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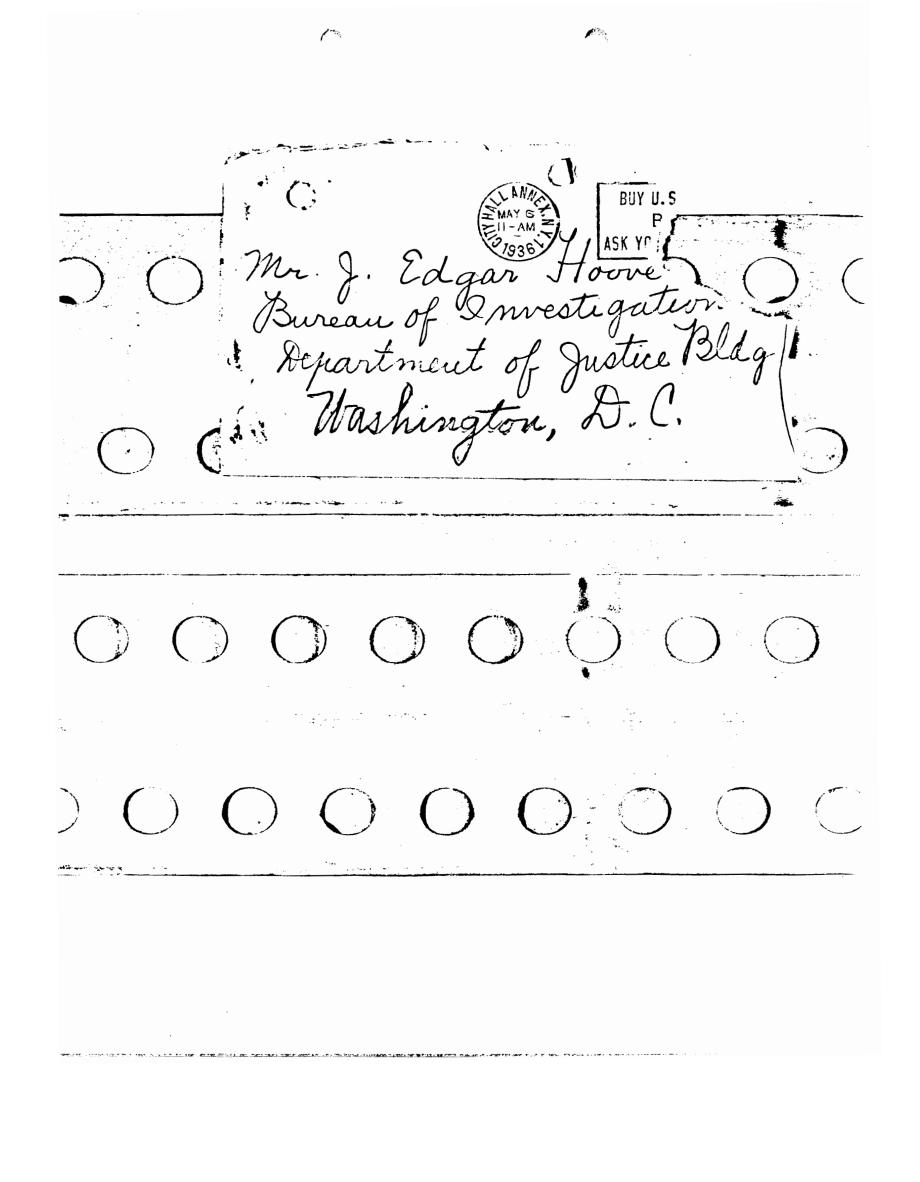
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Special agent in Charge. los angeles, California.

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Re: BREXID.

Dear Sir;

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau April 29, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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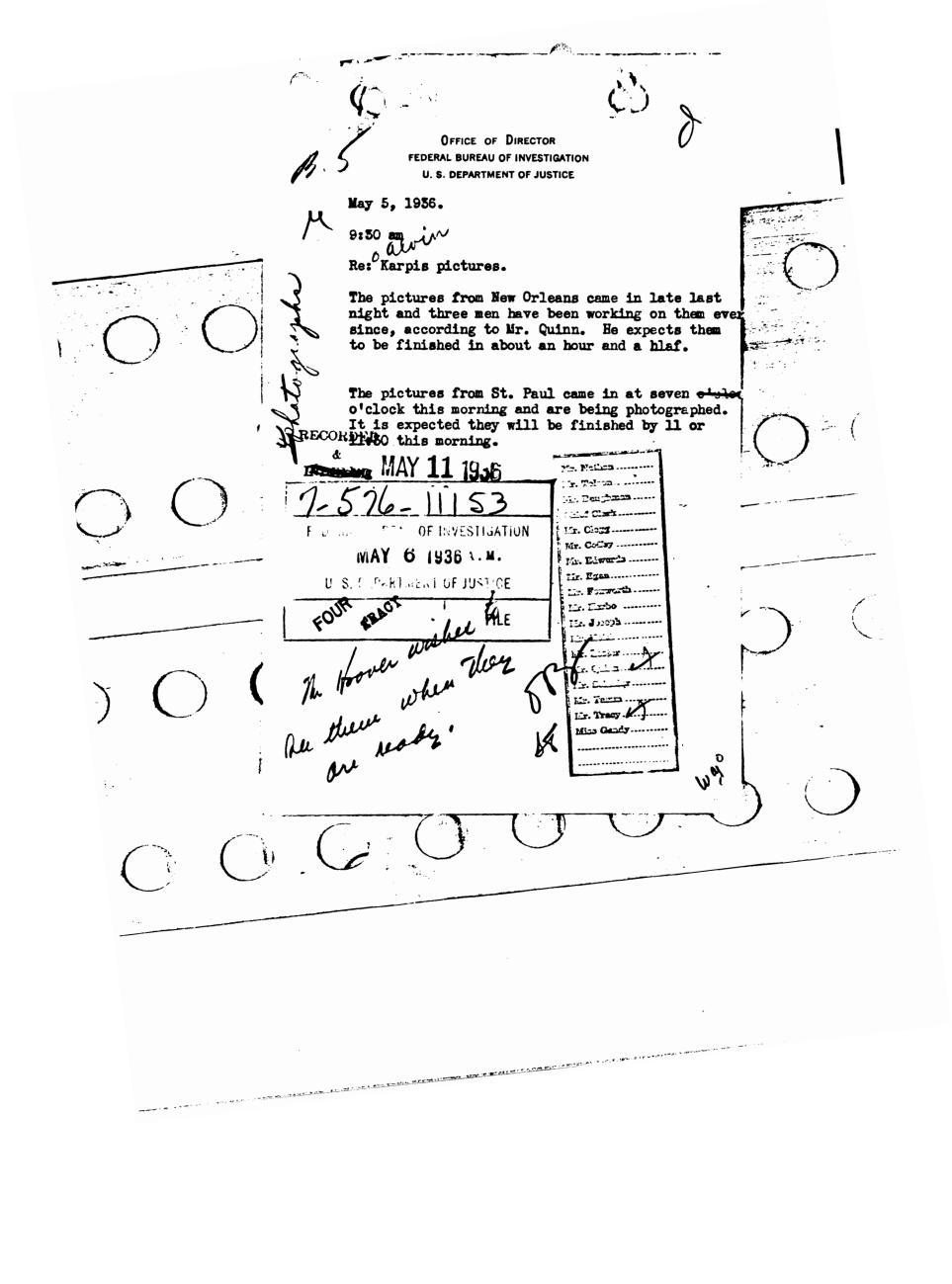
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Very truly yours,

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M. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1525 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

May 5, 1956

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

> Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. 0. No. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Bureau letter dated April 28, 1936, (7-576), requesting that the additional sales records of the Federal Laboratories be obtained and furnished the Bureau and interested offices immediately, Special Agent L. C. Taylor again contacted Mr. B. H. Barker, Vice President of the Jederal Laboratories, Inc., today, who advised him that he was proceeding to New York City, where he would get in touch with the XAuto-Ordinance Corporation and ask them to complete the list previously furnished at the earliest possible time, and that, upon receipt of the list by the Federal Laboratories in Pittsburgh, it will be immediately turned over to the Pittsburgh office.

This matter will be followed closely.

Very truly yours,

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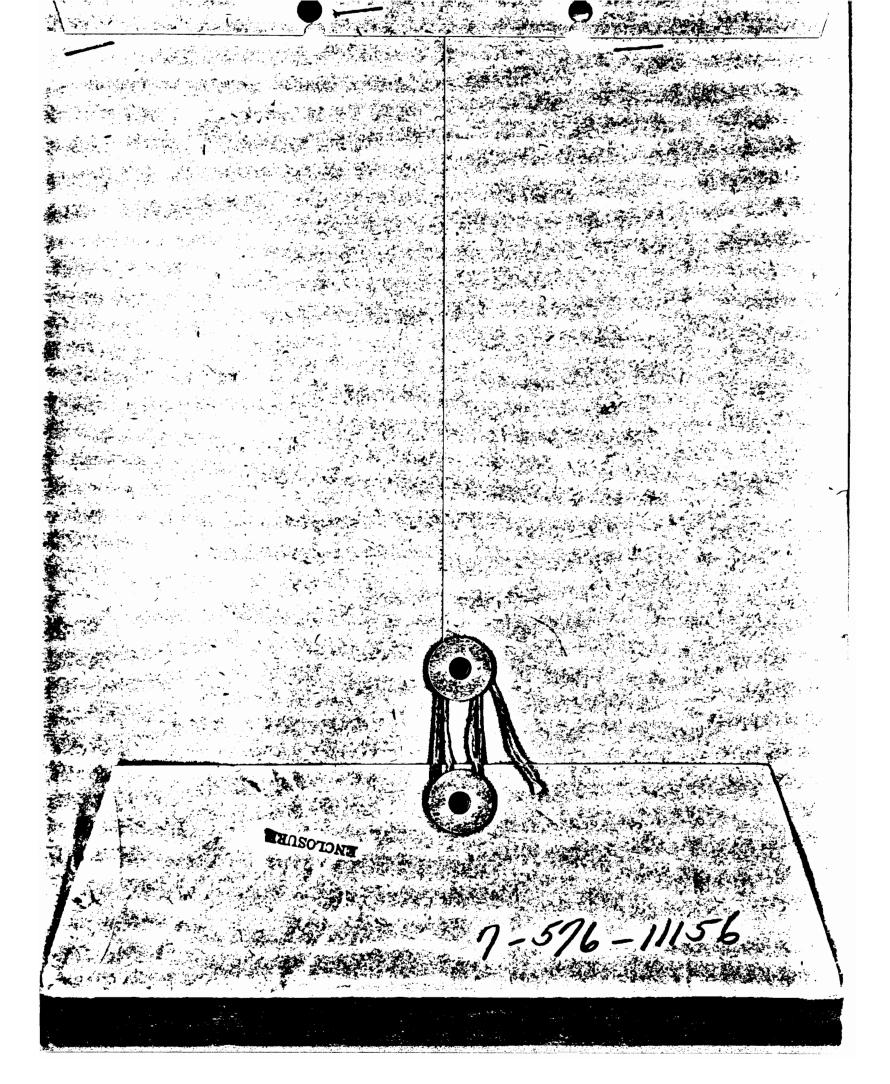
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Keady, according to Lawson, took groceries, medicine and some autogroceries, medicine and some auto-mobile casings to the Mannford farm. Then Lawson and Snyder came back to Tulsa and "rapped a little old bakery, at Seventh street

and Kenosha avenue."
Shortly before the killing of Smith, Lawson had been released from prison. Come here, he found that Campbell was apparently linked with Freddie Barker.

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# The Time Has Come to Think of Owning a Home

Wouldn't it be nice to have a rose garden. a rock garden, a bird sanctuary, a nice pool in your home place?

These, and many other en-joyable features can be crea-ated at little cost, but are sel-dom to be had or enjoyed in a rented place.

You have to have a place in which to live; why not live in your own home and be able to get the greatest pleasure out of living? Monthly payments like rent will buy you a home—but you'll own the home, and not rent results. rent receipts.

See the home values offered in today's Tribune — real estate page in the classified section. make for your family a



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# Stewart's Body to Be Exhumed, Bullet Sought

State Authorities Hunt New Evidence in the Sheridan Deaths

The body of George Stewart, former police captain, slain the night of December 3 at the Sheridan club along with Louis Pappan, internal revenue inspector, is to be exhumed from Memorial Park by the state in from Memorial Park by the state in anticipation of discovering new evidence to use at the March 9 trial of Cecil Byrd, one of three defendants on murder charges growing out of the double slaying, it was learned Saturday.

This sensational turn in the murder cases is delayed while authorities seek the permission of Stewart's

ties seek the permission of Stewart's mother in Missouri. If she refuses, they expect to resort to legal

process.

Owen J. Watts, assistant attorney general, who led the prosecution of Tyree Park, Sheridan club employe, who received five years for the death of Pappan a few weeks ago, in Tulsa Saturday with Jack Roberts of the state crime bureau, admitted the exhumation is to be carried out but made no further statement.

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The state expects to find a bullet in Stewart's head, unnoticed in examinations at the time of death, because of the battered condition of Stewart's head. Stewart and Pappan had been besten inside the club before they were shot outside.

George L. McCullough, who admitted striking Stewart and Pappan within the club, also faces a mur-

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It was learned that Governor Marland had launched this wide investigation in the belief that the Smith slaying might have had some connection with the Sheridan club slayings of last December 3, when George Stewart and Louis Pappan were killed.

Webb's statements to county authorities were to be checked by Watts.

He had admitted that Campbell, since named with Alvin Karpis as one of the nation's "bad men," spent several days at his home when he lived in Sperry, in April, 1933. At that time, county authorities nearly caught Campbell but are ties nearly caught Campbell, but ar-rested Webb and charged him with knowingly receiving stolen property April 21, 1933. Webb was acquitted

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Watts is hopeful that Snyder will shed some light on the slaying when confronted by Lawson's statement. Snyder has a varied record here, having been sent to prison for 25 years on a charge of robbery, fol-lowing some lesser convictions.

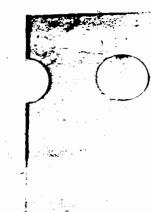
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### Sunday Dress Parades at O. M. A. to Start March 3

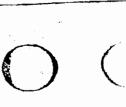
CLAREMORE, Feb. 29.—Full dress parades will be held at 4 p. m. each Sunday beginning March 8 until the end of May at Oklahoma Military academy, Capt. Virgil E. Caldwell, publicity director, announced today. Visitors from every trate have attended full dress pages of the control of the contr state have attended full dress per rades at the school, Caldwell said.

an attempt to ascertain whether it came from a gun other than the 45 automatic used by Park, who has admitted killing both Stewart and Pappan. The state has never been satisfied that he alone was the killer.

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Hand of Karpis in Tulsa Seen as Convict Links "Burrhead" Keady With Harry Campbell

# Gambler's Name Dots **Confession of Lawson**

Smith Slayer Cites Ease With Which Big-Time Gunmen Hid Out Here From Time to Time

A new link in a chain of evidence pointing to a per-sistent tieup of someone in Tulsa with the Alvin Karpis gang had been forged Saturday by a statement from a Kansas life term prisoner to the effect that George (Burr-Read) Keady, Tulsa book-maker and gambler now held in a \$46,500 train robbery in Ohio, was connected with Harry Campbell, running mate of Karpis.

Both Karpis and Campbell are known to have used Tulsa as head-quarters at one time or another in their lurid crime cauers. Campbell has been sought for three years in the slaying of J. Earl Smith, while Karnis was recently diverced here by his wife.

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Owen Watts Visits City, Inspects Statement in Tribune Custody; Starts His Investigation

# To See Accused Man in:: McAlester Penitentiary

Lawson May Be Returned, to Check Story as Step in Widespread Probe on Governor's Order

Owen J. Watts, assistant attorney general, sent here Saturday by Governor Marland to investigate a Kansas convict's story of the slaying of J. Earl Smith, Tulsa attorney, three years ago, will go to McAlester prison today to confront Eddie Snyder, Tulsa convict, with a statement which names him as one of the Smith slayers.

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Watts conferred with County Attorney Anderson and Sheriff Marrs on arriving late Saturday, and obtained a copy of the statement made at Lansing, Kan., prison by Jimmy Lawson, lifer, in which he states that he was with Snyder and Harry Campbell—long sought Tulsa gunman, when Smith was taken to a lonely spot across the Rogers county line and glain.

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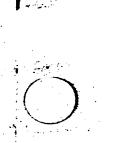
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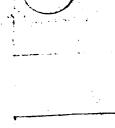
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May 11, 1936.

Mrs. W. G. Austin, Bryan County, Mesd, Oklahoma.

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# Dear Madamt

Tour observations contained in your letter of April 25, 1936 concerning news items appearing in the Tulsa Tribune relative to Harry Campbell have been noted. Inasmuch as Harry Campbell was taken into custody by Special Agents of this Barees on May 7, 1936 at Toledo, Ohio, no action will be taken concerning the information you furnished.

I appreciate the interest which prompted you in writing

Yery truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

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Time: 5:20 P. M.

RE: Alvin Karpis.

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Cleveland and stated that I understood that the girl at New Orleans had begun to talk. I requested Mr. Connelley to telephone the New Orleans Office and talk to either Mr. McIntire or Mr. Buchanan and inform them that we want the matter drawn to an early conclusion; that any information possible is to be secured and to get rid of the girl tonight unless she is furnishing some worth while information. I stated that a secret warrant had been filed on Hunter and that Hunter is being held for interrogation. I requested Mr. Connelley when talking with Agents McItire and Buchanan to ask thes to immediately inform him, Connelley, and he as soon as they are ready to bring Hunter out. I suggested : to Kr. Connelley that he communicate with the St. Paul Office to check developments there and to caution them to see that no further leaks occur there.

I stated that I was giving no more press interviews on the case and that at St. Paul the office should give no more information, merely stating that any further statements must ultimately come from the United States Attorney when Karpis is to be arraigned.

Mr. Connelley stated that he was sending reports and recommendations on the matters concerning the Post Office Inspectors and Agent Eadala to the Bureau tonight.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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A. S. Bepartment of Justice 1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

May 4, 1956.

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

Re: W. J. McNULTY - Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the above-named Special Agent arrived in Cleveland, Ohio on May 5, 1936 at 8:10 p.m. in connection with the Brekid investigation.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Little Rock Kansas City

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

M. S. Department of Instice 612 Marine Trust Bldg. Buffalo, New York

May 5, 1936

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 28, 1956, and Oklahoma City office letter dated April 17th, in the above entitled matter.

Please be advised that a search of the files of the Buffalo Bureau office failed to disclose that there has been any bank robbery in this district in which long sheets of several bills to a sheet were stolen.

Very truly yours

B. E. SACKETT Special Agent in Charge

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Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to my personal and confidential letter to you dated May 5, 1936, enclosing the memorandum submitted by Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, May 4, 1936, both of which deal with the activities of the post office inspectors assigned to the investigation of the Carrettsville, Ohiomail train robbery on November 7, 1935, in so far as the post office inspectors failed to cooperate with Agents of the Bureau.

In the aforementioned memorandum submitted by Special Agent E. J. Wynn it is to be noted that the post office inspectors identified an individual who was arrested by the Akron colice Department on Juli October 19, 1935, as Thomas Ji/Shaw, Akron Police Department #26337, as being the person who purchased the Plymouth sedan automobile which was used in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery. It is indicated on page two of the said memorandum that the Cleveland office, by letter dated January 4, 1936, requested the Bureau to furnish the Cleveland office with the complete criminal record of the said Thomas J. Shaw, inasmuch as the post office inspectors advised that the Akron Police Department had fingerprinted this person and received an answer from the Bureau indicating no previous record, and as a gesture of cooperation with the post office inspectors, to place an appropriate wanted notice against Shaw's fingerprints, as set out on page three of the memorandum. It is also to be noted on page three of the memorandum that Bureau letter dated January 15, 1936 (7-576) in answer to the request of the Cleveland office, furnished the complete criminal record under FBI #1008739, reflecting that the said Thomas J. Shaw was identical with Milton Lett. The report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, January 20, 1936, page thirteen, reflects that the Akron Police Department upon fingerprinting the person arrested by their department as Thomas J. Shaw on October 19, 1935, forwarded his fingerprint impressions to the Bureau and were subsequently advised by Bureau letter dated

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October 24, 1935, that Thomas J. Shaw had no previous criminal record, it appearing that at that time the Akron Police Department so notified the post office inspectors.

It appears that at this time the post office inspectors had definite information that the person then known as Thomas J. Shaw was in fact the person who purchased the automobile inasmuch as they had exhibited the Akron Police Department photograph to the automobile company from which the car was purchased and had secured an identification.

The referred to report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn reflects that the Akron Police Department on January 16, 1936, received the correct criminal record on Thomas J. Shaw, indicating that he was identical with Milton Lett, undoubtedly as a result of the letter written by the Cleveland office to the Bureau dated January 4, 1936, referred to above. It is to be noted that at the bottom of the record, as received by the Cleveland office from the Bureau, there is a notation reading as follows: "The above complete record in the case of this individual has been disclosed while extending the Bureau's files." It was ascertained that this particular notation was not on the record furnished to the Akron Police Department.

The criminal record was received at the Cleveland Bureau office on January 16, 1936, and as indicated in the aforementioned memorandum of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, May 4, 1936, was personally furnished to Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick on January 17, 1936 by Special Agent E. J. Dowd, upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland.

The post office inspectors have indicated in the past in conversations with Special Agents E. J. Wynn and E. J. Dowd that it was indeed peculiar that the Bureau first advised that the person known as Thomas J. Shaw had no previous criminal record, pointing out in this regard that apparently the Bureau missed this particular individual's fingerprints on three occasions, namely, on the occasion of the Akron Police Department arrest on October 19, 1935; the Coffeyville, Kansas Police Department arrest of November 6, 1935; and the Yates Center, Kansas Sheriff's office arrest of November 7, 1955, pointing out that the complete record of the individual indicated arrests on those dates.

This information is being brought to your attention inasmuch as the post office inspectors may raise this point as indicative of the Bureau's antagonism toward them.

At this particular period, as set out in the memorandum of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, May 4, 1936, Bureau Agents were maintaining a surveillance at the registry section of the post office in Cleveland, Ohio, from November 27, 1935, which continued to January 20, 1936, in connection with certain registered letters which were mailed from Cleveland to Mrs. Maggie, Lett at Wann, Oklahoma, the mother of Milton Lett. During this period of surveillance it was thought by the Bureau that the letters were possibly mailed at Cleveland by subject Harry Campbell to Mrs. Maggie Lett for the purpose of having her deliver the letters to relatives of Harry Campbell. Subsequent to the receipt of the criminal record of Milton Lett, referred to above, particularly with reference to his Akron Police Department arrest, which suggested his possible past presence in Cleveland, investigation was instituted which definitely established that he had frequented Cleveland, and upon the basis of this investigation it was presumed that undoubtedly Milton Lett was the addressor of the letters which had been mailed to Mrs. Maggie Lett, and the post office surveillance was discontinued. Had this been known previously the surreillance during the long period of time at the registry section of the post office would not have been maintained. This serves to indicate definitely that the Bureau had no ulterior motives in the failure to identify the criminal record of Milton Lett, upon receipt of his fingerprints from the Akron Police Department.

Very truly yours,

EJW/EJB Special Assignment

Special Agent of Charge

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May 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge, Her York, Hen Tork.

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This will sivise that in connection with the prosecution which is to be entertained against Joseph H. Adams and Henry "Duke" Rendell et Missi, Florids, on or about May 25, 1936, the Government is interested in the production of certain cablegrens, the eriginals of which are now in the possession of the Western Union Cablegram Company in Mayone, Cube. These telegrams were sent on October 16, 1934, October 18, 1934, and Movember 2, 1934, by Nathaniel Heller to Joseph H. Advas. Ifforts have been made to errange for the proper production of these cablegrans during the course of the trial. Mr. George W. Corey, Manager of the Western Union Gablegram Conymay of Barens, Gube, has informed this Bureau that it will be advisable to in he a request for the production of these messages upon Mr. J. C. Fillever, First Vice President of the Western Union Telegraph Conpany, 60 Hudson Street, New York, New Fork; that Mr. Villever will then instruct his Revene Office to designate someone to produce the messages. Mr. Carey has informed that if this procedure is followed, he will designate his convercial

In consequence of this procedure, a subposas duces tecum was lasted upon Mr. J. C. Billever, who appears to be somewhat confused in this matter and has informed Mr. V. Scaders Granling, the Assistant United States Attorney, Mismi, Florida, concerning Mis confusion. It is, therefore, requested that you immediately errange to have an Agent interview Mr. Millever and explain to him the information which is not forth begoinbefore. He should be informed that it william walled the him to designate an employee of the

representative, Mr. Frimitive Armesto Modrigues, to produce the seld

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Western Union Cablegran Company of Herana, Guba, to produce these records in exert at the time mentioned in the subpoens which was served upon him, Hr. Billever. It is importaine, of course, that the person designated to produce these records be an employee of the Bestern Union Cablegran Company and be in a position to testify that the records which he is producing are efficial records of that company made in the segular course of business.

Mr. W. Senders Greating of Minni, Floride, hos also informed that there has been some difficulty in serving subjectment wood Mr. and Mrs. L. Ex Gray. It will be recalled that Mr. Gray was a desk clark at the El Comodoro Motal, while Mrs. Grey was a elerk and telephone operator at the said hotel, during the time that members of the Karmis-Darker gang resided there in the fall of 1934 and Jennery of 1935. The information in the possession of the Surers was to the effect that L. E. Gray could be located through the Knotts Schole in New York, New York, and that his wife gould also be lessted at that point or through him. Mr. Granling now informs that Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Grey can probably be located et the Belliagton Rotel in Bee Tork City. In view of the fact that Mr. Welter L. Berlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who is to prosecute this case in Floride, has expressed some concern ever the ability of the United States Kersbal in New York City to serve the sild subjectors upon Mr., and Mrs. Gray, he has requested that an Agent of the New York Office communicate with the United States Marshal to determine whether the said subposees have yet boen served. If these subpossess have not been served, it is requested that the essistance of the New York Office be tendered to the United States Marshal so that Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Gray may be immediately located and service had. For your information, Mr. end Hrs. Grey are highly important witnesses to the Government during the prosecution of this satter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

ee Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago St. Paul Cincinnati Cleveland

# NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY SI MADISON AVENUE, MADISON SQUARE NEW YORK, M. Y. MEDICAL DEPARTMENT CHASE, M. D., MEDICAL REPORCE LOS AMSSIES, CALF. May 1, 19 36 Mr. Nathan Mr. Coffey Mr. Coffey Mr. Coffey Mr. Eggs Mr. Coffey Mr. Eggs Mr. Eg

hing?

I am in receipt of the discriptions of Harry Campbell and Alvin Farpis, criminals wanted by your Department.

Unfortunately, I have no information regarding these men and I am writing merely to state that I believe you are doing a very fine thing in placing these discriptions in the hands of physicians. I wish also at this time to congratulate you and the Department of Justice, including the Federal Pureau of Investigation, for the efficient and fearless menner in which you have carried out your duties. Be assured of my unstinting cooperation and aid at any time and under any circumstances.

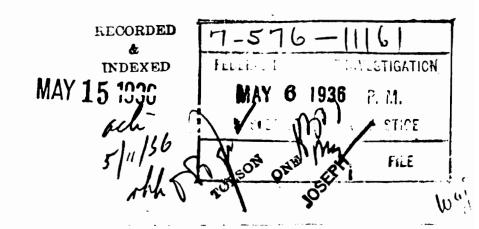
This letter does not call for and does not require any answer.

Yours very truly,

Trulk H. Chase
Frank H. Khase, M.D.

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May 11, 1936.

Dr. Frank E. Chase, Kedical Referee, Rew York Life Insurance Company, Suite 815, Commercial Exchange Building, 416 Kest 8th Street, Los Angeles, California.

Dear Dr. Chase:

I want to thank you for your letter of May 1, 1936, in which you advise me of the receipt of our Identification Orders on Harry Campbell and Alvin Kerpis. As you undoubtedly know, these men were apprehended by Agents of this Bureau during the past week.

I sincerely appreciate your expression of confidence and cooperation with this Bureau.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edger Boover, Director.

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Jem enclosing herewith government bill of lating J-77834, covering the shipment, by Reilway Express, of two suit cases and two packages, all containing clothes, only, below in to Subject Alvin Kerpis.

I am transmitting herewith memorandum of the articles listed in pechage #1, prehage #2, suitoese #1 and suitesse #2.

You will undoubtedly desire to secure a signed receipt from Subject Kerpis in the event any of his property is turned over to him.

Very truly yours,

D. U. Magoo, Special Agent in Charge.

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- 1 4-in-hand mecktie labeled "Town Graft Cravat".
- 3 4-in-hand neckties labeled Ferkins Bros. Co., Texas & Oklahoma.
- 1 white shirt, labels torn out, size murber not legible, laundry mark
- 1 Manhattan white mairt, size 16, laundry marks, "Th; Cit; FG"
- 1 Woolter gray shirt, size not legible, laundry mark "FC".
- 1 rrow white shirt, size 14], no laundry mark.
- ) blue broadcloth pujame suit, "Monaello", laundry (wr) "RO", min- ., loundry surk on pants, "FG",
- 1 Srown Bilk Fajamas "Universal", size A, laundry mark "FC", laundry mark on punts "FG".
- 1 blue will bethrobe, label "The Acheil Co., .kron, Ohio."
- 1 "National Sportamen" magazine for Kay, 1936.
- 1 soiled white handkerchief, no laundry marke
- 1 pair low-quarter shoes, rubber heels, labeled "kempner's Special", size 2 9 0.

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rticles found in apartment [2] at 3500 st. Charles (vo., to, Cricano, to, by Special grants h. 1. Heavrin and J. V. Blake, 1st 1, 1976.
List of Lo. 2, 1976 by agents J. V. Blake and Ton L. Meel:

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- 1 gray wool coat and west only, "Carles". Gleaners' marks: "FG 7777".
- 1 white lines muit, 2 pieces, labels: "Carrigan-Stephene, Hot Oprings, Ark. Shanty Loom Adler, Rochester, N. Y." Laundry mand, "HIV".
- 1 dark gray wool muit, 3 pieces, no label, cleaners' marks, "4001; c. r. 3010; 5257; 3715; 5049; 274."

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Terraplane auto of Alvin Kerpis, by Special Agent J. V. Blake, 5-1-36, listed by T. A. Neal & J. V. bloke 5-2-56, erticles in કે યુવર્ 1 pair black low querters Florekeit shoes size 9-A. 1 package laundry: Chalmette Leundry, New Orleans, La., name: Cleason, mark GF, deted April 27, 1936 total amount of bill 1.60, articles: 1 blue manhattanized shirt, size 14 laundry merks: TG; 796, 1 white, no label a irt; size 14, laundry marks: FG, KcG. I blue-write pin shtips arrow shirt; "bitogs", 14- size laundry merkfo. 1 white shirt SEAL TEX" size 142, laundr. corks: PG. 1 white "arrow" shirt, size 14-, leundry marks: FG. 2 pairs black & white sor, no marks. 1 pair black & white sox; laundry mark: FG. 2 ments handkorchiefs, 1 ladies' hendkorchief. 1 "Univ : sal" Pajama: white, black spots; size A, laundry mark "FG", same mark on pents. 1 beneco, slip over knit una rehirt, size 34, leundry more PG. 1 "BV\_", knit, size 34 laundry mark FC. 1 pair "Lansco" shorts, wite, size 50 laundry merk FG. 1 pair "arrow" shorts, wite, size 50, laundry mark FG. 1 4 piece tropical worsted gray suit (2 pents,; Curles label Cleeners merke; FO; G62510; 1826; MA; King l issue of "New Orleans States" April 28, 1936. 1 U tel orin, Ismarkans, Road Information bulletin 2 Oakes ivery somp; hotel guest size; no hotel lubel. 1 ansll tox with 2 capsules; greenish looking. 1 pair black & white low quarter at oe; "Kempaors Special". 8120 9-A 1 pair light grey strip ed flammel trousers with white leather belt, cleaners marks: NFM; 4515; 1 round trip ticket Ponchertrein Bridge; f142617; no deta-1 light grey Stets m hot, felt, size 6 7/8, lebel ... Shehorastein. Gel voston, \_sxas. 1 Derk grey Stetson Ret, felt; size 6 7/8 , label, Perkine Bron. Co. Texas, Oklahoms.

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1 Pen-Am road map of Oklahoma.

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Following is list of black Cladstone Bag #E. found in Terraplane Coups of Alvin Karpis by J. V. blake 6-8-36 and articles in same listed by J. V. Blake 4-2-36s

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1 Brown leather "fitted" toilet case, no label.
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   laundry merk "FG"
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    with price merk "FO".
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1 magazine "Digest and Review" for March, 1926, no marks.
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G. T. Jones Federal Bureau of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice 1215 Smith-Young Tower Bldg San Antonio, Texas

CLEVELAND OHIO May 2, 1936

BREKID REFERENCE APPREHENSION NEW ORLEANS YESTERDAY KARPIS HUNTER KARPIS ADVISES MAROON BUICK SEDAN MOTOR SIX THREE NAUGHT FIVE TWO ONE NINE EIGHT STORED IN PRIVATE GARAGE CORPUS CHRISTI RENTED APRIL FIRST OF L. CX GRAY. TELEPHONE EIGHT HUNDRED TWO MONTHS RENT PAID IN ADVANCE. SEARCH CAR FOR ANY EVIDENCE GUNS ETC AND IMPOUND SAME TO BE MOVED ONLY ON YOUR APPROVAL, DO NOT SUGGEST SAME BE CONFISCATED AND EXPENSE MAINTAINING SHOULD GO TO OWNER.

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DETAILS:

Agent examined the correspondence record of prisoners Francis Keating, Nc. 130, and Thomas Holden, No. 138, for the purpose of determining with whom these prisoners were corresponding, and particularly for the purpose of ascertaining the present addresses of Lillian Holden and Large Keating.

Following is the correspondence record of Francis Keating:

Mot her

Mrs. Catherine Keating, 8923 South Racine Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Former address was: 3229 South 63rd Place, Chicago, Illinois.

Brother

Fred Kenting, 6252 South Spaulding St., Chicago, Illinois.

Attorney

George F Callaghan, 105 West Adms St., Chicago, Illinois.

Tife

Merge Keating, 3334 South Oakling Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

227 East 3rd St., Miami, Florida.

The last letter written by Francis Keating to his wife Parge Heating, was dated March 17, 1936, and was addressed to 227 East 3rd Street, Miami, Florida. The last letter received by him from Karge Keating was postmarked Milami, Florida, 3/26/36", but bore the return address of 3334 South Oakling Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

In this letter, Marge stated that "after tropical Park closes April 4th, my business will be over with. Imagine I'll be thru working a week from Saturday. Wont be going home before May 1st or thereabouts".

Copies of the letters written by Large Keating dated 3/25/36 and 9/28/35, are being forwarded to the Chicago Bureau Office for their information.

Following is the correspondence record of prisoner Thomas Holden, No. 138:

Sister

hrs. Kary Tallon, 3813 Parnell Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Brother-in-law 6801 Peoria Street, Chicego, Illinois. Letter signed "Elva, Ray and Baby Jim", no other names given. The correspondence indicates that this brother-in-law is a brother of Lillian Holden.

Wife

Lillian Holden, 427 Amsterdam Avenue, New York City.

Ex-Wife

Lary Holden, 6406 Stony Island Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Also two sons, Tony and Francis.

A copy of a letter received by Thomas Holden from May Holden, dated January 7, 1936, and two letters from Lillian Holden dated February 27, 1936 and March 16, 1936, are being forwarded to the Chicago Bureau Office with copies of this report, for their information.

#### At Oakland, California

In accordance with request contained in reference letter from the Oklahoma City Eureau Office that appropriate investigation be conducted at the St. Marks Hotel for the purpose of determining whether one Frank Poccassi was presently residing there, and whether Subjects Karpis and Campbell were contacting him, Agent interviewed Mr. J. H. Muir, Manager of the St. Marks Hotel. 1r. Muir stated that Poccassi was presently residing at the hotel, and had been living there for about three menths. He stated that Poccassi was employed as publicity man and trainer for Max Baer and "Buddy" Baer, and in this connection he was associated with Ansel Hoffman, Manager of the Baer brothers.

It was Mr. Muir's understanding that Foccassi had been in the fight game for a number of years, and stated that he understood that he was formerly connected in some way with the Jack Dempsey" Stables.

Pictures of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were shown to Mr. Muir, but he stated that he could not identify them as being associated with Poccassi, and was sure that they had never been in the St. Marks Hotel. In the absence of more definite information connecting Poccassi's alleged association with Campbell and Karpis, it was not deemed advisable to contact Foccassi at this time.

No leads are being set out in this report concerning the addresses of correspondents of Thomas Holden and Francis Keating, same being left to the discretion of the Chicago Bureau Office.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 12:20 pm

Telephone call from Mr. Hoover.

Have Mr. Tamm have ready latest reports from St. Paul and New Orleans.

Have Mr. Quinn meet Mr. Hoover at the station with the memos. (Latest reports) so he will know about it as soon as he gets to the office.

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### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAME

RE: Ruth Robinson.

In the course of a telephone conversation Er. Suydam stated that one of the newspapers desired to know if Ruth Robinson was also known as Auto Aran. I stated that no statement would be made concerning the woman; that she had been released.

Very truly yours,

John Ligar Hoover, Director.

Mr. Nathan

Mr. Tolsen

Mr. Benghman

Chief Clerk

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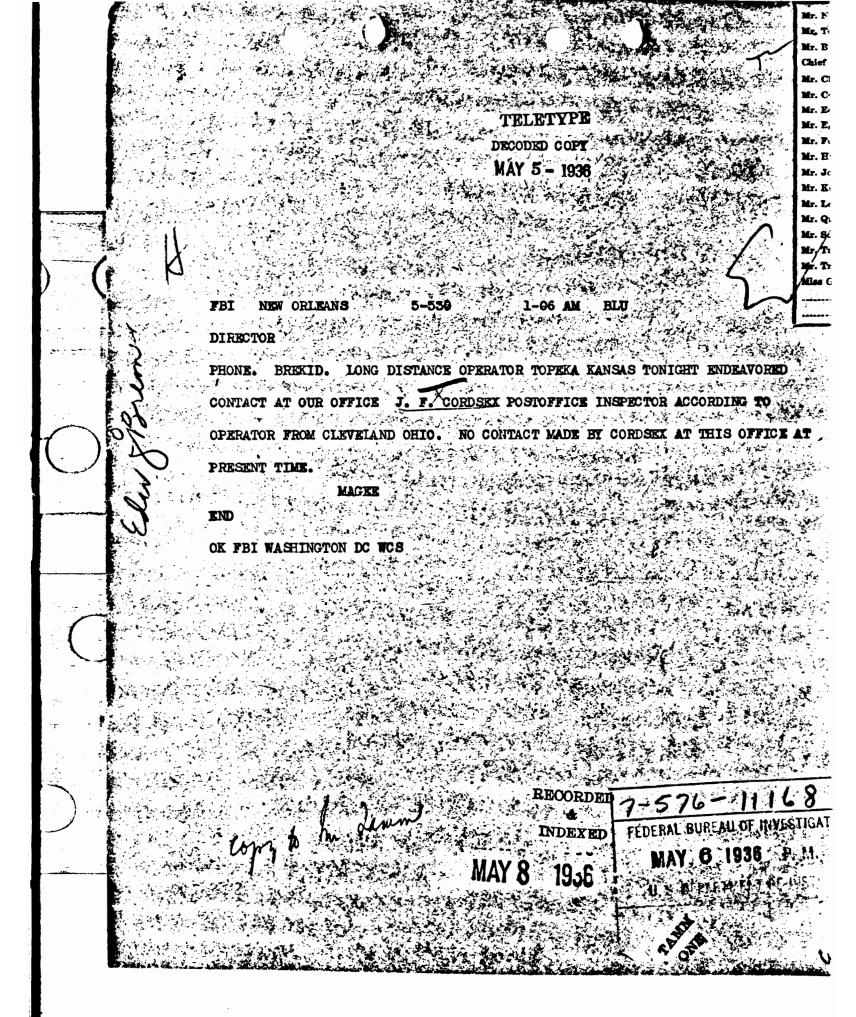
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# AMHERST WIRGINIA April 23, 1936 Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 31952 Gentleman; was in my place of business yesterday. I noticed him particular because of his being and of his scar over his eye. Dure Conversation he volunteered the in that he was trying to reach tilla mills, (Altarista Va) where he had an uncle. This morning an insurance agent was and reported he gave a ma . On immediate check up might RECORDED 6416

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Mr. L. C. Gregory, Manager, Pledment Filling Station, Amberst, Virginia,

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I wish to thank you for your letter of April 13, 1976, in which you furnish information which may lead to the possible location of Harry Cambell in the vicinity of Altavista, Virginia.

This matter is being brought to the attention of Mr. J. M. Keith, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, V. S. Department of Justice, Room 5255, Reshington, D.G., who will give appropriate consideration to the information furnished by you.

. Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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

Dear Mr. Ryan:

RO: BREKID

Wynone Burdette, an inmate of your institution, by her sister, Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Route B, Hominy, Oklahoma. The envelope also contains another letter written to Wynone Burdette, by Mrs. Wilson's daughter, Owen. The contents of these letters have been earefully noted.

I desire to extend to you my sincere thanks for your continued cooperation in this and other matters.

Yery truly yours,

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#### 610 Alonso Tard Hotel Building Aberdeen, South Dakota

Special Agent in Charge Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of April 17, addressed to the Director, and Director's letter to all offices, dated April 28, please be advised that the unsolved bank robbery cases in the Aberdeen Office district fail to disclose may information that new and uncut ourrency constituted part of the loot, and no information relative to such money is in the possession of the /berdeen Office.

· Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge

RE: Alvin Karpis

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Cleveland and advised that he had just talked to Mr. Fletcher at Little Rock who advised that Chief of Detectives had called him inquiring if the Bureau was holding Grace Goldstein; that Mr. Fletcher told Mr. Akers that the Bureau was not holding her and had no knowledge concerning her. Mr. Connolley stated that Mr. Akers had advised Mr. Fletcher that he, Mr. Akers, understood that somebody had snatched Grace Goldstein off the street and that he would have to start an investigation and as a result a story was published to this effect. Mr. Coanelley advised me that Mr. Akers has put in an application for the regard. I asked Mr. Connelley what did Mr. Akers give us. Mr. Connelley stated that he did not give us anything. I advised Mr. Connelley that he should tell Mr. Fletcher to tell Qv Mr. Ake s that he is not entitled to any reward and as a matter of fact there are certain angles of the case which the Bureau is investigating which may involve him, and that he is under investigation at the present time by the Bureau for aiding and abetting Karpis.

RECORDED & INDEXED Mr. Connelley advised me that the girl in New Orleans has been released; N that she was taken to Baton Rouge; that there was not any publicity about her removal and that no one knows where she was taken, "Mr. Connelley stated that the girl will take a train from Batan Rouge to San Antonio about noon today and that she will go to the vicinity where her sister lives. Mr. Connelley stated that Hunter had given the girl one hundred dollars of his money for her expenses and to get a doctor. Mr. Connelley advised that Hunter is talking pretty much but will not involve any of his friends; that Hunter is angry at the P. Q. men because they picked up his father a short time age.

Mr. Connelley stated that the P. O. men in Cleveland gage out an announcement yesterday to the papers to the effect that three Post Office men fly south for Karpis aid, Fred Hunter, in connection with the mail train robbery in Garrettsville last Howember; that these three men are Frank Wiedemann, Aspistant to the United States Attorney Freed and Postal Inspectors Hessick and Cordray. Er. Connelley stated that the article goes on to say that Karpis and Hunter were captured in New Orleans\on Last Friday night on information obtained by these three sen. Mr. Connelley stated that this article appeared in the Cleveland Meys. I told Mr. Connelley to contact Mr. MacFarland and ster arrange for the question to be asked concerning the information received from the Post Office Department and in enswer to the question tell them that I min name had been questioned relative to this and that I said there was note. Mr. Trans..... scintilla of foundation to this story as we received no information and no IL. The properation from the Post Office Department. I told Mr. Connelley that I -s Gandy......could be quoted directly on this matter

Conversation of Director and Mr. Connelley, 5/5/36.

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Mr. Connelley stated that he talked to Mr. Magee in New Orleans this morning and advised Mr. Magee that no one is to talk to Hunter. Mr. Connelley stated that he told Mr. Magee to diplomatically talk to the United States Attorney tell him that Wiedemann will be there to obtain some publicity when the time comes for the prosecution and that he, the United States Attorney may do himself some good by going ahead and insisting on the harboring prosecution there. I told Mr. Connelley that I thought this would be a very good idea.

I instructed Mr. Connelley to keep me advised of any further developments. Mr. Connelley stated that he had not talked to the St. Paul office this morning.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

#### A. S. Bepartment of Justice

Post Office Box 2118 Detroit - Michigan May 4, 1936

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Re: BRKKID

/ Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of a letter written to Wynona Burdette, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, by her sister, Mrs. R. D. (Esther) Wilson, Route B, Hominy, Oklahoma. With Mrs. Wilson's letter was a letter from her daughter, Gwen.

The original letter is being returned to Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention Farm, to be forwarded as addressed.

> H. H. Reinecke Special Agent in Charge

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Letter Addressed: Miss Wynona Burdette Milan, Michigan

> Return Address: R. D. Wilson Route B Hominy, Okla.

> > Hominy, Okla. April 27, 1936

#### Darling Sister:

Just what are you thinking about your ole Sis by now? Huh? As you know I havent been well. I guess I'll get straightened up some of these days, as I have all my Teeth out. it takes time to get over that kind of an operation Ha-Ha.

Honey how are you feeling? I do hope you stay well. Richard is fine but Gwen has been feeling pretty bad. however she hasent missed any school.

Jimmie went back to Millies. We were down yesterday. Eunice and Chuck were out there fishing. I believe Eunice gets skinnier every day. Mildred looks pretty good she says she feels quite a lot better than she did. Nona, did you know Aaron is in the Hospital? he has been for two or three months at Wadsworth Kan's Veterans Hosp't. do you hear from Art Regular? I'll bet you do, I think he is better about writing than me for instance. We had the nicest Rain today, just about the first one this spring, it makes everything look so pretty. I want to clean house when I feel like it, all thou im not so anxious because I cant get anything new. Now isnt that a woman for you.

Say, Kid I wish you could see Charles Roy, Blanchs Baby, he is a darling. He wont be four months old till the 5th of May and weighs 19 lbs., isnt that some Boy.

Well, dear, ill ring off and go to Bed. Will write to you next week. Gwen said to tell you she will write then, excuse this scribbling, please.

Lovingly,

Your Sis Esther.

Will be looking for a letter soon.

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My Darling Aunty,

Well here I am at school. Ive really been busy. So busy I haven't had time to write to anyone. Honey, Ill bet you think we have forgotten you.

School will soon be out. And boy am I working. These semester tests are really getting me down.

Aunt Jimmy stayed with us about 2 months while mother was having her teeth pulled. She doesn't look a bit bad. She is doing her hair up now. Boy it really looks swell. I keep it set in big natural waves and a knot in the back.

Floyd Alain has been very ill. He was in the hospital 2 weeks. He's home now but he isn't much better. Lulu has been awfully bad too. She should have an operation but isn't strong enough to undergo one so theres not much hopes for her. Betty Ann had to quit school because of Lulu. Poor kid - She wants to go to Summer School if Lulu is well enough but I doubt if she will be.

I have a new boy friend now. Surely is cute - sweet too. Of course I dont like him as well as Earl. Impossible. But hes a lot sweeter and - well - better looking too. He has dark wavy hair, big blue eyes, long eye lashes and a winning personality. doesn't he sound intresting.

We have been having contests. I am in the quartette. We won first at Pawhuska. But that judge in Tulsa doesn't like Hominy at all. So we didn't place in anything over there. Tulsa never gives Hominy a fair deal. I am also in a Trio. We (the trio) are going to sing at Commencement or graduation exercises. Boy am I tickled. Thats something!!

Do you know what! Dolph joined the Marines. I could kick his pants. Got a letter from him the other day. He said he was "Crazy" about me. That makes me sick! They all have the same line. Can't believe any of 'em. Can you? Not that I want to. It all goes in one ear and out the other.

Vance isn't in town any more. Haven't seen him for about 3 months. He's not going with that school teacher anymore. She surely looks like you.

Jack takes me to a dance every Friday nite. We have swell times.

I told you about my best friend, didn't I? Viola Beckham. She's also in the quartette and trio. I sing first soprano and she sings 2nd soprano. They call us twins cause we are never apart. And we dress as much alike as we can. Her hair is all most the color of mine, she has blue eyes - (so have I) and her lips are full like mine. She is my height but a little bit heavier, not much. I think you have a complete description now. Ha Ha.

Honey, Ill be so glad when I get to see you. Do you know when you're coming home? Daddy talks about you all the time. You know your his favorite sister-in-law. And my sweetest Aunt too!

Ellen is getting to be a big girl now. Just as pretty as a picture and awfully sweet. Aunt Millys kids are going helter skelter, Aunty. Aunt Milly doesn't even try to correct them. Ellen does all the work. They wont do a thing. I surely hope they snap out of it, cause Aunt Milly and Ellen can't do all the work around there.

Well Darlin' Im about run down and my arm is giving out too. Will write again next week.

Loads & Loads of Love

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I love you.

(The letter from "Gwen" was enclosed with that of Gwen's mother, Mrs. R. D. (Esther) Wilson).

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May 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 1, 1935, requesting that this Office forward to you copies of the photograph of Lucille Ferris (Mrs. Milton Lett).

Please be advised that there is no photograph of the above person in the Chicago Bureau file. It is suggested that in further investigation being conducted that the Kansas City and Oklahoma City Bureau Offices endeavor to obtain a photograph of Lucille Ferris and forward copies of the same to the Offices receiving bopies of this letter.

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MEMORANDUM TO ALL EMPLOYEES

You are all, of course, aware of the Bureau's rule that all matters of official nature are to be treated by Bureau employees as strictly confidential and that it is improper to at any time discuss matters under investigation with other than law enforcement officials who have an interest in the particular case under investigation. I do not feel that it should be necessary to call this rule to the attention of the employees of this office, however, in order that there may be no possible doubt in the mind of any of you, I am issuing these specific instructions which apply particularly to the case of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1218; et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping, Harboring and Obstruction of Justice, National Firearms Act, recently actively under investigation in this district.

For your information, I would consider it improper to discuss any of the activities of this office with any person even though that person be connected with some law enforcement agency and even though such agency should have an interest in this investigation unless you first secure from me specific instructions to do so. I refer particularly to the fact that it would be improper for any of you to mention that we have had anyone detained at this office during the present investigation or that we have contemplated detaining anyone here. I feel that it would be sufficient for any of the agents assigned to this office if inquiry is made of them relative to any activities in this district that they merely state that they have no knowledge as to what may or may not have occurred at New Orleans in connection with the apprehension of subjects in this case, inasmuch as New Orleans is not a part of the territory covered by the Little Rock office.

I cannot too strongly impress upon each of you the importance of closely following these instructions and in the event I should learn that any of the employees of this office failed to comply strictly with the matters set forth above, the Director will be promptly advised with the recommendation by me that drastic disciplinary action be taken.

CHAPMON FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc- J. R. Calhoun

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Dour Mr. Brisbanes

I have read with the greatest of interest your column entitled "Today" which appeared in the Kay A. 1936, issue of the Kashington Hereld, wherein you comment upon the recent capture of flyin Karpia.

I was perticularly interested in your remarks concerning the term "Public Enery Mumber 1." It has occurred to se that you might like to know that neither the Attorney General nor this Bureau has ever designated a criminal by such a term.

I am in entire agreement with you that such numbering is welcome food for a rat's venity and certainly an unhealthy glorification of one only to be shaned. I have on occasions in the pest publicly stated that numbering and glorification of a person being sought for violation of the law is contrate the policy of this Fureau.

I have observed and enjoyed the confidence which you have expressed in our work and it is only in the spirit of friendliness that I call this to your ettention.

Sincerely yours,

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# Today

Which End of the Gun?

A Universe of Gas.

Will the King Marry?

The Lash of Hawaii.

By Arthur Brisbane

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IOS ANGELES, Cal., May 2.—It makes a difference, even to the Number 1 Public Enemy, "I'll-never-be-taken-alive" bandit, which way the gun is pointed. Mr. Karpis is taken, much alive, with no struggle, beyond holding a straw hat over his face, to baffle photographers,

Much efficacy in cash rewards: Dillinger defied all the G-men; a reward was offered, and a redhaired lady delivered him to the G-men bullets and got \$5,000.

Whether the \$7,000 reward offered for Karpis tempted some friend of that courageous one, remains to be seen.

The criminal is in business for money, and when he can sell a friend for \$5,000 that seems preferable to risking his own life. The reward system should be extended; \$5,000 reward for evidence resulting in arrest and conviction of any murderer.

Certainly \$100,000 of public money had been spent in a futile search for Dillinger before the \$5,000 reward made the lady with the red hair realize her duty.

Karpis, flying with G-men from New Orleans to St. Paul, was chained to the seat of his airplane, a nervous way of flying. 't might frighten, usefully, some "never-tobetaken-alive men."

Is it necessary for the Attorney General's G-man department to announce officially by name each succeeding "Public Enemy No. 1"?

This gratifies the criminars a vanity, magnifying the importance i of one more "yellow dog," and I frightens needlessly those who come in contact with him.

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Special agent in Charge, St. Penl, Minn.

Dear Sire

Re: BREEID.

voluntarily given by Subject Alvin Carpis to the Director,
J. Edger Hoover, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at New Orloss, Louisians, May 1, 1936. This waiver was secured shortly after the apprehension of Subject Kerpis by Rederal Bureau of Investigation A cats, directed by Ir. Hoover, and was signed by Especial Results L. J. Connelley and Dwight Brantley as signed by Especial Results that the original waiver be placed in the St. Paul Bureau Office file on the Brokid case.

An identical signed copy of the waiver from Subject Europs is being forwarded herewith to the Europa as an enclosure, and one also ef copy of this waiver is eleced in the New Griesus Bureau Office file.

An identical waiver of removal was secured by the Director, in. J. Edgar holver, on key 1, 1926, from Subject Free John Hunter. The original and two signed copies of this waiver are being retained, for the time being, in the New Orleans Bureau Office file.

Very truly yours,

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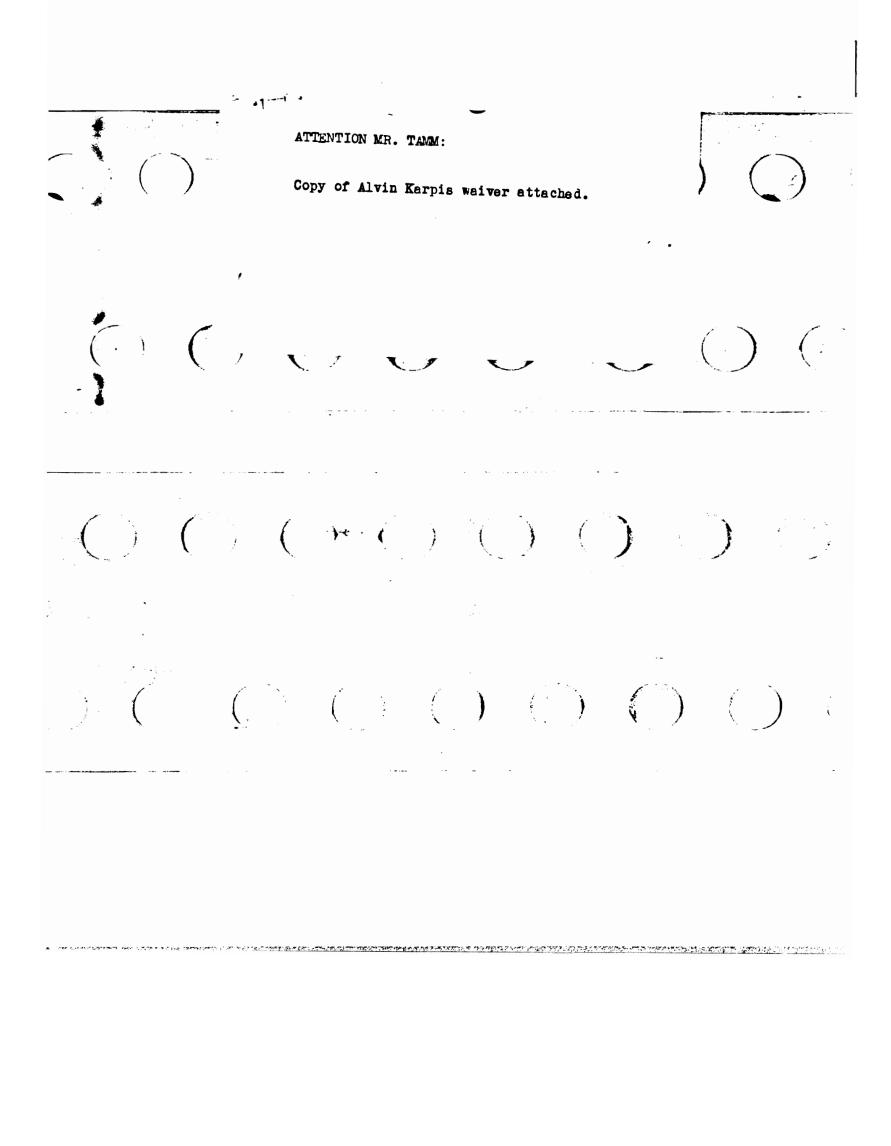
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I am executing this waiver and consent of my own free will, and without any pressure, compulsion or coercion of any kind whatsoever.

The foregoing document was read to me before I signed it, and I fully understand its meaning and purport.

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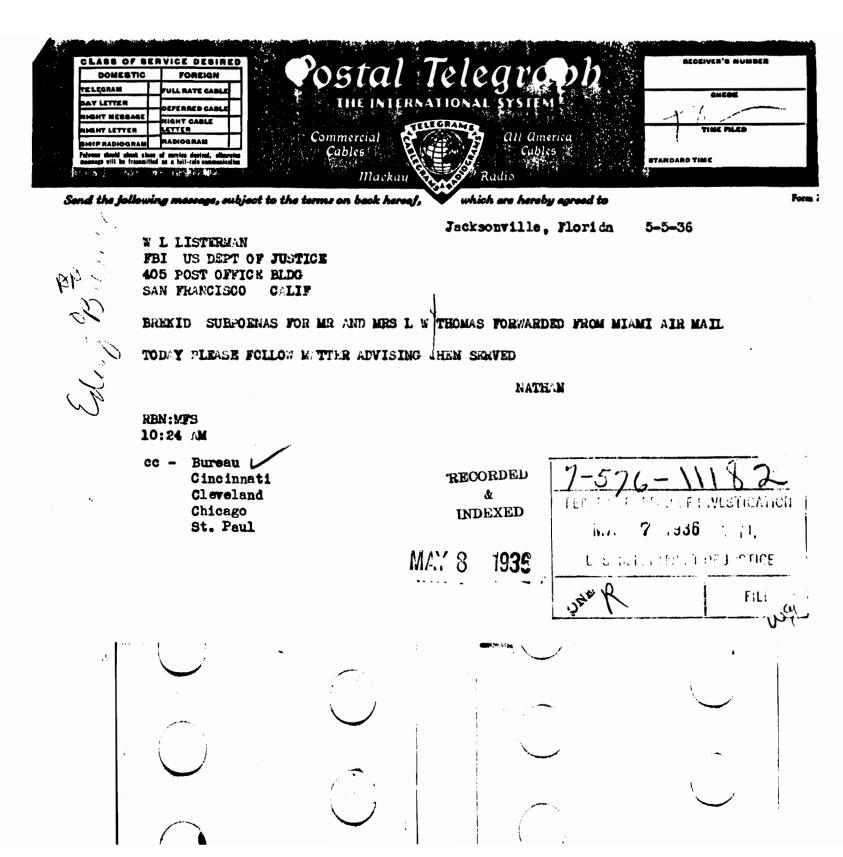
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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. VERBAL STATEMENTS SECURED FROM HUNTER WILL BE TRANSMITTED BUREAU AIR MAIL TODAY PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL INDICATING MOVEMENTS HUNTER AND KARPIS SINCE EARLY PART 1935 FOLLOWING ATLANTIC CITY AFFAIR. HUNTER INDICATES CAMPBELL AND KARPIS FELL OUT AND SPLIT UP SHORTLY AFTER ATLANTIC CITY AFFAIR. HUNTER DENIES DEFINITE KNOWLEDGE CAMPBELL'S LOCATION BUT INFORMS WOULD NOT TELL IF KNEW. HUNTER WILLINGLY ADMITS KNOWLEDGE IDENTITY KARPIS AND INTENTION WAIVE HEARING HARBORING OFFENSE HERE AND INDICATES GUILTY PLRA. SECRET HARBORING COMPLAINT FILED HERE TODAY ON INSTRUCTIONS CONNELLEY WARRANT FOR SERVICE ON AUTHORITY USA AND COMMISSIONER MAY BE HELD SECRET FOR SEVERAL DAYS. BOND \$200,000. WOMAN COMPANION HERE MAKES SIGNED STATEMENT. APPARENTLY NO KNOWLEDGE ACTIVITIES HUNTER AND KARPIS OTHER THAN TRAVEL AND IDENTITY. SHE IS NOT OVERLY BRIGHT HAS NEVER BEEN IN OHIO AND DISCLAIMS KNOWLEDGE OF CAMPBELL. MY BELIEF NO PARTICULAR VALUE TO BUREAU. HOWEVER SHE TIPPED KARPIS AND HUNTER RELATIVE OFFICERS ACTIVITIES AT HOT SPRINGS WHICH CAUSED THEIR FLIGHT. SHE IS HELD HERE PENDING ORDERS. HER SIGNED STATEMENT FORWARDED PERSONAL CONFIDENTIAL AIRMAIL TODAY. THREE AGENTS HERE CHECKED HUNTER'S MONEY. NOT IDENTIFIED ON ANY OF OUR KIDNAPING LISTS. WILL FORWARD

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May 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKIN

This Office is in receipt of the following letter:

"Way 5, 1936

"Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Department of Justice C...cago, Illinois.

"Dear Sir:

"The writer formerly lived at 8341-3 Canal St., Kew Orleans and it is possible I can further shed some information of value to yourself with reference to others involved in your letest arrest.

"Kindly hold this letter in confidence and if you desire I will turn what information I have over to your self.

> "Resp. yours, W. E. leibold 1524 Swinney Ave Pt. Fayne Indiana."

It is suggested that Pr. W. E. Leibold be interviewed and questioned for any fuformation of value he may have which will be of assistance to this Bureau. It is probable that Wr. Leibold is making reference to the address 3341-3 Canal Street, New Orleans and to the recent arrest of Alvin Karpis and others at New Orleans.

Yery truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge 436

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# Post Office Box 1276 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma May 4, 1986

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Mr. Grover H. Rope, Postmester, Frederick, Oklahoma.

RE: BRIKID

Desr Sir:

Tou are advised that the mail cover on all mail received by Kra and Mrs. Claud Mershell, Box 19, Route 1, Frederick, Oklahoma, which cover was requested by Special Agent W. A. Giddens of this office, is no longer desired.

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Special Agent To

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Post Office Box 1278 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma May 4, 1986

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Mr. L. C. Hobbs, Postmester, Davidson, Oklahoma.

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Very truly yours,

DRIGHT BRANTLEY, Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

H. S. Department of Justice Post Office Box 515, St. Paul, Minne sota. May 5, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

#### BREKID

I believe that a letter of appreciation to Mr. S. J. Ceng, Manager of the Holman Municipal Airport, Bayfield and Mississippi River, St. Paul, Minn., would be in order, for the hearty cooperation he gave this office in arranging for the landing of the special plane at the Holman Airport on May 2, 1936, which transported ALVIN KARPIS who was in custody of the Director and other members of the Bureau.

Mr. Geng had stayed up all night with the Agents and gave us the assistance and cooperation which enabled the plane to land at a point removed from the crowds of newspaper men and photographers. He has stated that his cooperation can be expected by this Bureau at all times.

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Mr. S. J. Geng, Manager, Bolman Municipal Airport, Mayfield and Mississippi River, St. Paul, Minnesota.

#### Dear Mr. Gengt

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your wholehearted cooperation in arranging for the landing of the special plane transporting Alvin Karpis, at the Holman Airport on May 2. I deeply appreciate the valuable assistance you gave

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Roover, Director.

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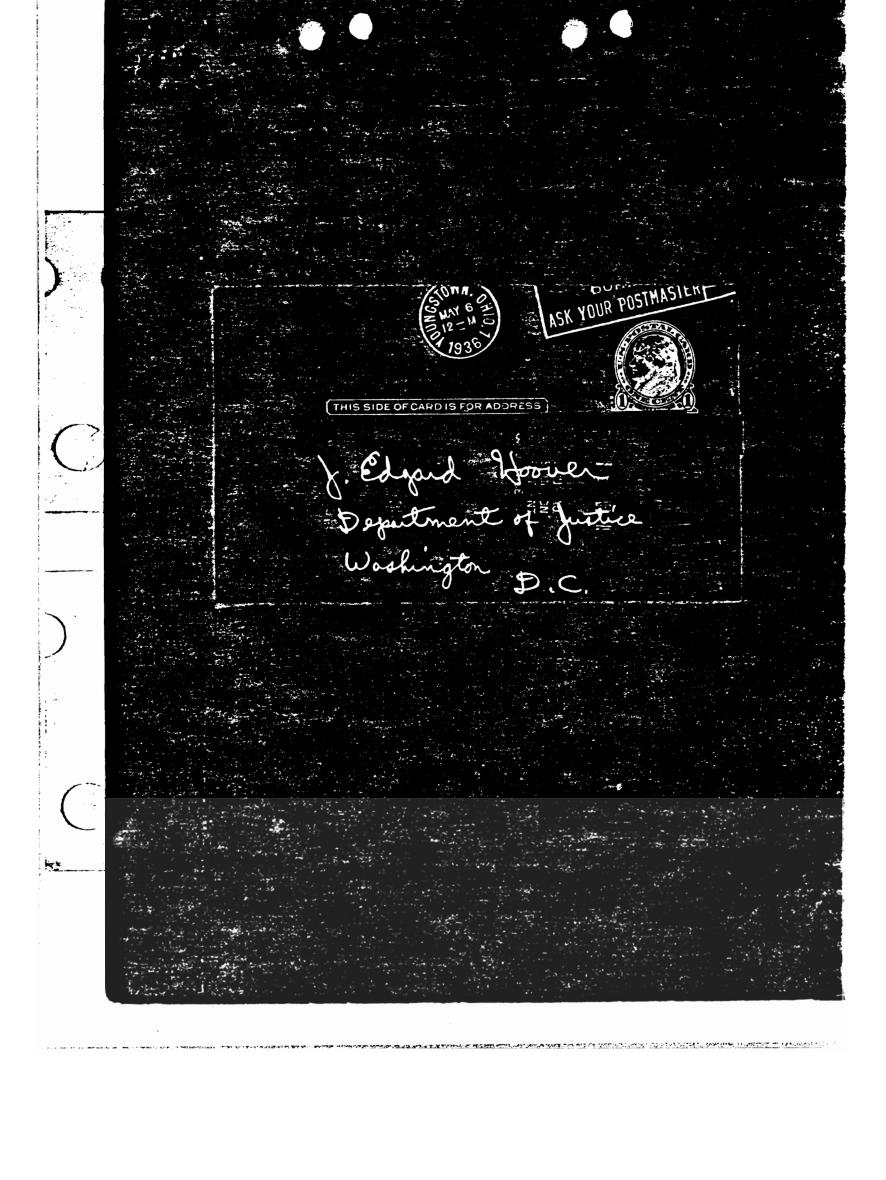
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Mr. John Bensink, 250 West Frederick Street, Corry, Pennsylvania,

Dear Sire

Reference is made to your letter of May 7, 1936, in which you advise that you sent to this Bureau from Youngstown, Ohio a card marked  $^{9}X^{9}$ , purporting to contain information as to the location of Harry Campbell.

You are advised that the card which you mention was received by this Bureau and in keeping with your request, it is being returned to you herewith.

This will advise you that the apprehension of Harry Campbell was effected on May 7, 1986 as the result of investigations developed solely by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

You are further advised that in order to be considered at all for the position of Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation an applicant must have completed a law course from a recognised and accredited law school, or must have had several years of extensive investigative experience. I regret to advise you that there are no vacancies in this Eureau at the present time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Inclosure No. 1154151

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Mr. Francis Connor left the attached newspaper clippings re "The Woman in Red" and the Marpis case which he said Mr. Hoover had not seen.

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# G-Men Fly Karpis to Cell in St. Paul



NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Captured by government men, Alvin Karpis, kidnaper and killer, shields his face with his straw hat. Inset shows a closeup of Karpis.

[A-sociated Press Wirephote.]

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#### See Karpis Betrayed

The story persisted at the United States courthouse in Chicago today that Karpis was put on the spot by a government informer in a manner similar to that in which Anna Sage trapped John Dillinger, for the total of \$7,000 reward offered for Karpis' arrest.

Last week Attorney General Homer S. Cummings announced the offer of a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the public enemy, to be paid in addition to the regular government reward of \$2,000.

It was thought that the attorney general may have had information which led him to believe that a reward of that amount would influence the government informer when the announcement was made.

St. Paul, Minn., May 2.—(P)—Sullen and shivering, Alvin Karpis was brought back to St. Paul today to face trial on kidnaping charges.

Department of justice agents who trapped the notorious gunman in New Orleans late yesterday returned him here in a speedy, uneventful overnight plane trip.

In the custody of federal men

In the custody of federal men headed by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the federal bureau of investigation, Karpis was landed here slightly more than twelve hours after the heavily armed party left the Louisiana city.

he Louisiana city.

Armed Guards Surround Him.
The desperado, wearing thin summer apparel in a temperature just above freezing, was hustled from the big liner which taxied into a national guard hangar to a heavily armed automobile, surrounded by machine guns, and taken direct to the agents' headquarters in the federal building.

Whether Karpis would be arraigned promptly on indictments charging him with abduction of Edward G. Bremer, banker, and William Hamm Jr., brewery head, was not immediately determined.

At Washington the postoffice inspection service said efforts will be made to try Karpis for the \$46,000 Garrettsville (O.) mail train rob-

bery last November unless he is given a death sentence in an earlier trial

Held Up by Weather.

Making a short stop at St Louis for refueling around midnight, the party was tied up at Kansas City from 2 a. m. until 5:30 a. m. becalse of unfavorable flying weather. All of this time the prisoner had been manacled inside the plane. Safely on the ground here, his feet scarcely touched the earth as the agents hurried him from the ship to the federal building.

Hooyer, who met newsmen within an hour after his arrival, said he planned to go by airplane to New York this afternoon. Hoover told some of the details of Karpis' capture and emphasized no reward will be paid by the federal bureau of investigation. This was taken to mean that no "tips" were received from persons seeking the \$7,000 price offered for Karpis' arrest re-

Hoover said Fred Hunter, captured with Karpis, is being held in New Orleans pending decision as to whether he will be tried on a mailrobbery charge or a postal offense.

The woman known as "Ruth" and captured at the same time as Hunter and Karpis was identified by Hoover as a woman who posed as Mrs. Ruth Hunter, but is not Hunter's wife. Hoover said she is being held in New Orleans without charge and indicated she may be released after further questioning.

Hoover said Karpis had been under surveillance by federal agents for two or three days before his capture. Hoover said:

"Karpis was quite a fisherman and a hunter. He was in and out of New Orleans. Notwithstanding plastic surgery on his face, he was easily recognizable from his photograph. He had two scars on his ears, apparently for the purpose of lifting his face, and a cut into the

actly like his picture.

Surrounded Apartment.

"When we had definite information he was in New Orleans we

surrounded the apartment house in

lobe of each ear, but he looks ex-

which he lived with Hunter.

"We nabbed the three after they had entered their car. There was a rifle in the back seat but neither Karpis nor Hunter had a chance to reach for it. Neither carried pistols.

"Within three minutes after their

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arrest there we're more than a thousand people swarmed around Karpis' car and the apartment house."

"Too Scared to Talk."

Asked Karpis' reaction when he was told to throw up his hands, Hoover said:

"He was so damned scared he couldn't talk."

Hoover said the department 'was "glad to take him alive" and that capture of the No. 1 bad man "rings down the curtain on all the principals in the Barker-Karpis mob."

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When asked whether Harry
Campbell, fugitive in the Edward G.
Bremer kidnaping and pal of
Karpis, now would be designated as
public enemy No. 1, Hoover said:

"We don't give them any rating in the federal bureau of investigation. They are all yellow rats to us. That was proven last night."

Find "Plenty" in Flat.

New Orleans, La., May 2.—(A)—Federal bureau of investigation agents who captured Alvin Karpis and two companions here last night said today that a search of the apartment where Karpis resided for about a month with "Ruth" had yielded "plenty."

"We've found plenty," David W. Magee, head of the local federal bureau, declared as his men continued to question "Ruth," the pretty "girl in white" who lived with Karpis as his wife, and Fred Hunter, who is wanted for a \$46,000 mail robbery in Garrettsville, O.

Magee refused to go into details as to what evidence had been found in the apartment. He likewise refused details of the surprise springing of the trap in which nearly a score of agents led by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the bureau in Washington, pounced upon Karpis, disarmed and captured him without a fight and then seized Hunter and the girl.

Check Fingerprints.

Magee said he did not know the identify of "Ruth," but that her fingerprints were being checked in Washington in an effort to learn whether she was wanted by the government.

Throughout the night the girl, in her early twenties, was grilled along with Hunter in the offices of the bureau of investigation on the third floor of the federal building while Karpis was taken by plane to St. Paul in charge of a group of federal agents.

"Ruth" and Hunter were fur nished cots, bedding and meals in ing been brought from Oklahoma the offices of Magee and have not made their appearance outside of the building since they were taken in early last night after the raid on the Canal street apartment south," said Zetzer. "I learned later when questioned by federal man house.

Heavy Guard Kept.

All night the lights burned and officers with machine guns and pistols guarded the prisoners. They said both refused to talk and that Ruth refused to identify herself.

Meantime the federal investigators refused to answer any ques-tions about how they were tipped

Asked how long he had been working on the New Orleans end of it he replied, "We knew he has been in and out of New Orleans for the last two months."

Arrives by Plane.

Hoover arrived here Thursday night by plane with a group of agents to augment the local investigators' staff and took up his headquarters at a hotel posing as a business man and denying himself to any inquirers.

His presence here was kept strictly secret and his personal an-nouncement of the capture of Karpis as "public enemy No. 1" last night was the first intimation any one outside of his own staff had of his presence in New Orleans.

#### TELLS OF UNWITTING AID

TO KARPIS IN FLIGHT

Cleveland, O., May 2.—(AP)—John Zetzer, 35, said today at Port Clinton, O., where he operates a marine garage, that he unwittingly aided Alvin Karpis and two companions by flying them to Hot Springs, Ark., and Tulsa, Okla., a few weeks after a sensational \$46,000 mail train robbery at Garrettsville, O., last Nov. 7. Zetzer's description of his passengers indicated one was John Brock, 34, of Tulsa, in custody here on mail robbery charges and from whom federal authorities, declining the use of their names, intimated they obtained information which resulted in the capture of Karpis and Fred Hunter at New Orleans.

Flight Is Escape Link.

Immediatey after the machine gun train holdup, in which \$34,000 in currency and \$12,000 in securities was obtained, postal inspectors launched an investigation in which Zetzer's flight was a link.

Grover ("Burrhead") Keady of Tulsa also is being held here in connection with the robbery. He was the first placed under arrest, hav-

when questioned by federal men and shown pictures of Alvin Karpis that it was public enemy No. 1.

In Market for Plane. "I told him I didn't have a plane but was in the market for one. He suggested his trip might help me finance a ship. I didn't take him seriously because lots of people approach me for plane or boat trips on

off that Karpis was in New Orleans or how they managed to locate him and his apartment.

Hoover, before leaving on the
Karpis plane, said briefly that he
had been working on the Karpis ness and took him had been working on the Karpis ness and took him up on the case for two years.

The garageman said he purchased a used plane for \$1,700 at Toledo on the strength of the bargain.

#### HUNTER RELATIVES HELD BY U. S. IN OHIO JAIL

Cleveland, O., May 2.—(P)—The father and a brother of Fred Hun-ter, arrested with Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, and a waitress in the brother's beer parlor were held in-communicado in the Warren, O., city jail today.

Federal authorities said they sought to learn the disposition of loot of \$46,000 taken in the Garrettsville, O., mail train robbery last

Nov. 7.
Postal Inspectors Sylvester Hettrick of Cleveland and H. W. Tavener of Youngstown asserted that Hunter lived until a few years ago at Warren, where police knew him as a professional gambler.

#### MAHAN GIVEN TITLE OF NO. 1 PUBLIC ENEMY

Washington, D. C., May 2.-(UP)-Upon the head of William Mahan, west coast kidnaper, the department of justice today placed the dubious crown of "Public Enemy No. 1."

Mahan is sought for the \$200,000 kidnaping of young George Weyerhauser, at Tacoma, Wash.

Capture of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans left but two other major kidnapings unsolved. The other was the abduction of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll of Louisville, Ky., in 1933, for which Thomas H. Robinson Jr. is sought.

Robinson was placed second on the "public enemy" list by T. D. Quinn, assistant director of the

federal bureau of investigation. He awarded third place to Harry Campbell, midwestern Karpis satelite for whom a reward of \$2,500

is offered. Since the slaying of John Dillinger in Chicago nearly two years ago, the famed "G-men" of the department of justice have been thinning the ranks of interstate eriminals rapidly. Karpis had been hunted relentlessly since the kidnaping in June, 1933, of William J. Hamm Jr., scion of a St. Paul, Minn., brewing family.

Karpis was the last of the Karpis-Barker midwestern kidnaping gang to be accounted for. Three-Fred Barker, "Ma" Barker and Fred Goetz—were slain. "Doc" Barker, Byron Bolton and Elmer Farmer are serving prison sentences.

#### STREETCAR MEN WILL DEMAND PAY INCREASE

Demand for a substantial increase in pay will be made by streetcar men at a meeting of their association on Monday night in Ashland auditorium.

"In view of the fact that the net income of the surface lines is 7 per cent over that of last year, a sub-stantial increase in pay will be asked," officials of division 241 of the Streetcar Men's Union declared today. "Our contention is based on the fact that in Pittsburgh the hourly pay is 89 cents as compared to Chicago's 73 cents."

The executive board of the union. in accordance with a previous membership decision, served a thirty-day notice on the Chicago Surface Lines relative to reopening the agreement between the union and

the company.

#### \$50,000 BANDITS FLEE; **ELUDE NEW BLOCKADE**

Detroit, Mich., May 2.—(F)— Five bank bandits, with loot of \$50,000, eluded police today in the first major test of a new road block ade system employing a veritable arsenal on all highways.

Conflicting police theories placed the bandits, who at noon yesterday raided a branch of the Detroit bank, still in the city or already out of the state while Ohio authorities joined in the hunt with clews seemingly scarce.

The c. Daily News, Cnicago, Ill., May 2,1956.

## HUNTER'S TRAIL LED G-MEN TO KARPIS HIDEOUT

Postal Inspectors Furnished Clews That Brought Capture.

Sharp work by postal inspectors who succeeded in trailing Fred Hunter probably led to the capture of Alvin Karpis, it was indicated to-day.

Walter Johnson, postal inspector in charge in Chicago, who let it be known only a week ago that his department was interested in Karpis by ordering a reward posted for the arrest of him, Hunter and Harry Campbell for the Garrettsville (O.) mail robbery, revealed some of the history of the chase today.

Learns Three Are Wanted.

Wallace R. Briggs, postal inspector at Cincinnati, O., first established that the three named and John Brock, already under arrest for the job, were wanted.

John Brock, already under arrest for the job, were wanted.

Johnson would not say so, but the postal inspectors shadowing Hunter presumably discovered that he was in contact with Karpis. J. Edgar Hoover, department of justice chief, let it be known after the Karpis seizure that they had watched Hunter make visits to the Karpis hideout.

G-Men Join Hunt.

G-Men Join Hunt.
Once Hunter was located with some certainty department of justice men came into the scene and co-operated with the postal inspec-

The fact that \$7,000 in rewards for Karpis' capture were offered almost simultaneously in the last week led close watchers of such events to dope it that a stoolpigeon turned him up on a C. O. D. basis.

Posters Now Valueless.

The capture forces destruction of several hundred thousands of posters offering \$2,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of Karpis, Hunter and Campbell, which, by a coincidence, the postal department had received for distribution just foday.

today.

New posters asking the arrest of Campbell, who is still at large, will be printed and issued, Johnson said.

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### Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Pepartment of Justice 326 Post Office Building New Orleans, Louisiana

May 6, 1936

DWM: bu 7 - 15

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation,

Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith the fingerprint impressions of Fred Hunter, with aliases, bearing his signature, taken at the New Orleans Bureau office on May 1, 1936.

Kindly place this fingerprint card in the master section at the Bureau to replace the unsigned one which was inadvertently forwarded to Washington, D. C.

The writer was out of the office at the time the fingerprints were taken, as he had been assigned by S. A. C. E. J. Connelley to cover the detail at the apartment where the subjects were apprehended. I understand, however, from Miss Will, stenographer at this office, that Special Agent W. J. McMulty took the prints of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter.

The copy transmitted on the reverse side bears a description of Hunter which was taken on May 1, 1936 shortly after the time of his arrest and removal to the New Orleans Bureau office.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati )2( St. Paul Cleveland (E.J.Connelley) RECORDED INDEXED

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MISSOURI PACIFIC RR. TRAIN 1140 THERE TODAY FOR SAN ANTONIO CHANGING TRAINS AT HOUSTON TO SOUTHERN PACIFIC R'R' TRAIN. SHE INTENDS RESIDE WITH SISTER MRS. KIRKPATRICK AND SECURE MEDICAL TREATMENT. ARRIVAL HOUSTON 7:50 TONIGHT. UNOBSERVED BATON ROUGE.

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Dr. Clark advised Agent that he has a confinement case next door to the McNeel home at the present time; that he occasionally stops by this home and often sees Mrs. Myrtle McNeel visiting these people. Dr. Clark stated that he would keep Harry Campbell in mind and would occasionally stop by the McNeel home for a friendly visit with them. Dr. Clark was cautioned not to ask any questions about Harry Campbell and was requested not to mention this information of any of his local officers. Dr. Clark was furnished a photograph of Campbell and the telephone number of the Dallas Office, with the request that he advise this office should he receive any information concerning Campbell.

It might be noted here that Deputy U. S. Marshal L. N. Mc-Kelvey, Wichita Falls, Texas, had previously advised the writer that he had known Dr. Clark most of his life, and that Dr. Clark was a very progressive citizen and strong for law enforcement and could be depended on.

Inasmich as the writer of the anonymous letter dated March 51, 1936, to the Bureau, regarding medical assistance rendered Campbell by Dr. Clark and stating Campbell was in the vicinity of Iowa Park during the spring of 1936, has not lived near the McNeel family for more than a year, no effort was made to locate and interview him. It is believed that Dr. Clark will be a better contact with the McNeel family and can obtain more information than the writer of the anonymous, the weer, if it is deemed advisable this person may be contacted at a later date aw he is probably an oil pumper who lives on an oil lease the first house east of the former home of the McNeel's at K.M.A.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

#### THE DALLAS OFFICE

will, at a later date, if it is deemed advisable, contact the writer of the anonymous letter dated March 31, 1936, to the Bureau. For the information of the Agent receiving this lead, this person can be located through O. Enwhisnand, County Highway Patrolman, Electra, Texas, who has previously advised that he is acquainted with this former neighbor.

PENDING

JRW:JCR 7-36

P. O. Box 1276. Oklahoma, Oklahoma City. May 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge Cleveland, Ohio.

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On May 1, 1956, Special Agent E. J. Byna of the Cleveland Office telephonically requested Acting Special Agent in Charge John B. Little to conduct investigation at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, to escertain what persons were released from that institution during the late summer or early fall of 1935, answering the following descriptions Build, Medium; Height, Medium; Complexion, Dark, swarthy; appears to have a small strain of Indian blood; has a set of gold upper teeth; talks with a Southern accent; and is supposed to have spent 10 or 11 years in the Penitentiary. This person was known to Edith Barry as Tonny and some bank president is Oklahoma is supposed to have actively opposed his release.

On May 2, 1936, Special Agent John R. Welles contacted Mr. Paul Fields, Record Clerk at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, and with him searched the files of this institution and made inquiries from reliable officiels concerning the same. It was ascertained that persons released, who had served more than 5 years in that institution, numbered 11 in July, 12 in August, 5 in September, 2 in October, 5 in Movember, and 12 in December,

Of all these pergons, only one was found who is known to have had gold teeth and that is Sam Coker, OSP \$14025, who has been previously mentioned on numerous occasions in this case. Coker was received at McAlester Penitentiary en March 17, 1924 from Osage County, Oklahoma, on sentence of 50 years for Benk Robbery. There is no description of Coker given subsequent to that date, but the description in 1924 was as follows:

> Sem Coker, OSP \$14025 Er 20 80 years (1924) Mo 5 14 8 in Height RECORDED & INDEXED 155 pounds Weight Slander Mill Ey 08 Blue Bair Black FEDERAL DE REAU OF INVESTIGATION Complexion Fair 7 1936 11 Occupation IVI A I Vac. sc 7" below tip of L shoulder, etr Scars Vertical cut scar lin a de above besk of L wrist

From reliable sources at the Ponitentiary it was ascertained that Coker when last released was a bit heavier; that his complexion was somewhat derker, and he had gold teeth and talked peculiar due to the fact that he had been wounded in the mouth by gunshot. Two pictures of Coker in addition to those already forwarded are being transmitted with this letter.

It might be noted that the files do not reflect that Goker's release was actively fought by ear bank president. However, this data would probably not be in the files.

Although Coker is probably not the person whose identity is desired in this case, it was ascertained that on January 81, 1936, one Tosay Masson alies Town Marrison, OSP #26041 was released, having been sentenced on 6/14/55 from Okaulgee County, Oklahoma. This person's description was close enough to include him as a suspect, his description being as follows:

Towny Mason with alics, OSP #28741 28 years (1955); 5 ft 7 1/4 in Height Weight 112 pounds Build Slight Brown Lyos Rair Brown Complexion Dark . Testh Gold Supposed to have Indian blood Clerk & Cook Oscupation Tulsa, Oclahome Residence

Wason's photograph is being trensmitted berewith.

From the numerous other releases and descriptions viewed, the following persons, each of whom a single photograph is being forwarded with this letter, were selected as the only persons whose descriptions come close to the description given by Agent Wynn:

Pete Tippin, OSP #12228 Sentenced McAlester 1922 for life on murder charge; released 8/21/55 25 (1922) Ago Height 5 ft 9 8/8 in Feight 155 pounds Chestaut Hair Gray Lyes Complexion Medium Teeth Irregular

C. Of Hargraves, OSP #14771 Sentenced to life in 1925 for Hane murder 41 years (1925) 5 ft 8g in 170 pounds Medium to heavy Height Weight Build Byes Cray Hair Light Brown Complexion Medium Teeth Good Residence Tulsa, Oklahoma R. E. Steigleder, OSP \$16685 Sentenced to McAlester in 1928 for armed robbery \$2 years (1926) 5 ft 9 in Hane Age Height Weight 184 pounds Green Lyes Heir Brown Medium Stout Build Complexion Medium Tooth Pair Mary Smith, OSP \$18580 Sentenced to 15 years for armed robbery in 1927 26 years (1927) 5 ft 8 in Ago Height Reight 127 pounds Eyes Bair Blue Black Duild Medium Complexion Redium Frank Pook, OSP \$18736
Sentenced McAlester 15 years
for Bank Robbery from Osage
County in 1928
48 years (1928) Age No further description available.

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L. C. White, OSP #19818 Sentenced 1928 to 10 years for armed robbery 25 years (1928) 5 ft 7 in 145 pounds gran

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Complexion

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It was only possible on short notice to obtain one photograph of the above mentioned persons, Mr. Fields supplying Agent Welles with the picture which was maintained in each man's jacket.

It should be noted that the descriptions are vague in many instances and according to Mr. Fields are very inaccurate. However, it is believed that the individuals listed include all prisoners released during the period mentioned by Agent Wynn who had served more than 5 years and same slose to the description set out.

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ALCOHOLOGY TO COLOR DWIGHT BRANTLEY,

Charles and ADDENDUM: Agent Welles advises that he interviewed Fred Cunningham, State Perdon Attorney, who was at the Penitentiary at McAlester at the time Welles was making inquiries. Cumningham was certain that Coker's release was not opposed by any bank president and knows of no recent instance where a release of a convict was strongly opposed by any bank official. Cunninghants records, hovever, are located in the State Capitol at Oklahoma City and were not available for inspection.

Post Office Box 2118 Detroit - Michigan May 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge Cleveland, Chio

With reference to the report of Special Agent W. B. Natney dated 4/14/36 at Patroit, Michigan, the following is a list of mail tracings received as the result of a cover placed upon the address 460 Frentiss Street, Detroit, which is the apartment occupied by Prs. Enrichartor:

> Postmark: Detroit, Michigan, April 13, 1936; address: Mrs. Taylor, 460 Frentis, Detroit, Fich; return address: Jacobys, 5446 Rivard ( Street, Detroit, Mich. (Investigation discloses that 5446 Rivard Street is the address of the Pilgrim Cleaners).

Postmark: Detroit, Eichigan, April 13, 1936; eddress: Farie Taylor, 460 Prentis, City; return address: Ceneral Offices, 1535 Frondway, Detroit, kich: (Investigution discloses that 1535 broadway is the address of Birmons & Clark, Inc., credit jewelers).

Fostmark: Kermit, West Virginia, April 21, 1936; eddress: TringWells, 460 Prentis, Apt. 2, Detroit, Mich.; return address: From Ers. LeureXcolls, Kermit, W. Va.

No postmerk-taken from percel. Address: kiss Marie Taylor, 460 Printiss Ave., Detroit, Eich.; return address: J. Hemilton, SG Linnsen, Cambridge, Mass., Suite d.

Fostmerk: Chicago, Illinois, Stock Yards Sta., April 14, 1936; address: Fra. Zella Geneby, 460 Prentis Apt. 2, Det Fich; return address: if not rec ret 4200 Preirie Ave.

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Fostmark: Detroit, Michigan, April 29, 1936;
address: Marie Taylor, 460 Frentis, Apt. 2,
Datroit, Michigan; return address: Noble G.
Markins, Attorney and Counselor, 5122 Union
Guardian Bldg., Detroit.

Postmark: Columbus Norfolk R.P.C. TR 15, May 2, 1936; eddress: Miss Irene Wells, 460 Frentis Apt. 2, Detroit, Mich; return address: From Mrs. Laurn Wells, Mermit, W. Va.

Postmerk: Minmi, Florida, April 28, 1936; eddress: Mrs. Zella Beneby, 460 Prentis Apt. 2, Detroit, Mich. Ho return address.

The above mentioned tracings are being forwarded to the Cleveland Office for appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke Special Agent in Charge

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## Federal Bureau of Investigation

A. S. Department of Justice

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

May 5,

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

Dear Sir:

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Enclosed herewith is a photograph taken by the St. Paul Daily News photographer showing the Director leading the group, having KARPIS in custody as he entered the office here.

As soon as other additional photographs taken upon that occasion and at the airport can be secured, they will be promptly forwarded to you.

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 515, St. Paul, Minnesota. WAY 81838 WILL

Door Sirs

#### BREXID

Reference is made to your letter dated May 5, 1936, with which you forwarded a photograph taken by a photographer of the St. Paul Daily Hews.

It is requested that you advise me immediately of the names of the persons connected with the St. Paul Daily News who made this photograph available.

This procedure should be followed in all future communications of a like nature.

Very truly yours,

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

May 5, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:-

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I am transmitting herewith an editorial appearing in the Miami (Florida) Herald of May 3, 1936, relative to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis, and an editorial from the Miami (Florida) Daily News of April 22, 1936, entitled "The Passing Show", in which favorable comment is made concerning the Bureau's activities in kidnaping cases.

Mr. Frank B. Stoneman is Editor-in-Chief of the Miami Herald, and Mr. Hal Leyshon is Editor of the Miami Daily News.

Very truly yours,

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R. B. MATHAN, Special Agent in Charge.

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From the Miami (Florida) Herald of May 3, 1936 Karpis—Captured in New Orleans late Friday, Alvin Karpis, public enemy, was in St. Paul yesterday. Flown there under escort of J. Edgar Hoover, chief, and other department of justice agents. To face charges in kidnaping of Livard G. Bremer, banker, and William Hamm, ir., brewery head. If convicted, it is hoped the lenient law, juries, courts, judges and parole boards will let him stay behind the bars. Not much sense in putting forthall this effort to catch outlay only to have the bluundering law free them. As it did with Karpis. CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF

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I went to express my approxiation for your communicatory statements concerning the past of accomplishments of the Federal Paress of Investigations

With bost wishes and kind regards,

Sinceraly yours,

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My dear Mr. Hoover:

We are running a subject on your capture of Karpis in the current is-Included in this sue of Pathe News. story is a statement you made in January for us but which fits perfectly into this situation.

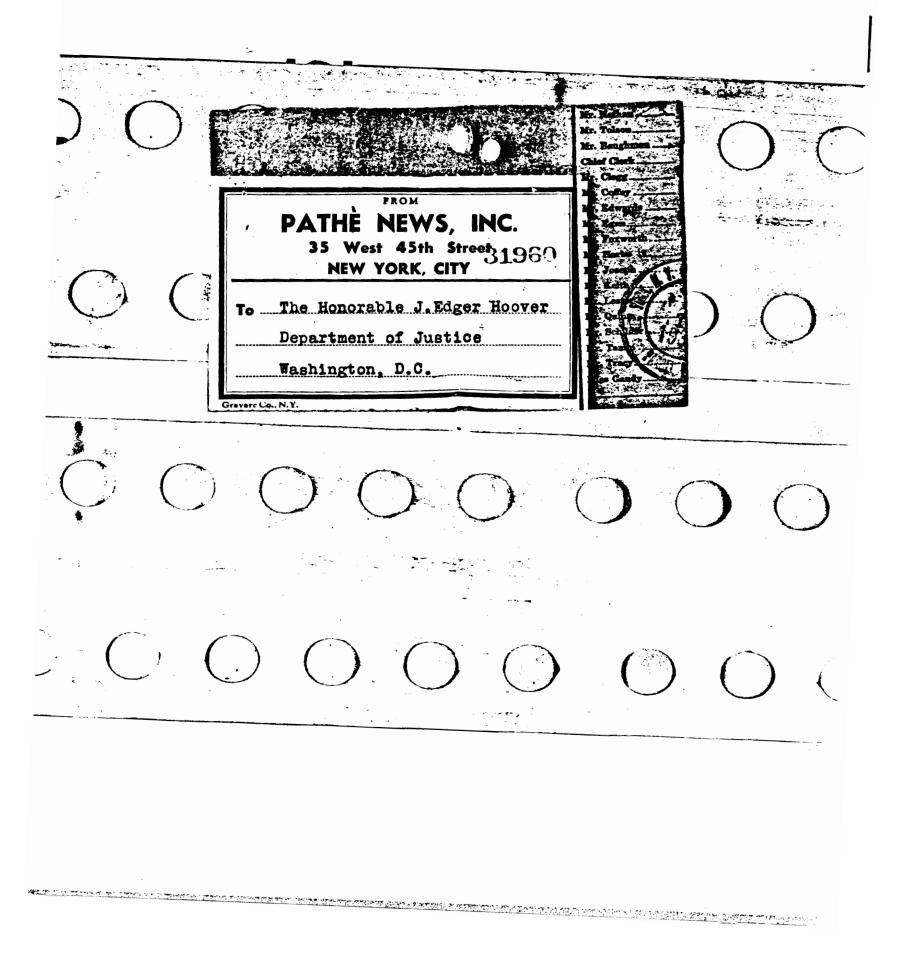
You have indicated in the past that you could use prints of our motion pictures and therefore we will send you, with our compliments, a print of this particular subject. It will be sent to you in Washington within a day or two.

I am,

Sincerely yours, COURTLAND SMITH

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. PROORDED

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## "YELLOW DOGS"

The capture of Alvia Karpis by Federal agents brings another criminal to the end of his trail, facing a life term in Alcatraz prison for kidnaping. In a revealing statement, J. Edgar Hoover, chief of G-men, declares crooked politicians are now America's foremost Public Enemies.

## NEWS FLASHES!

New York City — Mrs. James Roosevelt, the President's mother, has a message for you on Mother's Day.

## 🥕 🤭 APPLE BLOSSOM TIME! 🥌

Winchester, Wa. — Southern beauties feature colorful apple blossom festival

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Los Angeles. Calif. — Newest airliner equipped with berths for aixteen passengers will start overnight coast-to-toast pervice.

## MUSIC WEEK!

New York City — David Sarnoff, president of RCA, officially inaugurates

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Mr. Courtland Smith, Pathe News, Incorporated, 85 West 45th Street, New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Smith:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 5, 1936, with inclosure.

I am looking forward to receiving the print of the current issue of Pathe News which deals with the capture of Alvin Karpis. I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in making this motion picture available to me.

With best wishes and kind regerds, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Dr. Leo J. Kelly, . 908-909 Lowry Medical Arts Bldg., St. Paul, Minnesota.

Doar Sir:

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In payment of your bill submitted May 1, 1936, for Byron Bolton, there is enclosed my personal check for \$2.00.

Very truly yours,

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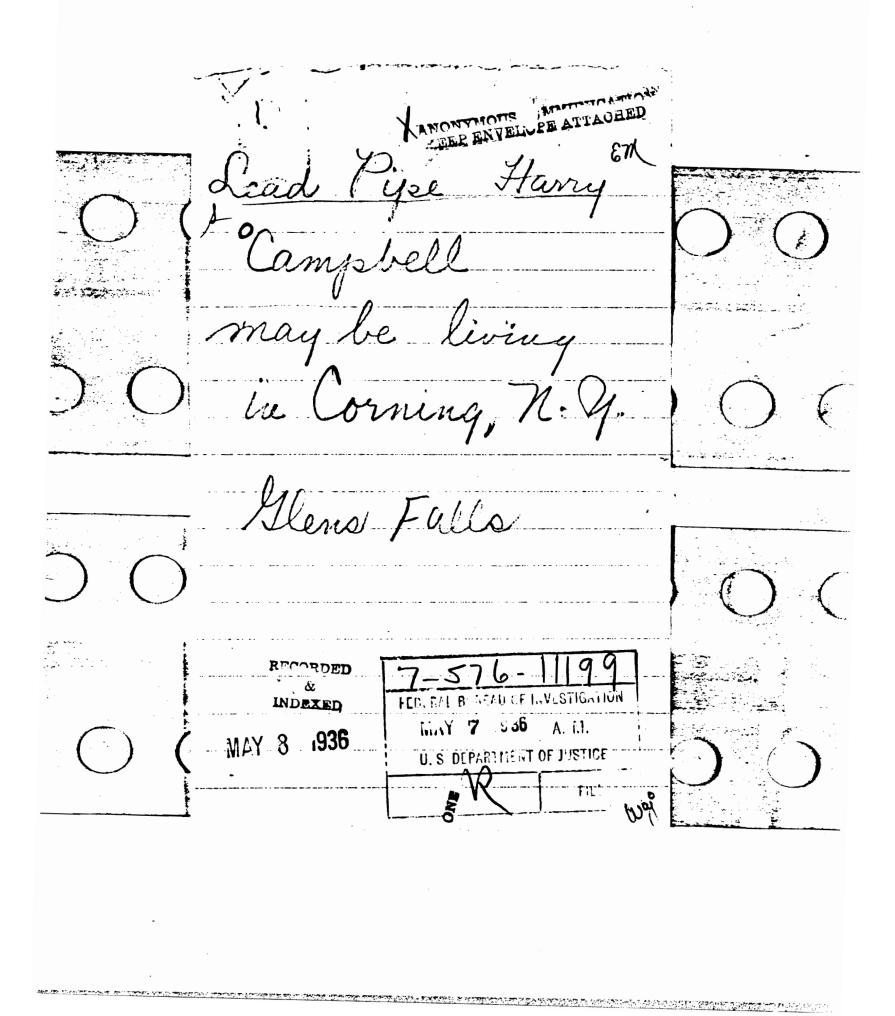
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Special Agent in Charge Omaha, Nebraska

Dear Sir:

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#### RE: BREKID

With reference to letter from the Omaha Office dated April 30, 1936, relative to Alice Smith, Medicine Lodge, Kansas, this is to advise that investigation by the Kansas City Office in the past has reflected that Miss Smith and her mother are representing a farmer's magazine and travel extensively in the states of Kansas and Mebrasha, staying in a town for only a day or two. Further, that Miss Smith is apparently a mere acquaintance of Charles Cheatham. She has not been interviewed by the Kansas City Office as there has been nothing developed to date which would definitely indicate she has any connection with this

Very truly yours,

W. A. SLITH SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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