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JACK SHIPPS

**LEW WILDER, Sheriff of Creek County**

Sapulpa, Oklahoma  
February 10, 1936

J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Please advise me the amount of reward,  
if any, posted by the Government for the capture of  
the following persons, Alvin Karpis, and Harry Campbell.

Also advise whether or not there is supposed  
to be a fugitive running with them who has an impediment  
in his speech and is known as Stutters, if so, please  
give me his name as well as the reward offered for his  
capture.

Please reply in envelope marked personal.

Yours truly

*Lew Wilder*  
Sheriff Creek County Oklahoma.

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February 27, 1936

Mr. Lew Wilder,  
Sheriff of Creek County,  
Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

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My dear Sheriff:

I have your letter of February 10, 1936 asking whether a reward has been offered by the Government for the apprehension of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, who are involved in the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.

Please be advised that no reward has been offered by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice for the apprehension of these persons; however, if you have any information which concerns these persons you should communicate with Mr. Dwight Brantley, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 224 Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

With reference to your request concerning a person known as "Stutters", I desire to inform you that I am unable to identify the person to whom you refer.

I appreciate the cooperation which you have extended to this Bureau in matters of mutual interest.

Sincerely yours,  
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,  
Assistant Director,

cc-Chicago  
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New York City.

*Handwritten:* 100-100000-100000

306 Fletcher Trust Building  
Indianapolis, Indiana

March 2, 1936

Grover C. Rainbolt,  
Postmaster,  
Corydon, Indiana.

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID.

This confirms a verbal request made by an Agent of this office that you place a thirty day mail cover on all mail addressed to George Dunn, Corydon, Indiana, effective February 14, 1936.

It is respectfully requested that you forward to this office tracings of the address, postmark and particularly tracings of any return address appearing on said mail.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I remain,

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Chicago, Ill.

REKID ARRANGE AGENTS TO OBSERVE MOVEMENTS IMOGENE ROBERTSON CHICAGO BETWEEN  
TRAINS MONDAY STOP I WILL BE ON TRAIN ARRIVING CHICAGO AND WILL POINT HER OUT  
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CC Bureau, Chicago, Cleveland,  
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MAR 8 1935

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
March 2, 1936

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

Dear Mr. Ryan:

There are enclosed herewith letters written by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution, to her brother, Robert Delaney, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and to Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as well as a letter written to Miss Delaney by her sister, Babe, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago. Also enclosed are letters written to Wynona Burdette by her sisters, Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Arondale, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Charles R. Hughes, 55 1/2 North Yorktown, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The contents of these letters have been carefully noted and I desire to extend to you my sincere thanks for your continued cooperation in this and other matters.

Very truly yours

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Edward G. ...*



Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
March 2, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of the following letters, the originals of which are being returned to Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, to be forwarded as addressed:

Letter dated December 22, 1936 (incorrectly dated) from Dolores Delaney to Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Letter dated February 23, 1936, from Dolores Delaney to her brother, Robert Delaney, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Letter dated February 20, 1936, addressed to Dolores Delaney from her sister, Babe, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Letter dated February 20, 1936, to Wynona Burdette, from her sister, Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Arondale, Oklahoma.

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Letter dated February 7, 1936, to Wynona Burdette, address: U. S. Department of Justice, Box 515, St. Paul, Minnesota, from her sister, Mrs. Charles R. (Eunice) Hughes, 55 1/2 North Yorktown, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

MAR - 6 1936

Very truly yours

*H. H. Reinecke*  
H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc-St. Paul (5 Enclosures)  
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Letter addressed: Miss Dolores Delaney  
Box 1000  
Milan, Michigan

-copy-

Return address: 6045 Kimbark Ave.  
Chicago, Ill.

Feb. 20th.

Dear Dolores:-

I received your letter and was sure glad to get it and glad too to know that you got a chance to see the baby. Isn't he the cutest thing so big and fat. Remember Bobby was so thin when he was that age. I sure am proud to be a aunt to that little tyke.

Gosh you don't know how disappointed I was that I didn't get to see you. It has been so long. But I am going to try my darndest to see if I can't get up there as soon as it warms up. I am going with a very nice fellow here and he has a Plymouth Coupe and I am quite sure that he would be glad to drive me up. He knows all about every thing and it hasn't made any difference to him towards me. He wants me to marry him this summer. And I know he would be awfully good to Bobby. I want to get Bobby away from St. Paul so that he will forget about all that stuff. I got a letter from him the other day, he writes the cutest letters and he told me that he has passed into 2-B. He seems so proud of it. He is a half a grade behind because I had to keep him out at one time for a while.

I saw Bud Sunday, he was over to Mugs' for dinner. Mugs and Dick were supposed to have got married on her birthday but they didn't. They are always arguing about something or other, so its hard telling how it will turn out. I don't know whether or not that you know she got a divorce from Eddie. She got it a couple months ago and I was a witness for her. He wasn't there so there was nothing to it. He sure is a homely little monkey, he is all bald headed now.

Well Dolores, this is all the news for now and will do my darndest to try and write oftener. So keep your chin up and say hello to Winnona for me and be sure and write. So bye now with oodles and oodles of love. Your big sister,

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"Babe"

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-cc

Letter addressed: Miss Wynona Burdette  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Box 515  
St. Paul, Minnesota

-copy-

Return address; Mrs. Charles R. Hughes  
55 N. Yorktown  
Tulsa, Okla.

Tulsa, Oklahoma  
February 7, 1936

Darling baby Sis:-

Well Wynona for the love of me it seems impossible to help you one speck, please forgive me for not writing sooner but Well I was so sure I could get the money for you I wanted to send it & Then follow with a letter.

First I ask Willard & showed him your letter. Here is his story. By gosh I wish she had a wrote about a week or so ago but I just paid fifty dollars tax, had to get Alice some things - but I'll have it in four or five weeks, if she can wait.

Doc, the fool says he was never so pressed in his life said the D bills coming in & couldnt meet but about half of them - So I said Yeah that's what They all say -

And my beloved soup hound wouldnt give me hay if I were on a cement pasture - let alone some one I love - meaning you & all my folks.

While I'm on that subject money - You know the uke I promised. He got drunk & busted it all to pieces on the ice box, tried tearing your big picture up, but pal I reached him before he ruined it he tore the frame, but I got it away from him & missed him with two soup bowls, but the third hit him smack on top of the head, he still remembers it as the knot it left reminds him of it.

So as soon as I send you the ten you ask for, then a week ago I wrote Hy and ask him. Well that nut head has never answered or anything and I know he got it. Nona please forgive me for asking him but I wanted to help you so bad. And I'm not quiting either. Willard has only a week left & his four weeks are about up & kid-o I'm going right back at him. Then too I'd forgotten about Swanson. I'll ask him too. Dumb in me not thinking of him before. Then when I get yours I'm going to save up \$3.00 and send off for an outfit for addressing & mailing circulars (at home) spare time work & please Nona wish me luck. Than when you write me I'll have it and wont have to ask any sap head.

Don't forget ~~Edney~~ <sup>DEMOYED</sup> still trying - and heres hoping by the time

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you get this your money will be following.

Esther & Gwenn are flying High any how G- you know wearing your things did you tell her she could or am I telling tales out of school. I do wish Richard would put your jewels in a vault or something. Makes me so beastly mad I could scream the way Esther lets her do. I told Mildred it would have been better if Mr. (The fellow that said you could have the uke) had a taken care of them for you.

Nona Darling Why don't you write & ask her real nice not to let Gwen wear your jewels. I'm so afraid she will loose them.

Mildred was up & stayed about two weeks but she said she would of went goofie watching Gwen spruce around in your things, so she came home & let jimmie go.

Esther would be off of me for life if she knew I told you, that is unless you told her Gwen could wear them.

Ruth is about to go up in smoke about it. She said the crazy things Wynona wont have a darn thing to wear no jewels or nothing else, good & faithful Ruth she thinks of you Sister dear even though she doesent write.

She's gaining her strength back now. I guess Mildred or mabe I did, Told you about her three months miss C. or did I? I cant remember, poor kid she was about as bad of as I was as she was always conscious. She is geting as fat as a little pig now. Whinery was sure sweet to her while she was ill. She'll write in with my letter next time she said.

Esther had six more teeth pulled. Mildred said she thought she had fourteen left.

You ask about Dickies arm honey it has been well a couple of months now. dont Mildred tell you about the kiddies? too well occupied I guess. She certainly looks swell since her stay at Esthers.

I got to go out there last night. Ellen had had plurscie of the kidneys - but was over it and feeling lots better, they had to tell me all that happens of course. Than nearly choked me to death kissing me when I left but of course I dont get to go out but once every four or five weeks as it is to cold for walking purposes.

Ellen is going to make a beautiful woman if she doesent change, you know it? Mildreds kiddies are all pretty too and all tipicul blondes. Thank heavens their hair will get dark. I'd hate for them to be one of those scatter brained blondes. Wouldent you sweetheart?

Well Ill retire on that and finish in the morning.

Nighty Night my little Doll.

Feb. 20, 1936.

Sister O Mine:

Here I am after waiting awhile to finish my calls. No Luck.

Cant you think of some one else to tell me to ask and I'll do it. But just now I want to get this letter of to you as you no doubt are already thinking I dont care to write any more since you ask me for that.

But honey I do. I am only ashamed to think after all you have done for me I'm not able to send it myself.

So please honey let me know what to do will you? - and in the meantime if I can get it I'll send it and How long will you be in St. Paul?

Do you have to go back to Milan? if so when? Let me know something quick?

- All I do is dream crazy dreams. I'm worried half insane.

Don't forget to tell me how you are.

So you'll hear one way or the other in the next ten days. And please Wynona Please dont hate me & forget me. Will you not? I could never stand that.

Always Your Sis -

Eunice M. Hughes  
55½ N. Yorktown  
Tulsa

A Million kiss-es to you from your own Bockehut.

Letter addressed: Mr. & Mrs. John Karpavicz  
2842 No. Francisco Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois

-copy-

Dec. 22, 1936.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Karpis:

Received your letter this afternoon and was never more tickled to get anything in my life - Mother said she would write as soon as I left St. Paul but I haven't heard from her yet and I can't understand what is wrong - I haven't her address so all I can do is wait.

I am going to try and tell you everything concerning that matter I wrote to you about last month - When Alvin and I were in Miami we left two \$1000.00 bills for safe keeping with Mr. Joseph Adams, manager of El Commodore hotel - where we stayed for sometime before we moved into a house there in Miami. Mr. Adams was to keep those bills until either Alvin or I called or sent someone for them. On Jan. 16, 1935, the night we left Miami, I sent a man for one of the bills leaving the other in his possession. When Alvin and I arrived in Atlantic City - Alvin had an idea that there was going to be trouble and he told me if anything happened to cause us to be seperated and I should get away that I should go to Miami as soon as possible and get the remaining bill from Mr. Adams. The next day I got arrested and naturally since Alvin got away I imagined that he would go and get the money himself but later I found that he did not do this as he probably learned that Mr. Adams was being watched by G. men. Mr. Adams turned the bill over to a Dept. of Justice agent telling him he was going to use the money to pay for the damage done to the home in Oklawaha, Florida where Mother and Fred Barker were killed. This bill was used as evidence in the last Bremer trial which was when I first learned that Alvin had not gone after it. As soon as I learned where the money was I inquired of several different people and was informed by all of them that Mr. Adams has no right to use money not legally his to repair the Oklawaha home. Mother and Fred had \$14,000.00 on them when they died and surely if any one had to pay for the home it should have been taken out of that. I was also told that the Government had no right to it and did not want it. Mr. Adams has admitted that Alvin -- the bills with him - I am confident that if you go to the Dept. of Justice offices there in Chicago that they will tell you what to do to obtain this money. If there is anything else I can do I will be more than glad to do it as I know that the money would really come in handy.

No, I haven't heard anything further concerning the car since I got the letter offering me \$275.00 for it - I replied to this letter and accepted the offer but that's as far as it went. It seems strange that they should go to the trouble of writing those letters and even offering a definite sum for the car and then let the matter drop. I don't know what to make of everything but I can't do a thing while in here so I guess I'll just have to let it go.

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Well the rules about our mail have been changed quite a bit since I wrote you last. First - I can receive one letter each week from each of my correspondents instead of one each month. Second - When you write be sure to put your name and address in the upper left hand corner of the envelope. Third - I can only write two pages in each letter. I am glad we can get so many more letters because now if there is anything you want to let me know you won't have to wait till the next month to write. Something I want to ask you - If anything should happen you would let me know right away, wouldn't you? Please do.

Now, how is my darling son? Gee, I hope he is feeling better and sleeping well. I just hate to think of him being sick. How much does he weigh now? Boy, he sure looked big when I saw him - How did he like the little toy I gave him? Mother bought it for me to give him 'cause she knew I would want to give him a birthday present. Well give the little (or should I say big) bunch of love, loads of kisses for me and here are some for you two and Emily.

from

Dolores.

Letter addressed: Mr. Robert De Laney  
6045 Kimbark Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

-copy-

Feb. 23, 1936.  
Sunday Evening

Dearest Bud:

Hello, you old so and so - how are you? Fine and dandy, eh? That's swell. What have you been doing for excitement? Do you know what I do - well, I get magazines and look at the pictures of all the good foods in them - why, sometimes I look at them so long I go to bed with indigestion - ha-ha.

You say you saw little Ray a while back - I'll bet he looked plenty sweet, didn't he? I almost squeezed the life out of him when I had him there in the depot at Chicago. Boy, he's really getting big, isn't he? I always did say he was going to be a second Jack Dempsey - do you agree with me? Before I saw the baby I was just hoping you would be there, too, but of course when you weren't I understood that it wasn't because you didn't want to be there. I'll be tickled to death to see you if you get a chance to come out honey. Don't do it if you can't afford to without pinching pennies. I don't want you to do without things because of me. And, darling, if you do come I'm sure they will let you in so you won't have to knock any of their heads together.

If you write to Bobby remember me to him and tell him I would like to write to him but I'm not allowed to. Give him my love and tell him I'll always remember what he told Mother to tell me and also how sweet it was of him to send me that big box of candy, etc.

My girl friend is okay, honey, but she isn't allowed to write to you so she told me to say "hello" to you for her.

Have you seen Mugs lately and do you know where she is living? Please write and let me know all about her. -If you do see her tell her to write - if nothing else she can scribble a few lines on a post card. And you can tell Babe the same thing when you see her.

Well, darling, I shall close now. Say "Hello" to everyone I know and here are loads of hugs and kisses for you from

Dolores.

P.S. When you see little Ray you can give him one of the kisses for me - okay?

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P.S. - Did you get the letter in which I enclosed another letter for Dad?  
I want to hear from him directly so won't you please send me his  
address.

Is Babe staying with you? Tell her I wrote to Pat a while back and  
also sent him a Xmas card but I never did get an answer. I'd like to know  
when he gets out and just how much time he got. I always thought it was  
two years but I have been told that it was three. Put me straight, will  
you? Also tell Babe to thank that fellow, I believe his name is Nichols,  
for the dollar and card he sent me. I sure want to meet him when I get out.  
When someone does something for a person when they are in a place like this  
it's really appreciated, no foolin'? I imagine he is a pretty nice fellow,  
what do you think?

Goodbye for now, honey. Answer soon.

Love

Dolores

Letter addressed: Miss Wynona Burdette  
Box 1000  
Milan, Michigan

-copy-

Return address: R. D. Wilson  
R.R.B.  
Arondale, Okla.

Arondale, Okla.

Feb. 20, 1936

My Dear little Sis:

At last I'm going to get to write you a line, as I've tryed and wanted to write so often.

Got a letter from Art about a week ago, and he sent me some of the music he wrote for you, have you recieved yours yet, it is so pretty as Esther has a piano I found the tune to it. I've been going up there for two months but I havn't got started yet.

It seems like I can't get away from Millie's very long at a time for she has been in such poor health but she's feeling a lot better now & now Esther isn't very well.

I have written most of the song off you wanted and gave them to Millie to sent but I don't suppose she's even had time to write.

Well I guess it's time to quit for it's time for Gwen to go to school but I'll write more next time, that is if you can read this, isn't it awful, it's to early to write good how's that excuse.

Write me soon. Your Sis & Niece

With our love to you. Jimmie & Ellen Louise

(Enclosed in same envelope)

Hominy, Okla.  
Feb. 18, 1936

Dearest Sister:

It realy seems ages since I have written to you. But I have an excuse this time "Honest."

You know I told you I intended to have my Teeth extracted. Well I've had ten out and have thirteen left. So you see I have been to ner-

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vous to write. Jimmie is with us at this time.

Millie spent two weeks here. I am always in Bed after I visit the Dentist. Rec'd the picture you sent and I will take care of it for you, but Honey wont you please try and forget him, H.C.? I know you will when you come home. Wont ya?

There has been so many things happen lately. Arthur Palmer died about two weeks ago and Louie S. killed him-self that was an awful shock to Ethel and all of them.

I am going to send you the clipping from the Tribune.

I imagine the trip to St. Paul was a Vacation to you wasn't it? I was glad for you. I have been missing your letters lately and I guess you have missed ours too. Ellen L. wrote you a letter when she was here Christmas and I'll send it in this time.

Jim is going to write you a line in the morn. I'm the only one up at this time and its 9.30 Bed time since Cold Weather about all we do is eat and sleep. I think I've gained ten lbs. Are you still plump? Hit realy dont make no difference no-how does hit Ha-Ha.

Well dear I'll ring off and give room for the other Letters. Please excuse writing I'm so sleepy I can hardly see.

Write to me soon - Your Sis With Love

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P.S. Nonie, I am sending a picture of Gwen. Will try & find an old one of myself "as I cant have one made right now" C?

(Enclosed in same envelope)

Hominy, Okla.  
January 2, 1936

Dear Aunt Nonie:

How are you. I hope you are fine. Auntie said you were, and fat as a little pig. I came up to spend Xmas with auntie, and have been sick. I think Auntie is going to see a dr. about having my tonsils taken out so I can start back to school. My Tonsils is the cause of me being sick. Thanks for the Xmas card Aunt Nonie, I think it was nice. I will tell you what I got. A Shirley Temple hat and scarf set, perfume, Hankies, gloves,

Hose, panties, beads and braclet and a permanant. Guess I will close so  
we can go to Tulsa.

By By your little neice, Love

Ellen Louise Rose X O X O X O X

P.S. I sure get lonesome to see you.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVE  
DIRECTOR

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Bureau of Investigation  
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Washington, D. C.  
February 28, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Nathaniel Heller

I telephoned Brien McMahon in the Department with reference to his telephonic conversation with you last evening, and advised him that under date of November 14th, we forwarded to the Criminal Division a memorandum summarizing all available according to witnesses against Heller. In a memorandum dated November 19th, the Bureau was advised by the Criminal Division that this memorandum had been received, and that it had been decided to proceed against Heller in Florida.

Mr. McMahon said that they are going to dismiss as to Heller; that it is the opinion of the Criminal Division we do not have enough evidence to proceed against him successfully, and it is feared he will "gum up" the trial as to Joe Adams and Duke Randall. Mr. McMahon said that from the information which they have, it would appear that everything Heller did with Karpis was done in Cuba, and no positive act which he did with Karpis can be found in this country.

*advising Karpis*

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>											
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <div style="text-align: center; border: 2px solid black; width: 80%; height: 150px; margin: 0 auto;"> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Thomas Clarence Wiley is resident of St. Paul, and St. Paul Police and Sheriff's office state he is not wanted.</p>													
DETAILS:  <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, Chicago, 2-17-36; teletype from St. Louis Office, 2-26-36; wire from St. Paul Office to St. Louis Office, 2-26-36.</p>													
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**DETAILS:**

Letter of Mr. Connelley, dated at Chicago, Illinois, February 17, 1936, stated that in view of the correspondence between CHARLES J. FITZGERALD in Los Angeles with Mr. and Mrs. John B. Davenport (under their various aliases), Minneapolis, and in view of the possibility that the Davenports may be furnishing FITZGERALD with money, that definite plan of action should be worked out at St. Paul for the purpose of obtaining definite information with regard to the Davenports at Minneapolis, the source of the money, etc.

Agent made inquiry at all the banks of Minneapolis for the purpose of determining the location of any savings or checking accounts, certificates of deposit, or safe deposit boxes in the name of John B. Davenport or his wife, or his brother-in-law, Arthur Christopherson, under their correct names or known aliases. The names checked were John B. Davenport, Mrs. John B. Davenport, Mrs. Marie (Mary) Blanche Davenport, Arthur Christopherson, Mr. or Mrs. A. B. Gilbertson, Mr. or Mrs. Arthur B. Brothers.

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On February 26, 1936 the St. Louis Office advised the police at Pekin, Illinois, were holding Thomas Clarence Riley on suspicion, Riley having gunshot wounds right foot, left shin, right thigh, and both arms; that Riley claimed to have a brother Harold Riley who resided with his mother, Mrs. Susanne Riley, 436 Rice Street, St. Paul; that Riley claimed to have received the wounds while serving with the Australian Army during the World War. St. Paul was asked to verify Riley's identity and determine whether wanted in St. Paul.

At 436 Rice Street, Harold Riley, who is the brother of Thomas Clarence Riley, and Mrs. Susanne Riley, mother of Thomas Clarence Riley, were interviewed. They stated that Thomas Clarence Riley's father was Edward Patrick Riley of St. Paul, now dead; that a brother, Russell Riley, is a news writer for the WPA and resides at 994 North Chatsworth, St. Paul; another brother, Edward Riley, is a consulting engineer, residing at 3207 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois; that two other brothers, John and Walter Riley are dead; that there are three sisters, Mrs. Vera Iverson, 1645 Fauquier Street, St. Paul, whose husband is employed in the

Cudahy Packing plant at Newport, Minnesota; Mrs. A. E. Nelson, 520 South Snelling Avenue, St. Paul, whose husband is a plumber, and Mrs. Q. A. Slingstead of Havre, Montana, whose husband is manager of a general merchandise store there. They stated Thomas Clarence Riley was born at St. Paul, Minnesota, 39 years ago and educated in the grade schools of St. Paul; about 1915 went to San Francisco, California; got in some trouble, and shipped as deck hand or seaman on a passenger liner to Sidney, Australia, where he joined the Australian Army and fought as a machinegunner in the World War in Egypt, Turkey, Italy, France, and Siberia, being honorably discharged from the Australian Army at an English base hospital in London, England, with wounds all over his body besides being shell-shocked; that he gets a pension of approximately \$8.00 American money per month from the Australian Imperial Force Pension Account, and exhibited one check from the Australian Government for pension which they are holding at present for Thomas Clarence Riley.

They state that about 1920 Thomas Clarence Riley returned to the family home in St. Paul and worked at Armour's packing plant in South St. Paul, Minnesota, until about 1924, when he was severely burned in a plant accident; that he intermittently from that time until the present has lived in St. Paul and various other sections of the United States; that about 1932 he worked as a photographer in New York City for Pictograph News Service, and returned to St. Paul about the Spring of 1933; that during 1930 and 1931 he was soliciting subscriptions and advertising for magazines in the three West Coast States; however, they do not know the name of his employer. They state that he was sick and not working in 1934 and the first part of 1935, and that he last left home about March 1935, going to Cumberland, Wisconsin. Harold Riley states he wrote to Thomas Clarence Riley about April 1935 at which time the latter was either in Cumberland, Wisconsin, or Milwaukee, Wisconsin; that it was just a brotherly letter in which he mentioned the progress being made in the Bremer kidnaping trial; however, that he has no connection or knowledge with the Bremer kidnaping case.

Mrs. Susanne Riley states she forwards Thomas Clarence Riley's pension checks to him whenever he lets her know his location, and that she sent a number of them to him just before Christmas 1935 in care of General Delivery at Milwaukee, Wisconsin; that she received a Christmas card from him mailed in Milwaukee, but has not heard from him since. She states that Thomas Clarence Riley's mental condition is alright except when persons discuss the World War in his presence, or when he is drinking, or when he becomes unduly excited, and thinks perhaps

this is due to his having been shell-shocked. She states he has never been married, and although he has been arrested at several different places she claims that he is not wanted for any crime so far as she knows. She states he told her that before he went to Australia about 1915 or 1916, when he was just a boy he was arrested in San Francisco but was released. She states that about 1920, shortly after he returned to St. Paul, Minnesota, he was arrested by police, but immediately filed a writ of habeas corpus and was released without prosecution.

Inquiry was made at the Sheriff's office, St. Paul, and advice received that Thomas Clarence Riley is not wanted by that organization.

At the St. Paul Police Department, Assistant Inspector of Detectives Charles Tierney, and Superintendent of the Identification Bureau, John Tierney, state they know Thomas Clarence Riley and that he is not wanted by their department at the present time.

They submitted a photograph of Thomas C. Riley alias Clarence E. Riley, St. Paul Police Department #17228, which shows he was arrested December 14, 1920, at which time he was 24 years old, on a charge of stickup. His description at that time was as follows: 5' 9"; 155 pounds; dark chestnut hair; medium complexion; single; medium build; occupation: steamfitter's helper; blue-hazel eyes. They searched for the disposition of this case but were unable to locate same in view of the fact that the 1920 case book seems to be missing at the St. Paul Police Department, therefore no disposition is being submitted with regard to that arrest.

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Photograph of Thomas Clarence Riley is being submitted to the St. Louis Office herewith.

The St. Louis Office was advised telegraphically February 26, 1936 that Thomas Clarence Riley is a resident of St. Paul as claimed and that he is not wanted by police or the Sheriff's office at St. Paul, Minnesota.

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Information furnished by [redacted] that one "Red" Deroche, a Capone confederate, advised him Karpis probably could be located at Joe Saltis' place, Hayward, Wis. Investigation at Hayward, Wis., failed to establish that Karpis is frequenting that place.

[redacted] Edith R. Brobst is true name of Edith Barry.

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**REFERENCES:**

Report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated 10/16/35;  
Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated 2/10/36.

**DETAILS:**

The report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated 10/16/35, contains information which was furnished to Special Agent R. D. Brown by [redacted]

[redacted] He said he recognized the man, whose name he did not know, as being the partner of a man known as "Red" Deroche, both of whom are Capone mobsters. [redacted] stated that in conversation with this man concerning

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Dillinger gangsters [redacted] remarked that he had a chance to do a job [redacted] some time ago and guessed he was a "damn fool" not to do it. He stated that this fellow then said "Oh, yeah, this Karpis boy is O.K.....They will come to you again on that job and you take it. Only don't ask so many questions this time." In view of this statement of this individual Special Agent Brown requested [redacted] endeavor to obtain more information through "Red" Deroche, and later on November 16, 1935, Special Agent Brown was advised by [redacted] that he had spent several hours with Deroche, during which time Deroche became partially intoxicated, and during which time [redacted]

[redacted] stated that Deroche told him he was aware [redacted] had been approached by Karpis [redacted] to have nothing whatever to do with it. [redacted] Karpis and anyone associated with him was too "hot". [redacted] the evening went on and Deroche became more intoxicated; that Deroche stated that if he were looking for Karpis he would go to Joe Saltis' place at Saltis, Wisconsin, located near Hayward, Wisconsin. With reference to Saltis, [redacted] has heard of Saltis many times, but has never met him; that the Capone syndicate and Saltis are enemies; that "Red" Casey, bodyguard for Denny Cooney, is a close friend of Saltis, which fact is of course unknown to Cooney; that Casey frequently visits Joe Saltis' place near Hayward, Wisconsin.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. L. Madala and Special Agent W. R. Walsh in the vicinity of Hayward, Wisconsin:

Special Agents J. L. Madala and W. R. Walsh, the latter of the Milwaukee Bureau Office, proceeded to Winter, Wisconsin, on January 4, 1936, inasmuch as this town is the nearest largest community to the resort of Joe Saltis, which is identified as the Barker Lake Resort, and is ten miles distant from Winter. Agents made several discreet inquiries about town relative to what persons, if any, are presently living or taking care of Saltis' place, and the only information which could be obtained in this manner was that George E. Fenner, a neighbor to Saltis, is looking after the place for the winter; that no one apparently lives on the resort proper.

Agent Madala had previously conducted an investigation at Saltis' place, during the Dillinger investigations in July, 1934,

and ascertained at that time that he was having considerable trouble with the State Conservation Bureau, in that he was habitually violating the State Game Laws. In view of this, it was believed advisable in this case to contact the Deputy Game Warden covering the district of Winter, Wisconsin, and solicit his cooperation in connection with this investigation. He was located at his home in Winter, Wisconsin, and received Agents very cordially. He stated that his name is W. A. Hougen, and that he has been Deputy Game Warden in the district of Winter, Wisconsin, for the past twelve years. At the outset of the interview with respect to Joe Saltis, Hougen displayed the utmost contempt for him, and made the statement that he has been trying to get him for some time, with respect to game violations, but that he, Saltis, has always managed to get out of it in some manner. Up to this time the names of Karpis and Campbell were not mentioned to him, nor did Agents intimate to Hougen the possibility of anyone living in Saltis' resort at this time of the year.

Believing that in view of Hougen's display of contempt for Joe Saltis, he could be trusted in this matter, Agents questioned him concerning whether he had knowledge of any person or persons living on Saltis' place at any time since October 1, 1935. He frankly stated that he did not know, advising, however, that he could find out without creating any suspicion. Hougen thereupon related that George Fenner is the present caretaker of the Barker Lake Resort, but does not live on it; that Fenner formerly worked for Joe Saltis as a bookkeeper, and owns the strip of property which adjoins Saltis' resort to the north; that Fenner apparently is O.K., but because of his close association with Saltis it would be unwise for Agents to interview him openly. In this connection Hougen stated that he is very friendly with Fenner, and if either Agent accompanied him to Fenner's home under the guise of being a game warden, he felt certain that he could get the desired information out of Fenner in an Agent's presence. He stated he would tell Fenner that he received a report to the effect that a group of commercial venison hunters were operating in the vicinity of Saltis' place, and that he was investigating the matter, and in this way would ask Fenner whether any of Joe's friends had been or were present living at the resort. Hougen explained to Agents that a commercial venison hunter is extremely unwelcome in Northern Wisconsin, and no native would hesitate to furnish information concerning one's presence and activities in that territory.

Mr. Hougen's plan of procedure, as above related, appeared satisfactory, and it was thereupon decided that Agent Walsh accompany Hougen to interview Fenner, inasmuch as Walsh was more appropriately dressed for this pretext.

While Agent Walsh and Hougen were at Fenner's place, Agent Madala attempted to contact the Postmaster at Winter, Wisconsin, but learned that he was at Eau Claire, Wisconsin, for the day. Notwithstanding this, Agent contacted the rural carrier who delivers mail to the Barker Lake Resort, and interviewed him at his home in Winter, Wisconsin. He furnished his name as Edward Lowers, and stated that he has delivered that particular route for the past five years, and knows Joe Saltis well, but not in a friendly manner. He continued that during the years of 1933 and 1934 Saltis employed one Dominick Szemoski of Chicago, Illinois, to take care of his place the whole year around, and last season, 1935, he had Harold Lampe of Minneapolis, Minnesota, taking care of the resort; that Lampe left Saltis' employ around October 1, 1935, when it developed that Saltis was not paying Lampe any compensation for his services; that when Lampe left he took with him a considerable quantity of equipment, stock, etc., which belonged to Saltis. Carrier Lowers further advised that an illiterate Russian also worked for Saltis during 1935, and he likewise left without notice because Saltis was not paying him any remuneration; that he quit around October 15, 1935.

Agent questioned Carrier Lowers whether to his knowledge any person or persons have been living on the Barker Lake Resort since the Russian's departure, and he replied in the negative. He stated that George Fenner, whose property adjoins Saltis, is more or less looking after the place, and he likewise takes care of all Saltis' incoming mail; that this mail consists mostly of circulars and advertisements. He stated that he had a conversation with Fenner about ten days before Agent's visit, which indicated that no one is living on the resort at the present time. In this connection he stated that Saltis owns a large Dane dog which he keeps on the resort the whole year around; that on the occasion of the above conversation Fenner asked Carrier Lowers when he delivered mail to him, whether he had seen "Jerry", which is the dog's name; that when Lowers told him he had not seen the dog, Fenner remarked that he is getting tired of always hunting for the dog, and that when he catches him this time he will keep him caged

up at his place; that since Nick (the Russian) left, the dog is - - pretty lonesome.

Carrier Lowers could furnish no further information which might be of value in this matter, and promised to notify the Milwaukee Bureau Office by telephone should he learn that strangers are living at Saltis' place. Lowers appears to be a good substantial citizen, and it is Agent Madala's opinion that he will report anything of a suspicious nature concerning Joe Saltis.

It was learned from Carrier Lowers that the Chicago address of Joe Saltis and his family is 9859 South Irving Avenue.

Upon Agent Walsh's and Hougen's return from the visit to George Fenner's home, they reported that no one was seen or has been living at the Barker Lake Resort for the three months past; that Fenner is in fact taking care of the place, and he indicated to Walsh and Hougen that no one except Joe Saltis visited the resort since October of 1935; that on this occasion Saltis remained for only a few hours and was alone; that at that time he had to appear in court at Hayward, Wisconsin, in connection with a suit brought about by Eddie O'Brien against him, Saltis, for unpaid salary in the amount of \$800.00. In this connection Mr. Hougen advised Agents that O'Brien formerly worked for Saltis as a caretaker on Saltis' Fox Farm at Chief Lake, Wisconsin; that O'Brien was in Saltis' employ in the above capacity for three or four years up until the fall of 1935; that when O'Brien demanded his back salary from Saltis and was refused it, he, O'Brien, filed a claim against Saltis for the amount due him. Hougen stated that although he is not certain, he believes that Eddie O'Brien is presently holding a lien against the aforementioned fox farm.

Agent Walsh reported that while he was at Fenner's home, he observed the Barker Lake Resort, but noted no activity about the place, nor did he see anything, as snow tracks, which indicated that anyone was living there.

At this point Agents exhibited to Mr. Hougen photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, with the intention of leaving them with him. He advised, however, that he is in possession of such photographs, showing to Agents the identification orders on these subjects. It was learned that his name is on the regular mailing list of the Milwaukee Bureau Office, and is a recipient of

all identification orders and literature mailed to law enforcement officials by the Bureau.

Mr. Hougen could make no identifications of Karpis or Campbell. He promised faithfully to be on the alert for any information of a suspicious nature concerning the Barker Lake Resort and Joe Saltis, and report same to the Milwaukee Bureau Office.

It might be stated that Hougen several times expressed his admiration of the work performed by the Bureau in the recent past, and in this connection remarked that he is glad of the opportunity to be of service to the Bureau.

After several discreet inquiries about town, Agents located Eddie O'Brien at his home which is located outside of the city limits of Winter, Wisconsin. It was deemed advisable to interview him in order to get a set-up of the Fox Farm at Chief Lake, reported to be owned by Joe Saltis, and since it was learned that Eddie O'Brien and Saltis were in conflict on the amount of back wages owed to O'Brien by Saltis, which Saltis refused to pay, Agents felt that O'Brien would be a good source of information as to Saltis.

O'Brien stated that he had worked for Saltis for many years as caretaker of the latter's Fox Farm at Chief Lake, Wisconsin; that at first Saltis paid him well for his services, but after the profits derived from fox raising fell off, Saltis refused to pay him any compensation, promising him, however, that when he sells the farm he will give him a fifty per cent split of the proceeds. O'Brien stated it was agreeable with him to work on that basis. However, in the fall of 1935 Saltis had all of his foxes killed, and sold them at a bounty fee of \$25.00 each, thereby deriving proceeds in the amount of over \$1,000.00. When O'Brien demanded his end of the share, Saltis stalled him off for several weeks, and in October of 1935 O'Brien went to Chicago and in Joe Flannery's place on Western Avenue, which is the Homestead Inn, he threatened to kill Saltis if he didn't make an immediate payment of the money due him; that Saltis again made a faithful promise to pay him within several days, and then disappeared; that O'Brien returned to Wisconsin, contacted an attorney at Hayward, and immediately filed suit against Saltis. He stated that the case came up at Hayward in the middle of December, 1935, and Saltis was present; that the matter was settled out of court, Saltis agreeing

that O'Brien place a lien against his property at Chief Lake. O'Brien appears to be satisfied with this settlement.

He further stated that Saltis recently leased his fox farm to an attorney in Chicago by the name of Murphy O'Tate, who has offices at 1 South La Salle Street, Chicago; that this attorney employed Ernest Kendell of Chief Lake to look after the farm. O'Brien did not know whether there is any activity on this farm, but stated that Kendell is living on the place.

O'Brien advised that the farm consists of a quantity of kennels, and three small cabins, one of which is probably occupied by Kendell. The other two cabins are usually utilized in the summer for guests, or for any additional help. No further information relative to this matter could be obtained.

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During the course of the interview had with [REDACTED] he advised that he had received a Christmas card from Edith Barry bearing her true name, which he did not believe had been previously reported. He stated the true name of Edith Barry is Edith R. Brobst.

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The MILWAUKEE OFFICE:

Will from time to time make the appropriate investigation at Hayward, Wisconsin, and establish such informants as may be pos-

sible at that place in order that the Milwaukee Office will be advised in the event Harry Campbell or Alvin Karpis do in fact frequent Joe Saltis' place.

The CHICAGO OFFICE:

At Chicago, Illinois, will continue to maintain contact with [REDACTED] to ascertain whether he obtains additional information from Edith Barry.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's teletype of February 27, 1936, to the Oklahoma City Office approving the leave which was requested by Special Agent Daniel I. McCain for the purpose of undergoing an immediate operation which he desired be performed at Chicago, Illinois.

In view of the circumstances existing in the Oklahoma City Office and particularly the surveillance which is being maintained on the home of the father of Harry Campbell, you are instructed to have Agent McCain relieved of his assignment at Tulsa, Oklahoma. It is desired that Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and C. J. Endres be used on the surveillance presently maintained at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Laboratory Report

March 2, 1936.

Case: BREKID

Number: 7-576-9612

Specimens: 7-576-9612:

A. One original blue piece of paper reading  
"FEDERAL AGENTS A. ---".

Examination requested by: St. Louis Bureau Office

Date received: 2-26-36

Examination requested: Document and fingerprint

Result of examination: Examination by: Appel

The instant specimen is handprinted with black ink on light blue, very rough finish paper, measuring approximately 2x9 inches. The paper bears no watermark or surface marks of identification. The paper has been torn from a larger piece.

No conclusion has been reached as a result of a comparison of the handprinting in the instant note with the handwriting of members of the Karpis Gang. The submitted specimen containing handprinting is insufficient for an adequate comparison with the known writing.

A report on the fingerprint examination will be submitted separately.

Photographic copies of the evidence submitted will be forwarded to your office within the next several days.

THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN THE LABORATORY FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED. SHOULD YOUR OFFICE DESIRE THIS ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS WHICH MAY DEVELOP THE BUREAU SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IN AMPLE TIME TO PERMIT TRANSMITTAL.

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1-E. J. Connelley - Chicago  
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*Edw. J. Connelley*

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March 5, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: BREKID

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Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau February 26, 1936.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: #1121961

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

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Bureau

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
March 3, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the Cleveland Office to the Detroit Office dated February 3, 1936, requesting the transmittal of certain serials in this case to the Cleveland Office.

A careful examination of the files in the possession of the Detroit Bureau Office revealed the following inventories which were taken from the apartments formerly occupied in Cleveland, Ohio, by Wynona Burdette, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, Dolores Delaney, Fred Barker, and Paula Harmon:

1. Personal property inventory taken 2/8/34 at 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.
2. Inventory of papers and articles found in the apartment at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 9/11/34.
3. Inventory taken at 4417 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio.
4. Inventory of 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, including personal and furniture inventory.
5. Clothing and furniture inventory taken at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio.
6. Inventory of clothing and furniture taken from apartment at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio.
7. Typewritten copy of inventory #6.

As the above-mentioned inventories have no investigative value in the Detroit Bureau Office, they are being forwarded to the Cleveland Office with copies of this letter.

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Under separate cover the following reports and communications are being forwarded to the Cleveland Office to complete the files of that office:

Memorandum for the Director 2/21/34, serial 101  
Memorandum for the File by SA M. W. Meekins, Detroit, 4/5/34, serial 169  
Report of SA J. L. Murphy, 5/19/34, Detroit, serial 219  
Letter of SA A. Dickstein, 7/18/34, Toledo, serial 266  
Letter of SA S. P. Cowley, 8/21/34, Chicago, serial 291  
Memorandum of SA D. E. Hall, 9/7/34, Detroit, serial 312  
Memorandum of SAC Wm. Larson, Detroit, 9/7/34, serial 313  
Memorandum of Acting SAC E. M. Black, 9/26/34, Detroit, serial 362  
Memorandum of SA W. E. Peters, 9/30/34, Cleveland, serial 384  
Memorandum of SAC Wm. Larson, 10/15/34, Detroit, serial 434  
Memorandum of SAC Wm. Larson, 10/26/34, Detroit, serial 473  
Memorandum of SA W. E. Peters, 11/19/34, Detroit, serial 502  
Memorandum of SA W. E. Peters, 11/22/34, Cleveland, serial 509  
Memorandum of SA E. E. Peters, 11/20/34, Cleveland, serial 507  
Memorandum of SA W. E. Peters, 11/22/34, Cleveland, serial 508  
Memorandum of SA J. L. Murphy, 11/23/34, Detroit, serial 512  
Bureau letter, 1/5/35, serial 795  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 1/8/35, Detroit, serial 799  
Memorandum of SAC Wm. Larson, 1/21/35, Detroit, serial 822  
Memorandum of Acting SAC E. M. Black, 1/22/35, Detroit, serial 823  
Memorandum of Acting SAC E. M. Black, 1/31/35, Detroit, serial 864  
Memorandum of SA J. L. Madala, 1/30/35, Toledo, serial 867  
Memorandum of SA D. E. Hall, 1/22/35, Cleveland, serial 868  
Memorandum of SA D. E. Hall, 1/24/35, Cleveland, serial 869  
Memorandum of SA D. E. Hall, 2/1/35, Cleveland, serial 870  
Memorandum of SA D. E. Hall, 1/31/35, Cleveland, serial 871

Report of SA F. F. Yearsley, 2/1/35, Jacksonville, serial  
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Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 2/11/35, Detroit, serial 902

Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, 2/11/35, Chicago, serial 904

Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 2/13/35, Detroit, serial 908

Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, 2/14/35, Chicago, serial 912

Letter of SAC T. W. Stapleton, 2/13/35, Charlotte, serial  
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Memorandum of SA J. G. Michalek, 2/14/35, Cleveland, serial  
916

Memorandum of SA A. Dickstein, 2/15/35, Detroit, serial 924

Memorandum of SA A. Dickstein, 2/18/35, Detroit, serial 925

Memorandum of SA J. L. Murphy, 2/18/35, Detroit, serial 927

Report of SA W. E. Peters, 2/20/35, Charlotte, serial 936

Memorandum of SA J. K. Collins, 2/22/35, Detroit, serial 938

Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 2/23/35, Detroit, serial 943

Memorandum of Acting SAC E. M. Black, 2/25/35, Detroit,  
serial 946½

Memorandum of SA A. Dickstein, 2/6/35, Detroit, serial 968

Memorandum of SA J. K. Collins, 3/13/35, Detroit, serial  
992

Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 3/15/35, Detroit, serial 997

Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, 3/14/35, Chicago, serial  
1002

Memorandum of SAC Wm. Larson, 3/15/35, Detroit, serial 1003

Letter of SAC D. M. Ladd, 3/27/35, St. Paul, serial 1029

Letter of SAC D. M. Ladd, 3/26/35, St. Paul, serial 1031

Bureau letter, 3/30/35, serial 1037

Memorandum of SA R. B. Graham, 4/4/35, Detroit, serial 1046

Memorandum of SA A. Dickstein, 4/6/35, Toledo, serial 1054½

Bureau letter, 4/9/35, serial 1168

Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 4/11/35, Detroit, serial 1170

Memorandum of SA W. E. Hopton, 4/11/35, Detroit, serial  
1171½

Letter signed by C. W. Mitchell, Secretary of the Wm. J.  
Mitchell Organization, Realtors, 4/6/35, Cleveland,  
serial 1171-A

Memorandum of SA W. E. Hopton, 4/12/35, Cleveland, serial  
1175

Report of SA E. J. Geehan, 4/2/35, Los Angeles, serial  
1176

In addition to the aforementioned communications, the following offices are requested to supply one copy of the communications listed below to the Cleveland Office inasmuch as the Detroit Office only has one copy available in its files:

Jacksonville Office

Report of SA B. F. Fitzsimmons, 4/11/35, Jacksonville, serial 1179

St. Paul Office

Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, 5/19/35, Chicago, serial 1018  
Letter of SA W. E. Peters, 9/7/34, Cleveland, serial 315  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 3/28/35, Detroit, serial 1023  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 4/3/35, Detroit, serial 1040

Dallas Office

Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 3/16/35, Detroit, serial 1007

Kansas City Office

Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, 2/6/35, Chicago, serial 895

San Francisco Office

Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 2/26/35, Detroit, serial 952  
Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, 2/6/35, Chicago, serial 901

Chicago Office

Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 12/17/34, Detroit, serial 563  
Report of SAC Wm. Larson, 12/19/34, Detroit, serial 566  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 12/22/34, Detroit, serial 578  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 10/11/34, Detroit, serial 425  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 1/15/35, Detroit, serial 815  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 1/7/35, Detroit, serial 798  
Letter of SAC Wm. Larson, 1/3/35, Detroit, serial 793  
Letter of SAC D. M. Ladd, 5/26/35, St. Paul, serial 1041  
Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, 4/13/35, Chicago, serial 1178

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Inclosures

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-4

REPORT MADE AT <b>OMAHA, NEBRASKA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/2/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/21, 26/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>KENNETH LOGAN TME</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236:, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER ..... VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING: HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Alice and May Smith left Scottsbluff, Nebraska, 12/21/35, leaving forwarding address of Waverly, Nebraska. Information obtained in Scottsbluff, that these women were soliciting subscriptions for the "Farmer's Wife" magazine, published somewhere in the State of Minnesota. Alice and May Smith left Waverly, Nebraska about January 6, 1936, leaving forwarding address, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

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**REFERENCE:**

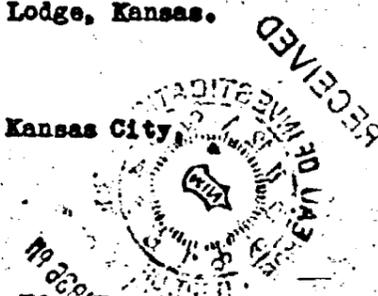
Report of Special Agent M. C. Spear, Kansas City, 12/11/35.

**DETAILS:**

At Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Inquiries at the Post Office, through Edw. Emerine, Postmaster, disclosed that Alice and May Smith left Scottsbluff, Nebraska December 21, 1935, leaving a forwarding address at that time of "Waverly, Nebraska".

Mr. Emerine described Alice and May Smith, who had been receiving mail at the Scottsbluff Post Office and their descriptions, as furnished by Mr. Emerine, were identical with those contained in reference report. Mr. Emerine was unable to furnish any information regarding these women, other than the fact they had called for mail at the Post Office on several occasions.



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R. E. Driscoll, postal employee, advised he had waited on Alice and May Smith on several occasions and learned from them they were soliciting subscriptions for the "Farmer's Wife" magazine, published somewhere in the State of Minnesota. Mr. Driscoll had no information concerning the residence of these women while in Scottsbluff.

Agent interviewed Vincent Ramsey, Sheriff of Scottsbluff County, Gering, Nebraska, who informed he had no knowledge of the presence of these women in Scottsbluff.

Inquiry at the Police Station in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, through Chief of Police Earl Livengood, met with negative results.

At Waverly, Nebraska

Mrs. Mae Holley, Postmaster, advised she was personally acquainted with Alice and May Smith, mother and daughter; that Mrs. May Smith was a widow, divorced from her husband for the past several years; that her husband is presently living in Crete, Nebraska; that the Smiths made their home at Waverly for about twelve or fourteen years and have the following children:

Olive Smith, daughter, last known address,  
Lincoln, Nebraska;  
Theron Smith, son, Giltner, Nebraska.  
Charles and Julius Smith, sons, Crete,  
Nebraska;  
Alice Smith, daughter, last known address,  
Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

Mrs. Holley advised that Alice Smith was a former school teacher, having taught school at Bridgeport, Nebraska until about two years ago, at which time she and her mother started soliciting subscriptions for the "Farmer's Wife" magazine, and since that time, both have traveled extensively over the States of Nebraska and Kansas.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

KANSAS CITY OFFICE: At Medicine Lodge, Kansas, will conduct investigation along the lines requested in the reference report, in lead for the Omaha Office.

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ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS

JANUARY 25, 1936

THE ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS

The Daily News is the only St. Paul newspaper receiving the complete wire reports of both the United Press and the International News Service.

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HOWARD KAHN, Editor.  
IRVING E. RICHARD, Managing Editor.

EXIT KIDNAPING

ONLY three of the twenty-nine gangsters who participated in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, now remain unaccounted for.

The conviction of Harry Sawyer, St. Paul underworld leader; William Weaver, Little Rock, Ark., desperado, and Cassius McDonald, Detroit engineer and "money changer," by a federal jury Friday delivers a body blow to the kidnap racket.

Practically all of the big-time kidnapers who were responsible for the epidemic of abductions that terrorized the nation two years ago have either been sentenced to prison or been killed in underworld battles.

To the relentless and highly efficient bureau of investigation of the department of justice, congratulations! Never was its thoroughness more forcibly demonstrated than in the preparation of the case which has just ended.

Daring indeed will be the next criminal who contemplates another kidnaping, faced as he is with the record of captures and convictions since the G-men really got started. No longer will it be necessary for wealthy families to hire bodyguards and make arsenals of their homes.

The extermination of the kidnap gangs indicates the wisdom of the laws which congress passed following the Lindbergh case. Barriers which prevented effective work both by police and government agents were removed. The results are highly satisfactory.

Only the notorious Al Karpis, Harry Campbell and Dr. A. P. Moran remain at liberty in the Bremer case. It is a fair guess their days of freedom are

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February 24, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I thought you might be interested in reading the attached copy of an editorial entitled "Exit Kidnaping" which appeared in the January 25, 1936, issue of the St. Paul Daily News, which has reference to the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping case.

Respectfully,  
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,  
Assistant Director.

Enclosure #860789

- Mr. Nathan .....
- Mr. Tolson .....
- Mr. Baughman .....
- Chief Clerk .....
- Mr. Clegg .....
- Mr. Coffey .....
- Mr. Edwards .....
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- Mr. Foxworth .....
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February 24, 1936.

Mr. Howard Kahn,  
Editor,  
The St. Paul Daily News,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Kahn:

I have read with a great deal of interest the editorial entitled "Exit Kidnaping" which appeared in the January 25, 1936, issue of the St. Paul Daily News.

I wish to thank you for the commendatory statements which you made concerning this Bureau's work in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping case, as well as the general approbation you gave to the Bureau and its personnel.

With reference to the three criminals yet to be apprehended in this case, I want you to know that I appreciate your expression of confidence that their days of freedom are numbered.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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

March 4, 1936.

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

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a telephone communication between Special Agent R. C. Suran, of the Chicago office, and Mr. K. H. McIntire of this office, on February 26, 1936.

You are advised that a further search of the records at the U. S. Civil Service Commission reflected that the wife of EDMUND C. BARTHOLOMEY, (not EDWARD C. BARTHOLOMEY) under the name of JESSICA PEARL BARTHOLOMEY executed a Civil Service application for the position of postmaster at Bensenville, Ill. on April 24, 1935.

Four copies of the photograph submitted with this application by JESSICA PEARL BARTHOLOMEY are being transmitted to you herewith via air mail special delivery.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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WLT	WEEK END CABLE LETTER
	RADIOGRAM

Kansas City, Missouri, March 3, 1936

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F. J. Blake  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice  
420 Post Office Building  
Dallas, Texas

BREKID EVERETT HOMER/HOLIFIELD NOT WANTED BY KANSAS STATE REFORMATORY

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio.**

FILE NO. **7-2**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Little Rock, Ark.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/1/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/21/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. P. LACOUR - ECH</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; ET AL.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>	
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Jewell Johnson, accompanied by various unknown women, makes periodic trips to Gentry, Arkansas, for visits with C. C. Feemster</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Feemster allegedly makes regular trips to Tulsa, Oklahoma, and vicinity for purpose of seeing Jewell Johnson and is reported to have stated that he is scared to talk with anyone concerning the people he has met in Tulsa for fear of his life. Feemster absent from Gentry at time of instant investigation and unavailable for interview.</p>			
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated February 5, 1936.			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Deputy Sheriff A. Brogdon of Benton County, Arkansas, stationed at Gentry, Arkansas, advised that he is well acquainted with Jewell Johnson, the wife of Gene Johnson, now deceased. Deputy Brogdon advised that Jewell Johnson is in Gentry from Tulsa, Oklahoma, very frequently for the purpose of visiting on C. C. Feemster who operates a place known as Feemster's Playground and Tourist Park, one half mile south of Gentry on the Siloam Springs road. Mr. Brogdon further advised that Jewell Johnson was in Gentry, Arkansas, as late as Wednesday, February 13, 1936, at which time she attended a dance held in a beer joint run by a party known as Benny Amons and that she was accompanied at this affair by C. C. Feemster and an unknown woman who came with Jewell from Tulsa; according to Brogdon, some woman, usually a different one, accompanies Jewell from Tulsa each time she comes to Gentry.</p>			
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2 Cincinnati	2 Oklahoma City		
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C. C. Feemster, according to Deputy Brogdon, makes periodic trips to Tulsa, Oklahoma, for the purpose of seeing Jewell Johnson and from his statements, is apparently very infatuated with Jewell, although he is much older than she and has a wife of his own age from good people. It is Deputy Brogdon's information that Jewell Johnson has a place of some kind rented in or near Noel, Missouri, which place is paid for and maintained by Feemster. This information came to Brogdon in a round-about manner and allegedly originated with one Frank Perkins of Lanigan, Missouri.

Brogdon, without being able to advise how the conversation took place, stated that on one occasion Feemster told him that he was meeting some pretty tough people in his rounds in Tulsa and that he was scared to talk with anyone about this as he feared for his life should he do so. Feemster made the remark, according to Brogdon, that he had thought of writing J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and telling him what he knew about these people he had met so that he could divulge the same and at the same time rest assured that his name or the source of the information would not be quoted.

The writer made a trip out to Feemster's Playground to see what kind of facilities it would afford for harboring fugitives or undesirables and found it to be a small cafe sort of place with a nickle victrola and dance hall with no cabins or tourist accommodations, although a small four room house for Feemster's family adjoins the place. Feemster, according to his son, was out of town at the time and not expected back for at least one night.

C. C. Feemster, according to Deputy Brogdon, once was a reputable business man of Gentry, Arkansas, in the real estate business but had gone down in the estimation of every one and his associates had become very disreputable.

Mabel Ward is unknown to Deputy Brogdon and others whom he discreetly conferred with on this matter in the absence of the writer. Deputy Brogdon advised that the women appearing with Jewell Johnson were all strangers to him and that he is a lifelong resident of Gentry and would know them if they were generally known in the vicinity. Deputy Brogdon is likewise of the opinion that Jewell Johnson has no connection with the father of Tom Carpenter and does not believe that she visits or sees this party when in Gentry but is of the opinion that her whole purpose in coming to Gentry is to meet C. C. Feemster.

Brogdon was asked to observe Jewell Johnson on future trips to Gentry and notify the Little Rock Bureau Office should there appear to be suspicious strange men in her company; then, as if a different topic were being discussed, the writer asked Brogdon if he had a picture of Harry Campbell and he advised that he knew Campbell personally and knew that he was badly wanted and that he had pictures of Karpis too, he thought, and would notify the Little Rock Office if ever he should

get any information concerning them.

In view of pending activities in the Oklahoma City District, no interview will be had with Feemster until requested by the Oklahoma City Office or Mr. Connelley.

The physical description of C. C. Feemster, as furnished by Deputy Brogdon, is as follows:

NAME	C. C. FEEMSTER
Age	55 to 60
Height	5' 11"
Weight	150 pounds
Build	Slender
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Blue or grey
Complexion	Medium
Thin faced with sunken cheeks	

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

LITTLE ROCK OFFICE at Hot Springs, Arkansas, will canvas the bath houses for information concerning Campbell, as requested in the letter from the Chicago Office, dated February 14, 1936.

Will conduct appropriate investigation at the horse races, now in progress at Hot Springs, and other places in Hot Springs to ascertain if Wm. Meade is located there.

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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

With further reference to Bureau letter dated September 8, 1935, relative to a cover being maintained on the mail of Elmer Farmer, register number 47103, United States 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 written by Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff dated 2-23-36.
- Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked 2-21-36.
- Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked 2-20-36.
- Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked 2-19-36.
- Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated 2-18-36.
- Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant, dated 2-16-36.

Very truly yours,

*W. A. Smith*  
W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

WEH:os  
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Letter Written by Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff

Leavenworth, Kansas, Feb. 18, 1936

Dear Helen:

Received your letter tonight and was glad to hear from you, thought mabeey some thing hapened to you or else you were sick. I see by the papers you are having bad weather in Chicago, its down here, but nothing like it is up there. things are about the same for me in here I am not doing any thing yet. I am feeling alright and hope something is done for me soon. so you are back working agin steady thats fine, onley you go from one store to another to work. I havent heard from Jack Frost yet so his wife is working, thay both seemed to be very nice. so peters is coming down to Kansas to see his folks. I dont think he can get in to see me. thats the second time Ralph and Oscar had a fight and Ralph was cut pretty bad then also. I never knew J. P. Lynch was drinking again thats to bad as he cant last long that way. I always thought Bartholomy was in Seattle with his son Elmer. that was a surprised to me also. I dont think he was at Elgin very long. I suppose when his wife was killed in Seattle with Elmer he took it pretty bad and thats what caused him to be sent there. but it is funny that know one our there knew any thing about it. Frenche and Bob Fisher were having a good time for there self when you seen them, they must do good business in foxes old place with all those fellows around these. tell all the boys out there I was asking about them and give them my regards as I dont expect to see any of them agin I heard that Chub was getting along alright but had lost some weight. I see Harold now and then he is getting along alright and looks better than I ever seen him look befor. those others that just came down I see them every day in the dinning room but never talk to them. thay seem to be sore at me for some thing, any way thats the way thay look, thay soon will be in here with me and then I will find out what it is. so may likes to gamble and goes out every night in this cold weather she must be making money or else has lots to loose. so ann wrote to you from StPaul and send me her regards. I wish she could do something with the old boy up there so he would get me out of there, he sure could do it to. Best regards to you and Mary.

Elmer Farmer

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer. Post-  
marked Chicago, Feb. 19, 1936

Tuesday Afternoon

Dearest Elmer:

I have been looking for a letter from you but so far have not heard from. I wonder why your letters are so irregular? You did write to me once a week but now I am lucky if it is twice a month. I suppose everything is about the same for you. Have you been put to work?

It has been terribly cold here I suppose you read that in the papers. I am not working steady as yet. I feel down in the dumps today. I tried so hard down at Fields and they have promised to put me on steady but as yet they have not. All I get is just about two days a week in. I was supposed to go out to Oak Park to work today and they called yesterday and said on account of the weather do not report. I am supposed to go out to Evanston Thursday and if you please must be there at 7:30 which means I must get up by 5:15 at the latest. Well anyway its a great life.

Have not been out to B since the last time I told you I was going. Martha told me she saw J.P. in the Western Ave Depot and he was quite plastered. Patsy was telling me that he was going to come down to Leavenworth to see someone when it gets a little warmer and he asked me if I would like to come along to see you. So if I can, I will go with him. He was out to Bensenville and I guess my mother told him my phone number because she knows I would like to see you. Irene told me she wrote to you. Martha was over here yesterday and she was telling me that that pension bill was going through. If it does it will put a lot of the men back to work and I know it will help Les, Martha's husband a whole lot. Scottie cut his foot quite badly and is not so very good today. I suppose you have been reading about that case up in Minneapolis. I was sure McMeekin would win it but now I am not so sure. If he does he really deserves a whole lot of credit. It is supposed to go to the jury today.

Have not heard from Ann lately so guess I will write to her and find out what is wrong. How is Blanche and Gifford getting along? Is he working? Well, honey, do write to me soon and tell me what Jack had to say in his letter. So hoping you are well and will close with lots of love

Helen Conliff  
4143 West End Ave  
Chicago, Illinois

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Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer. Postmarked  
Melrose Park, Illinois, Feb. 20, 1936

Feb. 20, 1936

Dear Elmer

I received your letter written the 14th yesterday. I wrote you last week and you probably have received it by now. The letter was mailed the 11th but the mail is very slow now due to the cold weather. We are still having very cold weather here, sub-zero temperatures every night. Gifford is working and we are well, most every morning he has to shovel snow, we have had a lot of snow and the paper predicts more today. I suppose you read all about the cold weather here as that's about all there is in the papers. Chub has recovered from his cold.

I am glad you are well and hope you will soon be given work. It's now 8:30 in the morning, we just finished breakfast and Gifford is going to the barbers so I'll go along and mail this letter.

I write you every week, usually the same day I receive your letter and I always look for your letter. I am sorry you are not closer so we could see you often, but I'll come to see you when the winter warms up.

Gifford sends best regards,

Lovingly your sister,

Blanche Brabant  
275 Geneva Ave  
Elmhurst, Ill.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer - Postmarked  
Chicago, Illinois, February 21, 1936.

Friday afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:

Received your nice letter yesterday after I arrived home from work, but I was so tired I did not think I would answer until today and then this afternoon another one arrived from you so was really thrilled to receive so much mail from you. I was so glad to hear from you. I agree with you about J.P. not lasting very long at the rate he was going or rather is, if he should die and you are away who would get the insurance money you are supposed to get on him. Jim or Blanche? Honey, perhaps you should tell me what to do about that. I mean Blanche could use that money and I think Gifford would take care of J.P. Not a cheerful thing to write to you about but I was thinking of it. Well, I don't think you understood me in my letter, honey. I am not working at all steady, lucky to get one or two days a week in. I was not so keen about going out to Evanston and getting up at 5 o'clock in the morning to be out there at 7:30 but I needed the money so that's why I went out there. I am going to work tomorrow at 11 o'clock. I am glad of that. You know we are on a quota that is we have to make a certain amount a day downtown we are on a \$35. a day quota and some days you really hustle to make it. Well anyway yesterday I almost had heart failure. When I was put on a \$150. quota. I doubted I would ever make it but I did, in fact made \$157.83 for the day, which was very good, I think, but I was all in and it took me an hour and forty-five minutes to get home. I sure hope that Governor of Kansas is elected as President. Peters niece is his secretary. About that old boy up in StPaul, he is going to be in Chicago when Ann is here as a National Delegate for the Convention, in fact, both father and son will be here and if I don't do a lot of talking then I don't know who will. Ann wanted me to go and talk to him while I was in StPaul but under the circumstances we agreed that it was not a good idea. I wonder why those people act so funny toward you. I sent word through Rensch they had nothing to worry about. Maybe you imagine that. Did you read about McMeekin winning that case in Minneapolis? Quite an honor for him because I thought it was rather hard for him to do. Well, honey, my aunt still goes out to that place and you should hear her talk about all the money she makes on the slot machines, which is a lot of hooley I think. You will never guess who I met while working yesterday out in Evanston, that Mildred (I forget her last name) John Mayer brought out to Bensenville so often. She is working part time out in Oak Park and she is lucky if she gets one day a week. I never did care much about her, she always tries to act so ritzy. Well anyway, she said Johnny was working, selling clothes I bet. She also said that Mr. Mayer had died last October and Meta is

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working in a dress shop in Evanston and of course his sister Mildred is busy doing nothing, thats about all, she said John and her would come over to see me. I have not heard much about Jim. Suppose he is a lot thinner. Albert and my aunt have gone out, so I guess I will go to the show. I was here alone last night. It gets so lonesome here, its funny here. I dont know how to explain it, but not at all homelike, not at all like the house we had in Bensenville. I certainly wish things would break for us and my mother and Irene and I could get a place of our own. Well maybe we can one of these days, I hope so anyway. I thought you would hear from Jack by this time, funny he does not write, perhaps he has been busy. I have not been sick, but thanks for the concern about me. I am always waiting for a letter from you but I will try and write a little more often. I wish they would put you to work down there. I am glad you are well and hope you are getting along O.K. How does Harold look, has he got his teeth yet? Well, this is about all. Certainly would like to see you, perhaps I will be able to if I go to work steady and save enough money I can this summer, lets hope so anyway. So until I hear from you, which I hope will be soon will close with lots of love

Helen Conliff  
1113 West End Ave  
Chicago, Ill.

Letter Written by Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff

Leavenworth, Kansas, Feb. 23, 1936.

Dear Helen:

Received your letter Friday night and was surprised you havent been receiving my letters each week as I always write to you. When you were in StPaul I wrote to you and the letter was returned so the next week I didnt here from you so didnt write and that next week I received a letter from you and answered it that same week. I always write to Blanche each week and she gets all my letters so the one I write to you is sent at the same time so you should receive yours also. I dont know if Gifford is working or not but suppose he is doing something. I feel sorry for J P Lynch as he told me so many times he would never drink agin. At that time he was living just the way he wanted to and was having a fine time, but I suppose now he is on the bum agin. Is he still living in the same house out there? They seem to have a grate time with that pension bill on the railroad it would be a nice thing if thay could get it settled it would put lots of men to work. I dont think you could get in to see me if you did come down so you better find out for sure befor you come down. McMeekin did just what I thought he would, so I hope sometime later on he can do some thing for me, but I dont very much if anything can be done. Two days a week is not much work for you, but I think thay will give you steady work just as soon as the weather warms up. this winter was a cold one up there also down here. I have not been out in it once as I am not working yet. I hope thay dont keep me locked up like this all summer like thay did last year in here. it sure gets hot down here in the summer. I am writing this letter Saturday and will mail it in the morning so you should get it the first of the week. the mail man will soon be by so will see if I get a letter from Jack Frost or Irean so far I havent. no mail as it just went by and he had none for me. we have the radio on all day Saturday and Sunday so I listen to that most of the time thay have news flashes every hour. its on from eight in the morning until ten fifteen at night. Amos and Andy is the last thing we here every week night. how is May getting along with the gambling tell her I hope she wins plenty. regards to all.

Elmer Farmer.

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Letter Written by Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant

Leavenworth, Kansas, Feb. 16, 1936

Dear Blanche:

Received your letter last night and was glad to hear from you. I wrote to you Friday night but did not receive your letter until after that. I was glad to hear you were not sick. I see in the papers how it is in and around Chicago the snow and cold weather is had up there we are having some of it down here but not quite as bad as it is up there. I am getting along fine and feel alright so if I dont go to work until summer it will be alright if thay keep me here I know Harry Peters would be a good one to talk to he also would do what he could for me. So Chub has lost twenty pounds, that sure is a good thing for him. So you think the house you live in may be sold and that you will have to move some place else. I hope not because that is a nice place and you have it fixed up the way you want it but I suppose if you do have to move you can find some place around there to move in and Gifford can still have a nice garden each year. I will send this letter out in the morning. regards to you and Gifford.

Elmer Farmer.

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Laboratory Report  
February 27, 1936.

Case: BREKID

Number: 7-576-9620

Specimens: (See attached sheet)

Examination requested by: Dallas Bureau Office.

Date received: February 24, 1936.

Examination requested: Document.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel #1

No conclusion was made as a result of the comparison of these signatures with the known writing of Harry Campbell. The only known writing of Harry Campbell in the possession of the Laboratory is the signatures on several fingerprint cards and these do not include similar letters and combinations to those of the questioned cards.

In accordance with the request, all of the cards will be returned as soon as they are photographed.

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## Specimens: 7-576-9620:

- A. One original card dated 8-30- and signed W. G. Scwyers.  
 B. One original card dated 3-23- and signed Mr. Williams.  
 C. One original card dated 4-10- and signed B. B. Bell.  
 D. One original card dated 1-10-35 and signed W. B. Meacham.  
 E. One original card dated 7-23-34 and signed Geo. Collins.  
 F. One original card dated 7-10- and signed Geo. J. Collins.  
 G. One original card dated 6-12- and signed A. B. Manning.  
 H. One original card dated 12-18- and signed Mrs. D. Campbell.  
 I. One original card dated Nov. 23, 1934 and signed A. R. Taglet.  
 J. One original card dated 10-31-34 and signed J. J. Holcomb.  
 K. One original card dated 11-28- and signed J. J. Holcomb.  
 L. One original card dated 7-11 and signed Arthur Underwood.  
 M. One original card dated 8-1 and signed Arthur Underwood.  
 N. One original card dated 10-28 and signed J. R. Hamilton.  
 O. One original card dated 9-11 and signed C. T. Heera.  
 P. One original card dated 7-28- and signed Pland Hoyl.  
 Q. One original card (no date) and signed W. B. Utterback.  
 R. One original card dated 8-7 and signed C. H. Hayward.  
 S. One original card dated 6-17- and signed Mr. Hall.  
 T. One original card dated 6-23- and signed Homer Vickery.  
 U. One original card dated 6-23- and signed Henry Pemberton.  
 V. One original card dated 4-30 and signed Ned Hayes.  
 W. One original card dated 1-27- and signed Mr. Camboll.  
 X. One original card dated 4-11-34 and signed Henry Williams.  
 Y. One original card (no date) and signed C. B. Bell.  
 Z. One original card dated 3-1 and signed H. C. Lamb.  
 A1. One original card dated 3-24- and signed Willie Hamilton.  
 B1. One original card dated 1-30 and signed Geo. Mcleullough.  
 C1. One original card dated 7-25-36 and signed W. V. Coakley.  
 (All of the above specimens are questioned handwriting).

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Dallas, Texas.

Re: BREKID.

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Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau February 24, 1936.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

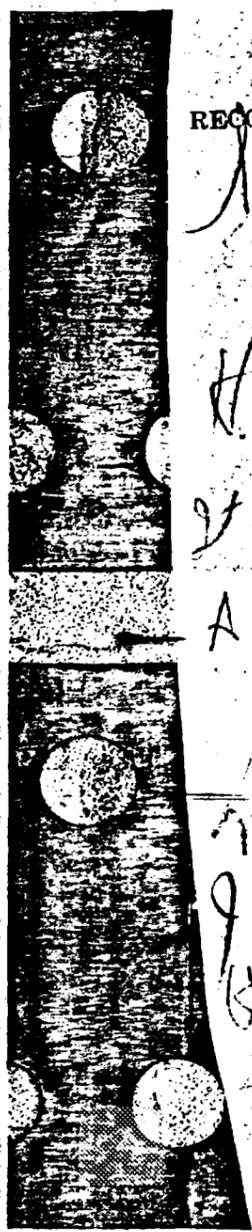
John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: #1121569.

cc-St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
Chicago  
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE NO. **7-37**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Kansas City, Missouri</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-2-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-4, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 20 to 25-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. E. HOPTON</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1235; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Billy Fitch, Kansas City, Missouri, and Doris O'Connor, Lyons, Kansas, furnished no information of value. Sarah E. Newbold, Topeka, Kansas, is the mother of P. F. Newbold, Chicago, Illinois. No record of a Patsy Mingo wanted in Kansas City for bank robbery. Investigation reflects that Milton Lett has recently been in Wichita, Kansas, where he has several known contacts. Informant at Seneca, Missouri, advises that Karpis and Campbell have recently been in the vicinity of Joplin, Missouri. Indications are that this information is without merit. The criminal and prison record, including correspondence list, of Joseph C. Howard, Kansas City, Kansas Police Department, Number 1151, obtained. Investigation in the vicinity of Great Bend, Lyons and McPherson, Kansas, to locate fugitives in this case, as well as Lloyd Doyle, Clarence Sparger and John Langdon, Subjects in other Bureau cases, has produced only negative results.

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**References:**

Letters from Chicago Bureau Office dated 1-25-36, 1-28-36 and 2-6-36; Letter from Chicago Office to the Oklahoma City Office dated 2-7-36; Report of Special Agent in Charge T. N. Stapleton, Nashville, dated 1-27-36; Report of Special Agent C. D. White, Los Angeles, California, dated 2-4-36; Report of

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Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City, dated 2-10-36; Report of Special Agent G. H. Wilson, Omaha, dated 2-17-36; Report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, dated 12-29-35; and Report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, dated 2-4-36.

DETAILS:

With reference to the letter from the Chicago Office dated February 6, 1936, it may be stated that the report of Special Agent V. I. Parry, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 12-19-35, in the case entitled "Mrs. George M. Chase with aliases (Deceased); Lloyd Doyle with aliases, I.O. 1208-A, ET AL - August Luer - Victim; Kidnaping (Extortion through use of the mails)", sets out the results of the surveillance of the apartment of E. L. Pendleton, 3324 Woodland Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. Copies of this report were forwarded to the Chicago Office. It is noted therein that same was unproductive. With regard to Informant Number 2 and Informant "Z", mentioned in reference letter, contacts are no longer being made with these individuals inasmuch as it has been ascertained they are not reliable.

Billy Fitch, alias Billy Joe Palmeri, was located at the Piermont Hotel, 13th and Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri, at which place she occupies room 206. She stated she has received no information since she was last interviewed by an Agent from the Kansas City office; that she last visited Tulsa, Oklahoma in November 1935, at which time she was unable to gather any information and did not come into contact with anyone who might be in a position to know something about Harry Campbell. She stated that it has been so long ago since she saw Campbell she is unable to furnish any leads whatever that may assist in his location. She mentioned that when she knew him he had very few associates and that this was one of his characteristics; that is, he was an individual who enjoyed being alone. At that time, she recalled, his closest associate was Glen Leroy Wright, who was later sentenced to the Oklahoma Penitentiary for robbery. She assured the writer that in the event she should receive any information concerning Campbell she will immediately get in touch with the Kansas City Office as it was her desire to receive some of the money offered for information leading to his arrest.

On February 10, 1936, Special Agent in Charge J. C. Newman, of the St. Louis Office, telephoned and advised he had just received a telephone call from Rolla, Missouri, from a person who advised his name was W. A. Graves, of the Circulation Department of Springfield Newspapers, Inc., and who resided at 622 South Nettleton Street, Springfield, Missouri. Graves advised he was driving East on Highway 66, toward Rolla, Missouri, at about 1:40 on the afternoon of February 10, 1936, and that he passed a black or dark blue small coupe,

which was headed West on Highway 66; that the coupe was occupied by a man and a woman. Graves stated he was positive that the man in the car was Karpis, and believed they were headed for Springfield, Missouri. He did not know the make of the car nor did he see the license number.

Inasmuch as there was no Agent in the vicinity of Springfield, Missouri, Special Agent in Charge W. A. Smith telephoned Chief of Detectives R. N. Wommack, Springfield, Missouri, and gave him this information. Chief Wommack stated he was acquainted with Graves and did not have much confidence in his story, but that he would get in touch with the Highway Patrol and some of his men in order that they might be on the lookout for this coupe.

Further investigation of this was conducted by Special Agent W. John McNulty and is as follows:

On February 11, 1936, Agent interviewed both Chief of Detectives R. N. Wommack and Captain L. B. Howard, at Springfield, Missouri, at which time it was ascertained that W. A. Graves, in addition to his post on the Circulation Staff of Springfield Newspapers, Inc., is also local representative for the United Press. Mr. Graves, who resides at 622 South Nettleton, Springfield, Missouri, some time ago introduced himself to Agent McNulty, and it might be stated he has a local reputation of not being reliable and being the type who attempts to promote news. Both Mr. Wommack and Captain Howard stated they had never found any information furnished by Mr. Graves to be of value. On the receipt of the telephone call from Special Agent in Charge W. A. Smith, Chief of Detectives Wommack furnished details of Graves' information to Captain L. B. Howard, who, in turn, got in touch with Trooper H. G. Brooks, of Troop "D", Springfield, Missouri, who proceeded along Highway 66 toward Rolla. Captain Howard advised he was unable to see any automobile answering the description furnished by Graves, and that he did not believe anyone, particularly Graves, could identify Karpis in an automobile moving at the rate of fifty miles per hour.

With reference to the letter from the Chicago Office dated January 28, 1936, the following memorandum covering investigation in regard thereto was submitted by Special Agent F. L. Welch on February 7, 1936:

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Agent contacted Mr. Theodore Dexter, 910 Jefferson Street, Topeka, Kansas, a dealer in Antique Firearms, who has been previously contacted in connection with other official business and is believed to be reliable. He stated that he did not know any of Mrs. Newbold's relatives other than her two daughters who lived with her, although he had heard that she had a pass with the Santa Fe Railway and had made several trips to Chicago, Illinois. According to Mr. Dexter, Mrs. Newbold is considered a respectable citizen in that neighborhood and is well thought of by her neighbors.

Agent then endeavored Mr. James Grooms, Route 6, Topeka, Kansas, who has been previously connected in regards to this case and found to be very cooperative and reliable, but through Mrs. Grooms learned that he was at the Santa Fe Store Room where he is employed as a Clerk. It is being noted that Mr. James Grooms is a brother of Albert Grooms, who is a brother-in-law of Alvin Karpis.

Mrs. James Grooms furnished Agent with the following information: Mrs. Sarah E. Newbold, who is probably 60-70 years of age, has two daughters, referred to above, and one son, whom Mrs. Grooms believes is P. F. Newbold, of Chicago, Illinois. This son married a sister of Alvin Karpis. Alvin's other sister is now Mrs. Albert Grooms of Topeka, Kansas. Mrs. Grooms stated that she was not personally acquainted with Mrs. Newbold and that neither she nor her husband associated with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grooms, brother-in-law and sister of Alvin Karpis. Mrs. Grooms was unable to furnish any additional information of value.

With reference to the report of Special Agent C. D. White, Los Angeles, California, dated 2-4-36, an attempt was made to locate Buddy McDonald, who was mentioned therein. A check of the records of the Identification Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, failed to locate any record on Buddy McDonald. The Kansas City Directory reflects that there is no such address as 815 West 11th Street. At 815 East 11th Street the Thompson Apartments are located. No one by the name of McDonald is listed therein. Agent was advised by Mrs. C. O. Thompson, manager of the apartments for the past thirteen years, that she knows of no one by the name of Buddy McDonald.

With reference to the report of Special Agent in Charge T. N. Stapleton, Nashville, dated 1-27-36, which requested advice as to whether Patsy Mingo was wanted in the Kansas City district for bank robbery, a check was made of the records in the Identification Bureau, Kansas City Police Department, and same reflected that the only individual by the name of "Mingo" on file was that of Charles Mingo, for which individual there was a Wanted Notice from the Watervliet, New York Police Department, stating that that department wanted Charles Mingo for murder of a police officer. This individual was described as follows:

Age	27
Height	5' 1"
Weight	142 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Nationality	Italian
Peculiarities	Stoop-shouldered.

There is no record in the Kansas City Office files on Patsy Mingo.

The following investigation looking towards the apprehension of Milton Lett was conducted by Special Agent B. P. Cruise, the results of which are set out in memoranda submitted by him on February 9, 19 and 22, 1936, and are as follows:

Special Agent John Little, of the Oklahoma City Office, was in Wichita, Kansas, February 6 to 8, 1936, seeking to locate Milton Lett. Special Agent Little has two informants; namely - one Ray Hollingworth, 1451 Fanny, Wichita, Kansas, brother of one Vivian Mantooth, same address, with whom Lett is reported to associate in Wichita; also one Kenneth Lang, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, subject of a pending National Motor Vehicle Theft Act case.

Agent Cruise, together with Special Agent V. R. Clary, maintained a surveillance at the address 1451 Fanny, Wichita, for some time the night of February 6, 1936, at which time Informant Hollingworth, advised the Agents that Lett had been there previous in the evening, saying he would not return that night. Investigation by Agent Little reflected that Lett and one Arthur Brooks were registered at the Conyer Hotel, Fort Scott, Kansas, about January 15, 1936, under aliases which Agent Little could not supply. Brooks was described only as a tall, slender blonde. The hotel registration at Fort Scott, as ascertained by Agent Little, reflected that Brooks was from Buffalo, Kansas, and Milton Lett was from Pratt, Kansas.

Special Agent B. P. Cruise conducted the following investigation to determine whether Arthur Brooks was known in Buffalo, Kansas. On February 8, 1936, Mr. Archie D. Spellman, Postmaster, Buffalo, Kansas, informed he had lived in Buffalo and vicinity all his life and had never known anyone by the name of Brooks in that vicinity.

Mr. William I. Finley stated he had lived in Buffalo for the past thirty five years and had never known anyone by the name of Brooks living there. Mr. Finley informed that until a few years ago one Charles Lett and family had lived in Buffalo for twenty five years and were considered very respectable people.

Mr. Spellman informed that about August 15, 1935, a stranger giving his name as Roy Feagins came to Buffalo, Kansas, and about a week later an individual by the name of Willis Feagins, who claimed to be Roy's brother, joined Roy in Buffalo, Kansas, and about a week after that an old lady, who was supposedly the mother of the Feagins

boys, joined them in Buffalo. They claimed to be from the Cookson Hills in Oklahoma, and when Willis Feagins arrived he told Mr. Spellman he had been out in Western Kansas. Spellman stated he was suspicious of them for the reason that after Willis arrived he, Willis, told Mr. Spellman that although he was Roy's brother he would receive mail under the name of Omer Clover, inasmuch as he was separated from his wife and did not want her to learn where he was. When the parties left Buffalo Mrs. Feagins left a forwarding address for Roy Feagins as Muskogee, Oklahoma. The following descriptions were secured from Mr. Spellman:

Name	ROY FEAGINS
Age	30-35
Height	6'
Weight	165 lbs.
Build	Slender
Complexion	Light
Hair	Light brown
Peculiarities	Weather beaten face; very talkative.
Occupation	Laborer
Residence	Left forwarding address Muskogee, Okla.

Name	Willis Feagins alias Omer Glover
Age	About 28
Height	5' 10"
Weight	180 lbs.
Build	Chunky
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Dark
Peculiarities	Talkative.

Name	Mrs. Feagins
Age	About 65
Height	5' 4"
Build	Medium
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Dark, turning gray.

Mr. Spellman said that the two men were very talkative and that Willis Feagins had made remarks about having known "Pretty Boy" Floyd in the Cookson Hills, Oklahoma. Willis also tried to cash a \$100. check payable to himself over the signature of L. L. Pendleton, then a responsible citizen of Buffalo, who is now connected with the Pendleton Motor Company, Independence, Kansas, and that the check was destroyed by Mrs. Feagins when Mr. Pendleton demanded it.

Mr. Spellman advised further that Willis Feagins worked a

few days on the extra gang of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, Buffalo, Kansas, under a Mr. Rowbottom, of Lane, Kansas, and that both Feagins boys worked in the hay field for Walter Follmer, Buffalo, Kansas. The Feagins rented rooms at the house of Mrs. Gumby, and also stayed for a while in the rooms over Mrs. McVey's Cafe, while in Buffalo.

Agent Cruise called at the home of Mrs. Gumby but could find no one there. Mr. Spellman informed, however, that Mrs. Gumby is a very feeble old lady and could probably furnish no information of value.

Mrs. McVey, upon being interviewed at McVey's Cafe, advised that the Feagins rented rooms from her a short time and left owing her money, and that Mr. Gumby had informed her that Mrs. Gumby was not paid in full when the Feagins left. Mrs. McVey could furnish no additional information.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Follmer could give no additional information but did state that Willis Feagins was not dark complexioned although he was darker than Roy. They did not live at Mr. Follmer's house but worked in the hay fields for him.

Upon the return of Agent Cruise to Wichita, Kansas, Special Agent John Little informed that his investigation had then indicated that Milton Lett had probably left Wichita, Kansas, for the present at least.

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[redacted] promised [redacted] Little that in the event Milton Lett again appeared [redacted] would personally [redacted] telephone Agents Cruise and Clary at the Broadview Hotel. Special Agent Little requested that [redacted] not be contacted at his home but that if it became necessary to contact him he can be reached at the [redacted] at which place he is employed.

Special Agent Little advised Special Agent Cruise that appropriate inquiry would be made at Muskogee, Oklahoma, concerning the Feagins.

The following memorandum dated at Wichita, Kansas, February 19, 1936, was submitted by Special Agent B. P. Cruise:

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On February 12, 1936, Agent received a letter at Wichita, Kansas, from Special Agent Paul Hanson, of the Oklahoma City office, dated at the Dale Hotel, Coffeyville, Kansas, February 11, 1936, enclosing a photograph of informant Kenneth Lang, Sheriff's Office, Tulsa, Oklahoma, number 12323. Agent Hanson desired to determine if Lang was in fact cooperating and since informant [redacted] advised Agent John Little that when Milton Lett appeared [redacted] Lett was accompanied by [redacted]

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a blonde man, Agent Hanson requested that [redacted] be shown the photograph of Lang, and that the result of the interview with [redacted] be communicated to him by telephone. Accordingly, on the morning of February 12, 1936, Agent Cruise interviewed [redacted] at his place of employment, [redacted].

[redacted] Before Agent displayed the photograph of Lang to him, [redacted] described the companion of Lett, which description fits that of Lang. [redacted] stated [redacted] had since told him Lett's companion the night of February 2, 1936, was one Kenneth Lang. Agent then displayed the photograph of Kenneth Lang to [redacted] and he positively identified it as that of Milton Lett's companion. [redacted] stated that Clifford Collins, who resides in Wichita, Kansas, had received a letter from Lett informing him that he, Lett, would be in Wichita in a few days. This information was immediately telephoned to Special Agent Paul Hanson at Coffeyville, Kansas.

On February 8, 1936, Agent Cruise called at the office of the Superintendent of Mails, Post Office, Wichita, Kansas, and secured the following list of addresses on which Agent Little had requested mail covers:

Clifford Collins, 1455 Fanny; 150 Lulu; 147 No. Mead.  
Mrs. Vivian Mantooth, 1451 Fanny  
Hoover Grant, 510 1/2 East Douglas  
All mail addressed to 1455 Fanny and 150 Lulu.  
Ray and Lela Mize, on Market Street, North of 21st Street.

Agent requested Miss Brown, Clerk in the Superintendent's Office to telephone him should any mail arrive for any of the above addressed. On the morning of February 12, 1936, Miss Brown telephoned Resident Agent B. P. Cruise at Wichita and stated a postal card addressed to Hoover Grant had arrived. Miss Brown, after consulting the Postmaster, permitted Agent to read the card, which was postmarked Wann, Oklahoma, 11:10 P.M. 2-11-36. The contents of same are as follows:

"Dear Ol Dad:  
How you conducting yourself, Doc? Saw Cotton Puce and some of the Lenapah boys in South Town last night (this probably refers to South Coffeyville). Tony has a partner with him. Been sick for a week. How you making it on your guitar? Boy, I play the ----- out of mine now. Aint got nothing else to do. (Signed) Your son Joel Ooge."

It was noted that the card arrived about a week from the time Lett was last seen at Wichita, at which time informant Lang had in all probability told Milton Lett that he was wanted inasmuch as the language of the card indicated the writer might possibly be hiding

above information to Agent Hanson at the Dale Hotel, Coffeyville, Kansas. Later in the day Special Agent Paul Hanson telephoned Special Agent B. P. Cruise that Milton Lett and his brother were seen in Coffeyville, Kansas on February 12, 1936 at about 3 P.M., driving westward, in Milton Lett's 1935 Model Ford V-8 Coach, black in color, bearing 1935 Kansas license 5-11020, and that Agent Hanson thought they might proceed to Wichita, Kansas. For several hours on the night of February 12, 1936, Special Agents Cruise and Clary observed the above listed addresses, but were unable to observe the above described automobile near any of them.

The following memorandum dated at Wichita, Kansas, February 22, 1936, was submitted by Special Agent B. P. Cruise:

On the afternoon of February 21, 1936, Agent received a telephone call from Special Agent in Charge W. A. Smith advising that he had received a telephone call from Special Agent J. B. Little, of the Oklahoma City Office, advising that Milton Lett had left Coffeyville, Kansas on the afternoon of February 21, 1936, with one Lucille Ferris, and that the two were proceeding to Wichita, Kansas, for the purpose of getting married; that Lett was driving his 1935 Ford V-8 black coach, 1935 Kansas license 5-11020. Lucille Ferris was described as follows:

Age	<del>17</del>
Height	5' 6"
Weight	130 lbs.
Build	Rather large frame
Hair	Light Brown
Eyes	Probably blue
Complexion	Light.

Agent Cruise immediately proceeded to the marriage license Bureau, Wichita, Kansas and interviewed Miss Irene Waggoner, who is the principal clerk in the marriage license office. Miss Waggoner showed Agent Cruise the two marriage licenses issued that day, same being issued to the following persons:

Sam Good (21), Wichita, Kansas  
Leah Schmidt (over 18) Whitewater, Kansas.  
Andy Brietenstein (32) Newton, Kansas.  
Ann Sadowsky (25) Newton, Kansas.

Agent displayed to Irene Waggoner a photograph of Milton Lett, who, after examining same, stated neither of the above mentioned men resembled the photograph. Agent displayed the photograph to other clerks in the bureau and all stated Milton Lett had not been in the office that day.

Agent remained at the office of the marriage license bureau until it closed at 5 P.M. and no one else applied for a marriage

license and no one appeared resembling the photograph and description of Milton Lett or the description of Lucille Ferris.

Irene Waggoner advised that the next day being a holiday the marriage license bureau would not be open. She stated, however, in the event anyone applied for a marriage license the following day the custodian of the Court House would telephone one of the clerks of the marriage license bureau to come down to the office to make out the license. She advised Agent Cruise she would personally see to it that in the event anyone applied for a marriage license on February 22, 1936, she would notify Agent by telephone.

During the evening of February 21, 1936, Special Agents B. P. Cruise and V. R. Clary cruised about the city of Wichita in an automobile, going from one address to another where Milton Lett was known to contact individuals, but were unable to locate the automobile above described. During the course of the investigation on the night of February 21, 1936, Agents Cruise and Clary stopped at the rooming house located at 926 1/2 East Douglas Street, Wichita, Kansas. Agent J. B. Little, of the Oklahoma City Office, while in Wichita, Kansas, in an attempt to locate Milton Lett, had advised Agents Cruise and Clary that that is the place where his informant Kenneth Lang was residing on the night of February 6, 1936.

The landlady at this address was shown photographs of Kenneth Lang and of Milton Lett. She partially identified the photograph of Lett as that of the companion of Lang, who stayed with Lang on the night of February 6, 1936. She stated, however, she had paid no attention to Lang's companion and she would probably not be able to recognize him on the street should she see him again. She added, however, that Lang and his companion purported to be tinner, and that they had talked to another roomer named Frank Hereford, who was a tinner by trade.

Frank Hereford was interviewed by Agents at the above rooming house, at which time he stated that just one of the two parties who stayed at the rooming house the night of February 6, 1936, had come into his room to talk about securing a job as a tinner. Mr. Hereford stated that this individual talked to him in his room for approximately forty five minutes, at which time this individual stated that he had practiced the tinning trade in Coffeyville, Kansas. Hereford stated that this person appeared to be familiar with the tinning trade. He was requested to describe this person and the description given by him fitted closely the description of Milton Lett. Hereford was then shown a photograph of Milton Lett, and upon examining same he positively identified it as that of the individual who talked to him about tinning. He stated he had ample opportunity to view the man since the two talked together in the room for quite some time and he was certain that the photograph of Lett was that of the man with whom he talked and who stayed that night in the next room on the same floor with a companion. He stated that the following day this same individual appeared at the room alone and gathered up the belongings of the two and left, and

had not been seen there since.

From the above information it can be seen that Kenneth Lang, who was being used by the Oklahoma City as an informant in an effort to locate Milton Lett, was very closely associated with Lett and apparently was rooming with him in Wichita at the time he was being used as an informant.

On February 25, 1936, Special Agent J. R. Welles, of the Oklahoma City Office, telephoned from Coffeyville, Kansas, and stated he had ascertained that Lucille Ferris had been married to Milton Lett at Oswego, Kansas, at noon, February 21, 1936, that several persons saw his car, although he did not take it with him to the Justice of the Peace when he was married but left it parked uptown. The car was described as a 1935 or 1936 gray Ford V-8 Coupe, bearing 1936 Louisiana license plates, numbers unknown. However, this license plate consists of two numbers, a figure of a Pelican, followed by three more numbers. He also had located one person who stated they had seen this Louisiana Tag in Parsons, Kansas, on last Sunday, February 23, 1936. Milton Lett is reported to have been wearing a brown overcoat, a reddish brown suit and a gray hat with a narrow brim and wide black band. It might be stated that in the past Agents working at Coffeyville, Kansas, have observed at Milton Lett's place a 1929 Model A Ford Sedan, brown in color, which disappeared about the same time that Lett did. This car belongs to Milton Lett's brother-in-law, who recently obtained a 1936 Oklahoma license 496-167.

A full description of Lucille Ferris was given as follows:

Age	17
Height	5' 4"
Weight	120 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Light brown, parted in middle, with a grown out permanent wave.
Peculiarities	Broad nose
Clothing	Usually wears a green suit with a white blouse; brown overcoat with a cape collar and a narrow band of brown fur on the cape.

On the little finger of her left hand she wears a small silver signet ring and on her ring finger on the same hand she wears an opal ring surrounded by pearls.

Her father, A. V. Ferris, works for some Chevrolet dealer at McPherson, Kansas.

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In a letter dated February 8, 1936, from [redacted] Seneca, Missouri, formerly [redacted] and who has been used by the Kansas City Office on several occasions in the past as an informant, he stated he desired that an Agent call on him as he wished to impart information which might be of assistance in locating Alvin Karpis.

Accordingly, Special Agent W. John McNulty called on [redacted] at Seneca, Missouri, and the information obtained is contained in a memorandum submitted by Agent McNulty on February 17, 1936, which is as follows:

[redacted] was contacted at his home at Seneca, Missouri, and furnished the following information which he believes is reliable. It may be noted that [redacted] bears an excellent reputation [redacted] in the southwestern part of Missouri.

An informant recently advised him that he had learned the contact for Alvin Karpis in Joplin, and that the contact was and is one Carl R. Meyers, 2625 East 12th Street, Joplin. Meyers is an accountant, who presently has offices in the Frisco Building in Joplin, and later with the Crescent Brewing Company in Marionville. While in the employ of the latter company he is said to have been arrested by Internal Revenue Agents and is presently doing odd auditing jobs in and near Joplin when he can get them. The residence of this contact is in the sparsely settled eastern part of the city.

According to [redacted] informant, Karpis is now in Kansas City, Missouri, in hiding most of the time, but when there is to be some "deal" between Karpis and Meyers, the latter slips out of Joplin, and from some pay station in a small town will call an unknown number in Kansas City and leave a message for "the Kid" (Karpis) to meet him. Meyers never mentions the place they are to meet for the place has been decided on at their previous meeting. After their meeting in pursuance to the telephone call, they then proceed to some safe place to discuss their business. Such telephone calls, according to the informant, have been placed from pay stations at Marionville and Aurora, and Karpis and Meyers have gotten together within the past two months at the three following places:

Rogers Hotel, Claremore, Oklahoma.  
Residence of Clyde "Bonehead" Higgs, Branson, Mo.  
Residence of Hobe Amos, Butterfield, Mo.

According to the information Meyers suggests to Karpis what auto to drive and the latter is known to have driven a Buick and a blue Cadillac. The informant also believes that Karpis and Meyers had planned to meet or had met at the residence of Herb Farmer in Joplin. Farmer now has an interest in a gambling joint on East 4th Street,

over the "House of Lords" barroom. This is located near the offices of the Joplin Globe. Karpis and Meyers were supposed to have had a conference at the Higgs' residence about four weeks ago and at the Amos residence about five weeks ago. Meyers is stated to have been seen talking on several occasions lately to Farmer in Joplin.

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[redacted] was unable to give a description of Carl R. Meyers but will secure a description of him, endeavor to learn more of his operations, as well as the details of the automobile or automobiles he uses.

[redacted] insisted that his informant did not wish his name mentioned, but finally informed the writer that his informant was the proprietor of the R & S Chevrolet Company in Joplin, one Robertson. This man has been previously contacted in this case several months ago, and at that time furnished the name of a Webb City gambler who might be of assistance in locating Subjects in this case. [redacted] has been very friendly with Robertson for many years, and suggests that he believes that he can get further information from Robertson, and that no one but him contact Robertson.

[redacted] also stated that the above information is not known to and should not be revealed to the Police Departments of either Joplin or Claremore. He did state that this information was known to Troopers E. B. Barnum and W. E. Grammer of Joplin, but these two Troopers had not reported this matter to their superiors and probably would not do so.

Superintendent of Mails E. J. Boggs, at the Joplin Post Office, advised that no one except Mr. Carl R. Meyers, his wife, Mrs. Bonnie G. Meyers, and their maid, received mail at 2625 East 12th Street.

At the offices of the Clerk of the Federal District Court, Southwestern Division, at Joplin, it was ascertained that a complaint was filed before United States Commissioner Norman Cox of Joplin against Meyers on 1-25-36 alleging violation of Section 193, Title 26, U.S.C.A., - not paying the special liquor tax required by law. The complaint sets forth the offence as being committed at Marionville between 2-19-35 and 3-4-35. At a hearing on 2-5-36, at which time Assistant United States Attorney Sam Blair represented the Government, and Attorneys Ray Bond, Charles Walden and W. N. Andrews the defendant, the defendant waived hearing and was held for the June term of the Federal Court in \$5000. bond.

There is only one house in the near vicinity of the Meyers' residence - that of Charles F. and Gertrude Langston at 2627 East 12th Street. Mr. Langston is a salesman for the Sheehan Wholesale Liquor Company of Joplin.

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Inasmuch as contact with Karpis is said to have been by telephone from places other than Joplin, no mail cover was placed on Meyers' mail nor were any arrangements made with the telephone company or telegraph companies. [REDACTED] will endeavor to secure further information and should be again contacted within the next ten days.

The following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent W. John McNulty on February 21, 1936:

[REDACTED], of Seneca, Missouri, was again contacted in Joplin, Missouri, on 2-20-36, in instant matter. He stated that Carl R. Meyers is said to be now paying for the keep of an apartment, street address unknown, at Claremore, Oklahoma, of a woman named Maslin Rea. Living with Maslin Rea at Claremore is supposed to be her mother, the present or former wife of Fred Browning, 2332 Joplin, Joplin, Missouri.

[REDACTED] stated that the principal reason for the separation of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Browning at Joplin was Browning's objection to the attentions being then paid to his step-daughter, Maslin Rea, by Meyers at Joplin. Browning is said to have formerly been the proprietor of the Buick Agency in Joplin.

[REDACTED] further stated that he had ascertained that one George Spiva, who is connected with an investment house in Joplin, and is believed to reside at the Connor Hotel, had invested considerable money in the Crescent Brewery at Marionville, and has been anxious to "get something" on Meyers. He, about two weeks ago, is said to have employed Mr. Fisher, who has acted as bailiff or attache for the Federal Court at Kansas City to go to Claremore and attempt to ascertain where Maslin Rea and her mother are living. According to [REDACTED] however, Fisher, instead of going to Claremore until last Monday has been in Kansas City, Missouri, in company with Sgt. O. L. Veits of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, attempting to locate in Kansas City "Spike" Lane, Clarence Sparger, et al.

Meyers drives two Packards and the new license numbers will be secured. Agent also ascertained that Charles F. Langston bears a good reputation. This man is the next door neighbor of Carl R. Meyers in Joplin, and in the event that it is deemed advisable to conduct a surveillance of the Meyers home in Joplin, this man's help will be of material assistance.

The following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent W. John McNulty on February 17, 1936:

While discussing another matter with Special Agent Tom Kennamer, Frisco Railroad, Monett, Missouri, Mr. Kennamer advised that Carl R. Meyers, 2625 East 12th Street, Joplin, Missouri, in addition to his position as accountant for the Crescent Brewing Company,

Marionville, Missouri, had been one of the promoters of this brewing company at its inception. In this promotional capacity Meyers had become acquainted with the proprietor of the Bank Hotel at Aurora, Missouri, who also became interested in the brewing concern.

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[redacted] advised that a long distance telephone call to Karpis at Kansas City had been placed at Aurora, according to his informant. It is also noted that the writer was advised recently by the local Constable at Aurora that this Constable had seen at the Bank Hotel an individual resembling "Blackie" Doyle. This Constable also stated that the Bank Hotel is a known hangout of Clyde Bonehead Higgs, and [redacted] has stated that his informant advised him that Meyers and Karpis have met on at least one occasion at the Higgs' residence at Branson, Missouri.

It appears rather doubtful whether the above information contains any merit in view of the fact that one Haywood Scott, Attorney-at-Law, Joplin, Missouri, has been endeavoring to persuade the Kansas City Office to conduct an investigation of the activities of Carl Meyers against whom he has instituted a civil suit in connection with an alleged embezzlement by him of property from the Crescent Brewing Company, Marionville, Missouri, with which concern Meyers was formerly an officer. In connection with this matter Mr. Scott has previously made the statement that if the Bureau would trail Meyers they could catch Alvin Karpis. From prior inquiries in the vicinity of Joplin, Missouri by Special Agent D. L. McCormack it has been ascertained that Haywood Scott possesses a feeling of hatred toward Carl Meyers and has stated he would "run him out of the community". A further check of this will be made, however, to ascertain where the information being supplied by [redacted] originated.

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With reference to the letter from the Chicago Office dated February 7, 1936, relative to one Joseph Howard, a check of the records at the Identification Bureau, Kansas City, Kansas Police Department revealed [redacted]

[redacted] He was unable to furnish any information concerning Joe Howard's present whereabouts but stated in the event he should receive anything of value he would communicate with the Kansas City Office. The records further revealed that [redacted]

At the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, the following information concerning Joseph Howard, Register number 27845 was obtained:

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The following is the criminal record of Joseph Howard, as obtained from the records of the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas:

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Photographs of Joseph Howard were obtained and are being placed in the Kansas City file.

On February 14, 1936, Lt. White, of the Kansas City Police Department, telephoned the Kansas City Office, and stated that one of the members of his squad had just returned from Great Bend, Kansas, and stated that the Chief of Police Vance Houdyshell, of that city, had advised that Jack Langdon had set up a girl friend of his in a beer joint at Lyons, Kansas. The following memorandum was submitted

by Special Agent F. L. Welch on February 20, 1936:

On February 19, 1936, Special Agent in Charge W. A. Smith called Agent at Russell, Kansas, advising that the Chief of Police at Great Bend, Kansas, had advised that he had information that Langdon was at a farm house located north of Lyons, Kansas.

At Great Bend, Kansas, Agent contacted Mr. V. H. Houdyshell, Chief of Police, who stated that the Highway Commission Superintendent at Great Bend had told him that he had heard through Highway employees around Lyons, Kansas, that Langdon had been living on a farm about five miles north of Lyons, Kansas, and that he had been living there with some red-headed woman, who operated a beer joint at Lyons, Kansas. According to Mr. Houdyshell, on the night of February 17, 1936, a 1935 Plymouth 2 door Coach drove up in front of a cafe at Great Bend, Kansas, and two men and women, accompanied by one Ermen E. Griffin went into the cafe. Griffin is a local bootlegger around Great Bend, Kansas. Harry Davis, night man on the police department observed these parties and recorded the license plate of the car, which was Kansas (1936) 48-343. A check of the records at the Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, showed that this car was registered under the name of Doris Stanley, General Delivery, Lyons, Kansas.

On the night of February 19, 1936, Chief of Police Houdyshell and Agent contacted L. H. Lanham, Sheriff, Lyons, Kansas, who stated that Doris Stanley's real name was Doris O'Connor and that she operated a beer place on the West side of Lyons, Kansas; that as far as he knew Doris, together with her nephew, Preston Leroy Paden, and one Lectra Davis, whom Paden goes with, runs the beer parlor. According to the Sheriff, on January 9, 1936, Doris, or someone close to her, rented a farm five miles north of Lyons, Kansas. Three days later this farm house was raided by the Sheriff for liquor and Paden was arrested there. Doris O'Connor and her nephew then moved to Lyons, Kansas and the Sheriff is under the impression that they are living at the Fairview Camp, with Lectra Davis. This Camp is located just a short distance from the beer joint operated by Doris.

According to Sheriff Lanham, the County Attorney at Lyons, Kansas, talked to Mr. A. L. Burfield, who rented the farm to Doris or someone acquainted with her, but he stated that he did not know who he rented it to inasmuch as it was dark. The Sheriff is confident that Burfield knows who he rented to but will not tell.

Sheriff Lanham stated that he knew of no one around the Fairview Tourist Camp who he could rely upon in an effort to learn who has been associating with Doris O'Connor. He believes that Doris, with her nephew, who is the son of Edna Murray, and Electra Davis, occupy Cabins Numbers 1 and 2 at the camp. According to the Sheriff, most of the business that Doris has at the beer place is from strangers. The Sheriff has photographs of Langdon, Lane, Sparger and Doyle, and is watching around the beer parlor and the camp, but has never seen these parties around there.

Sheriff Lanham stated that back in November 1935 two State Highway Patrolmen, one of whom was named Powers, endeavoring to obtain information, were at the beer joint. One of these men worked as an undercover man. They were identified at the parlor by some fellows there and were severely beaten. Their guns were also taken from them. The Sheriff then went to the beer parlor later, telling them he wanted the guns back. Some time afterwards he received a telephone call to come out on the Highway. There he was given the guns belonging to the Patrolmen, but he did not see who gave them to him and has been unable to learn the identity of the persons beating them up.

On February 20, 1936, the photographs of Sparger, Langdon, and Doyle were shown to Mr. Harry Davis, but he did not identify any of them as being the men with Doris when they went into the cafe at Great Bend, Kansas, on the night of February 17, 1936.

At the Police Department, Great Bend, Kansas, Agent and Chief of Police Houdyshell interviewed Frank Bradley, who has been found to be a reliable informant by the Chief in other cases. He stated that he had been at the beer place run by Doris Stanley at Lyons, Kansas, on several occasions, the last time being Saturday night, February 15, 1936. He was exhibited photographs of Langdon, Sparger and Doyle, but stated that he had not seen them at the beer place. He also stated that he would look for these men at any time that he returned to Doris' place and that if he learned any additional information he would immediately notify Mr. Houdyshell.

Having been advised by Special Agent in Charge Smith that information had been received that Sparger was reported to be suffering from Pneumonia, Agent contacted the Rice County Hospital at Lyons, Kansas. Neither the photographs of Langdon, Sparger or Doyle were identified as being any party who had been treated in the past at the hospital. The photographs were also exhibited to Drs. D. W. Schmidt, R. Leonard and L. J. Beyers, Lyons, Kansas, and they stated that they had never treated any of these persons.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent G. H. Franklin and the writer.

On the night of February 20, 1936, V. H. Houdyshell, Chief of Police, Great Bend, Kansas, advised that a local individual by the name of Frank Bradley, who was formerly a bootlegger, had informed him a beer tavern and night club had recently been opened in a farm house about eight miles north of Silica, Kansas, and that one "Curly" Griffith, from Great Bend, Kansas, was known by him to be connected with this place. It might be mentioned here that investigation has shown that "Curly" Griffith is closely associated with Preston Paden, son of Edna Murray, and also Doris O'Connor, alias Doris Stanley, who, at the present time operates a beer tavern on highway 50, about 1/4 of a mile west of Lyons, Kansas. Houdyshell was of the opinion that

this night club north of Silica might possibly be a hideout for Subjects in this case, as well as for John Langdon, Clarence Sparger and Lloyd Doyle, fugitives in other Bureau cases. Accordingly, Chief Houdyshell stated he requested his informant, Bradley, to spend the evening at this night club to determine who was present.

On the following day Houdyshell was contacted at which time he advised his informant had not returned. He stated he knew just about where the place was located. Agents, in company with Chief Houdyshell, drove over all the roads in the vicinity of where he thought the place was located, but no such tavern was found.

On the day following, same being two days after Chief Houdyshell furnished the above information, he was called by long distance telephone by Agents from Lyons, Kansas, at which time he stated his informant still had not returned. He stated in the event he should receive any additional information concerning a possible hideout in that vicinity he would immediately communicate with the Kansas City office. From the above information it would appear that Chief Houdyshell's informant is not very reliable.

While in Great Bend, Kansas, Agents were advised by Chief Houdyshell that he had received his original information in this matter from George Caroway, Superintendent of Road Maintenance, with headquarters at Great Bend, Kansas, who, in turn, had been advised by Harry Washburn, Maintenance man on Highway 14, that he had observed a place five miles north of Lyons, Kansas, which was occupied by strangers and had caused him to become suspicious as he, Washburn, had seen several cars parked there on various occasions. Chief Houdyshell also advised that Doris O'Connor, who is using her correct name, Doris Stanley, purchased a 1935 Plymouth Coach from Stoss & Evans, Plymouth Agency in Great Bend, Kansas, and that "Curly" Griffith and Preston Paden have been seen driving the car in Great Bend, Kansas, on several occasions. Houdyshell informed Agents that Griffith and Paden are very unreliable individuals and cannot be trusted.

Lew Bushman, Night Marshal, at Elmwood, Kansas, a reliable and reputable police officer, advised he knew of no tavern that has recently been opened in the vicinity of Silica, Kansas. He stated that some time ago a tavern was opened about six miles north of Silica by a local bootlegger named Albert Roessler. He was somewhat doubtful as to whether this tavern was still operating, and, if so, he has never seen or heard anything to indicate that Roessler is in any way connected with Doris Stanley. It may be mentioned here that Mrs. L. Bushman is the telephone operator in Elmwood, Kansas, and keeps her husband posted on any suspicious telephone calls. Bushman stated in the event he should receive any information in connection with this investigation he would notify the Kansas City Office.

In connection with a mail cover recently placed on mail addressed to Charles Cheatham, Larned, Kansas, tracings were received from letters addressed to him, bearing the return addresses as follows:

G. C. Winfrey, Chase, Kansas, and  
A. M. Smith, Anthony, Kansas.

Frank Proffit, Postmaster at Chase, Kansas, advised that G. C. Winfrey came to that city about six months ago and opened a restaurant on the main street.

Agents proceeded to this restaurant and while eating lunch engaged Winfrey in a conversation in which he related he had formerly lived in Larned, Kansas, and that his brother now resides in that city across the street from Charles Cheatham.

Couch Ruskin, Postmaster at Anthony, Kansas, advised he recalls a young lady by the name of Alice M. Smith, who, together with an elderly lady whom he supposed was her mother, called for mail at the General Delivery window. He stated that from some of the mail she received he formed the opinion she apparently works for a magazine concern which he thought published a farmers magazine. He could not recall where her mail came from.

A. Morrison, Manager of the Morrison Hotel, Anthony, Kansas, advised that Alice M. Smith and her mother stayed at the hotel for several weeks and checked out the fore part of February leaving a forwarding address as St. Johns, Kansas, and that she was expected to return to Anthony, Kansas, on the day following this interview. He stated she was a representative for a magazine concern, the name of which he did not know, and as far as he had observed no strangers have contacted her at the hotel.

Harry Washburn, Lyons, Kansas, Highway Maintenance man, advised that on several occasions while grading highway 14 about five miles north of Lyons, Kansas, he noticed several automobiles parked at the farm house across the road from A. L. Burfield's place, which place had previously been vacant. That because of this fact he became rather suspicious and mentioned it to his superior. He stated that he did not notice any of the license numbers on the cars, nor did he notice what make the automobiles were. He also stated he does not recall seeing anybody at this farm house but merely became suspicious because of the number of cars parked there.

A. L. Burfield, who resides on Highway 14, exactly five miles north of Lyons, Kansas, stated that some time around the first of the year an individual who gave his name as "Day" called in person at his home and stated he desired to rent his place, which is situated about seventy-five yards north of his, Burfield's house on the opposite side of the road. Burfield stated he then showed Day and a woman, who he later ascertained was Doris Stanley, his place that he was going to rent. Burfield stated that Day informed him he was an oil worker and that he would rent his place. Accordingly, he paid Burfield

\$25.00 in cash for the first month's rent. Continuing, Burfield advised that about four weeks later he read an item in the local newspaper to the effect that Preston Paden had been arrested for running into and injuring several children in Lyons, Kansas, and that after leaving the scene of the accident was arrested five miles from Lyons on Highway 14. Upon reading this news item Burfield stated he had a suspicion that it might have some connection with the people who rented his place across the road, and, accordingly, upon going to his property learned that it was apparently abandoned. That several days later Kansas State Highway Officers broke into the place and searched it. Photographs of Subjects in this case, as well as those of Clarence Sparger, John Langdon and Lloyd Doyle were exhibited to Burfield without an identification being made.

Burfield advised further that neither he nor his wife ever noticed much activity at the place he had rented and very seldom saw any cars parked there and of those cars they did see they never saw any bearing licenses from other states. During the course of the conversation he mentioned also that a person by the name of Gage had rented the same house some time prior to its occupancy by the individual who called himself Day. He was unable to furnish any information concerning this person whom he knew as Gage.

L. H. Lanham, Sheriff, Lyons, Kansas, advised that several months ago Doris Stanley opened a beer tavern about 1/4 of a mile west of town on highway 50 and that she, in company with a young lady by the name of Leota Davis, reside at the Fairview Tourist Camp near the city limits of Lyons. The Sheriff stated he did not know who operates the Fairview Camp but was under the impression that one D. Snyder, Raymond, Kansas, owns the site upon which the camp is located. He advised further that about one month ago Preston Paden was arrested at a farm house owned by A. L. Burfield after he, Paden, had injured a child in Lyons, Kansas and left the scene of the accident. The Sheriff advised that this place, to his knowledge, had been occupied only several days prior to the arrest of Paden. As noted above, Burfield has stated it was occupied about one month prior to the arrest of Paden. He stated that charges were placed against Paden and he was released on bond furnished by Doris Stanley. Paden's case was expected to go to trial at Lyons, Kansas on February 24, 1936.

Upon ascertaining that D. L. Snyder, Raymond, Kansas, is a reputable individual he was interviewed at his filling station at Raymond, at which time he stated he owns the Fairview Tourist Camp at Lyons, Kansas, and his brother, George Snyder, who lives in the house just north of the camp, operates it. Mr. Snyder expressed a desire that his tourist camp bear a good reputation and stated he would instruct his brother to assist Agents in every way.

George Snyder, at Lyons, Kansas, upon interview, stated that Doris Stanley and another young lady occupy cabin number 1 at the camp; that he has not noticed anything unusual at her cabin. Photographs of Subjects in this case and other Bureau cases were exhibited to Snyder but he was unable to identify them as persons he had seen

at the tourist camp. He assured Agents that in the event he received any information of value he would personally see to it that the Kansas City Office was notified.

Doris Stanley, alias Doris O'Connor, was interviewed at her beer tavern on highway 50 about 1/4 mile west of Lyons, Kansas. She stated she purchased the corner lot on which her tavern is situated and she had moved there from McPherson, Kansas several months ago. She stated she had no idea where Karpis and Campbell are located and could give no possible contacts of either of them at the present time. She related, however, that she is about financially embarrassed and would like very much to furnish any information which may come into her possession regarding these fugitives, and that she wished to furnish same exclusively to the Bureau in order that she may collect some of the money which has been offered for information leading to their apprehension. In this connection she requested the telephone number of the Kansas City office and same was furnished to her. Doris Stanley stated she was quite certain Karpis and Campbell would not put forth any effort to contact her but she was of the opinion that one of these days they may be traveling in that vicinity, and, if so, they will, in all probability, drop into her place. In the event this should take place she would immediately communicate with the Kansas City Office. She stated as far as she could remember, the last time she saw Karpis and Campbell was in the Spring of 1934 at the Fox River Grove near Aurora, Illinois. At that time, she stated, she noticed Karpis' face had been changed somewhat, particularly the lower part of the face which she thought resulted from a change in the appearance of his mouth. She could not describe exactly how his mouth had been changed but stated it looked different. She advised also she noticed no scars on his face at that time. She did state, however, that our description of him is quite accurate. She mentioned also that the photograph of Harry Campbell does not look much like him, although the description is accurate.

Doris Stanley mentioned that she knows "Blackie" Doyle, Clarence Sparger and John Langdon quite well, but she has not seen them for about two years and has no idea where they can be located.

Agents interviewed Robert L. Stephens alias Little Steve Stephens, Hillside and Harry Roads, Wichita, Kansas, who advised that he formerly operated the Cotton Club in Wichita, Kansas, which place was closed by the local authorities about two months ago. He stated he knows Gus Haut alias Gus Hart and considers him an unreliable individual. He stated about two or three months ago one Scarface Campbell, whom he has known for a number of years, paid him a short visit. He described Scarface Campbell as follows:

Age	40 to 45
Height	5' 10"
Weight	175 lbs.

Stephens advised that this individual, as far as he knows, has only been in the liquor game, and at the present time it is believed he operates some kind of a beer tavern in Kansas City, Missouri. He was shown photographs of Harry Campbell, and after examining same stated that they were not the same individuals. When photographs of various members of the gang were exhibited to Stephens he readily selected the photographs of Doc and Fred<sup>O</sup>Barker as individuals he knew quite well at Tulsa, Oklahoma several years ago. He stated he does not know Harry Campbell or Alvin Karpis but has heard of both of them. In this connection he advised that about two years ago he met a young fellow in Champ's Cafe, on North Broadway, in Oklahoma City whom he feels certain was Karpis. This place he stated was operated by a man named Frank Perossi (phonetic spelling).

During the course of the conversation Stephens mentioned that the Waldorf Cafe operated by Ray Brooms is a known hangout for underworld characters. Milton Lett was unknown to Stephens.

He assured the writer that in the event he should receive any information concerning any of the above individuals he would communicate same to the Kansas City office.

With reference to the letter from the Chicago Office dated January 25, 1936, relative to a mail tracing on a letter addressed to C. G. Campbell, brother of Harry Campbell, Midland, Texas, Agents interviewed J. M. Sandifer, Postmaster, at Eldorado, Kansas, who advised that their records show a forwarding address on Tom Hodgen, same being 813 North "C" Street, Arkansas City, Kansas. He stated that he has lived in Eldorado many years but does not know this individual. Mr. Sandifer stated he would attempt to ascertain in a discreet manner the identity and activities of Tom Hodgen in Eldorado, Kansas, and if he obtained any information he would communicate same to the Kansas City Office.

Ralph McPhail, Sheriff, McPherson, Kansas, upon interview, stated that some time in June or July 1935 Doris Stanley, alias Doris O'Connor, opened a beer tavern on highway 81 about 1½ miles south of McPherson; that shortly after opening this place she promised to furnish him information that would lead to the apprehension of Karpis, and in consideration of doing so he was to allow her to run the tavern. Shortly thereafter, according to Sheriff McPhail, the Sheriff and County Attorney at Fairbury, Nebraska, paid him a visit, at which time they requested the location of Doris Stanley. After talking to her these men came to him and asked if he would work along with them and stated they would split the reward offered for the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell. The Sheriff did not know what reward they referred to but assumed it was a reward which has been placed on these men. They requested that Mr. McPhail allow Doris Stanley to operate

her tavern in his county and for him to keep in touch with her regularly relative to obtaining information about these fugitives. At that time he stated the Sheriff and County Attorney indicated to him that they were trying to trade Jess Doyle for Karpis and Campbell and apparently told Doris Stanley and Jess Doyle that they would get a parole for him, Doyle, if either could furnish information that would lead to the apprehension of the remaining fugitives in this case.

The Sheriff stated he allowed Doris to run her tavern in the county until September 1935 when he began to realize she was merely "leading him on" so she could continue to run her beer joint. Consequently he ordered her out of the county the latter part of September 1935, at which time she moved to her present location in Lyons, Kansas.

Sheriff McPhail advised further that Helen Stanley, sister-in-law of Doris Stanley, is presently serving an indeterminate sentence at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas on a liquor violation. He does not know the present whereabouts of her husband, Mott Stanley.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DALLAS OFFICE at Dallas, Texas, will discreetly ascertain from Jack Fortune, 1822 Cadiz Street, the present whereabouts and activities of Joseph C. Howard.

THE CHICAGO OFFICE at Chicago, Illinois will attempt to ascertain from Ed Howard, 902 South Pauline Street, the present location of his son, Joseph Howard.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE at Oklahoma City will conduct appropriate investigation, if same has not already been done, to determine whether it would be likely that Karpis and Campbell might frequent Champ's Cafe, which place is supposed to be operated by Frank Perossi (phonetic spelling) on North Broadway.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Kansas City, Kansas, will interview Ed Bray, 1009 North 7th Street for the purpose of ascertaining the present location and activities of Joseph Howard.

At Fort Riley, Kansas will interview V. G. King, Quartermasters Corps Detachment, in an effort to ascertain the present location and activities of Joseph C. Howard.

At Arkansas City, Kansas, will ascertain the identity and activities of Tom Hodgen, 813 North "C" Street.

At McPherson, Kansas, will attempt to locate A. V. Ferris, father of Lucille Ferris, who was recently married to Milton Lett. A. V. Ferris is supposed to work for a Chevrolet dealer in that city.

He should be discreetly interviewed for the purpose of ascertaining whether he has recently heard from his daughter.

At Parsons, Kansas, will endeavor to ascertain whether Milton Lett has recently been in that vicinity and whether he is presently located there.

At Nevada, Missouri, will conduct investigation to determine whether Milton Lett has recently been in that vicinity.

At Seneca, Missouri, will ascertain whether R. E. Hance has received additional information relative to the fugitives in this case and will endeavor to ascertain the source of his information.

The Kansas City Office will carry out leads suggested in the summary reports of Special Agents S. K. McKee and D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated 2-8-36 and 2-17-36, respectively.

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*Edmund J. [unclear]*

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

Attn: E. H. Eckholdt, Secretary

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged with thanks of the following letters you have forwarded this office concerning the mail of Elmer Farmer, number 47103:

- Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff dated 2-23-36.
- Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked 2-21-36.
- Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked 2-20-36.
- Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked 2-19-36.
- Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated 2-18-36.
- Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant, dated 2-16-36.

With reference to the letter to you from this office dated February 5, 1936, relative to continuing this cover, it has been ascertained that it is desirable that same should be continued.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE NO. **7-50**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Paul, Minn.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>3/3/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>2/17-29/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>JOHN E BRENNAN</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236. ET AL.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> Harold Stassen, County Attorney, South St. Paul, Minn., states it is his intention to procure indictments against CHARLES FITZGERALD and JOHN (BABS) MORAN for murder and robbery in connection with holdup of a messenger in South St. Paul in 1933, in the event these persons are located. Telephone tap installed on residence phone of JOHN H. DAVENPORT, Minneapolis, Minn. MYRTLE RATON refuses to furnish signed statement pertaining to harboring WEAVER in Florida.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Teletype messages from the Los Angeles Office of February 14, 15, and 22, 1936; Bureau letter of February 18, 1936; letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, February 17, 1936.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p>Upon receipt of teletype message from the Los Angeles Office dated February 15, 1936, advising that the Robertson woman mailed a letter to Arthur Christopherson, 301 Hennepin Avenue, care of Third Street Bar, Minneapolis, Minnesota, arrangements were made through the Postmaster, the Superintendent of Mails, and the Foreman of the Delivery Section of the Minneapolis Post Office, to</p>			
DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. W. Stein</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	<b>7-576-9785</b>	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>MAR 5 1936</b>
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withdraw this letter from the mails and forward it to the Postmaster's office so that suitable arrangements could be made upon delivery to have an Agent present at the Third Street Buffet at that time.

The letter referred to in this teletype message was never received through the Post Office at Minneapolis. The only letter received was addressed to Art Christopherson, 301 Hennepin Avenue, City, bearing postmark Minneapolis, February 19, 1936, the envelope of which contained a communication enclosed within cardboard covers so as to prevent reading the letter by holding it to the light. This letter bore no return address and the tracing of the handwriting obtained is not similar to any handwriting on file in this office.

Upon receipt of teletype message from the Los Angeles Office on February 22, 1936, advising that an air mail letter addressed to Arthur Christopherson, 301 Hennepin Avenue, Third Street Bar, Minneapolis, had been mailed by FITZGERALD, similar arrangements were made with the Postmaster, and this letter was withdrawn by the Postmaster. It appeared that the envelope enclosed another envelope and the contents could not be observed. The handwriting on the envelope was undoubtedly that of FITZGERALD.

The letter was delivered to Christopherson at the Third Street Buffet in the presence of Special Agent P. C. Dunne. Christopherson read the letter and placed it in the back of the bar. It did not appear to cause any unusual activity on the part of Christopherson.

Mail tracings are being received on all mail addressed to any person at the Third Street Buffet and such of them as bear return addresses are being referred to offices covering these addresses for suitable investigation immediately upon receipt.

Agent interviewed MYRTLE KATON at the Ramsey County Jail for the purpose of obtaining if possible a signed statement incorporating oral statements made to Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and J. L. Madala as set forth in report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, February 1, 1936. She stated that it was her understanding from conversations had with

Agents Sullivan and Madala, that she would be guilty of harboring WEAVER if she had so much as cooked a meal for him; that it was in this connection that she remarked "If that's the case, I guess I'm guilty". She stated that she had been informed by her attorney, Mr. Thomas McMeekin, that this would not constitute a charge of harboring, and inasmuch as there appears to be a wide variance of opinion as to just what does constitute a charge of harboring, she did not desire to make any statement either orally or in writing.

Her attention was called to her previous statement to the effect that she would admit on the witness stand that she lived with WEAVER until the time of her arrest and that she knew WEAVER was a Fugitive. She stated that saying this and doing it were two different things; that she did not know that WEAVER was a Fugitive until she had read about his indictment during the first trial of the BREMER case, except that she did know he was wanted as a parole violator, but stated she did not desire to sign a statement in this regard. She stated that Agents Madala and Sullivan had asked her to make a signed statement upon occasion of their interview with her but that she had refused to do so.

Mr. Harold Stassen, County Attorney of Dakota County, South St. Paul, Minnesota, met Special Agent in Charge G. W. Stein, in the lobby of the Hotel St. Paul. In the course of conversation he stated that he was contemplating presenting evidence to the Grand Jury in his county with reference to the holdup of a messenger in South St. Paul in 1933 in which a policeman was killed, and suggested that he would like to consult with an Agent of the St. Paul Office relative to this matter.

Agent interviewed Mr. Stassen. He stated that since the conclusion of the last BREMER trial he had been contemplating presenting evidence to the Grand Jury at South St. Paul concerning the above referred to robbery and murder, inasmuch as it appeared that while certain members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang who were responsible for these crimes, were guilty of the BREMER kidnaping, that others apparently not involved in the BREMER kidnaping, were guilty of robbery and murder in his county, referring particularly to CHARLES J. FITZGERALD

and JOHN R. (BABS) MORAN. Mr. Stassen stated that the St. Paul Police Department had participated in the investigation of the holdup shortly after it was committed, and most of the witnesses had become so confused by the questions propounded by Inspector Grunley of the St. Paul Police that their value to a prosecution was negligible; that, however, he had located several witnesses whose identity he has kept secret, who have identified photographs of Charles J. Fitzgerald and John R. Moran, as participants in the holdup.

He stated that he has not presented the case heretofore for the reason that he wished to cooperate in every way possible with the Government and did not wish to hinder any investigation that the Government was making in the BREMER case, but if Moran and Fitzgerald are not involved in the BREMER case, he would procure their indictments in his county, for robbery and murder.

He stated that he has a witness that can identify FITZGERALD as the person who was standing on a street corner apparently waiting for a street car, and who gave the signal for the holdup, moving his leg in a semi-circle; also a witness who shot FITZGERALD and other witnesses who can identify FITZGERALD, MORAN, DOC BARKER, and ALVIN KARPIS. He stated that he believes Moran could easily be located at St. Louis but does not know the whereabouts of Fitzgerald and would like to catch both of them at the same time; that in the event they are located, he will cause their extradition from any English speaking country.

He suggested that if the Bureau in course of investigation to locate KARPIS and CAMPBELL ascertain the location of FITZGERALD and MORAN, that he be advised and he will immediately present his case to the Grand Jury and cause their extradition; that he does not believe it advisable to endeavor to procure a secret indictment as he has found that indictments of this character do not remain secret very long. He also stated that in the event he was successful in bringing about prosecution of these individuals, it would be necessary for him to have the cooperation of the Bureau in proving that the machine gun found in the possession of DOC BARKER when arrested by Bureau Agents, was the same as that used in the robbery, and

to identify participants in the robbery at South St. Paul by the fingerprints of the participants. It was not indicated to Mr. Stassen in the course of the interview, that the Bureau was cognizant of the location of FITZGERALD but he was advised that his suggestions would be communicated to the Bureau.

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In accordance with suggestions contained in communication from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, February 17th, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] established a tap on the telephone of JOHN B. DAVENPORT, 4109 Columbus Avenue, Minneapolis, and upon authority obtained from the Bureau, such a tap was installed and is being maintained by Special Agent C. W. Dunker who with his wife have moved to 4188 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis, and they are occupying a house under the name of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dietz. Copies of the log being maintained on this tap are being forwarded to Special Agent in Charge Connelley periodically.

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Special Agent S. W. Hardy of the St. Paul Office conducted an inquiry [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and has prepared a separate report in this regard.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

March 2, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR Mr. TOLSON.

Re: Exhibit cases for the new exhibit room.

I have been advised that in the new exhibit room it is desired that there be placed two exhibit cases to contain firearms in interesting cases.

I have collected together the firearms and a bullet proof vest in connection with the Parker case, these being the firearms and bullet proof vest which were recovered at Lake Weir, Florida at the time Fred Parker and Ma Parker were killed in January, 1935. The material contained in this case consists of one bullet proof vest, two Thompson submachine guns with numbers obliterated, two fifty shot drums for Thompson submachine guns, one Browning auto loading shotgun, one Winchester repeating shotgun, one Winchester .33 caliber lever action rifle, two .45 caliber automatic pistols and one .380 automatic pistol. This material completely fills one show case and is a complete exhibit in the Fred and Ma Parker case.

In a second show case to be placed under the Urschel chart, there will be placed an exhibit of Urschel case guns which I believe will be sufficient to make a very interesting exhibit and will be sufficient to fill one show case.

Respectfully,

T. F. Baughman

*Advised Mr. Tolson  
Re: Role of Baughman*

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Special Agent in Charge  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Please find attached hereto tracing of a letter received from the Postmaster at Falconer, New York, addressed to Mrs. A. L. Callihan, 121 Elmwood Ave., Falconer, N.Y., bearing the postmark Feb. 24, 1936, of Helen Furnace, Pa.

The Postmaster indicates that said postmark is unquestionably Helen Furnace, Pa. The letter bears no return address.

It will be recalled that Miss Esther Bixler is living with Mrs. L. A. Callihan at the aforementioned address.

Very truly yours,

B. H. SACKETT  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Handwritten:* Helen Furnace, Pa. Branch

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Ira Brackett, formerly of Oklahoma, is mentioned as a possible former contact of subject Campbell. Information is at hand to the effect that Brackett is serving a sentence in the State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas.

It is requested that appropriate, discreet inquiry be made with the view to determining whether he is, in fact, incarcerated in said institution. In the event he is not there, it is kindly requested that you ascertain whether he has been, and the date of his release, and his possible present whereabouts.

C. E. "Dutch" Montieth is mentioned as a possible associate of subjects Karpis and Campbell. Advice has been received to the effect that he was in 1935 released from the Kansas State Penitentiary, where he had been serving a five year sentence. It is desired that the most recent photograph of Montieth be obtained and copies thereof made and furnished to the Bureau, the Cleveland, Chicago, Cincinnati offices, and to this office. This matter should be given immediate attention, as it is likely that Montieth may very shortly go to Cleveland to contact George "Burrhead" Keady, with aliases, a Tulsa, Oklahoma underworld character, who recently was taken to Cleveland by the Post Office Inspectors for his alleged participation in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery on November 7, 1935.

- Very truly yours,

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DWIGHT BRANTLEY, Special Agent in Charge

cc Bureau  
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*George Burt*  
*Edwards*

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Los Angeles, California  
February 29, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID - L.A. File 7-42

There is transmitted herewith two copies of the log covering the surveillance maintained on C. J. Fitzgerald and Imogene Robertson from the Greystone and Victoria Apartments for the period from February 21st to 25th, and from February 19th to 24th, respectively.

Three copies of these logs are being attached to the Bureau's copy of this letter, and one copy of each is being attached to the copies of this letter designated for the St. Paul, Cincinnati and Cleveland offices. Copies of these logs are being sent to the Cleveland office in view of the reports therein regarding the trip of Imogene Robertson to Ashtabula, Ohio.

Attention is called to the date of February 21st in the log of the Greystone Apartments, where at 2:50 P.M. [REDACTED]

It will be noted under date of February 22, 1936 at 1:00 P.M. of the log of the Greystone Apartments that Fitzgerald deposited a letter in a mail box which was addressed to Mr. Arthur Christopherson, 301 Hennepin Ave., 3rd Str., St. Minneapolis, Minn. A tracing was made of this letter by Mr. G. B. Curtis Post Office employee at the Arcade Annex Station, Los Angeles, California, and the tracing is being forwarded herewith.

Very truly yours,

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(Greystone Apts.)

February 21, 1936

7:45 AM Leckie called. Foster is up. Suggested Agents in Greystone be ready to go.

8:40 AM Wright on. Called Leckie re Foster. He says Foster is still up and moving around and apparently has already cooked his own breakfast.

9:50 AM Bugas off.

10:30 AM Gene's car parked in front of Greystone Apartments by garage attendant.

11:00 AM Gene left in her car alone going North. Did not stop at the Benjamin Franklin Apartments. Wright called Hanson re the above conversation re Gene going to Ashtabula, Ohio.

11:25 AM Wright called Leckie who informed that Foster had just paid his rent up to March 8, 1936. Says Foster still in his room.

12:30 PM Leckie called that Gene and Foster are together now in Foster's room.

12:40 PM Radio tested OK.

12:50 PM Leckie called.

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2:00 PM Gene and Foster out of Benjamin Franklin. Go directly to Bank of America. Gene went in alone. McKee advised Hanson by phone while Gene was in bank. All returned to Victoria; Osborne notified.

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5:45 PM Radio test OK.

5:50 PM Gene and Foster came out of the Victoria; Gene got in the car and left; Foster walked over to Benjamin Franklin and went in. McKee advised Leckie as to Foster's return.

6:25 PM Leckie called [REDACTED] (See Leckie's log).

10:00 PM Radio tested OK.

11:00 PM Mr. Hanson called to know if everything was OK.

12:00 PM McKee called Leckie. Foster has been in bed for some time.

February 22, 1938

11:15 AM Leckie called [REDACTED]

11:30 AM Foster walks out of his apartment alone towards Sixth Street.

12:00 M. Foster returns to the Benjamin Franklin alone. McKee, who was on the old man's tail, radioed from the Victoria that Foster had mailed a letter at the box at 6th and Serrano Streets. McKee returned to the box, called the office, who is to send a Postal Inspector out to get the letter for examination.

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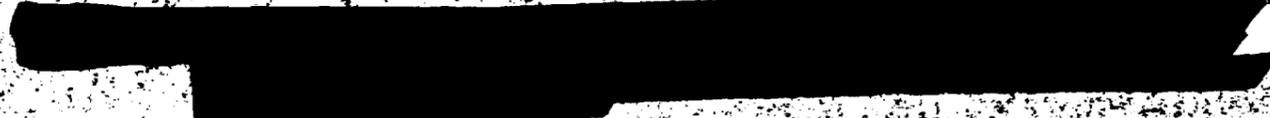
1:00 PM Foster in at Victoria.

On above tailing Foster went into the drug store at 6th and Serrano Streets, came out and mailed a letter on the same corner and then went

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...the barber shop. The office was notified as to the letter and Agent Bugas came out at 1:00 PM with Mr. Curtis. The post office at 338 Central Ave., Arcade Annex, who opened the letter upon inspecting it was found Foster had mailed an airmail letter to Mr. Arthur Christopherson, 301 Hennepin Ave., 3rd Str Bar, Minneapolis, Minn. Agent Bugas and Mr. Curtis took the letter away for further inspection and Bugas will make a report on same.

1:15 PM Radio. Gene's mother did not move out last night but expects to move out shortly.



2:17 PM Foster, Gene and Mickey leave for Nickabob's Cafe for lunch. Then to Mickey's in Glendale. Deemed inadvisable to maintain surveillance there, according to former custom, especially as Foster and Gene are to pick up mother at Biltmore Hotel shortly before six PM. Wright and McKee return to Graystone. Contacted Osborne - nothing new.

5:30 PM McKee and Wright leave for Biltmore Hotel to intercept Gene and Foster.

6:30 PM Foster, Gene and mother go to Biltmore Bar; then to Nickabob's, dinner.

7:30 PM Bugas in.

8:20 PM Foster, Gene and mother return home. All in Victoria. McKee off. Bugas on.

9:15 PM Foster and Gene leave Victoria for Mickey's in Glendale. Wright and Bugas on tail, surveillance not maintained there. A check at the Victoria Apartments garage did not reveal Jean's car at about 2 AM. Agents returned to Mickey's three or four times to check on the car.

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4:30 AM Wright and Bugas return to Mickey's, whose house is dark, and Gene's car noted in front thereof. Wright and Bugas return.

12:00 M. Bugas and McKee return to Mickey's. Then to Catherine's in Glendale, where Gene's car was found.

3:30 PM Bugas and McKee return to Craystone. Wright off.  
3:45 PM SAC Hanson called to see if everything was OK.  
5:00 PM Bugas and McKee got to Glendale to check and find the car at Mickey's where it was seen also at 6:30 PM.  
7:45 PM Bugas and McKee go to Mickey's to check on car and find it gone; various places where Gene and Foster usually go were visited to find them; they finally returned to the Victoria at 9:30 PM. Bugas and McKee in Craystone.  
10:00 PM McKee calls office and tells them everything okay.  
10:30 PM Foster observed going home to Benjamin Franklin from Victoria; Osborne notifies that he has seen him; Leckie calls and informs Foster is in his apartment at Benjamin Franklin.

February 24, 1936

8:45 AM Wright on. Bugas off. Gene's car seen in front of Victoria. No activity or word so far.  
10:15 AM No activity.  
10:25 AM Leckie and Osborne called to say [REDACTED]  
10:30 AM Wright out to Benjamin Franklin to Leckie's to attempt to hear Gene's conversation with Foster.  
10:35 AM Radio. Gene called Don Williams advising Mickey's husband returned unexpectedly last night.  
10:37 AM Gene left the Victoria and went into the Benjamin Franklin. Leckie advised.  
11:20 AM Wright in from Benjamin Franklin. Impossible to hear through wall mike or through door.  
11:35 AM Gene seen going into the Victoria.  
[REDACTED]

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12:05 PM Leckie called. SAC Hanson advised by Leckie.

12:50 PM Called Leckie. All OK.

1:05 PM Foster enters Victoria.

3:35 PM Gene left in her car alone for the hat shop. Foster still in her apartment.

3:50 PM Gene came back to the Victoria. Parked her car in front.

4:30 PM Called office to report everything OK. Talked to Billings.

4:40 PM Mickey seen going into the Victoria with some man.

5:15 PM No activity.

5:40 PM Gene got in her car and left. Mickey and her husband (?) also left in their car.

6:30 PM Gene and Foster went to her dance lesson, then to the California Hotel cafe for dinner. Both returned to Gene's apartment at 9:45 PM. Tailed by Wright and McKee.

10:15 PM Myerson, at Victoria, called to say that  
Hanson at office notified of this.

11:09 PM Foster leaves Victoria alone. Enters Benjamin Franklin alone. Agent Leckie notified.

11:45 PM All quiet.

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12:10 PM Radio tested OK.

12:20 PM Leckie and Osborne called.

12:30 PM Foster seen coming out of Benjamin Franklin and going into the Victoria alone. Leckie phoned and Osborne radioed. A piece of paper which he tore up and threw away on this trip was obtained; placed back in place and found to be only advertisement from Chevrolet agency.

1:50 PM Gene and Foster left in car going to the Fontenoy Apartments at 1811 Whitley Ave., at which place Gene went in alone for a few moments. They then went to Montmartre Cafe on Hollywood staying 3:30. At 3:10 they arrived at Peterson's home at 7929 Hollywood Blvd. and both returned to Benjamin Franklin apartments at 4:30 PM. Wright and McKee on above tailing.

5:45 PM Gene leaves alone in her car.

6:25 PM Gene returns to Victoria with mother. Foster still in Victoria.

6:48 PM Radio test OK.

7:15 PM Sae Hanson advised everything OK. Leckie advised Foster and Gene still at Benjamin Franklin Apartment.

8:00 PM McKee called in.

12:00 PM Radio test OK. All quiet.

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11:00 P. Radio tested. Gene and Foster have not returned up to this time.

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1:03 AM Gene and Foster returned to the Victoria in the Chevrolet. They talked for a few minutes in front of the Victoria, but their conversation could not be heard. Foster gave Gene a few bills (money) a good-night kiss, a couple of pats on the shoulder and marched off to the Benjamin Franklin.

8:00 AM Whitson on.

8:18 AM Time signal dialed.

8:45 AM Mrs. Robertson away in taxi.

10:00 AM Recorder tested, batteries replaced.

11:43 AM Radio test.

(Put this on radio)

2:00 AM Radio test

(Put on radio)

3:45 Gene and Foster away from Victoria in Chevrolet.

4:06 Incoming. No answer.

6:19 Gene, her mother and Foster back.

7:30 PM Osborne on. Whitson off.

8:00 PM Radio tested

9:00 PM Radio tested

11:10 PM Radio tested

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2-21-56  
Osborne on duty

8:40 AM Time signal

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11:05 AM Gene left in the Chevrolet alone.  
12:40 PM Radio tested.

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12:50 PM Incoming call. No answer in spite of the fact that the Chevrolet has been outside for about 15 minutes.

1:03 PM Incoming call. No answer.

2:00 PM Radio tested.

2:10 PM Gene and Foster came out of the Benjamin Franklin and left in the Chevrolet. Radio message sent to the Graysons.

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[REDACTED]

4:52 PM Radio tested.

[REDACTED]

7:50 PM Radio tested

8:10 PM Time signal

[REDACTED]

9:45 PM Incoming call. No answer.

10:00PM Radio tested

11:00PM Radio tested

11:14PM Incoming call. No answer.

12:00PM Radio tested.

2-22-36 Special Agent W. H. Osborne on duty.

10:00AM Radio tested.

10:18 Incoming call. No answer.

11:00 Incoming call. No answer.

11:10 Radio tested.

11:27 Foster left the Benjamin Franklin and proceeded on South Hobart Blvd. towards West Sixth Street.

11:48 Incoming call. No answer.

12:00 M Incoming call. No answer. Radio tested.

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1:00 PM Foster came into the Victoria.

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FEBRUARY 22, 1936 (continued):

1:00 P.M. Radio tested. [REDACTED]

2:15 P. M. Gene and Foster and possibly some third person left in the Chevrolet. The car came out of the basement and was only seen as it drove off towards West 6th Street.

6:52 P. M. Radio tested.

9:00 P. M. Radio tested.

10:18 P. M. Radio tested. No response from Greystone.

11:30 P. M. Radio tested. No response from Greystone.

Osborne on duty.

FEBRUARY 23, 1936.

9:00 A. M. Culberson on duty; Osborne off.

[REDACTED]  
Can't make out number from dial recorder tape.

FEBRUARY 23, 1936 (continued):

3:00 P. M. Radioed to the Greystone Apartments. Signal O. K.  
7:30 P. M. Incoming call. No answer.  
8:25 P. M. Incoming call. No answer.  
9:00 P. M. Osborne on duty. Culberson off.  
10:00 P. M. Radio tested.  
10:35 P. M. Foster left the Victoria and went into the Benjamin Franklin.

FEBRUARY 24, 1936.

Osborne on duty.

8:05 A. M. Time signal.

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FEBRUARY 24, 1936 (continued):

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10:40 A. M. Gene left the Victoria and went into the Benjamin Franklin.

11:40 A. M. Gene returns to the Victoria.

12:00 M. Radio tested.

12:55 P. M. Radio tested.

1:07 P. M. Foster left the Benjamin Franklin and proceeded to the Victoria. Information radioed to the Greystone.

2:05 P. M. Radio tested.

3:07 P. M. Radio tested.

[REDACTED]

Radioed to the Greystone.

3:37 P. M. Gene left in the Chevrolet alone.

4:25 P. M. Radio tested.

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FEBRUARY 24, 1936 (continued):

4:30 P. M. Whitson on duty.

[REDACTED]

5:00 P. M. Garage boy from Benjamin Franklin crosses to Victoria with liquor bottle.

5:43 P. M. Gene away in Chevrolet. Radio tested.

5:58 P. M. Outgoing call - Prospect 0608.

5:59 P. M. Same call.

6:00 P. M. Same call.

[REDACTED]

(Put this on radio.)

6:21 P. M. Gene and Mom back in Chevrolet. Drive it into Victoria garage.

[REDACTED]

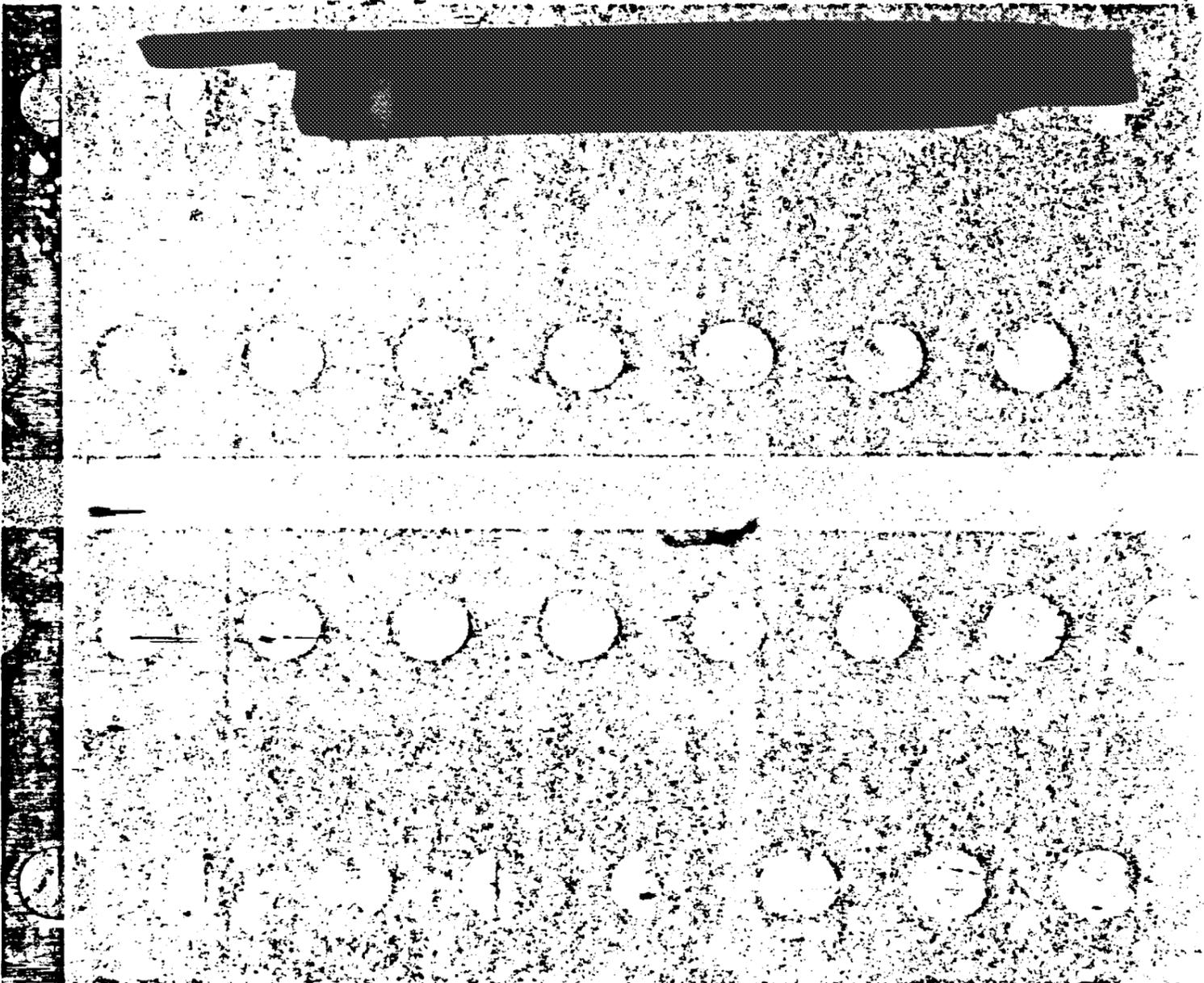
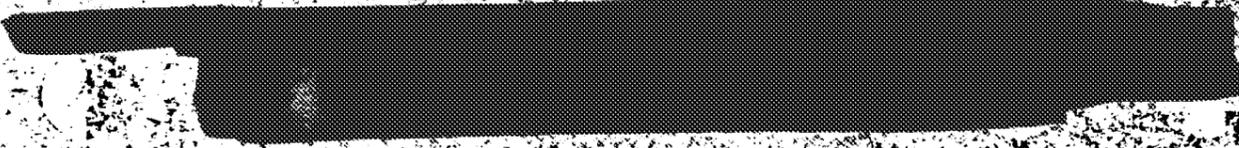
6:44 P. M. Chevrolet out of Victoria garage and north on Hobart. Too dark to see occupants.

7:00 P. M. Myerson on duty.

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FEBRUARY 24, 1936 (continued):



Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
March 3, 1936

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Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Enclosed, herewith, are two copies of the log for February 29th and March 1, 1936, being maintained in connection with the telephone tap on John S. Davenport's residence in Minneapolis. The numbers listed herein are being checked with the Northwestern Bell and Tri-State Telephone Companies to ascertain the identities of the subscribers.

In accordance with your suggestion that another agent be assigned to assist in the maintenance of this tap, Special Agent P. C. Dunne has been assigned to assist Special Agent C. W. Dunker. In this connection and referring to our telephone conversation of March 2, 1936, regarding this tap, the owners of the premises in which Agents Dunne and Dunker are maintaining this tap declined to rent the house to anyone but a married couple since it had recently been refinished and redecorated. This fact should be considered when weighing the desirability of Mrs. Dunker's living at the situs where the tap is maintained.

Very truly yours,

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### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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

Mr. Connelley at Los Angeles, California, advised on February 28, 1936, that Imogene Robertson was expected to proceed by train to Cleveland, Ohio, and that he intends to cover her movements from Los Angeles to Chicago. Arrangements will be made to have a proper surveillance from Chicago to Cleveland. Fitzgerald will maintain the apartment presently occupied by himself and will also maintain the apartment which Imogene Robertson occupied with her mother at Los Angeles. Imogene is proceeding to Cleveland for the purpose of meeting Murray Cook, a boy friend of hers, and has not definitely decided as to whether she will marry him or not. Fitzgerald, of course, knows of the reason for Imogene's trip to Cleveland, Ohio, and has also told her that if he could help in any manner at any time, Imogene should not hesitate to call upon him. The present setup of conducting a surveillance on the apartments of Fitzgerald and Imogene Robertson will be continued.

The El Paso Office is covering the mail of Clarence Campbell at Midland, Texas, and has been instructed to expeditiously cover all leads suggested by the mail cover. Clarence G. Campbell is the brother of Harry Campbell and is associated with the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company at Midland, Texas. However, there have been no developments to date.

At Mineral Wells, Texas, you will recall that Harry Campbell frequented bath houses at that place. The Dallas Texas Office has conducted investigation at this point to determine whether Campbell has recently frequented this vicinity, and appropriate arrangements will be made at all bath houses located in Mineral Wells, Texas, inasmuch as this may be a probably stopover for Campbell.

Charles

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Burrhead Keady, as reflected by teletype from the Cleveland Office under date of February 26, 1936, is apparently in custody of Post Office Inspectors at Cleveland. He was picked up, according to a confidential informant, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and was taken to Cleveland, Ohio, inasmuch as the postal authorities believe he may be of some assistance in the solution of the Garrettsville mail train robbery which occurred November 7, 1935; however, the Post Office Inspector at Cleveland, Ohio, denied having custody of Burrhead Keady. The Cleveland Office was instructed to make no effort to interview Burrhead Keady while he is in custody of other Federal agencies. You will recall that Earl Gardner of the Tulsa Police Department confidentially informed the Oklahoma City Office that he had personally arrested Burrhead Keady and turned him over to the Post Office Inspector at Tulsa, Oklahoma. The indications are that no one was arrested with Keady. It further appears that Sam Coker and Milton Letts, both of whom are supposed to be informants of ours, are at this time in Florida. It is the opinion of Mr. Brantley that the Post Office Inspectors will not obtain any information of value from Burrhead Keady.

This situation is being watched very closely, and further developments will be promptly furnished the Bureau.

Respectfully,



A. Rosen



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PHONE BREKID. IMOGENE ROBERTSON ARRIVED CHICAGO THIS MORNING AND PROCEEDED  
 CLEVELAND NINE FIFTY AM AFTER TRIP FROM CALIFORNIA DURING WHICH SHE PICKED  
 UP A BOY FRIEND AND BOTH PRACTICALLY CONTINUOUSLY DRUNK ON TRIP. FITZGERALD  
 SAW HER OFF ON TRIP. CLEVELAND WILL ARRANGE TAPS ON SILVER GRILL CLEVELAND  
 HANGOUT HEBEBAND AND PATTON AND FORMERLY OF KARPIS AND OTHERS THERE. THEY  
 WILL SUSPEND TAPS ON JAMES TIP ONEIL. THEY WILL KEEP ONLY LIGHT SURVEILLANCE  
 ON IMOGENE ROBERTSON SUCH AS CHECK TELEPHONE AND MAIL ETC. TO AVOID DETECTION  
 AND POSSIBLE ALARM FITZGERALD. AGENT JONES AT TOLEDO TODAY ARRANGING TAPS  
 EDITH BARRY. NO OTHER MATERIAL DEVELOPMENTS CHICAGO, TOLEDO, CLEVELAND ON  
 EITHER SUBJECT. SURVEILLANCE SENIOR KARPVICZ RECENTLY INDICATES CONVERSATION  
 WHICH CASTS DOUBT ON HIS PRIOR STATEMENTS OF LACK OF KNOWLEDGE. I EXPECT TO  
 GET TO CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY IN EFFORT TO FORCE ISSUE  
 THERE ALONG LINES PREVIOUSLY INITIATED. TAPS ON DAVENPORT TELEPHONE BEING  
 MAINTAINED BY AGENT DUNKER ALONE WHO IS AT THE PLANT FORTY ONE HUNDRED EIGHT  
 CHICAGO AVENUE MINNEAPOLIS. DUE TO MANNER IN WHICH PLACE RENTED AND PRETEXT  
 USED TOGETHER WITH NEIGHBORHOOD IN WHICH LOCATED BELIEVE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENT  
 BE CONTINUED TO ALLOY SUSPICION, HOWEVER, TODAY REQUESTED SAC STEIN TO ASSIGN  
 ANOTHER AGENT IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY CONNECTION BY MRS DUNKER WITH ACTUAL  
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-9**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Indianapolis, Indiana</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-4-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-29-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT L. MURPHY</b> <span style="float: right;">VLD</span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Re-check made at Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Indianapolis, Indiana, for new 1936 applications for drivers' and chauffeurs' licenses and new car registrations in names of George Benton, G.R. Benton and Mary Forth, with negative results.

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**Reference:**

Letter from Cleveland, Ohio, office dated 12-16-35; report of Special Agent Robert L. Murphy, Indianapolis, Ind., 1-4-36.

**Details:**

AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

In accordance with the lead contained in the reference report, agent recontacted Miss Christine Powell, clerk in the driver's license department, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State House, and requested that Miss Powell make a check of the 1936 applications for drivers' and chauffeur's licenses received in the names of George Benton, G.R. Benton and Mary Forth. It will be remembered from the reference report that Miss Powell had previously checked her records on the above names for two years previous to the 1936 applications and at the time the previous check was made all of the 1936 applications had not been received. Miss Powell advised that they were still receiving some 1936 applications but that their files were fairly complete at the present time.

After making a search of the above files Miss Powell advised that no applications had been received in the names of George Benton or G. R. Benton; that, however, there had been drivers' li-

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cense applications received in the name of George L. Benton, #399960 and George W. Benton, #276803. At agent's request, Miss Powell procured the original applications for both of the above men and allowed agent to examine them. It was ascertained from an examination of these two applications that they are apparently identical with the George L. Benton, 1935 application #354841 and the George W. Benton, 1935 application #267539, which were mentioned in the reference report, and as set out in the reference report both of the above individuals had previously been eliminated from consideration in this case in view of the fact that their descriptions in no way tallied with the description of subject Harry Campbell.

Miss Powell examined her drivers' and chauffeurs' license applications for the name of Mary Forth and advised that there had been no 1936 applications received on this name and that the only 1936 application received from anyone with the last name of Forth was application #949716 which was made by Eulamay Forth, 2031 Audubon Road, Indianapolis, Indiana. In view of the fact that this is an unusual name, agent examined the original application in the above name and noted that it contained the following descriptive data:

Age:	21
Race:	White
Sex:	Female
Eyes:	Brown
Weight:	110
Height:	5'2"
Hair:	Dark brown.

This application was dated January 24, 1936.

At agent's request, Miss Powell examined her 1935 drivers' license applications to ascertain if a party by the same name had made application for 1935 driver's license, and learned that apparently the same individual, Eulamay Forth, made application on February 6, 1935, application #896260 and at that time gave her address as 608 South Temple, Indianapolis, Indiana. In view of the fact that this party had made a previous application early in 1935 and the fact that the first name is not similar to the name listed in the letter of reference, it is not believed that this matter would be of sufficient interest to warrant further investigation, inasmuch as the reference letter indicates that subject Harry Campbell had been using the name of Mary Forth only a short time prior to December, 1935. No further investigation was conducted to ascertain the identity of Eulamay Forth.

Agent contacted Mr. Joe Boyd, clerk in the auto registration department, and after a search of the files was made ascertained that no applications to register a motor vehicle during 1936 had been received in the names of George Benton, G. R. Benton or Mary Forth.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Indianapolis, Indiana</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-4-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-14-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>H. W. COSTELLO VLD</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>George Dunn allegedly has been living at Corydon, Ind., for about one year and is presently employed by the Co-operative Enterprise Glass Co., at Corydon, Ind.; alleged to have come there from Fort Wayne, Ind., and to be friendly with "Red" Diamond, a confirmed drunkard who has lived at Corydon for several years. Nothing more known of his associates. Dunn presently living at home of Eva Grunden at Corydon who is reported not to be reliable.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>			
Reference: Letters from the Little Rock Bureau office dated 12-10-35 and 12-12-35.			
Details: Letters emanating from the Indianapolis Bureau office were directed to the postmasters at Corydon, Garden and Garden, City, Indiana, requesting that the Indianapolis office be advised as to whether the Co-operative Enterprise Glass Company was located in any one of these cities.			
<p>On December 17, 1935 the postmaster at Corydon, Indiana, advised the Indianapolis office by letter that the Co-operative Enterprise Glass Company was located in that city.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AT CORYDON, INDIANA</u></p> <p>Agent interviewed Grover C. Rainbolt, postmaster, and he advised that George Dunn had been living at Corydon, Indiana, for about one year; that he allegedly came there from Fort Wayne, Indiana;</p>			
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that he received his mail at the General Delivery window although he roomed at the home of Mrs. Eva Grunden, Corydon, Indiana; that he had never seen anyone accompanying Dunn at the time he called for his mail; that he knew nothing concerning Dunn's activities or associates.

Mr. Rainbolt advised that Mrs. Grunden was not reliable and that she operated a cheap rooming house; that he would not advise that agent contact her relative to the activities of Dunn. Mr. Rainbolt was unable to furnish the name of anyone that was reliable in the vicinity of where Dunn lives. A photograph of Dunn was displayed to him and he advised that it was an exact likeness to the George Dunn who lived at Corydon, Indiana. Mr. Rainbolt advised that he would make discreet inquiries concerning the activities and associates of Dunn and he will be recontacted in the near future. Agent requested Mr. Rainbolt place a thirty day mail cover on all mail addressed to George Dunn, Corydon, Indiana, effective February 14, 1936 and forward to the Indianapolis office tracings relative to the same.

Agent interviewed Asa L. Harbaugh, sheriff, Corydon, Indiana, and he advised that Dunn has been living in Corydon, Indiana, for about one year but that he did not know where he came from; that Dunn works at the Co-operative Enterprise Glass Company, Corydon, Indiana; that he rooms at the home of Mrs. Grunden, Corydon, Indiana and that he is not married to his knowledge; that Dunn gets intoxicated a great deal but that he has never arrested him and that Dunn has no criminal record to his knowledge.

Mr. Harbaugh further advised that he has seen Dunn in the company of "Red" Diamond on several occasions; that "Red" Diamond has lived in Corydon, Indiana, for several years and that Diamond is a confirmed drunkard; that Diamond has a room at the Linder Apartments, Corydon, Indiana; that Mr. Ore Farish who also lives at the Linder Apartments is reliable and would be an appropriate person to contact at that point. Mr. Harbaugh advised that Mrs. Grunden is not reliable and he was unable to furnish the name of anyone living in the vicinity of Mrs. Grunden who was reliable. A photograph of Dunn was displayed to Mr. Harbaugh and he stated that it was an exact likeness to the George Dunn presently living at Corydon, Indiana. Photographs of Karpis and Campbell were displayed to him but he was unable to state that he had ever seen anyone in Corydon, Indiana, bearing a likeness to said photographs.

Agent interviewed Ore Farish, Linder Apartments, 117 East Chestnut Street, and he advised that he knew "Red" Diamond but that he had never seen anyone by the name of George Dunn. The photograph of Dunn was displayed to him but he was unable to state that he had ever seen anyone resembling said photograph. The photographs of Karpis and Campbell were also displayed to him to no avail. Mr. Farish stated that the landlady of the Linder Apartments was reliable and that he would not hesitate to contact her.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Mattie Smith, landlady, Linder Apartments, Corydon, Indiana, and she advised that "Red" Diamond roomed at her apartment house; that Diamond has lived in Corydon for many years; that she knew George Dunn as he had roomed at her home at 117 West Chestnut Street, Corydon, Indiana, about one year ago for one week; that at that time Myrtle Apple Everly and her father, Fred Apple, who are now residing at Cameron, West Virginia, used to coard with her; that Myrtle Everly and her father had stated that they had known Dunn back in Cameron, West Virginia; that Dunn constantly visits with Diamond at the Linder Apartments; that she knows nothing concerning Dunn's other associates; that several men whom she does not know come to visit with Diamond.

The photograph of George Dunn was displayed to her and she stated that it was an exact likeness to the George Dunn of Corydon, Indiana. The photographs of Karpis and Campbell were also displayed to her but she was unable to state that she had ever seen anyone in Corydon, Indiana, bearing a likeness to said photos.

Mattie Smith further advised that she had received a letter from Fred Apple advising her that he was coming back to Corydon, Indiana, very soon so as to work at the Co-operative Enterprise Glass Company.

Mattie Smith promised to make discreet inquiries concerning the activities and associates of Dunn. She will be contacted in the near future relative to this information.

Agent interviewed Mr. Charles H. Webber, manager, Eureka Telephone Company, Corydon, Indiana, and he advised that his records relative to long distance telephone calls were not segregated according to telephone numbers but were filed in a rather haphazard manner and accordingly it would be very difficult and laborious to check the incoming and outgoing long distance calls from the home of Mrs. Eva Grunden. It was felt in view of this situation that a further investigation should be conducted relative to Dunn before requesting that a check of said calls be made.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE -  
At Corydon, Indiana

Will contact the postmaster relative to any further information he may have relative to Dunn. Will also contact Mattie Smith, 117 East Chestnut Street for any further information she may have and obtain from her the address of Fred Apple who should be interviewed concerning his knowledge of the activities of Dunn. Will also consider the advisability of obtaining a list of the long distance telephone calls from the home of Mrs. Eva Grunden, Corydon, Indiana.

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

March 4, 1936

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

MIAMI

Reference is made to letter dated March 3, 1936, from the Cleveland Office to the Jacksonville Office, and to your telegram dated March 3, 1936. It is noted that your telegram as received in this office is as follows:

"REFER TO LETTER CLEVELAND OFFICE MARCH  
SECOND REQUESTING INQUIRY MIAMI AND MAKE  
NO INQUIRY REQUESTED THEREIN UNTIL ADVISED  
FURTHER BY ME"  
CONNELLEY."

The letter from the Cleveland Office requests investigation at St. Petersburg, Palm Beach and Miami, Florida. Your telegram refers specifically to inquiry at Miami, Florida. However it is assumed that you desire that none of the investigation requested in the Cleveland letter be made, and this office will accordingly make none of the inquiries until the receipt of further advice from you.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 4907  
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Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 3, 1936, in the above entitled matter, which indicates, among other things, that as a result of a cover on the mail of Mr. and Mrs. J. Davenport, 4109 Columbus Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, it has been ascertained that a Western Union telegram or night letter was received by Mrs. Davenport on January 28, 1936, from Miami Beach, Florida, signed "Flo", which message read, in part, as follows:

"Dear Margaret  
I am all right. The weather in Florida is cold. I have not received those papers yet."

Please be advised that with the cooperation of Mr. J. E. Johnson, office manager, Western Union Telegraph Company, Miami, Florida, the records of that company were searched from January 26th to January 29th, 1936, both dates inclusive; the search including all messages filed at Miami and Miami Beach main and branch offices, but the message in question was not located. It was suggested by Mr. Johnson that the St. Paul office determine, if possible, through officials of the Western Union at Minneapolis, the wire numbers and branch office initials of the sending office, together with the date appearing on the original message and classification of service. Upon receipt of this information a further search will be made of the records at Miami and Miami Beach.

Reference is likewise made to the letter from the Chicago Office to the Jacksonville Office, dated February 4, 1936, concerning the telegram, and which letter indicates the receipt of the telegram in question on March 28, 1936. Obviously that date is erroneous.

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Very truly yours,

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R. B. Nathan

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FILE NO. 7-30 IMC

REPORT MADE AT <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/5/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/27/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>P. M. PLUNKETT</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS WITH ALIASES, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN WITH ALIASES, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL WITH ALIASES, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1236 ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;">John H. Foster, Secretary of Florence Stove Co., Gardner, Mass., has been connected with that company for past eleven years. Witnesses state no resemblance between him and Meade.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="text-align: center;">Letter of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd at Chicago, addressed to Boston Office 2-4-36.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AT GARDNER, MASSACHUSETTS</b></p> <p>This Agent called on Harold McCormick, Postmaster of that city and talked with both him and his superintendent Philip H. Cutter. These gentlemen stated that John H. Foster of 312 Elm Street, Gardner, is at present the secretary of the Florence Stove Company, a large manufacturing company in that city. They stated that he had resided in Gardner for approximately three years and was known as a prosperous and respectable business man. They did not know him by sight but Mr. Mason, another assistant, does know him by sight and he, upon viewing the photograph of William Elmer Meade, stated he felt quite positive they were not identical.</p> <p>Agent called at the office of the Florence Stove Company and noted that it owns a very large plant. He was informed that Mr. Foster is presently in Newark, Ohio, at the Sherwood Hotel, at which place he is supervising the erection of a plant. Mr. Foster is not expected back for a week or ten days. Accordingly, Agent contacted Arnold E. Hunter, Assistant Secretary of the company,</p>			
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who stated that Mr. Foster had been employed in 1924 as an auditor. He had formerly been connected with the Perfect Stove Company of Cleveland, Ohio. He is approximately 48 years of age, five feet, eight inches tall and weighs close to two hundred pounds. His build is quite heavy. Mr. Hunter was shown a photograph of William Elmer Meade and stated that there is no resemblance between these two persons.

Mr. George Corsiglia, to whom this Agent was referred by Postmaster McCormick, has spent all his life with the Florence Stove Company and, according to Mr. McCormick, is the moving spirit of the entire enterprise. This gentleman confirmed the statements made by Mr. Hunter and also stated that there was no resemblance whatever between Meade and Foster. He stated further that they had investigated Mr. Foster thoroughly in 1924 at the time they employed him and knew him to be an honest and capable citizen. Until three years ago, Mr. Foster was employed in the Boston Office of that company.

Mr. McCormick also stated that the Florence Stove Company is reputed to be a subsidiary of the Sears Roebuck Company.

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FILE NO. **7-39**

REPORT MADE AT <b>PITTSBURGH, PA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-5-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-25 &amp; 26-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>L. C. TAYLOR</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1236, ET AL.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>	
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: On 2-25-36 Archie Negleman was sentenced in U. S. District Court, Pittsburgh, Pa., to serve 17 months imprisonment for violation of the Internal Revenue Laws (liquor). Negleman reiterated substantially same story previously told Agents of this Bureau concerning his relations with George (Milton Lett), Harry Campbell, and Alvin Karpis.			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, 2-17-36.			
DETAILS: <b>AT PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA:</b>			
<p><b>ARCHIE NEGLEMAN</b> with aliases was sentenced in the United States District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania, at Pittsburgh, on February 25, 1936, to serve seventeen (17) months imprisonment for violation of the Internal Revenue Laws (liquor).</p> <p>He was committed to the Allegheny County Jail at Pittsburgh pending instructions from the Attorney General and, according to Deputy United States Marshal Quail, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, he more than likely will not be removed to a Federal Penitentiary until other prisoners sentenced in the March, 1936 Term of Court at Erie, Pennsylvania, are removed.</p> <p>Negleman was interviewed on February 25 and 26, 1936 by Special Agent in Charge R. L. Shivers and Special Agents F. M. Ames and L. C. Taylor. He reiterated substantially the same story concerning his</p>			



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association with JOE RICH and others, of Canton, Ohio, as set forth in the report of reference.

He further advised, however, that he first met "GEORGE", whom he identifies from a photograph as being identical with MILTON LETT, some time during the Summer of 1934 at Hockins Restaurant, near Webster, Pennsylvania. On this occasion George was in company with ED BRENNAN and ED SEAMAN, and were preceding a truckload of liquor which Brennan was having brought from Canton, Ohio to Monessen, Pennsylvania.

He stated that Brennan, Seaman, and George stopped for a few moments only at Hockins Restaurant and then proceeded to Donora, Pennsylvania, where they spent the night.

He further stated that subsequent to the first meeting with George and prior to the time Joe Rich, George, and three other men came to his place in the gray Plymouth Sedan, during September, 1934, Brennan, Seaman, and George frequently stopped at the Hockins Restaurant while enroute from Canton, Ohio to Monessen, Pennsylvania, and vicinity, with liquor. Negleman stated that he was operating the Hockins restaurant on these occasions just mentioned and that Brennan during this period was operating the TROP INN in Canton, Ohio as a blind.

With reference to the occasion in September, 1934 when Joe Rich and George and three others allegedly stopped at the house of prostitution in Webster, Pennsylvania, run by a woman named "Reba", Negleman advised that this woman was Reba or Effie Dulaney, who formerly lived in Oklahoma and who at one time was the paramour of JOE DeSTEFANO, former Subject of the case entitled, "HOUGH MOLLISSEE with aliases, et al. - FUGITIVE, I. O. # 1265, ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONER". The Pittsburgh File in this case reflects that Joe DeStefano escaped from the Randolph County Jail, Elkins, West Virginia, on July 13, 1930, where he was being held pending removal to the Atlanta Penitentiary to serve a term of three years imprisonment for violation of the National Prohibition Act. He and Reba or Effie Dulaney allegedly went to Oklahoma after the escape where her father and brother lived at that time. The father, ELLIS DULANEY, resided at 211 West 2nd Street, Bristow, Oklahoma, and the brother, JAMES DULANEY, lived at 1224 Southeast 29th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, during 1930. DeStefano was subsequently apprehended in Pennsylvania through information furnished by Negleman.

Reba or Effie Dalaney, according to Negleman, now operates a house of prostitution which is located over an old harness shop near Charleroi, Pennsylvania. The building is situated next to the Wellington Hotel.

Negleman was somewhat confused in relating the number of times Joe Rich, George, and others had stopped at the Hockins Restaurant at Webster, Pennsylvania, after the visit in September, 1934. However, he advised that a few weeks after they first stopped at the restaurant in the Plymouth Sedan he talked to Joe Rich at the Dew Drop Inn in Canton, Ohio, where Joe told him that George and others and he had robbed the CONNEAUTVILLE Bank and were well fixed and that had he, Negleman, accompanied them he would not have to fool around with liquor in the future.

Negleman was informed that the FARMERS NATIONAL BANK AT CONNEAUTVILLE, CONNEAUTVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA, was not robbed until November, 1, 1935 and then he concluded that it must have been after that date that he had talked to Joe Rich in Canton.

Approximately \$6,000 was obtained in the above mentioned bank robbery.

Negleman stated he frequently went to Toledo, Ohio for liquor and that on one of these trips, eight or nine months ago, he met HARRY CAMPBELL in a rooming house, through Ed Seaman, bank robber and bootlegger. He stated Seaman formerly lived at Canton, Ohio and has a woman, FLORENCE NICKLEY, residing at 507 Roland Avenue, South East, Canton. He further stated that Seaman was in the Ohio State Penitentiary during the prison fire and that at the present time he is "hot" in Canton on two "bank jobs" and for hijacking a truckload of State liquor.

Negleman could not recall the address of the above mentioned rooming house in Toledo but said it was a hideout for gangsters and was operated by an old German woman who had a daughter, Mary, a school teacher, and that the daughter was "sweet" on a young fellow who had escaped from some penitentiary at a time when two guards were killed.

He stated that Mary, the daughter, drives a 1933 Maroon Chevrolet Coach, and is about 23 years of age.

Negleman was questioned closely concerning the location of the rooming house and his meeting with Harry Campbell. He could not identify Campbell's photograph. He stated that to reach the rooming house, assuming one was entering Toledo from Canton on the main highway, it is necessary to drive through downtown Toledo on the main street and that after passing through the downtown section to turn left on a narrow street (he did not know the name of the street and could not describe it or tell how far it was from the downtown section), which in a short distance ran on to an old bridge or viaduct. He stated the bridge was not long and was not short; that he did not know if it crossed water; that the bridge was of steel construction with no overhead girders; that there was a boardwalk on one side of the bridge (he did not recall which side) and that there were no street car tracks on the bridge.

According to Negleman the rooming house was located on the first street to the left after crossing the bridge, in about the middle of the block and on the left hand side of the street. He described the rooming house as an old two and one-half story residence house, which was constructed of red brick. He stated that there was a wooden porch on the front of the house and that the house was set back from the sidewalk about fifteen feet. He said that the walk approaching the house was either concrete or stone. He stated that there was "worn grass" and a few trees in the front yard; that there was no fence around the yard; that the immediate neighborhood was a residential district and that on the other side of the street and towards the end of the block away from the bridge was located a comparatively new apartment house which was constructed of brown brick. He could not further describe the apartment house.

Negleman claimed that he went to the rooming house to see Seaman and that he was introduced to Campbell in the living room of this house but did not know that the individual to whom he was introduced was Campbell until he was later so advised by Seaman.

Negleman could not better describe the rooming house or give more explicit directions as to how it could be reached or found, although he claimed he had visited Seaman at this place on a number of occasions. He said he had never stayed at this rooming house when in Toledo and stated he would prefer to not tell where he stopped in Toledo. He also said there was another rooming house of frame construction located on the same street in the second block from the bridge which was also frequented by gangsters and which house was also operated by an old German lady.

Negleman said he saw Campbell and Seaman on the main street in Donora, Pennsylvania about two weeks before Christmas, 1935, at which time they were driving a 1934 tan Dodge Sedan, which bore 1935 Ohio license plates # N 799 Y. He stated he happened on to them quite by chance and merely passed the time of day with them. He said there was a large fat middle-aged man in the rear seat of the car who was dressed in overalls. He did not learn where they came from or where they intended to go and said he had seen neither Seaman or Campbell since that time.

During the course of the interviews Negleman stated on three different occasions that he had seen George (Milton Lett) last at three different places. At one time during the interview he said he saw George last in company with Ed Brennan at the Portage Hotel Drug Store in Akron, Ohio, about three months ago; that he had seen these men earlier that day in a 1933 Blue Ford Cabriolet, Ohio license plates, on Highway # 30, near Canton, Ohio. Again during the interviews he said he had last seen George a few months ago with Joe Rich at Canton. On another occasion he informed he saw George for the last time in the home of CLIFF HALL (probably Clayton Hall) in Youngstown, Ohio, about six or eight weeks ago.

Negleman informed that during the past winter George and Hall were arrested in Youngstown, Ohio by the police or Deputy Sheriffs when they attempted to purchase an automobile for Karpis. He could not advise as to the details of the arrest but said that Hall effected their release by presenting a courtesy card which had been issued to him by the Sheriff.

Throughout the interviews Negleman frequently mentioned that if given his liberty he believed he could turn up Karpis, Campbell, and George, within ten days, and apparently the entire information furnished by him was given with the belief that he would be released from jail and allowed to assist in the investigation of this case.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CLEVELAND BUREAU OFFICE, if deemed advisable, will endeavor to locate the rooming house in Toledo, Ohio where Negleman claims he met Harry Campbell. Will determine to whom 1935, Ohio license plates # N 799 Y were issued and if they have any possible connection with this investigation.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

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March 4, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

RE: ST. CHARLES NATIONAL BANK,  
\*ST. CHARLES, ILLINOIS -  
BANK ROBBERY.

Philip Dimenza, alias Phil Pasaro was arrested on February 14, 1936 at 1843 Laflin Street, Chicago, Illinois, by Agents of the Chicago Bureau Office in cooperation with officials of the Chicago Police Department.

He admits his participation in the above bank robbery, and names as his associates on this job one Fred Hanson, alias Jack Thompson, Chicago Police Department #87389. Dimenza says that Hanson was the driver of the getaway car, who carried a shotgun and stood inside the bank with Dimenza, taking employees into custody as they arrived. John Sullivan, alias "Jiggs" compelled the assistant cashier to open the vault. Leo Friedman, alias "Sneeze", was the person who tied and gagged the employees of the bank.

Hanson is an ex-convict from Joliet, Illinois, and a resident of St. Charles. Dimenza states Hanson planned the robbery and secured duplicate keys to the bank from John Gordon, who is a Merchants' Police Officer at St. Charles. The robbers gained access through the use of these keys about midnight on January 30, 1936, staying in the bank all night until the arrival of the employees. Gordon was to receive 10% cut, and a florist, who is a Vigilante, in St. Charles, Illinois, furnished Hanson and Dimenza with all the information as to the time of the opening of the vault, the activities of the employees and the alarm system. This florist was to receive a 5% cut of the proceeds.

Agents and police officers have been planted in the residence of Dimenza since noon of February 12, 1936, and will be left there to apprehend any persons calling at Dimenza's home. At the present time the arrest of Dimenza is known only to the Chicago Office and detectives of the Chicago Police Department assigned to this case.

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Dimenza further informed the Chicago Office that the following individuals participated in the robbery of the Hamilton State Bank, Chicago, Illinois:

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Bruno Austin  
Marty Quirk  
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Eugene Belmonti (who incidentally was recently killed in Chicago)  
Leo Friedman.

With reference to the University State Bank, Chicago, Illinois, which was robbed on September 30, 1935, the following persons, according to Dimenza, participated in this job:

Vito Speciall  
James Russo  
Mike Detente  
Vito Polatiero  
Joe Leopoldo  
An individual known as "Popeye"  
An individual known as "Potatoes".

With further reference to the St. Charles National Bank robbery Dimenza states all participants wore gloves, and that Hanson made the gags and handled the paper used in this job. Dimenza further advises that Friedman and Hanson cased a contemplated payroll robbery at Peoria, Illinois on the morning of February 13, 1936. This job was expected to yield the gang about \$100,000. It was planned for a year and a half by Alvin Karpis, but due to the inability to locate an appropriate hideout following the robbery has never been carried out. Dimenza states he received word from Karpis indirectly to case the job to be pulled Monday, February 24, 1936, and that a spot has been located for use as a hideout in Peoria, which spot is located approximately six blocks from the Peoria Light and Power Company's Plant where the payroll robbery was to be perpetrated. The Peoria payroll job was to have Hanson, Dimenza, Quirk, Friedman, Karpis and another individual as participants.

On February 15, 1936, the Chicago Office advised that with reference to the robbery of the United States Trucking Corporation's armored car at Brooklyn, New York on August 21, 1934, Dimenza stated that eleven men participated in this job, that he originally was figured in on the job but later eliminated. According to Dimenza's belief Ollie Berg, who is in the Bremer case, was the pushcart operator who participated, and that Slim Gray, Karpis, Doc and Freddie Barker were the other members of this gang.

March 4, 1936.

Dimenza further states that this gang probably had a New York connection to help finger the job.

With further reference to the St. Charles Bank robbery serial 7-576-9611, dated February 19, 1936 from the Chicago Office should be referred to.



A. R. Rosen.

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~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

February 24, 1936

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In further prosecutive action to be had in instant case against subjects who have not yet been apprehended and against individuals who may be charged with harboring fugitives in this case, the testimony of Bryan Bolton and Edna Murray undoubtedly will be valuable in obtaining convictions. Likewise, in the investigation presently being conducted in the Hamm kidnaping case as a result of the information provided by Bryan Bolton and Edna Murray, the testimony of these two individuals will undoubtedly be of invaluable aid to the Government should prosecutive action be inaugurated against any of the persons responsible for the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr.

In this connection it was noted that while Bryan Bolton was recently interviewed at St. Paul, Minnesota, he appeared to be in a weakened physical condition and it is reported that Bolton has a serious case of tuberculosis and appears to have lost approximately forty pounds since his arrest in Chicago in January of 1935. The construction of the Ramsey County Jail at St. Paul where Bolton is presently confined is of such a nature that it is impossible for the inmates to obtain fresh air and outdoor recreation. In his present condition it is probable that if Bolton is confined to this jail for any period of time his health will be seriously endangered and death may result. Because of his value to the Government as a witness in further prosecutive action, the thought has come to mind that the Bureau might deem it advisable to have a competent physician, specializing in tubercular cases, examine Bolton to determine whether Bolton's life will be endangered if he continues to be confined at the Ramsey County Jail. Rather than lose a valuable witness it might be advisable to have Bolton incarcerated in some other County Jail or State institution or a hospital for Federal prisoners, pending the time when he is sentenced.

*Edna Murray*

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While awaiting her appearance as a witness on behalf of the Government in the recent trial of Harry Sawyer, William Weaver and Casius McDonald at St. Paul, Minnesota, Edna Murray appeared to be in poor physical condition. She is reported to have a cancer of the breast which has become aggravated in the past year. She has lost approximately twenty-seven pounds in the past six months and it is doubtful whether she will continue to live for any considerable period of time.

The attention of the Bureau is directed to the weakened physical condition of Edna Murray in view of her value to the Government in any future prosecutive action to be had either in the Bremer case or in the Hamm case.

Very truly yours,



D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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

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

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to the personal and confidential letter of February 24, 1936 from the Chicago Bureau Office in the above entitled case, advising of the recent interview with Bryan Bolton at St. Paul, Minnesota, and the comment pertaining to the poor physical condition of Edna Murray as observed during her appearance as a witness on behalf of the Government in the recent trial of Harry Sawyer, William Weaver and Cassius McDonald at St. Paul, Minnesota.

The Bureau, of course, is in accord with your suggestion to the effect that these two individuals will undoubtedly be of invaluable assistance to the Government should prosecutive action be inaugurated against any of the persons responsible for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr. However, no affirmative action can be entertained by the Bureau suggesting a more suitable place of incarceration for these persons. Of course, every possible courtesy should be shown both these persons by Agents of the Bureau, but nothing should be done which will border upon the infringement of the duties of another Governmental

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cc-Chicago  
St. Paul

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-33-

REPORT MADE AT <b>DALLAS, TEXAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/4/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/2/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. C. MERTZ</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. # 1218; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Letter addressed to Mrs. L. Nathan at 606 South Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., and mailed from 202 W. Wilson St., Cleburne, Texas, was written by Mrs. C. B. Bradberry, a sister of Mrs. L. Nathan.			
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REFERENCE: Letter from Chicago Office dated 2-24-36.			
DETAILS: At CLEBURNE, TEXAS, Agent made inquiry of Mr. W. A. Adams, Assistant Postmaster, who advised that 202 West Wilson Street is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bradberry, who have been residents of Cleburn, Texas, for many years.			
At 202 West Wilson Street, Agent interviewed Mrs. C. B. Bradberry who advised that she is the sister of Mrs. Louis Nathan of Chicago, and that she writes to her sister about once every week.			
Mrs. Bradberry was not perturbed because of Agent's inquiry as to her acquaintance with Mrs. Nathan. During conversation, Mrs. Bradberry stated that Mr. Nathan is in a business in Chicago that places him in contact with people in all walks of life. She further volunteered the information that she had recently read in a local newspaper the fact that the Government was looking for William Mead in connection with some kidnaping case. She stated that she was interested in the article because she met William Mead and his wife, Kate Mead, through Louis Nathan, when they all came through Cleburne, Texas, about ten years ago. Mrs. Bradberry further advised that she again saw the Meads for a short time in San Antonio, Texas, about four years ago. When pressed for details Mrs. Bradberry stated that she has nothing but a very slim acquaintance with the Meads.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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and that she believes that Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nathan do not know the Meads any better than she does. She was aware that Mead has an extensive criminal record as a confidence man, and stated that Mead might very likely contact Louis Nathan, but that she does not believe that Nathan would report any such fact.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

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March 4, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID.

I am transmitting herewith statement forwarded by the Mark Store, Miami, Florida, to Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, in the amount of \$128.97, which covers a portion of the clothing purchased by Agent Fitzsimons for witnesses from Miami who were subpoenaed to the trial at St. Paul. These purchases were made on January 6, 1936.

It is noted that the Bureau has advised that it is contemplated that this clothing would be paid for by the Department. However, it appears that neither the United States Marshal nor the United States Attorney in the Southern District of Florida has as yet received any information from the Department, and it is thought that the Bureau might desire to take the matter up with the Department.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*

R. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

*Trans to  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

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Dear Sir:

In connection with a cover which has been placed by the Salt Lake City Bureau office on the mail of William A. Shaw, Broadway Hotel, 222 West Broadway, Salt Lake City, Utah, who was formerly connected with William Elmer Head, and a known contact of Head, the following tracings have been received:-

*Edmund J. Bremer*

To.	Postmark.	Return address.
Mrs. F. Shaw, 222 West Broadway, Salt Lake City, Utah.	Cozad, Nebr., Feb. 26, 1936, 8 P.M.	J. B. Ruttan, Cozad, Nebr.
Mrs. Ethel Shaw, Broadway Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, U.S.A.	Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 26, 1936, 5 P.M. Air Mail.	No return address.
Mr. William Shaw, Broadway Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah.	Tucson, Ariz., Feb. 19, 1936, 10 A.M. Air Mail.	No return address.
William A. Shaw, 222 W. Broadway, Salt Lake City, Utah.	Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 25, 1936, 8 P.M.	U.S. Probation Office, Box 4975, Jacksonville, Fla.

The tracing furnished this office with reference to the letter bearing the return address of J.B. Ruttan of Cozad, Nebraska, is being forwarded to you with your copies of this letter.

The other mail tracings mentioned herein are being forwarded to the Cincinnati office with its copies of this letter.

A comparison of the tracing on the letter bearing the return address of J.E. Putton, with the signature of Head appearing on Identification Order 1354, indicates there is some similarity in the writing, and it is possible that Head may possibly be at Cozad, Nebraska, and be in contact with Mrs. Ethel Shaw.

You are requested to make appropriate investigation at Cozad, Nebraska, to determine the identity of J.E. Putton, for the purpose of ascertaining whether he may be identical with Shaw.

Very truly yours,

W.A. ROBER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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DIRECTOR

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Time - 4:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to the information which you have furnished Mr. Connelley on the Florida situation, I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Chicago to advise that the gang in question is supposed to be living between Hollywood and Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Their contact is the former mayor of Harmon, Illinois, whose name we do not know at this time. In this connection, Mr. Connelley is going to make some inquiries to determine, if possible, the name of this person, and if and when he does ascertain it, the information will be furnished the Bureau. I further advised Mr. Connelley that there are said to be nine people in the gang, and they made a "shake-down" last Saturday night of around \$20,000, and are said to be planning another one this coming Saturday night. All of them are described as being Polish or German, with no Jews or Italians. This gang has been reportedly specializing in bank robberies, and in this connection, I informed Mr. Connelley that within the last half hour, we have had a report of a bank robbery just outside of Tampa, Florida, in which over \$24,000 was stolen. Another contact of the gang is said to be one Neeley or Ninny. Further information indicates that most of the members of this gang are dope addicts.

Mr. Connelley said that Mr. Wynn will be at the Alcazar Hotel registered under his own name, and the Bureau can get in touch with the Agents through him at the hotel. Mr. Connelley said that he would probably have to go outside of the hotel to make a call to the Bureau, but he could be reached at the hotel.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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March 4, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir: In re: BREKID

Reference is made to the letter addressed to Mr. E. J. Connelley by the Oklahoma City office, under date of February 26, 1936, setting forth the information that Clell Campbell, brother of subject Harry Campbell, was, according to the latest information obtained, residing at the Tacoma Hotel, Olympia, Washington.

It is requested that your office make a thorough investigation in an effort to locate Clell Campbell. If this individual is located, his movements and activities should be closely followed to determine whether he is in contact with his brother Harry Campbell. This matter should receive the immediate attention of your office and reports submitted promptly.

Very truly yours,

D. H. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

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*Edward J. Brennan*

On March 4, 1936, Deputy United States Marshal Williams called the Cleveland Bureau office and advised that prisoner Roy Arnold, who is subject of Bureau case entitled Roy Arnold, with aliases; Blanche Hammason, with aliases, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Cleveland file number 26-209, desired to talk with a Special Agent of the Cleveland Bureau office.

Roy Arnold was interviewed by Special Agent Lee F. Malone of this office and Arnold advised that he had been a cellmate of "Red" Negleman, who is subject in Bureau case entitled, Archie Negleman, alias Hennegan, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Cleveland file number 26-224. Arnold claimed that Negleman had furnished him with information concerning the location of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. Arnold explained that he had received training as an airplane pilot but that he had never made application for a license. Negleman had advised Arnold that Karpis and his gang were in need of an airplane pilot and that they would purchase a plane, hire an instructor to complete Arnold's course, and thus enable him to take the pilot's examination, if he would agree to fly for them. Negleman claimed that Karpis is now in Baltimore, Maryland, but he did not furnish the exact address. He however, stated that Karpis is paying an official of Baltimore, \$100 per week for the privilege of staying in that town unmolested. Negleman also stated that Karpis occasionally comes to his home at Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania. He advised that the men who take orders from Karpis reside on the farm next to the Negleman farm where Mrs. Negleman resides, which is a RFD #1, Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania. When Karpis comes to town he gets in touch with a deputy town marshal, who sends word to Mrs. Negleman, and she turns gets in touch with the men, who take the orders of Karpis. Arnold is of the opinion that the deputy town marshal was at Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania, but it may be that the marshal referred to is from Webster, Pennsylvania. As Agent Malone had on a previous occasion talked with Negleman, he had ascertained that Negleman was well known in the aforementioned area.

Arnold stated that Negleman had :  
was planning to "pull" a \$400,000 job in P  
\$45,000 job in Cleveland, and a large job  
each instance they needed an airplane.

Arnold was furnishing this inform ion for his consideration  
he could receive in connection with the cas in which he is involved, and  
set forth the proposition that if he were r eleased he could proceed to  
the address furnished him by Negleman, whic is the home address of Negleman,  
and could contact Mrs. Negleman, who would b e advised of his coming, and she  
could put him in touch with the members of t e Karpis gang, and he would  
furnish information to the Bureau.

The information furnished by Negleman to Arnold and to Agents  
of the Cleveland office has been rather fantastic and Arnold's proposition  
is out of the question. Arnold was advised that Agent Malone could not  
promise him any immunity and such consideration he might receive was entire-  
ly within the jurisdiction of the judge, who might or might not take into  
consideration any information which he might have furnished that proved to  
be of value.

It is desired that the Washington Field and the Pittsburgh of-  
fices attempt to check the information furnished relative to the instant  
case.

Very truly yours,

LFR/EJB

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 4, 1936

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Imogene Robertson left Los Angeles, California at 8 P.M. over the Union Pacific Railway on February 28, 1936. She was brought to the station by two women, a young man, and Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald came on the train with her and examined her space and then talked to her until the train departed. All of these parties had been drinking and Imogene Robertson apparently was considerably under the influence of liquor.

On the train she immediately picked up an acquaintance with two individuals who were also drinking at that time, one of whom was J. H. STRUBE, who runs Strube's Furniture Mart, 112 South Garfield Avenue, Alhambra, California. The other party was a younger man than Strube, and Imogene Robertson and this party immediately became bosom friends and proceeded to remain in an intoxicated condition the entire trip. Due to the close association of these two individuals, and not wishing to arouse the suspicion of anyone, Strube was not pressed for the name of his friend, but should same be necessary in the future Strube can furnish the name of this individual. It was apparent that Imogene Robertson had not previous to this occasion, met these individuals.

Upon arrival at Chicago Monday morning March 2, 1936 at 8.45 A.M. this woman proceeded at 9.50 A.M. over the New York Central Railroad to Cleveland, Ohio. While at Chicago she wired Murray Cook at Cleveland to meet her at 5.30 P.M. on that same day. The Cleveland office was advised to check her off the train at Cleveland to determine where she is located there, in order that a check may be had of her telephone calls if she checks into a hotel, and also as to her mail. They were advised not to make a close surveillance of this woman, as nothing is believed possible as to getting any information through her at this time, and it might result in her becoming alarmed and advising

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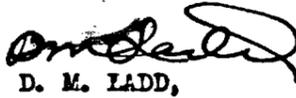
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Fitzgerald, and it is highly desirable at this time that nothing be done to cause Fitzgerald to depart.

At Omaha, Nebraska this woman received a telegram at 8 P.M. Sunday night March 1, 1936 via Western Union, delivered to her on the train, which was probably from her mother or others at Los Angeles.

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley conducted the surveillance of Imogene Robertson from Los Angeles, California to Chicago, Illinois and reported the above information.

Very truly yours,



D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Los Angeles  
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St. Paul  
Cincinnati

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 4, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: BREKID

Your office, as well as other field offices of the Bureau, has in the past been conducting investigation concerning various automobiles registered in the name of George Benton or Mary Forth. This investigation was for the purpose of determining whether George Benton or Mary Forth, who was mailing registered letters to Maggie Lett at Mann, Oklahoma, could be identical with subject Harry Campbell. It was believed at this time that Harry Campbell might have a car registered in some State either under the name of George Benton or Mary Forth. However, later investigation has determined that the individual who was mailing registered letters to Maggie Lett at Mann, Oklahoma, from Cleveland, Ohio, and vicinity was her son Milton Lett who is probably presently associated with Harry Campbell. Prior to the time the above information was learned, Milton Lett, whose location is presently desired by the Bureau, was interviewed by Agents of the Oklahoma City office and it is, therefore, doubtful whether Lett would continue to use the name of George Benton or register any car under the name of Mary Forth.

In view of the above, the respective field offices are requested to conclude the investigations which are presently being made concerning the various George Bentons or Mary Forths which have come to their attention. However, no new inquiries should be initiated concerning individuals bearing these names which may come to their attention in the future. In concluding the present inquiries, same should be made with a view to determining whether Milton Lett is identical with any of the George Bentons or Mary Forths rather than Harry Campbell.

Very truly yours,

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

Dear Sir:

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I am enclosing herewith log of DAVENPORT tap  
for March 2, 1936.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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*Edwin J. Bremer  
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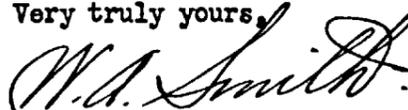
Dear Sir:

RE: B R E K I D

In accordance with request contained in letter from the Oklahoma City office dated March 4, 1936, there is enclosed herewith a photograph of C. E. "Dutch" Montieth obtained from the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas.

Two copies of this photograph are being forwarded with copies of this letter to the Cleveland, Chicago and Oklahoma City offices, and one copy is being forwarded to the Cincinnati Office.

Very truly yours,



W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

March 5, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In accordance with telephonic authorization received from Mr. Tamm of the Bureau on March 3, 1936, an apartment located at 1709 Twelfth Street, Toledo, Ohio, was rented at sixty-five dollars a month, for the purpose of maintaining a surveillance on the telephone of one Edith Barry, who is an important contact in this case. This surveillance is being maintained by Special Agents C. E. Smith and H. B. Dill.

Arrangements are now being effected in accordance with instructions from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, and based upon telephonic authorization of Mr. Tamm of the Bureau on March 3, 1936, to engage an apartment for the purpose of maintaining a surveillance on the telephone of the Silver Grill at 28th Street and Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, which is said to be a contact place for the subjects in this case.

The surveillance of the Silver Grill telephone will begin on Saturday, March 7, 1936, and will be maintained by Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and L. A. Ducommun.

Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
March 5, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I.O. 1218, ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of  
March 4, 1936, requesting that a summary report be pre-  
pared on the family, social and other connections, bus-  
iness experience, and war record of WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON.

Pursuant to your request, this report will  
be prepared and submitted to you in the near future.

Referring to the last paragraph of your  
letter, as a matter of policy the Bureau does not make re-  
commendations with reference to sentences imposed on defen-  
dants in any case.

Very truly yours,

G. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 6, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of February 18, 1936, wherein you were requested to discreetly ascertain the source from which Mr. D. H. Barker, Vice President of the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, learned that the Bureau was conducting an investigation relative to the sales which Joseph T. Miller had made during his course of employment, and to determine definitely whether Mr. Barker was informed of the Bureau's investigation by persons at Washington, D. C., or whether he was advised of this investigation concerning Miller at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

It is desired that your investigation be culminated at the earliest practicable date, and that a report be submitted to the Bureau reflecting the results of your inquiries.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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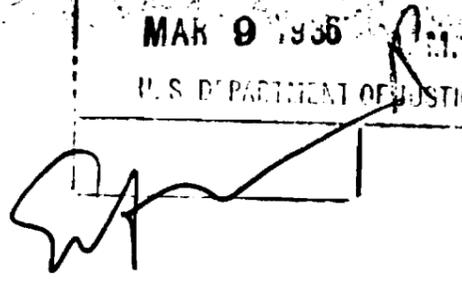
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- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_ ( )
- Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_ ( )
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EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

February 28, 1936.

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Mr. Lester	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

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

In compliance with your instructions, I called Mr. Barlow of the Department with reference to the indictments now pending in Florida against Myrtle Eaton, Joseph Adams, Henry "Duke" Randall, and Nathaniel Heller, in the above entitled case. I inquired of Mr. Barlow as to whether any action had been taken on the indictments pending at that point. He stated that he had recently been confined to his bed due to pneumonia, but had, however, been informed by the United States Attorney in Florida that the indictments pertaining to Joseph Adams, Nathaniel Heller and Henry "Duke" Randall would stand. He said further that Mr. Hugh Fisher of the Department had recently returned from Florida where he had gone in connection with the drawing of the new indictment pertaining to Myrtle Eaton. I told Mr. Barlow that if he thought it advisable arrangements could be made to have Special Agent K. R. McIntire confer with him regarding the indictments which he was handling, and also to discuss with him the preparation of the trial of these persons. He stated he desired to have such a conference, and that if Mr. McIntire would call him within ten days or so he would gladly confer with him upon this matter. I told him arrangements would be made for this conference.

After speaking with Mr. Barlow, I called Mr. Fisher of the Department and spoke to him concerning the indictment pertaining to Myrtle Eaton. He said that he had recently returned from Florida, and that a new indictment had been drawn; that this new indictment as it now stands should no doubt "hold water" and withstand any motion to quash. He stated, however, that he has not heard anything concerning the indictment which was to have been presented to the grand jury on February 24, 1936, and that he would like to call the following to my attention inasmuch as there is a rumor prevalent in Florida which was brought to his attention by Agent Fitzsimmons, concerning a silver service set which was allegedly given to Mrs. Joe Adams by Alvin Karpis. He asked whether any investigation was being conducted relative to this matter and I told him an investigation was going forward.

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You will recall that former Special Agent Stewart related the information concerning the silver service set which was allegedly given

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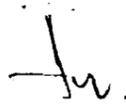
Mrs. Joe Adams by Alvin Karpis, to the Bureau, and that the Bureau acknowledged Mr. Stewart's letter and informed the Jacksonville Office of the information Mr. Stewart furnished.

I also suggested to Mr. Fisher that a conference be arranged at an early date convenient for him for the purpose of discussing the pending trial of Myrtle Eaton in Florida. He said he would probably be ready for such a conference within a week or ten days. I told him Mr. McIntire would confer with him relative to the trial of Myrtle Eaton at such time as would meet with his approval.

Respectfully,



A. Rosen.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Okla.  
March 3, 1936

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AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

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With reference to my previous letters dated February 18, 1936 and February 26, 1936 relative to the telephone tap being maintained on the telephone of Mrs. Johnnie Sherman, 25 East 12th Street, Tulsa, [redacted] this tap has revealed the following additional information, to date:

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cc Mr. Connelley of  
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[REDACTED] It is through Dutch Monteith that Eileen Baldwin of Sapulpa, Oklahoma, mentioned in memorandum dated February 20, 1936, expects to obtain information of value).

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Johnnie moved next door, apparently the other side of the duplex where she lives, on the morning of March 1, 1936, and had her telephone and other utilities changed.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Further telephonic conversations reported on this tap will be furnished to the Bureau and interested offices. It is requested that the Bureau advise immediately whether this tap on the telephone of Johnnie Sherman at Tulsa should be continued.

Yours very truly,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

CC E. J. Connelley, Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland  
St. Louis  
Kansas City

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March 13, 1936.

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. D. Brantley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to Bureau letter of March 5, 1936,  
authorizing the continuance of the telephone tap being maintained  
on the telephone of Mrs. Johnnie Sherman, 25 East 12th Street,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma, [REDACTED]

In view of the recent developments pertaining to Mrs.  
Johnnie Sherman, wherein it appears that she intends to leave  
the vicinity of Tulsa, Oklahoma and proceed to Cleveland, Ohio,  
where Keady is presently incarcerated, the advisability for the  
continuance of this telephone tap should receive your considera-  
tion and if you reach the conclusion that this tap will be of  
no further value, the continuance thereof will be left entirely  
to your discretion.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. D. Brantley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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

Dear Sir:

With reference to your Personal and Confidential  
letter of March 3, 1936, pertaining to the telephone tap  
being maintained on the telephone of Mrs. Jahnke Sherman,  
25 East 12th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, [redacted]  
[redacted] it is requested that this tap  
be continued.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

AIR MAIL

SPECIAL DELIVERY

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Alvin Karpis.

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I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Chicago and advised him that while I was in Miami I had the occasion to visit a number of the gambling casinos at Miami Beach. I advised Mr. Connelley of the circumstances surrounding Carter's, the largest gambling casino at Miami Beach. I advised Mr. Connelley that a man named McGinty is the man who really operates this casino; that a man named Schwartz in the gambling end is McGinty's right hand man; that the man in charge of the restaurant is a man by the name of Bleck. I told Mr. Connelly that I visited Carter's about a week ago last Saturday morning about 1 o'clock for some food; that while I was there I walked through the gambling casino merely to look it over; that several days later, the Miami Tribune had a short paragraph relative to my visit to Carter's and that while I was in there there was one of the most sought after public enemies at one of the roulette wheels. I further advised of my visit to the Biscayne Kennel Club Dog Track and the incident relative to the three men in the box next to me. I also advised Mr. Connelley of the item relative to my visit to the dog track which appeared in the Miami Tribune. I advised Mr. Connelly that this morning I had received word from a contact which I worked at Miami Beach to the effect that Karpis is down there; that yesterday he had about a five hour conference with McGinty at Carter's; that he had been playing at Carter's and also the dog tracks; that Saturday night he is going to be given \$20,000. by the group at Miami Beach, presumably at Carter's.

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I told Mr. Connelley that I thought it would be desirable for his and three or four other good Agents who know Karpis by sight to go down there immediately and spend the next four or five days there. I stated that it would not be necessary for any massing of Agents, but that it could be done by individual observation at Carter's, the Town Casino, the Palm Island Club, and at the dog track. I mentioned the names of Agents McKee and Suran and Mr. Connelley stated that Agent McKee is working on the Suran case and that it would be desirable to have him remain at St. Paul; that Suran is in Chicago and has been taking care of the situation while he, Mr. Connelley, is away. Mr. Connelley stated that he could send the Agents there and that he could go down later in the week. I told Mr. Connelley to pick out the men and have them go down but not in a group; that I did not want the Agents in Florida to know that these men are there.

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I told Mr. Connelley to pick out the men and that I would order them down there.

I told Mr. Connelley that I did not want any approach to be made to McGinty.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-24**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Portland, Oregon</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-3-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-28-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>T. M. Clifford - ME</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1252; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1236; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms act.</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Lieutenant Pat Maloney, Vice Squad, Portland Police, recalls William Elmer Mead who frequented Portland in 1910. His cooperation and members Bunco Squad promised in effort to locate Mead. Local police record set out. Disposition sheet submitted.			
			
REFERENCE: Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, 1-27-36.			
DETAILS: This investigation is predicated upon reference letter in which it was requested that bunco squads of police departments in all cities of over 50,000 population in each district be contacted. Agent contacted Lieutenant Pat Maloney, in charge of the Vice Squad, Portland Police Department, who formerly was in charge of the Bunco Squad of the local police. Lieutenant Maloney examined photographs furnished this office.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>7-576-9817</b> <b>MAR 9 1936</b>	
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by the Bureau of William Elmer Mead and advised Agent that he recalls Mead as he frequented Portland in about 1910. It was suggested that the police records be checked in an effort to locate an arrest of Mead which Maloney advised he made some time about the year 1910. Lieutenant Maloney further stated that in view of the fact that no bunco games or houses are operating in Portland at the present time, bunco men have not frequented this city in years and it is, therefore, very unlikely that Mead will attempt to contact anyone in the city of Portland. Lieutenant Maloney stated that he would, however, call the attention of the men working in his department to Bureau Identification Order #1354 with instructions that should Mead be seen in the city of Portland, he be immediately picked up for the Bureau.

The records of the Identification Bureau of the Portland Police Department reflect the following:

William Elmer Mead, alias Christ Kid, alias John Henry Foster, Portland PD #315 arrested October 3, 1910 by officers Hellier and Maloney, charge Vagrancy; disposition, given hours. Description:

Age	34 (1876)
Height	5' 11"
Weight	160
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Chestnut brown
Build	Slender
Complexion	Fair
Occupation	Mining promotor
Nativity	Iowa.

Disposition sheet submitted herewith.

PENDING

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Baughman
- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Harbo
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- Mr. Tamm
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- Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. AUTHORITY REQUESTED EXPENDITURE SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS  
 APARTMENT HIRE CONNECTION EDITH BARRY TELEPHONE TAP TOLEDO. AUTHORITY  
 REQUESTED FOR TELEPHONE TAP SILVER GRILL CLEVELAND, AS SUGGESTED BY  
 SAC CONNELLEY AND AUTHORITY EXPEND SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS IN CONNECTION  
 THEREWITH REQUESTED. NECESSARY THIS OFFICE RECEIVE DIAL RECORDER FOR  
 SILVER GRILL TELEPHONE TAP AS OUR RECORDER IN USE ON BARRY TELEPHONE TAP  
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*Copy - Mr. Tamm*

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St. Paul, Minnesota.  
March 6, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

BREXID

I am enclosing herewith three tracings, appar-  
ently all in the same handwriting, obtained through  
on mail addressed to 301 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis  
operated by JACK DAVENPORT, a contact in this case. These  
tracings contain the following:

To	Postmark	Return
JACK DAVENPORT	Miami Beach, Fla., 2/24.	The Floridian Hotel Miami Beach, Fla.
JACK DAVENPORT	Miami, Fla., 2/25	None
AL DEVOL	Miami, Fla., 2/25	None

It is requested that the identity of the writer  
might be obtained at the Floridian Hotel, Miami Beach, and  
it be ascertained if this may be a connection for the fug-  
itives in this case.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
March 6, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Through cover on mail of JOHN B. DAVENPORT, Minneapolis, a known contact for the subjects in this case, a tracing has been received addressed to J. B. DAVENPORT, 301 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, bearing postmark of Steilacoon, Washington, February 23, 1936 and return address of Lock Box 500, Steilacoon, Wash.

It is requested that you ascertain the identity of the person who rents this box and if it may be a connection for the fugitives in this case.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STRIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Drawer "V", Plaza Station,  
St. Louis, Missouri,  
March 6, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
W.E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated February 4, 1936,  
wherein the St. Louis Office was requested to interview  
Willis J. Lesperance at Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Please be advised that on February 24, 1936, the  
Sheriff at Poplar Bluff, Missouri telephonically advised  
this office that Lesperance had been sentenced to two years  
in the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri  
and was transported to that penitentiary by the sheriff on  
February 20, 1936, therefore, it is suggested that the Kansas  
City Office interview Lesperance at Jefferson City, Missouri.

Very truly yours,

JAY C. NEWMAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>DALLAS, TEXAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/5/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/2, 3, 5/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>F. J. BLAKE</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Dallas Police received information that Everett Homer Holifield was harboring Karpis and other members of his gang at Dallas. Investigation proves information incorrect.

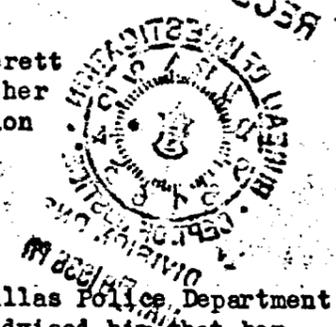
**DETAILS:**

Inspector of Detectives Will Fritz of the Dallas Police Department advised the writer that Mrs. Everett Homer Holifield had advised him that her husband, a former inmate of the Kansas State Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas, was harboring Alvin Karpis and other members of his gang at Dallas. Inspector Fritz advised further that his investigation disclosed that Holifield was operating a filling station at 4728 Myrtle Street in Dallas, and that he had been confined in the Kansas State Reformatory, and the records of the Identification Bureau of the Dallas Police Department indicated that he was wanted as an escape from that institution. Inspector Fritz also advised that he had perfected an arrangement whereby he would ascertain the nature of conversations carried on by Holifield over his telephone from the filling station, as Mrs. Holifield had advised that he frequently communicated with members of this gang by telephone. The records in the Dallas Office show that Mrs. Holifield at one time reported her husband to this office for violation of the White Slave Traffic Act, in which case no prosecution was instituted.

It was determined that the telephone calls made and received by Holifield, which he advised his wife were from Karpis and other members of the gang,

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The filling station operated by Holifield is a very ordinary affair and the Marion Hotel is a very low class hotel and not of the character in which one might expect Karpis and members of his gang to stay.

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The Dallas Office communicated with the Kansas City Office by telegram and was advised that Holifield is not wanted by the Kansas State Reformatory as an escape, having been paroled in 1930 and discharged from parole in 1931; further, that he did not escape with Karpis.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
March 6, 1936

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

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Re: BREKID

Enclosed herewith are letters written by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution, to Mrs. Helen Reilly, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and to Dolores Delaney by John Karpavics, 2842 N. Francisco Avenue, Chicago.

The contents of these letters have been carefully noted and I desire to extend to you my sincere thanks for your continued cooperation in this and other matters.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Edward J. Brennan*

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
March 6, 1936

*Handwritten initials*

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of a letter dated March 4, 1936, written by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, to her sister, Mrs. Helen Reilly, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois -- as well as copies of a letter dated March 3, 1936, written to Dolores Delaney by John Karpavicz, 2842 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago.

The original letters are being returned to Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, to be forwarded as addressed.

Very truly yours,

*H. H. Reinecke*

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Letter addressed: Mrs. Helen Reilly  
6045 Kimbark Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois

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March 4 - 1936  
Wednesday morning.

Dear Babe:

Sure was tickled to get your letter and no foolin' either. Gee, Babe, I don't know if you can understand how I felt when I saw the Runt but I suppose you can - seeing you have a previous little Runt of your own. He was so darned cute - a great big lump came in my throat and, gosh, I couldn't say a thing. He's as fat as a little butter ball, isn't he? I've sure got a job cut out for me when I get out of here, but I'll love it - a little work won't hurt me in fact I'm going to like it.

Did you get those pictures I sent you? Hold on to them tight won't you, honey, 'cause they sure mean a lot to me. Most people may not consider them such a swell looking pictures but they're just about everything in my books.

You couldn't have been near as dissappointed as I was when you didn't get to see me - I could have ~~waited~~ - I'm going to be looking for you all the time from now on and please don't dissappoint me and not come. I want to see if you have changed. Hey, don't you reckon you could have a picture taken for me - Why it wouldn't matter if it was only one of those things from the dime store, and say - think there is any chance of my getting a picture of that boy friend of yours - I'd sure like to have one if he wouldn't object to it. What is his name - how old is he and what does he do? I want to know all about him. And say tell that Nickols fellow that I sure do like him even if I've never seen him. I'd be awfully pleased if I could have a picture of him. What is his first name, how old is he and what does he do? Darling, I know this looks more like a questionnaire than a letter but gosh I'm terribly interested in every one connected with all of you. I'm sure happy for you with such a grand man wanting to marry you, but, honey, have you got your divorce yet or what? I've always liked Pat but of course he isn't the kind of a man I could ever have married and I'm sure it will be better all around if you divorce him. Has your boy friend seen Bobby yet? I know he will be just crazy about him - no one could help it he's such a sweet little monkey. You promised to have him write me a letter - have you forgotten? Please see about it soon - you know when I left home he hadn't learned to write and I would sure love to see his writing.

Man, but I worry about Mugs - I sure wish I knew what she was going to do. She is such a funny kid you never know what she's going to do until she does it. I do hope she doesn't marry Dick - I don't think he would be good to her.

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Have you heard from Mother and do you know where she is. I haven't heard from her since I returned from St. Paul and she promised to write as soon as I left. Is she sick or what? Please let me know right away.

I don't know whether you read about it in the papers or not, but I just found out that the judge that sentenced me was impeached. He was charged with accepting bribes and a whole list of other stuff. If you hear anything else about it let me know, please.

How is my big brother - okay? I sure hope so. Tell him to be good and write soon. If you run into Mugs tell her to drop a post card or something. I'm anxious to hear from her.

Wynona sends her love and says she wishes you the best of luck for your wedding.

I don't suppose you ever see the boy who took us riding 'round & 'round. Remember Bobby called him ceow boy. Did we laugh that night - it was really funny tho', wasn't it?

Well, darling, I shall close but before I do I must tell you that you can write to me once a week if you want to. Tell Bud & Mother they can write once a week, too. Pretty nice, eh? And be sure to put your name and address in the upper left hand corner of your envelope.

Oodles and oodles of hugs & kisses to you & Bobby - Your baby sis,

Dolores - write soon

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Letter addressed: Miss Dolores Delaney  
Milan, Michigan

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Return address: J. Karpavicz  
2842 N. Francisco Ave.  
Chicago, Ill.

2842 N. Francisco Ave.  
Chicago, Ill.  
March 3, 1936

Dear Dolores

We didn't hear from you when we wrote and asked about more information regarding that money. Of course, you didn't mention in your letter if you wanted to try to get the money for yourself or if you wanted it turned over to Raymond. Be sure you let us know in the next letter. You remember in Philadelphia they said they wouldn't hold anything back clothes money or anything. Let us know, so then we'll have more to work on.

Now about Raymond - he's doing fine. He only weighs 25 lbs. He is walking now. He can turn the radio on. He stands and claps his hands and dances. He pushes chairs around and tries to move the refrigerator and piano. It'll take a little time yet before he can do that. It's not so cold now. It's easier to take him out more. The winter season is over and we are sending the last of the winter pictures. Soon we'll start on the spring edition. These pictures were all taken at different times but they all look alike.

How are you? We hope you are well and getting along fine. We haven't heard from your people at all.

Raymond is sending \$5.00. That is all we can do right now. Things here are very slow. I'm not making much.

In regard to your rings we had them appraised and we decided it wouldn't be worth it for the little bit they wanted to give us. You're going to lose one of them anyway between me or Raymond. One ring and one watch are expensive but you still can't get much on them. People haven't the money to buy these things.

The clothes doesn't amount to very much. None of the suits are complete. Your brother asked twice about the suits but he didn't seem much interested. You may we can't give them away for nothing. Raymond needs clothing and other things. We didn't try to offer the tie pin to anyone. That should belong to Raymond.

Well, if you get the chance write and let us know about that \$1000 and we'll know what to do. We haven't inquired anywhere yet.

Yours truly,

J. Karpavicz  
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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit, Michigan  
March 6, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Please furnish the Detroit Bureau office with  
five copies of the inclosed picture of Harry  
Campbell.

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Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
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Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir: ERKID

I am enclosing copy of log for February  
27, 28, and March 3, 1936 on the <sup>John B</sup> Davenport tap at  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STAIN  
Special Agent in Charge

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FILE NO. 7-45

REPORT MADE AT <b>CINCINNATI, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-6-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-27-36 5/2 &amp; 4/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. E. THORNTON</b> <span style="float: right;">SLB</span>
ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. #1236, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Carl L. Forth and wife, Mary Forth, of Dayton, Ohio, are reputable citizens. Ohio, 1935 license #9638-H issued to Carl F. Kinker, Toledo, Ohio. Investigation at Columbus, Ohio, reflects that Mrs. Ida Belle Boyles lived for three weeks with Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Axene at 2250 Yorkshire Road, Columbus, Ohio, while having marital trouble in 1934. Mrs. Boyles' present address unknown to the Axene family. No reason to believe that Mrs. Boyles has any connection with this case.

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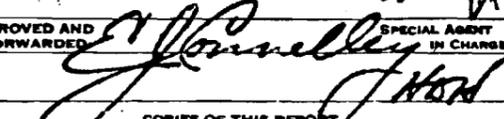
Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 2-13-36, letter from Cleveland Office, 2-21-36 and report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Mo., dated 2-19-36.

**DETAILS:-**

AT DAYTON, OHIO.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. H. Klett:-

A search of the city directory, Dayton, Ohio for the years of 1935 and 1936, disclosed that Carl L. Forth and his wife, Mary, have resided at 333 Pleasant St., Dayton, Ohio, during this time, and in said directory, Carl Forth's occupation is given as laundryman.

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Agent contacted M. S. Will, mail carrier, who delivers to 333 Pleasant St., and ascertained from him that Carl Forth and his wife, Mary, have been residing at this address for five years, to his knowledge, and are living there with their two children.

333 Pleasant Street is in a very nice residential section, and is the type of neighborhood where there are individually owned homes.

In response to a letter from the Cleveland Office dated February 21, 1936, it was ascertained from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, that Ohio, 1935 license #9638-H was issued to Carl F. Kinker, 2111 Chestnut St., Toledo, Ohio, for 1936 Dodge sedan, motor #D2-43360, serial #4055847. The Cleveland Office was advised concerning this by letter dated February 26, 1936.

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO.

The following investigation was conducted by the reporting Agent:-

Search of the city directories, telephone book, as well as inquiry at the Post Office failed to develop any information concerning Mrs. Ida Belle Boyles. Ralph Waters has carried mail to the address at 2250 Yorkshire Road for over one year, and informed Agent that he never recalled delivering any mail there for Mrs. Boyles, and did not recall any such person, although he stated that she might have worked there as a maid.



Mr. O. F. Axens was contacted at the J. I. Case Co., 454 N. Park St., Columbus, and advised Agent that he had known Mrs. Boyles as a girl, and in fact had gone with her sister for some time when he lived at Moline, Illinois. Her maiden name was Williamson and she comes of a good family, and has a brother in the furniture and sporting goods business at Moline, Illinois, at the present time.

She first married a man by the name of H. M. Jones of Moline, Illinois, and after divorcing him, married a man by the name of Boyles, who was a known bootlegger and gambler around Moline, Illinois, previous to repeal. As Mrs. Boyles had known both Mr. and Mrs. Axene for many years when she wrote them that she was having marital trouble, and wanted to get away from her husband and from Moline, she was invited to come to Columbus, Ohio, which was in 1934.

She came to Columbus and lived at the Exene home for three weeks and then secured work as a housekeeper for a man by the name of Sims, living at Groveport, Ohio. Mr. Axene advised that Mr. Sims later moved to California, and that Mrs. Boyles also went there, and he was hesitant to state in what capacity she accompanied Mr. Sims. He advised that Mrs. Boyles is approximately 40 years old. He was unable to supply other information concerning her, and does not know her present address. He did advise that her family is well known at Moline, Illinois.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Reference is made to Oklahoma City letter dated February 28, 1936, in connection with which the attention of the Oklahoma City Office is invited to the report of Special Agent R. H. Groff, Denver, Colorado, dated January 8, 1936, a copy of which is enclosed.

It will be noted that the Abel brothers, mentioned in reference letter, apparently have no connection and never have had any connection with Karpis.

Upon a recent visit to Pueblo, Colorado, Special Agent R. H. Groff was informed by Sheriff Worker that he had again talked to Boyd Lee, step-father of the Abel boys and has confirmed the information given in Agent Groff's report. He further stated that Harley Abel has such a reputation for loud and careless talking that he is sure that, if Karpis ever did come into contact with him, Harley Abel is the last person to whom he would reveal his identity or activities.

Very truly yours,

R. D. BROWN  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Los Angeles, California.

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Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-25

REPORT MADE AT: DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE: 3/6/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/3,4/36	REPORT MADE BY: W. B. MATNEY
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Frank Dockey, Detroit PD #30550; James Mitchell, #30548; Joe Foley, #30549; Fred Davis, #4754; Edward Schultz, #8690, have police records in Detroit as con men. No indications these men know or are connected with William Elmer Mead.			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. L. Fallon, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, dated 2/10/36.			
DETAILS: An examination of the records in the possession of the Identification Unit, Detroit Police Department, revealed that Detroit Group Picture #1499A is a picture of Frank Dockey, #30550; James Mitchell alias Robert Morris, #30548; Joe Foley, #30549; Fred Davis, #4754; and Edward Schultz, #8690. The Detroit Police Department records fail to reveal that William Elmer Mead has ever been in Detroit, Michigan, and advised that they have no indications that the above mentioned parties have any connection with William Elmer Mead.			
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*Edmund G. Bremer*

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Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

RE: B R E K I D

Reference is made to letter from this office dated March 4, 1936, which enclosed photographs of C. E. "Dutch" Montieth.

It appears that this individual was sentenced to serve a term of one to five years for forgery, second degree, at Logan County, Kansas, on August 8, 1934. He was received at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, under number 4338, on August 13, 1934.

Special Agent J. E. Farland, of this office, was confidentially advised that Montieth was paroled from the Kansas State Penitentiary on December 22, 1935, and was taken from the penitentiary by Joe Anderson, of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. He was paroled to Hubert Beatty, 114 North Division Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma, and recently reported to the Kansas State Penitentiary by letter stating he was at Ponca City, Oklahoma. Montieth is described as follows:

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5' 8 1/2"

151 lbs.

Medium

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Smallpox scars on forehead and face.

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Confidential information was also received that L. W. McEwen, Number 4337, was received on the same date as Montieith, charged with the same offense, and was released with Montieith on December 22, 1935, and was taken away from the penitentiary by Joe Anderson, of the Kansas State Highway Patrol.

McEwen's description is as follows:

Age	47 (1934)
Height	5' 8"
Weight	137 lbs.
Build	Medium
Hair	Dark brown, turning gray
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Born	Kansas
Occupation	Clerk
Teeth	Bad, partly gone
P.P.C.	17 WI 12 3 NO 11

McEwen was paroled to his wife, Mrs. R. E. McEwen, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  East Dewey Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

For the information of the Oklahoma City Office there is forwarded herewith a photograph of McEwen.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Encl.

cc - Bureau  
cc - Chicago  
cc - Cleveland  
cc - Cincinnati  
cc - St. Paul

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

March 6th, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

As requested in your letter of February 17th, 1936,  
I am transmitting herewith twenty-five copies of  
the photograph of Thomas Trafton and the photograph  
of William Hunter, together with the originals.

Very truly yours,

LJM  
enc.

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Bureau



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Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Dear Sir:

MAR 20 1936  
RE: BREKID

Reference is made to your telephone call of March 5, 1936, in which you advised that Dolly Hill stated that she saw Milton Lett and three other men at Coffeyville, Kansas, in a 1936 Ford V-8 Coach or Sedan, green in color, bearing 1936 Kansas license plates number 2-1123.

This information was immediately communicated to Special Agent B. P. Cruise, at Wichita, Kansas, who ascertained that this license was issued to J. W. Tinsley, 120 South Poplar, Wichita, Kansas, for a 1936 Ford Fordor, motor number 18-2795921, and that no theft report appeared for this car. Tinsley was unknown at the Police Department.

The 1935 and 1936 Wichita city directories show Joseph W. Tinsley and wife, Ollie, living at 120 South Poplar, and shows Tinsley's occupation merely as salesman. The current Wichita telephone directory shows his telephone number as being 2-2256.

Agent Cruise maintained an intermittent surveillance of this residence during the entire evening of March 5, 1936, and found it to be a two-story frame house in an apparently middle class residential section of the city. The house was completely dark at all times and the above described Ford V-8 was not seen.

Today Agent Cruise advised that he had ascertained that Tinsley has been in Wichita approximately two years. He has a good credit rating and came from Coffeyville, Kansas. At the present time he is a traveling salesman selling oil well pump jacks for Jenson Brothers, Coffeyville, Kansas. In addition to the Ford described above, he also purchased on December 7, 1935, a green 1936 Ford Coupe, motor number 18-2405537, and on the same day his nephew, Wayman Bass, purchased a green Ford V-8 Coupe, motor number 18-2421094.

Tinsley is described as follows:

Age	43
Height	5' 11"

*Check Joseph Tinsley*

(Description of J. W. Tinsley continued:)

Weight	190 lbs.
Build	Muscular
Hair	Light red
Complexion	Ruddy
Beard	Clean shaven.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Chicago  
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Cleveland

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-25**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>DETROIT, MICHIGAN</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>3/5/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>2/25-29&amp;3/2-4/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>W. B. MATNEY</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al.; - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Names, addresses and occupations of persons in Michigan and Ontario receiving phone calls from Harvard Club, Cleveland, Ohio, secured. Check of 1,000 Russells in Detroit Police Department Identification Unit reveals no wealthy ex-hoodlum named Russell. Russell Knowles, Labatt kidnaper, suggested as party referred to. Detroit Police Department Identification Unit and Detroit Bureau files checked; no indications that R. T. or Art. Keller was ever in Detroit, and examination of gang records in Detroit does not reveal his name.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, February 13, 1936;  
report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, February 25, 1936;  
report of Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, Salt Lake City, Utah, February 18, 1936.

**DETAILS:**

Investigation in Detroit, Michigan, Ecorse, Michigan, and Windsor, Ontario, Canada, reveals the following information concerning telephones located at the above places at which phone calls were received from the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio.  
Mr. L. C. Gacokes, Michigan Bell Telephone Company, Room 440, 105 Bethune Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, was contacted relative

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. B. Matney</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-9834	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>MAR 9 1936</b>
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to the above mentioned phone calls and furnished the Detroit Bureau office with all of the information in his possession concerning the above mentioned phones. This information was supplemented by a check of the Detroit City Directory and phone book, and where sufficient information was not found concerning parties to whom the phone were listed, discreet neighborhood investigations were made to ascertain the identity of these parties.

Cadillac 5974 Is issued to B. C. Wiles & Company, 666 East Columbia, Detroit, Michigan, and is a club room equipment company.

Cadillac 3563 Is in the name of the Detroit Housing Corporation located at 138 Cadillac Square, Detroit, Michigan. This company deals in real estate.

Cadillac 6632 Is issued to the Detroit Racing Association, whose offices are located at 1201 Lafayette Building in Detroit, Michigan.

Cherry 5225 This phone is listed to the Detroit Trust Company, trustee for the Tuller Hotel. Mr. E. W. Reiney, Assistant Manager of the Tuller Hotel, Detroit, Michigan, advised that the phone number of the Tuller Hotel is Cherry 5200. Mr. Reiney advised that Cherry 5225 is the long distance trunk line of the Tuller Hotel. An examination of the records of the Tuller Hotel reveals that on 10/7/35 at 12:17 A.M. a phone call was made from Room 400 at the Tuller Hotel by Stuart Morgan to Henderson 8948, Cleveland, Ohio. An attempt was made to secure the initial of Mr. Morgan at the Tuller Hotel and the Michigan Theatre in Detroit, Michigan, but the only name located was Stuart Morgan. Mr. Reiney advised that he is personally acquainted with Morgan and advised that at the time the above mentioned phone call was made Morgan was fulfilling an engagement at the Michigan Theatre in Detroit, Michigan. Mr. Reiney stated that Morgan is an adagio dancer and can be located through the Billboard Magazine. The records at the Tuller Hotel revealed that no other long distance phone calls were made from that hotel to Cleveland, Ohio, on either October 6, 1935 or October 7, 1935.

Clifford 1-3030 Mr. Gacokes of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company examined the records in his possession and advised that there is no such number in Detroit, but stated that Clifford 3030 is listed to Robert Jones, 1431 Times Square, Detroit. This phone is a pay station and is listed in a restaurant at the above address.

Clifford 3757 This phone is listed to Russell Cocksels, 354 West Grand Avenue, Detroit, and is a pay station located in a restaurant.

Euclid 8608-J Is listed to Ethel Daniels, 5218 28th Street, Detroit. Ethel Daniels is listed as a telephone operator at the Glendale Exchange.

Townsend 7-5057 Is listed to Sylvia Roskin, 1945 Burlingame, Detroit.  
On December 14, 1933, this woman gave her occupation  
as milliner, Red Robin Shop, Detroit.

Trinity 28964 This phone is listed to Irene Blair, 7750 Steiner, Detroit,  
and is a pay station. Investigation in the vicinity of  
7750 Steiner reveals that this address is a house of prostitution and  
is operated by a Polish man who speaks very little English. The above  
mentioned neighborhood is made up of Polish people who speak very little  
English. The name of the above party could not be secured at this date.  
Mr. Gacokes advised that his company has received a request to remove  
this phone during March of 1935. A view of the above mentioned premise  
reveals that it is located near the factory district in Hamtramck,  
Michigan, and would make a very poor hideout as it is a small three room  
frame building located on a busy intersection.

41301 Windsor, Ontario, Canada, is listed to Ross Wilson, 864  
Windsor Avenue. Wilson is employed as a laborer on the  
Wabash Railway Car Ferry, which travels between Windsor, Ontario, Canada,  
and Detroit, Michigan.

522 Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. This phone is listed to Mrs.  
J. B. Eddy's residence. Additional investigation is  
being conducted concerning the activities of Mrs. J. B.  
Eddy.

Atlantic 1526 This phone is listed to Ed P. Way, manager of the Mecca  
Cafe, Ecorse, Michigan, and is a pay telephone located  
in the above mentioned cafe.

In regard to the man named Russell, as set out in the  
report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, the Identifi-  
cation Unit of the Detroit Police Department advises that they have  
1,000 parties listed in their files by the name of Russell. A thorough  
check of this file revealed that none of these men are outstanding  
criminals and have not accumulated any wealth during the last few years.  
The two outstanding Russells as contained in the Identification Unit of  
the Detroit Police Department are listed as junior con men. The  
following information is set out in reference to these two men:

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[REDACTED]

Inspector Hoffman of the Special Investigation Squad, Detroit Police Department, was questioned concerning any ex-hoodlum in Detroit named Russell who is now quite wealthy and owns a home and a yacht. Mr. Hoffman requested to know if Russell was the last or the first name of the party, and in this connection he stated that he knew of no person whose last name was Russell who was an ex-hoodlum and who has since become wealthy and owns a yacht or a home in Detroit. Mr. Hoffman asked if it could possibly be Russell Knowles who was connected with the Canadian kidnaping case commonly termed the Labatt Kidnaping. Mr. Hoffman advised that Russell Knowles did live in a nice home in the best section of Detroit, and although he did not own a yacht it is Mr. Hoffman's understanding that Russell Knowles used a yacht on several occasions. Mr. Hoffman advised that other than Russell Knowles, he knows of no person who would answer the description as given him. Mr. Hoffman was not advised as to the cause of this inquiry.

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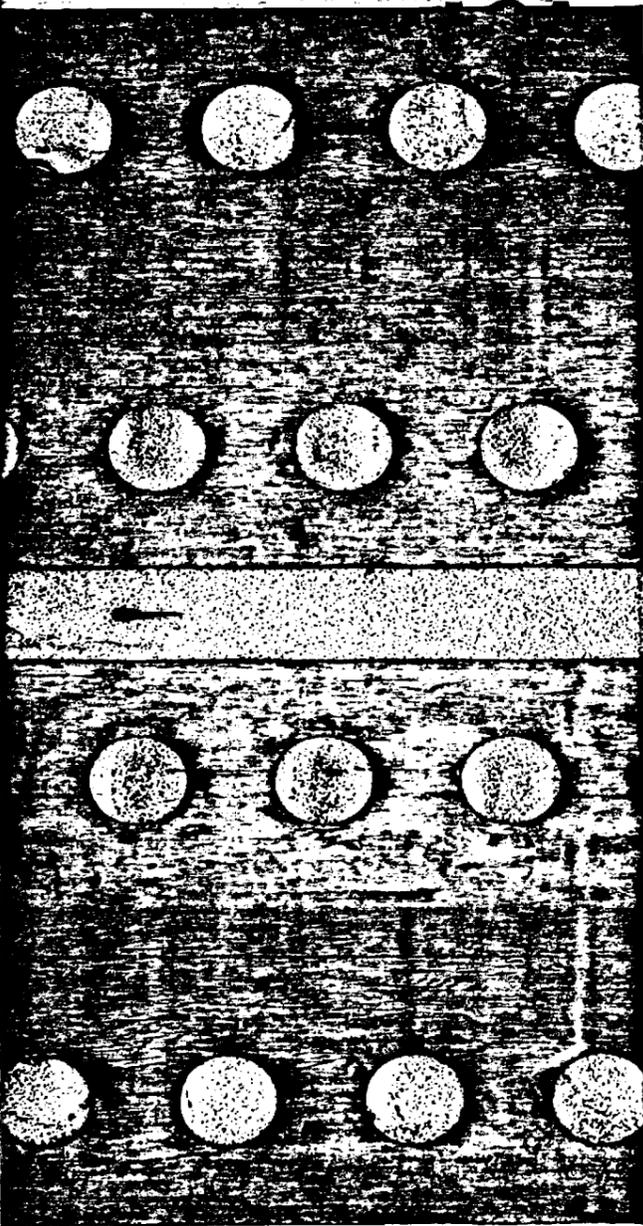
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In reference to the report of Special Agent J. T. Mc Laughlin, Salt Lake City, Utah, dated 2/18/36, a thorough search was made of the Identification Unit of the Detroit Police Department and the Inspector of the Identification Unit advised that his records do not reveal that R. T. Zeller or Art Zeller has ever been arrested in Detroit, Michigan. There is no wanted notice posted in the Identification Unit of the Detroit Police Department for the above mentioned party.

Inspector Hoffman of the Special Investigation Squad, Detroit, Michigan, is personally acquainted with the activities of the Purple Gang in and around Detroit, and stated that he is positive that there was no person connected with this gang using the name R. T. Zeller or Art Zeller. There were approximately 150 well organized gangs in Detroit, Michigan, during the reign of the Purple Gang. A check of these gangs failed to reveal an Art or R. T. Zeller. The Detroit Bureau files were examined and failed to reveal any information concerning R. T. or Art Zeller.

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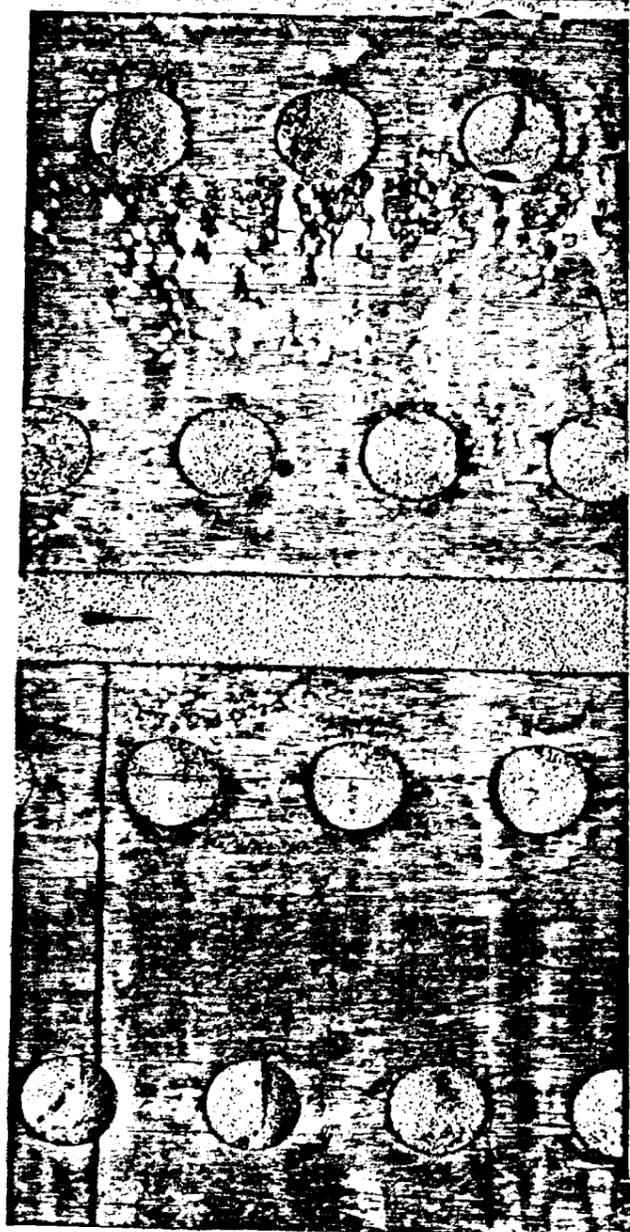
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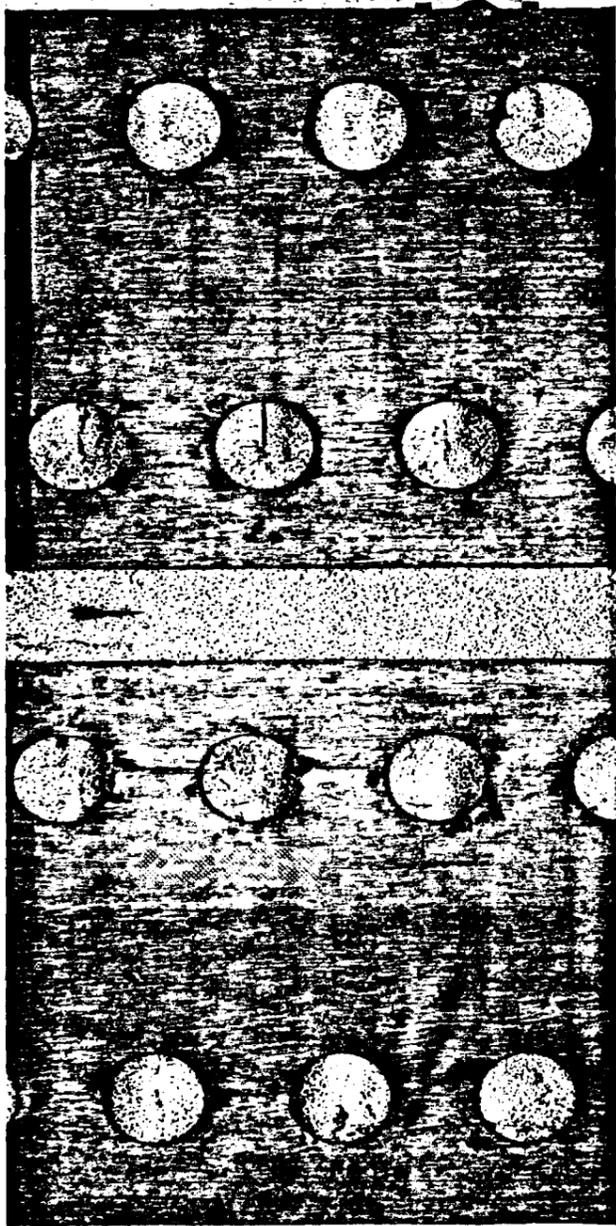
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Dear Sir & Mrs. [unclear]  
The paper concerning [unclear] I don't believe my letter <sup>ONE</sup> reached you. I hope this will. Karpis must be captured, or his organization get so large that it be beyond control. his activities are in to all must. Every thing black or making some case running hold up and what not. I have discovered his head and leg which is at 674 Temple St. Detroit, Mich. at [unclear] W. Sample you find many of his henchmen. mainard Bill Mitchell

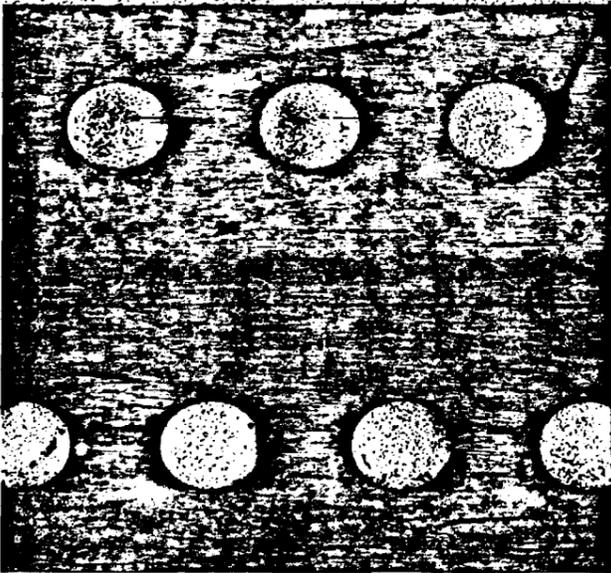
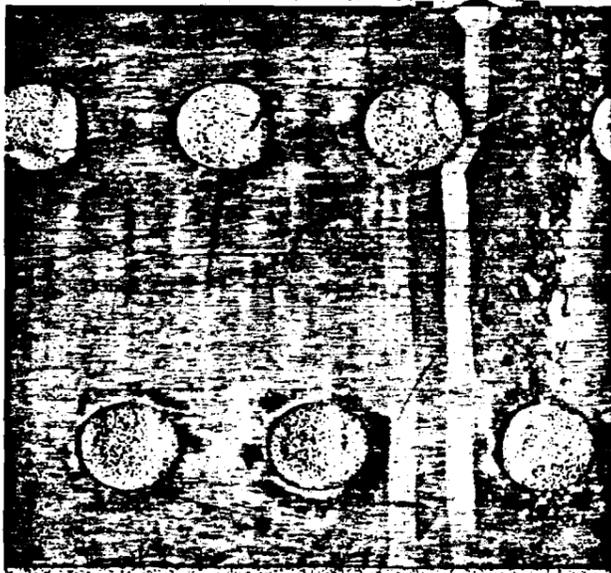
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and he's been in poor  
health since hotel stay  
in Miami Florida.



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same great fortune  
same where he wanted  
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watched so close  
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He tried every possible  
to get me in his net  
twice & escaped being  
kidned by his men.  
The forest is too small  
for both of us either  
& get one way side  
or he get captured.

Mr. Wilma P. P.  
907 N. Hal. Ave  
Lawrence, Mich  
or 392 P. O. Box  
P. S. send you  
name + to meet me

true copy of the original - r

- Dear Sir

I wrote to you befor concerning No 1 2 and 3 don't be-leave my letter reached you. I hope this will. Karpis must be captured or his organasion get so large that it be beyond control, his mobsters are into allmost everything black mailing swindling dope running holdup and what not. I have discovered his headquarter witch is at 674 Temple W Detroit Mich. at 660 W Temple you find many of his Manchman mainard Bill Mitchell or Hetchell brothers in the basement of 660 W Temple he schools his mob he lays out the jobs. there must be under ground passidge between 674-660 best time for raiding be 5 a.m. for mainard don't get in before 2 or 3 a.m. agent must be very careful because that gentlam got a habit of dressing like an old lady he leaps quite bed is stout Karpis also is getting old and hagard been in poor halth since hotel shooting in Miami, florida 1934. at 660 T you find two man black hair black eyes all most the hight of Karpis but younger I hair verry wavis, have those two plases raided please if I not captured he could be found near me no metter where I am at for last four years he has given me plenty of his time the reason is this he thinks I am heir to some great fortune somewhere. he wants it thats why I am being watched so closely ~~him~~ and his mob he tried every possible to get me in his power twice I escaped being kidned by his men. the earth is too small for both of us eather I get one way ride or he get captured.

/s/ Mrs. Wilma Ridd  
907 Max Ave.  
Lansing, Mich.  
or  
392 P. O. Box

P.S. send your smardest agent to me at once.

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March 13, 1936.

Mrs. Wilma Ridi,  
Post Office Box 992,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

I have your undated letter which bears the postmark March 6, 1936, pertaining to your observations in connection with the case involving the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.

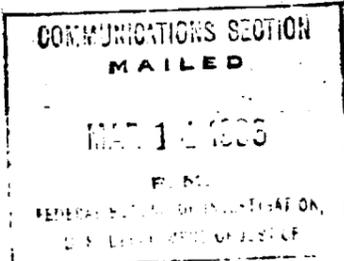
Please be advised that I have instructed Mr. H. E. Reinecke, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 907 Federal Building, Detroit, Michigan, to have an Agent call upon you with reference to this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

CC - Detroit  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati

Encl. (copy of letter from Mrs. Ridi,  
as mentioned above)



Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

March 7th, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the surveillance presently being maintained of John Karpavicz, father of subject Alvin Karpis, it is requested that authority be granted to continue the payment of \$5.00 per day for a period of 30 days to informant Anthony Viatkus, who is acting as interpreter of Lithuanian conversation overheard between members of the Karpavicz family.

Authority is also requested to pay informant [redacted] who has been used extensively on this case and other cases in the Chicago Bureau Office, the sum of \$50.00 to be paid at a rate of not to exceed \$10.00 per week, payment to begin as of March 7th, 1936. It is requested if authority is granted to expend these sums the Chicago Bureau Office be advised telegraphically.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 7, 1936 concerning the surveillance presently being maintained on the home of John Karpavics and your request for authority to continue the payment of \$5.00 per day for a period of thirty days to informant Anthony Viatkus, who is acting as interpreter of Lithuanian conversation overheard between members of the Karpavics family.

Your attention is directed to previous correspondence concerning the employment of Viatkus for this surveillance wherein you were informed that it will not be necessary to request authority at the expiration of each thirty day period to pay Viatkus for his services in this connection.

With reference to informant [redacted] you are authorized to expend the sum of \$50.00 to be paid him at a rate not to exceed \$10.00 per week beginning March 7, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

- Mr. Nathan .....
- Mr. Tolson .....
- Mr. Baughman .....
- Chief Clerk .....
- Mr. Clegg .....
- Mr. Coffey .....
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- Mr. Keith .....
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- Mr. Quinn .....
- Mr. Schilder .....
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- Miss Gandy .....

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GEORGE SPALDING

PO BOX 1369 CITY POST OFFICE BLDG

REGISTERED AS EDWARD J. CONRAD, WILLIAM PENN HOTEL, MIAMI  
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- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR

SAC CHICAGO

SAC CLEVELAND

PHONE. BREKID. REFERRING MY TELETYPE YESTERDAY INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT DUE DEVELOPMENTS AT TULSA/MONTEITH DID NOT GO TO CLEVELAND AS INDICATED. DEVELOPMENTS AT TULSA BEING CLOSELY WATCHED AND WILL BE REPORTED.

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*Edw. G. Bremer*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

March 4, 1936.

Mr. Nathan	.....
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Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Time - 3:35 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Florida Angle of Bremer Case.

During a telephonic conversation which I had with Mr. Connelley at Toledo, he said that he can get out of there at 4:45 P.M., which will put him in Cincinnati at 9:45 in the morning, where he has to get some special clothes for the above investigation. Mr. Connelley said that he can get a plane out of Louisville at 3:35 P.M. tomorrow afternoon, and will be in Florida that night.

I mentioned to Mr. Connelley that if he does not want to send a telegram to you at the Bureau here in Washington, he can address a telegraphic message to George L. Spalding, Post Office Box 1369, City Post Office, Washington, D. C., where it will be picked up by a messenger and delivered to the Bureau.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

March 3, 1936.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Baughman	✓
Chief Clerk	✓
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Keith	
Mr. Lester	✓
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	

Time - 11:45 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I talked with Agent Jones in the Cleveland Office with reference to the wire from SAC MacFarland requesting authority for the expenditure of \$60.00 for an apartment at Toledo, for a telephone tap on a grill in Cleveland, and for an expenditure of \$75.00 in connection with this telephone tap. Mr. MacFarland also made inquiry in this wire about a dial recording machine.

I told Mr. Jones to advise Mr. MacFarland that all of the above expenditures are authorized, and the telephone tap is authorized. With reference to the dial recording machine, I instructed that Mr. MacFarland get in touch with one of the nearby offices and get a dial recording machine to use on this telephone tap. I pointed out to Mr. Jones that this would be much quicker than sending one from the Bureau.

Mr. Jones said he would transmit these instructions and information to Mr. MacFarland upon his return to the office.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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March 9, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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

Dear Sir:

I desire to call to your attention the failure to properly enclose in a sealed envelope the contents of the telephone tap presently being maintained on the residence of John B. Davenport at Minneapolis, Minnesota, which are of an obscene nature, as contained in the copy of a letter dated March 3, 1936 from your office to Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
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March 3, 1936

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Please refer to report of Special Agent M. C. Falkner, El Paso, Texas dated February 26, 1936, and my prior correspondence with the El Paso office as to the necessary investigation to be conducted at Midland, Texas as to the brother of Harry Campbell, namely Clarence G. (Jack) Campbell.

As indicated by the report in question, apparently the inquiry will be a rather inactive one as they now plan to carry it out.

It will be noted from the prior correspondence had with the El Paso Office in this matter that their reason for not complying fully with the instructions given has been alleged insufficiency of personnel.

Will you please instruct the El Paso office directly as to what is expected of them, namely that they should comply with the instructions, and conduct any and all necessary investigation as to this matter.

The administrative problem as to the necessary personnel to handle the work of the El Paso office I presume has previously been disposed of by the Bureau in communication to the El Paso office.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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

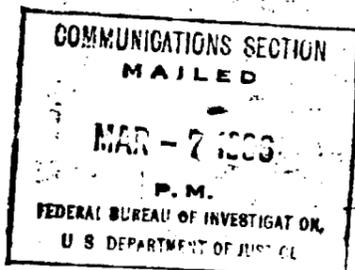
RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1213, et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;  
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

With reference to your personal and confidential letter of March 3, 1936, wherein you refer to the report of Special Agent M. C. Falkner, dated at El Paso, Texas February 26, 1936, concerning the investigation to be conducted at Midland, Texas pertaining to Clarence G. (Jack) Campbell, brother of Harry Campbell, please be advised that I have instructed the El Paso office to comply with the recommendation which you made in your letter of February 10, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



P. O. Drawer 567  
San Francisco, California

March 5, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALFRED M. LOOMIS  
Information Concerning

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the above entitled individual, who was released from the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, after having served a portion of his time at the United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz Island, California, there are transmitted herewith for the information of the Bureau, newspaper articles which appeared in the San Francisco Examiner on March 2 and 3, 1936, purporting to be the inside story on various events which occurred in the Alcatraz Penitentiary. Subsequent articles will be likewise forwarded to the Bureau.

It will be observed from the so-called story as told by Loomis that he is now apparently in San Francisco. As a matter of fact, I have learned that he was in the office of the San Francisco Examiner on March 2, 1936, but to date no information has been ascertainable as to his residence or purpose in being in this city.

For the completion of the file in the New York City Office, there is transmitted herewith a copy of Bureau letter dated February 26, 1936, addressed to the Oklahoma City Office, together with a copy of a letter dated February 14, 1936, from the Warden of the Leavenworth Penitentiary to the Warden of the United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz Island, in connection with the case entitled "ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive, I.O.#1218, Et Al; Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING".

Unless contrary instructions are received from the Bureau subsequent information developed in this district concerning Loomis will be furnished.

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Very truly yours,

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(S) W. L. LISTERMAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Alfred M. Loomis*

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box #1525  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

March 9, 1936.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March 6, 1936 (7-576), which had reference to Bureau letter of the eighteenth ultimo requesting this office to ascertain from Mr. B. H. Barker, Vice President of the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, how he learned that the Bureau was conducting an investigation relative to the sales which Joseph T. Miller had made during the course of employment with the Federal Laboratories.

The Bureau was advised of my efforts to obtain this information through an interview with Mr. Barker on February 25, 1936, as incorporated in my letter to the Bureau on that date. As the Bureau may not have received this letter there are being transmitted herewith two copies of the same.

It is believed that further contact with Mr. Barker in this regard would be useless as I am satisfied he has no intention of disclosing the source of his information.

Very truly yours,

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E. L. SHIVERS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #1525  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

February 25, 1936.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of February 18, 1936 (7-576), directing that Mr. B.H. Barker, Vice President of the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, Pittsburgh, be contacted for the purpose of ascertaining the source of his information that the Bureau was conducting an investigation relative to the sale of Thompson Sub-machine Guns by Joseph T. Miller of Tulsa, the company's Oklahoma representative.

Today I had occasion to contact Mr. Barker in connection with other matters and endeavored to ascertain from him the name of the person who advised him that the information previously requested of the Federal Laboratories concerning sales by that organization throughout the United States was for the purpose of developing information concerning the activities of its representative, Joseph T. Miller. Mr. Barker informed me that he could not recall the source of this information but that it came to him while he was in Washington, D.C., during the week prior to January 13, 1936, in response to a subpoena to appear before the Senate Munitions Committee. He stated that it is quite possible that information was furnished him by the Washington representative of the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated. At any rate he advised that he did receive information while in Washington, D.C. that the information requested by former Special Agent in Charge C.K. Fierstone and Special Agent L. C. Taylor was for the purpose of checking the activities of his representative, Joseph T. Miller, and that since the information was requested as to sales West of the Mississippi River he naturally assumed that it was in relation to the activities of Miller.

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Mr. Barker assured me that he was not informed of the Bureau's investigation concerning Miller by anyone in the Department of Justice or the Federal Bureau of Investigation in either Washington or Pittsburgh. He, however, was insistent that he could not recall the source of his information at this time. The writer believes he could have furnished the name of the person who advised him of this fact if he had cared to.

Very truly yours,

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R. L. SHIVERS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 7, 1936.

(name used by SAC E.J. Connelley)

Mr. E. J. Conrad,  
care of E. J. Wynn,  
Ritz Hotel,  
Miami, Florida.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

*in Plain envelope*

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith two copies of photographs of  
JACK GUZIK, JOHN PATTON and ROBERT McCULLOUGH.

The only available description of Guzik is: (on 9/7/30); height 5 ft. 1 in., build stout. McCullough is described as being 35 years of age (in 1926) height 5 ft. 9 2/8 in., build medium, hair dark, bald, eyes hazel, complexion fair. Patton is described according to persons interviewed as being between 50 and 55 years of age, height 5 ft. 7 in., weight about 155 pounds, build medium, hair dark, complexion medium dark, peculiarities-short-legged.

Information has been obtained that Patton with his wife has been at Miami for the past three months, and is reported to reside at either the Franklin or Frankfort Hotel at Miami. Patton's married daughter Mrs. Ainsworth, whose husband is reported as being employed as an attorney with the Government, may be living with her father John Patton. With reference to Patton it will be noted that he is reported as being the owner of the Miami Beach Kennel Club and the dog tracks at Tampa.

McCullough is reported to be a close friend of Patton, and is frequently in his company. He was last reported to be somewhere in Ohio but may possibly be with Patton at Miami at present.

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Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

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

March 8, 1936.

Time - 7:05 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Connelley telephoned me from Miami with reference to the situation in this matter down there. He said that through some court order, the origin and nature of which are not known at this time, most of the gambling places are being closed down; that the officers just came around the other night and closed all of them. In addition to this, it is anticipated that most of the night clubs will be closed within the next day or so, this being on account of the nearing close of the season. The season, according to Mr. Connelley, has been rather bad this year down there, and the night clubs are not so anxious to stay open anyhow. However, the places and night clubs in the surrounding towns are apparently going to remain open.

Mr. Connelley said that he has sent two men to St. Petersburg, Florida to check on this fellow "Roscoe" information concerning whom has previously been forwarded to the Bureau. If he is located there, Mr. Connelley is going to send some more men up there to work on a surveillance of him.

Mr. Connelley said that they are having some difficulty with the Agents of the Jacksonville Office "messing things up". He said that about three days ago, a couple of the Agents from that office went into the Plantation Club there in Miami with their guns on and got this fellow Strange. The Agents insisted on Strange leaving his gambling wheel and going outside to talk to them, which, of course, has now gotten Strange in bad with the owners of the Club. Mr. Connelley said that he does not know for sure that these men were Agents of this Bureau from the Jacksonville Office, but it appears entirely probable that they were. Concerning this fellow Strange, Mr. Connelley said he is mentioned in the Bremer file in November of 1934, and it appears that the Jacksonville Office is having someone review the file, and is then having the Agents contact all of the informants mentioned in the early reports of 1934. Mr. Connelley suggested that the Bureau get in touch in the morning with the Jacksonville Office and find out what they are doing, and instruct them to discontinue their efforts to contact the informants mentioned in the file in November and the earlier months of 1934.

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Mr. Connelley is forwarding to the Bureau every day an air mail letter setting forth the developments and what is being done in this matter.

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Respectfully,

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E. A. TAMM

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

827 Broad Street National Bank Building  
Trenton New Jersey

March 9, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

It is requested that thirty-four (34) copies of the photograph of William Elmer Lead and thirty-four (34) copies of Identification Order #1354, which is the Identification Order of Lead, be furnished the Trenton Office immediately.

Very truly yours,

*E. L. Richmond*

E. L. Richmond  
Special Agent in Charge

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