

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: Salt Lake City

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Edw. J. Connelley

PHONE BREKID SHERIFF, ASOTIN, WASHINGTON ADVISES DANIEL STIEFEL
IN CUSTODY THERE RELATES STORY THAT ABOUT MARCH FIRST WHILE HITCH
HIKING IN NEVADA HE WAS PICKED UP AT CALIENTE, NEVADA BY ALVIN
KARPIS IN A NEW BLUE FORD SEDAN AND DRIVEN TO SALT LAKE CITY WHERE
KARPIS REGISTERED AT MOXUM HOTEL. STIEFEL CLAIMS KARPIS GAVE HIM
FIVE DOLLARS TO PURCHASE SANDWICHES WHICH WERE EATEN IN HOTEL ROOM.
KARPIS MET BY TWO OTHER MEN AT HOTEL DESCRIPTIONS UNKNOWN. FOLLOWING
MORNING STIEFEL CLAIMS KARPIS GAVE HIM ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE
DOLLARS TO BUY A USED FORD FOR HIM BUT STIEFEL ABSCONDED WITH THE
MONEY. STIEFEL CLAIMS HE IDENTIFIED KARPIS FROM PICTURE IN SALT
LAKE CITY POST OFFICE A WEEK LATER AND NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE
AS TO NAME USED BY KARPIS, LICENSE ON CAR OR ROOM NUMBER
AT HOTEL. AGENT PROCEEDING ASOTIN TO INTERVIEW STIEFEL, SUGGEST
CHECK AT MOXUM HOTEL.

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in ChargeSent 2:20 P M Per *W. J. C.*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 28, 1936.

Time - 10:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
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Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
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Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Cuddy

Mr. Connelley telephoned me from Youngstown, Ohio, to advise that from the informant developed by the Post Office Inspectors, they have ascertained the location of the house in which the subjects of this case are said to be, the same being located at a certain point about seven or eight miles from Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. Connelley said that he and Agent Smith are proceeding at once to Cleveland, where he has requested Mr. MacFarland to make arrangements for an airplane from Cleveland to Little Rock, where a meeting will be had and then proceed by automobile to Hot Springs and thence to the place in question. Mr. Connelley said that the Post Office Inspectors are in on this for the reason that the informant is theirs, and it was only through their cooperation that we have the information at all.

Mr. Connelley said that the house in question is said to be on a wooded knoll, and is going to be rather difficult to take. In this regard, he said he would like to have ten men sent in to Little Rock to assist in this matter, which, with Mr. Smith and himself, will make twelve. He suggested the names of Agents Barber of Milwaukee and Hurt of Dallas, also mentioning Agents Smith, Hansen and Buchanan of the Oklahoma City Office.

He said that it will take about eight hours by air from Cleveland to Little Rock, and if they can get out of Cleveland about 2:30 in the morning, it will put them in Little Rock around 10:30 A.M. Mr. Connelley said that the expense of this airplane trip will be shared 50-50 between the Agents and the Post Office Inspectors, who are going along.

Time - 11:12 P.M.

Upon your instructions, I telephoned SAC Brantley at the Oklahoma City Office and advised him of the facts in this matter. I told him that you desired him to personally go over to Little Rock and take some men from his office, suggesting Special Agents Frank Smith, Paul Hansen, Buchanan, and John B. Little. Mr. Brantley said that while it will be a little difficult to get in touch with Buchanan and Frank Smith to get them over there by nine o'clock in the morning, he will try to do so. Mr. Brantley mentioned that Special Agent D. A. Bryce is in Oklahoma City at this time on sick leave, but that he understands he is about ready to return to his headquarters at Aberdeen; that he will get in touch with Bryce, and his condition permits, he will be taken along.

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Mr. Brantley said that he would wire the Bureau what Agents are being taken, and assured me that they will go properly equipped, etc.

Time - 11:30 P.M.

I telephoned SAC Smith at the Kansas City Office and advised him of the above situation, advising that we need a couple of men from his office to assist in this raid. Mr. Smith said that he can send Special Agents Cruickshank, Fierstone and Clary with the appropriate equipment to the Little Rock Office at once by automobile.

Time - 11:47 P.M.

I telephoned SAC Blake at the Dallas Office with regard to this matter, and he said that he can send Special Agents Hurt, Coulter and Mertz to Little Rock so that they will be there at nine o'clock in the morning to assist in this matter. Mr. Blake said that the appropriate equipment will be sent with these men.

Time - 12:20 A.M. on the 29th.

I telephoned SAC MacFarland at the Cleveland Office and inquired if he has arranged for the airplane for Mr. Connelley. He said that they have arranged for a chartered plane.

I told Mr. MacFarland that I had talked with the Director, who wanted certain instructions given to Mr. Connelley, and in this connection, I told Mr. MacFarland that I wanted to make sure that I talked with Mr. Connelley before he leaves on the airplane for Little Rock.

Time - 1:27 A.M.

Mr. Connelley telephoned in and I told him that upon discussing this matter with you, you had stated you wanted Mr. Connelley to be sure that if anything starts on this matter, someone would be designated to act as informant to the Bureau. I told Mr. Connelley to arrange for a wire to the Bureau to be kept open during the developments so that we can be kept advised. Mr. Connelley said that the place in question is about eight miles out from Hot Springs, but that he would take some man out there unbeknown to the others and see if some form of telephonic communication can't be established to be used in this matter. I particularly pointed out to Mr. Connelley that if some gun battle ensues such as the one down in Florida, the Bureau should by all means be kept advised.

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I also particularly pointed out to Mr. Connelley your statement relative to the news angle of this matter, and I am sure that he understands how vitally important this angle of the matter is, especially in view of his knowledge and my information to him concerning your opinion of the Post Office Inspectors.

I then advised Mr. Connelley of the Agents who are going to assist in this matter, as follows: From the Oklahoma City Office - SAC Brantley, Paul Hansen, Buchanan, John B. Little, D. A. Bryce, Frank Smith (possibly); from Dallas - C. O. Hurt, Coulter and J. C. Mertz; from Kansas City - Clary, Fierstone and Cruise. I then asked Mr. Connelley who else he would like to have, and he suggested that if Agent Barber is sent down from Milwaukee, he would have enough Agents if he can get a couple from the Little Rock Office. Of course, he will have Agent R. E. Smith with him, and there will be about four Post Office Inspectors.

Mr. Connelley said that they are departing at 2:30 A.M.

Time - 2:40 A.M.

I telephoned SAC Peterson at the Milwaukee Office in connection with the above matter, and told him that the Bureau desires Agent Barber to proceed at once to Little Rock to assist in this matter. Mr. Peterson said that he does not know about the availability of transportation at this, but said he would check up and advise me.

Mr. Peterson telephoned me back and said that the best he can do in the way of transportation for Barber is to get him out of Chicago by airplane at 11:15 A.M., which will put him in Little Rock at 7:32 P.M. In view of this, I authorized Mr. Barber's transportation by air.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

With reference to the statement of Mr. Connelley that the expense for the chartered plane in this matter would be borne 50-50 by the Bureau and the Post Office Inspectors, I suggested that he hold this in abeyance for the time being, pointing out to him that developments might make it desirable for the Bureau to bear the entire expense.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
March 30, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: BREKID

Reference is made to letter from the Jacksonville Office dated March 27, 1936, relating to a plain envelope postmarked Miami, Florida, November 24, 1934, addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn, Oklawaha, Florida, containing a letter dated November 23, 1934, written by W. M. Johnson, and requesting that this item be forwarded to the Bureau. I am enclosing herewith the above described communication.

I am also enclosing a telegram dated Miami, Florida, November 21, 1934, addressed to T. C. Blackburn, beginning, "I have been sick . . .", signed, "Joe Adams".

The following items which were found in the house occupied by Ma and Fred Barker, Oklawaha, are also being enclosed:

Identification portion of Pan American ticket, Miami to Havana, in the name of Mrs. Mary Ryan.

Receipt of Goodrich Silvertown, Inc., Biscayne Boulevard and 7th St., Miami, Florida, in the name of P. C. Blackburn.

Receipt for radio set from the Miami Radio Service Company to Mrs. J. E. Rhyme.

Receipt from Firestone Service Stores, Inc., Miami, to Mr. Blackburn, El Comodoro Hotel, Miami.

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Original notes of S.A.C. Alt and S.A.C. Stapleton containing numbers of \$1,000 bills and other bills found in the house occupied by Ma and Fred Barker, Oklawaha.

*Enclosure
attached*

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Mr
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TAMM ONE

Application for 1934 auto registration, Ford
DeLuxe Coupe, engine #V18-1194246, by G. F.
Summers, El Comodoro Hotel, Miami.

Buyer's order for Ford Coupe on the Dade
Motors Company, Miami, signed by G. S. Summers,
El Comodoro Hotel.

Diagram of the house at Oklawaha, Florida,
prepared by S.A.C. Stapleton.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Stein

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

11:50 A.M.

Mr. Connelley called on the telephone from Cleveland. He said the Post Office Inspectors have finally come to us. It seems the Post Office Inspectors have gotten hold of one Clayton Hall, who lives at Youngstown. Clayton Hall says that it was at his house that Karpis and one Fred Hunter stayed when they "cased" the Garrettsville train robbery. Connelley says that the Post Office Inspectors have had Hall under surveillance for sixty days or so and lately have gotten in touch with him and made a real informant out of him. Hall says that Karpis and Hunter have already cased a new robbery involving a \$500,000 theft from a train, and indicates that that was also cased at his home, further stating that he expects Karpis and Hunter to return to his home at Youngstown, possibly tomorrow or some time between now and the first of April to make final plans for the prospective robbery, which is to be that of a payroll forwarded by train the first of every month.

The situation at Clayton Hall's house at Youngstown is that there are in the house at the present time two Post Office Inspectors, two State Police, and two of our Agents. I inquired why the Post Office Inspectors came to us with the information and Connelley stated Chief Post Office Inspector Briggs of Cincinnati knew him, Connelley, and came to him for that reason. I rather laughed at that and Connelley said he thought a further reason was that the Post Office Inspectors were somewhat dubious as to the extent of our knowledge, which is possibly more likely. Then Briggs contacted Hettrick, the local Post Office Inspector at Youngstown, and they told Connelley they wanted to play ball with us. Connelley also said that probably they thought we knew something more of the set-up of the BREMER individuals implicated in this train robbery.

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The Post Office Inspectors have been securing good information from one Brock, whom they brought from Oklahoma. Brock has been developed and brought to the Post Office Inspectors by one Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police. Joe Anderson roams all over the country working for the Kansas State Police. His principal working place is in Oklahoma. I have met him there. Brock as a matter of fact, Connelley states, was in on the Garrettsville robbery with Karpis and Campbell.

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Our people have gotten hold of one ~~Zetzner~~, who after the Garrettsville train robbery flew Brock, Karpis and Campbell south to Evansville, to Memphis and then to Little Rock, where Karpis left the plane, and then to Tulsa with Brock. Connelley went into considerable detail as to how arrangements were made with Zetzner to secure this plane, which details I believe to be immaterial. Each one of the three men was to pay Zetzner \$500 for the plane in question, and Zetzner bought a plane for the \$1500.

Connelley is going over to Youngstown now to talk to Clayton Hall. I told Connelley I would have more interest and confidence in the matter after he had talked with Hall himself. This he is going to do. Connelley will be at the ~~Todd~~ ^{Hall} Hotel under the name of Edward J. Conrad. The six men in the Clayton house, i.e., two Post Office Inspectors, two State Police and two of our men, are inside the house and Connelley is to make arrangements somewhere in the vicinity for somebody with a car, because an inside plant is not so good if anything happens to frighten those entering it, as they will jump in a car and go away and maybe it will be a long distance fight and nothing much develop from it.

Of course, if this goes through in accordance with the above, and if Karpis and Fred Hunter are apprehended by the combined Post Office, State Police and Bureau Agents, this incident is going to break into the newspapers coincidentally with the capture.

Very truly yours,


H. Nathan.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Room 607,
U. S. Court House,
Foley Square,
New York, N. Y.

March 30, 1936

WFS:OR
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my memorandum for this file dated March 17, 1936, which is self-explanatory.

A list of the associates and contacts of Frank Foster, alias Frank Frost, alias Frank Foreman, developed through surveillance, telephone and dictaphone taps at the apartment occupied by him at 145 West 58th Street, New York City, maintained by agents of this office from April 7, 1935 to May 6, 1935 was furnished to Inspector McDermott through Detectives John Coleman and Thomas Walsh, sent to this office to obtain same by the Inspector. The present whereabouts of Foster as reflected in recent reports from the Salt Lake City office has not been furnished to Inspector McDermott pending Bureau authorization.

Inspector McDermott has advised me that an indictment charging robbery, first degree, armed, was returned against Foster by the Grand Jury of New York County, N. Y. on March 23, 1936 in connection with the robbery of Greenleaf, Crosby & Company, Jewelers, Radio City, New York City, and that Foster has been positively identified as one of the men who participated in this "stick-up".

Detectives Coleman and Walsh informed Special Agent W. F. Seery of this office that they are presently engaged in inquiry through underworld sources (stools, etc.) with a view to locating Foster and that the most recent information received through

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these sources is to the effect that Foster is presently located in or near Los Angeles, California. The officers repeated to Agent Seery the desire expressed to me by Inspector McDermott to the effect that they would prefer that agents of this Bureau apprehend Foster and arrange that he be held for the New York City authorities rather than to make the request of the local police unit in the city in which he may be located, as they are apprehensive that Foster's underworld connections in said city may learn that the New York City authorities have requested his arrest and thereby permit Foster to escape apprehension.

The Bureau is requested to advise whether the information relative to Foster's present whereabouts should be furnished Inspector McDermott and whether the Salt Lake City office should be requested to effect the apprehension of Foster for the New York police as suggested by Inspector McDermott.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley
R. WHITLEY *J.W.H.*
Special Agent in Charge

1 Enc.

cc-St. Paul (1 Enc.)
cc-Cincinnati "
cc-Chicago "
cc-Salt Lake City "

RC:PS

New York, N. Y.

March 17, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

Re: BREKID

On 3/16/36 INSPECTOR MICHAEL McDERMOTT, accompanied by two detectives, called at the New York Office. He stated that FRANK FOSTER has been positively identified as having participated in the robbery of the jewelry store in Radio City which took place in January of this year, during which jewelry in the amount of over \$100,000 was stolen. The Inspector advised that he expects to secure, in the very near future, an indictment against FOSTER, charging him with the robbery; that he is very anxious to obtain information with reference to the following:

1. Definitely establishing that FOSTER was in New York City at the time of the robbery;
2. Concerning FOSTER'S associates and companions who might have been implicated with him;
3. Regarding FOSTER'S present whereabouts.

Inspector McDERMOTT stated that in the event FOSTER is located by the Bureau in some other city, that he has in mind having the Bureau arrest FOSTER who can then be turned over by the Bureau Agents to the local police, to be held for extradition. The Inspector advised that he wanted this procedure followed since, in the event he endeavored to effect FOSTER'S arrest through the local police of the town where he might be in hiding, FOSTER might be tipped off. He feels that once he has been arrested by the Agents and turned over to the police, they, of course, will have to hold him pending extradition.

I advised the Inspector that the New York office had FOSTER under surveillance for several weeks about a year ago in connection with the BREMER case, in an effort to ascertain whether he was in contact with HARRY SAWYER; that since that time the Bureau, as far as I know, had no further interest in FOSTER. I informed the Inspector, however, that I would have the file in this office reviewed and would furnish him with any information available which might be of assistance.

R. WHITLEY
SAC

7-576-10246

607 U. S. Court House
Foley Square
New York, N. Y.

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March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Trenton, New Jersey

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

I am attaching hereto, for your information, copy of an undated letter signed "Whitey" which was forwarded to this office by Phillips M. Lord, Inc., 501 Madison Avenue, New York City, alleging that Subject Campbell is presently in Atlantic City.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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C O P Y

Dear Sir:

You are always "Broadcasting" clues about wanted criminals so I am sending you a tip, a positive one.

You will remember Karpis and Campbell who came to Atlantic City some time ago and staged a shooting match with our local police and escaped. Campbell is in Atlantic City again. This is no hokum. He has been having lunch at the Whelan Drug Store fountain the last two days between 1 and 3 o'clock in the afternoon. So lets see what the men from the Department of Justice do about this before our local police bungle the job again. The facts given are real and not just a gag as you might think.

/signed/ (WHITEY)

P. S. If anything is intended to be done it had better be quick as I understand he left Newark just recently and may leave here (Atlantic City) anytime.

(Whelan Drug, Illinois Ave. and Boardwalk, between 1 and 3 for lunch.

7-576-10247

Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.
March 20, 1936.

7-30

Special Agent in Charge,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

I am attaching a copy of a letter received from Sheriff Tom J. Gibbons of Ramsey County, St. Paul, Minn., relating to KARPIS having been seen in Aliquippa and Conway, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Gibbons was interviewed and stated that his information came from a storekeeper in the neighborhood, who had helped out the two young men referred to by giving them something to eat, and had obtained the information from these young men, whose identities he did not know. Mr. Gibbons stated that he had promised his informant that he would not in any way become involved in the inquiry, and for this reason suggested that he not be interviewed, particularly in view of the fact that his informant had stated that these two young men were transients, and that he could supply no further information than contained in Sheriff Gibbons's letter.

Mr. Gibbons stated that his informant is sort of an extremist and he does not place much credence in the information furnished, but that he felt it his duty to turn it over to the Bureau.

This letter is being transmitted to you for such investigation as you may deem appropriate.

Very truly yours,

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O. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge.

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Edward B. Tamm

(COPY)

Office of County Sheriff,
Ramsey County,
St. Paul, Minn.
March 16, 1936.

U.S. Department of Justice,
Federal Building,
St. Paul, Minn.

Gentlemen:

Just received the following information which was given to me by one of my neighbors who had contact with two young men around the ages of 20, 21, or 22, who apparently, at one time, were confined in the House of Correction at Morganzie, Pa. These young men are supposed to have run away from Morganzie some five or six years ago, formerly residents of Carnegie, Pa., on 6th St.

My neighbor is quite sure that this information regarding Alvin Karpis has been assured by these two young fellows, who claim they know his whereabouts. The supposed Alvin Karpis now is supposed to have red hair. He and several companions carry on the sale of silk stockings and cheap silverware in the vicinity of Monture, Pa., Alliquipa, Pa. and Conway, Pa. Monture: When here, they stop at an old hotel, formerly owned by a Dick Joy, and known as the Dick Joy Hotel by the old timers. Alliquipa: Across the river from Conway, they live on what is known as Residential Hill, when in town. Conway: They stop in an old boarding house across the street from a saloon.

Other towns in this vicinity are McKees Rocks, Rochester, Arrigile, on the Wabasha Railway, and Cecil, located on the Pennsylvania Railway.

The above two men claim they saw Karpis about three weeks ago. I cannot guarantee the spelling of the towns above named, nor the information given me, but I felt a responsibility of turning it over to you.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS J. GIBBONS,
Sheriff of Ramsey County.

TJF:vg

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FBI DIRECTOR

HAS KARPIS BEEN CAPTURED AT HOTSPRINGS

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MARCH 30, 1936.

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

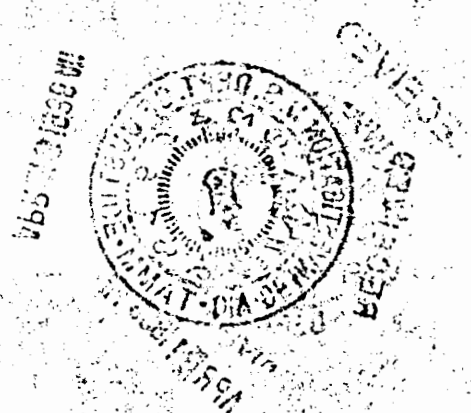
Transmit the following message to:

LOUIS H. COLLOP,
SAINT PAUL NEWS,
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA.

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THIS BUREAU HAS RECEIVED NO INFORMATION INDICATING THAT KARPIS
HAS BEEN CAPTURED AT HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

HOOVER



- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
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SENT VIA

Per

Handwritten signatures and initials, including 'J.P.' and 'Per'.

Post Office Box 612
Chicago, Illinois

March 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to various copies of the log which have been submitted in connection with the telephone tap held maintained on the telephone listed in the name of John X. Davenport at Minneapolis, Minnesota. It is noted that various names are mentioned therein together with various telephone numbers called from the Davenport home. In many instances the given names only of the various parties mentioned are given, and it is believed that probably the agents covering this assignment know the full names and identities of these individuals.

It is therefore requested that you immediately submit a summary of the various logs which have previously been submitted, identifying all of the individuals mentioned therein, and also setting forth your investigation concerning the various telephone numbers called from the Davenport home.

Very truly yours,

D. W. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati
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Edward H. Bremer

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
March 30, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Jacksonville, Florida

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter
dated March 26, 1936.

Please be advised that the confidential
informant of the Detroit Bureau Office, as mentioned in the
report of Special Agent W. B. Matney, Detroit, Michigan,
dated March 24, 1936, advised that Charles Long has con-
nections in and around Sarasota, Florida. It is suggested
that appropriate investigation be made at Sarasota, Florida,
as set out in the report mentioned previously in this
letter.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

WHE:ERA
7-25
cc - Bureau
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Edward J. Bremer

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Post Office Box 612

Chicago, Illinois

March 30th, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

I am returning to you herewith the original picture of Charles Long, together with two copies thereof. The St. Paul, Jacksonville and Cincinnati Offices are being furnished two copies of said photograph with their copies of this letter. This in accordance with your request of March 24th, 1936.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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506 Fletcher Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana

March 30, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

With reference to telephone call to me from Special Agent Earl J. Wynn, of your office, on the morning of March 29, 1936, having to do with the identity and location of a woman or women thought to be the daughter or daughters of a sheriff in Indiana, possibly northern Indiana, and said to have been friendly with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and in connection with which Agent Wynn stated that the files of the Chicago Bureau Office in this matter were too bulky to permit a speedy review of its files for this information and in view of the fact that your file did not contain the information wanted, and in which he requested that this office make a study of its files, permit me to advise that a review of the files in this matter in this office has been made and no information of the kind referred to was located.

However, it is possible that the instance which Agent Wynn has in mind is in connection with Fred and Doc Barker and not with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. In the report of Agent R. E. Lawrence, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated October 2, 1934 (serial 98 of this office's file) mention is made that Joe Edwards, who is now night Chief of Police at Elwood, Indiana, had known the Barkers at Fort Smith, Arkansas and had at one time harbored a burglar there. This report also states that the wife of Joe Edwards was well acquainted with Fred Barker, and could get her husband to harbor the Barkers if she wanted him to do so. It appears that Agent Wynn reported on the investigation of this lead and his report is dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, December 28, 1934 (Indianapolis Bureau Office serial number in this case is 166), which report makes no mention of the wife of Edwards.

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This matter has been taken up with C. R. Carson of this office, who, because of his perusal in filing of reports in this and other major matters, is familiar with the case, and he stated he has no further recollection of any circumstances such as Agent Wynn mentions.

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*Edward J. Wynn
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The only county in Indiana in which any of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang had any connections, as shown by reports, appears to be Lake County, of which Crown Point is the county seat. It does not appear that the sheriff's office there has ever been mentioned in connection with the members of this group except in connection with the arrest of Willie Harrison at that point several years ago.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

March 29, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

There is transmitted herewith a memorandum prepared on March 29, 1936, relative to the information contained in the Bureau files concerning one Fred Hunter, alias Harold King, who is allegedly traveling with Alvin Karpis.

Respectfully,

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It was reported on October 17, 1935, that individuals, one of whom was Harold King, occupied a cabin on Lake Hamilton in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, from approximately the period June, 1935 to October, 1935, and while there were in possession of two Hudson automobiles, one bearing a 1935 Ohio license number H-372M, and the other a 1935 Ohio license H-85M. Information has also been obtained by the Cleveland, Ohio office of this Bureau to the effect that the car bearing license number H-372M was purchased by E. F. Parker, who was accompanied by Fred Hunter, a professional gambler and possible contact of the fugitive subjects of this case.

From investigation conducted to date, it appears that Fred Hunter is an associate of Thomas J. Shaw, alias Milton Lett; that both Lett and Hunter were wanted by the Post Office Department as suspects in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery which occurred on November 7, 1935. Subsequent investigation has failed to disclose the identity of the purchaser of the car bearing license plate H-85M.

It was learned from Inspector Hettrick of the Post Office Department that they were conducting investigations at Coffeyville, Kansas and Oklahoma in an effort to locate Milton Lett inasmuch as reports received by him indicated that Lett was last seen at Coffeyville during the middle or latter part of December, 1935. Through investigation conducted by the Post Office Department, it appears that Lett has been definitely connected with the Garrettsville mail train robbery which occurred on November 7, 1935. The Post Office Department have concentrated their efforts in the vicinity of Youngstown, Ohio, in an effort to locate him. Hettrick further advised the Bureau that he had learned that Agents of this Bureau were making inquiries concerning one Fred Hunter. In this connection the Post Office Inspectors have also been making an extensive investigation to locate Hunter who is a possible suspect in the Garrettsville mail train robbery inasmuch as Hunter is reported as having been in the company with Milton Lett. On the night of October 24, 1935, inquiries were made by them at the Plymouth Agency of the Knowles-Brown Company, 1440 West 25th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, regarding the Plymouth sedan which was purchased from that company on October 25, 1935, and used in the Garrettsville mail train robbery which occurred subsequently.

The Harvard Club, located at Cleveland, Ohio and operated by Art Heberbrand and James "Shimmy" Patton, is believed was frequented from time to time by Karpis and Campbell and other subjects who were in Cleveland in the spring and fall of 1934.. Fred Hunter, a known gambler, has also frequented the Harvard Club. The records of the Identification Division of this Bureau, under FBI #54440, indicates that, as Fred John Henderson,

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alias Fred Hunter, No. 9995, he was arrested by the Police Department at Toledo, Ohio, on June 3, 1920, charged with suspicion, carrying concealed weapons. On June 22, 1920, he was fined \$200. and costs, and sent to the County jail. As Fred Hunter, alias Fred Harris, Police Department Akron, Ohio, No. 8140, he was arrested on October 28, 1922, charged with being fugitive from Warren, Ohio, and on April 17, 1923 he was sentenced to serve a term of three to twenty-seven years in the Ohio State Penitentiary on a charge of larceny and possession of dynamite. He was received at this institution as Fred Hunter, number 51873, on April 17, 1923.

An identification of the photograph of Fred Hunter as being identical with Harold King, one of the occupants of the cabin on Lake Hamilton, was reported by the Little Rock office in the report of Special Agent B. L. Damron on February 8, 1936. The photographs of Milton Lett and William Hunter were not identified as associates of Fred Hunter on that occasion.

From information furnished by a confidential informant at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it appears that a person resembling Karpis had been in Hot Springs during November, 1935, and had arrived in a private airplane at the Municipal Airport. Johnny Stover, who is in charge of the local airport at Hot Springs and who was a Government witness in the Kansas City Massacre case, related on November 11, 1935 a Stinson, four passenger, airplane, bearing number NC-12180, arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, about noon and apparently came from the East. It contained three passengers and a pilot. Stover identified one of the passengers as Fred Hunter and stated that the other party bore a slight resemblance to Karpis, particularly the facial characteristics "from the nose down". It should be noted that Stover stated that this information was given to the Post Office Inspectors and his identification was effected through information furnished by the Post Office Inspectors. He further related that the person traveling with Hunter, who is possibly Karpis, wore his hat pulled down over his eyes and also wore shell-rimmed glasses. He did not observe any scars on the face of this person and was of the opinion that the person possibly identical with Karpis had an impediment of speech.

Upon leaving the plane, Stover related that Hunter made inquiries as to whether a woman had been at the airport to meet them and, upon being informed that no person had inquired concerning Hunter, he (Hunter) made a telephone call from the hangar, and thereafter Stover drove these persons to Hot Springs.

Efforts to trace this telephone call did not materialize. Hunter and the other person with him, possibly Karpis, were driven by Stover to downtown Hot Springs and they left the car at a point on Central Avenue near the Como Hotel, and were not seen by Stover until approximately one week later at which time Hunter returned to the airport in a taxicab, accompanied by a young girl who was described as being 18 years of age, 5 feet two inches tall, weight 115 pounds, medium dark complexion, dark bobbed curly hair, and well dressed. At this time Stover was hired to fly Hunter and the girl to San Antonio, Texas. Upon arrival at San Antonio and landing at the Army Auxiliary Field, Hunter immediately thereafter, accompanied by the girl, left the airport in a taxicab. The registration of the arrival of Stover's plane at this point was registered with the officials of the Army Auxiliary Field at San Antonio and soon thereafter Stover returned alone to Hot Springs, and has not seen either of the parties since.

At a later date, relative to the first appearance of Hunter and a person possibly identical with Karpis, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, at which time they were observed by Stover, it appears that Stover learned from one of the employees of the airport that some women in a Hudson sedan had made inquiry at the airport on the morning of November 11, 1935, and Stover assumed that these were the women about whom Hunter made inquiry

It should be noted that on November 11, 1935, two persons got out of the plane which arrived in Hot Springs, one being Hunter and the other a person possibly identical with Karpis. The remaining two passengers left the airport after the plane was refueled, Stover, however, obtaining the number of the plane which bore number NC-12180, the pilot at this time giving the name of "Fetquer".

From information recently furnished the Bureau, it appears that the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, Oklahoma, had interviewed Stover and had informed him that Karpis was the associate of Fred Hunter, who disembarked from the airport at Hot Springs, and that the Post Office Inspectors had further told him that the Stinson airplane, after leaving Hot Springs, proceeded West and was forced down about twenty-five miles from Fort Smith, Arkansas. After this forced landing, the plane proceeded to Fort Smith and thence to Tulsa, Oklahoma. Stover was further informed that the Post Office Department were seeking the apprehension of Hunter and in addition thereto had offered a \$2,000 reward for the apprehension of Karpis.

Arrangements have been effected to have Stover immediately advise the Little Rock office on receipt of any further information relative to the appearance of persons previously referred to.

It was ascertained by the Washington Field office that the Stinson plane referred to was owned by John Zetzer of Port Clinton, Ohio, who purchased this plane from the Gross Sales Air Service, East Toledo, Ohio. From the records reviewed, it does not appear that Zetzer is a licensed pilot at the present time. It also appears that Stover was advised by the Post Office Inspectors that the airplane had been purchased by the gang.

An informant of the Cleveland office, upon viewing the photograph of Fred Hunter, stated that Hunter was employed at the Harvard Club in the spring of 1935 and, while employed there as a card dealer, appeared to be very intimate with Art Heberbrand and Tony Amersbach. Tony is known as a strong-arm man about the Harvard Club. It was further ascertained that Hunter was believed to be residing somewhere in the vicinity of Madison and Rocky River Road in an apartment building in Cleveland, Ohio. However, Hunter could not be identified as ever having resided in this vicinity.

From information furnished by Detective Robert Van Steneberg of the Akron Police Department, it appears that J. T. Dunn, a local gambler, viewed the photograph of Milton Lett and that he knew this person by the name of Thomas J. Shaw, it appearing that he first became acquainted with him over a year ago, at which time Shaw was brought to Dunn's place by Fred Hunter. Dunn knew Hunter under the name of Fred King. It also appears that Lett played cards at Dunn's gambling place and also appeared to be "well heeled", having in his possession at all times sums of money aggregating \$1,000.

The criminal record of Lett as contained in the Bureau's files indicates that he was arrested on October 19, 1935, by the Akron Police Department as Thomas J. Shaw, number 26337, on a charge of suspicion. At the time of this arrest, one Clayton Hall of Youngstown, Ohio, was picked up with him and was later released.

On the occasion of Lett's arrest, Fred Hunter came to Dunn and requested Dunn to intercede on behalf of Lett who was being held by the Akron Police Department. However, since that time Lett has been released and was subsequently arrested by the Coffeyville, Kansas Police Department on November 6, 1935, on a charge of robbery, first degree.

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It is interesting to note that the Garrettsville mail train robbery occurred on November 7, 1935. The record contained in the Identification Unit of this Bureau reflects that Milton Lett was arrested by the Sheriff's office at Yates Center, Kansas, on November 7, 1935, the date of the Garrettsville mail train robbery on a charge of holdup investigation and that he was subsequently released.

Detective Van Steneberg also has furnished the Cleveland office with information to the effect that Fred Hunter was in Akron, Ohio on October 18, 1935, being interested in the sale of some gambling equipment in Cleveland. Hunter was taken to Cleveland by a local Akron man on October 18, 1935 and was introduced to Art Heberbrand of the Harvard Club, and "Shimmy" Patton, who is also associated with the Harvard Club. It appears that both Heberbrand and Patton placed orders for equipment with the Akron man, who in turn gave Hunter a commission for the sale of such equipment.

It further appears that Hunter told the Akron man that he had traded a Ford coupe in Cleveland for a new Ford V-8 sedan and that the deal would go through in several days. The Ford V-8 referred to has been previously mentioned in this memorandum.

It also appears that Fred Hunter was in Washington, D. C. sometime in October and sold to one John Evans, a gambler in Washington, D. C., a large order of gambling equipment.

The complete criminal record of Milton Lett, which is contained in the Identification Division of this Bureau under FBI number 1008739, indicates that

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With reference to the Ford V-8 car which was allegedly purchased by Fred Hunter, under the name of Harold King, and which was supposed to have been registered in Warren County, Ohio, as reflected by the information furnished the Cleveland office by Detective Van Steneberg of the Akron Police Department, investigation disclosed that there was no record of the registration of this car by Harold King at Warren, Ohio. It further appears that no new Ford V-8 car has been registered by Fred King or in the name of any of the known aliases of Fred Hunter.

The photograph of Fred Hunter was also exhibited to Al Dyer, owner of Dyer's Landing, who identified the photograph of Fred Hunter as being identical with the person known to him as Harold King. Dyer is located at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dr. Paul Z. Browne, located in the Medical Arts Building, Hot Spring, Arkansas, identified the photograph of Fred Hunter as being the person treated by him in June and July, 1935, and giving the name of Fred Hunter.

The criminal record of John Zetzer, who is probably identical with John Zetzer mentioned herein as the airplane pilot, as disclosed by the Identification Division records, indicates that,

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The information furnished by the Washington Field office with reference to the physical description of Zetzer discloses he was born in Youngstown, Ohio on December 15, 1900 and he is variously indicated as being 5 ft. 7 in., 5 ft. 8 in., and 5 ft. 9 inches tall, with weight varying between 140 and 150 pounds, black hair and brown eyes. The Washington Field office has been requested to obtain a photograph of John Zetzer at the Bureau of Aeronautics, U. S. Department of Commerce.

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March 30, 1936

Time: 12:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Investigation of Dis-
appearance of John Zetzer.

Colonel Gates telephoned and stated that he had received an inquiry as to whether or not the Sheriff of Ottawa County, believed to be in Illinois, had asked the Department of Justice to investigate the disappearance of one John Zetzer. I stated that the request had not been made here but may have been made of our Chicago Office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
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SPECIAL
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March 19, 1936.

*Special Delivery
Airmail*

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Confidential Informant [redacted] who has been used extensively by the Chicago Bureau Office in connection with the Bureau's efforts to locate Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, recently advised that one Edward Otis, who was released from the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, on December 31, 1935, was making some "contacts" for Elmer Farmer, who is presently confined in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. Otis, according to [redacted] was a close friend of Elmer Farmer's prior to the latter being convicted in connection with the instant case.

[redacted] advised Special Agent R. C. Suran on March 14, 1936, that he had been continuing his contacts with Edward Otis in an effort to obtain information which might be of value to the instant investigation. [redacted] stated that Otis has now advised him that just prior to his, Otis', release from the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, he received the information from Elmer Farmer that a certain individual, whose name Otis did not state, was planning with others to cause a prison break at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and this individual had invited Elmer Farmer to go along with the "gang" when they made their break for freedom; that, however, Elmer Farmer declined to have any part in the plot inasmuch as he, Farmer, believes that there is a chance that he might receive a commutation of the sentence which he is now serving.

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[redacted] advised that while Otis did not reveal the name of the individual who was planning this break, Otis did state that the man had been convicted in connection with the

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Lindbergh hoax perpetrated upon Mrs. McLean of Washington, D. C., although this individual was not one of the principal perpetrators of this crime.

The serial number of Edward Otis at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, was #40215. Recent investigation by the Kansas City Office revealed that Otis was not in a position to talk with Elmer Farmer at any time since the latter has been confined in the penitentiary.

With this in mind and without revealing the fact that Otis could not have carried on a personal conversation with Farmer, Agent Suran inquired of [redacted] whether Otis had stated that he celled with Elmer Farmer or was otherwise in contact with him. [redacted] stated that Otis claimed that Farmer was in isolation at the penitentiary and he, Otis, never at any time was able to personally talk with Farmer but had a means of communication with him, this presumably through other prisoners who did have the opportunity to talk with Farmer. b7c b7d

[redacted] advises that Otis did not name a date when the contemplated prison break was to take place, and apparently the negotiations had not progressed to that point at the time Otis was released from the penitentiary.

This is being furnished to the Bureau for its information and for whatever action is deemed advisable in the premises.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT.

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March 26, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,
BUREAU OF PRISONS.

I have recently been informed by the Chicago Office of this Bureau of a contemplated prison break which is being planned within the confines of the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas.

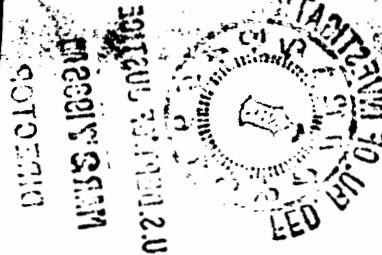
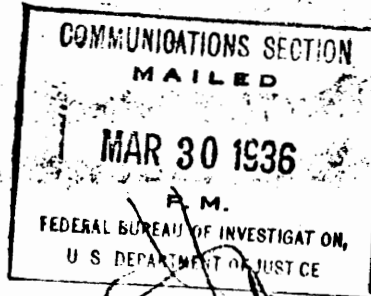
The information furnished to date by a confidential informant of this Bureau is rather vague, and is to the effect that negotiations have not progressed to a point where a date has been fixed for the proposed prison break.

It appears that Elmer Farmer, who is now confined in the penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, was requested to join the "gang" which intended to perpetrate this prison break. It also appears that Farmer declined to have any part in the plot. Information was further furnished to the effect that one of the individuals who was planning the break, was the person convicted in connection with the Lindbergh hoax perpetrated upon Mrs. McLean of Washington, D. C. However, this person is not one of the principal perpetrators of this plot.

I am transmitting this information to you for any attention you may deem appropriate. Of course, I cannot vouch for the authenticity of the information furnished herein.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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March 24, 1936.

Time - 5:40 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Doris Barton.

I telephoned SAC Andersen at the Phoenix Office inquiring of him as to the information in his personal possession as to the above named person, the wife of Eddie Doll.

Mr. Andersen said that most of the information which he has concerning the reputation of this woman was furnished to him by Kathryn Kelly, wife of George Kelly, subject in the Urschel Kidnaping Case. Kathryn Kelly told Mr. Andersen that Doris Barton used to work in a call house.

I asked Mr. Andersen what kind of a woman he would consider this person. He said that while he could not state that she is definitely the criminal type, she is the type who would knowingly live off of the proceeds of criminal activities. Mr. Andersen said that the only time he ever talked with her was one time while Doll was in jail at Tampa, Florida; that during this interview, he gained the impression that this woman was just a "push over". She puts on a good front and "is a simple maiden to talk to", but Mr. Andersen said that he has always had his doubts as to her sincerity. He said that she denied having knowledge of Doll's criminal activities before his arrest, but admitted to Mr. Andersen that she knows the Kellys, and knew them before the Urschel Case.

Mr. Andersen said that he would not say that this woman is a person of character, but is on the contrary, weak; that he would not at all classify her as being a "decent" person, although she tried to give the impression of being one. He said that she dresses very neat, is a sort of a "bab. talker", and appears to be a good cook. She used to bring Doll's meals to him while he was in jail at Tampa, Florida.

He said he does not believe Doris Barton was dumb enough to believe that Doll was a narcotic agent making \$700 per month, or that he was a cattle buyer with a ranch in Texas. It is Mr. Andersen's opinion that she as a matter of fact knew what was going on all the time.

Respectfully,

P. E. FOXWORTH.

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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 27, 1936.

Time - 8:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

SAC MacFarland telephoned me from the Cleveland Office and said that at Youngstown, Ohio, there is information to the effect that Karpis and Campbell have been in and out of there for the past few days casing a \$500,000 robbery. This robbery is scheduled, according to the information, to be executed on or about April 1, 1936. The Post Office Inspectors have ten men in Youngstown covering this matter, and the Cleveland Office has four men there. Mr. Connelley, who is at this time in Toledo, has been advised of this situation, but is unable to return to Cleveland tonight for the reason that they have located at Toledo the man who carried Karpis and Campbell from Toledo by airplane at the time they made their escape from Atlantic City. However, Mr. Connelley will be in tomorrow morning, and is going to confer with the Chief Post Office Inspector, a Mr. Briggs. Mr. MacFarland said that he does not know at this time what Karpis and Campbell are going to rob, some information being that it is to be a bank, and other information indicating that it is going to be a large industrial payroll.

My questioning of Mr. MacFarland as to the source of this information developed that the Post Office Inspectors have an informant whose name is [REDACTED] he being used in connection with what is known as the Garrettsville robbery. Special Agents of the Cleveland Office last night picked up and questioned this man at some length, and he gave only a little information to them, after which he was released. Thereafter, the Post Office Inspectors picked the informant up to keep us from questioning him further and "gumming up their works", and they at this time have the informant hid away, and we do not know where he is. The information set out in the first paragraph of this memorandum was furnished to the Cleveland Office by the Post Office Inspectors.

When Mr. Connelley gets back to Cleveland, he is going to confer with Mr. Briggs, the Chief Post Office Inspector, and possibly both of them are going to question this informant further. With regard to the sufficiency of the number of Agents in Cleveland at this time, Mr. MacFarland stated it was his opinion the four who are there with sufficient equipment would be enough for tonight; that, however, it is possible that in the very near future, possibly tomorrow, they will request the Bureau for additional men.

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Respectfully,

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P. E. FOLWORTH.

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Handwritten notes:
* Connelley did not return to Cleveland until 11:00 P.M.
* He will be in tomorrow morning.

1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MARCH 30, 1936

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In connection with efforts to locate WILLIAM ELMER LEAD, the Los Angeles Office has ascertained that LEON HOWARD, alias Leon Felix, and MRS. J. R. HUNTSMAN, of Los Angeles, are contacts of LEAD. A telegram dated March 27, 1936, from the Los Angeles Office advised that MRS. J. R. HUNTSMAN received an air mail letter on stationery of Hotel Seventh Ninth Street, number 279 and N.W. 79th Street, Miami, Florida, bearing return of "Crozier, 4550 Mill Creek, Kansas City, Missouri".

Investigation at the above address in Kansas City revealed that Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crozier rented an apartment at 4550 Mill Creek, Kansas City, Missouri, on January 1, 1936, and left for Florida on March 1, 1936. Mrs. Jane Johnston, Manager of the above apartments, has advised that a neighbor of the Crozier's, received a postcard the other day from Crozier at Tampa, Florida, stating he expected to go to Miami, Florida within a few days. Upon renting the apartment Crozier advised Mrs. Johnston that he breeds greyhounds for racing purposes.

It is suggested that appropriate investigation be conducted at Miami, Florida, to determine whether Crozier is presently residing at the above hotel and whether WILLIAM ELMER LEAD is contacting Crozier, bearing in mind that Crozier may be Leon Howard alias Leon Felix.

It is requested that the Los Angeles Office forward photograph and description of Leon Howard to the Jacksonville and Kansas City offices.

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Very truly yours,

APR 14 1936

W. A. SMITH

cc - Bureau

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

cc - Los Angeles (Air Mail, Special Delivery)

Chicago

St. Paul; Cincinnati; Cleveland

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 30, 1936.

Time - 3:37 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Connelley telephoned me from Arkansas, and said that while they failed to get either of the subjects at the house south of Hot Springs, it is known definitely that both Karpis and Hunter and two women were in there as late as Thursday of last week. Mr. Connelley said that he believes he has the identity of one of the women, and knows the contact through which she got out of there, which contact is the contact of our informant in Youngstown. He said that they are going to try tonight to get in touch with this contact, a woman named Grace Goldstein, who operates a house of prostitution. Grace Goldstein is the one who made the arrangements for Connie Robinson, who is the sweetheart of Hunter, to get out of Hot Springs on last Thursday. This was the result of the contacts which the Post Office Inspectors and the Police had made over there with a taxi driver who is also a sweetheart of Connie. The four of them were at this house until around noon on Thursday, taking their two dogs, one of which is the animal given to Karpis by our informant in Youngstown. Mr. Connelley said that while he does not believe these parties are anywhere close to Hot Springs, the place still has possibilities. He said that while they are undoubtedly going to get inquiries as to the raid, all of the information which has been given out at your direction has not indicated that it is Karpis for whom we are looking.

I told Mr. Connelley that the International News telephoned you and told you they had a story to the effect that the Agents were concentrating around Hot Springs and had been sent from Washington by plane, etc., and that there was a possibility of apprehending Karpis. I told Mr. Connelley you had told the newspaper that you doubted if there was any prospect of the apprehension of Karpis; that the activities of the Agents are just routine, and there was nothing unusual about this whatever. Mr. Connelley said that this same conception of the matter seems to exist down there; that in so far as the newspapers know, except for some wild guesses, there is nothing unusual going on. Mr. Connelley said that he got 21 men out of the building last night and into the automobiles with three reporters across the street keeping watch, and the reporters did not know that the Agents even left the building.

Mr. Connelley said that the reporters checked the two Post Office Inspectors, the informant and Joe Anderson of Kansas into the hotel down there, and if the reporters check up further on this situation, they will just work the matter up to the best interests of the Bureau. He said that the Inspectors will possibly get out of there tomorrow sometime.

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Mr. Connelley said that they have a plant on at the house out there. He said that someone went into this house for about an hour last night, because we saw the lights in the house; that, however, it is entirely possible this person was a Negro caretaker. Mr. Connelley said that there was no especial disturbance in that vicinity, other than the cars coming in there, and the fact that they shot a couple of gas shells into the house before they went in.

I then advised Mr. Connelley of the information relative to John Zetzer, the airplane pilot, and Brock, who is in the custody of the Post Office Inspectors, and the suggestion of Mr. MacFarland that we confront Zetzer with Brock and see if we couldn't get some information from him. Mr. Connelley said that he does not believe we should do this at this time, primarily for the reason that ultimately we can turn this man Zetzer over to the Post Office Inspectors and they will file on him in connection with the Garrettsville robbery. He said that the Inspectors undoubtedly have a statement from Brock to the effect that Zetzer was present in addition to Brock at the time the mail sacks were burned at Zetzer's house. I pointed out to Mr. Connelley that you had cautioned about holding this man Zetzer too long, and he said it was his opinion if nothing further breaks on this matter, Zetzer would have to be turned over to the Inspectors possibly tomorrow night. He said that if the Inspectors don't want him, we will put him in the position of a confidential informant and put him back out on the streets.

I told Mr. Connelley that Mr. MacFarland advises the informant in Youngstown stated if Karpis and Hunter went out of Arkansas, they would probably go to Toledo, Ohio and there contact Joe Roscoe. Mr. Connelley said that this is an entirely logical conclusion, and it is his personal opinion that Joe Roscoe is as a matter of fact a contact for them in Toledo and vicinity; that just as soon as he gets out of Little Rock, this possibility will be looked into. Mr. Connelley said that he is going to call Mr. MacFarland on some other angles of this matter, at which time this particular angle will be discussed, so that the Cleveland Office might get something going on it.

I mentioned to Mr. Connelley the plant on the Campbell home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and asked him if he thought it worth while to continue this matter at the present cost. He said that he believes if the new setup can be worked out, it will suffice although it won't be as good as the other setup; that, however, he would discuss the matter with Mr. Brantley

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who is at this time out at the house. He will be back in town in the morning, though.

Mr. Connelley said that he is going to get a little sleep and is then going back to Hot Springs to work on this Grace Goldstein to see if we can get her to furnish us the desired information with of course a little monetary inducement.

The Bureau will be kept advised either by telephone or teletype.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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

April 1, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your verbal request of March 31, 1936, to have Special Agent R. P. Burruss secure from the Department of Commerce its ruling on airships pertaining primarily to regulations to stipulate that all air service planes and chartered planes submit to the Department of Commerce a report of their departure and destination.

Edw. J. K.
Miss Ella C. Linahan in the office of Assistant Secretary of Commerce Johnson has informed Agent Burruss that the Department of Commerce has no regulations requiring a report of departure and destination of airplanes, except planes leaving the United States for foreign territory.

The above information was verbally reported by Agent Burruss to Mr. Foxworth, March 31, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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April 9, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Inquiry as to requirement
for reporting departure
and destination of airplanes.

In compliance with your request that I ascertain if there was a ruling of the Department of Commerce which required that airplanes report their departure and destination prior to flights, I have had Special Agent R. P. Burruss contact the Department of Commerce.

Miss Ella C. Linehan, in the office of Assistant Secretary of Commerce Johnson, informed Mr. Burruss that the Department of Commerce has no regulations requiring a report of the departure and destination of airplanes, except such planes as are leaving the United States for some foreign territory.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

MARCH 31, 1936.

PLP:RLG

Transmit the following message to: SAC CLEVELAND

BREKID. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO INSTALL TELEPHONE TAPS RESIDENCE AND
PLACE OF BUSINESS JOE ROSCOE, ALSO ON HOME GUY TIBBLE, DANBURY, OHIO.
AUTHORIZATION GRANTED NECESSARY EXPENSES INCIDENTAL THERETO. YOU WILL
LATER BE ADVISED REGARDING AGENTS.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
March 31, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter dated February 28, 1936, relative to contacting a confidential informant concerning the location of William Elmer Mead, with aliases, I. O. #1354.

Please be advised that Special Agent D. O. Smith contacted the same confidential informant again March 30, 1936, who stated he has received reliable information recently to the effect that the individual from whom he has received information heretofore relative to Mead has been sued for divorce by his wife for which reason the individual in question has been delayed in making a trip to Birmingham as previously expected.

The confidential informant stated he is of the opinion he can locate, through underworld sources, the individual, or his wife, who is probably acquainted with Mead's activities and location, and in event he locates either of these persons he will advise Agent Smith accordingly in order that one or both of the persons can be interviewed.

I shall keep you advised of any information of value received relative to the location of Mead.

Very truly yours,

E. P. GUINANE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: JACKSONVILLE

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OF OHIO REGISTRATION ON SAME CAR ISSUED TO CHARLES BRONSON UPON WHICH
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AND ACTUALLY EXECUTING ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER OF TITLE OF THIS CAR FROM
BRONSON TO RANDALL FURNISH BUREAU REQUESTED PHOTOSTATS IMMEDIATELY.

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Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Coffey Cincinnati
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March 30, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FOXWORTH

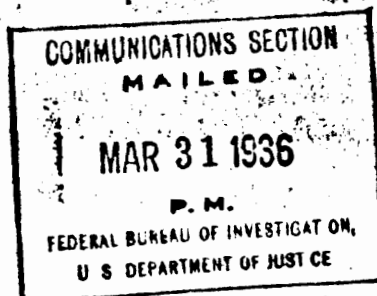
In regard to the attached letter addressed to me by Mr. Bart A. Riley, of Miami, Florida, who is attorney for Joseph H. Adams, in the forthcoming case in that district, I believe it would be well to procure full details from our Agents relative to the charges made by Mr. Riley since he obviously intends to attack the testimony of the Agents when the case goes to trial. I think it would also be desirable for you to have Special Agent McIntire communicate with Mr. Barlow and determine what kind of a reply he desires us to make to Mr. Riley. I personally do not think he should be furnished with any information since he obviously is endeavoring to distort the picture and to embarrass the investigation of the Bureau. However, we will naturally be guided by the opinion of the Special Assistant in charge of the case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Transmit the following message to: KANSAS CITY

BUREAU CAN TAKE NO ACTION TOWARD SECURING RELEASE SPIKE THORNTON FROM
KANSAS STATE AUTHORITIES AND WILL NOT RECOMMEND TO KANSAS AUTHORITIES
THAT HE NOT BE PROSECUTED.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC CLEVELAND

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IT IS DESIRED THAT REQUESTED INQUIRY CONCERNING OBTAINMENT OF
INFORMATION BY PRESS REGARDING MOVEMENTS OF AGENTS FROM
CLEVELAND BE GIVEN IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. I DESIRE TO AGAIN
EMPHASIZE THIS MUST BE HANDLED VIGOROUSLY.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
March 31, 1936.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

You are advised that Myrtle Eaton has retained the law firm of Valz & Wise in connection with the pending prosecution at Jacksonville.

On March 31st these attorneys filed a motion for the reduction of her bond, which had been fixed at \$25,000. on each indictment. This motion was resisted by the United States Attorney but, after arguments, Judge Strum reduced her bond to \$15,000.00 on both indictments. The case has been tentatively set for trial at Jacksonville on April 22, 1936. It is not expected that she will be able to make the reduced bond.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. Nathan
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc: Mr. Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati
St. Paul
Cleveland.

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1408 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

March 31, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith public voucher in the amount of \$604.00, covering the charter of a Tri-motor Ford Plane for an emergency trip from Cleveland, Ohio to Little Rock, Arkansas.

Authority to charter the said plane was granted by the Bureau to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley on March 28, 1936, inasmuch as information was received that subject Alvin Karpis and other fugitives in the Brekid case were located at a residence seven miles from Hot Springs, Arkansas, and it was necessary for Mr. Connelley and others to proceed there at once.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 612
Chicago Illinois

March 31, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Re: BENTZ

Dear Sir:

Recently Ed Bentz was arrested by the New York office and was interviewed by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and provided information concerning a possible hideout of Alvin Karpis in the vicinity of Fair Oaks, Indiana. Bentz likewise provided information concerning a "burying ground" located near Lake Village, Indiana, which "burying ground" Bentz mentioned was used by hoodlums for burying valuables. In this connection I am forwarding herewith a copy of a letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley to the Bureau dated March 30, 1936, setting out the information obtained from Ed Bentz.

In this connection it may be mentioned that a thorough census was made in the vicinity of both the alleged hideout and the "burying ground" which Bentz mentioned but these places could not be located from the information obtained from Bentz.

In this connection I am forwarding herewith a map of Jasper County, Indiana, in which county the town of Fair Oaks is located, and a map of Newton County, Indiana, in which county Lake Village is located. Newton County, with reference to Fair Oaks, is located directly East of Jasper County and an idea of the general vicinity of Fair Oaks may be obtained by placing one map beside the other. In this connection it has been mentioned that the Newton County map is not absolutely accurate. The heaviest lines denote improved highways and the less heavy lines indicate the highways that are either dirt, macadam, gravel or unimproved highways, depending upon the heaviness of the line indicating the road. The squares on both maps indicate sections which are one mile square.

I am likewise forwarding herewith a 1936 standard oil road map of Indiana which contains a cross mark indicating the approximate locality of the alleged hideout as can be best deduced from the information obtained from Ed Bentz.

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Inasmuch as the places as mentioned by Bantz can not be located from the information already obtained from him, it is suggested that the maps enclosed herewith be exhibited to Bantz and that he be thoroughly interviewed at the Atlanta State penitentiary where he is presently incarcerated for more definite information concerning the place where he alleges Karpis may possibly hideout and the place he may use for the burying of valuables.

Very truly yours,

R. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Bureau
Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul

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P. O. DREHER "V",
Flaza Station,
St. Louis, Mo.

March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith for your attention a tracing from a letter addressed to Clyde Allen, 210 Hamilton St., Peoria, Illinois, which bore no return address but was postmarked Cedar Rapids, Iowa, also a tracing from a letter addressed to Mrs. Mabel Allen, 518 1/2 North Adams St., Peoria, Illinois, which likewise bore no return address and the postmark on the latter letter was illegible.

Very truly yours,

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JAY C. NEWMAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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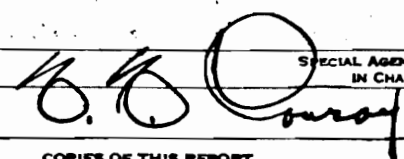

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT Atlanta, Georgia.	DATE WHEN MADE 3-31-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-18-36	REPORT MADE BY PHILIP M. BREED.
TITLE 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.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: 1936 Georgia license 89885 furnished to Jack O'Neal, Watson's Tourist Camp, Columbus, Georgia, for 1935 Ford, four door Sedan, motor # 1320366.			
P.			
REFERENCE: Telegram from Little Rock Office to Atlanta Office, March 18, 1936.			
<p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Mr. Golson of the Automobile License Bureau of the State of Georgia advised this Agent by telephone that Georgia 1936 license 89885 was issued to Jack O'Neal, Watson's Tourist Camp, Columbus, Georgia, for a 1935 Ford, four door Sedan, motor # 1320366. Mr. Golson stated that there was no such license number as 89885 issued during the year 1935. He likewise stated that the above described automobile was not licensed in the State of Georgia during the year 1935.</p> <p>For the information of the Little Rock Office it should be stated that the present laws of the State of Georgia permit anyone to register a car in the State of Georgia regardless of where they actually live just as long as they state some locality in the State of Georgia as their residence at the time of applying for the license. In this way any person passing through the State can register a car and any person from any where else in the United States can register a car and obtain license plates by mail. The license fee being only \$3.00, some hundreds of thousands of individuals from various portions of the United States have taken advantage of this law and have so registered their cars even though neither they nor their automobiles have ever been in the State.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Information as to the registration of the above described automobile was given to the Little Rock Office by telegram of March 18, 1936 with the request that the Atlanta Office be advised if it was desired that further inquiries be made at Columbus, Georgia. In the absence of a definite request the Atlanta Office will conduct no further investigation in this matter.

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P. O. DRASER "V",
Plaza Station,
St. Louis, Missouri.

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March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

On March 31, 1936 Special Agent V. J. Wolfe of this office checked the automobile records at the office of the Secretary of State, Springfield, Ill., for the registration of motor vehicles by David McIntee, alias David McIntee and Connie Morris, alias Connie Hamm, in compliance with your request by telephone. In confirmation of my telephone conversation of today, please be advised that the only record found by Special Agent V. J. Wolfe of motor vehicle registrations in the names of the above mentioned persons is as follows:

On December 12, 1935 1936 Illinois license #45542 was issued to David McIntee, 5542 Ellis Ave., Chicago, Ill., on 1935 Studebaker sedan, motor #52513. This car was purchased F. W. Lute, 5915 Calumet Ave., Hammond, Indiana. The application was notarized by Clement Levinson, 3527 Castello or Costello Ave. in Chicago. In 1935 at the time of the purchase of the Studebaker his application for registration reflects his address as 5542 Ellis Ave., Calumet City, Illinois.

The automobile records were checked by Agent Wolfe for the years 1935 and 1936, and it was noted that McIntee has the same license number this year as he had in 1935.

Very truly yours,

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JAY C. NEWMAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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ADDRESS REPLY TO
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RE: *HAF*
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

HAF:LCB

March 31, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

In connection with your memorandum of March 18th with further reference to the question of the payment of expenses incurred in connection with obtaining the attendance of necessary witnesses at St. Paul, Minnesota, at the trial of Cassius McDonald, et al., I beg to attach hereto a copy of a further memorandum from the General Agent for your information.

Respectfully,

For the Attorney General,

Brien McMahon
BRIEN McMAHON,
Assistant Attorney General.

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Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
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Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Carson	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Gurnea	✓
Mr. Hendon	✓
Mr. Jones	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Gandy	✓

H. J. McCLURE
GENERAL AGENT

Department of Justice
Washington

HJM-MMP

February 26, 1936.

Memorandum for Mr. Fisher.
Criminal Division.



Reference is made to the attached memorandum from the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, dated February 6, 1936, regarding the expenses incurred in connection with obtaining the attendance of Cuban witnesses at the trial of the case of United States vs. Cassius McDonald, et al., at St. Paul, Minnesota.

I am still unable to understand the statement contained in the Director's original memorandum of January 23, 1936, that there are certain clothing concerns, etc., in Miami, Florida, with bills aggregating \$426.24, covering purchases presumed to have been made by these witnesses, or at their request, and for which the creditors desire an early payment. The records show that the American Consul at Havana advanced to Special Agent McKee the sum of \$1030, which was to be expended by him in securing outfits for the Cuban witnesses. The Department had specifically limited the amount to be allowed each witness for that purpose. The arrangement was that Special Agent McKee was to attend to the purchasing of the outfits, within the authorized limitation, and refund any balance. It appears that certain of the witnesses exceeded the authorized allowance (the difference, of course, being payable by them personally) and that Special Agent McKee refunded the sum of \$2.40 covering the balance of \$1030 advanced to him by the Consul General. If any other expenses were incurred, they were apparently not authorized and I see no reason why the Department should be concerned with the payments.

It seems to me that this matter should be referred, by the Bureau, to Special Agent McKee for a report. In any event, we cannot make any additional payments from the appropriation chargeable with the other expenses in this case for the reason that the total amount of the allotment, for the entire fiscal year, has been expended.

Respectfully,

H. J. McClure
General Agent.

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Department of Justice
United States Attorney
District of Minnesota

ST. PAUL, March 12, 1936.

Mr. Clinton W. Stein,
Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
St. Paul, Minn.

Re: United States v. Sawyer, et al.
Bremer Kidnaping Case.

Dear Mr. Stein:

Referring to a wire received by this office on January 4, 1936, from a witness L. K. Thompson, McAllister Hotel, Miami, Florida, wherein inquiry is made with reference to heavy clothing for the witnesses subpoenaed from the State and District of Florida, I beg to advise you that in conference with yourself or with Mr. Kenneth McIntyre, Special Agent, Department of Justice, such Agent was instructed by this office that proper arrangements be made for the securing of proper and suitable clothing for all Florida witnesses subpoenaed for the trial of the above-entitled case in St. Paul set down for trial on January 6, 1936, having in mind that these witnesses from Florida were accustomed to warm weather and that the weather in St. Paul during the month of January each year is particularly severe and cold; and I assume that the Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, observed and carried out such direction from this office.

Yours very truly,

/s/ GEORGE F. SULLIVAN,

United States Attorney.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1936



MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL McMAHON.

Reference is made to your memorandum of March 3, 1936, and to the memorandum of General Agent McClure addressed to Mr. Fisher of the Criminal Division under date of February 26, 1936, attached thereto, which concerns the expenses incurred in connection with obtaining the attendance of the necessary witnesses at St. Paul, Minnesota, at the trial of Cassius McDonald, et al.

Relative to the expenditures which were incurred by the Jacksonville office of this Bureau pertaining to the Miami witnesses for whom certain clothing establishments in Miami, Florida, extended credit in the amount of \$426.24, covering purchases made by these witnesses, your attention is directed to a copy of a communication received by Mr. Clinton W. Stein, Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul, Minnesota, office of this Bureau, under date of March 12, 1936, from United States Attorney George F. Sullivan, which is attached hereto.

Inasmuch as an Agent of the St. Paul office of this Bureau was instructed by Mr. Sullivan "that proper arrangements be made for the securing of proper and suitable clothing for all Florida witnesses subpoenaed for the trial of the above-entitled case in St. Paul", and as, in accordance with these instructions, the Jacksonville office was requested to comply therewith, it would appear that this account is properly chargeable to the Department and that appropriate arrangements should be made for the immediate payment of the establishments which extended credit for the purchase of the necessary clothing for the Miami witnesses.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 24, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE GENERAL AGENT.

Referring to your memorandum of February 26th relative to previous correspondence from the Bureau of Investigation in the matter of expenses incurred in connection with obtaining the attendance of Cuban witnesses in the McDonald Case at St. Paul, Minnesota, I beg to attach hereto a further memorandum from the Director of the Bureau of Investigation on the subject for your attention.

In this connection it may be stated that this Division knows of no authority having been granted for allowances to the witnesses other than that set forth in Department letter to the Secretary of State and with which you are familiar.

Respectfully,

Brien McMahon

BRIEN MCMAHON,
Assistant Attorney General.

Enclosure #1028080.

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H. J. McCLURE
GENERAL AGENT

Department of Justice

Washington

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March 27, 1936.

Memorandum for Assistant Attorney General McMahon.



Reference is made to your memorandum of March 24, 1936, transmitting a further memorandum from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning the expenses incurred in connection with the attendance of witnesses in the McDonald case at St. Paul, Minnesota.

It now appears that the bills for clothing represent purchases made for the Florida witnesses subpoenaed for the trial of said case, instead of the Cuban witnesses. It further appears that the clothing was secured by a Special Agent of the Bureau, acting upon instructions from the United States Attorney that "proper arrangements be made for the securing of proper and suitable clothing for all Florida witnesses subpoenaed for the trial of the above entitled case in St. Paul". You are, of course, aware of the fact that, under the arrangements previously made, the witnesses from Cuba were provided with clothing. However, the situation with reference to the Florida witnesses differs very materially from that of the Cuba witnesses. In the former case the witnesses reside within the United States, where the subpoenas would run, whereas in the case of the Cuban witnesses, the conditions under which they would attend were based entirely upon contracts or agreements. We are, of course, not permitted to make any such contracts or agreements in the case of witnesses residing within the United States. The United States Attorney was, of course, entirely without authority to give any such instructions to the Special Agent.

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I may add that the clothing for the Cuban witnesses was paid out of the allotment of \$10,000 under the appropriation "Fees of Jurors and Witnesses, U. S. Courts" which, by its terms, is disbursed under the exclusive direction of the Attorney General, whose authorization with respect thereto is conclusive. Unfortunately, this allotment is now entirely exhausted and is, therefore, not available for the payment of this expense, even if we were disposed to give favorable consideration thereto. Unless the Bureau is willing to pay these amounts as informers fees, I am unaware of any other way by which they could be paid.

Respectfully,

H. J. McClure
General Agent.

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Post Office Drawer "W", Plaza Station,
St. Louis, Missouri,
March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY
CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. #1235, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER--Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATL. FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Paragraph 4, Page 16 of the Report
of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, submitted at Chicago, Illinois on
February 25, 1936 in the above captioned case, wherein the visit of a
man named Campbell at Havana, Illinois is mentioned.

For your information, reference is now made to the Report
of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, submitted at St. Louis, Missouri on
March 27, 1936 in the case entitled UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; (Hi-jacking of
Nielsen Peterson truck near Roseville, Illinois on 2/26/36); LARCENY
FROM INTERSTATE SHIPMENT, wherein information is set out with reference
to Jack Campbell, 6629 Broadmoor Road, Kansas City, Missouri and his
connection with James Myers and other individuals mentioned in the above
report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan.

A synopsis of the information in possession of this office
reveals that Jack Campbell has in all probability visited Havana and
Peoria, Illinois during the recent months and it is believed that this
individual is in all probability identical with the Campbell mentioned
in the report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan.

For your information, the Kansas City and St. Louis Bureau
Offices are conducting an extensive investigation with reference to numerous
hi-jackings near Peoria, Illinois.

The interested offices will be advised immediately in the
event this investigation reflects information concerning Alvin Karpis or
Harry Campbell.

Very truly yours,

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JAY C. NEWMAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
March 31, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, dated March 12, 1935, and to your letter dated March 30, 1935, concerning Mrs. J. P. Huntsman, reported to be a possible contact for William Elmer Lead.

You are advised that on receipt of a telegram dated March 28, 1935, from the Los Angeles Office, inquiries were made at the Hotel 75th Street, 270 N.E. 75th Street, Miami, Florida, by Special Agent C. E. Winstead, who ascertained that Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Crozier, giving the address of 202 Whitton Manor Building, Kansas City, Missouri, registered at that hotel on an unknown date, and occupied Room 334 until March 26, 1935, when they checked out. Agent Winstead was advised at the hotel that Crozier was apparently connected in some way with the dog racing business. He is reported to be about 45 years of age, and to have behaved decently while at the hotel, where he remained for about three or four weeks prior to March 26th. No forwarding address was left.

It is noted that the Kansas City Office has already made inquiry at 4550 Mill Creek, Kansas City, Missouri. It is suggested that appropriate inquiry also be made at 202 Whitton Manor Building. It also appears possible that Crozier may return to the Mill Creek address, in view of the fact that on the letter received by Mrs. Huntsman he indicated that address as his return address.

Very truly yours,

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Go: Bureau

Mr. Connelley, Chicago.

Cincinnati

St. Paul; Cleveland

Los Angeles.

R. B. Nathan

Special Agent in Charge

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Jax 47-24

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AR:AM

April 1, 1936

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

EAC, Nashville

Transmit the following message to
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BRKID LETTER RECEIVED TODAY FROM JAMES WRIGHT DEPUTY SHERIFF HOPSON
TENNESSEE STATING A MAN IN CUSTODY AT THAT POINT LOOKS LIKE ALVIN KARPIS
AND USES THE NAME ALVIN TURNER. WRIGHT ADVISES THAT FINGERPRINTS OF
ALVIN TURNER CAN BE OBTAINED FROM SHERIFF J. M. MOORELAND ELIZABETHTON
TENNESSEE. COPY OF INFORMANTS LETTER BEING FORWARDED AIR MAIL SPECIAL
DELIVERY TONIGHT. CONDUCT IMMEDIATE APPROPRIATE INQUIRY AT HOPSON
TENNESSEE RELATIVE THIS MATTER

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1531 First National Bank Building
El Paso, Texas
March 30, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
New York, N. Y.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Some time ago, at the request of your office, we made efforts to locate one Thomas J. O'Dell in connection with the above matter, and the Post Mistress at Hot Springs, New Mexico, has from time to time furnished us mail tracings on letters addressed to Mrs. Leo F. Smith, of Hot Springs, whose daughter is the wife of Thomas O'Dell.

I do not know whether O'Dell has been located, or if it is still desired to locate him, but this morning I received information from the Post Mistress at Hot Springs concerning two letters received addressed to Mrs. Leo F. Smith, post marked Breakers Hotel, Daytona Beach, Florida. These letters came under waxed seal and the Post Mistress apparently is of the opinion that they are from O'Dell's wife.

If you still desire to locate O'Dell, I suggest that appropriate investigation be made at Daytona Beach.

Very truly yours,

R. M. COLVIN
Special Agent in Charge.

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Chicago
St. Paul

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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 30, 1936.

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

Time - 7:05 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Leak on Bremer Case in Cleveland.

Mr. MacFarland telephoned me from the Cleveland Office with reference to the above matter and said that they contacted the people from whom the plane was secured, the Sundroph Aeronautical Corporation, and they indicated that they did not give out any information at all. They indicated when the plane left that it was going to Louisville, since some destination had to be shown in accordance with Department of Commerce regulations. When the plane arrived in Louisville, they had to place on the register that they were going to Little Rock, where, upon arrival, a reporter asked them who they were, etc. Mr. Sundroph, who was the pilot, told the reporter that his passengers were merely some business men who he transported quite a bit. Mr. Sundroph believes that the leak occurred through the office of the United Air Lines at Cleveland, where a contact was first made to charter the plane. Mr. MacFarland said that at the time they were conferring with the United Air Lines, the district manager of that company came to the office to confer about the matter, as a result of which he advised that they had no plane available at that time which would suffice. This man was cautioned about the secrecy of the situation, but he sent a telegram to his Chicago Office for the purpose of seeing if a plane was available there which could be sent over to take the Agents out. According to Mr. Sundroph, there were a number of employees of the United Air Lines present during the district manager's telephone calls and telegrams about this situation. Mr. Sundroph said that when he went over to the coffee shop to get some coffee, Mr. Ralph Troftich of the United Air Lines operations department, came up to him and indicated to him that he, Sundroph, was going to have a hard time making the trip to Little Rock on account of the head winds. Mr. MacFarland said that it appears everyone from the most important to the lesser employees knew about the situation and accordingly a lot of talking was done. Mr. MacFarland said that they have not as yet contacted Mr. Galbos of the United Air Lines, for the reason that Mr. Connelley suggested this angle be held in abeyance for the time being.

Mr. MacFarland mentioned, incidentally, that the United Press carries a story to the effect that the Agents of the Bureau are supposed to have taken two men and a woman into custody at Little Rock. He said that while he has not heard anything about this, he thought he would pass the information on to the Bureau.

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Respectfully,

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

FBI PHILADELPHIA APRIL 1, 1936 AAT

SAC JACKSONVILLE -

PHONE. BREKID. RE OUR TELETYPE OF MARCH THIRTIETH. ADVISE
IF MR. AND MRS. CHARLES HORN APPEARED IN FLORIDA ON TUESDAY,
MARCH THIRTY FIRST, AND ANY OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION WITH
REFERENCE TO THIS MATTER. SHALL I WAIT?

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO.**

FILE NO. **7-45** AM

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE 4-1-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-16-24-25-36	REPORT MADE BY H. K. MOSS
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Descriptions and general information concerning William Elmer Mead, with aliases, I.O. 1354, furnished Harrisburg, Pa. Police Department and Lancaster, Pa. Police Department. Neither Harry Campbell, Lebanon, Pa., nor Harry Campbell, Marietta, or Huntingdon, Pa., identical with Fugitive Campbell.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Harry</i></p> <p>REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agent J. L. Fallon, Philadelphia, Pa., dated 2-10-36 and Special Agent J. W. Ransom, Philadelphia, Pa., dated 2-26-36.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>At LANCASTER, PA.</u></p> <p>The history, description, and general information concerning William Elmer Mead, with aliases, I.O. 1354, was furnished to Captain William Sullenberger, Detective Division, Lancaster Police Department.</p> <p>Captain Sullenberger caused a search of the files at his office to be made and advised that Mead is unknown to the Lancaster Police Department.</p> <p><u>At HARRISBURG, PA.</u></p> <p>The history, description, and general information concerning William Elmer Mead, I.O. 1354, were furnished to Captain of Detectives H. G. Rupp, Harrisburg Police Department. Captain Rupp advised, after a search of the files in his office, that the Harrisburg Police Department, had no</p>			
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previous record of Mead.

At MARIETTA, PA.

Postal Clerk Charles M. Kraus advised that he is personally acquainted with Harry Campbell, who resides at 44 N. Chestnut Street; that Campbell has resided in the community his entire life and was positively not identical with Fugitive Campbell. In this connection, a photograph of Fugitive Campbell was exhibited to Kraus.

At LEBANON, PA.

Robert J. Light, Assistant Postmaster, and John S. Koehler, Postal Carrier covering 1164 Federal Street, advised they were not positive concerning the identity of Harry Campbell residing at this address; that in all likelihood, any individual at this address would be colored but stated that Agent could ascertain this information definitely from Chief of Police Harry Sealer.

Chief of Police Harry Sealer advised that Harry Campbell, who sometimes resides at 1164 Federal Street, is a negro; that Campbell has resided in the community for the past ten years and his description in no way fits that of Fugitive Campbell. A photograph of Fugitive Campbell was exhibited to Chief Sealer who stated positively that there is no similarity between Fugitive Campbell and Harry Campbell, of the Federal Street address.

At HUNTINGDON, PA.

Assistant Postmaster A. M. Scott and Postal Carrier J. L. Glanzman, 616 N. Fourteenth Street, advised that they were acquainted with the Campbell family residing at Huntingdon, Pa., Rural Delivery #3; that this family has been residing in the community for the past fifteen years. A photograph was exhibited to Glanzman and Scott and each stated that Harry Campbell, R.D. #3, is not identical with Fugitive Campbell.

Owing to the flood conditions, the leads at Williamstown, Pa., set out in the reference report of Special Agent J. W. Ransom

was not developed.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE at WILLIAMSTOWN, PA - Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine whether Harry Campbell, of Julianna Street, is identical with Fugitive Campbell in the instant case.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 29, 1936

Time; - 3:45 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: Associated Press inquiry
as to movement of Agents
out of Cleveland.

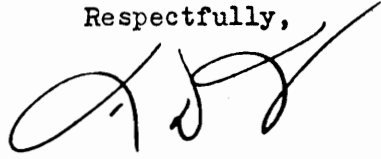
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Miss Gandy

Mr. Pinkerton of the Associated Press, contacted me at home through the Bureau switchboard, and stated that he had a message from their Cleveland office to the effect that a group of Special Agents had taken a plane from Cleveland to Little Rock; that he did not expect me to tell him what they were doing but that he would like to know if we expected any developments, so that he could stay around and cover it. I advised Mr. Pinkerton that I knew of no such movement and that if there was, I would probably know of it.

I asked Mr. Pinkerton that, going on the assumption that there was such a movement, not only out of Cleveland but from any point, would the Associated Press or anyone else put anything out on it. He stated that they would not write anything on it; that they wanted the information so that it could be covered here in Washington. He stated, in answer to my inquiry, that the information came in from Cleveland over the wire, but confidential to them, about 3 A. M. this morning.

I advised Mr. Pinkerton that I would get in touch with the office and try to verify this information; that I would call him at his office within the next hour or so if there was anything to the story; that if he did not hear from me within that time, he could take it for granted that there is nothing to the rumor.

Respectfully,



T. D. Quinn.

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Edw. J. Quinn

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
March 30th, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Confirming tele-
phone conversation with the Bureau (Mr. Foxworth) yester-
day, you are advised that the following Special Agents
arrived in Little Rock, Arkansas on March 29th, 1936,
on special assignment:

E. J. Connelley ✓
Dwight Brantley ✓
- R. C. Coulter
- C. O. Hilt
- J. C. Mertz
- J. B. Little
- J. V. Murphy
- W. L. Buchanan
- L. E. Kingman
- P. W. Hansen
- A. P. Barber
- C. E. Smith
- W. John McNulty
- V. R. Clary
- B. P. Cruise

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All of the above
Agents may be reached by telephone through this office.

Very truly yours,

Chapman Fletcher
CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc: Cleveland Kansas City
Cincinnati Dallas
Oklahoma City Milwaukee

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W. J. Foxworth
W. J. Foxworth

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 30, 1936.

Time - 9:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned the Little Rock Office and talked to SAC Fletcher, advising him that press dispatches here in Washington indicate that two women and a man were picked up at the house south of Hot Springs, Arkansas, which was raided by the Agents. Mr. Fletcher said that there is absolutely nothing to this.

Mr. Fletcher said that he does not know where the papers are getting this information, but it appears that they are merely making it up; that one of the papers down there states that two men and a woman were arrested, while another one says that no one was arrested and the Agents failed to get who they were looking for. One of the papers carries a picture of Karpis.

Mr. Connelley is going over to Hot Springs after it gets dark and talk to this Goldstein woman to see if any information can be obtained from her.

Developments in this matter will, of course, be reported to the Bureau either by teletype or telephone.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

PEF:RLG

April 1, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Reference is made to the letter from Bart Riley,
an Attorney representing Joe Adams, Miami, Florida, requesting
the names of certain of our Agents who worked upon the investi-
gation in Florida.

The letter setting forth the names of the Agents
has been prepared. However, Assistant Attorney General Barlow
is not in his office this afternoon but is visiting a dentist
and will not return until in the morning. In view of the
fact that you desire his approval before submitting the letter
to you, I will hold it and submit it to you in the morning.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. Foxworth.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California Horse Racing Board

Tanforan Race Track,
San Bruno, California,
March 21st., 1936.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,
Bureau of Identification,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

3-24-L
Would it be possible for you to furnish me with two
original, or clear photographs of :
ALVIN KARPIS, your Identification Order No. 1218
and
HARRY CAMPBELL, your Identification Order No. 1236.

I am the CHIEF INSPECTOR for the California Horse
Racing Board and supervise the policing of all race tracks in
the State of California, and work at all times in cooperation
with your San Francisco and Los Angeles agents.

Your agent Mr. F. C. Dorwart visited me at the race
track today and furnished us with a very good photograph of
WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

I find that the greatest number of the photographs
appearing on your identification orders are not sufficiently
clear .

Very truly yours,

Alfred W. Worthington

Alfred W. Worthington,
Chief Inspector,
California Horse Racing Board,
Tanforan Race Track,
San Bruno, California.

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Mr. Alfred W. Worthington,
Chief Inspector,
California Horse Racing Board,
Twin Oaks Race Track,
San Bruno, California.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 21, 1936, in regard to Identification Orders Nos. 1218 and 1236 which were prepared by this Bureau concerning Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell respectively. For your further assistance, I am transmitting herewith two copies each of the photographs of Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis.

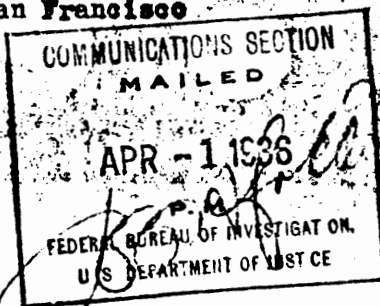
I appreciate your expression of assistance and cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure 867589.

cc-San Francisco



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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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

April 2, 1936.

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

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

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith a photostatic copy of Florida Certificate of Title Application in the name of Chas. M. Bronson. There is also attached to said Certificate of Title Application a Combination Application for Duplicate and Transfer of Title Certificate.

You will observe on these papers that application was made for transfer of ownership in the car described therein, the transfer being from Chas. M. Bronson to Duke Randall. It is desired that the signature of Chas. M. Bronson in each of these documents be compared with the known handwriting of Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker, Duke Randall, Joseph H. Adams and Gregory I. Codomo to determine whether it is possible that said parties may have written the signature Chas. M. Bronson.

You will observe that these papers have been notarized by Irma Robbins, and you will notice that the printed name of Duke Randall has been scratched out of the Certificate of Title Application and that the name Chas. M. Bronson has been substituted in handwriting. It is desired that the handwriting of Irma Robbins be compared with that of Chas. M. Bronson to determine whether Miss Robbins could have written in the name of Chas. M. Bronson.

I am transmitting herewith registration card #870 of the Danmor Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey, containing the signatures R. S. Carson and G. C. Camerom. The signature of R. S. Carson is the handwriting of Alvin Karpis, while that of Camerom is the handwriting of Harry Campbell. It is desired that these signatures be compared with the signature of Chas. M. Bronson in the photostats transmitted herewith.

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Letter to Director.

April 2, 1936.

It is requested that the hotel registration card #870 and the photostats be returned to this office as soon as they have served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Keith
J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - E. J. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Jacksonville

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

Case: Re: BREKID

Number: 7-576-10281-

Specimens:

- 7-576-10281-A One registration card #870 for the Hotel Danmor containing the signatures R.S. Carson and G.C. Camerom. (Known handwriting of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.)
" B One photostatic copy of a Certificate of Title Application and one of a Combination Application for Duplicate and Transfer of Title Certificate on which appears the signature of Chas. M. Bronson. (Questioned document)

Examination requested by: Washington Field Office

Date received: chp 4-3-36 9:00 A.M.

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering(1)

SPECIAL

CASE TO BE COMPLETED BY
NOON TODAY.

GIVE ORAL REPORT TO
MR. COFFEY.

cc -E. J. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Jacksonville
Chicago

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Ans 4-4-36
SFP

Quest Chas M ~~Bronson~~ Bronson

Karpis does not have the ability to write this

Adams Chas M Bronson B v
X K Doubtless for Adams write

Fred Barker Ba C Doubtless he wrote report
let u a OVER

John Randall

Chas M. M. Brown

Doubtless Randall with
signature Chas Brown

Henry Campbell

C. R.

Doubtless, Campbell with his

No conclusion in Guyon's letters

as many are a repetition of his in p p
sent.

No conclusion in James R. Hines and
signature Chas M. Brown when
written in the handwriting -

Laboratory Report

Case: Re: BREKID

Number: 7-576-10221-

Specimens:

- 7-576-10221-A One registration card, 870 for the Hotel Danmor containing the signatures R.S. Carson and G.C. Cameron. (Know handwriting of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.)
- " B One photostatic copy of a Certificate of Title Application and one of a Combination Application for Duplicate and Transfer of Title Certificate on which appears the signature of Chas. M. Bronson. (questioned document)

Examination requested by: Washington Field Office

Date received: chp 4-3-36 9:00 A.M.

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination: Do not believe signature Chas Bronson on lines signature of applicant written by either Karpis, Fred Barker, Randall or Adams. Known specimens of Codomo consist of but one signature. No conclusion as to him. Not enough. Only reason for more of his specimens would be before CASE TO BE COMPLETED BY definitely eliminating him. Nothing in his one signature to lead me to believe he wrote questioned NOON TODAY.

GIVE ORAL REPORT TO MR. CONNELLY. No conclusion as to whether Irma Robbins wrote "Chas M. Bronson" at top of

cc -E. J. Connelley, Chicago Title Application. Not enough characters in common between two in which to base a definite opinion.
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Jacksonville
Chicago

? Chas Bronson¹ Chas M Bronson²

Karpis R. S. Carson³ Karpis - apparently not as capable.
Alvin

Campbell - G. C. Cameron⁴ Harry Campbell (Prob. not but not asked for.)
Nothing to lead me to believe Campbell wrote

? Chas H Bronson Chas H
Fred Barker M Barker Clath
m.p. Do not believe Fred Barker
be the writer.

Joe Adams - B Chas M Bronson
Chas M Bronson

Randall - Chas. M. Bronson.
Charles M. Bronson Do not believe
C. M. Bronson Randall to be
writer.

Gregory Hodono - Probably not but
no conclusion inasmuch as
one signature or fingerprint
card is the only known specimen
& not sufficient on which to
base any definite opinion.

? Chas M. Bronson
Irma Robbins. Could have written
& but not enough
characters in common
between signatures on which to
base an opinion.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report #8302
in connection with the case entitled, BREXID.

In accordance with the statement contained
therein, there are returned herewith the following
specimens, photographic copies of same having been made
for the completion of our files:

- A. One registration card #870 for the Hotel
Dannor containing the signatures "R. S.
Carson" and "G. C. Cameron".
- B. One photostatic copy of a Certificate of
Title Application and one of a Combination
Application for Duplicate and Transfer of
Title Certificate on which appears the
signature of Chas. W. Bronson.

Very truly yours,
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED

APR 10 1936

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

P. M.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT CINCINNATI, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 4-1-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-20-36	REPORT MADE BY R. H. KLETT MGR
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. #1236; et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NAT'L. FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="margin-left: 40px;">1935 Ford Sedan, Motor 1,320,366 purchased by Jack O'Neal, 11-30-35 from Bauer Motor Sales, Cincinnati. O'Neal known at B & B Loan Company past two years. Home address said to be 712 Front St., Newport, Ark.</div> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: Wire from Little Rock dated 3-19-36; Wire to Little Rock dated 3-20-36.			
DETAILS: <u>AT CINCINNATI, OHIO</u> <p>Agent contacted the Ford Motor Company telephonically and ascertained that Ford Motor #1,320,366 had been delivered by them to the Bauer Motor Sales, Cincinnati, Ohio, on January 3, 1935. At the Bauer Motor Sales, Agent ascertained that instant car had been sold by them twice, the last time as a second-hand car, to Jack O'Neal, on 11-30-35. At that time O'Neal gave his address as 2125 Gilbert Ave., and his employer the B & B Loan Company, Central and Carlisle Aves., Cincinnati. This car was purchased on payment plan and at present O'Neal has three past-due notes totalling \$109.00. It was further ascertained that O'Neal had a previous deal with the Bauer Motor Sales [REDACTED] b7d b7c</p> <p>Agent contacted [REDACTED] and ascertained that [REDACTED]</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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[REDACTED] the B & B Loan Co., that O'Neal was employed by them selling watches.

Agent contacted Mr. Abe Braverman of the B & B Loan Co., and ascertained that for the past two years O'Neal has been coming in there and buying second-hand watches and taking them out to various parts of the country and selling them; further that they have, on numerous occasions shipped him watches to various parts of the country upon telegraphic request for same.

O'Neal was described by Mr. Braverman as being about 35 years of age, 5'6" tall, weight 145#, complexion dark, hair sandy, right arm stiff due to an auto wreck about a year ago. Mr. Braverman further stated that he was a typical hillbilly and that the last he had heard from him had been from Bowling Green, Kentucky about February 1st of this year, at which time he shipped him some watches, express, collect. Mr. Braverman stated that he had O'Neal's home address and a search of his records disclosed that the address he has is 712 Front Street, Newport, Arkansas. He further stated that O'Neal is a member of the Elks Club at either Silver Springs, New Mexico or El Paso, Texas, and that he had been known to associate with one Claude Boone, who, Braverman states is presently in custody at Wilmington, Ohio, on a bad check charge.

PENDING.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

PEF:CDW

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 26, 1936.

Time - 4:52 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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

SAC Richmond telephoned me from Atlantic City to report the developments in the above situation, stating that a check by the New York Office on Man No. 2 involved in this matter, he being the dark man with the mustache, revealed that this man is as a matter of fact employed by the Chase National Bank in New York, and was in Atlantic City during the elevator strike with his wife and daughter. IR

Mr. Richmond said that the plant in the drug store is now working with everything in order as previously reported to the Bureau. Mr. Richmond said that he has to leave at eleven o'clock tonight on a bank robbery investigation up above Newark, New Jersey, and that during his absence Agent Murphy will be in charge of the situation in Atlantic City. Mr. Richmond said that he will return to Atlantic City upon the completion of the investigation on the bank robbery case above Newark.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

Since the investigation of this matter has definitely eliminated Karpis, and for the further reason that the drug store people evidently are not those that you had in mind, I suggest that we have Mr. Richmond return to Trenton in the event there are no developments today, and leave the plant in charge of the other Agents with instructions that they communicate with him in the event of developments.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

501 Fenley Building
Atlanta, Georgia
April 1, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is attached hereto a copy of the report
of Special Agent Philip M. Breed, Atlanta, Georgia, dated
March 31, 1936, which was in reference to your telegram
dated March 18, 1936, and my reply thereto of the same
date.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge

Enc.

cc: Bureau ✓
Cincinnati
Chicago
E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

April 1st, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

In reply to your letter of March 26th, 1936, requesting this Office to prepare an additional copy of a letter addressed to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, by Special Agent in Charge William Larson, Detroit, Michigan, dated December 19th, 1934, I desire to advise that inasmuch as this Office only has one copy of this letter in the file at the present time it is suggested that your Office have typed an additional copy to be forwarded to the Cleveland Office, it being noted that your Office, of course, has a copy of the letter in question in your file.

Very truly yours,

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cc - Bureau

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 30, 1936.

Time - 9:50 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

SAC Richmond telephoned me from the Trenton Office to discuss the plant being maintained by the Agents of his office at the drug store in Atlantic City. He said that he has five men tied up on this plant at this time, which, with the other plants going, leaves him with only two men in the office, both of whom are accountants. Mr. Richmond said that further questioning of the people in the drug store reveals that they insist the man in question was five feet nine or nine and a half inches in height, while Campbell is only five feet five inches; that, however, they state the photograph of Campbell is very identical with the man who they saw in the drug store. Mr. Richmond said that the man in question has not been seen since, and has not been back in the drug store.

In view of the discrepancy in the description of the person thought to be Campbell, and the necessity for five men to work on this plant, Mr. Richmond said he wanted to suggest that he withdraw all of the men with the exception of Agent Erwin, who is working on the cigar counter in the drug store. He said that in the event this person comes in, Erwin can get a look at him and quickly change from his drug store coat to his street coat and follow the man if possible or get license numbers, descriptions, etc.

I believe that this action is desirable under the circumstances, and told Mr. Richmond that he might remove all of the men with the exception of Erwin; that, however, arrangements ought to be made for the Agents working in Atlantic City to be advised immediately in the event this person makes his appearance again.

Respectfully,

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P. E. FOXWORTH.

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1449 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

RE: D. E. WELLS
SPECIAL AGENT

Special Agent Wells is now engaged on a special investigation in connection with the Brakid case. The situation in this district was called to the attention of Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau by the writer with regard to Special Agent Wells, and Mr. Foxworth advised that in view of the emergency existing in this district Special Agent Wells should remain here until such time as it will be possible to release him for transfer to Pittsburgh. At this time it is not definitely known how long it might be necessary to detain Special Agent Wells in this district, however, every effort will be made to have him relieved from special assignment as quickly as possible.

Very truly yours,

JIM/MS
CC - Bureau

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 31, 1936.

Time -

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at the Little Rock Office with reference to the teletype from the Cleveland Office stating that the suggestion had been made by Mr. Connelley that the Bureau send six additional men into that district at once to conduct investigation and work telephone taps in connection with the follow-up investigation in that district in this case.

I told him that while we will, of course, authorize the requested expenditures, and will send the Agents in for him, what we particularly wanted to know at this time is what kind of Agents he desires for this latest investigation; that is, men who can just work a telephone tap, or men who will be able to take some definite and affirmative responsibility and action in the event of an emergency situation. Mr. Connelley said he wants the kind of men who can not only work telephone taps, etc., but who will be heavy enough to take the appropriate action in the event something tangible is obtained.

In this regard, I pointed out to him that most of the men of this type were sent into the Little Rock district in connection with the Hot Springs lead, and consequently, the pickings are rather slim at this time. Further discussion of the subject resulted in Mr. Connelley's stating that he will look over the men who are with him in Little Rock and discuss with Mr. Brantley the situation in the Little Rock and Oklahoma City districts, and see if five or six men can't be taken out of there and sent into the Cleveland district to cover the instant need. He said, incidentally, that he would like to leave four or five men in Little Rock to take care of any situation which might arise at Hot Springs, Arkansas. He said that he has been talking with this Grace Goldstein, and while she denies she is a contact for the gang, she has agreed to try to turn them up for us. Mr. Connelley said that he would teletype the Bureau what Agents he would recommend for the Cleveland need.

Hereafter when Agents are needed on cases such as this, I will see that some of the new men are given an opportunity to get some experience, in order that the number of men qualified to perform such work may be increased.

Respectfully,

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P. E. FOXWORTH

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

See 250 Bremer

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

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

March 29, 1936.

Time - 12:37 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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

SAC MacFarland telephoned from Cleveland to advise that the air-
port reports the plane bearing Mr. Connelley and the others has encountered
strong head winds, and is now at Memphis, Tennessee; that they are to leave
Memphis at once, and will arrive in Little Rock within an hour or an hour
and a half.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 25, 1936.

Time - 8:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis.

I talked with SAC Richmond of the Trenton Office about the lead on Karpis, and told him that after his call to me last evening, I had discussed this matter with you; that you had pointed out that you have personal knowledge that Karpis used to go into a drug store located near 10th and the Board Walk, which drug store is operated by reliable and intelligent people who know Karpis when they see him. Mr. Richmond said that the drug store in question is a Whelan Drug Store located at Illinois and the Board Walk, directly across the street from the Traymore Hotel on Illinois. I then told Mr. Richmond that you had particularly wanted to caution him about the Atlantic City Police Department. Mr. Richmond said that he is fully aware of the situation and tactics of the Atlantic City Police Department, and will certainly take the proper steps and act in such a manner as to offset anything on their part.

Mr. Richmond said that he and the Agents arrived in Atlantic City about nine o'clock last evening, and talked to both the man and the woman in the drug store in question. They state that the person in question is not Karpis, but Campbell. They state that on Sunday, this person who they believe to be Campbell, came into the drug store and sat down and ordered something to eat. He then paid his check and went out. This person was about five feet and seven inches tall. Later, a dark man with a mustache came in accompanied by a girl. They had bouillon, paid their check and departed. Approximately the same thing happened again yesterday. These persons; that is, the dark man with the mustache, and the girl, came in, had their bouillon, paid their check and left.

Mr. Richmond was favorably impressed with the attitude and actions of the persons in the drug store; that is, they are conservative enough to say that they cannot positively state the person in question is Campbell from the photographs, but state that if the photograph were older, the two would appear more identical. It occurred to Mr. Richmond that possibly this dark man with the mustache, who is about as tall as Karpis, could in fact be Karpis, and this is being kept in mind during the course of the investigation.

The Bureau will be advised of developments in this matter.

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Respectfully,

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P. E. FOXWORTH.

MAR 31 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
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Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 25, 1936.

Time - 2:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

SAC Richmond telephoned me from Atlantic City to report the developments in the investigation of this case in that city.

Robert Lehman, a clerk in the drug store located across the street from the Traymore Hotel on the Board Walk at the corner of Illinois, stated that on Sunday night after 9:30 o'clock, and again Tuesday at three o'clock, one man came into the store, who he recognized as Campbell. The reason Lehman recognized this man is because about a year ago, the day before the shooting scrape in Atlantic City, this same person had come into the store, and after the photographs had appeared in the newspapers, he recognized Campbell as being that person. A year ago, this same man went into the wash room in the basement of the drug store, at which time he was accompanied by a woman who was pregnant. Lehman said that this same fellow came into the store in the Summer of 1934. In view of the fact that this man comes rather regularly into the store, it appears desirable to arrange a plant in the store. In this connection, Special Agent Erwin can work behind the cigar counter in the drug store, he having worked in a drug store in Washington for some years. Down the street a few yards is a garage from which the Agents can maintain a surveillance on the drug store, and where they can cover a direct-line telephone from the drug store.

On both Sunday and Tuesday of this week, the person identified as Campbell came into the drug store alone, and left alone. On each of Sunday and Tuesday before Campbell left, the tall dark man with the mustache came into the drug store with a woman. On Sunday, the woman was a brunette, but on Tuesday, the woman had a reddish tint to her hair. This man and woman do not come into the store at exactly the same time, but the man comes in first, orders two cups of bouillon, drinks them, and then the woman comes in, gets the check, pays it, and they depart together. On Tuesday, Lehman got suspicious of these parties, and watched out the window after the man with the mustache and the woman left, whereupon he observed them getting into what he termed as a greyish, bluish, greenish automobile, which he believes was a taxicab. In this cab at the time they got in were a man, a woman and the driver. Lehman did not get the license number, he does not know what color the license tags were, but believes it might have been a New Jersey license.

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The thing we should do at this time is to locate and interview the driver of this cab, if in fact the automobile into which they got was a cab. The doorman at the Traymore and various persons along the Board Walk and taxicab drivers could, of course, be questioned, but to do so would arouse suspicion. There are only two persons on the entire Atlantic City Police Department who we can trust, and these two are the Board Walk detail, who have occasion to question the cab drivers and others about various things almost every day. In this connection, it is believed that we can ask these two officers to question the cab drivers along the Walk and others who frequent or remain there for the purpose of determining if they noticed a car of the description of the car in question pick up these two persons at the time specified. Both of these police officers know about the instant investigation, and we could not hurt ourselves any at this time by asking them to make this one inquiry for us. We do not desire, of course, that the Atlantic City Police have anything further to do with this matter if we can help it, and it appears that as a matter of fact, they do not particularly desire to have anything to do with it. The Atlantic City Police got into a jam over the other deal, and the Chief of Police and the Captain who reported this matter to Mr. Richmond told him this morning that anything he wanted was all right.

Elizabeth Paulin, a woman clerk in the drug store, on Sunday identified Campbell at the time he came in, and got so excited that she could hardly talk when she asked him for his order.

The only connection between No. 1 Man (Campbell) and the other, referred to as No. 2 Man, is the fact that the people in the drug store believe that the person already in the automobile at the time No. 2 Man and the woman got in was in fact No. 1 Man, although they are not sure, and never saw No. 1 Man get into the automobile in question.

Mr. Richmond said that they have to locate this automobile and interview the driver in order to find out just what is what, after which they are going to consider placing the plant in the drug store mentioned in the first paragraph of this memorandum. He said that the plant will as a matter of necessity have to be an elaborate affair, and they want to ascertain if possible the identity of these persons before starting it.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #2

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☐ Division Three

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A memorandum as to Harry Campbell's location
during the summer of 1934 is now being prepared.

E. A. Tamm - 5742.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

April 1, 1936

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

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREXID

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. B. Dickerson, New York City, March 16, 1936, in which information is set out that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO was believed to be located at Hollywood, Florida, where he has an interest in the Ha-Ha Club, and that he is believed to frequent the horse tracks located near Miami, Florida.

Chief of Detectives E. D. Carpenter, Miami Beach, Florida, advised Special Agent E. J. Gebben of this office, that while he understood that Luciano had been in Hollywood during the early part of the winter season, he has received information to the effect that Luciano is now at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Chief Carpenter stated that in view of the fact the season in Florida is practically finished and the Tropical Park Race Track will close on April 4, 1936, it is not likely that Luciano will return to Florida, but will go direct to New York City from Hot Springs.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau
Cincinnati
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Cleveland
Little Rock
E. J. Connelley, Chicago.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
April 1st, 1936

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

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There are being forwarded to the Bureau, under separate cover in several packages, a number of articles and objects taken from the house near Potash Sulphur Springs, between Malvern and Hot Springs, Arkansas, which allegedly was occupied by Karpis and associates. This place was raided by Bureau Agents and others on the morning of March 30th, 1936.

The articles forwarded are more particularly described as follows:

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19 Gingerale bottles
10 Beer bottles
2 Whiskey bottles
2 Gin bottles
2 Quart milk bottles
1 Champagne bottle
4 1/2 pint cream or milk bottles
1 Small whiskey glass

are:

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Also transmitted in an envelope

A portion of a "New York Daily Mirror"
1 Conoco Road Map of the Republic of Mexico
1 Booklet entitled "Weekly Doings of Houston, Texas' Largest City and Galveston"
1 Plain sheet of paper with certain drawings thereon
1 Road map
A portion of the "Cleveland Plain Dealer"

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All of the foregoing articles are transmitted under cellophane cover.

A large black suitcase was packed with various articles of clothing taken from all over the house and brought to the Little Rock Office.

Agents who assisted in the gathering of the material herein mentioned, were Paul Hansen, J. C. Mertz, A. P. Barber, C. O. Hurt, L. E. Kingman and Dwight Brantley.

Extensive efforts were made to develop latent fingerprints on smooth surfaces, such as woodwork, mantels, furniture, light globes, bedsteads, etc., with negative results. The apparent reason for the lack of success in developing any prints is attributable to the fact that the surfaces mentioned have been exposed for some time to the elements and dust and were impregnated with dust and dirt, to the extent that the powder on tops of tables and entire fronts of dressers failed to bring out even any fragmentary prints.

It is requested that the articles mentioned herein be processed in the Laboratory for latent fingerprints and that any prints obtained be compared with the prints of the following named individuals:

Alvin Karpis, with aliases
Harry Campbell, with aliases
Fred Hunter, with aliases (fingerprint record available at the Bureau)
Milton Lett, with aliases.

It is requested that a search of the records of the Identification Division of the Bureau be made for the criminal record of one Grace Goldstein, age - about 35,

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height - 5'5", weight - 130 pounds, light brown hair. This record may be located under a Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department number. This woman operates a house of prostitution in Hot Springs.

In connection with this examination there is a remote possibility that the fingerprints of Special Agent C. A. Mahan of the Little Rock Office may be found on the two newspapers mentioned in this letter.

I am also enclosing herewith, a 1936 license #7031, issued to Ed Kane, by the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission. It is requested that the handwriting appearing thereon be compared with the handwriting of Subject Alvin Karpis.

It is requested that I be advised whether any latent fingerprints found are identical with prints of any of the persons named and whether it is believed by the Bureau that the handwriting appearing on the fishing license is identical with that of Karpis.

There are also transmitted herewith six (6) latent fingerprints which were lifted by Special Agent Paul Hansen from objects found in the east bedroom of this house. It is requested that such of these prints as possess sufficient characteristics, be compared with the fingerprints of the individuals mentioned herein.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc: Chicago Cincinnati
 Cleveland Oklahoma City

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#8924

Laboratory Report

Case: BN KID

Number 7-576-10290

Specimens: 7-576-10290 A One 1936 license #7031, issued to Ed Kane. Questioned.
" B One plain sheet of paper with certain drawings thereon:
" A portion of a "New York Daily Mirror".
One Conoco Road Map of the Republic of Mexico.
One Booklet entitled "Weekly Doings of Houston,
Texas' Largest City and Galveston".
One Road map.
A portion of the "Cleveland Plain Dealer".
Six lifts of latent fingerprints.

Examination requested by:

Little Rock

Date received: 4-3-36 (4:00 PM ft)

Examination requested: Document-Fingerprint

Result of examination:

Examination by: *Applied* ~~Major~~

The following articles are also involved in the case but have not yet been rec'd:

19 gingerale bottles
10 beer bottles
2 whiskey bottles
2 gin bottles
2 quart milk bottles
1 champagne bottle
4 1/2 pint cream or milk bottles
1 small whiskey glass.

Compare latents to be developed with prints of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and Milton Lett.

Also make search for criminal record of Grace Goldstein.

Ans 4-7 3/6
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~~W. J. Connelley~~

St. Paul
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Examination requested by:
Little Rock

Date received: 4-3-36 (4:00 PM ft)

Examination requested: Document-Fingerprint

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Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering#

*No conclusion re Karpis
and signature Ed Kane in
lower left corner
Do not believe Karpis
with body of license.
No conclusion re
Harry Campbell & body of
license.*

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Also make search for criminal record of Grace
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Quest

*Ed. Kane
(Signature holder)*

*Do not believe Body of license
written by Karpis
Ed Kane Handland
Jark*

Karpis

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7-576-10296

April 10, 1936.

Mr. C. Fletcher,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 1, 1936, covering the transmittal under separate cover of numerous bottles and miscellaneous paper articles which were taken from a house near Potash Sulphur Springs on March 30, 1936, in connection with the above-entitled case.

You are advised that the paper specimens have been examined and a total of eight latent fingerprints and three portions of palmar impressions has been developed thereon. All of these latent fingerprints have been eliminated from further consideration inasmuch as they have been determined to be those of Special Agents John C. Merts and C. A. Mahan. In addition, the three latent impressions of value which appear on the six lifts submitted with your letter have been found to be identical with the fingerprints of Special Agent A. P. Barber.

On the 1936 Arkansas Game and Fish Commission License, #7031, issued to Ed Kane, three fragmentary latent impressions were developed and upon comparison proved to be not identical with the fingerprints of any of the following persons:

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

Alvin Karpis, with aliases, #FBI-199217.
Harry Campbell, with aliases, #FBI-419856.
Fred John Henderson alias Fred Hunter, #FBI-54440.
Milton Lett, with aliases, #FBI-1008739.

Upon the basis of the information furnished in your letter a search was conducted through the alphabetical index files of the Identification Division but no fingerprint record could be located for Grace Goldstein. The fingerprints of one Grace Gold, #FBI-619046, who is possibly identical with the individual named in your letter, were compared with the above-mentioned

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unidentified latent impressions without effecting an identification. There is quoted below the criminal record of Grace Golde, together with her description, as it appears in the files of this Bureau. B3

Description:

Age:	33 (1932)	Occupation:	Housewife
Height:	5-3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nationality:	Irish and Indian
Weight:	124	Complexion:	Fair
Build:	Medium	Eyes:	Gray
Hair:	Dark Brown		

A report containing the results of a fingerprint examination of the various bottles will be forwarded to your office upon completion of photographs which are now in the process of development.

In connection with the submittal of these bottles it was noticed upon their receipt in the Bureau that they were loosely wrapped in soft absorbent cotton. It is possible that as a result of this method of packing, latent fingerprints may have been wiped off of these articles during the course of their shipment. In addition, in one of the cases containing these glass specimens it was found that the bottles were piled on top of each other and that three of them were broken. It is suggested in the future that articles bearing latent fingerprints be wrapped in cellophane or packed in such a manner that the continuous

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motion in shipment will not cause latent fingerprints to be in any manner destroyed or obliterated. The Bureau should be advised as to the reason for these articles having been submitted to the Technical Laboratory instead of being processed for latent fingerprints by Special Agents of your office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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April 17, 1936.

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Mr. C. Fletcher,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 1449,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's letter of April 10, 1936 in connection with the fingerprint examination of various articles submitted by you under date of April 1, 1936 which were taken from a house near Potosi Sulphur Springs in the BREXID case.

In addition to the latent prints which were developed on the paper specimens, twelve latent fingerprints and two palmar areas were found on the glass articles. Two of these have been eliminated as those of the left ring finger of Special Agent A. F. Barber. The remaining latent impressions were compared with the fingerprints of the following persons without effecting an identification:

Alvin Karpis, FBI-138017.
Harry Campbell, FBI-119356.
Milton Lett, FBI-1006709.
Fred Hunter, alias Fred Henderson,
FBI-54440.
Grace Gold, FBI-619016.

Two of the latent prints provide sufficient characteristic detail to permit classification and you will be subsequently advised as to the results of the searches of these two prints through the single fingerprint file.

The examiner has noted that several of the latent fingerprints appeared to be smudged. From an examination of the impressions it is not possible to formulate any opinion as to whether the smears are deliberate or accidental.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	
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April 25, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: KKKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's letter of April 17, 1936 relative to the fingerprint examination being conducted on articles seized in a raid on a house near Potosi Sulphur Springs in connection with the above-entitled case.

The two latent prints which were reported as containing sufficient characteristic detail to permit classification have now been searched through the Bureau's single fingerprint file but no identification has been effected. Accordingly, copies of these latent fingerprints are being placed in the unidentified section of this file with a view to possible future identification as additional fingerprints are placed in the file.

Very truly yours,

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Louis (Snipe) Thornton, an adopted brother of Ted Thornton, Nevada, Missouri, was apprehended by Agents near Anderson, Missouri, on the night of March 19, 1936 in connection with efforts to locate Milton Lett. Thornton confidentially advised Special Agents G. H. Franklin and W. E. Hopton on the afternoon of March 21, 1936, that he knew the source from which Agents learned of his location and stated that it came from Charles McCabe, Coffeyville, Kansas. However, Thornton states he has no bitter feeling whatever toward McCabe and mentioned that this individual holds the confidence of the underworld and is in a very good position to get a line on the location of Milton Lett.

Thornton stated also that in addition to McCabe the following persons usually have some idea where Lett is located. His mother, who resides near Wann, Oklahoma; a sister, who resides about two miles north and two miles east of Lett's home near Wann, Oklahoma. He stated also that Clifford Collins, Wichita, Kansas is frequently in touch with Lett.

Thornton advised further that about five weeks ago he talked to Al Sherwood, Coffeyville, Kansas for the purpose of ascertaining whether he, Sherwood, could sell a machine gun for him for about \$250.00. At this meeting Sherwood intimated to him, Thornton, that he could probably get in touch with Alvin Karpis. Thornton stated he did not have the machine gun in his possession at that time but knew where he could get one. He would not state how he could do this. It will be recalled that the information relative to the location of William Weaver originally came from Al Sherwood.

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He further stated that information had come to him from underworld sources that Milton Lett is wanted by the Bureau for questioning because he has received Bremer money. He was unable to furnish details concerning this statement.

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Thornton stated he feels quite certain Milton Lett will try to get money to him when he learns that he, Thornton, is in jail. In this connection he suggested that an Agent contact him in about three weeks and in the event he receives any information of value he will furnish same at that time. The Sheriff at Iola, Kansas, took Thornton from the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, on the evening of March 21, 1936, and removed him to Iola, Kansas, to answer to charges of sale and possession of guns stolen near Iola about six months ago.

It is suggested that the Oklahoma City Office maintain close contact with Charles McCabe and continue their efforts to gain the confidence of this individual.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Smith

W. A. SMITH *Wm* WEM
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Oklahoma City (Air mail, Special Delivery)
cc - Chicago
cc - Cincinnati
cc - St. Paul
cc - Cleveland

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
March 31, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In confirmation of the telegram from the Detroit Office to your office dated March 19, 1936, please be advised that 1935 Ford sedan, motor #1320366, was shipped to the Ford Motor Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, December 26, 1934.

The Cincinnati Bureau Office was not advised and further investigation is being left to the discretion of your office.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI LITTLE ROCK MARCH 31, 1936 9:50 AM DAN
DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. NO MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS HERE SINCE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION.
TODAY I PLAN ON CONTACT WITH WOMAN WHO MAY KNOW SOMETHING. SHE IS FRIEND
OF WOMAN SUPPOSEDLY WITH HUNTER WHEN HE LEFT FROM HOUSE WHICH WAS RAIDED
WITH ANOTHER PARTY SUPPOSEDLY KARPIS AND ANOTHER WOMAN ON THURSDAY MARCH 26.
THEY LEFT IN BLUE SEDAN AND A SMALL COUPE NO BETTER DESCRIPTION OF CARS
AVAILABLE. THEY HAVE TWO DOGS WITH THEM, ONE PROBABLY A BLACK GREAT DANE.
THE NEWS DISPATCHES OUT OF CLEVELAND AND KANSAS CITY GAVE INFORMATION THAT
PARTY SOUGHT WAS KARPIS INDICATING POSTOFFICE INSPECTORS AND KANSAS STATE
PATROL HAVE HAD SOMETHING TO SAY OF THEIR PART IN THE ACTIVITY. HAVE SOME
TOURIST CAMPS TO CHECK TODAY AND PROVIDED THERE ARE NO MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS
WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET ALL OUTSIDE AGENTS OUT OF HERE TONIGHT.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent G. C. Callan, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, dated March 18, 1936, setting forth a list of correspondents of William R. Day, #3328, formerly an inmate at the U. S. Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, who is an associate of William Elmer Mead, Day presently being confined in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia.

It is requested that the offices who have received copies of this report conduct the appropriate investigation of the correspondents of Day which are noted therein to determine if they are also associates of William Elmer Mead and in contact with him.

Copies of the aforementioned report are attached to the copies of this letter for the San Antonio, Los Angeles, New York City, and Buffalo Offices, these offices not having previously received copies of the same.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge, 1936

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PHONE BREKID. SAC E. J. CONNELLEY SUGGESTS THAT BUREAU INSTRUCT 6 MEN REPORT THIS DISTRICT IMMEDIATELY IN CONNECTION WITH PLANT TO BE ESTABLISHED AT TOLEDO AND DANBURY, OHIO, PLACES WHERE FUGITIVES LIKELY TO PROCEED. CONNELLEY INSTRUCTS THAT TWO TELEPHONE TAPS BE INSTALLED ONE ON RESIDENCE AND ONE ON PLACE OF BUSINESS OF JOE ROSCOE CONTACT MAN FOR KARPIS, IN TOLEDO, AND IF ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE EFFECTED, ON TELEPHONE OF GUY TIBBLE AN EX POLICE, AND A CONTACT OF SUBJECT KARPIS AT DANBURY, OHIO. AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO INSTALL TAPS IMMEDIATELY UPON COMPLETING ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIDEOUTS. INVESTIGATION NOW BEING CONDUCTED TO LOCATE SUCH HIDEOUT. CONSEQUENTLY, BLANKET AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO INSTALL SAID TAPS AND TO INCUR NECESSARY EXPENSES INCIDENTAL THERETO. THREE SPECIAL AGENTS SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO REPORT IMMEDIATELY TO TOLEDO 2 OF WHOM ARE TO REGISTER AT THE COMMODORE FERRY HOTEL AND 1 AT THE FORT MEIGS. SAID SPECIAL AGENTS TO BE INSTRUCTED NOT TO LEAVE THEIR HOTELS ANYTHING TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES AND THAT THEY ARE TO BE STRICTLY UNDER COVER. SPECIAL AGENTS REPORTING TO TOLEDO SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO USE PAY TELEPHONES IN CONTACTING SPECIAL AGENT E J WYNN AT HILLREST HOTEL TOLEDO. THREE SPECIAL AGENTS ARE TO BE INSTRUCTED TO REPORT CLEVELAND PENDING PERFECTION TELEPHONE TAPS. THIS OFFICE SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO CALL ON DETROIT, CHICAGO AND BUFFALO OFFICE FOR FIREARMS, AUTOMOBILES AND DIAL RECORDERS MIGHT BE NEEDED WHEN PLANTS PERFECTED.

ALL PERSONNEL OF CLEVELAND OFFICE NOW BEING UTILIZED ON THIS CASE. ADVISE IMMEDIATELY NAMES OF SPECIAL AGENTS BEING INSTRUCTED REPORT TOLEDO AND CLEVELAND. UPON INSTRUCTION SAC E J CONNELLEY WRITER COMMUNICATED WITH CHICAGO OFFICE AND REQUESTED TO HAVE SA J M JONES PROCEED TO TOLEDO ON PLANE LEAVING CHICAGO TWO PM TO INSTALL TELEPHONE TAPS.

MAC FARLAND

CC CHICAGO, CINCINNATI, ST PAUL, AND E J CONNELLEY AT LITTLE ROCK

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Buffalo, New York.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of
Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City,
Oklahoma, dated March 21, 1936, and particularly to Page
8 thereof, a copy of which was furnished to your office.
This report indicates that on December 27, 1935, two
small packages were received at Tulsa, one being addressed
to Mrs. Pearl L. Flennegan, 818 South Rockford Avenue,
Tulsa, Oklahoma, from E. J. Potter, 700 Lafayette Avenue,
Buffalo, New York, the other package being addressed to
Miss Pearl L. Campbell, with the return address Mrs. C. E.
Pope, 34 Brunswick Boulevard, Buffalo, New York.

It is requested that you determine the
identity of these individuals and their connection with
the Campbell family, it appearing that these persons are
regular correspondents of Pearl Campbell.

Very truly yours,

D. W. LADD,
Special Agent in charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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Re: BREXID.

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Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 26, 1936, which sets forth leads for the Cincinnati, Detroit, Milwaukee, St. Paul, and Chicago Offices to conduct investigation concerning various telephone calls and telegrams made from telephone number Nevada 5563, listed to Mrs. Lucille Noonan, 3648 Wilcox Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated March 24, 1936, contains information that the widow of Chester Marks, former Toledo hoodlum, is one Edith Marks, who resides at 2650 Broadway, Toledo, Ohio, telephone number Walbridge 2549, which is also the telephone number of Captain Timiney of the Toledo Police Department. Further information was contained in the report of Agent Wynn that Edith Marks has recently been absent from Toledo, and it was thought that she was somewhere in Florida; however, she recently appeared in Toledo, and it was not definitely known where she was during her absence.

It appears that Edith Marks is not identical with the Helen Marks referred to in the reference report of Agent Suran, and it is therefore suggested that the leads set forth in the report of Agent Suran not be covered at the present time and that the same be held in abeyance until further information is obtained concerning the identity of Helen Marks and her possible connection with the fugitives in this case. This information might possibly be secured in the future inasmuch as a telephone tap has been placed on the telephone of John B. Davenport at Minneapolis, Minnesota, from which telephone the telephone number Nevada 5563 at Chicago, Illinois, was called on November 8, 1935. It is possible that further telephone calls

might be made to this number from the Davenport 'phone which would indicate Helen Marks' possible connection with this case. By following this procedure, it is believed that much unnecessary investigation can be avoided.

Very truly yours,

D. W. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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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 31, 1936.

Time -

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Leak on Publicity in
Bremer Case.

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Connelley at Little Rock, Arkansas, I mentioned the inquiry which the Cleveland Office is making relative to the above matter, advising him that SAC MacFarland told me that he, Connelley, did not think that certain inquiries should be made in connection with the matter. I pointed out to Mr. Connelley that what you want in this situation is complete and correct information as to the names of the ranking officials of the organizations with which persons who gave out this information are connected.

Mr. Connelley said that at the time he told Mr. MacFarland this, the publicity relative to Karpis had not broken in the Arkansas papers, and the newspapers had only rumors, unconfirmed, of someone they thought were Federal Agents proceeding by plane to some undisclosed destination. However, since the publicity has broken in papers all over the United States, and since we have conducted the raid without success, he said that there appears to be no reason why this inquiry can't be carried out completely.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-3** DND

REPORT MADE AT ATLANTA, GA.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/1/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/1/36	REPORT MADE BY PHILIP M. BREED
TITLE 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			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="text-align: right; padding-right: 50px;"> <p>N. W. Hendrix, Superintendent, Western Union Telegraph Co., Atlanta, Ga., is the proper person to whom a subpoena should be directed to introduce certificate of destruction of original telegrams at the Ocala, Fla., office of the Western Union Telegraph Co., for November, 1934.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> </div>			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Jacksonville, Fla., March 30, 1936.			
DETAILS: Agent called the office of the General Manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Mr. H. C. Worthen, Atlanta, Ga., by telephone, and was advised that Mr. N. W. Hendrix, Superintendent, is the proper person to whom a subpoena should be directed to testify to the destruction of the original telegrams of the Ocala, Fla., office for the month of November, 1934.			
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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

With reference to the letter from the Kansas City Office to the Bureau dated March 10, 1936, and Bureau telegram dated March 12, 1936, this is to advise that on the night of March 18, 1936, Special Agent W. E. Hopton, in accordance with telephonic request of [redacted] met him at the Walker Drug Store, Picher, Oklahoma, at which time he stated that he had been with Tom Hill, of Coffeyville, Kansas, practically all of that day and had accompanied Hill to Miami, Oklahoma, for the purpose of having him arraigned and getting his bond fixed at a low figure in order that Hill could furnish same. He stated also that he succeeded in postponing the trial indefinitely.

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As has been previously stated [redacted] in indictment was returned against Tom Hill in Miami, Oklahoma, several weeks ago for possessing stolen property. In addition to assisting Hill, as stated above, for which [redacted] stated he expects to receive information from Hill concerning Karpis and Campbell, he stated he eliminated all suspicion by telling Hill that he could turn a couple of large diamonds to exhibitors in the motion picture industry and if he, Hill, could put him in touch with the boys, meaning Karpis and Campbell, he would put the proposition to them, and in that manner they all could make a few thousand dollars apiece. [redacted] stated that Tom Hill informed him he last saw Karpis and Campbell about seven months ago at which time they stopped for a few moments at Hill's airport in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. [redacted] said he was unable to ascertain where the Subjects had come from or where they were going at that time. He stated that Tom Hill did not say anything to him about any effort on his part during the last seven months to get a touch with Karpis or Campbell nor did Tom Hill say where he might contact them. He indicated that he has not attempted to reach them inasmuch as he has lost interest in the boys, especially in view of his recent conviction at Independence, Kansas, which he blames, to a great extent, on the testimony given by Jimmy Lawson. [redacted] stated Tom Hill mentioned to him the following contacts of Karpis and Campbell through

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which he would locate them if he were interested in doing so:

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"Red" Henderschott, Peoria, Illinois, exact address unknown. As stated by [REDACTED] this individual formerly worked for Tom Hill at his airport in South Coffeyville and is now living in Peoria, Illinois. According to [REDACTED] Tom Hill told him that Henderschott frequently harbors Karpis and Campbell at his place in Peoria, for which he receives a substantial sum of money from them. b7c b7d

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An individual by the name of Wimbish, who is colored and reported to be a shrewd lawyer in Chicago, Illinois, is supposed to be an important contact of Karpis and Campbell when they are in the vicinity of Chicago. [REDACTED] stated he has met Wimbish and knows he owns some large holdings in the state of Oklahoma.

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Jack Starr, Shreveport, Louisiana, is supposed to be a contact of the Subjects. His exact address was not furnished by [REDACTED]. However, he mentioned this party has a criminal record and is known to be engaged in various criminal activities. He stated that Jack Starr is a nephew of Henry Starr, who was a notorious bandit in the Southwest.

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An individual known as "Chick", whose address is 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi, was mentioned as a contact.

*
George Eason, Riverton, Wyoming, is supposed to be a contact for the gang.

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He stated an individual known as "Virginia", who operates a rooming house or apartment hotel called Virginia's Place, located in Duluth, Minnesota, is a spot where Subjects spend a little time when in that vicinity.

*
J. C. Murray, Box 352, Sand Springs, Oklahoma, was mentioned by [REDACTED] as a likely contact for Karpis and Campbell.

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He stated that the gang, when in the vicinity of Tulsa, Oklahoma, would get in touch with Ray Watson, through his sister Mildred Watson, who resides at 1418 East 6th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. [REDACTED] claims to know Ray and Mildred Watson. He stated also he received information from Hill that a red headed girl, name unknown, address 315 South Frisco Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, is a girl friend of either Karpis or Campbell. He stated this girl gives steam baths.

*
Willie Mason, 120 L.A. Street, Durant, Oklahoma, was mentioned as a contact of the Subjects.

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Mention was made also of Mrs. Katie Shepard, who spends a great deal of her time at the Annex Hotel, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and

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whose grandmother owns a farm near Bentley, Oklahoma. With respect to this individual it is noted in the report of Special Agent Paul Hanson, Oklahoma City, dated 8-24-34 that [REDACTED] Miami, Oklahoma, informed that Catherine Shepard is a likely contact of the Barker Karpis gang. As noted in the Summary Report of Special Agent Paul Hanson, Oklahoma City, dated 2-26-36, Catherine Shepard, 518 1/2 East 3rd Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, is presently being used as an informant of the Oklahoma City Office.

[REDACTED] mentioned the name of Les VanCleave, 2521 East 7th Street, Joplin, Missouri, as a possible contact of Subjects.

He advised further that Tom Hill stated to him that he had been propositioned by Kansas Authorities that he would not spend a single day in jail if he would tell where Karpis and Campbell are presently located.

[REDACTED] also advised that the gang formerly dropped into Picher, Oklahoma, and would put up at the Connell Hotel, which is owned by Tom Hill and operated by his cousin, "Red" Hill.

[REDACTED] stated that he is so sure he can locate Karpis and Campbell through the above individuals that he would be willing to quit his job with Warner Brothers, at which place he makes \$5.00 per day, and start out in his own automobile and locate them in order that he might receive the sum offered by the Bureau for confidential information relative to their location. However, he stated he would expect the Bureau to pay his expenses, which he figured would be \$45.00 per week for a period not to exceed six weeks. In this connection he stated he would agree to let an Agent accompany him or keep in touch with him at all times. When asked how he would go about locating Subjects he stated he would first go to Shreveport, Louisiana, then to Jackson, Mississippi, Peoria, Illinois and Chicago, Illinois and make connections with the above contacts.

There is some doubt as to whether [REDACTED] is sincere in his statements in view of the fact he is known to be somewhat of an unreliable although shrewd individual who was formerly the legal advisor and fixer for the Barker-Karpis gang, and also in view of the fact that he requested Special Agent Hopton to contact him at Walker's Drug Store in Picher, Oklahoma, which place, as noted in report of Special Agent Paul Hanson, Oklahoma City, dated 8-28-34, has been previously mentioned by [REDACTED] from information furnished to her by her husband, as being a contact place for members of the gang. Notwithstanding this it appears

advisable for the various offices receiving copies of this letter to conduct appropriate investigation in its districts to determine whether Karpis and Campbell may be in touch with the individuals listed above.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Smith

W. A. SMITH *W.A.S.* WEM
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 1, 1936.

TO ALL FIELD OFFICES

RE: BREKID

For the information of all field offices and the Bureau, the following complete description was secured yesterday from a confidential informant at Youngstown, Ohio, of subject ALVIN KARPIS:

Age	-	Appears to be 25 or 26
Height	-	Appears to be 5'10" or 11"
Weight	-	135 to 140 pounds
Complexion	-	Light olive, fair
Beard	-	Light, no stubble
Hair	-	Muddy blonde (combed straight back) Medium low sideburns
Eyebrows	-	Regular, no scars noticeable over eyes
Eyes	-	Bluish gray (1/2" distance between eyes and brows)
Teeth	-	Regular; repair work noticeable in front
Ears	-	Nothing unusual noticed about ears; no scars
Face	-	Regular; nose not too large; face appears to be pointed. Medium length neck. No prominent Adam's apple. Most resembles Kansas St. Pen. photo #1539. Size of neck 14 1/2. Cheek bones medium high. No scars noticed on face neck, or head. No moles. Mouth - has small lips, thin; downward droop at corners.

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Arms	-	Long slender hands, small effeminate; nails well kept and clean.
Shoulders	-	Slightly stooped and round; walks with fast, long steps, and slouches.
Stomach	-	Flat; belt size 32; large hips.
Dress	-	Wears size 7 hat, usually blue or brown snap brim felt; wears three-piece suit, blue, gray, or brown double-breasted, always well pressed; white shirt, soft collar, multi-colored ties, four-in-hand. Sometimes wears cowhide lumber jacket with zipper. Never been seen wearing gloves. Carries extra suit, clean underwear and shirts in black, Gladstone bag. Carries light brown zipper bag under left arm.
Speech	-	Natural, soft voice, uses fairly good English, good conversationalist, never calls person by correct name. Refers to person by some place or incident.
Jewelry	-	Wears fair size solitaire diamond ring in gold mounting on ring finger of left hand. Square gold wrist watch, leather band; left wrist.
Habits	-	Smokes Chesterfield cigarettes (one pack per day); drinks canned beer and expensive whiskey; gets drunk; never talks when drunk. Does not use narcotics. Reads all newspapers, buys large number at a time. Reads Argosy, Western Story, Detective Story, and True Story Magazines. Goes to movies frequently; any type show. Goes to night clubs; does not dance, but sits and drinks. Actions natural; drinks beer and whiskey straight. - Desires female company regularly and likes to man them. Gambles - dice and poker, especially with friends. Favorite is dice. Favorite foods - steaks and chops and all vegetables. Usually stays at tourist camps when traveling. Stops frequently at beer joints along road while traveling and at rest rooms.

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Likes fishing and hunting.
Likes Plymouth and Buick automobiles, blue or black. Good automobile driver; drives fast. Now drives a 1936 red Buick sedan, Arkansas 1936 tag in name of C. O. Sullivan; radio in car.

Is poor shot with .22 rifle. (Informant thinks he carries .45 auto-loading pistol in zipper bag.)

Cleans teeth and bathes regularly.

No venereal disease of any kind apparent.

Likes baseball and boxing. Interested in Joe Lewis, and attends boxing matches.

Good

Good (Wears gold frame, rimless, octagon glasses at all times.)

Hearing -
Eyesight -

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

JPM/EJB
CC - Bureau ✓

IN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 1, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Connelley telephoned me from Little Rock, stating that Agents Hurt, McNulty, Smith and Murphy have departed for Cleveland; Coulter and Mertz have returned to the Dallas Office with their automobile and equipment; Agent Barber left at three o'clock for Milwaukee.

Mr. Connelley said that one thing which he particularly has in mind is this: They are having Special Agent Frank Smith of the Oklahoma City Office come over there for the purpose of establishing a contact with Dutch Akers, Chief of Detectives at Hot Springs. He said that the Post Office Inspectors have Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police over at Hot Springs, and they are depending almost entirely on what Anderson can produce. Joe Anderson is acquainted with and friendly to Dutch Akers. Mr. Connelley said that Agent Smith, in addition to being a good friend of Dutch Akers, is also a good friend of Joe Anderson, and Joe Anderson, who is rather talkative, will undoubtedly give Smith everything he gets even before he gives it to the Post Office Inspectors.

With reference to the situation of this fellow ^{John} Rochet in Ohio, Mr. Connelley said that the Agents and the Post Office Inspectors have Rochet under observation, and he is to be taken shortly into custody. He said that while there is an automobile in the garage at the house, there are no indications that anyone is in the house with the exception of Rochet, although a possibility exists that Milton Lett might be there. Rochet is one of the contacts of Clayton Hall, the informant who gave us the information resulting in the investigation in Hot Springs.

I asked Mr. Connelley what he intended to do with Zetzer, who is the airplane pilot who flew Karpis and Campbell right after the Atlantic City affair. He said that he was talking with MacFarland relative to this man today, and MacFarland said Zetzer has given us absolutely nothing that will hurt himself, and it appears that he does not intend to do so. Consequently, Mr. Connelley said he had in mind asking the Post Office Inspectors if they want him. If the Inspectors do not want him, we will put him in the status of a confidential informant, and turn him out to get certain information, which, of course, he will not get. We will get rid of him in this manner. However, Mr. Connelley said that he believes the Post Office Inspectors will file on him if we turn him over to them.

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Mr. Connelley said that he will get the Oklahoma City and Kansas City men out of there just as soon as possible. He said that he plans to get out of there tomorrow possibly by airplane for Cleveland, stopping off at Cincinnati to fix up the ratings. Of course, the Bureau will be kept advised as to the movements of the Agents and of Mr. Connelley.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 22, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BARKID

Kindly supply this office, at your earliest
convenience, with one dozen photographs of the subject
HARRY CAMPBELL.

Very truly yours,

WJ/EJB
CC - Bureau

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Jacksonville, Florida.

April 1, 1936.

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

SAC, PHILADELPHIA.

Canal of Philadelphia
PHONE. BREKID. MR AND MRS ^{William} HORN MET BY AGENT AT JACKSONVILLE AND INTERVIEWED. AGENTS ACCOMPANIED THEM TO DAYTONA BEACH, WHERE INQUIRIES DEVELOPED NO INFORMATION INDICATING CONNECTION OF MEAD WITH THE ATTEMPTED SWINDLE OF HORNS. HORNS UNABLE IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPHS OF KNOWN ASSOCIATES OF MEAD. SCHEME IN QUESTION IS USUAL CONFIDENCE GAME, APPARENTLY HAVING NO UNUSUAL FEATURES. DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA, WELL KNOWN GATHERING PLACE FOR CONFIDENCE MEN AND FREQUENT INQUIRIES THAT POINT HAVE FAILED TO SHOW PRESENCE OF MEAD DURING THIS SEASON. HORNS CONTEMPLATE DRIVING TO PHILADELPHIA TOMORROW.

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Special Agent in Charge

Sent 4:45 P.M. Per 6

JOHN GAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 1, 1936.

Time - 9:40 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I contacted Mr. Connelley in Little Rock with reference to his selection of Agents to be sent to Cleveland to assist in the investigation in that district, and pointed out to him that he has selected Agent Barber of the Milwaukee Office, and Agents Hurt and Coulter of the Dallas Office. In this connection, I told him that to take Agent Barber from Milwaukee would leave SAC Peterson with about one or two men in the office, and to take the two Agents from Dallas would leave a very few men in the district, thus materially crippling both of those offices. I suggested, therefore, that possibly Agent Madala of the Louisville Office could take the place of Agent Barber, and one of the Agents from Chicago, possibly Boone or Arms, would take the place of one of the men from Dallas. Mr. Connelley said that there is no reason why Madala cannot take the place of Barber, and stated that he would like to have Agent Arms rather than Boone from Chicago to take the place of Coulter. There will be four men left in Little Rock.

Mr. Connelley said that he is going to remain in Little Rock for another two or three days, stating that this Grace Goldstein, while agreeing to give us information if possible as to the subjects or their contacts, has not in his opinion told us all she knows about this matter. Mr. Connelley said that the Post Office Inspectors and Joe Anderson have some man over in Hot Springs who they are questioning about this matter, and the indications are that the Chief of Police at Hot Springs and this prostitute went out to this hideout of the subjects and got their clothing, etc., after they had left, this possibly accounting for the lights having been seen in the house on either Saturday or Sunday night.

Mr. Connelley said that Agents Barber and Coulter would get out of their for their respective headquarters today.

Time - 9:48 A.M.

I telephoned the Louisville Office and instructed that Special Agent John L. Madala get out of there at once and report to Mr. MacFarland at Cleveland for assignment to this investigation.

Time - 9:50 A.M.

I telephoned the Chicago Office and instructed that Special Agent L. W. Arms get out of there and report to Mr. MacFarland at once.

Respectfully,

P. E. FOXWORTH.

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