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REPORT MADE AT <b>EL PASO, Texas.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-8-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/25 to 4-3-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>M.C.Falkner jfn</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Detailed information relative to position, superior officers, and points of travel of Clarence G. (Jack) Campbell obtained. Continual mail cover being maintained at Midland, Texas. Arrangements made for complete and continuous check on all long distance calls to and from Campbell's home in Midland. Inspection of Campbell home made under pretext discloses no positive evidence of presence there of the fugitive Campbell. C.C. Campbell, brother of Jack, now believed in employ of Texas-Pacific Coal &amp; Oil Co., and probably stationed at Jal, N.M. Jack Campbell believed to have recently been in Tulsa, Okla. Subject Campbell's wife has relatives residing at Iraan, Texas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report by SAC R.H.Colvin, El Paso, Tex., 3-27-36; report of D.W. Gleason, Dallas, Texas, 3-11-36.</p> <p>DETAILS: AT MIDLAND, Texas:-</p> <p>Upon arrival in Midland on 3-25-36 Agent immediately interviewed Postmaster John P.Howe, who stated that he is personally checking on mail received by Clarence G.(Jack) Campbell, and will continue to do this so long as it is desired by the Bureau. Mr.Howe further stated that he will promptly forward tracings of mail received to the El Paso Office. In this connection Mr.Howe stated that in view of the fact that <u>Campbell is in active charge of the production activities of the Texas-Pacific Coal and Oil Company at Midland, which includes considerable territory in West Texas, New Mexico and possibly in Oklahoma, Campbell receives considerable mail in company self-addressed envelopes, which no doubt contain daily or weekly oil reports inasmuch as he has noticed innumerable such letters arriving from certain post offices which he knows to be near the territory where company oil fields are in production.</u> Mr.Howe stated that he has not been forwarding tracings on such</p>			
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mail inasmuch as it would be an endless task for him, and he felt positive from similar letters being received daily by numerous other oil companies in Midland that such letters contained only oil production reports. Several such letters were exhibited to Agent at the time of this interview. By holding these envelopes up to the light, it could be readily seen that they contained nothing but regular form letters setting out reports of oil production for given dates. Mr. Howe stated, however, that he would make it a point to personally check all mail received by Campbell and would supply the El Paso Office with tracings on all mail which was not apparently concerning oil production reports.

Investigation disclosed that C.G. Campbell resides at 810 West Texas St. His assigned telephone number is 1059. Investigation further disclosed that the local telephone company is a branch of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, with headquarters at Fort Worth, Texas. As will be noted later in this report, arrangements were made for complete coverage on all long distance calls to and from this telephone.

Numerous discussions were had with Sheriff A.C. Francis and Deputy Sheriff Fisher Pollard relative to an inspection of the Campbell home. Attention is here called to information set out in previous reports to the effect that a strange man was known to have been at the Campbell home a few months ago under rather suspicious circumstances. The above officers stated that since Agent's request for cooperation in this matter, they had made it a point to closely observe the Campbell home on a number of occasions but had never seen anyone there other than members of the immediate family. In this connection it will be stated that neither Sheriff Francis nor Deputy Sheriff Pollard, both of whom are residents of many years standing in Midland, have ever seen Clarence G. Campbell or C.C. Campbell. As noted in previous reports, the home now occupied by Jack Campbell is owned by Sheriff Francis. Agent was advised by Sheriff Francis that he receives monthly rent checks from Campbell and has never had occasion to go to this house since it was rented to Jack Campbell in about December, 1935.

These officers further stated that information had reached them to the effect that a Chevrolet Coupe bearing Washington State license tags had been observed in the vicinity of the Campbell home within the past few weeks. They further stated that having in mind Agent's previous request for cooperation in this matter, they had made numerous trips to the vicinity of the Campbell home in an effort to spot this Chevrolet Coupe, in order that they might observe the occupants and obtain the license number. They stated that in spite of their many efforts in this direction they had never been able to see the car.

Attention is here called to the fact that the El Paso Office has been previously advised by the Dallas Office in the form of a report by Special Agent D.W. Gleason, dated 3-14-36, that Clell Campbell, brother of subject Harry Campbell, owned 1931 Chevrolet Coupe bearing Washington State license #J-1602, and motor #2,635,475, and had visited his brother Clarence G. Campbell at Midland, Texas, on 3-7 and 3-8-36 and was expected to return there to remain indefinitely working for the said Jack Campbell, or for the Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Company, under Jack Campbell's supervision.

7E Agent made arrangements with Sheriff Francis whereby Sheriff Francis and Agent were to proceed to the Campbell home [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in this connection

further arrangements were made for Deputy Sheriff Pollard and as many other officers as were necessary to remain a reasonable distance from the Campbell home in order that they might observe all of the exits, while Sheriff Francis and Agent were looking through the house as above set out. Before this plan could be carried out, Sheriff Francis was called from Midland on other matters.

b7E Agent discussed the possibility of carrying out the above plan with Mrs. Francis, who stated that she would gladly take such action as Agent suggested. It was therefore suggested to Mrs. Francis that she proceed to the Campbell home with Agent; that Mrs. Francis was to call Mrs. Campbell to the door.

In this connection Agent told Mrs. Francis that it would not be permissible for her to enter the house at this time, inasmuch as it was not known just what would be found therein. Mrs. Francis stated that she would gladly do as Agent suggested and as an excuse to Mrs. Campbell would state to her that in view of the fact that Sheriff Francis was out of the City, it was necessary for Mrs. Francis to return to the office immediately.

On 3-30-36 Deputy Sheriff Pollard and City Constable Ponder proceeded to the vicinity of the Campbell home under instructions to observe the front and rear entrances of this house, and to arrive there at exactly 11:00 a.m. At the same time arrangements were made by Agent for Mrs. Francis to proceed with him to the Campbell home, arriving there at five minutes after 11:00 a.m.

The above plans were carried out and Agent was introduced to Mrs. Campbell, under the above name and for the above set out purpose. At the same time, Mrs. Francis stated to Mrs. Campbell that she would have to return immediately to the office. Mrs. Francis departed from the house and Agent entered it. Mrs. Campbell quite freely showed Agent through all parts of this house, although it was noted that she remained in the immediate vicinity of Agent wherever he went in the place. It was further noted that all rooms in the house were in a very neat and orderly condition, with the exception of one small bedroom which was off to itself at the left rear of this house, and which Agent noticed was badly disarranged, as though someone had recently occupied the bed there and had thrown clothes on chairs and on the bed. Mrs. Campbell was standing beside Agent at the time this room was seen, and she made no remark concerning the difference in the appearance of this room and the remainder of the house. It was noted that an overcoat, which apparently belonged to a man, was hanging across the bed. There were a number of shoes scattered about the floor, but none seemed large enough for a man. The majority of them appeared to be childrens' shoes. Agent was able to view the insides of all closets in the place, or at least such closets as Agent was able to ascertain existed in the house. Mrs. Campbell expressed no desire for Agent to refrain from looking at any of these closets or any of the rooms; however, as stated above, it was noted that during the time Agent was in the house Mrs. Campbell was in the immediate vicinity of the place occupied by Agent.

Attention is here called to the fact that the Jack Campbell household consists of himself, Mrs. Campbell and four children. Of these children all are now at Midland, with the exception of the oldest son, Joe Campbell, who is attending Texas A & M College at College Station, Texas. Information as to the presence of Joe Campbell

at the above address has been forwarded to the San Antonio Office and his presence at that place is being covered by that Office.

On 3-29-36 a letter was received at the Midland Post Office addressed to C.C. Campbell, Midland, Texas, c/o C.G. Campbell. This letter bore the return address Laura Lee Campbell, 818 South Rockford, Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Post Office cancellation stamp, such part as is legible, reads: "Transfer -- March 28, 1936, Tulsa, Oklahoma." Apparently the word "transfer" indicates that this letter was mailed on a train, or at least was not mailed in the regular postal channels at Tulsa, Okla. Attention is here called to the fact that the fugitive Campbell's parents reside at the above mentioned address in Tulsa, Okla.

On 3-28-36 a letter was received at the Midland Post Office addressed to C.G. Campbell, T & P Coal and Oil Co., Midland, Texas. The return address is C.C. Campbell, Jal, New Mexico. The Post Office cancellation stamp reads "Jal, New Mexico, 3-27-36."

On April 4, 1936 a letter was received at the Midland Post Office bearing the above address and return address and with similar Post Office cancellation stamp.

The above indicate that C.C. (Clell) Campbell is now at Jal, N.M. However, it is impossible at the present time to ascertain whether or not he is stationed there permanently and in what capacity he is stationed in that City. It is believed, however, that he is working for the Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Co., under the supervision of his brother Jack Campbell since it has been ascertained, as will be set out later in this report, that this company has an operating oil pool in the immediate vicinity of Jal, N.M. On the other hand, it is possible that Clell Campbell is employed by the above named company and is only stationed temporarily at Jal, N. M. In this connection, it is definitely known that Jack Campbell, in the furtherance of his duties for the above named company, pays frequent visits to the above named oil pool near Jal. If Clell Campbell is employed in a similar capacity to that of his brother Jack, then it is possible that he is only at Jal for a temporary period.

On 3-30-36 a letter was received at the Midland Post Office addressed to Mrs. C.G. Campbell, c/o T & P Coal and Oil Company, Midland, Texas, bearing postmark Skiatook, Okla., with the Skiatook, Okla., Post Office cancellation stamp dated 3-28-36. By holding this letter up to the light, it was possible to read nearly all of the contents thereof. The letter contained what appeared to be a single sheet of ordinary ruled cheap letter paper. On it was written with pencil the following:

"Dear Nellie (or Nell)

We are getting along fine with the exception of the dust. The storms have been bad here of late. We are doing well with the chickens, and Daddy is hoping that the new patch of grain will be worth all the work he is putting on it. We think of you often and want to hear from you and all of our children. We hope this awful dust is not getting as far as Midland. Let's hear from you. With love

Mother and Father."

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It was impossible to read this letter in its entirety, but the above contains the general tenor of it, such as could be read through the envelope. In view of the contents, no undeveloped lead is set out for the Oklahoma City Office for investigation at Skiatook, Okla.

On 4-1-36 a registered letter was received at the Midland Post Office addressed to Mr. C. C. Campbell, c/o C. G. Campbell, T & P Coal and Oil Co., Midland, Texas; return address C. G. Campbell, 818 South Rockford, Tulsa, Okla., register #30784. By holding this letter up to a strong light, it could be seen that the envelope contained an official envelope bearing the following return address: "U.S. Employees' Compensation Committee, Rooms \_\_\_\_\_, Federal Building, Seattle, Washington; Official Business." The enclosed envelope contained what appeared to be a register stamp, and the address "Mr. C. Campbell, Benson Hotel, Olympia, Washington." Underneath that address appeared the following in longhand: "818 South Rockford, Tulsa, Okla."

No doubt the above has to do with a compensation claim by C. C. Campbell. The file reflects that Campbell was formerly employed as a stevedore and sustained an injury while working in such capacity. At any event it could be easily seen that the enclosed letter was in an official envelope.

As is noted, the above registered letter to C. C. Campbell bore the return address of C. G. Campbell, 818 South Rockford St., Tulsa, Okla. This indicated that Clarence G. (Jack) Campbell was undoubtedly in Tulsa, Okla., and mailed this letter to his brother Clell from that City. This indication was further strengthened by the fact that neither Agent nor any of the local officers in Midland had been able to locate Jack Campbell during the period Agent had been investigating this matter in that City.

On 4-1-36 a coded wire was sent to the Oklahoma City office advising that Jack Campbell was at 818 South Rockford St., Tulsa, Okla.

On 4-3-36 Agent ascertained through informants at Midland, Texas, that Jack Campbell had been seen in the vicinity of Hobbs, N.M., on March 30th and 31st, and possibly on April 1st and 2nd, 1936. The informant further advised that Jack Campbell was seen to leave the vicinity of his home in his company owned car shortly after day-break on April 3, 1936. On this date a coded wire was forwarded to the Oklahoma City Office advising that Jack Campbell had returned to Midland.

It will be stated here that during the entire time that Agent was at Midland in connection with this investigation, he never observed Jack Campbell, Clell Campbell, or either of the cars known to be used by them. Attention is here called to the fact that Jack Campbell has never been seen by people who live in Midland and work there every day in the year. In this connection Agent was advised by Sheriff Francis and informant C. M. Goldsmith that Jack Campbell is one of the most peculiar persons they have ever known; that Mrs. Campbell and the children are frequently seen about the home and on the streets of the town, whereas Mr. Goldsmith, who lives directly across the street from the Campbell home, has never seen Jack Campbell.

On 4-3-36 a letter was received at the Midland Post Office bearing the following address: "C. Campbell, 818 South Rockford, Tulsa, Okla." Under this address in pencil appeared "Midland, Texas, c/o C. G. Campbell, T. & P. Coal and Oil Company." This letter

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bore the return address of the Olympia Stevedore Co., 314 Capital Way, Olympia, Washington. The letter bore the Post Office cancellation stamps of the Olympia, Washington and Tulsa, Okla., Post Offices. Apparently this letter was from the firm by which Clell Campbell was formerly employed and was addressed to him at Tulsa and from there forwarded to Midland, Texas.

Interviews were had with informant C.M. Goldsmith on several occasions during the period of this investigation. Mr. Goldsmith stated that he and his wife had made it a point to closely observe the activities at and near the Campbell home, which, as set out above, is located directly across the street from the Goldsmith residence. Mr. Goldsmith further stated that they had seen a number of strange men in the vicinity of this house, but these men appeared to be common oil field workers; and further, they had also noticed that lights burned in this house during all hours of the night. In this connection Mr. Goldsmith stated that it is his belief that Jack Campbell's daughter Chick Campbell spends a good part of her time running around with the young bloods of the community, and possibly has free rein in connection with going and coming during the greater part of the night.

Agent was advised by Postmaster Howe that Post Office Clerk R.H. Graves had been designated by him when he, Postmaster Howe, was absent to prepare tracings on Jack Campbell's mail for the El Paso office; that through such work Graves had obtained some inkling of the investigation being made in connection with this matter.

Inspection of the automobile registration records in the office of Sheriff Francis disclosed that Chevrolet Master Sedan, motor #5,143,483, owner C.G. Campbell, has been assigned 1936 Texas license #765-455.

Attention is here called to the fact that, as stated in previous reports, the above mentioned car is the personal car of C.G. Campbell. Attention is further called to the fact, as set out in previous reports, that Jack Campbell travels in a company car, which is also a Chevrolet Master Sedan. Inspection of the records in Sheriff Francis' office during the period of this investigation disclosed no registration of the company owned car. Apparently this has not yet been registered for the year 1936 or if registered, the registration was not in Midland County. In this connection, Agent was advised by Sheriff Francis that the major oil companies frequently register their company cars in different counties in different years. Agent also learned through Sheriff Francis that this company owned Chevrolet is believed to be equipped with 1936 New Mexico license plates, numbers unknown.

The matter of obtaining full detailed information relative to the employment and activities of Clarence G. Campbell was discussed with Sheriff Francis and Deputy Sheriff Pollard. The latter suggested that Agent interview Mr. Lewis C. Link who came to Midland, Texas, a number of years ago in the same capacity with the Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Co. now held by Clarence G. Campbell. Mr. Pollard further stated that Link resigned his position with the company to become an independent oil operator about fifteen months ago, at which time Clarence G. Campbell came to Midland to take over the duties formerly discharged by Mr. Link. Mr. Pollard further stated that Mr. Link is intimately acquainted with all oil men in west Texas and eastern New Mexico; that he is absolutely reliable and can be depended upon to cooperate to the fullest extent in connection with this matter.



Accordingly Agent interviewed Mr. Link in his hotel room in the presence of Deputy Sheriff Pollard. Mr. Link stated as follows:

Clarence G. Campbell is what is known as Production Manager for the Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Company, with headquarters at Midland, Texas. His duties require him to be on the road practically all of the time and the nature of his duties requires the inspection of leases purchased by the company and the supervision of production of oil wells on such leases. At the present time and for the past several months, due to the numerous leases and wells under the control of this company in West Texas and eastern New Mexico, Campbell's duties have caused him to operate exclusively in this vicinity. He has not known Clarence G. Campbell to be called outside of this area within the past year or more.

Concerning the specific localities where Clarence G. Campbell would have <sup>occasion</sup> to make inspections at frequent intervals, Link stated that he has personal knowledge of the fact that the following leases and oil production areas are inspected by Clarence G. Campbell almost continually:

- (1) A well being drilled four or five miles east of McCamey, Texas, on the Rankin, Texas, highway. The company farm boss at this McCamey well is Don Bonney, who lives in McCamey, but spends the greater part of his time on this lease.
- (2) The James lease and the Barker lease located about eighteen miles south of Monahans, Texas, near Royalty, Texas. The farm boss here is Joe Flannigan who married Jack Campbell's sister, from whom he is now divorced, but is still a very close friend of Campbell.
- (3) The Daugherty lease, six or seven miles north of Kermit, in Winkler County, Tex. The farm boss here is unknown.
- (4) Lease on the Eunice Highway, near the Teague Switch, about five miles west of Jal, N.M. The farm boss here is unknown. Concerning this lease Mr. Link stated that in his opinion this would be the most likely place for fugitive Campbell to be employed if he is working under the supervision of Jack Campbell. To substantiate this statement, Mr. Link stated that this particular lease is located about one or two miles from the highway and it can only be reached by horseback, by wagon, or by walking; that in bad weather it is extremely difficult to reach this particular lease; and that no one, other than a geologist or an employee of an oil company, would have occasion to go in the vicinity of this lease. Mr. Link further stated that the oil field workers engaged on this lease live in bunk houses close by, although it is possible that some of them reside in the nearby towns of Kermit and Wink, Texas, and go to and from work.
- (5) Lease three miles northwest of Hobbs, N.M. The farm boss here is unknown.
- (6) Producing well in the vicinity of Great Falls, Mont. Mr. Link stated that he believes this production area is approximately fifty miles from the above City and is situated in what is known as the Keeven Sunburst Fields. The production manager here is Wayne Wineland (phonetic spelling).

Mr.Link further stated that Art Shibell (phonetic spelling) is a regularly employed farm boss of the company and spends considerable time in the vicinity of Monahans, Texas.

Mr.Link further stated that neither Don Bonny nor Art Shibell should be contacted for any information relative to the fugitive Campbell, as both of them are extremely close to Jack Campbell and would immediately inform him of any request for information received.

Mr.Link stated that the company by which Jack Campbell is employed is interested in leases elsewhere and is continually on the lookout for additional leases for the purpose of drilling wells looking to the location of a production field of importance; that, however, geologists are usually employed for this purpose and Jack Campbell is confined to the inspection of the fields where drilling is already well under way or where production is now being had. Mr.Link stated, however, that it is possible that Jack Campbell would be called on to make an inspection of the leases under consideration by the company.

With reference to the capacity of Jack Campbell at Midland, Mr.Link stated that Jack Campbell is absolutely his own boss in the territory covered by the company west of Fort Worth, Texas; that he has the power to fire and hire without comment; that he has an office in the Petroleum Building in Midland, but is there on very rare occasions. With reference to Jack Campbell's immediate superiors, Mr.Link stated that J.R.Penn is President of the Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Company, with headquarters in the First National Bank Building at Fort Worth, Texas. Mr.Link further stated that Campbell's immediate superior is R.J.Fleckenstein, General Superintendent in Charge of Production, T. & P. Coal and Oil Company, same address as Mr.Penn.

With reference to the advisability of contacting either of the above officials, Mr.Link stated that in his opinion Fleckenstein should not be approached under any circumstances. As reason for this Mr.Link stated that Fleckenstein is very close to Jack Campbell; and that the two of them frequently go out on extended drinking bouts together. However, with reference to Mr.J.R.Penn, Mr.Link stated that he is positive that Mr.Penn could be approached with absolute confidence that he would keep all requests for information confidential, and would cooperate with the Bureau in every respect.

It will be stated that Mr.Link suggested that Mr.Penn be interviewed and that this entire matter be placed before him, with the request that he cooperate with the Bureau in an effort to ascertain if fugitive Campbell is presently employed by this company or is communicating with his brothers Jack Campbell and Clell Campbell. Mr.Link further suggested that Mr.Penn would advise immediately if Clell Campbell is employed by this company; and further that Mr.Penn would give full details as to the employment of Clell Campbell, as to date and place.

Through a confidential source at Midland Agent arranged for a complete coverage by the local office of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company on all long distance calls received by C.G.Campbell and all long distance calls made from his telephone, which is number 1059. At the same time, arrangements were made whereby the El Paso Office will be immediately notified of all outgoing long distance calls from Jack Campbell's telephone at Midland, provided such long distance calls are to points other than

eastern New Mexico and West Texas. In this connection it will be stated that inspection of the telephone company records which was made by Agent disclosed innumerable long distance telephone calls to and from the Campbell's residence to points in the oil fields in eastern New Mexico and west Texas. It would be manifestly impossible for the telephone company to furnish immediate records on all such calls. It will be further stated that Agent ascertained through the above mentioned inspection of the telephone company records, that these calls are almost invariably from one of the above named farm bosses.

The El Paso Office will likewise be immediately notified of all incoming calls from distant points, if such calls are collect; otherwise the place where the call originated would have the records and a copy of such records would not be forwarded to the Midland office until between the first to the tenth of the following month. Arrangements were made whereby a transcript of such calls will be forwarded to the El Paso Office as soon as received at Midland.

Inspection of the long distance telephone calls to and from the telephone of Jack Campbell at Midland, Texas, from such records as were available at the time of this investigation, disclosed the following:

From:	To:	Date:
No. 9502, Grand Falls, Texas.	No. 1059, Midland.	2-7-36
No. 98, Wink, Texas.	" "	1-10-36
No. 95, Wink, Texas.	" "	1-11-36
" " "	" "	1-12-36
" " "	" "	1-12-36
" " "	" "	1-20-36
" " "	" "	1-28-36
No. 39, Monahans, Texas.	McCamey, Texas,	1-30-36.
No. 1059, Midland, Texas.	No. 1059, Midland.	12-13-35
No. 95, Wink, Texas.	" "	12-15-35
No. 39, Monahans, Texas.	" "	12-18-35.
No. 95, Wink, Texas.	" "	12-19-35.
" " "	" "	

The records disclosed that all of the above mentioned calls from Wink and Monahans, Texas, were made by the above mentioned farm boss Shibell.

As stated above additional records of the telephone company were not available at the time of this investigation. However, Agent was advised that such records would be ready for inspection not later than April 10, 1936.

With reference to the lead in the report of reference by Special Agent Gleason, Agent investigated as follows at IRAAN, Texas:-

Interview was had with Post Office Clerk Emily Smith, who stated that the Postmaster, S.C. Reinhart was attending his father's funeral in Kansas and was expected to return to Iraan within about four or five days. Miss Smith stated that she is well acquainted with a girl named Pauline Gibson, who is about sixteen years of age, and



who lives with her aunt Liza Gibson; that the aunt has resided in Iraan for a number of years and is related to J.J. Ward, who operates a grocery store, and by whom Pauline is employed as Clerk.

The said reference report quoted a postcard postmarked at Iraan, Texas, 3-6-36 and addressed to Mrs. Mimi Gibson, Pampa, Texas. The writing on the card refers to Mrs. Mimi Gibson as mother, and mentions a Mrs. Ward, an Aunt Liza, a J.B., and a Helen. Reference is also made on the postcard to a visit by Mr. and Mrs. Ward to Colorado. Miss Smith stated that Mrs. J.J. Ward's given name is Helen; that Mrs. Liza Gibson has a son about 14 years of age who is known as J.B.

Miss Smith stated that she is on duty at the General Delivery Window for seven or eight hours each day and believes she is familiar with all persons who call for mail at both the General Delivery Window and at Post Office boxes. Photograph of the fugitive Campbell was exhibited to Miss Smith, who stated that she has never seen anyone answering this description; and that she is quite sure no such person is now or has been at the home of the above mentioned Wards or Mrs. Liza Gibson.

No effort was made toward placing a cover on the mail of the above mentioned Pauline Gibson, Mrs. Liza Gibson, and J.J. Ward, due to the fact that the Postmaster was not present at the time of this investigation and Agent did not deem it advisable to discuss this matter further with Miss Smith, who was the only one on duty and who is a young girl about 15 years of age.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:-

PORTLAND BUREAU OFFICE - AT OLYMPIA, Washington - Will investigate at the Olympia Stevedoring Co., 314 Capitol Way, relative to the employment there of C.C. Campbell, with a view to ascertaining C.C. Campbell's contacts while so employed, and to determine if the fugitive Campbell is known to officials of this company. The registered letter referred to in this report contained what appeared to be the address "C. Campbell, Benson Hotel, Olympia, Washington." Investigation should be made to determine if there is such a hotel in that City with a view of developing information concerning the contacts of Clell Campbell while a guest at this hotel.

AT SEATTLE, Washington - Will make inquiry at the U.S. Employees' Compensation Committee, Federal Building, relative to what is believed to be a registered letter addressed to C. Campbell, Benson Hotel, Olympia, Washington.

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE - AT TULSA, Okla. - Will make discreet inquiry relative to the information set out in this report that a registered letter bearing the return address of C.C. Campbell, 818 South Rockford St., Tulsa, Okla., was received at Midland, Texas, on 4-1-36, at which time it is almost certain that C.C. Campbell was in either west Texas or eastern New Mexico.

BUTTE OFFICE - AT GREAT FALLS, Mont. - Will endeavor to ascertain the location of the oil producing property of the Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Company, believed to be located about fifty miles from Great Falls, in what is known as the Keeven Sunburst Field, for the purpose of ascertaining if the fugitive Campbell is employed on this property, the company manager of which is Wayne Wineland (phonetic spelling) who should

not be contacted in connection with this investigation, as he is said to be a close personal friend of C.G.Campbell.

THE DALLAS BUREAU OFFICE - AT FORT WORTH, Texas - Will consider the advisability of interviewing President J.R.Penn, Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Company, First National Bank Building, for full details relative to the history and travels of C.G.Campbell; for details as to present employment of C.G.Campbell; for complete information as to the location and addresses of all employees who have become such within the past year and who were employed by C.G.Campbell on behalf of the company.

THE EL PASO OFFICE - AT SANTA FE, N.M. - Will investigate at the State Motor Vehicle Department to ascertain if the Texas and Pacific Coal and Gas Company has registered Chevrolet Master Sedan bearing motor 5,147,458.

AT MIDLAND, Texas: - Will continue this investigation by close contact with Postmaster Howe, Sheriff Francis, Deputy Sheriff Pollard, C.M.Goldsmith, and Lewis C. Link. Will, as soon as possible after April 10, 1936, check the telephone records in the office of the telephone company relative to long distance calls to and from telephone number 1059, which is that of Jack Campbell at Midland.

At the Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil Co. properties near ROYALTY, MC CAMEY, and KERMIT, Texas; and JAL and HOBBS, New Mexico, will conduct discreet investigation to ascertain if the fugitive Campbell is employed at any of these projects.

AT MIDLAND, Texas: - Will ascertain 1936 Texas license assigned to C.C.Campbell.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>ATLANTA, GEORGIA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-10-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3-28-36; 4-3, 6, 8-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>HERBERT J. CRONIN</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE; I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE; I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE; I.O. 1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <div style="text-align: center;">No further information relative to William E. Meade obtained at Savannah, Georgia. E. M. "Jock" Lentz and Joseph Peter Dowling have not been at DeSoto, Whitney, John Wesley or Savannah Hotels, Savannah, Georgia, since October, 1935.</div> <div style="text-align: center;">- P -</div>			
REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, 3-12-36 and Special Agent Herbert J. Cronin, Atlanta, 1-22-36. Summary report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, 1-6-36.			
DETAILS: Agent exhibited photographs of William E. Meade to Roy S. Haygood and John Attaway, clerks at the Whitney Hotel, Savannah, Georgia. Both stated that they did not recall having seen Meade at any time. They promised to notify Agent at Savannah, or if Agent happened to be away from the city, to notify the Atlanta Office immediately if Meade should be seen by them. Agent carefully went over the description of Meade with them, separately, and called at the hotel several times on different days to impress upon them that the Bureau is anxious to locate this man. Both Haygood and Attaway have been cooperative in connection with other cases, and it is believed they will cooperate in this regard also. They were informed also that in the event quick action is needed and they are unable to locate Agent, they should contact Sergeant of Detectives Fitzgerald of the Savannah Police Department.			
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Agent also exhibited the photographs of William E. Meade to Sergeant of Detectives E. A. Fitzgerald, Savannah Police Department, and to other detectives on the force. They studied the pictures of Meade and his description, and promised to be on the alert to cause his apprehension.

The clerks at the Savannah, John Wesley and DeSoto Hotels in Savannah were also contacted in an effort to locate Meade, Jack Lentz and Joe Dowling, with negative results. All promised to be on the watch for these three or any one of them, and to notify Agent or the Atlanta Office if they should appear. Inquiry with regard to Lentz and Dowling was also made at the Whitney Hotel.

Leon Womble, Clerk at the Savannah Hotel, who knows Lentz as Jack Lance, informed that Lance has not been in the city, to his knowledge, since he left in 1935, owing ten dollars on his hotel bill.

A. J. Browne, Assistant Manager, DeSoto Hotel, Savannah, Georgia, who knows Dowling as John P. Downey, stated that he has not returned to the DeSoto since he left in October, 1935.

Agent will continue to contact Haygood and Attaway at the Whitney Hotel, Womble at the Savannah Hotel, and A. J. Browne at the DeSoto, from time to time in an effort to locate Meade, Lentz or Dowling.

It is noted that in the report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, 3-12-36, on page 8, informant, [REDACTED] is reported in the last paragraph to have stated that when the racing season is open at Savannah, Georgia, the Whitney Hotel is usually the hangout for confidence men. Gambling is illegal in Savannah, and there are no dog or horse tracks there. However, bets may be placed at a saloon and pool room known as Bo Peep's, in Savannah, on races at tracks located in other parts of the country, and it is known that confidence men and gamblers frequent Bo Peep's. The owner of this place is Wolfe Silver. He was one of the subjects in that case entitled WOLFE SILVER, with aliases, et al., THEFT FROM INTERSTATE SHIPMENT, Atlanta file number 15-44, and cannot be depended upon as an informant. None of the employees at his place at present can be trusted as informants. However, Agent will maintain a check here from time to time, personally, and will endeavor to secure information

*Confidential informant*  
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through other sources, of confidence men who may frequent Bo Peep's place.

**UNDEVELOPED LEAD:**

THE ATLANTA OFFICE will continue activity in Savannah, Georgia, as set forth in the last two paragraphs of this report.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

FILE NO. **7-35**

REPORT MADE AT <b>San Francisco, Calif.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4/6/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/15,30/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>F. C. DORWART - MF</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1232; Et Al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

No record bank account of Kate Mead at principal banks in San Francisco. Cooperation Tanforan Race Track officials; San Francisco Police Department, Bunco Detail; and private individuals enlisted for purpose ascertaining if Mead now in this vicinity. Mrs. C. A. Baxter, sister of Kate Mead, and family have had no information concerning either Mr. or Mrs. Mead.

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**REFERENCE:**

Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, 1/27/36; Report Special Agent V. E. Criss, Chicago, Illinois, 3/11/36; report Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, California, 3/12/36.

**DETAILS:**

at San Francisco, California.

Agent interviewed Inspector Thomas Reagan, San Francisco Police Department, Bunco Detail, at which time four copies of the

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1935 picture of William Elmer Mead, as well as the Identification Order of this individual, were given to him. Inspector Reagan stated that he is personally acquainted with Mead, since Mead formerly operated in this vicinity and it was his opinion that Mead would not appear in San Francisco because of the fact that he is quite generally known. He stated, however, that he would furnish the pictures of Mead to other members of the Bunco Detail and that they would be on the lookout at the various hangouts of confidence men in San Francisco and would immediately notify the San Francisco Bureau Office in the event any information concerning Mead was obtained.

According to Inspector Reagan, one Louis Waxenburg, alias "Jew Kid", alias Harry Wisherd, alias George Hobert, and other aliases, was known to be a former pal of William Elmer Mead and a known contact of confidence men on the West Coast. Inspector Reagan stated that Waxenburg was presently located at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif., and suggested that discreet inquiry concerning the activities and associates of Waxenburg might lead to information concerning William Elmer Mead.

It was the opinion of Inspector Reagan that Lieut. Patrick Maloney, Portland, Oregon, Police Department, was also well acquainted with Kate Schmitt Mead, wife of William Elmer Mead, and believed that Lieut. Maloney might be able to give information of value concerning the Meads.

At the William Taylor Hotel Agent interviewed Assistant Manager John Blackenger, who, it was known, was a personal acquaintance of William C. Graham and James McKay of Reno, Nevada, who advised that both of these individuals were presently in San Francisco attending the horse racing meet at the Tanforan Race Track. Mr. Blackenger advised that William Graham was residing at the St. Francis Hotel and that James McKay was residing at the Whitcomb Hotel. It was the opinion of Mr. Blackenger, however, that since Assistant Manager Matthews of the Whitcomb Hotel was a personal friend of James McKay, he having managed the Cal-Neva Lodge owned by Graham and McKay at Lake Tahoe, he would not be inclined to give any information concerning Graham and McKay or any of their friends.

At the St. Francis Hotel Agent interviewed Assistant Manager Williamson who advised that William C. Graham was presently a guest at his hotel but was positive that no one answering the description of William Elmer Mead was presently residing there or had been seen in the company of Graham. A picture of William Elmer Mead was left with Mr. Williamson and he advised that he would be glad to cooperate with the Bureau in the event he obtained any information concerning William Elmer Mead.

At the Tanforan Race Track, San Bruno, California, Agent interviewed Mr. W. C. Buchanan, Secretary, and Mr. A. W. Worthington, Inspector, California Horse Racing Board, at which time they assured Agent that their complete cooperation in any matters in which the Bureau was interested could be expected. Photographs of William Elmer Mead, as well as the identification order of this man, and subjects Karpis and Campbell, were left with the above parties and they advised that they would keep a close lookout for any of these individuals as well as to keep the party of Graham and McKay under surveillance during their attendance at the racing meet.

Having ascertained that Mr. Roy Waddell, Kane Detective Agency, was also in attendance at Tanforan daily on a special assignment for that agency, and in view of the fact that Waddell has previously been interviewed and his cooperation solicited in connection with this case, Agent interviewed Mr. Waddell at which time he was furnished a recent photograph of William Elmer Mead and requested to be on the lookout for this individual as well as subjects Karpis and Campbell, photos of which were also furnished Mr. Waddell. Mr. Waddell advised that he knew all the members of the Graham - McKay party and that he would keep them under surveillance and immediately notify this Bureau in the event it appeared that either William Elmer Mead or subjects Karpis and Campbell contacted the Graham - McKay party at the race track.

On receipt of reference report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 11, 1936, Agent conducted investigation at the Bank of America, Wells-Fargo Bank & Union Trust Company, Crocker-First National Bank, the San Francisco Bank, Anglo-California National Bank, the Hibernia Savings and Loan Society, the Bank of California, and the American Trust Company, at which banks investigation was conducted to ascertain whether Mrs. Kate Mead, alias Marie Mead, alias Marie De Temple, had ever carried a bank account, or had a safe deposit box at any of those places, but no record of such an account was found at any of the above banks.

On page 3 of reference report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, California, dated March 12, 1936, on which the correspondence list of Dorothy Fisher, the wife of Leon Felix, is given, there is noted the names of Mr. Edwin George, Hotel Harvard, San Francisco, California, and Mr. Dutch White, Hotel Ambassador, San Francisco, California. In this connection Agent interviewed Mr. D. D. Dwyer, Manager of the Harvard Hotel, 658 Ellis Street, who, together with Agent, checked registrations at that hotel back to September, 1935. No record, however, was found of the registration of anyone by the name of Edwin George, and Mr. Dwyer advised that he has no recollection of anyone by that name having resided at that place. A check was also made of the forwarding addresses but none was found for Edwin George.



At the ~~Ambassador~~ Hotel Agent interviewed Assistant Manager G. W. Gibson who advised that he has known Dutch White for a period of approximately ten years; that White is now operating a bar room at 110 Eddy Street; that he was formerly connected with the Kit Kat Club and the Silver Slipper Tavern and that White has been connected with enterprises of this nature ever since he has known him.

Agent was advised by Inspector Thomas Reagan, Bunco Detail, San Francisco Police Department, that he has known Dutch White for many years and knows him to be a possible contact for men of the caliber of William Elmer Mead and was strongly of the opinion that Dutch White would not give any information concerning any of his acquaintances in the underworld and that it would be useless to contact him. Inasmuch as it has been previously rumored that the bar room at 110 Eddy Street was becoming more or less of a "hot spot" for characters of the underworld, the San Francisco Bureau Office will make arrangements that this place may be frequently visited, and if possible, develop a confidential informant who might be in a position to observe and notify this office should any of the subjects of this case appear at this address.

Agent telephonically communicated with Mrs. C. A. Baxter, sister of Kate Schmitt Mead, who advised that neither she nor any other member of her family had received any information whatsoever concerning her sister or William Elmer Mead since last contacted by Agents of this Bureau, and was of the further opinion that they would probably not receive any communication from them since they had severed all relations.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS.

The LOS ANGELES BUREAU OFFICE at the Los Angeles Police Department, Bunco Detail, will secure information concerning Louis Waxenburg, alias "Jew Kid", alias Harry Wisherd, alias George Robert, for the purpose of ascertaining what that department knows of his activities and as to whether he is a contact man for confidence men in Los Angeles.

At the Biltmore Hotel will discreetly ascertain the activities and known associates of Louis Waxenburg for the purpose of determining whether he is now in contact with William Elmer Mead.

The PORTLAND BUREAU OFFICE will, at the Portland Police Department, interview Lieut. Patrick Maloney concerning any information he may have with regard to William Elmer Mead or Kate Schmitt Mead, since it is understood that he is personally acquainted with the latter.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-9**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Indianapolis, Indiana</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-9-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3-16, 18, 26, 27, 28-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT L. MURPHY</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>mla</b></span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Phillip Amersbach not located at Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana and officials there state he may be confined in Indiana State Reformatory, Pendleton, Indiana. E. Foust Knox, Indiana is Edith Foust, the wife of Chester O. Foust, a respectable farmer and she is also a cousin of Ruth Potts and corresponds with Ruth Potts some but there is no indication she knows or contacts any of Subjects. Chester O. Foust interviewed and knows nothing about his wife's association with Ruth Potts except that Ruth Potts visited his home for a few hours in the summer of 1935. Edith Foust not interviewed in absence of instructions. Mrs. Cecilia Nealon (not Nieland) now lives at 369 Monroe Street, Gary, Indiana. Interviewed and affirms previous statement that she saw Karpis and Fred Barker numerous times in August and September 1934 at a filling station at 6000 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana where they came to see Ruth Heidt. Advises Karpis always well dressed and wore rimless octagon glasses constantly. Also states Ruth Heidt confided to her that Chow dog she had at time of raid in Chicago when Russell Gibson was killed was given her by one of Barker boys and its true name is Beans and it is a pedigreed dog. Arrangements made with Mrs. Nealon to ascertain from Ruth Heidt if any of Subjects are presently contacting her. Sergeant Timothy O'Neill, East Chicago, Indiana, Police Department contacted and states he believes it advisable to make a check of activities of ART STROUSS, well known contact for hoodlums in East Chicago, Indiana.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>Reference: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois dated 12-27-35;</p>			
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summary report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Chicago, Illinois, 2-8-36; report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, 2-13-36; reports of Special Agent J. E. Jones, Indianapolis, Indiana 3-7-36 and 3-11-36; letter from Chicago Office dated 3-4-36.

Details: AT MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA

Agent contacted Mr. F. C. Carson, Receiving Clerk at the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana and requested that he ascertain from his records if he has a prisoner confined in that institution at the present time by the name of Phillip Amersbach or whether he has had a prisoner of this name incarcerated there in the past. Mr. Carson, after making a search of his records, later reported to Agent that he was unable to find any record of an individual by this name being confined there at the present time nor could he find that they had ever had a record of anyone by that name confined in that institution. He suggested that complete records were located in the parole office at the Indiana State Prison and that Agent could ascertain definitely through Mr. James W. Kennington, who is State Parole Agent at the Indiana State Prison and in whose office the complete records are located, whether this man was confined in that institution at the present time.

Agent later contacted Mr. James W. Kennington, State Parole Agent, Indiana State Prison and requested that a search be made of his records to ascertain whether Phillip Amersbach was confined in the Indiana State Prison at the present time or whether he had any record of his being confined there in the past. Mr. Kennington later reported to Agent that he was unable to locate any record that they ever had a prisoner by this name and suggested that if this man was reported to be confined in a prison in Indiana that it was possible that he might be in the Indiana State Reformatory at Pendleton, Indiana. It will be remembered that this lead is contained in reference report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn dated at Cleveland, Ohio 2-13-36 wherein it was stated that in a raid in September 1934 on the residence of Alvin Karpis at 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and where Karpis resided with Dolores Delaney under the name of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Milgreth that a slip of paper bearing the name of Phillip Amersbach was found at this place and it was advised on page 19 of the report of Special Agent Wynn that it was ascertained from Captain Story of the Cleveland, Ohio Police Department that Phillip Amersbach is supposed to be incarcerated in some penitentiary in the State of Indiana for bank robbery. In view of this fact, a lead is being set out to check this matter at the Indiana State Reformatory, Pendleton, Indiana to ascertain if Phillip Amersbach is presently confined in that institution.

**AT KNOX, INDIANA**

Reference is now made to the reference report of Special Agent R. C. Suran dated at Chicago, Illinois December 27, 1935 wherein there was contained a lead for the Indianapolis Office at Knox, Indiana to ascertain the identity of one E. Foust who it has been determined has been corresponding with Ruth Potts at Sarasota, Florida, it being indicated in the lead mentioned above that this individual was probably a man. In order to determine the identity of E. Foust, Agent conducted the following investigation at Knox, Indiana.

Agent interviewed Mr. Carrol W. Cannon, Postmaster at Knox, Indiana who advised that he had lived in the city of Knox for the past 50 years and that during 20 years of that time he was in school work in Knox and vicinity and consequently was very well acquainted in that locality as Knox is a very small city. He advised that he was unable to recall any man by the name of E. Foust living in that vicinity. He stated that there were a number of Fousts living in the vicinity of Knox and that it was a very prominent family and he likewise examined the records of the Post Office under his control and furnished Agent with the following names as being the only people by the name of Foust living in Knox, Indiana or receiving mail through the Knox, Indiana Post Office. These are as follows:

Floyd Foust, the Circuit Clerk at Knox, Indiana  
Chester O. Foust, a brother of Floyd Foust living on an R.R.  
out of Knox, Indiana  
Marion Foust who is a nephew of Floyd and Chester Foust  
Harry Foust who is also a nephew of Floyd and Chester Foust

Mr. Cannon also advised that Josephine Foust was the wife of Harry Foust but that he did not know the names of the wives of the other individuals by the name of Foust. He likewise advised that there was formerly a Mrs. Eura Foust who had lived at Knox, Indiana, but that this individual had moved to Conns Lake, Indiana sometime before and was consequently not living at Knox at the present time.

As mentioned above Mr. Cannon stated that the Foust family was considered one of the most reliable and respected in the community and advised Agent that he believed it would be all right to interview Floyd Foust who is the present circuit clerk at Knox, Indiana as he believed Floyd Foust would keep any inquiry entirely confidential. Mr. Cannon advised that he did not know Ruth Potts nor had he ever heard of her and was sure that she had never lived at Knox, Indiana, or had never visited in that vicinity for any length of time. He stated that it was possible that there might be some one by the name of E. Foust living in the north part of the city of Knox, Indiana as it was not such a desirable part of town and stated that the carrier whose name is Grant Glenn was presently out on this route and that Agent could interview him at a later hour at the Post Office.

Agent contacted Mrs. Floyd Foust, Deputy Circuit Clerk of Starke County, Knox, Indiana who is the wife of Floyd Foust mentioned above. When questioned as to whether or not she was acquainted with anyone living in Knox or vicinity by the name of E. Foust she advised that the only person whose first name began with the letter "E" was Mrs. Edith Foust the wife of her brother-in-law Chester O. Foust and that they live on a farm, R. R. 4, Knox, Indiana. Mrs. Floyd Foust advised that Edith Foust's maiden name was Edith Fagen and that she came originally from Hessville, a suburb of Hammond, Indiana. She advised that she had never heard her sister-in-law Edith Foust speak of Ruth Potts and she did not know Ruth Potts herself.

Agent then interviewed Floyd Foust, Circuit Clerk of Starke County at the Court House, Knox, Indiana. Floyd Foust likewise advised that there were not very many people by the name of Foust living in that community and that the only one he knew whose first name began with the letter "E" was Edith Foust who is the wife of his brother Chester O. Foust, and who lives on a farm a few miles out of Knox, Indiana. He stated that he had never heard either his brother Chester O. Foust or his wife Edith mention Ruth Potts and was reasonably sure that they did not know anyone by this name.

While in Mr. Floyd Foust's office Agent with his assistance searched registration cards for the qualified voters of Starke County, Indiana of which Knox is the county seat and noted that Edith Foust is the only Foust who had registered as a qualified voter whose first name begins with the letter "E".

In view of this fact Agent returned to the Knox, Indiana Post Office in order to interview the mail carrier who carries the mail for Edith and Chester Foust to determine whether or not he had noticed any letters being received by them or addressed by them to Ruth Potts.

Agent interviewed Grant W. Glenn, mail carrier from the Knox, Indiana, Post Office who advised that he carries mail for practically the entire northern part of the city of Knox, Indiana, and had been a carrier there since 1923. He stated that he did not know any individual by the name of E. Foust residing in that part of the city of Knox and the only Fousts he has on his route are Ruby and Fred.

Agent interviewed Henry Falkenthal, carrier on R. R. 3 from the Knox, Indiana Post Office. He advised that he carries the mail of Chester O. and Edith Foust and has been a carrier on that route since last May. It might be noted here that Mrs. Floyd Foust had previously advised that her sister-in-law and brother-in-law lived on Route 4. This is obviously an error. When questioned as to whether or not Edith Foust had received any letters postmarked from Florida or bearing the return address of Ruth Potts or whether or not he remembered any letters going out from Edith Foust addressed to Ruth Potts at Sarasota, Florida, he advised that he had not noticed any letters of this kind. He further advised that neither Chester O. or Edith Foust received much mail and he could not remember ever seeing the name of Ruth Potts on any

letters either going out or coming in to their mail box. When questioned as to the character and reputation of these individuals, Mr. Falkenthal stated that both Chester O. Foust and his wife Edith were regarded very highly in the community in which they live and that he had never seen any strangers around their home.

Shortly after the interview with Mr. Falkenthal and while Agent was still in the Knox, Indiana Post Office he received a call from Mr. Floyd Foust, the Circuit Clerk of Starke County, requesting that he again call at his office. Agent then went back to the Court House and reinterviewed Mr. Floyd Foust and he advised that since Agent's visit he had called his brother Chester O. Foust on the telephone and asked him to come to town and upon his arrival at that time inquired whether he or his wife knew Ruth Potts and had been advised that Ruth Potts was a cousin of Edith Foust and that Ruth had visited at their home for a short time last summer. He further advised that his brother had told him that he knew nothing about Ruth Potts beyond the fact that she was a cousin of his wife.

b7C and that probably Agent would be able to obtain some information concerning his wife's association with Ruth Potts and was sure that his brother would keep the inquiry confidential.

Agent then interviewed Chester O. Foust, R. R. 3, Knox, Indiana who advised that his wife's first name was Edith and that she was a first cousin of Ruth Potts. He stated that formerly his wife and Ruth Potts were not very friendly but that apparently they were more friendly than previously because Ruth Potts came to his home in the summer of 1935 with her brother whose name is Will Perry and Perry's wife and a small child who is a niece of Ruth's. He stated that these persons live in East Chicago, Indiana and that they came long enough to eat dinner and then left. He advised that Mr. Perry is at the present time superintendent of the power plant at the Inland Steel Company located either in East Chicago or Indiana Harbor, Indiana.

When questioned as to whether or not he knew anything about his wife's association with Ruth Potts he stated that he did not beyond the fact that they did correspond some but that his wife never told him anything about what their correspondence was about and consequently he had very little information concerning this matter. He stated that Ruth Potts' husband was named Elton Potts and he believes that he lives in Chicago, Illinois at the present time as they are separated. He could not say where it would be possible to locate Elton Potts beyond the fact that he is supposed to be living in Chicago, Illinois. When questioned as to whether or not it would be advisable to interview his wife concerning this matter, Chester O. Foust was unable to say but believed that his wife would tell what she knew concerning her association with Ruth Potts if requested to do so. However, in view of the fact that it appears from the file in this case that inquiries along this line have been more or less confidential and it was not especially desired that Ruth Potts be advised that she was under investigation, no effort was made to contact Edith Foust at this time.

Chester O. Foust was requested not to inform his wife that he had been interviewed concerning this matter and neither he or his brother Floyd Foust



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were advised of the purpose of this inquiry. Both promised to not reveal the fact that inquiry had been made of the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It is very probable that this matter will indeed be kept confidential. No attempt is being made to contact Edith Foust at this time and she will not be contacted unless a further request is made of the Indianapolis Office.

AT GARY, INDIANA

Reference is now made to the summary report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Chicago, Illinois, February 8, 1936, particularly to page 45 thereof wherein is set out the name of Mrs. Cecilia Nieland who was reported to be employed by Jacob Heidt at a filling station located at 6000 West Fifth Avenue, Gary, Indiana and who has previously informed Agents of this Bureau that Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker had stopped at this filling station numerous times in the fall of 1934 and it was suggested that inasmuch as this woman had promised her cooperation that contact should be maintained with her.

Agent went to the filling station located at 6000 West Fifth Avenue, Gary, Indiana, where he contacted an individual by the name of Derousse. Inquiry of this individual revealed that the Nielands were not living at that address at the present time, and he was unable to state where they had moved. Agent did not reveal his identity to Mr. Derousse but learned from casual conversation with him that he had leased the filling station at this address about two months ago from Jacob Heidt, the step-father of Ruth Heidt, and that Jacob Heidt still lives in rooms at the rear of this address but was not at home on the occasion of Agent's interview. Agent noted that Mr. Derousse seemed rather suspicious of any inquiries which were made and when Agent asked him as to whether or not he believed Jacob Heidt would know the present address of the Nielands, he stated that he doubted this very much, and further did not believe that Heidt would tell if he knew, inasmuch as he was very "crabby" and did not like to have people making inquiries of him.

Agent then contacted Mr. Carl E. Huber, Assistant Postmaster at the Gary, Indiana Post Office in order to ascertain the present address of Cecilia Nieland. Mr. Huber examined his records and advised that Paul and Cecilia Nealon (not Nieland) had moved from 6000 West Fifth Avenue to 408 Hancock, Gary, Indiana on July 29, 1935 and that this is the last address that he has listed for them. However, he stated that as his records reveal that they had frequently moved in the past it was probable that they were not living there at the present time.

*Cecilia Christman*

Agent called at 408 Hancock Street, Gary, Indiana and was informed at this address that Mr. and Mrs. Nealon were not living there at the present time but had moved and now lived in the 400 block on Madison Street in Gary. Mrs. Nealon is supposed to be employed at a boarding house located on Madison Street near Fourth Street in Gary, Indiana. In view of the fact that Agent did not reveal his official identity at the time of making inquiries at this place as it was not known who the occupants of the house were, Agent was unable to gain any more specific information with reference to where the Nealons live. Agent then returned and contacted Mr. Carl E. Huber at the Gary, Indiana Post Office who examined carrier books for the 400 block on Madison Street but failed to find the name of Nealon listed at this place. Inquiry at the Gary, Indiana Post Office reveals that there is a boarding house located on Madison Street in the 400 block in Gary, Indiana.

Agent then made inquiries at numerous boarding houses in the 400 block and 500 block on Madison Street, Gary, Indiana, without locating anyone by the name of Mrs. Nealon as being employed in those places. Agent then contacted Mr. T. J. Leamy the mail carrier in the 400 block on Madison Street who advised that he did not remember delivering mail to anyone by the name of Cecilia Nealon or Paul Nealon at any place on his route. Agent then contacted Mr. Tom Gilbert, mail carrier at the Gary, Indiana Post Office who is the carrier on the route covering 6000 West Fifth Avenue where the Nealons formerly lived. Mr. Gilbert advised that Mrs. Nealon's maiden name was Christman and believed that her brother lives at 521 Hovey Street, Gary Indiana. He also advised that Jacob Heidt still lives at 6000 West Fifth Avenue; that he knew Ruth Heidt; that she had moved away from this address about two or three months ago and for a time Jacob Heidt accepted mail for her at 6000 West Fifth Avenue, but at the present time he was refusing to accept any mail for her. Mr. Gilbert advised that he had previously been contacted by Agents of the Bureau in connection with investigation conducted at 6000 West Fifth Avenue, Gary, Indiana, and that in his opinion Ruth Heidt was of a bad enough character to associate with almost anyone and that he believed that she would bear watching wherever she was although he was not aware of where she was living at the present time. Numerous photographs were shown to Mr. Gilbert and he advised that he was reasonably sure that he had seen Subject Karpis at the place located at 6000 West Fifth Avenue. However, he stated that he did not believe that any of the Subjects would be coming there at the present time as the place was apparently dead now and there was no one there but a man who is presently operating the place and whose name is Dercusse. Mr. Gilbert promised to be on the lookout for the appearance of any of the Subjects at that particular place and stated that in the event he received any information along this line that he would immediately communicate this fact to the Indianapolis Bureau Office. He was requested that any inquiry he made be kept confidential and also the fact that Agent had contacted him be kept confidential and he promised to observe this.



Agent contacted William Heinrich, Superintendent of Mails, Post Office, Gary, Indiana for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not he could furnish Agent with any contacts who might know the present address of Cecilia Nealon. Mr. Heinrich stated that the only place he knew where he might make inquiries was at the Fifth Avenue Lumber Company which is located in the general neighborhood of the filling station owned by Jacob Heidt at 6000 Fifth Avenue. Mr. Heinrich called on an official of this company without disclosing the fact that inquiries were made by other than the Post Office without any success.

Agent then went back to 408 Hancock Street and after disclosing his identity learned that the parents of Mrs. Nealon live at this address and that Mrs. Nealon is presently living at 369 Monroe Street in Gary, Indiana and that she is employed at a boarding house located at 344 Adams Street, Gary, Indiana.

Agent then interviewed Cecilia Nealon, 369 Monroe Street, Gary, Indiana who confirmed the fact that she was employed at a boarding house located at 344 Adams Street, Gary, Indiana, and stated that her husband's name was Paul Nealon, and that he is employed by the Modern Cleaners located at 3771 Broadway, Gary, Indiana. Mrs. Nealon stated that she and her husband had moved from the filling station located at 6000 West Fifth Avenue in July 1935 and that shortly after this, Ruth Heidt and her present husband whose name is Frank Jackson, had moved in and stayed for a while but that they had moved away in December 1935 and she was not sure where they were living at the present time. When questioned as to what information she had concerning Subjects in this case, Mrs. Nealon advised that she did not know much beyond what she had already told to Agent Sullivan of the Chicago Office several months ago when he interviewed her. She advised that she had known the Heidts since 1929 and that she had gone out to the filling station numerous times during the summer of 1934 and had started working there during August and September 1934 at a time when Ruth Heidt was still living there with her step-father Jacob Heidt, and that later about the first of October, 1934, she and her husband Paul Nealon had moved out to the filling station and Ruth Heidt had left. When questioned as to her specific knowledge as to the Subjects visiting at the above filling station, Mrs. Nealon frankly stated that she saw Subject Karpis and Subject Fred Barker nearly every day during August and September 1934, while she was working at this filling station. She stated that it was very apparent that both Karpis and Fred Barker came to the filling station solely to see Ruth Heidt as they would come in and talk to Ruth for a time and then leave. She also stated that Willie Harrison came once in a while and that Doc Barker was there on a few occasions, but was not there much of the time. Mrs. Nealon readily identified a picture of Alvin Karpis as being one of the men who came to the above filling station. She stated that she was never introduced to any of these men but that Ruth Heidt always told her that they were gamblers from Toledo, Ohio and that she never knew any different until later on when she was interviewed by Special Agent Sullivan from the Chicago Bureau Office.

When questioned for any specific details as to peculiarities noted or description of Subjects which might be of benefit in effecting their apprehension, Mrs. Nealon stated that one thing which she noted specifically was that both Karpis and Barker were always well dressed. She stated that Karpis very seldom said anything to her beyond speaking when he first came in, and that she never noticed anything unusual about him in any way. She further advised that the description of Karpis as contained in the pocket I.O. of him fit him exactly with respect to his size at that time. She further stated that Karpis was wearing octagon rimless eyeglasses every time that he came to the above filling station and stated that it made him look very dignified and that he was much better looking than his picture. She further advised that she did not believe that she had told Agent Sullivan that Karpis was wearing glasses at the time he was visiting there but does not remember definitely whether she told him this or not.

She also advised that she noticed particularly that none of these men, either Karpis or Fred Barker or any of the others who came occasionally would ever sit down while they were in the filling station; that Karpis always seemed a little ill-at-ease as if he were nervous and that he seldom said anything at all except he did appear to be interested in dogs and talked with her about dogs on one or two occasions and at one time told her that he had an all white Pit Bull dog which he would give her if she wanted it but she told him that she had a dog at that time and could not take care of more than one. She stated that although Ruth Heidt was handling alcohol and selling it illegally at the filling station at that time that she particularly noticed that Karpis never drank anything except coca cola on the occasions he visited there.

She also advised that practically every time Karpis or any of the Barkers came to the filling station that they were always driving new Ford coupes and that these cars always had Ohio licenses on them. She stated that she was convinced at that time that they must have had a hide-out nearby insofar as she remembers particularly that one day Karpis and Fred Barker came and inquired for Ruth Heidt and upon being told that she was not there they left and were gone only a short time and came back and appeared to have changed their clothing and cleaned up in other respects.

When questioned as to whether or not she had ever heard them call each other by any names, she stated that they always called Fred Barker "Shorty" and that the only name she ever heard anyone call Karpis was the name "Doc".

She stated again that she was positive the only reason any of these men ever came to the filling station was to see Ruth Heidt as none of them ever came to the filling station again after Ruth moved away about the middle of October, 1934, and she has not seen any of them since that time.

When questioned as to whether or not she believes that Ruth Heidt may be in communication with any of the Subjects at the present time, she stated that she did not know about this but was rather of the opinion that probably

Ruth Heidt was afraid to contact any of the members of the gang at this time even if she wanted to. She further advised that Ruth Heidt had confided in her to a certain extent after being released when she was arrested on the occasion of the raid on the apartment in Chicago when Russell Gibson was killed and stated that after being released Ruth Heidt had made numerous attempts to locate the Chow dog which she had had with her at the time of the above raid. She stated that Ruth Heidt had told her that one of the Barker boys had given her this dog and she believes it was Fred Barker, but that Ruth had told her that she told the Agents who questioned her in Chicago after her arrest that the dog was given to her by Willie Harrison. She also stated that Ruth had told her at the time of her arrest she was at a loss to explain how she had acquired this dog but that the question was answered for her by the Agent who questioned her due to the fact that he asked her who gave her the dog and if Willie gave it to her, and that she had answered "Yes." She also advised that Ruth told her that she did not give the correct name of this dog at the time she was questioned but told the Agents that the dog's name was Smokey, but that in reality the dog's name was Beans and that he was a pedigreed Chow dog and Mrs. Nealon advised that she was sure of this as one time she had noticed a pedigree for a Chow dog among some of Ruth Heidt's belongings.

Mrs. Nealon also advised that after Russell Gibson was killed Ruth Heidt had told her that Gibson had been at the filling station at 6000 West Fifth Avenue in Gary a number of times but stated that she did not herself remember ever having seen him there. She also stated that Ruth Heidt told her that Willie Harrison had been at the Gibson apartment in Chicago and had just left a short time before the raid was staged which resulted in the death of Gibson. She stated that it was apparent from Ruth's conversation at various times that she was well acquainted with a number of the more desperate characters of the underworld in that vicinity, having told her on one occasion that she had played golf with Ralph Capone and that when she and Willie Harrison were married in Cicero, Illinois that it was a double wedding and Gus Winkler and his wife were married at the same time. She also advised that when she packed Ruth's clothing about the first of October 1934 when Ruth moved away from the filling station at 6000 West Fifth Avenue that Ruth had three boxes of Winchester cartridges among her belongings which she believed to be about the size of a .38 caliber special cartridge but that she never saw Ruth have any gun except that one day one of the gang left a revolver and when she started to examine it Ruth told her to keep her hands off it.

Mrs. Nealon advised that she had not seen Ruth Heidt since the fall of 1935 and that some of the things which Ruth had told her had been told to her at that time. She stated that she did not know exactly where Ruth was living at the present time but believed that she was living in Calumet City, Illinois or at Hammond, Indiana. She stated that it was possible that if she would again visit Ruth that probably she might learn some more details about Ruth's association with members of this gang and Agent suggested if it was possible that she arrange to visit Ruth sometime in the near future and attempt to learn something more and she promised to do this. She stated that Ruth still drank considerably and that if it was possible to

get her sufficiently intoxicated that she believed she would be able to gain considerable information from her although she did not believe that Ruth was contacting any members of the gang at the present time because as mentioned above she would be afraid to do so. She also advised that Ruth Heidt's husband, whose name is Frank Jackson, is employed at the Gibson Railroad Shops as a repairman which shops are located near Hammond, Indiana. She stated that she does not believe that Jackson is fully aware of all of the past associations of Ruth Heidt.

It might be noted here from a review of the file in this case, serial 569 of the file in the Indianapolis Bureau Office, which is a letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley to the Bureau covering an interview he had with Edward Wilhelm Benz on March 16, 1936 that during this interview Benz mentioned that he had contacted Subject Karpis in the fall of 1935 and that Karpis was at that time wearing octagon rimless glasses. This is being mentioned here in view of the fact that Mrs. Nealon advised that Karpis was wearing rimless glasses similar in description to these in the fall of 1934 and it is very possible that he may be wearing glasses of this kind at the present time and as Mrs. Nealon mentioned that it changes his appearance considerably, it should be kept in mind.

It might also be noted here that on page 15 of the reference report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn dated at Cleveland, Ohio on February 13, 1936 that Subject Karpis using the name of H. G. Milgrath had purchased a bull terrier pup from one William J. Richards who lived at Cleveland, Ohio; it is thought that this might be the same dog as referred to above by Mrs. Nealon as being the one which Subject Karpis had offered to give her during the fall of 1934. It is suggested that in the event no efforts have been made to check further into this matter that it lends some weight to Richards story as to the sale of this dog to Subject Karpis, due to the fact that Mrs. Nealon advised that Subject Karpis was desirous of getting rid of a dog about that time.

It might also be mentioned here that a review of the file of this case in the Indianapolis Office, serial 540 of the file in the Indianapolis Office which is a report of Special Agent H. K. Johnson in the case entitled JOHN PAUL CHASE, with aliases, et al, shows that Fred Pierpont, Mishawaka, Indiana had identified a photograph of Subject Alvin Karpis as the stranger who drove up to his, Pierpont's, garage at 4305 Lincolnway East in the summer of 1935 asking him to deliver a car apparently for Subject John Hamilton who was deceased at that time, to an address at 310 South Franklin Street, Marion, Ohio, Fred Pierpont being a brother of Harry Pierpont, a deceased member of the Dillinger gang. At that time, according to Agent Johnson's interview with Fred Pierpont, Karpis introduced himself to Pierpont as Doc Day. This is believed significant in view of the positive identification by Pierpont as being identical with Subject Karpis and the fact that he was known as Doc Day at that time when that was the same name and the only name which Mrs. Cecilia Nealon heard him called during the time he was visiting at the filling station at 6000 West Fifth Avenue in Gary, Indiana. It thus appears that Doc is one of the aliases frequently used by Subject Karpis if the above information is correct.

**AT EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA**

Reference is again made to summary report of Special Agent S. M. McKee, dated at Chicago, Illinois February 8, 1936 to page 46 thereof wherein is listed the name of Officer Timothy O'Neill of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department who is reported to be well acquainted with the underworld in East Chicago and Gary, Indiana and who is regarded as being very reliable and suggesting that contact be maintained with him. In accordance with the suggestions contained in this report, Agent contacted Detective Sergeant Timothy O'Neill at the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department. Mr. O'Neill advised that he has been tied up and kept inside on the desk at the East Chicago, Indiana, Police Department for almost a year now, due to a change of administration and that consequently he had not been able to maintain the contacts in the underworld that he had in the past. He also advised that at the present time he is a candidate for Sheriff of Lake County on the Republican ticket and that he is utilizing all of his spare time in an effort to gain the nomination.

A general discussion was had with Mr. O'Neill concerning this case without Agent revealing any recent developments known to the Bureau, but merely requesting that Mr. O'Neill offer any suggestions which he might have in mind which might eventually lead to the apprehension of the Subjects. Mr. O'Neill stated that at the present time the only thing he could think of which might be of benefit to the Bureau and which might already have been checked on was that there was a man in East Chicago, Indiana on the Indiana Harbor side by the name of ART STROUSS and that while he did not know for sure where this man was at the present time that he formerly ran the Aquarium Cafe on Broadway in the 2300 block on the Indiana Harbor side of East Chicago, Indiana. He stated that he personally knew that Strouss had in the past always been in contact with various hoodlums and that he personally knew that Strouss in the past had served as a contact point for Edward Wilhelm Benz, Baby Face Nelson, and also John Dillinger. He advised that in the event a check had not been made on Strouss' activities in the past that it might be of benefit to make a check at the present time; that while he did not positively know that Strouss had served as a contact for Subject Karpis that it was very possible that he might as he had always been associated with so-called "big time" hoodlums. He stated that so far as he knew, Strouss was still located in East Chicago, Indiana at the place indicated above. He also advised that Strouss had a brother who operated an army store in the 3600 block on Main Street on the Indiana Harbor side of East Chicago, Indiana, and that probably Strouss could be located through this brother if he could not be located through any other means. Mr. O'Neill advised that he was very glad to cooperate with the Bureau on this matter and in the event he learned anything of value in the future that he would be glad to communicate the same to the Indianapolis Office, but stated that due to the fact that the primary campaign for Sheriff was in the near future he would not be able to devote much time to the matter until that was over. It is believed that it will be well to maintain contact with Sergeant O'Neill.

On Agent's return to the Indianapolis Bureau Office he ascertained through a check of the index cards that there is no previous reference to an individual by the name of ART STROUSS. For that reason leads are being set out in an effort to ascertain more about this individual but for the present, any contacts made with reference to this matter will be made in a very discreet manner.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

##### INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE at GARY, INDIANA

Will again contact Mrs. Cecilia Nealon, 369 Monroe Street, for the purpose of ascertaining whether she has gained any additional information concerning the activities of Ruth Heidt and also whether she has been successful in learning whether or not Ruth Heidt is presently in contact with any of the Subjects in this case.

##### At East Chicago, Indiana

Will attempt in a discreet manner to learn something about the activities of Art Strouss who formerly operated the Aquarium Cafe in the 2300 block on Broadway in the Indiana Harbor section of East Chicago, Indiana. Any inquiries with reference to this matter should be carefully made and all persons contacted requested to keep the information confidential inasmuch as it is possible that this man who is known to have been a prominent contact for gangsters in the past might possibly know something about the activities of Subject at the present time.

Will also again contact Sergeant Timothy O'Neill at the East Chicago, Indiana, Police Department for any further information in his possession which might help to lead to the apprehension of the Subjects.

##### CHICAGO OFFICE

b7D Will refer to the reference report of Special Agent J. E. Jones, dated at Indianapolis, Indiana 3-7-36 and inform the Indianapolis Office as to whether or not it is desired that further investigation be conducted in Gary, Indiana to determine whether or not Subject Karpis had visited the Rainbow Inn, the Peoples Inn Restaurant (The Peoples Tavern), or George Morris in Gary, Indiana or whether it is still desired that no further effort be made to investigate at these places pending receipt of information from the confidential informant [redacted] who is allegedly checking on this matter.



INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE at Pendleton, Indiana

Will contact appropriate officials of the Indiana State Reformatory and ascertain if Phillip Amersbach is presently confined in that institution; in the event Amersbach is located there, will interview him in accordance with the suggestions contained in reference report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn dated at Cleveland, Ohio 2-13-36 which is serial 535 of the Indianapolis Office file of this case.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: **CLEVELAND**

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PHONE. BREKID SPECIAL AGENT FRANK SMITH HAS ESTABLISHED CONTACTS AND RECEIVING COOPERATION AND INFORMATION FROM JOE ANDERSON AND AKERS.

POST OFFICE INSPECTOR HAYNES NOW AT HOT SPRINGS AND APPARENTLY COOPERATING WITH SMITH. NO INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM EITHER GOLDSTEIN OR STOVER. INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM ANDERSON THAT ON NIGHT MARCH TWENTY FIFTH LAST GOLDSTEIN BROUGHT BUICK SEDAN TO GARAGE FOR SERVICE AND LEFT WITH SAME NIGHT MARCH TWENTY SIXTH CAR CARRYING LOUISIANA

LICENSE. SUBSEQUENTLY GOLDSTEIN RETURNED IN HER PERSONAL CAR AND SPEEDOMETER SHOWED TRIP OF FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY MILES. ON MARCH

THIRTY FIRST LAST GOLDSTEIN WRECKED HER PERSONAL CAR NEAR KIRBY, ARKANSAS ON U. S. HIGHWAY SEVENTY WHILE RETURNING TO HOT SPRINGS FROM UNKNOWN POINT. TOLL BRIDGE KEEPERS NEAR TEXARKANA ARKANSAS

STATED RECALLED SEEING WOMAN CAR AND DOG SIMILAR DESCRIPTION PASSING OVER BRIDGE TOWARD TEXARKANA ABOUT LAST WEEK MARCH. AT TIME GOLDSTEIN WRECKED PERSONAL CAR HAD EXTRA BATTERY WHICH SHE CLAIMED PURCHASED SOME UNKNOWN POINT. EFFORTS BEING MADE TRACE BATTERY. INFORMATION ALSO RECEIVED GOLDSTEIN CONTEMPLATING ANOTHER TRIP IN BORROWED AUTO-MOBILE. ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO COVER ROADS IN ENDEAVOR TO ASCERTAIN DESTINATION. INFORMATION ALSO RECEIVED EXHUSBAND OF GOLDSTEIN IS

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

*Alvin Karpis*

PAUL GEZAIN ALIAS TRIG ALIAS FIDGETY ORIGINALLY FROM NEW ORLEANS  
GAMBLER AND PIMP ALLEGEDLY NOW AT MEMPHIS. NASHVILLE REQUESTED TO  
 MAKE DISCREET CONTACT IN EFFORT OBTAIN IDENTITY AND LOCATION OF  
GOLDSTEINS RELATIVES. AKERS PLACING PROSTITUTE IN HOUSE GOLDSTEIN  
 AS INFORMANT. MAUDIE CLARK AND EVA OWENS FORMER INMATES OF  
HATTERIE HOTEL AND PERSONAL FRIENDS OF CONNIE MORRIS CONTACTED BY  
 AGENTS KINGMAN AND BUCHANAN AT TEXARKANA WITHOUT RESULTS HOWEVER  
MAUDIE CLARK STATED FILLED SEVERAL DATES WITH A MR. BELL. SHE IS  
 POSSIBLE SOURCE OF INFORMATION AND BEING CONTACTED AGAIN BY AGENT  
 BUCHANAN WHO IS WORKING UNDER COVER. EVA OWENS CONSIDERED TOO SMART  
 FOR FURTHER CONTACT. NINETEEN THIRTY SIX MAROON COLORED BUICK SEDAN  
 BEARING LOUISIANA LICENSE SEEN DURING JANUARY SEVERAL TIMES CROSS  
 TOLL BRIDGE NEAR OGDEN ARKANSAS DRIVEN BY HEAVY SET MAN ACCOMPANIED  
 BY WOMAN SUGGEST HALL BE INTERVIEWED RELATIVE ANY TRIPS MADE BY  
 HIM IN BUICK PURCHASED FOR KARPIS. ONLY OUTSIDE AGENTS REMAINING  
 HERE ARE SMITH AND BUCHANAN.

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VIOLATION OF SECTION 408E U S CODE ISSUED BY US COMMISSIONER GARRETT  
W COTTER SDNY TODAY. CERTIFIED PAPERS BEING FORWARDED USA RENO AIRMAIL  
TONIGHT. USA SDNY RECOMMENDS BOND \$50,000.

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cc - *E. J. Connelley*  
cc - *St. Paul*

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Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Coffey	✓
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Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Foxworth	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Joseph	✓
Mr. Keith	✓
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>DALLAS, TEXAS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-11-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-6-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>F.J. BLAKE.</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w.a. - FUGITIVE - I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, w.a. - FUGITIVE - I.O. #1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER (Victim)</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;">Investigation at Warsaw, Kaufman County, Texas, fails develop probability that Alvin Karpis or Grace Goldstein has been in that vicinity.</p>			
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DETAILS: <p style="text-align: center;">This investigation was predicated upon a long distance telephone call received from Special Agent in Charge Connelley at the Cleveland Office, in which he advised that a confidential informant had stated that the "farm" to which Karpis and the Goldstein woman occasionally retired, was located near Warsaw, Texas, and that Warsaw was on a rural route from Crandall, Texas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mrs. Hannah, Postmaster at Crandall, Texas, advised that Warsaw was not now served with mail through the Crandall Office, but through Kaufman, Texas. She stated that she had for many years owned farming interests in the immediate vicinity of Warsaw, and was acquainted with practically all of the inhabitants of that little community and that there were no recent additions to the community, except within the past year a new tenant had moved on the Johnson Farm, and also on the Goode Farm. She stated that she frequently, in connection with her supervision of the farming properties owned by her, visited that community, and that she had never seen anyone in that section with a large Great Dane Dog, nor had she noticed any new automobiles in that vicinity in recent months. She stated that the store at Warsaw is operated by a Charles Smith, whom she has known for many years, and whom she believed to be absolutely reliable,</p>			
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Dr. Hoffer, Postmaster at Kaufman, Texas, was interviewed,			
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and stated that the rural route which covered Warsaw emanated from the Kaufman Office, and that Will J. Feagin, Carrier, served that route, which is known as Route #4.

Mr. Feagin was located at Kaufman, Texas, and stated that he had been a rural carrier for 26 years and was familiar with all the patrons on Route #4, which covered Warsaw. He stated he had not seen any new automobiles in that vicinity in recent months, nor had he seen anyone with a Great Dane Dog; that he had not noticed any suspicious mail coming to or from the patrons along that route, and that he did not know of any person owning a farm in that vicinity whose sister lived outside the State of Texas. He stated that the new tenant on the Johnson Farm is W.W. Menler, age 65; and that J.J. Turner is the new tenant on the Goode Farm, and his age is approximately 60 years.

Dr. Hoffer recommended Archie Blanton, a long time resident at Warsaw, as being reliable, and a person to whom Agent might talk with safety.

Blanton was located in Kaufman, Texas, and he disclaimed knowledge of any new additions to the Warsaw Community, and also stated that he had not seen anyone in that community with a new maroon colored Buick or a Great Dane Dog.

At Warsaw, Texas, Charles Smith, the proprietor of the store, and his wife were both interviewed, but separately. Mrs. Smith stated she was reared in that community and knows practically every person in the community, and that she has not seen any new Buicks there in recent months, nor has she seen anyone with a Great Dane Dog. Mr. Smith stated practically the same thing.

There is no cross road at Warsaw, and in addition to the small store operated by the Smiths, in the rear of which they make their residence, there is a large cotton gin; and across the road from the Smith Store is a farm residence. The interior of the Smith Store is very small and does not afford facilities for drinking, and apparently no drinks are served there other than Coca Cola and the like.

The Dallas Phone number was left with Postmasters Hannah and Hoffer, and with Mr. Smith, with request that should any information come to the attention of any of them which might be material, the Dallas Office be immediately advised by telephone. Carrier Feagin was requested to notify Postmaster Hoffer at Kaufman should he receive any information which should be brought to the attention of the Dallas Office.

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DIRECTOR

PHONEL BREKID. LEAVE CHICAGO THREE PM ARRIVE CLEVELAND FIVE PM  
VIA UNITED AIR LINES. REGISTER CLEVELAND HOTEL. INFORMATION OBTAINED  
FROM CLAYTON HALL YOUNGSTOWN WHO HAS AGREED WORK WITH US THAT PARTY  
RAY MILLER WHO HE IDENTIFIES AS KARPIS AND MILTON LEIT WERE AT HIS  
PLACE LAST OCTOBER 19, 1935. THIS PARTY WAS UNDER SURVEILLANCE POST  
OFFICE INSPECTOR FOR SOMETIME. THE SITUATION REFLECTED IN LETTER LITTLE  
ROCK MARCH 25, 1936 FITS IN WITH THIS SAME INFORMATION AND CHECK BEING  
MADE TOLEDO AS TO PLANE WHICH WAS IDENTIFIED PREVIOUSLY IN REPORT MADALA  
CHICAGO OCTOBER 16, 1935.

PROPOSE TO CHECK AND LINE UP FURTHER NECESSARY WORK TOLEDO AND CLEVELAND  
AND VICINITY.

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PHONE BREKID. TOOK FITZGERALD INTO CUSTODY 6:15 TONIGHT. HAVE  
ARRANGED TO KEEP HIM HID AT BILTMORE HOTEL HERE UNTIL FURTHER ADVICE  
RECEIVED FROM CONNELLEY. HE HAS SIGNED REMOVAL WAIVER. HAVE ADVISED  
CONNELLEY TELEPHONICALLY CONCERNING THESE FACTS AND WILL ADVISE  
PROMPTLY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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April 9, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to your inquiry as to the Bureau's jurisdiction in apprehending Frankie Foster in Reno, Nevada, you are advised that the Bureau has jurisdiction sufficient to apprehend and prosecute Foster for violation of the Federal Fugitive Felon Act which penalizes interstate flight to avoid prosecution for burglary and robbery.

The Bureau, through Special Agent in Charge Whitley, has been advised by Inspector McDermott of the New York City Police Department that a secret indictment had been returned in New York against Frankie Foster charging him with participation in the robbery of a jewelry store in Radio City. The Bureau had information indicating that Frankie Foster was in Reno, Nevada and, consequently, a prima facie case of the violation of the Federal Fugitive Felon Act had been made. The New York office, by telegram or teletype, according to Mr. Whitley, informed the Salt Lake City office that a New York City Police Department officer was coming to Reno and also informed the Salt Lake City office, according to Mr. Whitley, that the Bureau's instructions in this matter were that the Bureau should not take any active steps in apprehending Foster other than pointing him out to the New York City officer unless there was some showing of a violation of some Federal Statute within the Bureau's jurisdiction. The Salt Lake City office was informed of the indictment outstanding against Foster in New York for robbery.

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The Salt Lake City office, by teletype, on Tuesday evening, inquired as to whether Agent McLaughlin should assist the New York Police officer in apprehending Foster and I directed a return telegram to Salt Lake City authorizing McLaughlin to render whatever assistance was possible in effecting the actual apprehension.

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From the above it will be noted that we have a case against Foster for Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution and as a matter of fact if preliminary prosecutive steps had been authorized and undertaken by the United States Attorney in New York City, we could have apprehended Foster ourselves and removed him to New York. In view of the fact that the New York authorities may encounter considerable difficulty in having

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Foster extradited and to cement our relations with the New York City Police Department, I believe it would be well to have Mr. Whitley consult Inspector McDermott and, if McDermott desires, we can undertake Federal prosecution in New York, thereby removing Foster to New York City in a comparatively short time.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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SACS CINCINNATI NEW YORK

PHONE. BREKID. FRANKIE POSTER ARRESTED 2:45AM TODAY HIS HOME RENO  
BY AGENT MCLAUGHLIN, CHIEF OF POLICE AND SHERIFF RENO AND NEW YORK  
DETECTIVE CARROLL. DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING KARPIS.

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HONE. BREKID. CLAYTON HALL AGREES TO GO WITH ONE MAN TO HOT SPRINGS AND  
CONTACT GRACE GOLDSTEIN WHO WILL ARRANGE CONTACT FOR HIM WITH KARPIS IF SHE  
HAS NOTHING TO CAUSE HER TO DOUBT HIM. ARRANGING HAVE HALL BROUGHT TO CLEVELAND  
TONIGHT AND AGENT MADALA WILL TAKE HIM BY PLANE TO LITTLE ROCK, RENT CAR AND  
THEN PROCEED HOT SPRINGS. WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE ANY OUTSIDE AGENCY WILL HAVE ANOTHER  
AGENT GO THROUGH WITH MADALA AND HALL TO HELP IN CHECKING MOVEMENTS OF HALL. IF  
MOVE CAN BE SATISFACTORILY ARRANGED, THEY WILL LEAVE TEN FORTY FIVE TONIGHT  
ARRIVING LITTLE ROCK FIVE AM APRIL 10. THEY WILL CONTACT OFFICE DISCREETLY.  
HAVE VERY SATISFACTORY PLAN FOR OBSERVATION AND TELEPHONE TAP ON JOE ROSCOE  
PLACE OF BUSINESS TOLEDO. CONFIDENTIAL CONTACT MADE BY ME WITH EDITH BARRY,  
TOLEDO, YESTERDAY AND AFTER ABOUT FIVE HOURS QUESTIONING SHE ADMITS WITH DEFINITE  
IDENTIFICATION KARPIS AND CAMPBELL AND PARTIAL IDENTIFICATION AS TO DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,  
CHARLES J. FITZGERALD, AND WILLIAM HARRISON. THAT THEY CAME TO HER PLACE SUMMER OF 1934  
PATRONS BUT WILL NOT SAY WHO SENT THEM. THE NEXT SHE SAW OF ANY OF THEM WAS WINTER  
1935, NOT SURE DATE WAS JANUARY, KARPIS AND CAMPBELL CAME TO HER PLACE AND STAYED SEVERAL  
DAYS. SHE DENIES THEY WERE THERE IN MARCH; JUNE OR JULY SHE PURCHASED BOOK "TEN THOUSAND  
PUBLIC ENEMIES" AND IDENTIFIED KARPIS FROM PICTURE. IN AUGUST 1935 KARPIS ALONE RETURNED  
AND STAYED SEVERAL DAYS AND SAYS SHE WAS AFRAID TO CAUSE HIM TO LEAVE. IN FALL THIS SAME  
YEAR KARPIS RETURNED ALONE AND SHE, EDITH, ALONE AT HOUSE STAYED ONE NIGHT. CLAIMS SHE  
REQUESTED HIM NOT TO RETURN. SHE DENIES SHE HAS SEEN ANY OF THEM SINCE, ALTHO POST OFFICE  
INSPECTORS CLAIM ALL PARTIES ON GARRETTSVILLE ROBBERY AT HER PLACE NOV. 5, 1935. EDITH  
BARRY AGREES TO GET ANY INFORMATION POSSIBLE AND FURNISH SAME TO US. SHE ALSO WILL ENCOURAGE  
THEM TO STAY WHILE SHE GETS IN TOUCH WITH US IF THEY RETURN. THIS WOMAN A DOUBTFUL  
SOURCE BUT MAY DELIVER AS FEARS PROSECUTION.

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April 9, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Having been advised by Mr. Tracy that Mr. Foxworth informed you sometime heretofore that there was no violation of a Federal Statute within the Bureau's jurisdiction in so far as Frank E. Foster is concerned, I have checked the matter with Mr. Foxworth and Mr. Whitley in New York, and it appears that at 1:30 P.M. on April 2, 1936, Mr. Whitley, by telephone, advised Mr. Foxworth that an indictment had been returned in New York City against Foster for the jewelry store robbery and that Mr. Foxworth's conversation with you was on the evening of April 2, 1936. Consequently, the information furnished to you by Mr. Foxworth was erroneous.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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PHONE. BREKID. GRACE GOLDSTEIN APPARENTLY LEFT ON VISIT FROM HOTSPRINGS  
YESTERDAY AND PROSTITUTE INFORMANT DID NOT GET THIS OR FAILED TO ADVISE  
WHICH MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR CLAYTON HALL TO MAKE A CONTACT TODAY.

WE ARE CHECKING FURTHER AS TO GRACE AT HAMILTON TEXAS AND STLOUIS  
TO IDENTIFY HER PEOPLE AND LOCATE HER AS INFORMATION IS SHE IS TO  
VISIT STLOUIS OR HER PEOPLE. IN MEANTIME CLAYTON HALL IS BEING HELD  
AVAILABLE TO DISCREETLY CONTACT HER WHEN POSSIBLE.

FURTHER CHECK BY SAC FLETCHER INDICATES CAPTAIN WINDT SMITH AND CAPTAIN  
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EDWARDS KANSAS STATE POLICE DID NOT APPEAR AT HOTSPRINGS AND ARE NOT THERE  
NOW. POSTOFFICE INSPECTOR AND JOHN ANDERSON HAVE AGREED TO DEFER TO OUR  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WISHES AS TO CLAYTON HALL. AS WAS PREVIOUSLY SUSPECTED IT IS INDICATED  
KARPIS AND CAMPBELL AND 3RD PARTY ROBBED TRAIN WARREN OHIO ABOUT FALL 1934

RATHER THAN GEORGE SARJENT - FORMER PARAMOUR OF MILDRED KUHLMAN - AND ANOTHER  
PARTY WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED IN TWO TRIALS FOR THIS AND SENTENCED 25 YEARS.  
THIS POSSIBLY REASON POSTOFFICE INSPECTOR WILL NOT ALLOW INTERVIEW JOHN

EROCK HELD AT YOUNGSTOWN UNDER GUARD AND NOT ARRAIGNED PAST MONTH HE APPARENTLY

HAVING ADVISED THEM REAL IDENTIFY OF ROBBERS. UNDERSTAND POSTOFFICE INSPECTOR  
INTEND ISSUE CIRCULAR "\$10,000. REWARD" AND THEN LIST KARPIS CAMPBELL HUNTER

AND SAM LAST NAME UNKNOWN AND ONE OTHER THE REWARD REALLY BEING \$2,000. EACH

FOR MAIL TRAIN ROBBERY, DURING THE COMING WEEK. POST OFFICE EXPECTS TO ARRAIGN  
JOHN BROCK APRIL TWENTY.

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PHONE. BREKID CLAYTON HALL IDENTIFIES CORNER WHERE HE TOOK KARPIS IN  
TOLEDO IN JANUARY VIA AUTOMOBILE FROM YOUNGSTOWN AND KARPIS GONE FOR 1/2  
AN HOUR. WHEN HE RETURNED HALL DOES NOT KNOW WHERE KARPIS WENT BUT LOCATION

IS VERY NEAR TO EDITH HARRY PLACE WHICH PROBABLY ACCOUNTS FOR LOCATION.

HALL NOW RECALLS SUBJECTS TOLD HIM IN HOTSPRINGS OF A FARM NEAR WARSAW TEXAS  
WHERE THEY VISITED LAST FALL AND WHERE THEY LEFT A BLACK GREAT DANE DOG FOR A  
TIME. HALL REASONABLY SURE OF NAME WARSAW AND DESCRIBES SMALL PLACE AS  
DESCRIBED TO HIM BY KARPIS ET AL. HAVE DALLAS OFFICE CHECKING TONIGHT TO  
IDENTIFY PLACE AND THEREAFTER TO CHECK FOR APPEARANCE OF DOG AND KARPIS  
AUTOMOBILE. HALL SAYS HE BELIEVES THIS PLACE, IF LOCATED, WILL BE AS GOOD  
AS LOCATION IN VICINITY HOT SPRINGS FOR POSSIBILITY OF SUBJECTS BEING THERE.  
OTHERWISE DEVELOPMENTS ARE THE SAME.

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PHONE BREKID. POSTOFFICE INSPECTOR GEORGE HILL THROUGH INFORMANT CLAREMORE OKLAHOMA ASCERTAINED THAT LAST SATURDAY MORNING APRIL 4, THIS YEAR, SAM COKER CAME INTO CLAREMORE BY TRAIN NOT FULLY CLOTHED WAS PICKED UP BY TAXI DRIVER OF LONG ACQUAINTANCE AND TAKEN TO WILL ROGERS HOTEL. MILTON LETT LATER ARRIVED BY FRISCO LINES AND WAS TAKEN TO WILL ROGERS HOTEL BY SAME TAXI DRIVER. THIS TAXI DRIVER CALLED TO HOTEL BY COKER WHO DROVE COKER AND LETT TO A HOUSE IN THE COUNTRY 13 MILES FROM CLAREMORE. THEY CARRIED TWO BAGS AND WERE IN THE HOUSE ABOUT 2 AN HOUR TAKING CAR KEYS TO PREVENT DRIVER LEAVING. THEY CAME OUT WITH THE BAGS TALKING AS IF NOBODY HOME AND DROVE DOWN THE ROAD A SHORT WAY WHERE THEY MET A MAN DRIVING A SEDAN WHO WAS HAILED BY COKER. THIS MAN UNKNOWN TO DRIVER BUT MAY BE MAN WHOSE HOUSE WAS VISITED. THEY TALKED A FEW MINUTES AND COKER AND LETT GAVE THIS MAN SOME MONEY. STILL FARTHER DOWN THE ROAD THEY A NEW STUDEBAKER SEDAN WHICH WAS HAILED BY LETT THE DRIVER OF WHICH WAS UNKNOWN TO THE TAXI DRIVER. NEITHER LETT NOR COKER DISCUSSED KARPIS OR CAMPBELL AND NO RED BUICK SEDAN OR OTHER CARS OBSERVED AROUND VICINITY SIMILAR TO THOSE USED BY GANG. TAXI DRIVER PURCHASED A COAT FOR ONE OF THE MEN AT PENNEYS. COKER AND LETT APPARENTLY CHECKED OUT WILL ROGERS HOTEL ON DEPARTURE AND HAD SUPPER AT THE TAXI DRIVERS HOME, WHERE THEY WAITED UNTIL TRAIN TIME. THEY WOULD NOT PERMIT THE TAXI DRIVER OUT OF THEIR SIGHT EVEN TO BUY GROCERIES HAVING SAME DELIVERED TO HOUSE. THEY PURCHASED TWO TICKETS TO ST. LOUIS WITH PULLMAN RESERVATIONS AND INTENDED LEAVING ON EVENING TRAIN BUT OBSERVED AN OFFICER AT THE STATION WHO WAS UNKNOWN TO THEM AND HAD THE TAXI DRIVER

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HOME, WHERE THEY WAITED UNTIL TRAIN TIME. THEY WOULD NOT PERMIT THE

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VERED TO HOUSE. THEY PURCHASED TWO TICKETS TO ST. LOUIS WITH PULLMAN

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TAKE THEM TO COLLINSVILLE OKLAHOMA WHERE THEY PURCHASED TICKETS  
TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION. PAID TAXI DRIVER ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS  
FOR THE DAY INCLUDING THE TICKETS TO ST. LOUIS. HAD PLENTY OF  
MONEY AND APPARENTLY INTENDED TO GO TO ST. LOUIS. FROM CONVERSATION  
LETT AND COKER HAD NOT SEEN EACH OTHER FOR SOME TIME. LETT ASKED  
FOR NEWS BUT COKER DID NOT TALK LOUD ENOUGH TO BE HEARD.

AGENTS SMITH AND DAMRON WITH JOE ANDERSON RETURNING HOT SPRINGS  
ARKANSAS TOMORROW MORNING. AGENTS THIS OFFICE CONTINUING WORKING  
WITH POST OFFICE INSPECTOR VICINITY TULSA. SAC BRANTLEY REMAINING  
TULSA TONIGHT

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BREKID FRANNIE FOSTER RELEASED TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND AT RENO TODAY BOND  
FURNISHED BY SCARFACE SULLIVAN HENCHMAN OF GRAHAM MACNAY STOP USA RENO  
BELIEVES FEDERAL PROCESS SHOULD BE FILED AT NEW YORK FOR UNLAWFUL FLIGHT  
TO AVOID PROSECUTION AND SUGGEST THAT MATTER BE PRESENTED TO ASSISTANT USA  
GEORGE PFANN SOUTHERN DISTRICT NEW YORK ADVISING HIM THAT BOND IN STATE  
CASE IS BEING FURNISHED BY GRAHAM MACNAY OUTFIT USA RENO BELIEVES CAN HOLD  
HIM ON FEDERAL CHARGES IF FILED STOP I AM NOT ADVISING NEW YORK BUREAU  
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POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

RE: EDWARD WILHEIM BENTZ with aliases;  
AVERY SIMONS with aliases, FUGITIVE,  
I. O. 1247; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, alias  
GEORGE SMITTY - First National Bank,  
Brandon, Vermont - BANK ROBBERY.

Reference is made to your letter dated April 3, 1936 request-  
ing information concerning the alleged death of Homer Wilson alias  
"Big Homer", in view of the statement made by subject Bentz that he  
did not believe that Big Homer Wilson was deceased.

For your information concerning this matter please be ad-  
vised that on December 8, 1934 Sergeant Joe Healy of the States Attor-  
ney's office, Chicago, Illinois who had been cooperating in connection  
with this matter, advised the Chicago Bureau office that Homer Wilson  
alias Big Homer alias The Moose, had died a week prior to December 8,  
1934 and was supposed to have been buried by the Louis Rago under-  
taking establishment at 624 North Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.  
The Rago undertaking establishment is well known in Chicago as being  
the establishment which buries most of the deceased hoodlums in this  
city. Louis Rago denied that he had buried anyone by the name of  
Homer Wilson, but stated after being furnished a description of Wil-  
son, that he buried a John Williams on December 3, 1934 who answered  
the description as furnished to him.

The records of the Rago undertaking establishment were ex-  
amined and it was noted that John Williams' address had been 5465  
Everett Avenue, Chicago, Illinois and his age was noted as 43 years; and  
that his wife's name was Margaret. The information concerning the age  
of Wilson coincided and the first name of his wife also coincided with  
the information already in possession of the Bureau. Prior investi-  
gation by the Chicago office had revealed that Homer Wilson had a son  
by the name of Glenn, and through this lead a photograph of Mrs. Mar-  
garet Wilson was secured, as well as a photograph of the child, this  
being obtained from the doctor who attended the birth of Glenn Wilson  
and who was well acquainted with both Margaret Wilson and Homer Wilson.

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Mrs. L. Sterling, manager of the Everett Arms Apartments, 5465 Everett Avenue, Chicago, Illinois identified the photograph of Margaret Wilson as being the wife of John Williams who had resided at that address, Mrs. Sterling also furnished a description of John Williams, advising that he was well over six feet in height, had extremely broad shoulders, and that she had received information from Mrs. Wilson that her husband weighed 265 pounds. This information also coincided with that which had previously been obtained relative to Homer Wilson. Mrs. Sterling stated that John Williams had on November 29, 1934 died as the result of an appendicitis operation, and this fact was later verified at St. Lukes Hospital in Chicago.

Mrs. Margaret Wilson was later taken into custody by Agents of the Bureau and admitted that she was Mrs. Homer Wilson and with her husband had been residing at 5465 Everett Avenue, under the name of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams.

AL. Further investigation disclosed that certain alleged members of the Capone syndicate had sent flowers to the funeral of John Williams, namely Mr. and Mrs. Louis Campagna, Eddie Donovan, John Ball, and a Jimmie and Flo, who are undoubtedly identical with Willie Heeney and his wife Flo.

From the above it appeared that there was little doubt that the John Williams who died on November 29, 1934 was in fact Homer Wilson. Inasmuch as information did not come to the Bureau concerning the death of this individual until after he had been buried, fingerprints and photograph were not secured, and it was not deemed advisable to exhume the body. A search of the Wilsons' apartment as well as a search of the apartment occupied by the mother of Mrs. Wilson failed to reveal a photograph of Homer Wilson.

Information had previously been obtained that Wilson was supposed to have served a term in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas after a conviction for robbery of the mails, and in connection with the investigation of the Kansas City massacre case, inquiry was made concerning all of the known mail robbers who had been committed to the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth for ten years prior to June, 1933, but no one answering the description of Homer Wilson was located. Mrs. Wilson denied that she knew of any criminal

record which her husband had and claimed she knew him only as being engaged in bootlegging activities.

It is possible that subject Bentz might furnish information concerning the prior criminal record of Wilson, and through this source fingerprints and a photograph might be secured, and it is therefore requested that the Atlanta office conduct appropriate interview with Bentz in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta relative thereto.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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PROCEEDING TWELVE TWENTY AM APRIL ELEVEN ARRIVE CHICAGO SEVEN  
 FIFTEEN AM REGISTER GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL NEWYORK CENTRAL  
 RAILROAD LOWER TWELVE CAR FOURTEEN THIRTY STOP THIS WILL PLACE  
 ME MORE AVAILABLE SPOT FOR POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENTS BREKID AS ALL  
 PLANES DOWN HERE PAST TWO DAYS ALSO ENABLE ME TO LINE UP WORK  
 HANAP FOR MONDAY

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
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April 6, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: JOHN ZETZER

From information furnished by Johnny Stover who is in charge of the local airport at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and who was a Government witness in the Kansas City Massacre case, it appears that on November 11, 1935, a four passenger aeroplane bearing No. NC-12180 arrived in Hot Springs at about noon, apparently from the East and contained three passengers and a pilot. Stover identified one of the passengers as Fred Hunter, and stated that another party bore a slight resemblance to Karpis, particularly the facial characteristics "from the nose down". Stover further related that the person accompanying Hunter who is possibly identical with 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 this person who is possibly Karpis had an impediment of speech.

As a result of procuring this aeroplane license registration, the Washington Field Office was requested to conduct an appropriate investigation to determine the identity of the licensee. It was ascertained that the plane is a Stinson, and the Registration Section of the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Aeronautics, disclosed that on November 7, 1935, one John Zetzer of Port Clinton, Ohio, purchased the above described aeroplane from the Gross Sales Air Service of East Toledo, Ohio, and sold this same aeroplane on January 30, 1936, to the Gross Sales Air Service, East Toledo, Ohio. This was an outright sale and not a re-purchase as indicated by the records in the United States Department of Commerce Bureau of Aeronautics. A check of the licenses issued shows that one John Allen Zetzer of Port Clinton, Ohio, applied for a student pilot's license as of March 12, 1930, and at that time his residence was 4145 Helen Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. On February 25, 1932, he was issued a private pilot's license which expired on February 28, 1933. At this time Zetzer was a resident of Port Clinton, Ohio. On December 9, 1933, Zetzer again obtained a student pilot's license which automatically expired on December 9, 1935, and at the present time the files indicate that Zetzer holds no license whatsoever.

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A physical description of Zetzer was obtained from the files indicating that he was born at Youngstown, Ohio, December 15, 1900, and as shown on applications he is variously indicated as being 7 ft. 11 inches, 5 feet 8 inches and 5 feet 9 inches tall, with a weight varying between 140 and 150 pounds, black hair and brown eyes. The one photograph

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contained in the files of the Bureau of Aeronautics was compared with the photograph appearing in the criminal record of Zetzer which was obtained from the Identification Division of the Bureau, and the two are identical.

It is alleged that Milton Vett, Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis were participants in the Garrettsville mail train robbery which occurred November 7, 1935.

In a telephone conversation with Mr. Nathan on March 28, 1936, Mr. Connelley advised that he had taken Zetzer into custody and that Zetzer, after the Garrettsville mail train robbery, flew one John Brock, Karpis and Campbell to Evansville, Indiana, thence to Memphis, Tennessee, and then to Little Rock, Arkansas, where Karpis left the plane. He then carried Brock to Tulsa, Oklahoma. Each of the three men transported by Zetzer had agreed to pay him \$500 for the trip and Zetzer purchased the plane used for \$1500. After being taken into custody, Zetzer was held by the Cleveland Office where he was questioned by Special Agent in Charge MacFarland and other Agents. Mr. MacFarland advised that Zetzer denied any connection whatever with Karpis, admitting transporting the men but denied knowing their identity. He was held for the Cleveland Office having voluntarily submitted to being held. During this time he gave no information whatever and on April 3, 1936, was released by the Cleveland Office after making a written statement that he would work for the Bureau as an informer and to deliver Karpis for the sum of \$500, the Post Office Inspectors having declined to file a complaint against him, although they indicated they might file a complaint against him at some later date. At the time of his release Zetzer signed an agreement to his retention for questioning, a waiver of removal and an agreement to deliver Karpis for \$500. He was returned to his home and the newspaper items thereafter disclosed that he had refused to discuss or verify his whereabouts while in custody.

The criminal record of John Zetzer, with aliases, as disclosed by the files of the Identification Division, #FBI-442390 is as follows:

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The following list of notations is unsupported by fingerprints:

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The description of John Zetzer is as follows:

Color	White
Sex	Male
Residence	Youngstown, Ohio.
Place of birth	" "
Nationality	American

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Age	26 (1926)
Build	Slim
Height	5' 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
Weight	137 lbs.
Complexion	Florid
Eyes	Hazel
Scars and marks	None

A copy of the photograph is attached hereto.

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Respectfully,

*A. Rosen*

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PHONE. BREKID. JOHN ZETZER WILL BE RELEASED BY CLEVELAND TODAY AND HE IS  
MAKING A WRITTEN AGREEMENT TO WORK FOR US AS AN INFORMANT TO DELIVER KARPIS  
FOR \$500. IF HE CAN PRODUCE. POST OFFICE INSPECTORS WOULD NOT FILE TODAY BUT  
INDICATED THEY MAY FILE ON HIM NEXT MONDAY IF WE WERE TO HOLD HIM UNTIL THEN  
WHICH WE ADVISED IN VIEW OF OUR ARRANGEMENTS AND TIME ALREADY HELD WAS IM-  
PRACTICABLE. CLYDE ROCHET, NEWTON FALLS, SAYS KARPIS OR RAY MILLER AS HE KNEW  
HIM ABOUT YEAR AGO BOUGHT A DOG FROM HIM, THAT HE, ROCHET, KNEW FRED HUNTER WHO  
BROUGHT KARPIS TO HIS PLACE, THAT SINCE THAT TIME KARPIS, HUNTER, BROCK, ETAL  
HAVE FREQUENTED HIS PLACE THAT POSSIBLY FORD COUPE FOUND AT HIS PLACE REGISTERED  
TO CARL ATKINS IS ACTUALLY CAR HARRY CAMPBELL. THAT TWO OF GANG GARRETTSVILLE,  
TRAIN ROBBERY AND HE DROVE THEM TO POINT ON ROAD WHERE HE BELIEVES KARPIS PICKED  
THEM UP. ROCHET HAS EXPECTED THEM TO APPEAR ANY DAY NOW AND SAYS HE WILL  
ASSIST IN THEIR APPREHENSION. ROCHET WORKS IN ROLLING MILL GETTING TWELVE  
DOLLARS DAY AND NOT AN ACTUAL CRIMINAL PARTICIPANT IN ANY JOB. WE ARE PLACING HIM  
AT NEWTON FALLS WITH AGENT TO SUITABLY COVER IN ORDER NOT TO DESTROY CONTACT OF  
SUBJECTS AS FREQUENTLY THEY SEND CONTACT MAN TO PLACE FIRST BEFORE MAKING APPROACH  
WE WILL BE IN HIS HOUSE AND IN POSITION TO WATCH ROCHET AND WIFE. LATTER ALSO TO  
COOPERATE. WE ARE ARRANGING ALSO AN OUTSIDE OBSERVATION POINT ON ROCHET'S HOUSE.  
JOHN STOVER MANAGER AIRPORT HOT SPRINGS MADE TWO SPECIAL TRIPS FROM THERE TO  
YOUNGSTOWN AND CANTON, OHIO HAULING KARPIS AND CLAYTON HALL. MRS. JOHN STOVER

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WIFE ACCOMPANIED AND SHE MAKES POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION KARPIS FROM

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Record of Telephone Call or Visitor.

April 10, 1936.

11: 40 A.M.

Mr. John Carlisle of the Detroit  
News tele from Detroit.

In the absence of the Director, he stated that he  
would like to talk to Mr. Quinn. Mr. Quinn who was  
contacted stated he would talk to Mr. Carlisle.

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Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Carlisle had received  
word from his reporter in Toledo that Connelley was  
in Toledo. Mr. Quinn told Mr. Carlisle that he did  
not know if Mr. Connelley was in Toledo or not;  
that Carlisle wanted Connelley to call him in order  
that he may help Mr. Connelley in his underworld  
contacts. Mr. Quinn told Mr. Carlisle that it would  
be suicide to print anything in connection with the  
Karpis case after Mr. Carlisle had inquired of him  
if there was anything to be released on the Karpis  
case. A detailed memorandum is being prepared. rlm

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

April 12, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 17, 1936; report of Special Agent L. C. Taylor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated March 5, 1936, and letter from your office to the Cleveland Office dated April 9, 1936, concerning certain information furnished by Archie C. Negleman, with aliases, who is presently confined in the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

It appears, without question, that Archie Negleman, at this time, possesses pertinent information with reference to the association of subjects Karpis and Campbell at Youngstown, Canton and Toledo, particularly in so far as Clayton Hall of Youngstown, Joe Rich and Eddie Brennan of Canton and Eddie Seamon of Toledo, are concerned.

The matter of reference referred to above indicates that Negleman has consistently stated that on one occasion he met Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio in the company of Eddie Seamon whom he described as being a fugitive from Canton, Ohio. Enclosed with this letter is a circular of the Canton Police Department bearing a photograph of Eddie Negleman at the Northeastern Penitentiary for the purpose of exhibiting to him the photograph of Eddie Seamon, with aliases, arranging to exhibit the said photograph among a group of other photographs and also take caution that Negleman will not see the name of the individual. In the event he identifies this party, it is respectfully requested that you interrogate him with reference to this party's connection.

It is also requested that Negleman be again interviewed concerning his information of the association of Karpis, Campbell, Clayton Hall, Joe Rich and Eddie Brennan and particular emphasis be placed on the matter of Negleman's association with Clayton Hall and Joe Rich, particularly as to when he first met them, the intimacy of his association with them and any knowledge he has concerning friends and contacts. In this connection, it

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appears from previous interviews with Negleman that the latter has furnished information that undoubtedly these individuals have connections in Pennsylvania in the vicinity of Webster and were visitors of Negleman when they were apparently "casing" jobs in that community. This matter should receive very careful attention with Negleman so as to develop any possible information which may lead to the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell. Your attention is directed to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 17, 1936 containing a lead for your office to conduct an investigation at Webster, Pennsylvania to corroborate certain information furnished by Negleman which lead apparently has not been covered by your office to date, and it is suggested that this matter be given expeditious attention. In following out this lead your attention is directed to the fact that in the robbery of the mail train at Carrettsville, Ohio, November 7, 1935, an unknown individual participated by the name of Sam who is described as follows:

Age	45 years
Height	5' 10"
Weight	175 lbs.
Hair	Brown streaked with gray
Eyebrows	Fairly heavy
Nose	Fairly large

who is reported to have been released from some penitentiary about September 1935. You should consider the possibility of Sam Lynn of Webster, Pennsylvania being identical with the above described Sam.

Recent information indicates the possibility that the Post Office Inspectors may endeavor to secure the temporary release of Negleman from the Northeastern Penitentiary for the purpose of taking him to Toledo, Ohio to point out the place where he alleges he met Harry Campbell in the company of Eddie Seamon. You should arrange to keep posted as to this situation so that you will be advised in the event any move is made by the Post Office Inspectors in which event you should promptly notify this office and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley.

For your information, subject Karpis resided at the home of Clayton Hall, Youngstown, Ohio, from January 14th to 16th, 1936 and thereafter for a period of about a week he is thought to have been in Canton, Ohio, possibly in the house of prostitution operated in the city of Canton by Joe Rich.

It is again reiterated that the interview with Negleman should be in detail and thorough and that any and all information furnished by him should receive prompt investigative attention.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

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**S. A. FILE NO. 7-41**

REPORT MADE AT <b>San Antonio, Tex.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>April 11<sup>th</sup> 36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/7, 8/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. C. White</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <p>Mrs. Dortha Kirkpatrick, sister of Ruth Hamm, states has not heard from sister since about March 18, 1936. Their parents live in Davidson, Oklahoma. Ruth Hamm's husband Melvin Robison lived at Frederick, Oklahoma. Mrs. Kirkpatrick never knew of her sister using the name of Connie Morris; heard her sister speak of Gracie, but did not know Grace Goldstein. The man who accompanied her sister to San Antonio on November 12, 1935, used the name of Harold King. Texas Ranger Captain J. W. McCormick does not recall ever having any difficulty with a party owning a black great Dane dog in San Augustine County in the Fall of last year. P.</p> <p>Reference: Teletype message received from SAC E. J. Connelley, Cleveland, Ohio, dated April 7, 1936, and report of Agent J. C. White, San Antonio, Texas, dated March 31, 1936.</p>			
DETAILS:  <p>Upon receipt of reference teletype message, Agent ascertained from Tom McNamara, who issues permits for taxicab drivers for the city of San Antonio that Glen F. Kirkpatrick was a driver for the Silver-Blue Taxicab Company and resided at 318 S. Presa Street, San Antonio. Mr. McNamara stated that Kirkpatrick in his opinion was perfectly reliable in every way and would give an Agent any information that he desired.</p> <p>Agent then interviewed Mrs. Dortha Kirkpatrick who stated that her sister whose maiden name was Ruth Hamm and who married a Melvin Robison came to San Antonio, Texas, by airplane on November 12, 1935; that her sister was accompanied by a man who gave his name as Harold King; that at that time she and her husband were</p>			
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living at 320 San Pedro Avenue, San Antonio; that King and her sister stayed in San Antonio at the above address, but in a different apartment, about four days; that they either came on Monday or Tuesday and left Saturday of that week; that they departed from 320 San Pedro Avenue by a Black & White Taxicab; that during the time they were in San Antonio no strangers contacted King or her sister to her knowledge; that King did not make any long distance telephone calls nor did he receive any telegrams. Mrs. Kirkpatrick stated that she identified a photograph shown her by Post Office Inspector Haynes as being the individual who came to San Antonio with her sister. Mrs. Kirkpatrick further stated that about March 19, 1936, just prior to Post Office Inspector Haynes interviewing her she received a letter from her sister, Ruth Hamm, who stated that she contemplated visiting their mother in Davidson, Oklahoma, and she wrote her sister immediately and advised her if she was going to visit their mother to come by San Antonio and she would accompany her on this visit. Mrs. Kirkpatrick stated that she had not heard from her sister since that time nor does she know where she is at the present time; that at the time she wrote her the letter she was living at 233 1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick further stated that she did not know of her sister using the name of Connie Morris or Constance Morris; that her maiden name was Ruth Hamm and that their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hamm live in Davidson, Oklahoma; that her father was a plumber; that her sister's husband was Melvin Robison; that he was a farm laborer and lived in Frederick, Oklahoma. Mrs. Kirkpatrick described Harold King, evidently Fred Hunter, as follows:

Age, 25 years  
Height, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches  
Weight, 150 pounds  
Hair, black straight  
Eyes, dark  
Build, slender  
Complexion, medium  
Neat dresser, rather dignified in his dress.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick further stated that she did not know a Grace Goldstein, but that she had heard her sister speak of a woman named "Gracie" who lived with her sister at the above mentioned address in Hot Springs, Ark.; that this individual was never in San Antonio, Texas.

Agent did not divulge to Mrs. Kirkpatrick the object of the inquiry and led her to believe Agent was checking up on Harold King and his associates only.

The Dallas Bureau office advised this office by telephone that they had received information that Texas Ranger Captain J. W. McCormick had had some difficulty with a man who owned a black great Dane dog in San Augustine County, Texas, while Captain McCormick was there in the Fall of 1935. This information was relayed to SAC Gus T. Jones who was at that time in Austin, Texas,



The telephonic information from Dallas indicated that either Karpis, the woman Grace Goldstein or some of their associates, who were supposed to have been with them in San Augustine County, Texas, was in possession of a black great Dane dog.

SAC Jones interviewed Captain J. W. McCormick at Austin, Texas, on April 8, 1936. It not being advisable to disclose to Captain McCormick the name of Alvin Karpis, SAC Jones stated that in connection with a fugitive for which the Bureau was searching it had been reported that this fugitive and a woman companion were possibly using a hide-out somewhere in the vicinity of Warsaw, Texas; that they were supposed to have a black great Dane dog, or a dog of that description was at the place used by them as a hide-out. Captain McCormick was asked, if in his operations in San Augustine County, or any east Texas county last Fall, if he ever had occasion to observe such a described dog. Captain McCormick stated that he had not observed such a dog in San Augustine County, in fact, he did not believe that he had seen a great Dane dog anywhere in Texas during the past several years.

SAC Jones talked at length with Captain McCormick concerning this matter and McCormick appeared to be very sincere in his statements. He stated that while he was operating in San Augustine County in the Fall of 1935 he had with him Rangers Dan Hines and J. E. English; that both of these Rangers, however, were on special duty in the northeast section of the east Texas oil fields at the present time, and would probably not return to Austin for sometime. He stated that he would contact these Rangers relative to any great Dane dog they may have seen anywhere in the east Texas oil fields. However, he was confident that neither of these Rangers observed such a dog while they were operating personally with him in San Augustine County, or they would probably have made some mention of it to him.

Warsaw, Texas, is not a listed Post Office and is a very small settlement located on the Angelina River and is really considered as being in Nacogdoches County, which is the county adjoining San Augustine. In order to obtain some confidential information relative to that section of the country and also reliable contacts, SAC Jones had a confidential talk with Ed Clark, Secretary of Governor Allred of Texas. Mr. Clark is a personal friend of SAC Jones and was County Attorney of San Augustine County prior to becoming Secretary to Governor Allred. Mr. Clark stated that the village of Warsaw was really in Nacogdoches County; that it was a typical "hill-billy" neighborhood, the inhabitants of which had lived there for many years, was entirely isolated, and was never visited by anyone unless they had some particular business there or relatives residing in that section. Mr. Clark was born and reared in San Augustine County, Texas, and apparently is personally acquainted with every citizen of the County. He was asked confidentially if he could recall ever hearing of a man having a farm located approximately ten miles from Warsaw who had a sister who was engaged in the practice of prostitution or operated a house of prostitution in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. Clark agreed with SAC Jones that as a general rule when anything of that nature happens the whole community hears



of it and to some extent discusses it. Mr. Clark stated he had never heard of any such circumstance. The name of Grace Goldstein did not register with him at all, in fact, he stated there were no families by the name of Goldstein residing anywhere in that section of San Augustine County; that practically all the inhabitants in that section were of the old "hill-billy" type of Americans and the greater percentage of them bore common names such as Jones, Johnson, etc. Mr. Clark stated that Jim Greer, formerly of Nacogdoches County, and now Chief Deputy Sheriff of San Augustine County, had been selected for the position he now holds due to his honesty and fearlessness as a law enforcement officer. It is Mr. Clark's opinion that Mr. Greer could be absolutely trusted to cooperate fully in connection with the apprehension of any type of fugitive. This is called to the attention of the Dallas office, however, it is possible that office has had occasion to contact Deputy Sheriff Greer in the past.

From a past experience it was deemed advisable to approach Captain McCormick and any other Rangers contacted, in the manner in which he was approached. If the statement was made that the Bureau suspected Karpis as having a hide-out in that section it is quite probable that Captain McCormick would attempt to conduct an investigation of his own and make the arrest of Karpis for the notoriety that he would attain if successful. Under the conditions under which he was approached it is believed that he was frank in his statement relative to having never seen a great Dane dog in that section of the country.

There are a great many State Rangers operating in the oil fields of East Texas, both north and south of San Augustine County, and of course, the incident mentioned in the telephone conversation with the Dallas office could have happened to some other Ranger located in some other section of eastern Texas. If the identity of Grace Goldstein and the location of her brother in east Texas cannot be ascertained in any other manner a canvass can be made of all of the Rangers that were stationed in east Texas during the Fall of 1935 in order to ascertain if any of them had observed a great Dane dog. However, it is deemed advisable to hold this in abeyance as it appears that this information might be secured either at Hot Springs, Ark. or from some other point where Grace Goldstein has operated.

A close cover is still being maintained on the mail of Joe Campbell, nephew of subject Harry Campbell, who is a student at A&M College, College Station, Texas. The majority of his mail comes from 318 S. Grand Avenue, Gainesville, Texas, which has already been covered by the Dallas office, and from his father and mother at Midland, Texas. Joe Davis, Assistant Commandant of Cadets at the College is closely cooperating with the San Antonio office. He called this office's attention to several letters that were dropped in the Campus Box #939 at the College, however, an investigation by Mr. Davis developed that these letters were from a boy student named Merle Walling. Previous investigation developed that Merle Walling is a son of John P. Walling who resides at the South Grand Avenue address, Gainesville, Texas, previously referred to.

Special Agent D. R. Morley canvassed the Buie Clinic and the Torbett Clinic, the only two bath houses now being operated at the Marlin Hot Springs, Marlin, Texas. Copies of Identification Order #1236 on Harry Campbell were furnished Mrs. A. B. Johnson, Information Clerk at the Buie Clinic and Mr. Elgin Tubb, Manager of the Torbett Clinic. Sheriff L. O. Hay was likewise personally contacted by Agent Morley and advised of the possibility of Harry Campbell availing himself of the mineral baths at Marlin, Tex. None of the persons contacted had any recollection of any person suiting the description of Harry Campbell ever taking the baths at either of the clinics in Marlin. Arrangements were made with them and with Sheriff Hay to promptly advise the San Antonio office should any individual register at either of the clinics who in any way suited the description of Harry Campbell.

On April 10, 1936, City Detectives Roxie Simmons and P. Y. Snow of the Houston, Texas, Police Department, advised Special Agent Sisk that one Harry Deveaux appeared in Houston, Texas, about three weeks ago claiming to come from Kansas City, Mo. Deveaux on March 28, 1936, telephoned Detective Simmons at Police Headquarters and made an appointment to see him stating to Simmons that he knew Frank Simmons, a brother of the detective in Arkansas. Detectives Simmons and Snow met Deveaux in the 4400 block of North Main Street, Houston, and after observing Deveaux, Simmons states that he believes that he recalls having seen Deveaux in Mounteinburg, Arkansas, which is the place where Simmons was reared and where his family now resides. Deveaux spoke of Frank Simmons, the brother of the detective, and stated that he was a friend of his. He furnished the two Detectives with some information on two escaped convicts from Alabama and put one of these convicts on the spot for the officers on April 3, 1936. The convict was taken into custody and on this occasion Deveaux's information proved to be correct. In talking with Deveaux he stated to the Detectives that he had received a letter from his brother-in-law, whose name he would not divulge, in Kansas City, Mo., in which his brother-in-law stated that Alvin Karpis was "hanging in or around Houston, Texas". Deveaux stated that he had known Karpis since he was a small boy, having been reared with him in Kansas City, Mo. Deveaux stated that if Karpis was in Houston, Texas, he would not be hanging around any joints, but would more probably be in a nice quiet part of town, either in a furnished bungalow or a first class apartment house. The two Detectives exhibited to Deveaux a number of Police photographs from which Deveaux, without hesitation, picked out the photograph of Karpis, the photograph being Tulsa, Oklahoma, PD #8008, which he stated was a very good photograph of Karpis. Deveaux agreed to work with the City Detectives or Bureau Agents in an attempt to locate Karpis in Houston, Texas. He would not disclose to the Detectives where he was residing, but at the time they contacted him he was working in a wrecking yard in the 4400 block of North Main Street, Houston. However, he only worked at this place two days. The officers arranged to meet him at the corner of Quitman and North Main Streets at 5 P.M. on April 8, 1936, however, Deveaux did not keep the appointment. They have since learned that he left town. They located a girl friend of Deveaux's of only two weeks duration, one Genevieve Murrain, 1008 Hardy Street, Houston, who had a note from

Deveaux authorizing the Detectives to pay to her a \$25 reward due him for having put the escaped convict from Alabama on the spot. He stated to this girl that he expected to return to Houston shortly.

It is now the opinion of Detectives Simmons and Snow that Deveaux will not return to Houston and they believe now that he is wanted on some charge. During his conversation with the Detectives Deveaux stated that he was well acquainted with Russell Cooper, a prominent bank robber who participated in the jail break at Muskogee, Oklahoma. Deveaux claimed that he cooperated with both the State and Federal officers in Oklahoma in originally putting Cooper on the spot. Detective Simmons has communicated with his father P. F. Simmons, R.F.D., Mountainburg, Ark, to ascertain any information possible concerning Deveaux and his present whereabouts. The City Detectives described Deveaux as follows:

Name, Harry Deveaux  
Age 33 to 38 years  
Height, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches  
Weight, 150 - 155 pounds  
Build, medium  
Hair, black  
Eyes, dark  
Complexion, dark  
Smooth shaven, no glasses  
Heavy beard shows through  
American of French descent  
Born and reared in Kansas City  
Has appearance of a thug  
Occupation, unknown  
Record, unknown  
Specimen of handwriting available if needed

The Detectives are now of the opinion he is wanted for some offense and have requested that the Police at Kansas City, Little Rock and Oklahoma City furnish any information they may have concerning Deveaux. Attention is invited to his claims to have cooperated in the apprehension of Russell Cooper.

Arrangements have been made for Agent Sisk to personally contact the man Deveaux should he return to Houston, Texas.

Close contact has been maintained by Special Agent T. H. Sisk with informant T. Lester Miller at Houston, Texas, however, there have been no developments since submission of report of this Agent on March 31, 1936. Informant Miller believes that he will obtain a position as a chef in a hotel at Athens, Texas, and if so the Dallas office will be advised of his location at that place in order that further contact may be maintained with him.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

San Antonio Office: Will maintain cover on mail of Joe Campbell, College Station, Tex., will keep in close contact with Detectives Simmons and

Now, Houston, Texas, for the possible return of Deveaux, and will keep in close contact with informant T. Lester Miller until such time as he leaves Houston, Tex.

Kansas City Office: Obtain any information possible concerning Harry Deveaux and whether or not he has a Police record in Kansas City, Mo.

Oklahoma City Office: Ascertain any information possible relative to the criminal record of Harry Deveaux. It is assumed that the Oklahoma City office is already covering the lead relative to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma.

Little Rock Office: Obtain any information possible concerning the identity and criminal record of Harry Deveaux, especially if he is known to the Police Department of Little Rock, Ark.

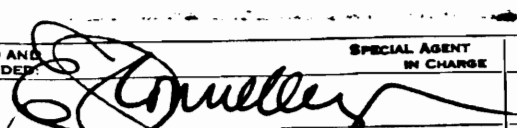
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

REPORT MADE AT <b>CHICAGO, ILL.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>April 11, 1936</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/25/36 to 4/8/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>E. J. CONNELLEY</b> <b>EJC:JMS</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232 HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236 et al Edward George Bremer, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> George Zetzer Nov. 8 to 10, 1935 purchased plane and flew Karpis, John Brock and Fred Hunter from Port Clinton, O. to Hot Springs, Ark. then taking Brock and Hunter to Tulsa. This was immediately after they robbed train at Garrettsville, O. 11/7/35. Zetzer admits this without admitting guilty knowledge as to identity or criminal activity of subjects. Zetzer interviewed further in detail which will be reported by Cleveland office. Clayton Hall, Youngstown, O. agreed to work with us and on his way to Cleveland was picked up by P.O. Inspectors 3/26/36 and held incommunicado, although he explained to them he was on his way to our office. After some persuasion and activity the P.O. Inspectors admitted they had him and agreed to cooperate. In interview Hall gave us location of Karpis and Hunter and their girl friends, Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris, at hideout 7 miles southeast of Hot Springs, Ark. on Malvern Road. This information was given to us the night of March 28th. We arrived at Hot Springs Sunday night March 29th and raided the place at 6 A.M. March 30th, finding it empty. Subjects had left there March 26th due to activity of P.O. Inspectors at San Antonio, Tex. Davidson, Okla. and Hot Springs, Ark. by interviewing relatives of Connie Morris, and by having confidential informant Brock approach this woman to get information, and Brock disclosed to her the full details of what he was doing, causing her to become frightened and all the subjects to leave on the following morning March 26th. Grace Goldstein, Hot Springs, Ark. to turn these subjects in as a confidential informant. However her reliability doubtful. Further inquiry being conducted in Arkansas. Clayton Hall pointed out possible place to which he took Karpis in Toledo from Youngstown in January, 1936. Edith Barry, Toledo, Ohio admits Karpis and Campbell at her place about Jan. 1935; that Karpis was there again in Aug. and later again in fall of 1935; that she knew the true identity of Karpis on last 2 visits. This woman agrees to turn these subjects in as confidential informant but her reliability doubtful. Further inquiry being made in Ohio.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED 		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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Lack of cooperation on the part of the Post Office Dept.  
\*Airplane #NC12180

REFERENCE: Letter of Little Rock, Ark. office March 23, 1936 to  
Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Chicago, Ill. (10137)

DETAILS: Based upon information contained in letter of reference from the Little Rock office, and other recent developments in this case, indicating that apparently Post Office Inspectors were making an effort to learn something as to the location, particularly of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and in doing so they apparently were interviewing any and all persons with whom they came in contact, telephonic communication was had with Cleveland and Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland was instructed to have Agent E. J. Wynn and another Agent immediately make a check at Toledo as to the identity of Stinson four-passenger, cabin plane, Department of Commerce #NC12180, in order to learn who was the present owner of this plane, and who was the pilot who flew same, apparently from Ohio to Arkansas in November, 1935. Attention was called to the fact, as indicated in report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 16, 1935, that this plane, together with a three passenger open job Waco, Department of Commerce #NC 160 Y, was owned by the Gross Sales Air Service, Inc. 211 Platt Street, Toledo, Ohio. Immediate investigation was requested in order to determine what the activities were of Clayton Hall, Youngstown, O. and the possibility that we might be able to develop him immediately as an informant, if he had been associating with Fred Hunter, and also possibly Milton Lett.

\*Airplane #NC 160 Y

Special Agents E. J. Wynn and W. B. O'Mahoney proceeded to Youngstown, Ohio on March 25, 1936 for this purpose. Prior instructed investigation at Youngstown, Akron and Canton, Ohio as to this same situation had developed nothing definite other than information that P. O. Inspectors were maintaining surveillance, at least at one time, of Clayton Hall in accordance with their statement to the police at Youngstown.

On the morning of March 26, 1936, Special Agent E. J. Wynn telephoned this Agent at Chicago, Illinois to the effect that he and Agent O'Mahoney on the previous day had contacted Clayton Hall and that he had admitted knowing one Ray Miller, whom he identified partially from a photograph as being subject Alvin Karpis, and also that he knew Fred Hunter. An examination of the place of Clayton Hall at Youngstown, Ohio showed some of the clothing of either Karpis or Hunter still there. A number of medicine bottles for treatment of venereal disease were also found. The bottles in question were taken from the house with the idea of forwarding same to the Bureau. Special Agent E. J. Wynn stated that they had an agreement with Clayton Hall to come to Cleveland, Ohio on March 26, 1936 at one P.M. and for which purpose he was given \$5.00 for gasoline to make the trip. The impression was that this party



would cooperate with us in this matter. On this same date this Agent proceeded to Cleveland and upon arrival there at five P. M. it was learned that Hall had failed to appear at the Cleveland Bureau office. On the evening of this same date contact was had with the wife of Clayton Hall at her home, and she indicated that her husband had not been home during the day. No information could be found indicating the location of Clayton Hall, or the location of his car, and continued search was made until two A. M. of March 27, 1936. Special Agents E. J. Dowd and W. J. O'Mahoney conducted further investigation the following morning at Youngstown and by discreet surveillance of the home of Clayton Hall it was ascertained that apparently the post office inspectors had taken this individual into custody. Subsequent discreet conversation of Agents Dowd and O'Mahoney with post office inspectors brought out the fact that these parties had picked up Hall, at which time he indicated that he was then en route to Cleveland to confer with Mr. E. J. Wynn, whose name he had on a piece of paper at the time. The post office inspectors made no effort to communicate with us until we approached them on March 27, 1936 at Youngstown, Ohio in an effort to determine what had become of Clayton Hall. On March 27, 1936, together with Special Agents E. J. Wynn and C. E. Smith the writer proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, where Agent Smith had already conducted investigation and had identified the pilot of the Stinson four passenger plane, #NC 12180, as being John Zetzer, the details of which will be more fully recorded later in report by Special Agent C. E. Smith. It being indicated that this was the party who had taken apparently Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis and John Brock from Port Clinton, Ohio to Hot Springs, Arkansas, on or about November 10, 1935, it was decided to pick this man up for suitable interview. It was indicated that he purchased this plane on November 7, 1935 at seven A. M.; that he, Zetzer, had requested Adelbert Gross, from whom he purchased the plane, to show the date of purchase on the bill of sale as being November 8, 1935; that he paid \$1,700 for this plane and later after some time sold the plane back to Gross for \$1,500.

John Zetzer was located at his place of business, the Marine Garage, Port Clinton, Ohio, where he conducts an automobile and motor boat repair and building shop, together with his brother, Joe Zetzer. About five P. M. on this date Zetzer was located and taken to Toledo, where he was interviewed on March 27, 1936. At this time he indicated that he was born on December 18, 1900 at Youngstown, Ohio; that he is married and lives with his wife and one child, age six years; that he was convicted of smuggling in about 1933 and was sentenced in the United States District Court at Toledo, Ohio to two years in the United States Industrial Reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio, of which sentence he served one year and was released. He is described as follows:



Height	-	5'6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
Weight	-	145 pounds
Eyes	-	Brown
Hair	-	Black, turning gray
Complexion	-	Dark

Zetzer advised that he left Port Clinton, Ohio, the first part of November, 1935 on a chartered plane trip in the plane he had previously purchased from Mr. Gross at Toledo, and which plane was delivered to him on November 8, 1935; thereafter at ten A. M. he arrived at The Port Clinton Emergency Airport, where he picked up three men who had been brought there in a car by a fourth individual; that they travelled about four hundred miles on this first day and could not find an airport, and he believes that they landed somewhere in Missouri; that thereafter they flew on to Memphis, Tennessee where they landed for gasoline and slept in the plane over night. The following morning he flew from Memphis to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where two of his passengers got off the plane and he then proceeded with the third passenger and landed at Alma, Arkansas. The following morning they went into Fort Smith, Arkansas and arranged for gasoline and then flew from that point to Tulsa, Oklahoma. Zetzer was very evasive in his answers and he stated that he believes he started on this trip the day after he purchased the plane in Toledo; that he had an understanding with these individuals about one week before he purchased the plane to make a trip; that he stalled them off in the hope of being able to buy a plane; that he made a trip to Detroit, Michigan to buy a plane, but could not find any at the price he wished to pay; that he finally bought a Stinson plane, Department of Commerce #NC 12180, for \$1,700 from the Gross Sales Air Service, Inc., Toledo, Ohio; that he paid \$500 on this and \$1,000 the day he received delivery on the plane; that he paid an additional \$200 after he made the trip; that later he resold the plane to the Gross Sales Air Service, Inc. for \$1,500. He advised that the money he used to pay for this plane was in five, ten and twenty dollar bills; that \$500 of the money he had in his home and \$1,000 was raised by borrowing from his sister and brother at Port Clinton, Ohio, and it also was money they kept at home and was in similar denominations. He stated that it took about one week to make the trip in question, due to the forced landings. Upon returning he stopped for two days in Missouri because of bad weather; that he thereafter paid two months' storage on said plane before selling same.

In explanation of where and how these parties contacted him, he advised that an individual, whom from the description was possibly Alvin Karpis, came to his place of business at Port Clinton and asked him if he still had a plane; that this individual did not indicate why

he came to him, or how he had knowledge he had previously owned a plane. He stated that he did not know the party who brought the other three men to the airport on the morning of November 8, 1935, when they started on the trip; that when this party made inquiry he indicated to him he intended to get a plane; that the individual returned a day or so later and that he told him he had been to Detroit and that he was making arrangements to buy a plane; that it was about a week later, after this second trip, that the individual again called on him and at this time he told him he had a plane, although he had only tentatively arranged to buy the plane from Gross at that time; that about two or three days before he purchased the plane the individual again came and the arrangements were made for him to meet them the morning before he actually obtained delivery on the plane, which would be November 7, 1935; that he was to meet them at about eight A. M. at the airport at Port Clinton, Ohio; that he failed to keep this appointment, however, on the following day he took delivery on the plane and arrived on the field at ten A. M. on November 8, 1935, and the three men were there in a car with a fourth individual; that they immediately got into the plane to make the trip and the fourth party apparently drove off. They had two suitcases and a small portfolio, or brief case; that he did not see any guns. He was unable to name the kind of car they drove to the airport in, although he believed it might have been a Plymouth. He insisted that he did not know any of the individuals concerned; that the party who negotiated for the plane trip and whom he refers to as individual No. 1, would usually drive up in a coupe and blow his horn for him to come out to talk to him; that the names, as he recalls, they referred to each other by were Tom, Jack and Slim. He described individual No. 1 as being about thirty years of age, 5'6" or 7", medium complexion, 150 to 155 pounds in weight, light auburn or brunette hair, wore glasses, octagon shaped without rims. He tentatively identified the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being this person. The second person he referred to he described as being about thirty-two years of age, 5'4" in height, dark complexion, about 140 pounds, dark hair; and the third individual he described as being about thirty-eight years of age, 5'9" in height, dark complexion, skinny, wore glasses with horn shelled rims, had dark hair. This party apparently was the "Slim" referred to and is the party who went on to Tulsa with him from Hot Springs.

Zetzer advised that in January, 1936 he made a trip to Youngstown, Ohio, at which time he took Sam Conti, who works around the garage at Port Clinton, and Big Tom of the Standard Products, Port Clinton, Ohio. He described Sam Conti as being about twenty-one years of age, 5'7" in height, 150 pounds, light blonde curly hair. He stated that this trip had nothing to do with the individuals who were taken to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

This party was brought to the Cleveland office where further continued interview was had with him during the following week, the details of which will be reported by Special Agent E. J. Wynn.

The post office inspectors being aware of the fact that they were covering the same situation as we were covering at Youngstown, Ohio, namely as to Clayton Hall, particularly by reason of the fact that they picked up Hall under the conditions previously above recited, on March 28, 1936, indicated they desired to confer with us in order that we might get together as to the efforts of each, and on Saturday, March 28, 1936, at the Cleveland Bureau office, Post Office Inspector in Charge Wallace R. Briggs, and Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick of Cleveland, conferred with the writer, Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, and Special Agent E. J. Wynn. There was confirmed at that time an arrangement as to the joint cover being maintained on the home of Clayton Hall as to which, starting March 27, 1936, we have had agents and post office inspectors established in this home for the possible reappearance of any of the subjects in this case. However, it was very evident, during this interview, that they were not giving us any information other than that which we knew, concerning their activities in this case. They indicated, however, that Clayton Hall had decided to furnish certain important, valuable information, but that he first wanted a definite understanding with a representative of the Bureau as to just what the possibilities were as to prosecution against him. As a result of this conference, on the evening of Saturday, March 28, 1936, a joint interview was had with Clayton Hall at the office of the post office inspector at Youngstown, Ohio, there being present this Agent, Special Agent C. E. Smith, Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick, Post Office Inspector in Charge Wallace R. Briggs, and their confidential informant, gunman and general handyman, Joe Anderson, who is being used by them, and who is a member of the Kansas State Police Department, as to whom they are paying his expenses in order to have him with them presumably should they meet Karpis and Campbell. When they arrested Clayton Hall previously he had been established in an hotel secretly and was sleeping with Joe Anderson. Clayton Hall insisted to me that he was not aware of the actual identity of Alvin Karpis, whom he knew as Ray Miller, and he was advised that if he furnished us the definite information which resulted in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, we would make a definite recommendation that he would not be prosecuted for harboring this individual. Post Office Inspector in Charge Briggs advised him, in consideration of information that he was to furnish, he would not be prosecuted by them in connection with any violations of the postal laws, growing out of his association with Karpis and others.

Thereafter Clayton Hall advised that the subjects were living in a house in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas; that Karpis was

driving a large, red, four-door Buick sedan, about 1936 model, which had been purchased at Hot Springs, Arkansas on February 1, 1936, under the name of C. O. Sullivan; that the place where Karpis is now staying, presumably with a girl, is located seven miles out of Hot Springs on the Malvern Road; that this distance was figured by speedometer reading; that this place is located on top of a hill, or a knoll; that it would be very difficult to approach this place; that the house is situated in a wooded section; that it was a one and one-half story house, with one bedroom upstairs over the driveway into which an automobile could be driven; that he believed there were one or two small outhouses on the property; that they had a large Great Dane dog; that the place was fenced in; that it was on the left hand side of the road. He thereafter drew a detailed map of the rooms and interior of the house, indicating that he, Clayton Hall, had been called to Hot Springs, by Ray Miller, and he rented this house for Miller in his, Hall's, name for one year, signing a lease for \$480.00 a year, \$240.00 in advance being paid for the first six months rent. He indicated that he believed the party Miller would be there, and possibly Fred Hunter would be with him; that he believed they also had a black or dark blue Ford coupe; that Miller had also used the name of Edward Woods. This party indicated that there was a woman located in Hot Springs, Arkansas with whom he could communicate by telegram, and who would take the telegram to Karpis. At a subsequent interview he disclosed that this person was Grace Goldstone, Hattery Hotel, 233 1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Ark.

The above information was communicated to the Bureau with the further advice that we had arranged to leave immediately, and that a plane could be obtained for Hot Springs; that we were to be accompanied by Post Office Inspectors Hettrick and Cordrey, and their informant, Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police. The Bureau was requested and advised that they would have a number of Agents available at Hot Springs when we arrived there in order that an immediate raid could be made, if necessary.

On Sunday March 29, 1936, we left Cleveland, Ohio at three A.M. arriving at Hot Springs, Arkansas at 4.30 P.M. after which telephonic conference was had with Mr. Hoover and Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau as to plans of the raid to be conducted. The Bureau indicated that it believed it was desirable that a raid be made the following morning in view of certain publicity which had resulted at Cleveland, Ohio through efforts of the Cleveland office to rent a plane for the trip to Little Rock.

Thereafter on March 30, 1936 at six A.M., after this place had been surrounded by the various Agents, who had previously been instructed as to their parts in the transaction, both as to raiding the house itself and the blocking of the roads, the various men, who

are hereinafter listed, participated in a raid of the place, which was found to be empty, and indicated very definitely that the persons had apparently left hurriedly some time before. The raid was conducted by Post Office Inspectors Hettrick, Cordrey and their informant, Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police and the following Agents: R. C. Coulter, C. O. Hurt, J. C. Mertz, J. B. Little, J. V. Murphy, W. L. Buchanan, D. Brantley, L. E. Kingman, F. W. Hansen, V. R. Clary, B. P. Cruise, W. John McNulty, E. J. Connelley, A. P. Barber, C. E. Smith, C. A. Mahon. At the request of Mr. Anderson, Post Office Inspector Cordrey was placed on the roads with the automobiles, which were used to block the roads, inasmuch as he was not familiar with the use of firearms and would not be particularly desirable in either one of the two groups which raided the house. Mr. Cordrey was present when this request was made and he was placed accordingly.

Immediate interview of two woodsmen who work within about twenty-five yards of the rear entrance of this house cutting wood, disclosed that these parties, namely two men, two women and two dogs, one a Great Dane, and one a brown bird dog, had apparently hurriedly left the place on the previous Thursday, March 26, 1936. It is believed, although not as yet definitely established, that Hunter, Karpis, Connie Morris, alias Hamm, and Grace Goldstine, were the persons seen to leave this place on the date in question.

In connection with the raid on the house in question, a suitable number of gas shells were shot into the place, and the place then taken, resulting in some slight damage to the property, as is reflected in report of the situation by Special Agent J. C. Mertz, Little Rock, Arkansas, as follows:

On March 30, 1936, the writer checked and noted the following damage caused by raid on the property of E. E. Woodcock near Hot Springs, Arkansas:

- A. Northwest room, basement.
  - 1. Back window glass broken, size approximately 8" x 8".
  - 2. One window screen torn, size approximately 3' x 4'.  
(The screen damaged was merely a strip of screen nailed across the window and was not in a frame and a fixture separate from the frame of the house itself.)
  - 3. One strip beaver board on inside wall of the room damaged by a gas shell.
  - 4. One plate glass mirror approximately 12" x 18" in wooden frame.

- B. North side house - exterior.
  - 1. Right hand board of attic casing split by gas shell.
- C. Northwest room, first floor.
  - 1. One window shade torn by gas shell.
  - 2. Two window glasses broken - size approximately 10" x 12".
  - 3. Portion of window frame broken by gas shell.
  - 4. Small hole in inside plaster wall caused by gas shell.
  - 5. Chip knocked from plaster ceiling by gas shell.
- D. Southwest room, first floor.
  - 1. One window glass broken, size approximately 10" x 12".
  - 2. One lace window curtain torn by gas shell.  
(The material in this lace window curtain was rotted and in very poor condition.)
  - 3. Small chip knocked from plaster ceiling.
  - 4. Small hole in plaster and beaver board, interior side wall.
- E. Southeast bedroom, first floor.
  - 1. Hole in plaster and beaver board, interior side wall.
  - 2. Plain wood picture frame and glass broken.
- F. East bedroom, upstairs.
  - 1. One window glass broken, size approximately 8" x 12".
  - 2. One window screen and frame broken, size approximately 2' x 4".
  - 3. Two window drapes damaged.  
(Evidently inexpensive material contained in these drapes.)
  - 4. One mattress, two pillows, two pillow slips, and one shade damaged by fire.

In addition to a personal check by the writer of the damage, the above quoted damages were noted by Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, and Special Agents C. O. Hurt, L. E. Kingman, A. P. Barber, and Paul Hansen.

The owner of this property, E. E. Woodcock, has been in contact with the Little Rock office and that office has been instructed to estimate the damage in order that we might make satisfactory arrangements with the owner. They were instructed, however, to keep this at a reasonable figure.

In connection with the immediate neighborhood inquiry made on March 30, 1936 in the vicinity of the house, in which these subjects had been living, the following is reported by Special Agents R. C. Coulter and C. E. Smith:

The following laundry strips labeled, "Miller's French Hand Laundry Dry Cleaners, 380 Whittington Ave., phone 3275" were found upon newly laundered shirts lying upon the bed in the downstairs bedroom on the southeast corner of the house.

A light company service bill from the Arkansas Power and Light Company, Malvern, Arkansas, addressed to E. E. Woodcock, Hot Springs, Arkansas, was found in the upper right hand dresser drawer of the dresser located in the bedroom on the first floor of the bedroom located on the southeast corner of the house.

A service bill from the Arkansas-Louisiana Gas Company, Malvern, Arkansas, addressed to E. E. Woodcock, was found in the same location as the light bill. These articles were found by Special Agent C. E. Smith.

No. 7031 Resident License for 1936 to fish with artificial bait, issued to Ed Kane, or Barney H. Roark by H. G. McCall, secretary, Arkansas Game and Fish Commission on March 7, 1936. Kane's description was given as: age 32 years, 5'9" in height, 118 pounds, brown hair, dark complexion, gray eyes. This was found by Special Agent A. P. Barber on the upstairs bedroom over the driveway. This was sent to the Bureau on April 1, 1936 for comparison of handwriting with that of Karpis, as the handwriting and signature compare very favorably with the handwriting of Karpis.

A laundry slip from the American Laundry, phone 6065 or 3866, and main office given as 21 N. Parramore St., branch office: 18 E. Church St., Winter Park, phone 49. The city in which this laundry is located was not indicated. The customer's name was stated as Frank Guthrie and the time wanted was stated "Wednesday." This slip was also found by Special Agent A. P. Barber in the same room as the fishing license.

Dewey May, who resides six and a half miles southeast on rural route No. 2, Hot Springs, Arkansas, which is along the Malvern Road, was interviewed by Special Agent R. C. Coulter on the morning of March 30, 1936, at which time he stated he had been cutting wood on the property in the rear of the Woodcock residence, and that he had been so employed during the last week; that he had seen the occupants of the Woodcock residence on numerous occasions, and that he noted they had two dogs at the house, but that he had seen none of the occupants or the dogs since last Thursday.



He stated he had seen a total of four persons about the house. There were two white men, one negro man and one woman. He described one of the white men as being about five feet, seven inches tall, one hundred thirty-five pounds, light complexion, and slender.

The second man he stated appeared to be between thirty-five and forty years of age, five feet, eleven inches tall, weighing from one hundred sixty-five to one hundred seventy pounds, dark complexion.

The woman was described as being about seventeen years old and slender. In this connection the photograph of Lucille Lett was exhibited to Mr. May and he stated the photograph resembled the woman he had seen, but that he could not state that it was the photograph of the person in question, as he had never been close enough to identify her or any of the other people at the house, and consequently could not give a complete description of any of them.

May stated the negro man appeared to be about five feet, ten or eleven inches tall, and not so slim, or not so stout. He stated he did not know the negro and had no idea where he might live.

May continued by stating that the occupants owned or had in their possession two dogs. One of the dogs was comparatively small and blue and black spotted. The other dog was large, tall, long legs and rather slender; that he did not know the breed of the dog, but seeing him in the yard he concluded he was built like a wolf hound. This dog appeared to be solid black.

The occupants of the house, May stated, apparently had two automobiles. One was a big sedan and he believed it was either blue or green in color. He did not know the license number, or in what state they were issued, or the make of the car. The other car was described by May as being a large coupe, which he believed was black in color. He stated the occupants had been about the Woodcock premises about three weeks, and they always headed their automobiles around toward the main highway before cutting the motors off. He stated he had seen neither of the automobiles about the premises since last Thursday, and that he had not noticed the negro or any other persons on the premises since that time.

After the Woodcock house was gassed on the morning of March 30, 1936, Special Agents C. E. Smith and R. C. Coulter attempted to gain entrance and found that all doors were locked. Entrance was gained through a window on the west side of the house at the North corner and a subsequent examination of the doors disclosed that they were locked and bolted from the inside, indicating the last persons leaving the house had probably left through a window.

Subsequent inquiry as to the identity and location of the supposed negro man working at this place was ineffectual and the Little Rock office is continuing its efforts to locate him for any information he might have as to activities of subjects who were there.

On March 30, 1936 the above information was immediately communicated to the Bureau at the termination of the raid by Special Agent in Charge Chapmon Fletcher.

On March 31, 1936 Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland telephoned me at Little Rock, Arkansas, indicating that Special Agent T. M. Birch had obtained information from Clayton Hall, however, subsequent information indicates that this information actually came from John Brock, held by post office inspectors, that one Clyde Rochat of Newton Falls, Ohio, living on a rural route, had been a contact of both Karpis and Campbell, as well as Fred Hunter; that Rochat had been advised that "things were hot" at Youngstown, which subsequently proved to be untrue. This made it imperative that some action be taken immediately as to Clyde Rochat. The Cleveland office was instructed to immediately contact this man and take him into custody in an effort to apprehend Karpis and Campbell, when they next appeared there, a Ford automobile being in the possession of Rochat, which apparently belonged to Harry Campbell. In conformity with such arrangement, as will subsequently be reported, Clyde Rochat and wife were taken into custody, and after definitely agreeing to work with us they were again established in their home on the same date, with four Agents maintaining a plant for the appearance of subject, Rochat indicating that he believed they would return in a short time as they previously indicated they expected to return at the end of the hunting season, which would be around April 1, 1936.

In connection with further efforts to determine the location of these subjects, if they had moved only a short distance from their hideout, when leaving on March 26, 1936, one group of Agents checked all tourist camps for a distance of about twenty or twenty-five miles on highway #67 to highway #7 out of Hot Springs; another group checked highway #7 out of Hot Springs to highway #67, and along highway #67 to Gurdon, Arkansas; another group checked U. S. highway #270 from Hot Springs, Arkansas to Sheridan, Arkansas. In connection with investigations above made, as to tourist camps in vicinity of the hideout, the following information is reported by Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Little Rock, Arkansas:

In compliance with instructions of Special Agent in Charge Connelley, the following tourist camps and cabins were checked on U. S. Highway #67 and Arkansas State Highway #7, between Benton, Arkansas and four miles northeast of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, on March 31, 1936, all of which developed no results:

W. E. Holly Tourist Camp & Filling Station,  
Malvern, Arkansas;

Orange Tourist Court (3 miles east of Malvern, Arkansas)  
On U. S. Highway #67;

Snolite Cabins, F. A. Linzy, prop., 2½ miles east of  
Malvern, Arkansas;

F. S. Roark Tourist Camp, 1 mile north of Malvern, Arkansas;

Rose Tourist Court, 1/2 mile north of Malvern, Arkansas;

Crystal Park Tourist Camp, Malvern, Arkansas;

City Tourist Camp, Malvern, Arkansas;

The Airport Tourist Court, J. H. Hall, prop., 7 miles  
south of Malvern, Arkansas;

Madden's Tourist Court, Junction State Highway #7  
and U. S. Highway #67, 4 miles north of Arkadelphia, Arkansas;

Red Ball Tourist Court, Junction State Highway #7 and U. S.  
Highway #67, 4 miles north of Arkadelphia, Arkansas;

Hood's Tourist Court, Junction U. S. Highway #67 and State  
Highway #7, 4 miles north of Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

The foregoing investigation was conducted by Special Agents  
J. V. Murphy, V. R. Clary, W. John McNulty and R. C. Coulter.

In connection with the same situation as to the tourist camps  
in the vicinity of the hideout, the following investigation was reported  
by Special Agent C. O. Hurt:

The following investigations were conducted by Special Agents  
Paul Hansen, A. P. Barber, J. C. Mertz, and the writer, relative to the  
possibility that subjects in this case might be stopping at tourist camps  
in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas:

At Camp Joy, which is located about three miles east of Hot  
Springs on Highway No. 270, it was ascertained that an Oldsmobile bearing  
Illinois license was the only car at this camp. Investigation developed  
that these people have been at this camp for the past two weeks taking  
baths in Hot Springs.

At Allen's Camp, which is located five miles east of Hot Springs on Highway No. 270, it was ascertained that this camp had no occupants at all.

At ~~X~~ Rogers Brothers Tourist Camp, which is located on Lake Catherine about one-half mile from the Woodcock residence, it was ascertained from a young fellow in charge of this camp that people from the Woodcock home came to this camp on two occasions driving a green sedan; and that these people stayed about thirty minutes on each occasion. This young man who furnished this information was unable to describe any of the persons who came from the Woodcock home except that one of the women was a blonde about thirty years of age, but he could not describe how she was dressed or how tall she was.

At McGill's Camp, which is located seven miles east of Hot Springs, Arkansas, on Highway No. 270, it was ascertained that this camp was not open for business and had no guests at all.

Similar investigations made at the Green Bay Cabins and the Grace Point Tourist Park, located on Lake Catherine, met with the same results.

This concluded the investigations made at the tourist camps in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

At Sheridan, Arkansas, it was ascertained that the Nu-Way Tourist Camp is the only tourist camp in this city. Investigation at this camp developed that no guests were registered at the present; and that no persons answering the descriptions of subjects in this case have been at this camp.

It should be noted that the above investigations were made on Highway No. 270 from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to Sheridan, Arkansas, and the east side of Lake Catherine, which is located near Hot Springs.

It should also be noted that these investigations did not reveal that any subjects in this case have been at any of these tourist camps.

In connection with the same inquiry as to tourist camps in the vicinity of the hideout, the following investigation was reported by Special Agent John B. Little:

On March 31, 1936, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agents C. E. Smith, B. P. Cruise, W. L. Buchanan, and J. B. Little:

The tourist camps along Highways 7 and 67, from Hot Springs, to Gurdon, Arkansas, were visited in an effort to determine whether there were any members or associates of the Karpis gang presently residing there, or had been within the past few days. The camps visited and their proprietors are as follows:

<u>CAMPS</u>	<u>PROPRIETORS</u>
Camp Hooker	Nathan Hooker
Oaklawn Tourist Camp	Fred Gibbs
Martin's Tourist Court	Homer Beasley
New Coronado Court	William F. Bassham
Gene Files Boat Camp	Gene Files
Camp Green Pasture	Sidney Merrill
Burchwood Bay Tourist Camp	D. M. George
Vagabond Village	Harry Lease
Al's Place - Lake Hamilton	Al Blevin
Milan Bros. Marine Service	Roy Milan
Wilson Tavern	Mrs. Edward Banski
Van DeVeer's Lodge	Mrs. Van DeVeer
Lake Shore Cottages	Charles Malloy
Gilliam's Landing	James Maughum
Lakewood Quarters	Townsend Patterson
Point Lookout	Dave Ullum
Lake Hamilton Camp	Mrs. R. Nahas
Ozark Tourist Camp	J. R. Doughty
(Individual interviewed	C. Water)
Johnson's Camp	W. A. Kaufman
Arkadelphia Tourist Court	J. L. Ritchey
Birkhead's Tourist Court	B. C. Birkhead
Green's Modern Tourist Camp	Fred Green
Babb's Camp	M. V. Babb
Lake View Tourist Cabins	M. L. Winters

The only information of interest obtained from interviews at the various camps was the fact that at the New Coronado Court, a young man and woman came in about midnight, last night, March 30, 1936, driving a green Buick coupe. Mr. William F. Bassham, proprietor, partially identified the photograph of Milton Lett as this individual. The couple stayed there from midnight until about 6:15 when they left the cabin in a disorderly condition.

At the ~~Wilson Tavern~~, Mrs. Edward ~~Banski~~ stated that during the latter part of January, or first part of February, a girl who had been frequenting the tavern with dates, broached the subject of renting the tavern herself. Mrs. Banski knew that this girl had the reputation of working the hotels in Hot Springs as a prostitute. She later brought a man with her driving a green, 1936 Buick coupe. She described the girl as being a blonde at one time and later as having dyed her hair black. She recalled no names. After bringing the man down, these people decided that they would rent the establishment and offered the Banskis \$1,000 for their lease, which was agreeable. However, Mr. Wilson, the owner of the property, placed his consideration for renting the property at \$4,200 which these people believed exorbitant, and a deal could not be made. This man was described as large, heavy set, light complexioned. Mrs. Banski could furnish no further information concerning these individuals and her husband was absent at the horse races and could not be interviewed.

At the time the man attempted to rent the tavern, he remarked that he had another place under consideration.

On March 31, 1936, after I had had an interview with Grace Goldstine, 221 1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, conference was had with Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick and Post Office Inspector Cordrey, and Joe Anderson, previously above referred to. They advised that Joe Anderson had established an informant in the police department who was giving him information as to what was going on. It is possible that the informant referred to is one Cecil Brock, Lieutenant in Charge of the Identification Unit. However, circumstances of confidential information obtained by Anderson indicate

He indicated that it would be impossible to disclose this information without uncovering his informant. He indicated further that they had found a telegram in the house of Clayton Hall, dated December 5, 1935, signed, "B. R. Miller", asking Hall to come to Hot Springs, to bring his wife with him if he cared to; that he was to register at the Arlington Hotel; that Hall apparently did register at that hotel; that he believes Karpis was then registered at the Majestic Hotel at Hot Springs under the name of N. O. Bell; that he, Anderson, had ascertained that Clayton Hall and Grace Goldstine had gone to a local Buick dealer in Hot Springs and purchased the Buick sedan now in the possession of Karpis; that this car had been purchased in the name of N. O. Bell, 318 Market Street, San Antonio, Texas, it being purchased on January 25, 1936; that it was a

\**Buick* 1936 model sedan, four-door, maroon in color, 1936 Arkansas tag #5732, motor #63052198, serial #2-895972, application for license #112530.

Post Office Inspector Hettrick indicated that he, together with Inspector Cordrey would establish themselves at Hot Springs; that Joe Anderson would work with them; that they were interested in knowing whether or not we had taken Grace Golstine into custody, they believing that this would interfere with their investigation. However, they were advised that we had not arrested her. However, they were not advised that this woman had agreed to work as an informant for us in turning in the subjects in this case. The reliability of this informant, of course, is doubted and she may, or she may not, give us information in the future.

In connection with the above indicated automobile, on April 1, 1936, a letter was directed to all Bureau offices with the request that they place a confidential stop against this car, in order that we be advised as to any transfer of the car, or should it be involved in an exchange for another car. It was also definitely stated that no information was to be broadcast in regard to this car, as undesirable publicity might result.

Inspector Hettrick and others mentioned above, advised that they had information that one Patsy, madam of a house of prostitution at ~~Texarkana, Arkansas~~, is a friend of Grace Goldstine and she had visited with her recently; that possibly this is a place to which the subjects in this case might go. In connection with this information, Agents King and Buchanan were dispatched to Texarkana, Arkansas for necessary investigation in regard to houses of prostitution, and this investigation will be reported by them.

Special Agent Frank Smith of the Oklahoma City office, on April 4, 1936, proceeded from Oklahoma City to Little Rock and has been established at Hot Springs in order that he can work with Chief of Detectives Akers and also maintain contact with Joe Anderson, as to any possible developments.

With reference to information set out in letter of reference from Little Rock office, dated March 23, 1936, it was apparent from information furnished by Clayton Hall to the effect that John Stover, manager of the airport at Hot Springs, was not telling everything he knew as to his relations with these subjects, inasmuch as Hall indicated that Stover had made a trip from Hot Springs to Canton, Ohio with Karpis as his passenger in January, 1936. This trip apparently was made on January 14, 1936 and on January 16, 1936, Stover is supposed to have returned to Hot Springs with Clayton Hall; thereafter, on or about



January 20, 1936, Stover made a trip from Hot Springs to Canton, Ohio, where he picked Karpis up and returned him to Hot Springs.

By reason of the above indicated situation, Stover was brought from Hot Springs to Little Rock where he was interviewed by the writer and Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley on April 1, 1936, in a definite and forcible manner and he was given to understand that he should make every effort to assist us in the location and apprehension of these individuals. Stover agreed to do this.

John Stover indicated that he was born at English, Arkansas on July 31, 1902; that he learned to fly at Stuttgart, Arkansas, a short time after the World War; that he has a transport license and has had such a license since 1931. He is now flying his own plane, Department of Commerce #NC 6585. He is married and living with his wife and one child, who is eleven years of age. He indicated that he had never been arrested or fingerprinted, however, his prints were taken and forwarded to the Bureau for any possible identification.

Stover advised that on or about July 1, 1935 he, for the first time, met Fred Hunter. At this time he took him in his plane from Hot Springs to Tulsa, Oklahoma; that on or about July 4, 1935 they left at about 11 A. M. in the morning and arrived in Tulsa, Oklahoma at about 12:30 P. M. He does not recall whether anyone met Hunter at the airport, but believes he went into town in a cab; that he waited for him for about one and one-half hours and Hunter returned to the field, nobody being with him; that he does not recall his having any baggage and he then flew him back to Hot Springs the same day; that nobody met Hunter at Hot Springs, and Stover stated he believes he called a cab for him. He stated that the next time he saw any of these individuals was about the first of November, or the last of October, when a Stinson plane landed there, No. NC 12180, with three passengers and the pilot; that as soon as this plane landed Hunter came over to the hangar where he, Stover, was working and spoke to him and he then recognized Hunter as the same party he had taken to Tulsa; that Hunter said he certainly had a hard time coming there and he stated that it had taken them two days; that the pilot had to land every hour or so to get gas. Stover then stated that another fellow out of the group came up and he believes Hunter asked if a car had come out to meet them; that he, Stover, then suggested that he take them into town in his car, which he did; that the fellow who came up with Hunter had a small bag with him and they possibly had two suitcases; that he took these two parties into town and one party remained at the airport with the plane and the pilot; that he inquired where they wished to go when they got in town, and they being near the Como Hotel, one party said they could get out there; that he, at this time, did not recognize the other party; that the fellow wore his hat down over his eyes, had glasses with colored rims, weighed about 165 to 170 pounds, was five feet, seven

inches in height; that he noticed particularly the drooping chin of this individual; that he was light complexioned; that on the trip into town this party road in the back of the car and Hunter road in the front seat; that he would judge Hunter to be about 140 pounds in weight and possibly a little shorter than the other individual; that the other individual had nothing to say; that he did not know Hunter by name until the post office inspectors showed him a photograph of Hunter; that when he returned to the field the third party in the plane had left; that he did not see this third passenger sufficiently to identify him, or describe him. However, they indicated that they wished to go to Fort Smith, Arkansas and had been directed out of the field in that direction.

In answer to the request that he, Stover, identify any and all suspicious persons whom he had recently carried in his plane, he advised that he had taken a party to Springfield, Illinois, a supposed politician, about one and one-half months ago; that this was a day or so before election and that this man indicated to him that he had come to Hot Springs to buy off a fellow from running for state senator; that this man first called at nine P. M. on the day in question and thereafter called several other times, insisting that they leave at once; that he, Stover, insisted on going the following morning, which they did, leaving about five A. M.; that the fellow came out to the airport and returned to town, and then called back and asked whether or not he could sleep on the danveport in his, Stover's, home in order to be available for the trip the following morning; that when the fellow arrived at his home they talked the rest of the night and during the conversation this supposed politician indicated that the fellow in Arkansas was running against an old man, who could not stand a strenuous campaign, and they bought this individual in order to avoid a fight; that upon arrival at the airport at Springfield, Illinois some one met this individual there.

Another flight that he had thereafter was a trip with Paul Cooper to New York City on one occasion and to Memphis, Tennessee on another occasion. On the trip to New York he also flew him back via Philadelphia ~~to~~ Hot Springs; that this individual was reputed to have spent about \$20,000 in Hot Springs.

Continuing, Stover advised that about a week after the Stinson plane arrived at Little Rock, the first part of November, 1935, Hunter called him at the airport about a trip to San Antonio and he made him a price of \$90.00, indicating that the flight would require four hours; that Hunter came to the airport between seven and eight A. M. and had a woman with him. He could not identify the picture of Connie Morris; he further stated that he took this woman and Hunter to San Antonio, at which time they landed at the Army Auxiliary field, close to town; that

Hunter had one of the Army boys take him into town; that a number of the Army officers were talking to Hunter and this girl while they were at the field. He indicated that this girl was about seventeen years of age, a brunette, about 115 pounds in weight, quiet mannered, and she did not have much to say to the boys at the Army field.

Stover advised that on Tuesday, March 31, 1936, a large man came to the field, who was about forty-five years of age, gray hair, and from his description this person was apparently Joe Anderson. Anderson had previously advised us that he had talked with Stover and he admitted the trip with Karpis to Youngstown in January, 1936; that he, Anderson, was acquainted with Stover for a long period of time. Stover advised that he believed this man was with the Department of Justice, however, later he qualified this by saying that possibly Anderson had said he was with "the Department"; without saying what department; that he had never seen this individual before and was not acquainted with him. This individual indicated that he had participated in the raid on Monday morning, seven miles out of Hot Springs; that this individual also showed him pictures of Connie Morris; that he also asked him what he knew about Grace, a prostitute running a house close to the Arlington Hotel; that he asked him who she was; that he, Stover, indicated that he was not acquainted with her.

In connection with the trip made with Hunter to San Antonio, he stated that Hunter inquired of him as to what the laws in Texas were in regard to a man bringing a woman into Texas, and he, Stover, advised that he did not know, which indicated possibly that Hunter had a woman with him other than his wife.

Stover fixed the date that he took Karpis to Youngstown, Ohio, as being the same day, or the day following the American Airlines plane accident at Memphis, Tennessee, which accident killed fourteen people; that he was in Youngstown and they made reference to this at the airport knowing he was from Little Rock. In connection with this trip, Stover advised that the fellow called him up about nine or ten P. M. and asked about a trip to Youngstown, Ohio, which he agreed to make for \$190.00. The party also asked how long he would wait for him at Youngstown, and he, Stover, agreed to wait one day; that thereafter it would be \$10.00 per day for waiting; that it would take ten hours to fly to Youngstown. He requested that this party be at the field early in order to get an early start for daylight flying; that he flew this party, whom he tentatively identified as Alvin Karpis, to the Municipal Airport at Youngstown; that his, Stover's, wife accompanied them on this trip; that he, Stover, registered in the hotel that night at Youngstown and the following day worked on his plane. The following night when he returned to town after working on the plane, the party called him and advised him that he would

let him know that night if he were going back in the morning; that as he recalled, when he arrived at Youngstown on this trip, a party at the field drove him into town; that he, Stover, and his wife went to the Todd House; that the manager of the airport took him out to the field the following morning and he worked until after dark on his plane; that the second night about nine P. M. the fellow called him on the telephone and advised that he would be up to see him. This man was about forty-five years of age, 200 pounds in weight, hair partially gray, pleasant individual who liked to talk all the time. This individual indicated that he was going back to Hot Springs with him and that the other party would not make the return trip. This man indicated that he was going to stop at the hotel that night, in order to be ready to start in the morning. They left a call for five or six o'clock the next morning, and proceeded to the airport, and took off for Hot Springs; that this individual did considerable talking about the election, about his wife, and also his children. They had a forced landing at Evansville, Indiana, about fifteen miles out of Paducah. He stated that they were required to make another forced landing and taxied to the vicinity of the toll gate; that the passenger and his, Stover's, wife went into town to the hotel; that he remained with the plane and in a short time the fog lifted and he flew to the airport and then went to the hotel; that this individual had an adjoining room to the room which was occupied by his wife and him. He indicated that this man had two suitcases, a portable radio and a victrola and about seventy-five records; that he recalls the date of this flight by reason of the fact that it was on the night which Lewis fought some individual whom he knocked out in two rounds. They left the following morning and arrived in Hot Springs; that he recognized this party as the same individual he flew into town on that occasion. Stover advised that about two days after he got back to Hot Springs with the individual, who was in reality Clayton Hall, Hall got in touch with him and requested that he proceed to Canton, Ohio to be there the following morning to pick up the individual whom he had previously taken to Youngstown; that as he recalled he referred to this party as "David"; that he was confused as to the name of the town, and did not know whether it was Kenton or Canton; that he flew over Kenton and determined that there was no airport there, and then landed in Canton; that there was heavy snow; that his wife was with him; that they stayed over night there and the following morning arrived at the field around 5:30 or 6 A. M.; that a short time thereafter this individual, whom he had previously brought to Youngstown, having been driven to the airport by another individual in a large coupe, appeared. He did not see the other fellow, and the party who was evidently Karpis, asked if the plane was ready to leave, and then had some further conversation with the man in the automobile, returning to the ship, and Stover, with his wife and passenger immediately left for Hot Springs; that they flew into Louisville, Kentucky where they obtained gas and then to Little Rock. Upon

arrival at Little Rock it was getting dark and they were short of gasoline and also because of a broken rocker arm, they landed in the road near Benton, Arkansas; that he tied the ship up at this place, and a man who owned the land called for a cab, which took him to Hot Springs; that they first arranged with the farmer to take them to Hot Springs, but they finally got a car which took them into Hot Springs, with a man from Cabot, Arkansas, who was en route to Hot Springs. He stated he does not know the name of this man, but the man is a friend of his brother, Louis Stover; that this party drove him, his wife and his passenger to the airport where he and his wife got off; that the passenger road on into the airport, not getting off in the city; that thereafter this same individual who drove them to the airport stated that he was on his way to attend some church function at Hot Springs, and he drove the passenger back to Hot Springs.

In connection with the above trips of Stover to Youngstown, Ohio, the following information is reported by Special Agent John B. Little:

Confirming my telephonic conversation from Hot Springs, Arkansas, today, Mr. Brantley was contacted by Dean Allen, a reporter for the Arkansas Democrat and Ed Campbell, Associated Press representative of Little Rock, who stated that they received information from their boss to the effect that Mrs. Julia Franks and Miss Jeanette Schuyler are supposed to have left Hot Springs, Arkansas, at 11:00 A. M. today, March 30, 1936, for Cincinnati. Mr. Franks is reported to be connected with "The Brassrail", a restaurant in Cincinnati. Earl Ricks of Hot Springs piloted the plane and may have more information concerning them. Ricks is supposed to have information to the effect that within the last ten days, Karpis hired a plane for a sightseeing flight with his girl over Hot Springs. Earl Ricks, as will be recalled, is a pilot for John Stover, airport manager at Hot Springs. Agent Buchanan states that he is acquainted with Mr. Franks and Mrs. Franks knowing them as proprietors of the Brassrail in Cincinnati. Agent Buchanan considers Franks an old-time racketeer.

Following my conversation with you, I was advised by Special Agent in Charge Brantley that he had further conversation with Joe Anderson and Colonel Windt Smith of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. I am attaching notes relative thereto, which reflect that John Stover as a pilot flew Karpis and a girl, on January 14, 1936, from Hot Springs, Arkansas to Youngstown, Ohio, where they stayed during January 15th and 16th, 1936. On the return trip Karpis was, apparently, not along and the girl was accompanied by a large fellow with a big nose, which fellow weighed about two hundred and twenty pounds. On this trip the plane was forced down on account of fog. Stover is also quoted as having flown Fred Hunter to Memphis once and to Tulsa once; and also to San Antonio. Anderson made inquiry of airport officials today and was told that Stover is now in Texas and is coming back tomorrow, March 31, 1936.

These notes further reflect that Grace Goldstine, proprietor of a house of prostitution at Hot Springs, made a trip in her car recently and on this trip is believed to have contacted Karpis. The mileage on her car reflected that she drove about four hundred and eighty miles on this trip.

Demars McCoy and Andies McCoy are brothers employed in a hay field across the road from the Woodcock property. They state that they saw the people at the Woodcock property last on last Friday, March 27, 1936. They are positive of the date. On this occasion they saw a girl driving a 1936 green Buick coupe and recall that she had trouble with her motor upon leaving the driveway. They further stated that the people staying on the Woodcock property last had a negro man and a negro maid, both of whom they brought with them.

Nettie McCoy, sister of these boys, worked for Woodcock while he was living on the property, prior to renting it to the Karpis gang. She knows nothing of these latter people, except the fact that she saw the man who came to rent the property the last day that the property was occupied by Woodcock. She described him as being large and heavy set. This individual is probably Clayton Hall.

No baths are given at Potash Sulphur Springs. Mr. C. E. Wilson, one of the proprietors stated that the latest occupants of the Woodcock property never frequented Potash Sulphur Springs and he never saw them.

The men stationed at the Woodcock house, state that they believe clothes found there belonged to Karpis rather than Fred Hunter, in view of the fact that the trousers are long and they have a small waist.

In connection with the clothes found at the hideout at Hot Springs, in subsequent talk with Clayton Hall, he advised that the brown, double breasted suit, which suit has a small black check in the material, belongs to Ray Miller, which would indicate that the clothing found at the house is in reality the clothing of Alvin Karpis.

Subsequent to the raid of the house seven miles southeast of Hot Springs, Arkansas, the following investigation was made and reported by Special Agent in Charge Chapmon Fletcher:

Acting upon instructions received from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley through Special Agent Damron, I contacted Special Agent in Charge MacFarland at Cleveland and requested that he secure all possible additional data from the informant in custody at Cleveland regarding any contacts of Karpis at Hot Springs, or vicinity, and also that he endeavor to secure from this informant any information possible relative



to persons he might contact at points other than Hot Springs in the event he had already left Hot Springs.

At approximately 11:30 this date, Mr. MacFarland communicated with me by telephone and advised that the informant had told him that Karpis has a sweetheart at Hot Springs, who operates a small hotel, and that her name is Grace Goldstine; that he says she and Karpis made trips on frequent occasions and that these trips last as long as ten days; that on some of these trips Karpis and the Goldstine woman have contacted informants at Youngstown, Ohio. Also that they have contacted Joe Roscoe of Toledo, Ohio.

Special Agent in Charge MacFarland advised that Hall suggested that he send a code telegram to Grace Goldstine which would suggest to her that she immediately contact Karpis and that Hall believed that Grace Goldstine would then go directly to Karpis and if she could be allowed, there would be little difficulty in apprehending Karpis.

In this connection I advised Mr. MacFarland that I thought it best not to send such a telegram unless you so instructed and that I would give you the information furnished by him and that no action should be taken unless you advised him to do so.

Special Agent in Charge MacFarland further advised that the post office inspectors who were holding Brock had advised that it was possible that Karpis would contact Bill Tibbles at Danbury, Ohio. Bill Tibbles operates a roadhouse at this place, and owns several islands. The informant was of the opinion, however, that Karpis would not contact Tibbles prior to contacting Joe Roscoe of Toledo, Ohio. Mr. MacFarland advised further that Roscoe made arrangements last November for the hideout in the Lorain Hotel at Toledo, Ohio, after which a conference was held at Edith Barry's place, those present being Karpis, Campbell, Brock, Hunter, and a man named Fan.

It was the opinion of the Cleveland informant that if Karpis has left Hot Springs, he could be located possibly at Youngstown or Toledo.

Subsequent to the raid above referred to, six Agents immediately made a check of all the streets in Hot Springs for the possibility of locating the red Buick sedan supposedly owned by Alvin Karpis, without finding any indication that it had appeared there.

In connection with the information set out in reference letter from the Little Rock office, dated March 23, 1936, the following investigation was conducted and reported by Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas:



Reference is made to the letter from the Little Rock office to you dated March 26, 1936.

With reference to the movements of the Stinson airplane, No. NC 12180, on March 25, 1936, inquiry of Mr. Floyd H. Muncie, manager of the airport at Fort Smith, Arkansas, and whose statements were verified from his register of arrivals and departures of planes, disclosed that on November 10, 1935, at 9:30 A. M., a Stinson plane arrived at Fort Smith from Hot Springs, Arkansas, en route to Toledo, Ohio. The plane was occupied by the pilot and one passenger and was registered as being owned by John Zetzer and piloted by the owner. Mr. Muncie was unable to give a description of either the pilot or the passenger, and the register showed that the plane left at 10:15 A. M. Mr. Muncie stated that he was the only person at the airport at the time of the arrival of this plane, but his register shows that at 10:00 A. M., Lieutenant L. D. Roberts arrived at Fort Smith in a Navy Vought plane from Tulsa, Oklahoma, and left at 10:30 A. M. for Pensacola, Florida. It would thus appear that Lieutenant Roberts was at the airport at the time Zetzer's ship was being serviced.

It will be noted that there is a discrepancy in dates as to the arrivals and departures of this plane. Johnny Stover stated that the plane was in Hot Springs on November 11, 1935, and proceeded to Fort Smith. It is believed that the records at Fort Smith are correct, as Stover advised the writer that he made most of his records from memory.

With reference to the information provided by Johnny Stover that this plane made a forced landing in and around Booneville, Arkansas, and the pilot and passenger remained over night before proceeding to Fort Smith, the writer accompanied by Special Agent J. P. Lacour, who is resident agent at Fort Smith, proceeded to Booneville, Arkansas; but inquiry of Postmaster Bevans, City Marshal Reynolds, Mrs. Dell Hines of the Arlington Hotel, The Rock Island Hotel, Rock Island Station (Railway) and at the Sheriff's office, disclosed that no airplane had made a forced landing at Booneville on November 9 or 10, 1935.

On March 28, 1936, while the writer was at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on another official matter, he received word that Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers desired to see him. The writer then called at the city police department where Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers stated that two post office inspectors had called upon him and made inquiry concerning Grace Goldstein, madam in charge of the Hattery Hotel, 233½ Central Avenue. The post office inspectors stated that they had had a "tail" on her for several days; that during this interview with the post office inspectors, he ascertained that Connie Morris was the girl friend of Fred Hunter and was formerly an inmate of Grace's place at the Hattery Hotel; that in some

way the post office inspectors had contacted a taxi driver by the name of Brock, who drives for the Yellow Cab Company and is a brother of Cecil Brock, Lieutenant of the Hot Springs Police Department, in an effort to apprehend Fred Hunter through Connie Morris; that apparently Brock had gotten drunk and disclosed everything to Connie Morris, with whom he is infatuated, and told her that the post office inspectors were going to send her to Alderson, West Virginia for harboring; that Connie then became very much alarmed and immediately left town, she leaving in Grace Goldstein's automobile with Grace driving.

Chief Akers stated that he had Grace Goldstein come to his office where she was interviewed for several hours by the post office inspectors and himself, but the only information obtained from Grace was that Connie had been keeping company with Fred Hunter, who was known as Harold King and she, Grace, had been keeping company with Harold King's brother, whom she called Ed; that Grace identified the photograph of Fred Hunter, but denied that Ed King is identical with Alvin Karpis; that Grace stated she did not know what had taken place which caused Connie to leave town; that all she knew was that on Thursday morning, March 26, 1936, Connie made a long distance telephone call from the pay station located in the Hattery Hotel to her mother, and immediately after the completion of this call, she, Connie, said that she had to leave and asked her, Grace, to pick her up in her automobile in back of the Marquette Hotel, as she had to go to the Marquette before leaving; that she, Grace, then got her automobile and proceeded to the rear entrance of the Marquette Hotel on Malvern Avenue, where she picked up Connie and they drove to Arkadelphia where Connie got out of the car at the intersection of the two highways; that Connie made no explanation as to why she was leaving and did not say where she was going and only told her to see Brock; that she asked Connie if she had any money and she said that she had; that although Grace would not specifically say that she saw some one pick up Connie, she intimated that Connie was picked up immediately after she left her out of the car.

In order that a photograph of Connie Morris might be obtained and in an effort to identify the person known as Ed King and the boy friend of Grace Goldstein, the writer and Chief Akers proceeded to an address known by Chief Akers, where an interview was had with a prostitute named Ginger who stated her name was Virginia Moore. She was formerly an inmate of Grace's place and is supposed to be a close friend of Grace. Ginger stated that Grace and Connie had been keeping company with two men, one of whom was named Harold King and the other one was his brother, whom she believed was called Ed. She identified the photograph of Fred Hunter as being identical with Harold King and the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being identical with Ed King. She stated, however, that Karpis now had blonde hair and was wearing shell rimmed glasses. She further stated that Connie and Grace went out to a cabin on Lake Hamilton on

several occasions with Harold King and Ed King and that the negro maid, or cook, at the cabin was named Rosie, and formerly worked for Grace. She further stated that Connie made several trips out of town with Harold and on one occasion Grace went out of town with Ed King and she heard that they went to Miami by airplane from Little Rock. Ginger stated that she heard that Connie and Harold King had had a fight, but that the boys were to come back into town at a later date. She stated that she recalled seeing a Hudson coupe in the possession of either Harold or Ed King and believes that they had left a car in a garage at El Dorado, Arkansas, and the law got after them. She also stated that she had heard of Tommy and George and might have seen them once but doesn't recall what they look like. Ginger promised to notify Chief Akers of any other further information she received concerning Harold and Ed King and would try to find out from Grace where they had gone and where Connie is. Ginger gave the writer a small photograph of Connie Morris which she took from her album and the same is now contained in the Little Rock file.

On March 29, 1936, Chief Akers took the writer to the Hattery Hotel for the purpose of interviewing Grace Goldstein. He at first hesitated about arranging this interview as he stated that it might place him in an embarrassing position with the post office inspectors, however, he went to the Hattery Hotel at approximately 10:00 A. M. and ascertained that Grace was at home and then called the writer at the Hattery Hotel. Grace Goldstein stated that she is thirty years of age, and operates the Hattery Hotel, which is a sporting house catering to both the call trade and using rooms in the hotel. She would not state where her home was or who her people are, as she stated that she did not want them to become involved in any matter. She stated, however, that she was originally from around Corpus Christi, Texas. She stated that she has been in the business a long time and any time she can get a man with plenty of money she will play him strong. She stated that she formerly had a cottage on Central Avenue just beyond 505 Garage. Information has been received from Ginger that Harold King and Ed King had stayed for some time in a house on Third Street in South Hot Springs with Connie and Grace, but Grace stated that she had never been in such a house with these two men, but that she had formerly rented a house on South Third Street for her own use and these two men had not been in that house. She stated that about a year ago she took Connie Morris into the hotel and gave her a job, as she was down and out and had hitch-hiked to Hot Springs. At that time, Connie said her right name was Ruth but did not give her last name, nor does she know where she comes from or any of her personal history, except that she had been married when she was fifteen years of age and originally came from around Oklahoma, she believes, Wichita Falls; that she bought Connie some clothes and gave her a job hustling at her house; that about the early part of the summer, 1935, two men came to the Hattery Hotel for dates, these two men being Harold King and his brother, Ed; that this is the first time she had ever seen these men and she does not know who sent them to her house, if any one, where they were staying or anything about them, as she has always made it a practice that neither she nor the girls will ask men personal questions as her

trade consists primarily of married men who do not desire such personal questions asked. She identified the picture of Fred Hunter as being Harold King, but upon viewing the photographs of Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, William Hunter, and Milton Lett, she stated that none of them were identical with the man known to her as Ed King; that Ed is older than his brother Harold, has dark brown hair and brown eyes; that both Harold and Ed are about the same build and she is positive that Ed King has no scars on his face or body; that on some occasions Ed King wore shell-rimmed glasses. She denied and insisted that she knew nothing whatever about the identity of these two men, or anything about their previous movements or residences at Hot Springs, except the cottage at Dyer's Landing.

Grace stated that when Harold King and Ed King first came into her hotel, they were strangers and asked for no certain girl; that one of the men, whom she believes is Harold, asked for an "accomodating" date (French); that she had no "accomodating" date in the house that night and the two men merely sat around, drank beer, talked, etc. and no dates were filled with these two men; that about two or three days later the two men returned to the hotel and just sat around, no dates being filled, and continued to drop into the hotel intermittently for the next two or three months; that apparently Connie and Harold King became attached to each other and it could be easily said that Connie was Harold's girl; that later Connie became sick and went to St. Joseph's Infirmary where she remained for two or three weeks under the name of Connie Morris; that later, about August 26 or 27, 1935, she was returned to the hospital for an operation which was performed by Dr. Black and at which time she had one of her tubes removed; that Harold King gave her, Grace, the money to pay the doctor and hospital bills and she personally paid these bills; that Harold King seemed to have lots of money and gave her one hundred dollar bills with which to pay the doctor and the hospital. She did not remember what kind of hundred dollar bills these were and stated that she did not have any of them at the present time; that on several occasions she and Connie went out to the cabin on Dyer's Landing with Harold and Ed King and had dinner at the cabin, after which they would sit around and drink; that nothing out of the ordinary happened at any of these visits to the cabin and she never saw any other men in their company, or at the cabin. She said that the only automobile she knows of is a Hudson coupe with Ohio license. When questioned as to the negro maid, or cook, who was at the cabin on Lake Hamilton, she first stated that she did not know who it was, but when Chief Akers asked her if it was Rosie, she hesitated. She did admit, however, that Rosie had formerly worked for her. Grace stated that she did not know anything about the automobiles being used by Harold and Ed King, except the one Hudson coupe with Ohio license; that the only times she had ever seen the car were when it was parked in front of the Hattery Hotel, when she had ridden in the same, and at

Dyer's Landing. She had never heard of one of the cars being tied up in a garage at El Dorado. She stated that the men had made no telephone calls from the Hattery Hotel and received no mail there and had sent no telegrams or mail from the hotel. She denied that she had ever left town with Ed King and stated that she had not been in Florida since 1927 or 1928. She stated that Connie had made several trips out of town with Harold King and on one occasion flew to El Paso or San Antonio, Texas; that Connie was in and out quite a bit and she could not get the dates of her departures and arrivals; that the airplane trip was last fall and at this time Connie said she was going to see her sister; that when Connie left with Harold in the airplane she did not see her any more until Christmas, 1935, when Connie dropped in at the Hattery Hotel to say hello; that she does not know where Connie was staying at that time, whether she had returned with Harold, or anything about her; that she merely stayed for a short time and then left; that she saw her no more until March 10, 1936; that when she returned on March 10, she did not say where she had been or with whom she had been and she did not see her with Harold King after March 10; that Connie stayed at the Hattery Hotel until last Thursday, March 26, 1936; that on Thursday morning Connie called her mother on the phone at the hotel and then told her she had to go home or leave town and asked her to pick her up in the rear of the Marquette Hotel; that Connie then left and she went after her car and later picked Connie up in rear of the Marquette Hotel on Malvern Avenue; that they then drove to Arkadelphia where she left Connie out at the Y in the road, or intersection of the two highways (one leading to Little Rock); that as she, Grace, was turning around she believes that she saw Connie enter a coupe bearing some kind of insignia on the side of the car; that Connie made no explanation as to where she was going or why she was leaving, except to state that she, Grace, was to see Brock.

Grace stated that when she returned to the Hattery Hote, she got in touch with Brock and learned that Brock had scared Connie by telling her some men were looking for Harold and that they were going to send her to the women's reformatory at Alderson. Grace denied emphatically that she knew where Connie had gone and insisted that she had told the truth but it appeared to the writer that she was lying.

Grace exhibited some paid bills, which she stated represented payments of Connie's doctor and hospital bills. One was dated September 7, 1935, one July 16, 1935, and another July 12, 1935.

Grace stated that she recalled one occasion when Harold and Ed left town and she believes that when they came back they were not driving the Hudson coupe, but were driving a Plymouth with Ohio license plates. She further stated that after being interviewed by the post office inspectors, she went with them to the Hattery Hotel where the personal belongings of Connie were examined by them and they took a picture of Connie.

The writer examined a small portable trunk suitcase in Grace Goldstein's room which she stated were the personal belongings of Connie. The following articles were located which may be of subsequent value:

1. Program of the Playhill Majestic Theatre, Earl Carroll's Sketch Book, New York City, apparently for September 23, 1935.
2. A roll of film was found in the camera which apparently had six exposures. The films were removed and Chief Akers sent them to the DeLuxe Photographers for development. The pictures can be obtained from Chief Akers.
3. Twelve negatives of photographs apparently taken in Florida and several of which contain photographs of men.
4. Calling card of Mrs. Howard T. Sims, Post Office Box 3155, Station A, Orlando, Florida.
5. 1935-1936 Season complimentary ticket to the Sanford Orlando Kennel Club.
6. Advertising card of St. Nicholas Diving Exhibition, Tarpon Springs, Florida.
7. Two-dollar place ticket of the Clay County Kennel Club, No. 6637. This ticket was yellow and contained black figures with some blue printing.
8. Business card of Durward F. Mathis, lawyer, Frederick, Oklahoma.
9. Small bars of soap containing the labels of the Grande Courts, Corpus Christie, Silver Springs Court, Silver Springs, Florida, and Tropical Tourist Inn, Henderson Point, Mississippi.
10. Receipt of the Fulton, Arkansas toll bridge dated December 20, 1935 (apparently return trip of she and Fred Hunter from San Antonio.)
11. Receipt for registered mail dated March 9, 1936, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, No. 14985.



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13. Map with stamp of the Arrow Tourist Apartments, New Orleans, appearing on the bottom.

All of the above exhibits, with exception of the undeveloped film are in the Little Rock file.

There were several trinkets among her personal belongings which indicated that she had been in Florida, but it was impossible to obtain any dates from these trinkets. She had a colored photograph of the singing tower near De Land, Florida, and several souvenirs among her clothing were noticed, one man's sport shirt, Buster Brown collar type, size 14½, with laundry marking or initials F. G. Grace Goldstein stated she did not know why the clothing should be marked with the initials of F. G.

It was apparent that Grace Goldstein was not telling all that she knew and when the writer left she was advised that she had better think the matter over and the writer might call on her at a later date.

Inquiry was then made at the Marquette Hotel in an effort to ascertain if Fred Hunter, alias Harold King, or any of the subjects of this case, had been registered at this hotel and might have left with Connie, however, an examination of the registration records showed no registration of Harold King, Ed King, Ed Parker, E. F. Parker, or Tommy Coleman. Chief Akers stated that he has learned from someone that the men had stopped at the Goddard Hotel one time and further stated that Brock had told him that Fred Hunter had been in Hot Springs the week of March 2, 1936, at which time he was driving a coupe with some kind of insignia on the side; also that when Connie and Fred Hunter returned from Texas, around Christmas, 1935, they stayed at the Mountain View Tourist Camp; that Brock also told him that Connie said they might possibly have gone to Dinton, Texas; and that her home was in Davidson, Oklahoma.

In an effort to ascertain who Connie had called just prior to her departure, Chief Akers and the writer called on Mr. Sheppard, Director of the Bell Telephone Company at Hot Springs, but he stated that the ticket for this call had been forwarded to the state auditing office at Little Rock, however, Mr. Sheppard stated that he would make the necessary arrangements to be advised of any long distance telephone



calls made from the Hattery Hotel on that night, that is, March 28th, as it was thought that Grace Goldstein might try to contact Connie. On the following morning, he notified the writer that only two long distance telephone calls had been made from the Hattery Hotel, which is number 3421, pay station. These two calls were to Memphis, Tennessee, number 79211 and Galez 4590 at New Orleans, Louisiana, it appearing that both of these calls were made by Grace to some friends.

After learning the above information, the writer received telephonic instructions from Special Agent in Charge Chapmon Fletcher to suspend further investigation pending further advice.

Subsequent to the raid of the farm house located on the Malvern highway on the morning of March 30, 1936, and pursuant to your instructions to obtain further details concerning the departure of Connie Morris, Agent proceeded to Little Rock, Arkansas, where a record of all long distance telephone calls made from telephone number 3421 at Hot Springs during the month of March, 1936, was obtained from Mr. A. B. Moore, supervisor of the Hot Springs district, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Mr. Moore stated that what tickets he did not have have been returned to Hot Springs and could be obtained through Mr. Shappard. These calls were as follows:

March 13, 1936, De Voy Hotel, Memphis, Tennessee, telephone No. 66800, call placed at 7:53 P. M., lasted for three minutes. When first placed, the call shows a person to person call to room 712 at the De Voy Hotel, but was later changed to a party call on the night rate, the charges for this call being 55¢.

March 17, 1936, Texarkana, telephone No. 2568. Call placed at 8:11 P. M., was a night rate call, lasted seven minutes, and charges were 75¢, being placed through operator 105.

March 22, 1936, Memphis, Tennessee, telephone No. 79210, placed at 8:26 P. M., lasted for three minutes on night rate, charges being 55¢ and placed through operator 30.

March 22, 1936, Clarksdale, Mississippi, telephone No. 860, to Al Cozar, placed at 9:29 P. M., lasted 3 minutes, night rate, charges being 50¢ and placed through operator 37.

March 26, 1936, Texarkana, telephone No. 5012 to Long Kings Place at 5:52 P. M., lasted 3 minutes, charges being 60¢ and placed through operator 39.

March 23, 1936, Texarkana, telephone No. 2568, placed at 5.58 P.M., lasted three minutes, charges being 60¢ and placed through operator 5.

March 26, 1935, Davidson, Oklahoma (Rural) to Mrs. John Hamm, c/o telephone operator, placed at 9.18 A.M. through operator 17. The ticket was marked that the operator would notify and might take fifteen or thirty minutes, but the call started at 9.20 A.M. and lasted for three minutes. It was a person to person call via Frederick, Oklahoma City and Tulsa exchanges. Charges were \$2.00.

March 26, 1936, Texarkana, telephone No. 2568, Ted Morris, placed at 5.10 P.M. lasted three minutes, charge being 80¢ and placed through operator 11.

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Based upon information obtained by Special Agent B. L. Dameron, above referred to, as to certain telephone calls made from the house of prostitution of Grace Goldstein to Memphis, Tennessee, Special Agents Kingman and Clary made inquiry at Memphis, Tennessee as to each of these numbers, without obtaining any information, which would indicate that they were made in connection with this case. The Nashville office was advised of the above investigation, and that any follow up should be conducted by Special Agents W. B. Morton and Louis Denette.

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In order to understand the conversation which will hereinafter be related as had with Grace Goldstein, madam of a house of prostitution in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and also indicating the probable reason why subject Karpis and the others had departed from their hideout seven miles south east of Hot Springs, Arkansas on Thursday March 26th, 1936, from conversation with the Post Office Inspectors as to the investigation previously conducted by them, they apparently had Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris under surveillance, which apparently was known to both women some time previous to the date indicated, and at the same time apparently the Post Office Inspectors in connection with the investigation they had been conducting, which has been more or less one of contacting any and all persons who might or might not have information, the Inspectors proceeded to San Antonio, Texas and interviewed the sister of Grace Morris, and tried to solicit her cooperation in getting in touch with Connie Morris and have her cooperate with the Post Office Inspectors. They also apparently contacted the mother of Connie Morris at Davidson, Oklahoma, all of which resulted in the situation as related by Grace Goldstein. Also on Wednesday night March 25, 1936 the Post Office Inspectors having obtained the services of a supposed confidential informant named BROCK, a taxi driver at Hot Springs, Arkansas, he made contact with Connie Morris with the idea of getting information out of her as to where Fred Hunter was located. However, Brock himself became drunk and advised Connie Morris that the Post Office Inspectors were going to put her in Alderson, West Virginia prison; that they were going to apprehend William Hunter on the following day, which alarmed this woman, and this together with the fact that her mother called her on the morning of March 26th on the telephone and made inquiry as to why she was being hunted by the Post Office Inspectors, caused her to leave on Thursday March 26th, with Karpis and undoubtedly William Hunter.

On March 31, 1936 in the presence of Special Agent B. L. Demron at Hot Springs, Arkansas, Grace Goldstein who had just been in an automobile accident, having wrecked her car, and she having been slightly injured, was interviewed. This woman runs a house of prostitution known as the Hatterie Hotel, 233 1/2 Central Avenue. She was picked up as she was returning to this address on March 31st and taken in Bureau car for interview outside of the town. At that time she advised that on the night of March 25th, Brock the taxi driver advised Connie Morris who was then staying at her place, of what was going to happen to her, in accordance with what the Post Office Inspectors had told him; that she was going to Alderson prison; that Hunter was also going to be apprehended. As a result of this she did not go to bed at all on the night of March 25th, and early the next morning at daylight she walked up over the mountain with the black Great Dane dog which has previously been referred to, Grace Goldstein claiming that this dog belonged to

her and was given to her by this party that she knew as Eddie King, brother of Harold King, she identifying Harold King as William Hunter. As previously noted she will not make a definite identification of Karpis as Eddie King. On Thursday morning March 26th, 1936, Connie Morris went to the Marquette Hotel, came back to the Hatterie Hotel, and at that time a telegram was waiting for her from her mother inquiring as to why they were looking for her. Connie then called her mother on the telephone and apparently the mother advised her that the Post Office Inspectors had been to Davidson, Oklahoma looking for her. Connie then advised she would have to leave immediately and asked Grace to pick her up at the Marquette Hotel.

Grace Goldstein says that she then did pick up and take Connie south on highway 67 to a point north of Arkadelphia, where she left her out of the car, and Connie was apparently immediately picked up by a party who may have been looking or waiting for her. Grace stated that she (Grace) then took the black Great Dane dog to her brother's place. However, she will not identify herself by any other name than her present alias, neither will she give any information as to her people or where they are located. In this connection the Post Office Inspectors claim that they checked her automobile out on this trip and checked it in when she returned and she had driven 480 miles, this being furnished to Agent Demron by the Chief of Detectives Akers. This woman admits she visited with Karpis and Hunter when they were living at Dyers Landing, a cottage on the lake in the vicinity of Hot Springs; that at that time they had two dogs as she recalls. She has a white gold wrist watch purchased in Hot Springs, Arkansas which she says had been given to her by Eddie King. However on the occasion of this interview she insisted that it had been given to her by Fred Hunter, or Harold King as she refers to him; that she understood that this watch was purchased for Connie Morris and did not know that Hunter intended that she should have it. She advised that during the time these parties were there, she denying that she knew of the hideout seven miles south of Hot Springs on Malvern Road, they visited her place frequently, some times just sitting around with her, and paying her for the time they consumed at the place. This woman did not know, she insists, the identity of Karpis. However she was very definitely advised that we could easily substantiate a charge of harboring against her; that if however, she would furnish information which resulted in the apprehension of Karpis we would recommend to the United States Attorney that no action be taken as to her as to the harboring charge, and that we would pay her \$1000 reward for turning this party in in the manner indicated. This woman agreed to do this, although it is doubtful whether she will live up to her promise, in view of later information indicating definitely that she was the girl friend of Alvin Karpis.

However, as to turning these parties in she advises she is helpless to do so until Connie Morris communicates with her.

We have an arrangement with this woman whereby if necessary she will proceed to Little Rock, Arkansas in order to furnish any information obtained to either S.A.C. Chapman Fletcher or Special Agent E. L. Damron. Provided they might come to her house she will try to telephone this information to the Little Rock office and delay them at her house in the meantime. As noted above there is no assurance that this woman will live up to her promises.

On April 4, 1936 Clayton Hall was brought to the Cleveland Bureau office from Youngstown, Ohio and on the following morning, Sunday April 5th, he was taken to Toledo, Ohio in an effort to have him designate the place where he had taken Karpis by automobile on or about January 16, 1936, and in this connection he pointed out the address of Adams Street at 11th Street, and indicated he believed this was the location where Karpis got out of the car and told him to wait; that Karpis went up to the rear and he did not see where he went; that however he believed he went in behind the building. The understanding was that if Karpis did not return in one half hour, Hall was to go to a picture show and later pick up Karpis at what Hall believes was 17th and Adams Street, although he pointed out 11th Street and Adams Street. Karpis returned in a half hour and he then took him back to Youngstown, Ohio. This party was rather indefinite as to the location of this place, and it is possible that Karpis might have proceeded at that time to the place of Edith Barry at 524 Southard Street in Toledo, Ohio which is about four or five squares distant, or he might have gone to 1805 Adams Street which more recently we have learned John Brock, held by the Post Office Inspectors, indicated was a place at which the party Sam who participated in the Garrettsville train robbery, and Karpis, were living at the time he appeared at Toledo, Ohio about November 5, 1935 to take the place of Sam Coker in the robbery, inasmuch as Coker was in the hospital at Toledo at that time.

Upon return to the Bureau office on the night of April 5th, Clayton Hall asked to speak confidentially with me, and then advised that he believed he knew of a possible location of the subjects in Texas; that during the past fall the boys indicated to him that they left the Great Dane dog on a farm in Texas at the place of the brother of Grace Goldstein; that after looking at all the towns starting with the letter W he believed this town was Warsaw, Texas, close to Dallas, as the place was supposed to be 200 miles from Hot Springs. He stated in this town the boys had referred to a saloon, this being a small crossroads place with only one saloon, and this a rather tough place. It is noted that in Texas there is one town of Warsaw

with a population of 50 persons located in Kaufman county, and another with a population of 15 persons, located in San Augustine county. This information was immediately communicated to the Dallas office, and they made inquiry at both places and could find no information indicating that anybody had been there with a black Great Dane dog, or a maroon Buick four door sedan, 1936 model, nor could they find the described saloon in either of the places indicated.

On April 8th, 1936 at Toledo, Ohio together with Agent E. J. Wynn, the writer, after having the place suitably covered, entered 524 Southard Street, the place of Edith Barry, and made a careful search of same, to definitely verify that no one was there, and thereafter Edith Barry was interviewed by me for a period of approximately five hours before any definite admissions could be obtained from her.

Edith Barry is a typical madam of a house of prostitution, being about 5 feet 5 inches in height, 135 pounds, brown hair turning gray, worn short, brown eyes, age about 48 to 50 years. This woman very definitely denies that Joe Roscoe ever had anything to do with these individuals to her knowledge, and she denies that either Roscoe or these individuals were at her place on November 5, 1935, as alleged by John Brock to the Post Office Inspectors. This woman however did admit that during the summer of 1934 a party undoubtedly Fitzgerald, whom she described as the party having the injured leg, and otherwise a party whom she partially identifies from Willie Harrison's picture, and a party undoubtedly Doctor Joseph P. Moran, frequented her place and spent money with the girls there at that time she claims as regular patrons. However she would not identify who had sent them to her place or who had vouched for them, it being the usual practice, in accordance with information learned from the tap on her telephone, that someone must vouch for the persons coming to her place. She advised that these parties were there on a number of occasions; that two other parties, namely Karpis and Campbell, whom she partially identifies from photographs, and as to whom she says the picture of Karpis, Kansas State Penitentiary number 1539 is the best picture of him, and is the picture that she would identify him from, also came there. These two were at her place only on one occasion. After the summer of 1934 she did not see these parties again until the winter of 1934 and 1935; she not being certain as to whether it was in January of 1935. These two individuals, Karpis and Campbell, again came to her place at that time and stayed several days. She advised that at that time she did not know the true identity of these parties. She denies that they were in her place in March, 1935, as alleged by confidential informant [redacted] inmate of this house, who was present when these individuals were stopping there in January.

She advises that about the early summer, possibly June or July of 1935, she purchased the book by Courtney Riley Cooper entitled Ten Thousand Public Enemies, and thereafter on page 240 appeared a picture of Alvin Karpis, and also a copy of Identification Order 1218, and upon which appears the picture of Karpis, Kansas State Penitentiary number 1539, and at that time she advises she recognized Karpis as being the individual who had been to her place with the other man, Harry Campbell, during the summer of 1934 and again in the winter of 1934-1935.

Thereafter with the knowledge of who Karpis was and having read this book and having seen this picture therein, she states Karpis returned to her place about the middle of August and stayed several days. She advises that she was afraid to or was powerless to cause him to leave. After staying several days here, he occupying a front bedroom to the left upstairs, next to her bedroom, he left. Thereafter again in the fall of 1935 Karpis again returned alone, he having been alone in August. At that time on a Friday night he stayed overnight again, and she was the only one in the house then, she having no girls working at the place on this occasion. This would indicate that possibly this was the latter part of October or the early part of November, inasmuch as

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This woman was a very difficult person to interview as she would not readily admit anything which would be damaging to herself, and apparently also tried to protect Joe Roscoe in every way possible. However she did definitely advise that if these parties return to her place again she will communicate with Special Agent B. M. Hirsch, resident agent at Toledo, Ohio to the effect that they are in her house, and that she will not do anything to cause them to leave. Further that if she can obtain any information through her friends as to the location of these individuals at the present time she will furnish this information to Special Agent Hirsch at Toledo.

With reference to the information set out in this report as to the agreement of Grace Goldstein and Edith Barry, this information should be treated as absolutely confidential, and not disclosed by any Bureau employee to any outside agency at any time, although as previously noted above these two individuals are doubtful quantities as to their intent, and it is possible they may or may not furnish us with information.



UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

TO ALL OFFICES: All offices receiving copy of this report will examine same carefully, and coordinate the information contained herein with the information they are working on in their respective districts, and conduct the necessary investigation, it being noted that this apparently is definite and conclusive as to the information concerning Karpis and his present associates.

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FORMER ADDRESS HERE BUT HAVE NO OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING HER OR PLACE  
WHERE SHE IS NOW LIVING. MRS. ROBERTSON AND FITZGERALD SPENT LAST WEEK-END  
WITH HER. FELT COULD NOT SAFELY MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE OF THEM TO PLACE SO  
DO NOT KNOW LOCATION ALSO FELT COULD NOT SUCCESSFULLY TAIL THEM TO THIS  
PLACE THIS COMING WEEK-END. MRS. ROBERTSON HAS INDICATED THAT SHE WILL NOT  
WORK NEXT WEEK SO THEY WILL PERHAPS REMAIN AT THAT PLACE UNTIL MONDAY OR  
LATER. WILL ENDEAVOR THROUGH POSTAL AUTHORITIES TOMORROW TO ASCERTAIN  
IDENTITY DOROTHY AND HER PRESENT ADDRESS BUT HESITATE MAKE ANY OTHER INQUIRY.  
CONNELLEY ADVISED.

Edward G. Bremer

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DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION US DEPT OF JUSTICE

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SAS FRANK S SMITH AND B L DAMRON DEPARTED YESTERDAY MORNING FOR

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DIRECTOR

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 9, 1936.

*E. M.*  
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. QUINN

For your information, the following men are presently working on a lead in the Bremer case and are indicated as being on special assignment at Cleveland, Ohio.

Connelley, E. J.	Cincinnati
Arms, L. W.	Chicago
Birch, T. M.	Philadelphia
Hurt, C. O.	Dallas
McNulty, W. John	Kansas City
Madala, J. L.	Louisville
Murphy, J. V.	Oklahoma City

All of the above with the exception of Mr. Connelley and Agent McNulty, have been in Cleveland since April 1. Mr. Connelley arrived there on April 3, and Agent McNulty has now returned to that district although he was absent for a few days between the first of the month and this date as he was a necessary witness in his headquarters district.

The above information is being transmitted in the event it becomes necessary, in the interest of economy, to fix the headquarters of some of these agents at Cleveland. It is not known how long they will be engaged on this assignment.

Respectfully,

*W. R. Glavin.*  
W. R. Glavin.

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Miss Gandy	See Me
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PHONE. BREKID. AUTHENTICATED COPY OF BENCH WARRANT WITH NON  
EST RETURN AND INDICTMENT MAILED BUREAU APRIL SEVENTH WHICH NEEDS  
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Los Angeles, California  
April 10, 1936

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID  
L. A. File 7-42

Reference is made to letter of the Los Angeles office dated December 23, 1935, submitting forms reporting the installation of telephone taps on the telephone of Fitzgerald and his companion Martha Jean Robertson, in Los Angeles, the telephone numbers being EXposition 1271, Apartment 603, and EXposition 3945, respectively.

This is to advise that the telephone tap on Fitzgerald's phone was discontinued on the night of April 9, 1936 at 11:00 P.M., when Fitzgerald had been taken into custody by the Agents of this office, and removed from his apartment building. Obviously, it was no longer necessary to maintain a tap on his phone.

With reference to the telephone EXposition 3945, that tap was removed on the forenoon of April 10, 1936, when Mrs. Alta Robertson, the mother of Martha Jean Robertson, had the telephone disconnected.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois.

April 15, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID.

In compliance with the request contained in the letter addressed to your office by the Cleveland Office dated April 10, 1936, there are transmitted herewith three photographs of SAM COKER for your use in conducting further investigation of this case in your district.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge

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7-576-10551 April 17, 1936.

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

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

Dear Sir:

It is desired that you forward to the Bureau at the  
earliest possible moment one copy of each of the following  
photographs:

Sam Coker  
Hilton Lett  
Frisee Dutch Steinhardt.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland



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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

FILE NO. **7-9**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Indianapolis, Indiana.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-15-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-5-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. J. Neenan</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>FC</b></span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1236; Dr. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; ET AL. Edward George Bremer, Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>1936 Buick Sedan, Motor No. 63052198, Serial No. 2895972, not registered in Indiana. Flash card placed with Bureau of Motor Vehicles.</b>  <div style="text-align: center;">- P -</div>			
Reference: <b>Little Rock Bureau Office letter to Aberdeen Bureau Office, April 1, 1936.</b>			
Details: <b>At Indianapolis, Ind.</b>  <p style="text-align: center;">At the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State House, Indianapolis, Indiana, Mr. Saul Hoffman advised that 1936 Buick Sedan, Motor Number 63052198, Serial Number 2895972, was not registered in the State of Indiana. A flash card was placed with the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles by Agent, and Mr. Hoffman promised to immediately notify the Indianapolis Bureau Office if any attempt is made to register or transfer the above-mentioned automobile in Indiana.</p>			
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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

April 13, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Recent investigation in this case has established that undoubtedly subjects Karpis and Campbell were involved in the holdup of the mail train at Carrettsville, Ohio on November 7, 1935, and all of the participants in this particular job have been identified with the exception of one man, who is described as follows:

Age	45 years
Height	5'10"
Weight	175 pounds
Hair	Brown, streaked with gray; Fairly heavy eyebrows; Nose fairly large.

The information developed indicates that this particular individual was a prisoner at the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, and was released about four months prior to the Carrettsville, Ohio job on November 7, 1935.

It is requested that at an early date you conduct appropriate investigation at the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus, for the purpose of identifying all persons known as man, who answer to the general description set out above, and who were released within the period of approximately four months prior to November 7, 1935, securing photographs, complete criminal and personal history, and will forward this information promptly to the Cleveland office.

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Very truly yours,

EJH/TJB  
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- E. J. Connelley

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J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

April 13, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Please forward immediately to the St. Louis office  
two photographs of SAM COKER, Oklahoma State Penitentiary  
No. 14023.

Very truly yours,

EJY/EJB  
CC - Bureau  
- St. Louis

J. P. McFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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PHONE BREKID. REFER PREVIOUS TELETYPE RELATIVE TO GREAT DANE DOG  
RUNNING INTO TEXAS RANGER ~~JO~~ CORMICK. SUGGEST ALL TEXAS RANGERS,  
GAME WARDENS AND DEPUTIES IN THE VICINITY OF BOTH WARSAYS BE CON-  
TACTED IN AN EFFORT TO LOCATE GREAT DANE DOG.

MAG FARLAND

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
April 13, 1936

Mr. Roscoe B. Huston  
Postmaster  
Federal Building  
Detroit, Michigan

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In confirmation of your conversation with Special Agent E. B. Matney of this office, it is respectfully requested that this office be furnished with a complete mail tracing of all mail addressed to Marie Taylor or Irene Wells, 460 Prentiss Street, Detroit, Michigan.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the man in charge of the Alfred Street Sub-Post Office in Detroit as you requested.

A number of self-addressed envelopes are being furnished to the Alfred Street Post Office so that the mail tracings may be forwarded directly to this office.

Very truly yours,

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cc - Alfred Street Post  
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H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Way

1443 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY

April 15, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Recent information obtained from Clayton Hall of Youngstown, Ohio, indicates that Fred Hunter, alias Fred Hunter, alias Harold Hunter, is driving a 1936 blue-black Chevrolet coupe with Texas license plates. It is to be noted that Fred Hunter is a close associate of subject Alvin Karpis, and undoubtedly is with Karpis at this time, indications being that these two individuals have been travelling together for some time and that they both participated in the robbery of the mail train at Carrollton, Ohio on November 7, 1935.

It is respectfully requested that at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Austin, Texas, you endeavor to ascertain whether or not Fred Hunter, under his correct name, or aliases, has secured a Texas license for such a car as is described above, and in the event you find such a registration, immediate investigation should be conducted in accordance with information in the file concerning issuance of the license.

For your aid in conducting this investigation there is enclosed herewith a photograph of Fred Hunter, which photograph bears on the reverse side a complete description. Although this photograph is some fifteen years old, it is reported to be a very good likeness.

Very truly yours,

RJH/PJB

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Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

April 13, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to Bureau letter to the Cleveland office dated January 13, 1936 (7-576) advising that the Bureau placed an appropriate wanted notice against the fingerprints of Milton Lett, alias Thomas J. Shaw, alias Carl Baker, FBI #1008739.

Further reference is made to the letter from the Cleveland office to the Bureau dated January 4, 1936, containing the request that the Bureau place an appropriate wanted notice against the fingerprints of Ralph Nelson, alias Sam Coker, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #14023, fingerprint classification - 9 T 0 13. The Cleveland office has not been advised by the Bureau with reference to the placing of the requested wanted notice against the prints of Nelson, alias Coker.

In connection with both of the above requests, it is to be observed that the apprehension of neither of these individuals is wanted by the Bureau. However, it is felt that they possess information of value concerning the present whereabouts of subjects Karpis and Campbell inasmuch as they are known associates of these fugitives. However, the wanted notice is desired in order that the Cleveland office may be advised of their apprehension by any law enforcement agency, and thus enable the Bureau to interrogate them. In this connection it is specifically requested that in the event inquiries concerning either of these individuals are received by the Bureau, or their fingerprints reflecting arrests are received by the Bureau, that information be temporarily withheld from the contributor, or the persons making inquiry, and that the Cleveland office of the Bureau be promptly notified in order that a Bureau representative may interrogate them promptly concerning Karpis and Campbell, prior to any other agency doing so, and in no event should any other law enforcement agency be advised of the fact that a wanted notice has been placed against the fingerprints of Nelson, alias Coker, or Milton Lett.

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In addition to the above, it is requested that the Bureau furnish the complete criminal record of Ralph Nelson, alias Coker.

Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*  
J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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- Chicago  
- E. J. Connelley  
- St. Paul

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication dated April 13, 1936, I am transmitting herewith the original record of RALPH NELSON, alias Sam Coker, State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, #11023, as reflected by the fingerprint files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Please be advised that a notation has been placed in our files to the effect that this individual is wanted by you for questioning and you will be advised in the event subsequent information is received relative to his whereabouts.

Appropriate notices have also been posted in our files to the effect that your Office should be notified of any inquiries or subsequent arrests of the above subject and MILTON LETT, our file #FBI-1008739, prior to notifying any other contributors. No law enforcement officials will be informed of the fact that wanted notices have been placed in our files against the fingerprints of these persons.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
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ENCLOSURE 1008750.

CC-Bureau Office, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Bureau Office, Chicago, Illinois.  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois.  
Bureau Office, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

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DIRECTOR

PHONE BREKID- HARRY CAMPBELL SUPPOSEDLY MARRIED A GIRL AND NOW LIVING WITH HER TOLEDO OR VICINITY. THIS GIRL REPUTED TO BE DAUGHTER FORMER SHERIFF OR PUBLIC OFFICER TOLEDO AND PREVIOUSLY NIGHT CLUB ENTERTAINER. THIS PARTLY VERIFIED BY INFORMANTS AND ALSO BY JOHN BROCK ~~EX~~ TO POSTOFFICE INSPECTORS. THIS WOMAN TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED AS MARIE TAYLOR DAUGHTER EX-SHERIFF JOHN TAYLOR. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] POSTOFFICE INSPECTORS ALSO MAKING INTENSIVE [EFFORT] TO LOCATE THIS MARIE AS SUPPOSED WIFE CAMPBELL. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AUTHORITY REQUESTED EXPEND APPROXIMATELY \$100.00 PAY [REDACTED] SEVEN DOLLARS DAY ONE WEEK, RAILROAD TOLEDO AND RETURN AND PER DIEM FOR ROOM AND MEALS TO MAKE THIS TRIP. HIS ACTIVITY WILL BE CLOSELY SUPERVISED AT TOLEDO. 7-576-105

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RAL BUREAU  
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

APRIL 14, 1936

Transmit the following message to:

MR. E. J. CONNELLY, CHICAGO

BREXID. AUTHORITY GRANTED PAY ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO [REDACTED]  
AS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT.

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