail it from Chi but went away and forgot it, so I mailed it from here that same day but the mail must be very slow going out. Its now 6:30, we just finished dinner. Gifford is home as he hasn't any work now, but maybe things will pick up. It's quite cold here today but we had a week of rather warm raining weather and no sun, suppose you read about the dark days we had here in Chicago.

Am glad you were out working one day and hope you can soon be given something steady. Gifford will surely talk to Reed the first chance he gets, his brother-in-law said he hasn't seen him since he came back from his vacation.

Chub was over the other day, he is well and sends best regards. He says they are going to pave Green Street so that will make it much better, the government is giving the money to be used in relief work. I thought it was paved. I suppose the work wont start until spring.

Thats about all the news. We are well and glad to know you are feeling so well too.

We will take a walk now and mail this letter, its pretty windy so dont think we will walk very far.

Will look for your letter next week - Gifford says "hello" and best regards.

Lovingly your sister Blanche Brabant 275 Geneva Ave Elmhurst, Illinois.

COPY Letter written by Elmer Farmer #17103 to Blanche Brabant.

Leavenworth, Kansas, Nov. 19, 1935.

Dear Blanche: -

Received your letter last night so will try and get this one out the first thing in the morning. I see in the paper how dark it was in Chicago one day last week. so Gifford business is slow now I hope he gets some place for him self soon then it will be much better for him. why dont he try and open up some place in Bensenville that would be a good place now and when thay start paving the street there things should be good for some time. so Chub finley got over to see you he must be a busy man that cant get over to see you often. do you ever hear Chub say how J. P. Lynch is getting along I often think about him he would be so sick one week and alright the next but I suppose he is going along the same way he always did. I was fun to see him play the horses each day and if he didnt come out alright for the day he would talk about it until he went home that night. I suppose he is saving his money now. I dont think Reed will be around until after the first of the year them Gifford will see him and he can talk to him. Election is about the onley time you can find him out there now. He is in Washington most of the time but I think he still lives in Du Page county. How is things at Elmhurst. Is Wiley doing any thing other than running a tavern on York street. you told me and befor he closed up the place facing the railroad track there in Elmhurst. You had about the same kind of weather we had down here. I was only out to work half day last monday. its raining here now and as long as we have this kind of weather I dont get out to work so wish it would let up soon. I was in hope thay would put me to work steady but so far havent heard anything and it may be that I will be transfered to some other place any way thats what I am told by the other men in here they say you are keep in here until thay find some other place to sent you to. so if that the case I hope thay find some place soon it would be much better for me if I was working every day. the time would pass much faster. I am getting along fine and in the best of health so thats the main thing. thay have some fine apples in the store down here so I bought some last week and eat one each night before I go to bed. thats about all the fruit you can get in here now. thay have orange most of the time but none of late. best regards to you and Gifford.

Elmer Farmer

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103, postmarked Chicago, Ill., November 18, 1935.

Sunday afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:-

I was thinking about you as usual so thought I would write to you. How have you been getting along? Have you been assigned to any work? I certainly hope so. Its another long gloomy Sunday. So dark and rainy.

Have you heard from the priest as yet? You know he was here yesterday to see my uncle, just a friendly call and he is coming back tomorrow to give him the sacraments. Nick is a lot worse than he was a few days ago. He is in bed all the time now and he does not eat anything at all. You will be very surprised when I tell you his mind wanders a whole lot. He talks about you a great deal and he has a picture I gave him of you which he has on the table along side of the bed.

I never knew there was an odor from anyone who had cancer before, but now there is a very bad one from him and no matter what we do, it stays in the house. There is not much more to tell you about him.

I know it will make you feel bad and it does me too. I certainly wish you were here with me now.

Have those agents been bothering you any more? I received a letter from Mr. Sullivan last Friday in which he said he was glad to hear from me but he could not help me get a pass to see you but referred me to the Warden at Leavenworth and told me to write to him and tell him he had suggested my writing to him and perhaps he would help me. He also thanked me for writing and told me if there was anything he could do to help me to to write to him again. He received the letter on Oct. 7th and finally got around to replying.

I am still waiting to hear from Fields so hope to soon. My aunt does not want me to go to work, she wants me to stay home and help her with Nick, but the I would like to, I need so many things, I want to go to work soon, so I will be able to get them. Last night Martha and Les drove me out to Bensenville to George Boldebucks to get some wine he had of my uncle's so I stopped in to see my mother. Everyone is fine and they all asked for you and said to say "hello". I did not see Jim at all. Did you read in the paper about four men robbing the "White Pines"? The Club is closed but the caretakers are there and these men forced them to cook for them and then they took a lot of golf equipment they had stored there and cigarettes and before they left they started a fire in the dining room and got away.

You know out at Jacobsons in their dining room they have a dance floor that is very slippery so my mother was hurrying across the floor and slipped and fell and broke a rib. Not very nice to do, was it? Have not done much of anything this week to tell you about. Stayed home quite a bit since my uncle has been so sick.

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My mother was telling me Gifford had some plans to help you which he thought looked very promising. You know honey, how anxious I am to have you back here with me again (I hope) so if you know of anything about it the next time you write tell me what they are. I think you should tell me or if you do not care to write it in your letter suggest to B lanche when you write to her that Gifford write and tell me what his plans are.

In my last letter to you I told you Albert had gone downtown to apply for a job with the W. P. A. Well, anyway that was last Tuesday and he brought the application home to fill out which he could have done right there and that is almost a week ago and so far the application is not filled out. He is afraid if he fills it out he will get a job I think. Well, dearest, I hope you were not locked up all day to-day. I think about you so often and miss you just as much now as I did last January. I feel so blue whenever I go to Bensenville for you, so no one hopes that things turn out O. K. for you anymore than I do. Have you still got the picture of me? Well, honey, I guess this is just about all for the time so hoping you are well and that you write to me real soon will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
4143 West End Ave. Chicago, Ill.

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Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, #47103. Postmarked, Elmhurst, Ill., Nov. 22, 1935.

November 21, 1935.

Dear Elmer,

I received your letter this afternoon, its now 6:30 P. M. We have dinner early about 5:30 so when I finish your letter we will take a walk and mail it.

Its very cold here and we had snow for the first time this year. We had eleven sunless days, but to-day the sun was shining. Am glad you got out a half day to work, but dont suppose you will be out in the winter months, will you.

Wiley just has his tavern on York Street. He was on North Ave for a while, but he's not there now, he sold his place on First St quite a while ago.

J. P. Lynch was very sick some time ago but he recovered and seems to be going along about the same as when you were here, he must have an iron constitution.

I have nt seen Chub but Gifford saw him Sunday when he went over there. He asked us out for Thanksgiving dinner. I suppose we may as well go. I dont care for the holidays and will be glad when they are over. Yes, I wish Gifford was permanently located, but may be business will pick up, he's not doing anything now.

We are well and glad to know you are feeling so well too Its nice that you can buy fruit, I hope you have a nice Thanksgiving.

Much love from both of us.

Blanche Brabant 275 Geneva Ave. Elmhurst, Ill. Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103, Postmarked Chicago, Ill., Nov. 23, 1935.

Wednesday afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:

Just received your very nice letter so thought I would answer it immediately. I am glad you are feeling well, but I do wish you could get out in the yard a little more often than you do, but perhaps they will let you pretty soon.

Honey, they will not transfer you to Alcatraz, you know you thought that over before and I wrote to McMeekin and he asked Sullivan and he said that they had no intention of doing that and it was very unlikely that they would ever do that to you, so please dont worry and if you still feel doubtful when you write next week, tell me if you would like to have me write to Sullivan or McMeekin, perhaps both of them will answer more promptly than before. That place you had your tavern in was all dark and as yet no one has rented it.

That old Smoke had a lot of nerve talking the way he did out in West Chicago and if I ever see him I intend to tell him so, although I dont suppose I ever will, as they have not found him. Poor old J. P. was arrested by the "G" men also Mr. Rapin for bootlegging out in B. I dont know much about it but will give you more information in my next letter, as I will try and find out so I can tell you as I know you will be interested. I am not sorry for Monte and the it is not very nice of me to say it, I am glad he is not getting along so very good. I wonder if they will deduct all the time off for him that he is sitting up there? I hope they do not take you up to St. Paul again. I certainly would like to see you and talk to you. It certainly has been a long time since we had a chance to talk. I am still vaiting to hear from Fields and you know I became acquainted with a girl while going to school and she called me up and told me she was still waiting too, so I guess I am not the only one. My mother asked me if I would like to work Thanksgiving Eve out there at Jacobsons and I think I will for the one night anyway, if I am not working at Fields.

Nick is growing weaker all the time, I guess I told you all about it in my last letter. I read part of your letter to him, he is always glad when I do that. Albert is still waiting for a job to come to him. Well, honey, this is about all for this time I guess, not much news to tell you about. Martha wants me to go to the Walkathan at the Arcadia on the northside tonight, so if I go I will tell you all about it in my next letter to you, so dearest, hope you are still feeling well and until I hear from you will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
Lilly West End Avenue
Chicago, Illinois.

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Letter written by Elmer Farmer, #47103, to Blanche Brabant.

Leavenworth, Kansas, Nov. 24, 1935.

Dear Blanche.

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Thought I would write to you tonight as this being Sunday and not much to do. I didnt recive your letter this week yet but look for it to-morrow night. I am getting along alright and feeling fine. was out to work two half days this week thats about all the nice weather we had down here this week. I don't suppose Gifford is doing anything yet. why dont thay give him some steady work and not a day now and then. so thay are going to pave Green St that should make it much better down in that part of town. also help buisness down there. you should be getting money from Chub every month and see him about it. you can have my part of the place down there and if he dont want to give you any thing them sell the property that makey is the best thing to do any way. Chub will always tell you about bills as he dont beleave in paying any. I had that to do when I was there so what he is doing with the money now its hard to tell. any way you be sure and get what comming to you. Thanksgiving will soon be here now onley a few days off suppose you are having turkey for dinner I think we will have the same down here. also a show that day and I hope thay let me out to see it. last year every one went to the show that day and thay look for the same thing this year. It wont be long now befor cold weather sets in but you have all your winter coal in. how is the ford going along these days. it soon will be to cold to ride very far in it that little car was sure a dandy it held up fine and will run for some time to come yet. Gifford many times made the trip to Bensenville in the snow when I didnt think he ever would make it. I see in the paper where the white pines had closed for the season but some one set the place on fire last week. it didnt say if the club burned down or not, I suppose it did though as there is not much water around there to put the fire out. I suppose Chub has all his boxes in from the clubs by now except the Lichack I always left them there in the winter thay took care of them and keep what ever thay made. thay always tryed to buy the boxes from me but I never would sell them. thay cost me about five hundred and if I sold them would loose the club for the next year and that was the best paying place I had. I well close for now best regards to you and Gifford.

Elmer Farmer.

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Letter written by Elmer Farmer, #47103 to Helen Conliff.

Leavenworth, Kansas, November 24, 1935.

Dear Helen.

Received your letter Wensday eavning and was glad to hear from you. I feel so sorry about Nick and hope there is some thing can be done that will help him to get well. I suppose you and May have your hands full now, as it takes lots of work when some one is sick in the house. I suppose there is friends of his come to see him also I didn't hear from the Priest yet. so he was to see Nick Sunday thats nice of him, Nick was always good to him out there and he dont forget that. those agents have not been back to see me any more and hope thay dont. so you heard from Sullivan last week and he told you to write down here I don't think that would do any good so just let that go for now. so you are not working yet. but expect to any day. I am in the same boat down here I was out two half days this last week so things are picking up. we only had two nice days last week the rest of the time it was raining yesterday and today were both nice days. I suppose you have about the same kind of weather there as we have down here. I didnt se anything in the paper about the White pines, but that was sure strange what thay did. I don't know enything about anyone doing anything for me in my case so can't tell you any thing about it. but I know thay will when the right time comes but that wont be for some time to come and them I will know about it and let you know right now I am sure nothing is beaing done, but I suppose he is making some arrangement for it, but just what thay are I don't know and woodn't ask about it now. I don't think the law I was sent here on will hold up in the higher courts I see some thing in the papers about it so if it dont I will be turned out. so I have some hope of that also. I suppose you will have Turkey for Thanksgiven day with May I don't know what thay will seve down here we get chicken quite often so thay might seve Turkey that day any way I hope so as I like that the best. thay have a good dinner every Sunday and all through the week its fair. give my regards to Nick and tell him I think about him often and hope he gets well soon also give my regards to lay.

Elmer Farmer

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103, Postmarked Chicago, Ill. November 26, 1935.

Dearest Elmer:

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I am sorry I neglected to write you, I had planned on writing to you yesterday, but George Boldebuck and his wife and the children were in here to visit Nick, so just could not do it, but anyway hoeny, I have not forgotten you. I am working at Fields now and I certainly am glad and I know you will be too.

I went to work last Thursday and am still at it. I am in the stationary and they have promised to try and make it permanent, that is, to keep me after Christmas. I like it very much and the girls I am working with are just grand to me, so of course, that helps me a great deal. Have you been assigned to any work as yet. Can you imagine this? George was telling me that the Federal men were out there and you know how the firemen and the business men always sold him at their picnics. Well, they are going to fire everyone that sold it over the bar as they did not have a license to do so for the past three years and George said, didnt they (the firemen) have been running picnics for the last forty-one years and this is the first time they were ever bothered. He said they were going to fine everyone who had anything to do with the beer \$50.- per piece for each year. He said that they all thought Yax Finsly had something to do with it, may be he did. I got my first check Saturday and I was going to get you a box of candy, but was not sure if I could or not. Anyway let me know when you write again. I had a terrible time with my feet and they are sore tonight from wearing high heels but I unearthed an old pair of low heels I had, so hope I can wear them tomorrow. Well, honey, it will be Thanksgiving by the time you receive this from me and I hope your Thanksgiving is nice and I certainly hope that you will not be away from me for many Thanksgiving days, I really miss you. Nick is very sick and he seems to be worse tonight, more so than usual. I am going to go out to l'ary's tonight, though there is nothing I could do here for him. Have not been out to Bensenville since the last time I told you about, so no news from there. I wrote Ann a letter and mailed it the same time I mailed your last letter, so should hear from her soon, and when I do will let you know. I guess this is just about all for tonight, so dearest I guess I will close and I will try and write to you again in a few days. Meanwhile here is hoping you are well and that you are working so until I hear from you, which I hope is tomorrow, with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
Lilly West End Ave
Chicago, Ill.

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Letter to Elmer Farmer, #47103, received from Blanche Brabant. Postmarked, Elmhurst, Illinois, November 29, 1935.

Thursday, Nov. 28, 1935

Dear Elmer: -

I received your letter written Sunday yesterday afternoon. You have my other letter by now as I mailed it last Thursday. I was glad to hear from you. Today is Thanksgiving, but we didn't go out, I haven't seen Chub for several weeks, he didn't come over at all, it's just as well as we would not have gone out any way, he sent over a live turkey a few days ago, but Gifford took it back as he did not want to kill it, and its too hard to pick and clean, it only weighed eight pounds with the feathers on, so a turkey that small isn't very good. I suppose he won it and wanted to get rid of it.

We are having pretty cold weather here and its snowing today. We had dinner about two o'clock, we thought about you and missed you very much. I hope you had a nice dinner and they let you go to the show. We didn't have turkey as that's too much for just ourselves, but we had a nice dinner. Gifford isn't feeling very well, he hurt his arm and he hasn't been able to sleep the last few nights, he was working around here putting up the storm sash and I think he strained a muscle in his arm. I think he will be alright in a few days. I'll see Chub soon if he dont come over. I'll send for him and tell him what you said. He sold the machines at the Mohawk and White Pines for \$300.— they told him they are going to have their own. Thats what he paid the taxes with.

Gifford has been over there a couple of times but he is never in. I'm going to tell him he will have to give me your share right along. I didn't know the White Pines burned down again, thats the second time its burned.

Well Elmer we will go out and mail your letter now and you'll receive it Monday. I am enclosing your ten dollars. I would like to come and visit you and when Gifford again, may be I can do so. I am well and glad you are feeling so well too. Gifford sends best regards. Good-bye for this time.

Lovingly your sister Blanche Brabant 275 Geneva Ave., Elmhurst, Illinois. Letter to Elmer Farmer; #47103, from Helen Conliff. Postmarked, Chicago, Ill, Nov. 30, 1935.

Friday Evening

Dearest Elmer:

Received your very nice letter that I was looking for and as usual was very glad to hear from you. Sorry, honey, I did not write to you yesterday but I went to Bensenville and had dinner with my mother and Irene and honestly I was so tired did not write last night.

I felt lonesome for you yesterday out there, gosh, I did not know I would feel so blue after all it is a long time since you went away. I am still working and though it is very hard I like it very much. I have had a lot of trouble with my feet but now I am feeling better. I have my own bank, that is I carry my own cash and have my own cash register drawer, quite an honor after being there just a few days and after Dec 4th I am supposed to go in regular and order my own stock. I am a little thrilled about it all and am in hopes of being kept on after Christmas. I hope you had a nice Thanksgiving dinner and enjoyed it a lot. I suppose you are wondering how Nick-is getting along. Well, honey, he is just about the same. He is quite bad tonight and he looks terrible. He asked me to enclose his picture for you in this letter so I am. He had one that he wanted to send you, how the man was trying to push him up on the horse, but he could not find it, so he sent the one that was taken after he got on the horse. It was taken when he was up north a long time ago. He looks a whole lot different now, than he did when the picture was taken. I hope you are right about that law not holding in the higher courts.

If I hold my job I will be able to get enough money together and come to see you soon.

I am sure I will be able to get a pass later on if I write to the Warden there. I get the bus at Wabash & Washington every night and there is a Mrs Snyder's candy shop on the corner, which reminds me of you and the way you liked that candy, so when you write and tell me I can, I will send you some. I go to work at 8:30 and get through at 5:30, but by the time I bank my money it is 6:PM, so I do not get home here until 6:45 PM and plenty tired.

Its quite busy on account of Christmas coming soon. Well, ol dear, I gave my uncle a haircut and shave yesterday, such as it was after I got through. I dread doing it, he is so terribly thin and it is very hard to shave him, his face and neck are so sunken. Scottie is laying right at my feet while I am writing this to you, he is still here with me. I guess, honey, this is about all and I will write to you Sunday so hoping you are well and getting along O. K. and that you are able to get out a little oftener so until I write Sunday will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff,
LLL West End Ave.
Chicago, Ill.

I gave Nick a small snapshot of you he wanted and thats why he sent this one to you.

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Letter written by Elmer Farmer, #47103, to Helen Conliff.

Leavenworth, Kansas, Dec. 1, 1935.

Dear Helen

Received your two letters last week one Tuesday and the other one on Thursday it was nice to learn you are working and hope thay keep you on staedy. things should go along much smoother for you from now on. I am not working yet so still taking life easy. I received a letter from the Classification Committee in here last week saying that my case was up before them Nov. 20, 1935 and thay decided not to make any change in my case at the present time. so this is about the third time my case has been before them, so I think if thay were going to place me to work thay would have done so one of the times my case was before them. now the onley thing thay can do is send me to some other place, it may not be Alcatraz anyway I hope not as thay have many other place. Eclieckin or Sullivan cant do me any good so dont write to them about it I know thay wont keep me locked up like this much longer thay soon will do some thing with me. I hope I don't have to go back up to St. Paul and the way it looks now I don't think I will, but if thay get the others in the case that thay are looking for them thay will take me and Harold up there then. I don't think thay will do much with Monte but will keep him some place until thay get every one thats in the case and send them to prison then thay will let him go. thats about all thay can do with him. so J. P. Lynch and Rapin are not doing so good these days its sure to bad for them as thay didnt bother any one out there and the little thay did make just about keep them living. the firemen and biusness men also are getting a pretty raw deal from them, I dont suppose thay can do anything about it, so will have to pay it. I was sorry to hear Mick is not feeling any better and hope he is soon. its nice of George and his famley to come and see Nick also the others that have come from Bensenville to see him. How is scotty getting along now is he in good standing. you cant send me any candy down here now but I under stand some time during the middle of this month you can send a two pund box of candy to me after Dec 15 and not later then Dec 31. I am still feeling fine and going along in good shape. say Hello to May and Mick for me, thats about all for now.

Elmer Farmer

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This Agent, upon advice by the Omaha Office, consulted City
Telephone Directory, Des Moines, Iowa, and Post Office officials at Des
Des to determine whether a Jimmy Dicker was a resident of that city.
The name "Jimmy Dicner" was also checked with all these agencies, but
no person by that name was found. A further search of the Des Moines
City Directory disclosed that a "Jimmy Dickerson" was living in Des Moines
and operating The Valley Drive Tavern, which is a small tavern on the
outskirts of Des Moines.

Upon the possibility that Jimmy Dickerson might be the man named by reference teletype, Agent made discreet inquiry of A. H. Pederson. Chief of Detectives at Des Moines, Iowa, to determine the character and reputation of Dickerson. Pederson advised that Dickerson was a well known bootlegger of Des Moines but that Dickerson had been very hard pressed for money since the Repeal. Pederson said Dickerson had been arrested numerous times by the Des Moines Police Department on liquor violations and that he was definitely a police character. Pederson further stated that Dickerson had two brothers, Ray Dickerson, who was on relief and Al Dickerson, who operated the Cozy Corner Buffet, 1000 Locust Street, Des Moines. Pederson described Dickerson as about fifty years of age, weighing 140 pounds and standing five feet seven inches in height.

At the Identification Division of the Des Moines Police Department, Agent secured a photograph of Jimmy Dickerson, but found that his fingerprints had never been submitted to the Bureau by this agency and that there was, therefore, no complete criminal record available. It was been lieved, however, that Dickerson had served a one-year sentence at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas.

The remainder of this investigation was made by Special Agent
J. L. Flood and this Agent, upon the possibility that Jimmy Dickerson or
his brother, Al Dickerson, was the party mentioned as possible contact for
KARPIS and CALTBELL. Surveillance was maintained upon the Valley Drive
Tavern at the corner of Valley Drive and Fleur Drive, Des Moines, from
noon November 21st until midnight, November 23rd. This surveillance was
accomplished by driving past the Valley Drive Tavern frequently and at
night parking nearby the place. It was impracticable to remain at all
times within sight of the tavern during the daytime, because all traffis
on the road had been shut off by the building of a bridge, which had
detoured the traffic on the road to another road. During this surveillance,
no suspicious actions on the part of the occupants of this tavern were
observed, and there were no indications that KARPIS and CAMPBELL attempted
to contact Dickerson. The Valley Drive Tavern was virtually closed as the
traffic on the road passing it would only allow about two customers a day.

Investigation was conducted to determine whether Dickerson was

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Allen Minn, Treasurer of Polk County, Des Moines, Towa, was interviewed regarding the taxes paid by Dickerson. It was found that Dickerson had paid no real property tax in 1934. County Assessor C. C. Cook was also interviewed with the idea of determining whether Dickerson paid any taxes or owned any farm property and it was found that he owned no farm property and had not been assessed on any real property.

It was found at the office of the County Treasurer, however, that Dickerson was indebted to the Central Mational Bank of Des Moines in the enount of \$3,000.00. It was thought that this bank may have been the one with which Dickerson did his banking, and that inquiry should be made there to determine whether Dickerson had deposited any large amounts of money in the past months. A. T. Dunhoowe, Vice President of the Central National Bank, after consulting the records of the bank, advised that Dickerson had no account with this bank but that the Central National Bank had been trustee on a mortgage which Dickerson had executed on his house. It was found that H. A. Vanier, 207 Crocker Building, Des Moines, Iowa had taken over this mortgage.

R. A. Venier, 207 Crocker Building, advised that he had held a \$3,000.00 mortgage on Jimmy Dickerson's home at 709 32nd Street, Bes Moines, but that this mortgage had recently been foreclosed and that Dickerson had been evicted. He said Dickerson had resisted the eviction, but that the eviction order was obtained in March, 1935.

In order to determine where Dickerson was living at the present time, further inquiry was made at the Des Moines Post Office, and the address 1411 Locust Street was secured.

The address 1411 Locust Street turned out to be the Hanwood
Apartments. Mr. W. P. Hanson, Custodian of these apartments, was interviewed
and he stated that Jimmy Dickerson had been living at these apartments for
about two months, prior to November 13, 1935, when he moved to the Valley
Drive Tavern to live. Mr. Hanson said he had never seen any suspicious
characters at the Dickerson apartment during the time Dickerson resided
there. He said Dickerson did not drive a car and that Dickerson had told
him that his driver's license had been revoked.

was interviewed regarding Dickerson

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The mail carrier covering the route in which the Valley Drive Tavern was located, was found to be a Mr. F. E. Hyde. Mr. Hyde advised that Dickerson had been running the Valley Drive Tavern for about two and a half years, but that he had never received any mail there. Mr. Hyde further advised that Dickerson had been living at the Valley Drive Tavern for about a month but that he had never delivered mail to him at this address.

An examination of the neighborhood of the Valley Drive Tavern 44 & indicated that this tavern was approximately three miles from the business ... district of Des Moines, but was within the Des Moines City Limits. It is located at the intersection of Valley Drive and Fleur Drive, which drives are southwest of Des Moines. On this intersection, there is also located a Standard Oil Filling Station, which station is on the northeast side of the intersection. South, about one hundred yards from the Valley Drive Tavern, a small grocery store is located. This grocery store is operated by M. J. Gibbons, who is apparently a reliable individual. Mr. Gibbons , was interviewed under pretext of Agent Flood's being a soup salesman and he advised that Dickerson had been in business at the Valley Drive Tavern for about two years. He stated that one Danny Farrell had formerly been a partner of Dickerson's, but had recently left the partnership. Mr. Gibbons said Dickerson had, therefore, been unable to sell beer at the tavern, because the beer permit was in Farrell's name. Mr. Gibbons stated 🗈 that Farrell had been a former railroad mane the respect to the first that the The second of th

About a quarter of a mile south of the Valley Drive Tavern, the Airway Inn, another tavern, is located, and inquiry was made several times under pretext at this tavern, regarding Dickerson. No information was obtained, however, other than the fact that Dickerson was now living at the Valley Drive Tavern with a woman believed to be his wife, and that Dickerson was in bad shape financially, as his business had practically disappeared.

Another tavern, Red's Barbecue, is located about a half mile south of the Valley Drive Tavern. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Canfield were found to be proprietors of this tavern and they were questioned under pretext of being soup salesmen, regarding Dickerson but no further information was gathered.

It was also found that the Des Moines Municipal Airport is located about two miles south of the Valley Drive Tavern and surveillance was also maintained at this place upon the possibility that KARPIS and CAMPEKIL might arrive in an airplane.

Special Agent Flood and this Agent both entered, upon different occasions, the Valley Drive Tevern and purchased articles in the hope of

getting change for large bills. It was found that Dickerson was living in the tavern with his wife, but that he was apparently doing vary little business. Upon the occasion of attempting to change large bills with Dickerson, he stated that he could not break these bills. Dickerson said he could not change a ten-dollar bills.

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Surveillance was maintained to some extent also on the Cosy Corner Buffet, 1000 Locust Street, sperated by Al Dickerson, Jinsy Dickerson's brother. However, no persons resembling KARPIS or CAPPELL were conserved in this connection.

Ray Dickerson was found by a check to be on relief and the possibility seemed slight that he would be a contact for KARPIS and CAMPBELL.

A photograph of James Dickerson taken by the Des Moines Police Department in 1929 is being forwarded to the Chicago Office with copies of this report for possible use in connection with identifying him as a contact of KARPIS and CAMPRELL.

At Omaha, Nebraska

On November 22, 1935, at 1:30 k.M., Earl Stanley, Chief of Detectives, Police Department, Cedar Rapids, Ioza, telephoned Special Agent in Charge John A. Dord at his home and informed that he had arrested one Charles Sheriff, at Cedar Rapids, Ioxa on that date for sticking up a grocery store and that during the questioning of Sheriff, he informed Mr. Stanley that he, Sheriff, had recently seen ALVIN KARPIS at Gmaha, 3 Nebraska; that Sheriff claimed that on Safurday Night, November 16, 1935, he saw a man he believes to be KARPIS, at Mae's Dine & Dence Place, opposite the Station and that on the following Sunday Night, he saw the same man at the Plaza Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska, on which night he saw this man approach the hotel desk and secure a room key. He stated that this man had blonds hair and a blonds moustache. He stated he personally knew KARPIS but that he had never been associated with him and also stated he, Sheriff, stopped at The Plaza Hotel at the time the man, he thought to be Karpis, stopped there; that he, Sheriff, registered at the Plaza Hotel under the name of Robert Monroe.

Mr. Stanley further informed that photographs, including one of KARPIS, were shown Sheriff and Sheriff immediately selected the photograph of KARPIS therefrom. Mr. Stanley requested that an agent of this office report to him at Cedar Rapids for further inquiry in the matter.

Special Agent in Charge John A. Dowd immediately sontacted Agent E. E. Bundy, of the Omaha Bureau Office, who was then at Cedar Rapids, Ioma, and instructed Agent Bundy to proceed to police headquarters there, contact Mr. Stanley and interview Sheriff for the purpose of determining if his information could be considered reliable.

Standing of the section of the property of the section of 1 Immediately after contacting Agent Bundy, Agent in Charge Doud, accompanied by Special Agent J. B. Culbertson of the Gmaha Bureau Office, met at the Omaha Bureau Office and after suitably preparing themselves, proceeded to the visinity of the Union Station and the Burlington Station, both adjacent to each other, but were unable to find any place known as "Mae's Dine & Dance Place". These Agents then proceeded to the Plaza Hotel and conducted a thorough and discreet inquiry, contacting Days in Bolker, the clerk. Photographs, which included a photograph of Alvin Karpis, were exhibited to Mr. Bolker but he failed to identify any of them as a photograph of any man who stopped at the hotel. He permitted Agents to examine his hotel register for the entire month of November, 1935, but the name of ALVIN KARPIS, or any of his known aliases, appeared on this register, nor did any handwriting appear thereon which, in the opinion of agents, resembled that of ALVIN KARPIS. The name Robert Monroe appeared on the register as of November 16, 1935, showing this man to have registered from the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. In this connection, it is to be not ed that the Edgewater Beach Hotel is a high class hostelry, while the Plaza Hotel in Omaha might be termed a fourth rate hotel. Mr. Bolker stated that a man, who might answer the description of the man Monroe alias Sheriff claims he saw at the Plaza Hotel and who, he believed was Karpis, was taken from the hotel by Detective W. E. Connolley, of the Omaha Police Department, on or about that time, as a suspect in a stickup job. This man was light complexioned, tall and slender but not any of the photographs which Agents exhibited to him, Holker, resembled the photograph of the man he referred to, and who he knew as J. O. Williams. In this connection, Mr. Bolker pointed out " the use of the letters, "D.S.", which appear after the registration of J. O. Williams. Mr. Bolker explained these initials meant "Didnot Stay" and in this connection, Mr. Bolker informed Agents that Williams, although he had registered, had not occupied his room, because he was taken from the hotel before spending any time in it.

Agents returned to the Omaha Bureau Office, where Special Agent in Charge Dowd again telephoned Special Agent E. E. Bundy at Cedar Rapids conveying to him the fact that "Mae's Dine & Dance Place" could not be located and that it appeared no person resembling ALVIN KARPIS was in the Hotel Plaza. Agent Bundy then informed that Sheriff stated "Mae's Dine & Dance Place" occupied the second floor of premises situated opposite the Union Bus Station on 16th Street in Omaha. Special Agent

in Charge Dowd then voiced the opinion to Agent Bundy that "Mae's Dime and Dance Place" was probably a house of prostitution, to which Agent Bundy replied that it was and further informed Mr. Dowd that Sheriff stated he not only saw ALVIN KARPIS at Mae's Dine & Dance Place on the date referred to, but also saw THOMAS ROBINSON, JR., the Subject of the Stollnap Kidnaping Cases at that place.

Notwithstanding the fact that this information would indicate that Sheriff was probably unreliable, Agent Kenneth Logan of the Omaha . Bureau Office made an investigation at Mae's Dine & Dance Place, 615g. South 16th Street, on November 27, 1935 and found it to be a house of prostitution but that it includes a small space where dancing could be engaged in; that the only music available was produced by a phonograph. The place is operated by Mae Hogan and she maintains from six to ten girls at this house. Photographs, including photographs of Alvin Kerpis, Harry Campbell, Thomas Henry Robinson, Jr., William Dainard, Clarence Stevens, Charles Fitzgerald (Old Fitz), Dr. Joseph P. Moran, William Weaver and others were exhibited to the colored maid employed at the place, who refused to furnish her name or address. She selected the photograph of KARPIS as resembling a man who had visited at this house several weeks previous and that she did not know the name under which he was known. She stated she could not waken Mae Hogan, who was at that time asleep. This necessitated agent Logan returning to that place later. He visited """ the place shortly after midnight and exhibited the photographs above mentioned, to Mae Hogan, who at once selected the photograph of ALVIN KARPIS and in connection with her selection stated, "Is that the one the maid selected earlier in the day?" Upon being advised it was, she them stated the photograph resembled a man known to her as JIMMIR DARROW, an Italian and that Darrow is a regular customer of her's and has been for sometime, but that he has not been at her place for over three weeks. She stated she did not know where he could be located, or what he was 🎉 🚕 🖯 doing, but she stated that she personally knew him as being a long time! resident of Omeha. Mae Hogan exhibited the photograph of KARPIS to the girl inmates and a girl named Jean Harris stated the photograph of with KARPIS resembled in features only, a man who had been in the place on & the night of November 25, 1935, and that this man had visited the house? with another man, who remained for a while but neither of them spent any money; that the man resembling the photograph of KARPIS stated he got out of jail a short time previous end that he had been an immate of F practically all the jails in the country during the last two years. Jean stated this same man used to come to the place quite regularly and about a year ago he was in the bootleg and slot machine racket in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Neither Mae Hogan, Jean Harris, or the colored

maid could select any other photographs as photographs resembling men who had visited the place. They were very emphatic in stating that no person resembling the photograph of KARPIS was in the place on the night of November 16 or 17, 1935.

Detective W. E. Connolly, of the Omaha Department of Police, informed that during the course of an investigation he was handling, he came across J. O. Williams at the Plaza Hotel on the night of Howember 15, 1935, and that he questioned Williams because Williams looked something like a man he, Connolly, was looking for. Connolly stated Williams was not taken away from the hotel and was not arrested. He described Williams as 38-40 years of age; 6 feet; blonde hair; blue eyes; a farmer; and that Williams wore a grey suit and overcoat and a large sized Stetsom hat.

The following memorandum, reflective of the inquiry made by Special Agent E. E. Bundy, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was submitted by Agent Bundy:-

"Following receipt in Cedar Rapids, Icea on November 22, 1935, of a long distance telephone call from Special Agent in Charge of the Omaha Office, advising that Earl Stanley, Chief of Detectives, Gedar Rapids Police Department had advised that he held under arrest a certain man named Sheriff, who claimed he had recently seem ALVIN KARPIS in Omaha, Nebraska, the writer immediately proceeded to the Police Station, Cedar Rapids.

"Mr. Stanley stated that Charles Sheriff had been arrested that evening in an attempted robbery and in the course of questioning by Mr. Stanley, Sheriff stated he had seen ALVIN KARFIS in Omaha, Nebraska on both November 16 and 17 and on one of these occasions, he was accompanied by 'Tony' Robinson, Subject in the case of "Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1233 - Kidnaping - Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll, Victim.

Mrs. Aden Sheriff, 423 2nd Street, S.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; that he was employed by the Oregon Journal, a daily newspaper, Portland, Oregon, in its circulation department, the most of the time that he lived in Portland, Oregon, which was from late in 1930 to sometime in 1934, with the exception of four or five months in 1933, when he was visiting his parents, who then lived in Norfolk, Nebraska; that when living in Portland, Oregon, his last addresses were the Chandler Apartment, 11th and Columbia Streets, and the Cordova Annex, 12th and Jefferson Streets; that in Portland, he was acquainted with a certain

Joseph Ryan, who, in the Spring of 1935, was working for Robert (Bob) Evans, boss of rackets in Portland, in the latter's effort to secure removal petitions against Mayor Baker; -that early in May, 1935, he accompanied this Joseph Ryan to a gambling joint, located on Washington Avenue between 5th and 6th Streets on the second floor of a bullding on the morth side of the street, about two doors east? of Rich's eigar stand; that at this joint, there was a man gambling, who Ryan stated was ALVIN KARPIS; that thereafter. he, Sheriff, read through newspapers for descriptions and 😿 photographs of Karpis and was convinced that the man pointed out to him was actually KARPIS but he never discussed this / matter with anyone because he did not went to take a chance on getting himself in bad with persons in Portland, who could assist him, because he wished to live there; that at the time he observed the man indicated as KARPIS, this man wore no mustache and his hair was brown, rather than a light brown or bloade.

"Sheriff then continued that on November 16, 1935, he went by himself to 'Mae's Dine & Dance "joint, which is on the second floor of a building on the east side of 16th Street, Omaha, Webraska, just across the street from the Union Bus Depot, entrance to the same being by a flight of stairs from the street, this place being known to hackmen and shop keepers in its neighborhood; that there he saw the same man who was pointed out to him in Portland, Oregon as ALVIN KARPIS, although this man now had a light colored mustache and also blonde hair, apparently bleached, this being between 10:30 and 11:15 P.M. on the date mentioned; that with this man was another, who he believed to be Thomas (Tony) Robinson, Subject in the Stollnap Case, his recognition being based on published photographs of Robinson, which he had diserved.

Sheriff stated that about 4:30 P.M., he was turning in his key at the desk of the Plaza Hotel, where he had registered early that same date, when he observed the same man seen at Mae's place the evening before, this time alone, come to the desk and ask for his key, although Sheriff did not hear the number of the room asked for; that he did not see this man or the one believed to be Robinson anymore, and did not talk with anyone about his observations, until after his instant arrest, when he talked with Chief of Detectives Stanley.

"At the Plaza Hotel, Sheriff advised that he, himself, registered under the name of Robert Monroe, but that his only purpose in using an alias was to avoid a possible identification of himself with his family at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, as his family are respectable and he does not want to have himself known as "Descriptions as given by Sheriff are as follows:

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Special Agent in Charge Cleveland, Chio

Dear Sir:

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in your letter of December 4, 1935, I am emelosing copy of photo of Harry Sawyer taken in the Remney County Jail, St.Paul, August 21, 1935, and copy of photo of the same individual which was taken at the New Orleans Tederal Jail May 4, 1935.

Yery truly yours.

E. E. ANDERSEN Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago Cincinnati

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Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM Re: Cash McDonald.

Hr. <u>Walter Barlow</u> called and stated, upon being told you were busy on another wire, that he had gone to Miami and <u>fourth</u> the motion of McDonald to secure the return of his \$10,000, and that he, Barlow, had been successful, McDonald's motion having been denied. I thanked him and advised that you would be given his message.

Respectfully,

A. McCarthy.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

December 7, 1935.

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

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In re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated November 4, 1935, requesting that the Bureau be advised of the results of Bruno Daustin's motion for a new trial.

Please be advised that Mr. A. Hiemy of the States Attorney's office, Chicago, Illinois advised Special Agent John L. Madala that the said motion for new trial had been denied Bruno Austin on October 25, 1935, and that he is now serving a life sentence in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, having been transferred to that institution from the Cook County Jail on November 3, 1935.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box #64 Buffalo, New York

December 7th, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Re: J. H. FARLEY, SPECIAL AGENT L. J. CONROY, SPECIAL AGENT

This is to advise that the above-named agents left Albany, New York at 11:37 A.M. on December 4th, 1935 to conduct an investigation in connection with the "Brekid" case at Poughkeepsie, New York. These agents returned to Albany, New York at 4:32 P.M. on the same day.

Special Agent in Charge

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Special Agent Paul Hansen, in connection with his activities in this case, found, at the Sheriff's Office, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, a negative, made there of subject Harry Campbell in 1952, and from it had some photographs made of this individual, which are said to be a good likeness of him. Agent Hansen asked for the negative but the Sheriff's Office is reluctant to part with it, even for a short time.

It has occurred to me that perhaps the Bureau may be able to reproduce some larger and better pictures of Campbell from the photograph which is enclosed.

The offices indicated are being furnished copies of this photograph.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent is Charge

cc: Chicago St. Paul Kansas City Cleveland Cincinnati

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

Dear Sir:

SPECIAL AGENT (A) G. A. PAULSON

Reference is made to my letter of November 15, 1935 regarding the time when Agent Paulson will be available for accounting service.

Please be advised that on December 7, 1935 the Bureau by letter dated December 4, 1935 authorized the discontinuance of the telephone tap and surveillance on Belle Born at Mankato in connection with the Brekid case.

Hence, Agent Paulson can now respond to any orders from you without interfering with any arrangements in this office.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN Special Agent in Charge

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Bivision of Investigation A. S. Department of Instice

Post Office Box 812 Chicago Illinois

December 9, 1935

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I have been advised by Special Agent R. D. Brown that our informent Helen Ferguson, who is presently residing in Toledo, Ohio, has expressed some concern over her personal safety if she remains in Toledo and she is of the opinion that her residence at Toledo was occasioned by suggestion of Bureau Agents, which, of course as is known to you, Helen Ferguson proceeded to Toledo, Ohio to act as an informant at the instance of Bureau Agents. Helen Ferguson advised that she is without funds to leave Toledo, Ohio and has suggested that she be given the sum of \$200,00 or that her Buick automobile, now in the possession of the Bureau, be returned to here

I am of the opinion that it would be desirable for the Bureau to take steps to assist krs. Ferguson in leaving Toledo as it is definitely known that the contacts of the Barker-Karpis gang have the information that krs. Ferguson is acting as an informant for the Bureau.

Concerning the car referred to by Krs. Ferguson, this is the 1933 Buick coupe, motor number 2845179, which was last in the possession of Thomas Leonard Carroll. It was acquired by the Bureau on April 22, 1934 at the Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin. A court order was entered at Chicago, Illinois on August 7, 1934 and the above described automobile was turned over to the Chicago office of this Bureau for official use.

When Helen Ferguson was first interviewed at the Chicago Bureau office she furnished the information that she purchased the Buick car from the Bergle Chevrolet Company, Cicero, Illinois, on or about June 10, 1933; that the car was taken by her to the place operated by Louis Cernocky in Fox River Grove, Illinois when she, Krs. Ferguson, learned that this Bureau had made inquiries concerning the car. She claims that the car was turned over to Thomas

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Leonard Carroll by Louis Cernocky without permission or knowledge on her part.

Past investigation has revealed that 1933 Buick coupe, motor number 2845179 was registered in the name of Helen Ferguson and she has been the only registered owner of this car.

In view of the above the Bureau's advice is requested as to the desirability of returning this Buick car to Helen Ferguson and this procedure is recommended by me. Inasmuch as this car was turned over to the Bureau by court order it appears that it will be necessary for a court order to be entered before the car can be returned to Mrs. Ferguson, and because of the fact that Helen Ferguson has co-operated with the Bureau it is believed that it would be desirable to request the United States Attorney at Chicago to file the necessary petition on behalf of Mrs. Ferguson.

It is believed that this antter should be expedited in order that Helen Ferguson might leave Toledo, Ohio at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

pecial agent in Charge.

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> Be: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fagitive, I. 0. \$1218, et ali Bisard George Brener - Victim. Licerping.

Reference is made to your letter of December 9, 1935, which indicates that Helen Parguson is in fear of bedily here if she remine lenger in Toledo, Ohio, and that she requests that the Bureau furnish her with either \$200.00 or her Buick automobile which was confinented by the Dercou and the ownership of which was placed in the Bureau as the result of a Court order issued in Chicago, Illianis.

The Bureau feels that immediate stops should be taken to insure the return of the Buick sutomobile to Helen Perguson at an . early date. To this end you should arrange with the United States Attorney at Unionge, Illinois, to file the seconsary potition on ... behalf of Helen Perguson so that her entombile may be returned to

Then the Buick automobile is delivered to Selen Perguson, a receipt should be obtained from her to the effect that she has pro-COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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December 9, 1935.

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

In re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter written by Special Agent in Charge R. Whitley, New York City, under date of November 27, 1935 to you, in which information was transmitted covering an interview with one R. V. Waters, President of the Electrical Equipment Company, Havana, Cuba, to the effect that certain individuals in Havana were thought to be identical with subjects Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

This is to advise that Special Agent S. K. McKee is leaving Chicago, Illinois on the night of December 10, 1935 for Havana, Cuba, where he will conduct investigation relative to the data furnished by Mr. Waters. While in Havana Agent McKee will also endeavor to ascertain the purpose of the recent visit in Havena of Mrs. Cassius McDonald. He will also contact the various witnesses in Havana whom it is anticipated will be used in the approaching trial in this case in St.Paul, Minnesota on January 6, 1936.

Agent McKee will in all probability proceed to Havana from Miami, Florida via Pan-American Airways, on the morning of December 13, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation A. S. Bepartment of Justice

Mashington, A. C.

December 5, 1935.

Time - 11:20 A.M.

MEMOPARDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Pursuant to your authorization, I telephoned Special Agent in Charge Ladd at the Chicago Office with reference to the telephone tap on the parents of Alvin Karpis, and told him the Bureau desires him to institute at once an inquiry to determine if a thoroughly reliable person with a speaking knowledge of Lithuanian can be obtained to operate this tap. I pointed out to Mr. Lade that this is a situation which is very, very delicate, and one which will have to be covered by a person of unquestionable honesty and integrity, not only for the duration of the telephone tap, but after the assignment is over, pointing out to him that we absolutely camot afford to have publicity emanate from such a situation either during or after the duration of the tap. I further pointed out to him that the tap should be installed in such a menner that there should be two headphones in use, in order that an Agent could check on the interpreter. With reference to compensation for such a person, I told Mr. Ladd that we would, of course, pay any reasonable compensation.

Mr. Ladd said that he has been thinking about this, and had intended to talk to Mr. Connelley relative to the situation before calling the Bureau, whereupon I informed him that I had discussed this matter with Mr. Connelley on a previous occasion, and he was in favor of the plan outlined above.

Mr. Ladd said that he would start this rolling at once, and would keep the Bureau advised in the premises as the situation takes form.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

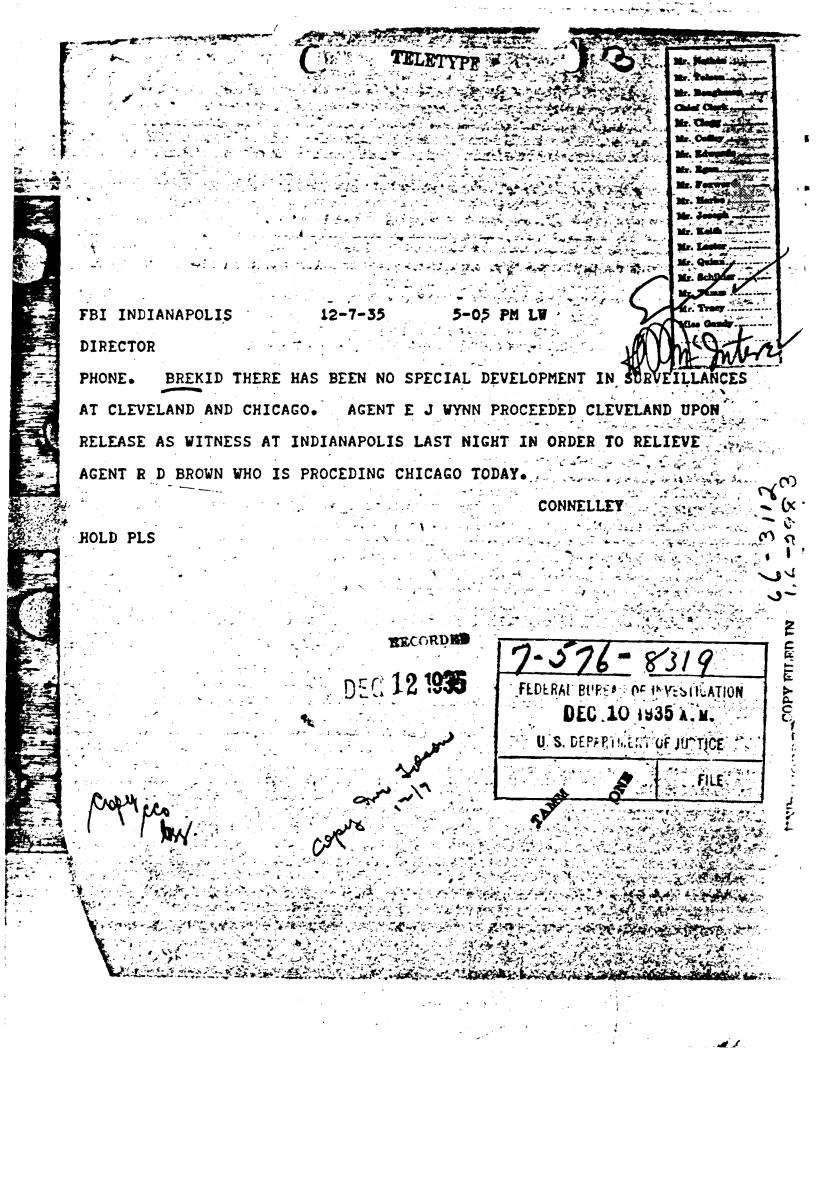
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Subsequent to arrangements made, Rallway Hail Service Clerks, STEVEN WARREN, 212 Devilliers Street, Pittsburgh, telephone number Grant 2550, and ORLIN WORKMAN of 531 Bailey Avenue, Pittsburgh, telephone number Everglade 0265, appeared at the Pittsburgh Bureau Office on December 5, 1935 when there were exhibited to them the photographs of Ted Bentz, Ed Bentz, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis, the Barker Brothers, Ernie LaSalle, Russell Vintour Syracuse, John Mirabella, and other photographs having no bearing on this case, with suggestion that they pick out, if Fig. possible, the photograph of the persons whom they observed during the perpetration of the mail train robbery at Garretsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935.

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DETAILS:

STEVEN WARREN, colored, having made a diligent view of the photographs exhibited, stated that he could not identify any of them. He alleged, however, that VOINEY DAVIS though not being the man who participated in the said robbery, answered favorably to the general appearance of one of the robbers, who was in the vicinity of the sutemobile in which the robbers made their get-away.

ORLIN WORKEAN could not identify the photographs exhibited to him but picked the photograph of JOHN MIRABELIA stating that Mirabella's features are almost identical with the features of the man who held himit bay with a machine gun while three pouches of registered mail from the Federal Reserve Bank were taken away from the mail our. Workman stated that though Mirabella looks like the man he, Workman, could not make a positive identification by means of the photographe

As suggested in the report of reference the photographs of Mirebella, LaSalle and Syracuse are being returned to the Cleveland Office.

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Mr. C. C. Dever, Commission Federal Bureau of Investigation, W. E. Department of Justice, ... 769 Stares Building, Louisville, Kentucky.

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Dear Eirs

For your personal and confidential information, the Bureau has learned frum various sources during the past year and one-half that Toy Brown, now an officer of the St. Paul Police Department and formerly Colef of Police at St. Faul, Minnesota, was actively interested in the Freder case; that he acted as an informant, keeping the gang advised as to the movements of officers of the St. Paul Police Departsent, and as to the severents and intentions of marbers of the Bremer family in its efforts to pay the ranson and obtain the return of the

Various informats have advised the Aureus that Bross was to receive from \$5,000 to \$2),000 for his participation in this matter. The Bureau has learned that he setually received no compensation, because members of the gang were supposed to him by virtue of his participation in the slaying of Boser Van Meter in St. Paul, Miniesots, during the RECORDED & INDEXED sum or of 1934.

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The Bureau is, of sourse, advised as you know of the participation of Harry Fasyer is this matter. Summrous items of information have been received indicating that Harry Fasyer had direct sontact with members of the St. Paul Police Separtment by virtue of which he was able to advise newbers of the Sarker - Karpis gang of a ticipated police raids and was able to effect the return of pay property which had been confiscated by members of the St. Paul Police Departments

The Bureau has a direct statement from Gladys Canyer to the effect that she on one securion tis, ed off members of this gang to an attempted police raid. I also observe that Mrs. Gus Binkeler has previously furnished information of value.

Specific reference is made to the letter of the Indianapolis Office to the Bureau in the Billinger case dated January 30, 1935, to which we attacked a mecorandum substitut by Special Agent F. E. Burley covering an interview with Ers. Sus Winkeler. The following language was used thereint "By talking to Ersy Goets, Brs. Winkeler slains that she can find out who is the estual ring leader of the St. Faul - Winneapolis underworld; that so far as she knows the police or the Government do not know him. She described the sam as being 67 inches tall, 40 years of age, 195 pounds, a pleasant laughing chap cost of the time. He runs a very select restaurant in St. Paul. She claims that he had all of the bonds known as the Midie Litenburger bonds at the time Gus was alive; that this man same to the Minkeler home in St. Paul and later in Chicago with them.

The above described individual is probably identical with Marry Sawyer. A copy of the most recent photograph of Sarry Sawyer is being transmitted to you herewith with the request that it be presented to Mrs. Our Winkeler to determine whether this percents identical with the party she had in mind. There is also submitted a copy of the photograph of Sawyer which was taken several years ago, which may be of sould assistance in this matter. It is desired that was, Winkeler be thoroughly interviewed with regard to this matter.

Further information has some to the Bureau to the effect that one Ray Steger was a contact for the gang in St. Paul, Kinnesota, during 1933. At that time the said gang was living at 1283 and 1290 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, Steger then being exployed as a personnel

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Mr. C. C. Derey investigator for the Kinnesota Righway Separtment, attached to the Office of the Attorney General. Exercr is also a former bartender. for the late Danny Bogan who was a beer baron in St. foul and the ... was succeeded by Marry Sauper after his, Sogan's, gangland murder. I have a very personal interest in this matter and decire with to develop all possible information that are, Minteler may have with regard to the St. Faul situation as outlined above. The information mated above is for your essistance and should be treated as strictly) we confidential. It is not desired that it be imparted to Mrr. Minkeley, The information is furnished to you merely to enable you to interview Krs. Winkeler sore intelligently. Please arrange to have this intenview conducted invedictely and a complete report submitted within the very near future. Very truly yours, John Edgar Boovers Directore Englosure #879446 ec Mr. Conneller, Chicago Cincinnati Cleveland St. Paul ett. 2 de ten addresso to Ceinis 71m Con. alley. Chrispo

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H. S. Department of Justice

Room 1403 370 Lexington Avenue

New York City

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December 9, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions contained in a teletype message from the Bureau office in Trenton, New Jersey, to this office dated December 9, 1935, we are forwarding herewith two copies of the March 1935 issue of the laster Detective may azine and two copies of the September 1935 issue of tartling Detective Adventures.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge

R. WHITLEY

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Special Agent in Charge, Buffale, New York,

Reference is made to your letter dated November 1, 1935 transmitting to this office extracted teeth taken from an unidentified corpse which had been washed on the chores of Crystal Beach, Onterio from which Lake Erie.

Please be advised that investigation at " > Spring Valley and Maywood, Illinois has remailed that these teeth are not those of Dr. Joseph P. Agran, the details of which investigation will be subjuggetly 2 reported.

The extracted teeth are being returned to you by registered mail under separate cover is order that the same may be returned to Constable Frank Femveley, Fidgeway, Oztario Canada, from whom your. office received the same,

E. J. CORNELLEY. Special Agent in Charge,

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Post Office Box 812 Chicago Illinois

Special Agent in Charge, Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sire

Reference is made to my letter of . Hovember 16, 1935 wherein reference in made to the suggestion on the part of Mrs. Walter Marsh, former wife of Gus Winkler, that she would communicate by letter with Lillian Holden in an effort to obtain information concerning members of the Barker-Karpis CARE . The commence was a survey of the same of the sa

Will you please advise me whether any steps have been taken by Mrs. Mersh to communicate with Lillian Holden.

B. J. CONNELLEY. Special Agent in Charge.

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<i>∫ /</i> Bu	reau telegram 1	2-4-35; Bureau	teletype message to Bureau 12-6-35.

From Miss Catherine Roche, Secretary to the Warden of the State Penitentiary, Canon City, Colorado, it was ascertained that Subject William E. Mead (true name), under the name of John H. Foster, #12127, was received at the penitentiary on June 5, 1923, upon conviction on the charge of conspiracy to steal, one count, and confidence game, two counts, sentences to run concurrently, under sentence of from three to ten years, from Denver County; that his nearest relatives were his father, Thomas Meed, Los Angeles, California, and his wife, Mrs. Katherine Mead, Hotel Van, Denver, Colorado; place of birth, Iowa; occupation, bricklayer; age, 48 (1923); paroled September 14, 1925, and discharged from parole on June 4, 1929; that upon his release on parole on September 14, 1925, he was taken into custody by the United States Marshal, Denver, Colorado, being wanted by the Post Office authorities for using the mails to defraud; that while on parole, he reported under his parole from the following addresses: 120

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October 5, 1925. 111 East Ontario Street, Chicago, Illinois October 8, 1925. 6139 South Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois November 13, 1925. General Delivery, Jacksonville, Florida. December 1, 1925, to March 15, 1926. Hotel Mason, Jacksonville, 12 18 14 4

March 30, 1926, to March 4, 1929. 6139 South Park Avenue. Chicago, Illinois.

With the permission of William Thomas, clerk in charge of the correspondence records of prisoners at the State Penitentiary, Agent ascertained that Subject William R. Mead with aliases corresponded with the following persons while in the State Penitentiary from June 3, 1923, to September 14, 1925:

Wife, Mrs. Kate (W. E.) Mead, Little Earhardt Hotel, 1940 Broadway, Denver, Colorado; Hotel Albany, 369 North 23rd Street, Portland, Gregon; 228 East 2nd Street, Los Angeles, California; Hotel Van, 1544 Welton Street, Denver, Colorado; 111 East Ontario Street, Chicago, Illinois; in care of Judge Berriman, Chicago, Illinois; (continuous and numerous communications)

Father, A. F. Mead or A. T. Mead or A. S. Mead or A. L. Mead or A. G. Mead (correspondence records illegible), 123 North San Pedro (or Perals, illegible) Street, Los Angeles, California; 228 East 2nd Street, Los Angeles, California; (several communications).

and Arman Service Services Mr. Louis W. Nathan, 600 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Henry C. Smith, Suite 705, Ridge Arcade, Kansas City, Missouri:

Mr. Algie Young, 1503 East Evans Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado.

and the state of the state of the control of the co Mrs. Ketie Nyburger, 171 South Hosier Street, Los Angeles, California. (continuous and numerous communications).

- G. B. Jenkinson, Thermopolis, Wyoming.
- G. Hines, Great Northern Hotel, Joplin, Missouri.

Sears, Roebuck & Company, Chicago, Illinois. (over 200 incoming communications, and 34 outgoing letters)

William F. Green, gatekeeper and former Deputy Warden, stated that Subject William E. Mead's alleged wife, Kate Mead, was known as "Klondike Mate" and "California Kate" and that the Denver Police Department made an inquiry concerning her at one time soon after she

and other women had visited Subject William E. Mead and other confidence men confined in the State Penitentiary; that a few months age he noticed in the paper that the officers were looking for Kate Mead in California; that the following is an approximate description of Kate Mead at the time she visited the State Penitentiary; Kate Mead at the time she visited the State Penitentiary:

KATE MEAD alias KLONDIKE KATE

alias CCALIFORNIA KATE 48 5-6 or 7 155 to 160 Age Height Weight Hair Gray, almost white Blonde Complexion Good dresser and neat in appearance Peculiarities

The following personal description, with fingerprint classification was and criminal record of Subject William E. Mead with aliases John Henry Foster, J. W. Reed, J. W. Baker, J. W. Parker, Edwin Elza Gaynor, One Clark, "The Christ Kid", and E. E. Laird, was obtained from E. J. Hollister, Superintendent of the Identification Bureau, State Penitentiary, Canon City, Colorado:

No. 12127

June 7, 1923

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JOHN H. FOSTER
Aliases: William E. Mead (True Name), J. W. Reed, J. W. Baker, J. W. Parker, John Henry Foster, Edwin Elza Gaynor, One Clark, The Christ Kid", E. E. Laird.

Received June 3, 1923, from Denver County; sentence, 3 to 10 years; Crime, conspiracy to steal - 1 count, confidence game - 2 counts; to run concurrently. Born Iowa; occupation, bricklayer; age, 48; weight, 140 pounds; height 5 feet 10 inches; medium complexion; brown heir; blue-grey eyes; slender build;
Date of sentence, June 2, 1923
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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO OFFICE: At Chicago, Illinois, will make inquiries at 111 East Ontario Street and 6139 South Park Avenue as to whether Subject William E. Lead is known at those addresses; will interview Judge Berriman as to the present whereabouts of Krs. Kate Mead; will interview Louis W. Nathan, 600 South Wabash Avenue, as to the present whereabouts of Subject William E. Mead, and will ascertain from Sears, Roebuck & Company who ther Subject, under any of his known names, is at present in communication with them.

THE JACKSONVILLE OFFICE: At Jacksonville, Florida, will ascertain whether the Hotel Mason has a record of the present whereabouts of Subject William E. Mead.

THE PORTIAND OFFICE: At Portland, Oregon, will ascertain whether Mrs. Kate Mead's present whereabouts is known at the Hotel Albany, 369 North 23rd Street.

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE: At Los Angeles, California, will ascertain whether the alleged wife of Subject William E. Mead, that is Kate Mead alias "Klondike Kate" alias "California Kate", and Subject William E. Mead's father, Thomas Mead alias A. T., A. S., A. L., A. F., or A. G. Mead's present whereabouts is known at 228 East 2nd Street or 123 North San Pedro (or Perals) Street, and will ascertain from

Mrs. Katie Nyburger, 171 South Hosier Street, the present whereabouts of Subject William E. Mead.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE: At Kansas City, Missouri, will ascertain from Henry C. Smith, Suite 705, Ridge Arcade, the present whereabouts of Subject William E. Mead; at Joplin, Missouri, will ascertain from S. Hines, Great Northern Hotel, similar information.

THE DERVER OFFICE: At Pueblo, Colorado, will ascertain from Mr. Algie Young, 1503 East Evens Avenue, the present whereabouts of Subject William E. Mead.

At Thermopolis, Wyoming, will interview G. B. Jenkinson for similar in-

At Casper, Wyoming, as indicated in the report of Special Agent L. T.
Healey dated November 15, 1935, will keep in touch with Captain William Miller and Sheriff R. Jack Allen as to developments or further information in instant case. Unless an examination of the file reveals that Mr. M. Welsh, 1238 South Chestnut Street, Casper, Wyoming, has already been interviewed in instant case, will interview him concerning Subject Campbell

At Pueblo, Colorado, as set out in the report of Special Agent Paul Hensen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, November 25, 1935, will conduct appropriate investigation with respect to Pat Abel's incarceration at that place and the identity and activities of his brother Jim or Herb Abel, 419 West 7th Street.

At Denver, Colorado, will ascertain at the Little Earhardt Hotel, 1940 Broadway, the Hotel Van, 1544 Welton Street, whether the present whereabouts of Subject William E. Mead or his alleged wife, Kate Mead, is known, and at the Police Department will ascertain whether Kate Mead alias "Klondike Kate" alias "California Kate" was ever photographed or fingerprinted; at the United States Marshal's office will determine what disposition was made of Mead. If he made bond, will interview bondsman and obtain all other data which may aid in locating him.

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H. S. Bepartment of Justice 610 Alonzo Ward Hotel Building, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

December 9, 1935

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

> RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive, I. Q. 1218, Edward George Gremer - Victim, Aberdeen file 7-8

Dear Sir:

in Laboratory

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There is being submitted in connection with the above entitled matter, two invoices of "Ted's Food Market" which have been signed "FERA R. C. Ormiston" which it is being noted are carbon copies and an envelope of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration of North Dakota which contains handwriting on both sides of it which is believed to be the writing of Doctor R. C nmiston.

Dr. Ormiston has been identified by several people as Dr. Joseph P Moran and it is requested that this hand riting be compared with the known handwriting of Dr. Moran. It is also requested that a search be made for latent prints and they also be compared with the prints of Dr. Moran. This is the second specimen of handwriting of Dr. R. C. Ormiston furnished to the Technical Division.

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Special Agent in Char

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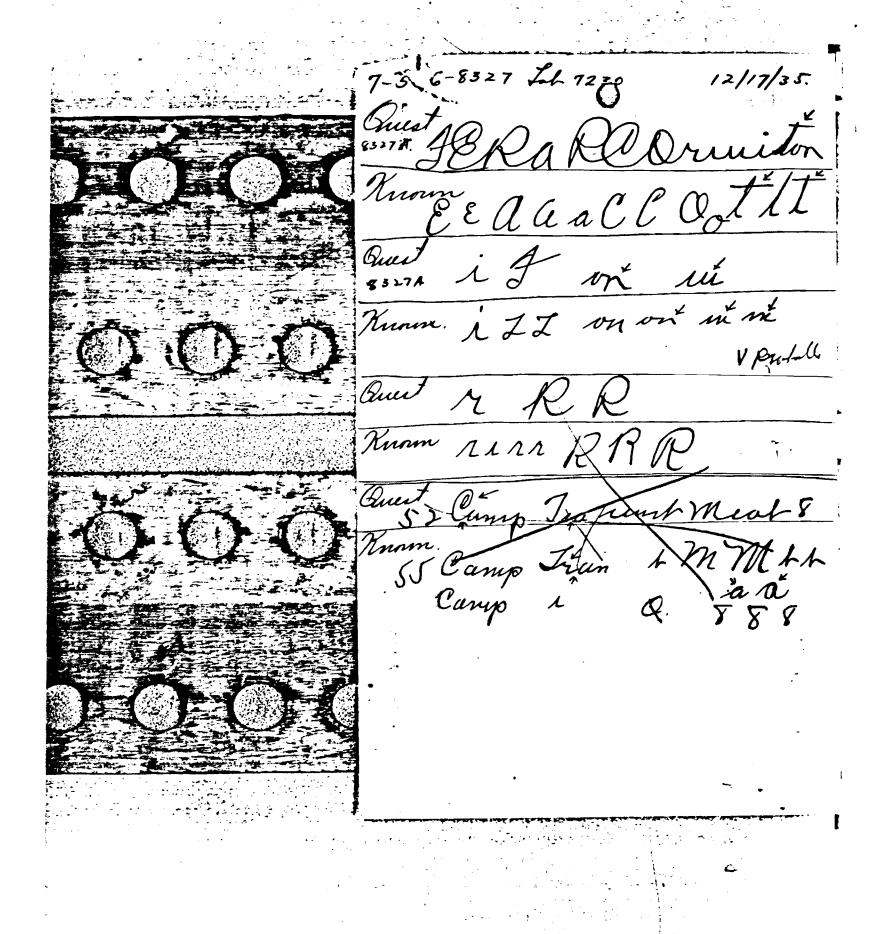
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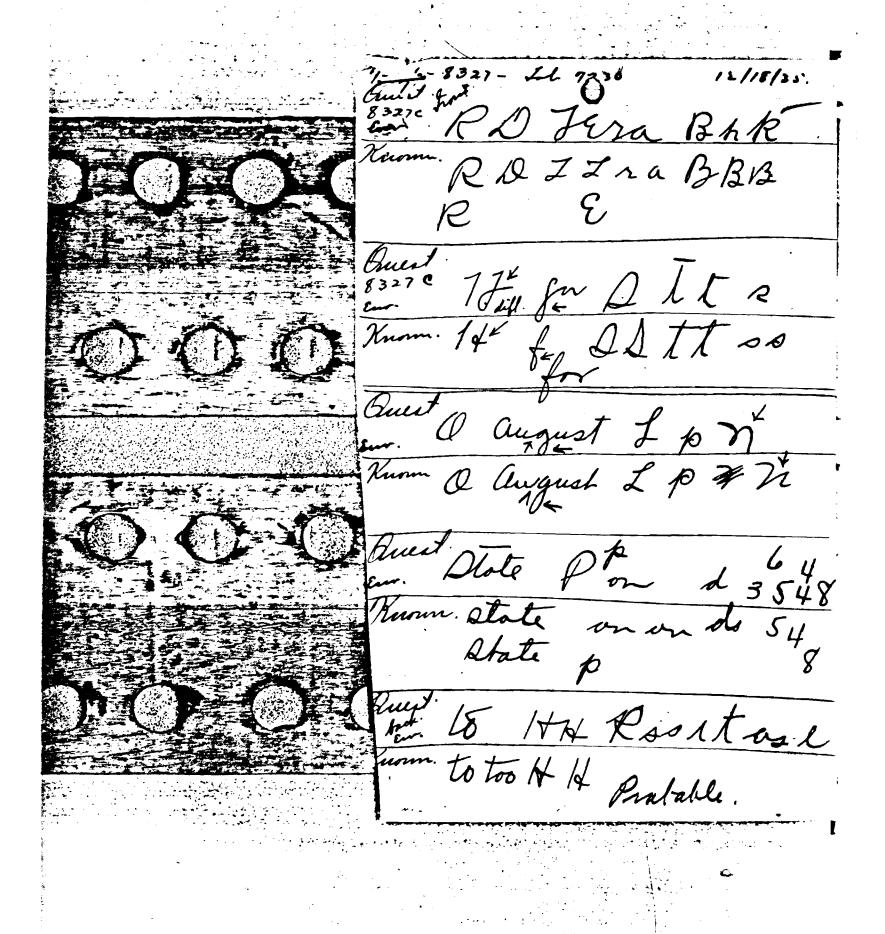
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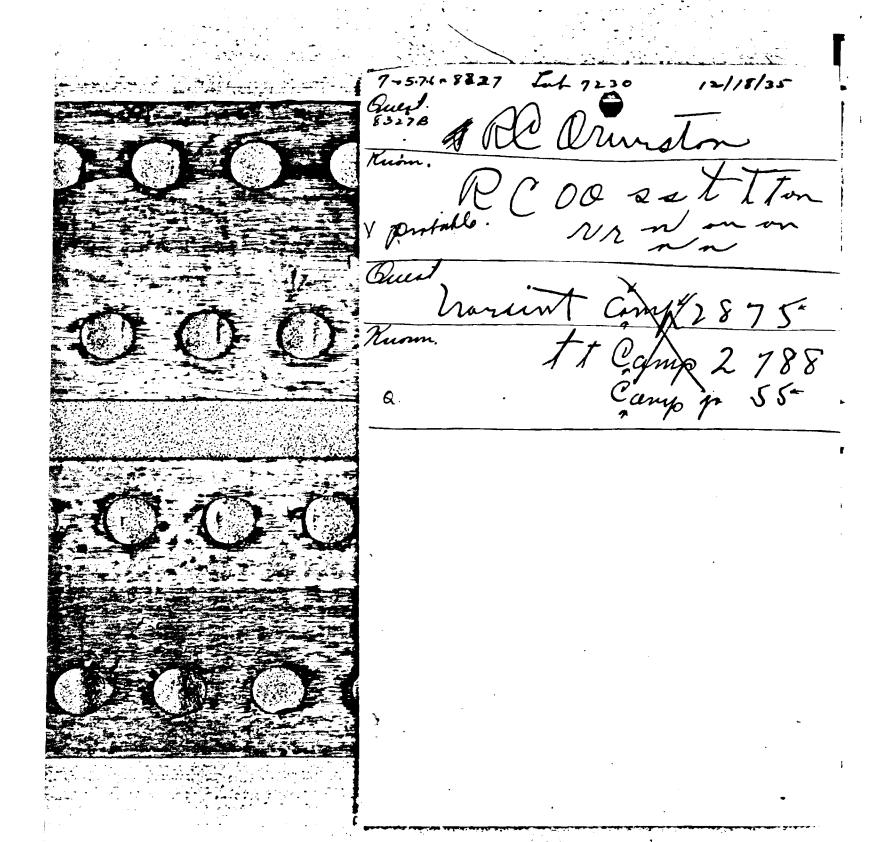
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CC: St. Paul Cincinnati Chicago Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago.







JOHN EDGAR HOOVER Mr. Teleon DIRECTOR Rr. Daughme Federal Bureau of Investigation H. S. Bepartment of Justice Mr. Coffey Washington, A. C. B.r. Zgan 7-576 KRM: ER December 9, 1935. Mr. Leste MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR Mr. Schlider Mr. Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive J. Tracy RECORDED I. O. #1218, et al; Edward George OBremer - Victim. Kidnaping. Mr. Connelley has recently been at the Oklahoma City office and directed a letter to the Bureau reviewing what he considers all the work to be done in the Oklahoma City district. In this letter he names the informants with whom periodic contacts should be kept and COPY FILED suggests that the entire time of one Agent be assigned to this case. Information has recently been disclosed in Cleveland, Ohio, through representatives of the Pinkerton Detective Agency that one E all at general delivery, was in contact with Alvin Karpis during the summer of 1934. Efforts are now being made to ascertain the whereabouts Ó so that he might be interviewed. 6 The Chicago office has informed that it has now obtained the services of one Anthony Vaitkus, who understands the Lithuanian language. This individual is considered trustworthy and honest and will be employed to listen in on the telephone tap which has been placed on the telephone of John/Karpavicz, the father of Alvin Karpis. A surveillance is still being mainteined on This surveillance has been considered desirable because it is felt that Edith Barry might at any moment drop in on take him to some unknown point! Numerous Agents have now been assigned to Cleveland, Ohio, to observe the registered mail window to determine whether Harry Campbell will forward any more letters to Mrs. Maggie/Lett at Wann, Oklahoma. RECORDED & INDEXED The surveillance of Belle Born, the paramour of Charles John Fitzgerald at Mankato, Minnesota, has been discontinued in view of the fact that Belle Born is aware that her telephone is tapped, and that she is being watched by Agents. The St. Paul office has been authorized to interview ner openly for such information as is obtainable. It is DEC 12 1935 FILE THIS SERIAL تحييز 3/10/57

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recalled that she made a statement to her friends that Fitzgerald is dead. Every effort will be made to verify or discredit this statement. Fitzgerald, as you will recall, is a contact for Karpis and Campbell.

recently proceeded to Chicago where she visited with Emily Newbold, the sister of Karpis, and with Karpis' parents. She was unable to obtain any information of value and observed that when members of the family mentioned Karpis they spoke in the Lithuanian language. does not understand that language. She noted also that on numerous occasions they mentioned St. Paul, Minnesota, and Winnipeg. She is of the opinion that the parents have at one time or another been in contact with Karpis since they indicated to her that after Karpis' escape at Atlantic City, New Jersey on January 20, 1935, it was necessary for them to get some money to him. They indicated however that they have not been in touch with him for five or six months.

The Oklahoma City office has now arranged for the renting of a house next door to the home of the parents of Harry Campbell and several Agents are now settled in that home, maintaining the proper surveillance. It is intended that this surveillance will continue through the Christmas and New Year holidays in the belief that Campbell, who is very fond of his parents, may communicate with them in some way.

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Special Agent in Charge, Kanena City, Miscourie

> EL: ALVIS RATTIE with aliason - PROITIVE, Z. O. \$1218, et al; EDEARD GEORGE OSRIGLE - Victima Ridgeping

Dear Met

It is desired that when an Agent of your office is mext in the vicinity of Becken, Eissouri George E. Barker, the father of Fred end "Doe" Barker, he thoroughly interviewed with regard to the family history of all of the Barker brothers. It is desired that a complete family history of Kate Barker and her four sons be obtained, specific reference being had to the dates and places of birth, education, employment and troubles in which the sons were involved before Fred and "Dog" Barker becase involved in the Bracer case.

At is noted that the Bureau has very little inforzation with regard to Serand Agracy, who someisted soldide at Michita, Kansas on Angust 29, 1927, and Lloyd Barker, who is presently serving soltenge in the United States Poul-tentiery at Leavenworth, Kansase

The Los Angeles office is likewise requested to interview Mrs. Vesturg, who is the half-sister of Kate Barker, obtaining similar information from her. It is desired that the Los Angeles office obtain complete details as to the visit of Kate Barker and her sons to the home of Mrs. Yoghurg during 1933 and such other visits as they may have made which are not known to the Bureau. It is further suggested that, in view of the death of Kate Barker, Mrs. Vosburg may be milling to furnish details which will be of assistance in equaing the apprehension of Marry Campbell and Alvin Karpis. It is noted that Mrs. Vesburg is living at 2357 Magnolia Street, Long Beach, California.

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Post Office Box 4907 Jacksonville, Florida December 9, 1935.

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

RE: BEKKID.

Dear Sir:

I em enclosing herewith a negative and one developed photograph of the signature of William Klmer Wead, for such use as it may be to the Bureau in connection with its consideration of issuing an identification order on this subject.

Very truly yours.

Special Agent in Charge.

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Jax # 7-24.

Cc: Mr. Connelley, Chicago

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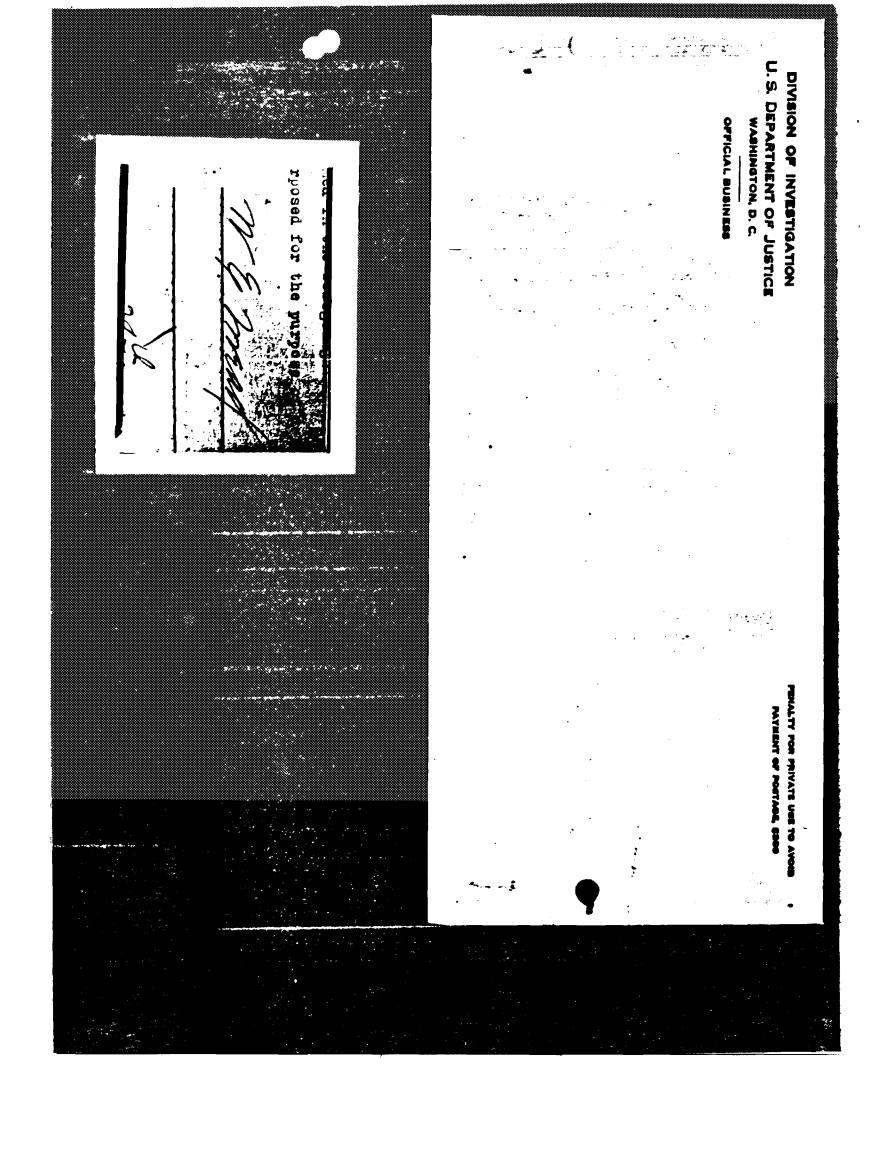
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Special Agent in Charge : Pittsburgh, Femmaylvenia

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Paul Hanson, Okla. City, dated 11-25-35, particularly to page six thereof, wherein there is set out information that a letter addressed to Mrs. George Compbell, 818 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Okla., apparently in the handwriting of subject Campbell, bore the postmark of West Middlesex, Pa., November 18, 1935, 5 p.m.

As indicated in the reference report, investigation has established that a person thought to be Harry Campbell has been communicating by registered mail with Maggie lett, Route No. 2, Wann, Okla., over a period of 🥠 some months, and the investigation being conducted at the present time in the Cleveland territory is based on the premise that the registered letters were, in fact, went by subject Campbell. Some of these latters bore return address of Mary Forth, Conerel Delivery, Cleveland, Ohio, and others C. B. Benton and George Benton, General Delivery, Cleveland, Ohio, No registered letter has been sent for the month of dovember.

. It is respectfully requested that you furnish the Claveland office with the results of the investigation conducted by you at Nest Middlesex, Pennsylvania, and that if you have not done so, you consider the advisability of making inquiry through postal records at West Middlesex, Pa., to determine whether or not any person by the name of Mary Forth, C. R. Benton or George Deuton is receiving or sending mail through that office, including in your investigation a shock of registered letter records.

Please furnish just as soon as possible the details of the invest/ gation conducted by your office at West Middlesex, pursuant to the telety/ requesting same received by you from the Oklahoma City office.

ec: Eureau, St. Faul, Chicago, Cincinnati J. P. MAC FARLAND Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907. Jacksonville, Florida.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY:

December 5, 1955.

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

Dear Sir:-

BREKID.

Enclosed are copies of a letter dated December 2, 1935, from George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney, St. Paul, Minn., with which were transmitted the following 17 subpoenas, requesting that they be served on the persons to whom directed requiring their presence in Federal Court at St. Paul, Minn., on January 9th, 1936, at 10:00 o'clock, A. M.:

J. H. Hanson, Special Agent, FBI, U. S. Dept. of Jus. Jax. Fla. 1.

R. D. Brown, • .

James Grant, c/o Mary Elizabeth Hotel, 7th St. & Second Ave. N. W. Mismi, Florida.

Henry Debro, 642 Northwest Second Avenue, Mismi, Florida. William Milton Johnson, 350 Northwest Sixth St., Miami, Fla.

L. E. Grey, c/o J. H. Grey, Statesville, N.C. or

c/o Knott Hotels, New York City, N.Y.
Terese Carmichael, Kendall, Florida, or Farmers' Curb Market, Miami, Florida.

Rof Stager, c/o McAllister Hotel, Miami, Florida. 8. Thief/Efferson, c/o McAllister Hotel, Miami, Fla. Ethel/Moore, c/o El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Fla. 9.

10. F. E. Covel, El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Fla.

11. Joseph H. Adams, c/o Kl Commodore Hotel, Miami, Fla.

Subpoenas duces tecum

R. E. Johnson, Manager, Western Union Telegraph Co., OF TW. STIGATION 21 W. Flagler St., Miami, Florida, 11 1935 P.M. Jos. H. Wallis, District Director, Immigration & Naturalization Service, U.S.Dept. of Labor, Room 444, U.S. TOF Post Office & Court House Bldg., Jacksonville, Fla.

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TO DIRECTOR, 12-5-35. File 7-24

15. Arthur Sandercock, c/o El Commodorce Hotel, Mismi, Fla.
16. Palmer Rosemond, Chief Deputy Clerk, United States District
Court, Mismi, Florida.

17. James Tinely, Auditor, McAllister Hotel, Miami, Florida.

Subpoenss for Special Agents J. H. Hanson and R. D. Brown are enclosed.

It will be appreciated if the Bureau will advise immediately whether these subpoenas should be served by Agents of this office, or whether they should be handed to the United States Marshal here for service by his Deputies.

Very truly yours,

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R. A. ALT, Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

cc - R. J. Connelley, Chicago.
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

District of Minnesota

Saint Paul

December 2, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Federal Bureau of Investigation,

B. S. Department of Justice,

U. S. Post Office and Court House Building,

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I am enclosing herewith, 17 subpoenss issued by the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, running to the United States Mershal for the Southern District of Florida and/or any special agent of the United States Department of Justice for service upon necessary and essential witnesses for the Government in the federal kidnaping conspiracy case, which has been set down for trial in this district on January 6, 1936. This kidnaping case, as you know, arises out of the seizure and interstate transportation of Edward G. Bromer, a reference St. Paul benker.

You will note that some of these subpoenas require the witnesses to produce certain documentary evidence. It may be that some of the documentary evidence thus required is in the possession of your bureau. It is assumed that wherever it may be your bureau will take the necessary \tilde{s}_{11} steps to locate it and have it produced at the proper time.

You will note that James Tinely, Auditor of the McAllister Hotel in Mismi and Roy Stager and Thief Efferson, clerks at said hotel; have been subposemed. It may be that Stager and Efferson both are the stager and Efferson both are still in the employ of the McAllister Hotel, If so, and if they will produce the records required to be produced by Tinely, the auditor of the hotel, it will not be necessary for Tinely to appear as a witness inasmuch as he can turn the documentary evidence over to Stager and say Efferson, each of whom registered Cassius McDonald into the M callister, Hotel on two occasions in September, 1954.

With reference to the subpoens for the District Director of Immigration at Jacksonville to produce a considerable amount of documentary evidence, it is assumed that the evidence thus required to be produced consists of original records made by the Immigration. authorities in pursuance of law and regulations, and consist of

Special Agent in Charge, St. Paul - Page 2. · official Government records maintained by the Immigration Bureau. If this be not true and should it develop that these records actually were made by other than a Government agency, I should like to be advised at once in that regard in order that we may subpoens the persons who actually made up these records and forwarded them to the Immigration authorities for recording. You will notice that the subpoenss require these witnesses to appear in St. Paul on January 9, 1956. This trial commences on This January 6, 1936, In view of the previous trial it is quite possible that the defense counsel will stipulate that certain facts are true, proof of which consumed considerable time at the previous trial. In the previous trial. wiew of the order that the proof in this case must necessarily take at the next trial, should defense counsel fail to stipulate as stateds; 4t is altogether probable that these foreign witnesses will not be put in the second on the witness stand on January 9, 1956. الراجة الأربانية العيران والأرقية والموارية والعالى الراباء والمراجع الريوني والراجعيان العلوقية والمؤه It occurs to me that it may be possible for your bureau to make some arrangement with these witnesses whereunder they will proceed to St. Paul upon telegraphic notice from this office to the first the second state of the second se your bureau, stating the time, as nearly as may be, when they will a second be required to appear to testify. Such arrangement, of course, would be to their advantage and is suggested merely for their accommodation should they desire the matter arranged that way. This case, on the previous trial, consumed a period of five weeks, and, along the of course, all these witnesses doubtless would be considerably put out if they appeared here on January 9 to find that their testimony was not required until some time later. Accordingly, in the circumstances of the case, I bring the situation to your attention in order that you may make such arrangements as your best judgment dictates. Yours very truly, /s/ George F. Sullivan GEORGE F. SULLIVAN United States Attorney.

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Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureza of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justine, All U. S. Court Mouse and P. O. Suilding, Jesisonville, Florida.

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Dear Sire

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The Burnes feels that in keeping with the information contained in your letter and also in the copy of the letter of the United States Attorney at St. Faul, Himmsota to your effice deted December 2, 1935, that an Agent should serve those subjects as requested by the United States Attorney.

Very truly yours,

Som Eigar Roover, Director,

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