

629 First National Bank Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska  
May 6, 1936



Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to letter dated April 24, 1936 from the Cleveland Office to the Dallas Office, with copies to the Bureau, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Paul and Omaha. In this letter, the Omaha Office was requested, if possible, to secure a photograph of JIM THOMAS, who was sentenced some years back to serve a term in the Nebraska State Penitentiary, at Lincoln.

We were able to secure a copy of THOMAS' photograph. It is respectfully requested that copies of same be made and forwarded to all offices receiving copies of this letter, as well as to the Bureau.

Joseph O'Grady, Warden, Nebraska State Penitentiary, Lincoln, in his letter of May 5, 1936, furnished the following description of JIM THOMAS, No. 10730:

Age:	37 years
Weight:	145 pounds
Height:	5' 11"
Reach:	85.0
Complexion:	Fair
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Gray
Trunk:	34.0

Thomas was received at the Nebraska State Penitentiary on May 9, 1931 from Adams County, Nebraska to serve a sentence of twenty-five years for bank robbery. His date of release is set for 1948. He is wanted, also, by authorities at Canyon, Texas, for robbery with firearms.

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PHONE. BREKID. FRED HUNTER LODGED FEDERAL JAIL NEW ORLEANS IN  
PRIVATE CELL IN DEFAULT TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND. ARRANGEMENTS  
MADE WITH M. F. AMRINE SUPERINTENDENT FEDERAL JAIL HERE HUNTER ONLY  
AVAILABLE INTERVIEW POSTAL INSPECTOR AND IN PRESENCE AGENT W. L. BUCHANAN.  
RULES FEDERAL JAIL FORBIDE ATTORNEY INTERVIEW UNLESS DEFENDANT REQUESTS AND  
HUNTER HAS ADVISED NO ATTORNEY DESIRED HOWEVER AGENT BUCHANAN WILL FIRST  
ASCERTAIN IDENTIFICATION IF ATTORNEY REQUESTED TO PREVENT SHYSTER  
INTERVIEW BUT NO SITUATION CREATED DENIAL RIGHT.

*Alvin Karpis*

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PHONEBREKID SUBJECT HUNTER ARRAIGNED TODAY ON HARBORING CASE  
CHARGING HARBORING SUBJECT ALVIN KARPIS AT NEW ORLEANS ON  
BREMER CASE INDICTMENT WAIVED HEARING BOND SET TWO HUNDRED  
THOUSAND HUNTER WILL BE CONFINED FEDERAL JAIL NEW ORLEANS  
IN DEFAULT OF BOND USA HERE WRITING DEPARTMENT RELATIVE  
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FBI CHICAGO 9-45 PM 5-5-36 PEM

DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. CHARLES OWEN LONG ASSOCIATE OF WILLIAM ELMER MEADE APPREHENDED BY AGENTS THIS OFFICE TODAY AND PRESENTLY BEING HELD CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING. DURING ~~WUNDERLICH~~ QUESTIONING AT CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE TODAY HE ADMITS PARTICIPATION IN ~~WUNDERLICH~~ WUNDERLICH BUNCO GAME IN FALL OF NINETEEN THIRTY THREE, BUT DENIES ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN BREMER KIDNAPING AND WUNDERLICH SWINDLE NAMES AS HIS ACCOMPLICES IN THIS SWINDLE WILLIAM ~~MEADE~~ ELMER MEADE, SAM HARRIS AND ONE CHILDS. WITH RESPECT TO MEADE LAST SAW HIM IN WEST PALM BEACH FLORIDA IN JANUARY NINETEEN THIRTY SIX, BUT DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF MEADES PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. LONG WILL BE QUESTIONED FURTHER CONCERNING MEADE. SUGGEST BUREAU ADVISE THIS OFFICE IF EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO HAVE STATE AUTHORITIES INSTITUTE PROSECUTION ON WUNDERLICH SWINDLE.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

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BREKID SUGGEST MARTIN FUNDERLICH BE CONTACTED TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER  
HE IS WILLING TESTIFY AGAINST CHARLES OWEN LONG, IF FUNDERLICH  
WILLING PROSECUTE FACTS SHOULD BE PRESENTED APPROPRIATE STATE  
AUTHORITIES

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 4, 1936

11 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

*Handwritten: I discussed with Connelley*  
SAC Connelley called from Cleveland to advise that the morning edition of the Chicago Herald-Examiner gives a story to the effect that Karpis had confessed the Bremer and Hamm kidnappings. I advised him that the Director had talked with Mr. Stein about this last night; that Stein says no one is talking, and that the story emanates from a fellow who took a "shot in the dark" and evidently guessed it right.

I discussed with Connelley the personnel situation there, and he stated he was going over this matter carefully in an effort to release as many Agents from duty there as are not now necessary.

*Handwritten: Hunter's*  
Connelley stated McFarland had gone through the junk shop of Hunter's father yesterday, in an effort to find Hunter's guns, and had also dragged the river near the junk shop, but nothing has been found. He stated nothing more is being done on that.

*Handwritten: Harry*  
Connelley stated they have a pretty good idea that Campbell is somewhere around Toledo, Ohio. Connelley stated from their inquiries there seems to be apparently some close association between the girl that Campbell married and the girl friend of the Sheriff who has previously been referred to. In connection with the pedigreed dog which Campbell bought through the Sheriff, Connelley stated they are going to try and check on this angle.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm. &

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Atchison, Kansas,  
May 4, 1936

Judge Cummings  
Washington, D.C.



Dear sir:-

I think I have your  
man Harry Campbell.  
This is a fine place for him to hide.  
No one pays any attention to strangers.  
I am a woman and a natural born

detective.  
I have notified the Bureau at  
Wichita Kansas to send me some  
officers. I will expect you to protect  
me in the reward.

Our officers here are not keen  
enough to notice him.

I am a poor woman sixty four  
years old and need the money.

Respectfully,

Nellie Abbey (maiden name)

Publicity name.

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Buffalo, N. Y.,

144 Swan Street,

April 28, 1936.

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Federal Agency,

Dear Sirs: I will tell you how to catch Alvin Karpis. He is going about disguised as a woman and has a woman's veil over his face and in his service he has spies in the night clubs. He sleeps quietly in the daytime. This secret is worth 10 000,000.

Yours truly,

Geo. Wyszatycki

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Buffalo, N.Y.  
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Panie sekretarzu Generalnego  
Agencji u.s.a.

ja podaje sekret jak głosi  
o Alvinie Karpisze.

to on: chodzi i jeździ sobie  
pod nakryciem: sukienki -

Damskiej z welonem -  
na twarzy i ma agentów -  
spiegów na ustach w nosach -  
klubach. wędnie spi sobie

spokojnie. na welonie ma  
markie sekretne, mały znak  
w rant francusko. stęga -  
chicago: to jego stęga.

ja mam Dla federal ser  
wielki sekret. jaki warta  
10.000.000. ser geo Wyzatycki

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May 16, 1936

Mr. George Wyssatycki,  
144 Swan Street,  
Buffalo, New York.

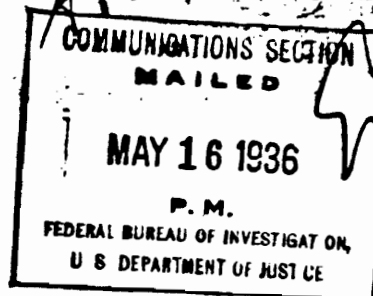
Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 26, 1936, this  
will advise you that Alvin Karpis was apprehended by  
Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at  
New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Buffalo



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326 Post Office Building  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
May 7, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Attention: S.A. E. J. Connelley.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copies of memorandum prepared by Special Agent E. L. Buchanan at New Orleans, Louisiana, May 5, 1936, which concerns an interview with subject Fred Hunter during the night of May 4, 1936.

Mr. Connelley may consider this memorandum for inclusion in his investigative report on the instant case.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Egan,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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NEW ORLEANS,  
May 3, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES:

Re: BREKID.

While interviewing Fred Hunter during the night of May 4, 1936, Hunter stated that he and Karpis were getting low on money and had been figuring on pulling some job, but that they had not picked out or secured any certain job. At the time he rented the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, he only paid the rent for one month and the rent was due on the 10th of May 1936. Hunter and Karpis planned to leave New Orleans on the 9th of May and take Gennie Morris to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and leave her there. Hunter stated that Karpis wanted to go to Cincinnati, Ohio, and that he, Hunter, wanted to go to Omaha, Nebraska.

Hunter stated that Karpis had mentioned several times recently that he would like to contact Harry Campbell; that Harry was a very good man to have on a job, especially an outside man. Hunter further stated that he did not think Karpis knew the exact present whereabouts of Harry Campbell, but he was under the impression that Karpis could locate him in a short while in or around Cleveland, Ohio. Hunter stated that it could be possible that Campbell was now in or around Cincinnati, Ohio, and that this might be the reason that Karpis wanted to go to Cincinnati instead of Omaha.

Hunter stated that he and Karpis had both talked with Gennie about taking her back to Hot Springs and had told her that the Federal officers would probably pick her up and question her about her association with them, and that they had instructed her if she was picked up to tell the Federal officers, if she desired, where she had been with them and that they would not be seen in this part of the country any more.

Hunter stated that shortly after renting the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, Karpis had instructed him to write to several mail order houses so that he would be receiving mail every few days at this address.

Hunter stated that there were lots of names that he could not pronounce distinctly on account of his impediment of speech, and this is one reason why he used the name of "E.J. O'Hara." Karpis used the alias of "Frank A. Sullivan."

Hunter stated that Karpis was very particular about talking to him about any jobs around Gennie, and that when they had "business" to talk over, he and Karpis would get into the car and ride around the side streets and talk it over; that on several occasions when Gennie would leave to go to the doctor's office, he, Hunter, would tail her to see if she went to the Western Union Office or contacted anyone on the streets.

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W. L. Buchanan,  
Special Agent.

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U. S. Department of Justice  
1216 Smith Young Tower  
San Antonio, Texas.  
May 7, 1936.

AIR MAIL

GTJ/ML

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Previous confidential arrangements having been made to cover Mrs. Kirkpatrick, 318 South Presa Street, sister of Connie Morris, you are advised that at 12:45 P.M. on May 6, 1936, Harry Phelps, proprietor of the rooming house at 318 South Presa Street, called at the Bureau office and confidentially advised that Ruth Hamm (Connie Morris) sister of Mrs. Kirkpatrick, had arrived at 318 South Presa Street at 11:30 A.M. on May 6, 1936.

Mr. Phelps was somewhat disturbed for fear that a raid would be made on his place or his place be classed as a hide-out for criminals. In view of Mr. Phelps disturbed presence of mind he was advised that the Bureau was not interested in Ruth Hamm and that he need have no apprehension of a raid being made on his place. However, he was requested to confidentially advise this office when Ruth Hamm moved from his premises.

Mr. Phelps advised that he had not mentioned to any local officers the fact that Ruth Hamm had showed up at her sister's apartment and that he would not do so.

cc New Orleans  
E. J. Connelley, Cleveland  
Cincinnati

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Very truly yours,

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Gus T. Jones,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Kansas City, Missouri</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5-4-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-6, 13, 15, 16, 17, 20, 27, 30-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. E. HOPTON</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236, ET AL</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Bath houses at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, canvassed relative to Harry Campbell. 1935 Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, Motor #2014337 is registered in state of Kansas to J. M. Lett, 113 East 8th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas. Asa Pendleton is not identical with E. L. Pendleton, Kansas City, Missouri, who recently has become an informant of the Kansas City Bureau Office. No information obtained relative to Harry Deveaux. Additional correspondence list of Joseph C. Howard obtained at the Kansas State Penitentiary. Efforts to locate Howard in Kansas City unsuccessful to date, although information received that he has been seen here recently. "Stop" notice placed on 1936 Buick Sedan, Motor Number 63052198. Information received that Ida White Jennings is now Mrs. Troy Messer, residing at Neosho, Missouri. Names of additional friends and relatives of Milton Lett secured. Ira Brackett, Kansas State Penitentiary, states he has never met Harry Campbell but was acquainted with various members of the Glen LeRoy Wright gang. John Langdon stated he is unable to furnish any information concerning Karpis or Campbell. 1936 Kansas license 16-4814 issued to John M. Blough, Lawrence, Kansas, a feed salesman.</p>			
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REFERENCE:

Letters from Chicago Office dated 3-3-36 and 3-10-36; Letter from Cleveland Office dated 2-27-36; Letters from Oklahoma City Office dated 4-14-36 and 4-22-36; Report of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 3-21-36; Report of Special Agent J. C. White, San Antonio, Texas, dated 4-11-36; and Report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 4-16-36; Bureau teletype dated 4-29-36.

DETAILS:

With reference to letter from the Chicago Office dated March 10, 1936, relative to canvassing bath houses in the territory of the Kansas City Office, the following individuals, who are managers of bath houses at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, were contacted:

Mabel Thomas, Manager, Salt Sulphur Bath House,  
113 Spring Street;

Mrs. C. D. Cole, Manager, Carlsbad Baths,  
120 West Broadway;

W. E. Rapsen, Manager, Royal Baths, Manila  
and Spring Streets;

Mr. Clint Bissel, Manager, Snap Hotel Baths,  
109 South Street;

W. A. Patton, Manager, Battle Creek Baths,  
422 Thompson; and

Mr. Abe McGuire, Manager, Elm Hotel Baths.

In each instance the writer was advised that no one resembling Harry Campbell had been seen at any of the bath houses. An Identification Order on Campbell was left at each place with the request that the Kansas City Office be immediately advised in the event Campbell should put in his appearance.

With reference to the letter from the Cleveland Office dated February 27, 1936, relative to the 1935 model Ford V-8 automobile that Milton Lett was driving, the following memorandum dated April 13, 1936, was submitted by Special Agent B. P. Cruise:



With the assistance of Mrs. Bessie Morris, at the information desk, and Mr. Lloyd Dunn, in charge of the transfer department, in the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, State Capitol Building, Topeka, Kansas, Agent examined the records there pertaining to the 1935 Ford Tudor, Kansas 1935 license 5-11020, motor number 2044337, and other cars which may have been in the possession of Milton Lett.

The record shows a 1935 automobile registration certificate, dated at Independence, Kansas, July 5, 1935, for a new 1935 Ford V-8 Tudor, Engine number 2044337, 1935 Kansas license 5-11020, in the name of Sam Phillips, 610 West 4th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas. The record further shows that this car was purchased new by Sam Phillips from the Tourney-DeHon Motor Company, Coffeyville, Kansas. An automobile registration transfer certificate for this car, dated December 17, 1935, stamped received at Topeka, Kansas January 11, 1936, was shown, transferring this car from Sam Phillips to the Graham Auto Company, Coffeyville, Kansas. Another automobile registration transfer certificate for this car, dated December 17, 1935, stamped received at Topeka, Kansas, January 11, 1936, showed transfer of this car from the Graham Auto Company, Coffeyville, Kansas, to J. M. Lett, 113 East 8th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas. The office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles was in receipt of a letter dated April 6, 1936 from the Graham Auto Company, Coffeyville, Kansas, requesting a duplicate automobile registration receipt for this car in the name of J. M. Lett, which duplicate was prepared and ready to be mailed to the Graham Auto Company. No application for 1936 registration for this car has yet been made, but an appropriate "stop" notice was placed so that this office will be notified in case application is made.

Mr. Lloyd Dunn searched his records for other cars which had been registered in the name of Sam Phillips. An automobile registration certificate for 1935, dated July 8, 1935, was found registering in the name of Sam Phillips, 610 West 4th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas, a new 1935 Oldsmobile Coupe, Engine number F477570, Serial number TK174568, 1935 Kansas license #5-11075. The record further showed that this car was purchased new from the Graham Auto Company, Coffeyville, Kansas.

Another 1935 Automobile registration certificate, dated July 22, 1935, was found registering in the name of Sam Phillips, 610 West 4th, Coffeyville, Kansas, a new 1935 Oldsmobile Touring Coupe, Engine number F486171, Serial number F183011, 1935 Kansas license 5-11197. The record further showed that this car was also purchased new from the Graham Auto Company, Coffeyville, Kansas. A 1935 automobile registration transfer certificate, dated July 22, 1935, stamped received at Topeka, Kansas September 21, 1935, showed

transfer of this car from Sam Phillips, 610 West 4th, Coffeyville, Kansas, to Stella Phillips, 1301 West Locust, Coffeyville, Kansas.

A 1935 automobile registration certificate, dated January 28, 1935, showed registration in the name of Sam Phillips, 610 West 4th, Coffeyville, Kansas, of a 1933 Chevrolet Sedan, Engine Number 3610014, 1935 Kansas license 5-5584, 1934 Kansas license 5-7027. An automobile registration transfer certificate, dated 11-6-35 (possibly 7-6-35) showed transfer of this car from Sam Phillips to the Tournay-DeHon Motor Company, Coffeyville, Kansas. Another automobile registration transfer certificate, dated 11-6-35 (possibly 7-6-35) showed transfer of this car from the Tournay-DeHon Motor Company, Coffeyville, Kansas to Robert West, 113 East 8th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas.

Tracings were made by Agent of the signatures of Sam Phillips, J. M. Lett, Robert West and Stella Phillips, which are being retained in the office of the Bureau at Kansas City for appropriate comparisons.

On April 13, 1936, a letter was directed to the Oklahoma City office advising them of the pertinent parts of this memorandum with the request to conduct appropriate investigation relative to the information contained therein.

With reference to the letter from the Kansas City Office to the Oklahoma City Office dated April 7, 1936, and letter from the Oklahoma City Office to the Kansas City Office dated April 14, 1936, relative to Asa Pendleton, Oklahoma City Police Department Number 3271, it has been ascertained from photograph and fingerprints submitted by the Oklahoma City Office that Asa Pendleton is not identical with E. L. Pendleton, of Kansas City, Missouri.

With reference to previous investigation relative to E. L. Pendleton in this case, the writer on April 16, 1936, interviewed Miss Glenna Cummings, Manager of the Beebe Apartments, 3320 Woodland Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, who advised that E. L. Pendleton and his wife moved suddenly from the apartment on December 2, 1935, without paying the rent and that the owner of the Beebe apartments is attempting to locate him. She advised E. L. Pendleton has a brother by the name of Ralph Pendleton, who resides at 625 North Delaware Avenue, Independence, Missouri. Miss Cummings stated in October or November 1935, some one came to her apartment and inquired for a Mr. Newman. She described this individual as being about 5'7" or 8" and weighing about 165 pounds. Inasmuch as the report of Special Agent V. I. Parry, Kansas City, Missouri, dated November 30, 1935, related that Miss Cummings had identified the photograph of Campbell as being the person who called and asked for Newman, the writer exhibited several different photographs to Miss Cummings, among which were those of Harry Campbell, and after examining same she stated she has at some time either seen Campbell or seen a likeness of him

but could not say definitely it was the same individual who called at her place and asked for Newman.

For information purposes it may be stated that E. L. (Pat) Pendleton's present address is 3909 Genesee, Kansas City, Missouri, and he has recently become an informant of the Kansas City Office and has furnished valuable information in connection with another case. Pendleton has advised that Karpis and Campbell are unknown to him but that he has heard John Langdon make the remark that Karpis was in Denver, Colorado, sometime in the Fall of 1935. Pendleton has agreed to furnish the Kansas City Office with any information that may come into his possession relative to the Subjects in this case.

With reference to the letter from the Chicago Office dated April 3, 1936, relative to Joseph C. Howard, inquiry at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, reflected that Joseph Howard, while incarcerated therein, corresponded with the following individuals:

Grant Kelley, friend, Newcastle, Wyoming  
Ed L. Love, father, 740 S. Mott, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Susie Love, same address as father.  
Roy Dorsette, friend, 238 W. 14th St., Kansas City, Mo.  
Frank J. Jackson, cousin, 238 W. 14th St., Kansas City, Mo.  
Mrs. Annie Love, mother, 740 S. Mott, Los Angeles, Calif.,  
and 3005 Poplar Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Frank Berry, friend, Coffeyville, Kansas.  
Mrs. Goldie Buckles, sister, 3007 Lister, Kansas City,  
Missouri, and 3712 Leeds Avenue, Leeds, Mo.  
Miss Bessie Murphy, cousin, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Rudolph Love, brother, 740 S. Mott, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Charles Quinn, friend, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Miss Goldie Love, sister, 3005 Poplar, Kansas City,  
and 321 South Ford St., Los Angeles, Calif.  
Velvetta Love, sister, same addresses as Miss Goldie Love.  
Mrs. Susie Goosey, sister, 6024 Hugh St., Kansas City, Mo.  
W. E. Hutchinson, attorney, Topeka, Kansas.  
Mrs. Louie Jackson, sister, Racine, Mo.

Inquiry to date at Kansas City, Missouri, relative to the above addresses has produced only negative results. However, investigation will be continued in Kansas City in an effort to locate Joe Howard.

Inquiry at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, by Special Agent J. B. Brown resulted in advice that they do not have a correspondence list on Joseph C. Howard with aliases.

On April 15, 1936, while the writer was conversing with Chief of Detectives Tom Higgins relative to various police characters in Kansas City and vicinity, he mentioned that he saw Joseph C.

Howard at the "85 Club" in Kansas City, Missouri, about a week or two previous to that time, and it was his opinion that Howard may hang out at the Missouri Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri. Chief Higgins stated to the writer that in the event he should receive any information relative to Howard's present address he would communicate the same to the Kansas City Bureau Office.

With reference to the report of Special Agent J. C. White, San Antonio, Texas, dated April 11, 1936, relative to Harry Deveaux, inquiries by the writer at the Identification Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, failed to locate any record on this individual. A check of the Kansas City directories revealed that only one individual by this name resides in Kansas City, same being Harry Deveaux, 4340 Cleveland Avenue. A check in the Record Department of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department revealed that this individual is 47 years of age, 5'10" in height; that he has been residing at the above address for quite some time. Since it appears that this is not the same individual as the Harry Deveaux mentioned in report of reference no further investigation was conducted concerning this person.

On April 15, 1936, Special Agent B. P. Cruise interviewed Miss Bessie Morris, in the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Topeka, Kansas, relative to 1936 Buick Sedan, Motor Number 63052198, serial number 2895972, which car was recently in the possession of Subject Alvin Karpis. Miss Morris searched the records but was unable to find that this car had been registered to date. At Agent Cruise's request Miss Morris caused a "stop" notice to be placed against this car so that the Kansas City office will be notified immediately in the event it should be registered in the state of Kansas. The Motor Vehicle Department, State of Missouri, Jefferson City, Missouri, has no facilities for placing "stop" notices. However, inquiries will be made at frequent intervals concerning this car.

With reference to the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated April 16, 1936, relative to Ida White alias Ida Jennings, a letter was received from [redacted] b7c b7d advising that Ida White Jennings is now Mrs. Troy Messer and that she resides in Neosho, Missouri near the Neosho Milling Company; that she and her husband had just moved to Neosho from Arkansas where they spent the winter. [redacted] also mentioned therein that Mr. Clay Parker, former Deputy Sheriff at Noel, Missouri, requested him to advise the writer that Jewel Johnson was in Noel, Missouri about two months ago and that the people who operate a beer garden in that town advised they would let him know within a few days where she is presently living.



On April 16, 1936, a letter was received from Mr. Nate Smith, Special Agent, Missouri Pacific Railroad, Coffeyville, Kansas, advising that he had obtained information to the effect that when Milton Lett is in the vicinity of Wichita, Kansas, he usually contacts Ora Collins, a brother-in-law, who is the husband of Jane Lett, exact address unknown. That Lett also contacts one Dick Sprecker, formerly of Coffeyville, Kansas, and who, at the present time, is employed at the warehouse of the Wichita Wholesale Furniture Company, and who resides with his sister at 1402 North Vassar Street, Wichita, Kansas. He stated that Milton Lett also has a sister in Wichita named Ethel Lett Forth; that he also has a brother-in-law by the name of Roy Collins, who resides on a farm at or near Tyro, Kansas. He stated his latest information was that Milton Lett at the present time was supposed to be driving a 1934 or 1935 Dodge Sedan.

With reference to the report of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City, dated March 21, 1936, the writer interviewed Ira Brackett, register number 4510, Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas. He stated in 1933 he rented a farm near Mannford, Oklahoma, and that prior thereto he lived several miles south of Sapulpa, Oklahoma; that some time later he was arrested in possession of safes that were stolen in Kansas; that when his place was raided several years ago the following individuals were present: Glen LeRoy Wright; Charles Gotner; a person known to him as McAtee, and an individual known to him as Eddie Brody, together with Frank Downey. That at this time there were two women present; namely - Grace Downey and Cleo Ridings. That Cleo Ridings is the wife of Al Purdy. He stated he knew of no one by the name of Ruth being present at the time of the raid. That Eddie Brody is about 65 years old and is a bachelor. However, he was unable to recall anyone ever referring to him as the "old bachelor". This apparently is the same individual as Eddie Broderick, mentioned in the report of reference. Brackett mentioned that to his knowledge Eddie Brody is presently in the Oklahoma Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma; that Charles Gotner and Frank Downey are presently incarcerated in the Kansas State Penitentiary. He stated he does not know of any individuals referred to as "Speedy" and Ruth and does not know Joe Quick.

It is noted in the first paragraph on page 20 of the report of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City, dated March 21, 1936, that mention is made of Grace Guckler and Winnie Morris. Brackett, during the course of the interview, mentioned that Grace Guckler is from Coffeyville, Kansas and is the wife of Frank Peterson, who is presently confined in the Kansas State Penitentiary; that Winnie Morris originates from Grapevine, Oklahoma, and is the paramour of Charles Gotner, who also is incarcerated in the Kansas State Penitentiary. These individuals will be interviewed by the Kansas City Office for any information relative to these

persons. Brackett stated that Harry Campbell is unknown to him, although he has heard his name mentioned but he is unable to furnish any information that would be of assistance in locating him.

With reference to the letter from the Oklahoma City Office dated April 22, 1936, relative to an interview had with Russell Cooper by Special Agent J. V. Murphy, the writer on April 23, 1936, interviewed John Langdon in the Jackson County Jail, at which time he advised that he saw Karpis only once in his life, and that was in the saloon of Tony Fatell on Southwest Boulevard in Kansas City, Missouri in the early part of 1934. That on that particular occasion Karpis was with a girl who was unknown to him. Langdon stated further he has not heard anything about Karpis and could furnish no information that would assist in his location; that Harry Campbell is unknown to him. Upon being asked whether Karpis or Campbell were going to join Spargur and himself in the robbery of the bank at Clinton, Missouri in the Fall of 1935, Langdon stated that they positively were not and that they were not in contact with them at any time.

It may be mentioned here that Tony Fatell has recently been interviewed by the writer, at which time he stated that Karpis in the late Fall of 1933 or Spring of 1934 did occasionally frequent his place on Southwest Boulevard.

The following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent J. B. Brown relative to information furnished to him concerning Alvin Karpis:

On 4-8-36 one Joe Johnson, colored, employed in the Secretary of State's Office, Jefferson City, Missouri, as a messenger, called at the Missouri State Highway Patrol Office, together with another Negro by the name of Bolton, who was mixed up in a narcotic deal. Bolton called at the office in an attempt to recover an old rifle that was taken from him when arrested by Narcotic Agents. While Bolton was in conversation with members of the patrol regarding recovery of this rifle, Joe Johnson began a conversation with Trooper J. D. Ellis, during the course of which conversation Johnson wanted to know if it was possible to have some member of the State Highway Patrol come out to his church and make a talk on crime prevention. After he had made this request, indicating that he was somewhat religiously inclined, he asked Trooper Ellis if he would be interested in locating Alvin Karpis. When advised by Trooper Ellis that his department would be very much interested in apprehending Karpis, Johnson stated that he had seen Karpis at several places in Kansas City during the past year or so. Johnson advised Trooper Ellis that he had seen Karpis at one time at Lapetina's Flower Shop, which is located at 536 Campbell Street, near the corner of Campbell and Independence Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and that it was his belief that Karpis lived somewhere in the vicinity of Independence Avenue and Holmes Street.

Trooper Ellis gave Agent the above information and advised that from further conversation with Johnson he knows that Johnson is acquainted with a number of Kansas City "Hot shots" who hang around this section, and the section in the vicinity of Cas Welch's headquarters. Trooper Ellis further advised that he had lived in Kansas City prior to becoming a member of the Highway Patrol and had been mixed up in Republican politics in this particular section of Kansas City, which is the Second Ward, and that he knows most of the persons referred to by Johnson. He further stated that ~~Capetina's~~ Flower Shop was formerly operated by an Italian named Lusco and was known as the Lusco-Hoto Flower Shop, and was the known hangout of all big shot Democratic politicians. Trooper Ellis further stated that at the time Johnson gave him this information he, Johnson, did not ask whether there was any reward on Karpis or did not seem interested in any financial remuneration for this service, but did state that he was desirous of keeping the information confidential as he was afraid that he might be knocked off should the information get out that he had informed on Karpis. Trooper Ellis advised him that he would only give this information to a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Accordingly, Joe Johnson was contacted and interviewed, at which time Agent asked him how he knew the person referred to was Alvin Karpis. Johnson stated that while he had been employed at the State Department, Jefferson City, since January of 1935, he had made a point of returning to Kansas City at least once a month, at which time he would stay two or three days and that every time he was in Kansas City he would go out to the Sni-A-Bar Gardens, a well known night club located on old U.S. #40 near Blue Ridge Road, where he waited tables; that the reason he could go there and get work every time he came to Kansas City was because John Clark, the head waiter, was his brother-in-law; that on one occasion while waiting tables he had waited on a man and a woman who had wine and dined very expensively and that when he had finished serving them some of the other waiters asked him how much he got out of it, to which he replied that their bill had been \$38.00 and that the individual had given him \$45.00 and told him to keep the change; that one of these waiters then asked him if he knew who that person was and that when he had advised him that he did not, this waiter said "why that's the big shot from St. Paul who was mixed up in the Bremer Kidnaping case, that is Alvin Karpis".

Johnson states that this waiter then told him that if he did not believe he was Alvin Karpis that he should, when waiting on him the next time, use his napkin in dusting off the table in such a way as to flick his coat back; that he did this and was able to notice that this party was wearing a shoulder holster with a very large gun, which he states did not look like either a revolver or an automatic, as he had never seen one just like it before as it was exceptionally large.

Johnson further stated that he was able to particularly notice this person's hands and fingertips and had been struck by the fact that

his fingers looked as though he had held them in water for a long period of time causing them to be wrinkled and that he had been able to notice that the insides of his fingertips appeared to be scarred and showed no ridges. Agent asked Johnson if anyone had told him to look for this peculiarity about this person's fingers and he stated that no one had ever said anything to him about it. Agent then asked Johnson how many times he had served the person believed to be Karpis during the past year, and he stated that he believed he had waited on him at least six or seven times and that the last time was on New Year's Eve night. He stated that New Year's Eve night was the last time that he has worked at the Shi-A-Bar Gardens as on his last few visits to Kansas City he has always had enough money to enable him to do whatever he wanted to without having to make additional money by working at the Shi-A-Bar Gardens.

Johnson further stated that on each visit this person had been accompanied by a blonde woman, with the exception of the New Year's Eve night when he was accompanied by a woman who appeared to be prematurely gray. He states that this person on every occasion has spent money freely and has even visited the gambling rooms upstairs where it is alleged that he often gambles for a large sum of money; that he has occasionally been seen to dance but that he is not a good dancer and that he and the other waiters had often remarked on his awkwardness. He states that this party is always well dressed, although he dresses conservatively, usually wearing dark clothes; that while at the table he seems to be always attentive to his lady companion usually keeping well forward and keeping his head down; that he always talks in a low well modulated voice, no matter how much he drinks he never comes rowdy.

When asked if it was exceptional to find a guest carrying side arms, Johnson stated that it was the exception when they did not have them as during the past year or so a number of the Kansas City "hot shots" have been known to frequent this night club. He further stated that this person always tries to secure a certain table which is located in an alcove formed by the stairs leading up to the gambling concessions and that in this way no one would be able to approach him from the rear and he would be able to have a good view of most of the dining room. Johnson further states that he has received information that this person had been known to visit the "85 Club" and Dante's Inferno. Johnson further stated that he believed it would be all right to contact his brother-in-law, John Clark, as he knew that John Clark was not in sympathy with the apparent protection afforded the criminal element and would not be working at the Shi-A-Bar Night Club if he could find something else better to do, and he offered to write a letter to Clark advising him that some Agent from the Bureau would contact him. He was advised by Agent that the fewer people who knew about the Bureau's interest in this matter at the present time the more desirable it would be, and therefore, requested him not to write his brother-in-law or say anything to him until further advised. Johnson advised that he

planned to visit Kansas City the weekend of April 11th and while he had not planned to work at the Sni-A-Bar Night Club Saturday night, he would do so if deemed advisable. Agent requested that in the event he should be in Kansas City over this weekend that he might make a point of going to work at the Sni-A-Bar Night Club for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not this person whom he believes to be Subject Karpis had been seen at the club since New Year's Eve night. Johnson stated that he would do this and arrangements were made for him to call at the Kansas City Office for an interview with S. A. C. Smith and in the event he should go to work at the club Saturday night and should receive any information he was to call Agent at the Pickwick Hotel. At the time this memorandum was dictated no word had been received from informant Johnson and it is assumed that he did not come to Kansas City over the weekend.

Some time after the above interview with Johnson, he called at the Patrol Office and handed Trooper Ellis a memorandum with the name of Miss Evelyn Anne Heimbarger, 601 East Armour Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri, which he stated was the name of the woman who most frequently had accompanied this person to the Sni-A-Bar Night Club. He stated that he knew this was the woman because he had been called to her apartment to serve dinner at a party on one occasion.

Colonel B. M. Casteel and Captain Moore of the State Highway Patrol, both of whom are familiar with the information contained herein, advised that in the event it should be deemed advisable, arrangements could be made through the Secretary of State to have Johnson relieved from duty for an indefinite period in order that Johnson might be able to return to Kansas City and take up regular work at the Sni-A-Bar Gardens, so that he could be in a position to immediately phone the Kansas City Office should the person believed to be Karpis put in an appearance there.

Further contact will be made with informant Johnson upon Agent's return to Jefferson City, and the Kansas City Office will be advised of any additional information received from informant Johnson.

In an effort to secure a list of the telephone calls made by Carl Meyers, who, according to information received in the past, was supposed to be in touch with Alvin Karpis, the writer interviewed Mr. Bert Haycock, Special Agent, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Kansas City, Missouri, who advised in his opinion it would be practical to check all long distance telephone calls from Aurora and Butterfield, Missouri, and suggested that Agent see Mr. Mann, District Manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Springfield, Missouri, and obtain through him a list of the calls made from those towns.

In an effort to secure an informant at the "85 Club" in Kansas City, Missouri, Mr. Haycock was asked whether he knew any individual who could be approached at that place, to which he replied that said club is operated by



Walt Rainey and Bonnie Strauss, both of whom could not be trusted.

In an effort to locate Dallas Gross, an individual who was supposed to know the name of the contact of Carl Meyers in Kansas City, inquiries were made by the writer at the office of the Alcohol Tax Unit, Kansas City, Missouri, at which time advice was received that they have no employee by that name and that their representatives at Joplin are George F. Danhour and William W. Thomason, 209 Federal Building, Joplin, Missouri.

On April 29, 1936, a teletype message was received from the Bureau advising that they had received a telegram from Mr. S. M. Haas, Bethany, Missouri, to the effect that two suspicious characters ate dinner in Bethany on Friday, April 24, 1936; that they were driving a Pontiac Coupe, Kansas license 16-4814; that one of the individuals looked like Karpis and that his companion had a limp.

Special Agent V. R. Clary ascertained from the Motor Vehicle Commissioner, Topeka, Kansas, that 1936 Kansas license 16-4814 was issued to the Wiedemann Motor Sales Company, 729 New Hampshire Street, Lawrence, Kansas. The writer immediately got in touch with Mr. B. M. Williams, Postmaster, Lawrence, Kansas, who advised he has known Mr. Max Wiedemann, President of the Wiedemann Motor Sales Company for the past ten or fifteen years and considers him a very reliable person.

Agent interviewed Mr. Max Wiedemann, 729 New Hampshire Street, Lawrence, Kansas, at which time he advised his records reflect that on February 18, 1936, he sold a 1934 Pontiac Coupe, Motor number 1001645, serial number 850599P8 to Mr. John M. Blough, R.R. 6, Lawrence, Kansas; that 1936 Kansas license 16-4814 was purchased in the name of the Wiedemann Motor Sales Company and placed on the above mentioned car that was sold to Mr. Blough. The plate has not been transferred in the name of Mr. Blough as yet. Mr. Wiedemann stated he has known Mr. John M. Blough for several years; that although he is a very tough looking individual he seems to have a good reputation in the community.

Agent interviewed Mr. John M. Blough, R. R. 6, Lawrence, Kansas, at which time he advised that he is the District Representative for the Murphy Products Company, Burlington, Wisconsin; that he travels the states of Missouri, Iowa and Kansas; that on last Friday he was in Bethany, Missouri in company with an individual from Lathrop, Missouri, whom he was considering employing in order that he might cover the territory in that vicinity. At this time he stated he was driving his 1934 Pontiac Coupe bearing 1936 Kansas license 16-4814. At the time of this interview Agent noticed the above described car parked at the home of Mr. Blough and same was bearing the above license plate. On April 30, 1936, the above in-

formation was furnished to the Bureau by telegram.

For the information of the Denver and Los Angeles Offices investigation has been conducted in an effort to locate Joseph C. Howard alias Virgil Love in order that his activities may be checked in view of the fact that he was formerly a close associate of Alvin Karpis and Sam Coker, and for this reason it is thought he may possibly be in touch with these individuals at the present time.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DENVER BUREAU OFFICE at Newcastle, Wyoming, will attempt to locate Grant Kelley and discreetly interview him relative to the present location of Joseph C. Howard alias Virgil Love.

THE LOS ANGELES BUREAU OFFICE at Los Angeles, California, will attempt to locate and discreetly interview Ed L. Love, Susie Love or Mrs. Annie Love, 740 South Mott, relative to the present location of Joseph C. Howard alias Virgil Love.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY BUREAU OFFICE at Coffeyville, Kansas, will attempt to locate and discreetly interview Frank Berry, a friend, relative to the location of Joseph C. Howard alias Virgil Love.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Topeka, Kansas, will interview Mr. W. E. Hutchinson, attorney-at-law, in an effort to locate Joseph C. Howard alias Virgil Love.

At Racine, Missouri will interview Mrs. Lilly Jackson, sister, relative to the location of Joseph C. Howard alias Virgil Love.

At Springfield, Missouri, will interview Mr. Mann, District Manager, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, and secure from him a list of the long distance telephone calls made from Aurora and Butterfield, Missouri to Kansas City, Missouri, during the months of January, February and March 1936.

At Lansing, Kansas will interview Charles Gotner and Frank Peterson relative to Grace Gulker and Winnie Morris, respectively, for any information they may possess relative to Harry Campbell.

At Wichita, Kansas, will check on the location and activities of Dick Sprecker, who is employed at the Wichita Wholesale Furniture Company, and who resides with his sister at 402 North Vassar Street. Investigation should be conducted to determine whether Milton Lett

has been in touch with this individual.

At Tyre, Kansas, investigation should be conducted to determine whether Milton Lett has been in contact with Roy Collins, a brother-in-law, who is supposed to live on a farm in the vicinity of Tyre.

At Neosho, Missouri, will contact Jess Saxton, informant, relative to Ida White Jennings, and conduct appropriate investigation to determine her activities.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

General Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 2, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

In compliance with the Director's instructions, this is to advise that at 11:40 A. M. I telephonically communicated with Mr. Ladd at Chicago and advised him the Director was leaving St. Paul at 1 P. M. and that he desired to have Mr. Ladd meet the plane at the TWA airport; that it would take possibly an hour and forty-five minutes, but that he, Ladd, should check the time and allow himself sufficient time to meet the Director.

At 10:45 A. M. I communicated with Mr. MacFarland of the Cleveland Office and advised him of the time you were leaving St. Paul and the fact that you were stopping for a few minutes in Chicago and would stop in Cleveland and wanted to have him at the airport. Mr. MacFarland stated that he would carry out these instructions and check on the time and meet you.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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May 4, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Mr. Rex Collier dropped by the office this morning and just prior to his call Mr. Gruenwald telephoned and wanted to know if it would be possible to get a special photograph of the Director sitting at his desk to be used in connection with the advertisement being published in connection with Collier's script. I advised him that I would gladly convey this request to the Director upon his return to the city, and later on Mr. Collier called by the office and stated you had already furnished him with one picture but that he had seen a photograph of the Director in a different pose which he liked far better and was wondering whether he could secure one of these. Necessary arrangements were made through Miss Shaeffer to furnish him with the photograph.

Mr. Collier then wanted to know when the Director was returning to the city, stating that the newspaper men here in Washington were not really getting any kind of a break on the Karpis case inasmuch as press conferences were being held all over the country by the Director and he stated Walter Winchell had a special column in this morning's paper of an excellent story concerning various things Karpis stated to the Director and what the Director stated to Karpis. He then stated that the newspaper men that covered the Bureau in the past were not getting any breaks on the case and that from his way of looking at it there would be very little to give out upon the Director's return. He, also, stated he thought upon the Director's return to the city he should hold a press conference. I asked Mr. Collier if he had ever been forgotten by the Director and he stated he had not, and I assured him he knew Mr. Hoover well enough to know that all press representatives regardless of where they were located would be treated fairly and squarely.

Respectfully,

T. D. QUINN.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Attention S.A. E. A.

Re: REX

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copies of a memorandum prepared at the New Orleans Bureau Office on May 5, 1936, which relates the result of interview had with subject Fred Hunter at the New Orleans Bureau Office when interrogated by Special Agents E. L. Buchanan and E. R. McLaughlin.

Inasmuch as Mr. Connelley has informed the writer that he will submit the apprehension report, this material as well as other material forwarded by letter, either original or copies, to the Cleveland Bureau Office, may be exchanged by Mr. Connelley for incorporation in his report.

Very truly yours,

E. W. Rogers,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM

Re: BREKID.

Fred Hunter has been interviewed on numerous occasions by Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and K. R. McIntire.

Substantially all of the information which Hunter was willing to submit is contained in an unsigned statement given at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 2, 1936, which information was obtained by Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and R. L. Tollett. Every effort was made to obtain information from Hunter with regard to the location of Harry Campbell. Hunter stated that he first became acquainted with Karpis and Campbell during the early part of April 1935; that on that occasion he was standing on the streets of Warren, Ohio when a black coupe automobile, further identity of the car unknown, drove up and the occupants motioned him to come to the car; that he proceeded to the car and the man whom he now knows as Karpis did the major portion of the talking; that Karpis did not at that time furnish his name but stated that he and his friend were "hot" and that they wanted a place to stay; further, that someone had sent them to see him, Hunter. Hunter stated that he advised Karpis and Campbell that he had no place for them to stay but that they should return within a few days and by that time he might have a place. Hunter stated that these parties did return, the "meet" having been previously arranged, and at this time Hunter again advised them that he had no place for them to stay. Hunter advised that at the first meeting with Karpis and Campbell they appeared to be very tired and stated that they had driven all day and had had nothing to eat. It was, therefore, necessary for him to purchase sandwiches for Karpis and Campbell. The latter two parties declined to expose themselves by purchasing food and, therefore, furnished the money to Hunter for said purchases.

On the occasion of the second meeting between these parties at Warren, Ohio, when Hunter advised them that he had no place for them to stay, Karpis informed him that they already had a place but that they were looking for another "spot" to live which might be preferable to the place where they were then living. They did not indicate to Hunter where they were living at that time.

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Hunter advised Karpis and Campbell that on or about the first of May 1935 he intended to proceed to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for his health, and that he would probably return to Warren, Ohio around the first of June. He stated that he then arranged a "meet" with Karpis in Warren, Ohio; that when he returned from Hot Springs, Arkansas, he did meet Karpis and asked where Campbell was. Karpis indicated to Hunter that he had some difficulty with Campbell and that Campbell was no longer with him, and further that he did not desire to converse concerning Campbell. Hunter states that in view of Karpis's attitude he refrained from questioning Karpis further along this line. Hunter stated that while he was in Hot Springs he made certain observations and learned that a thief or a person who is "hot" can stay in Hot Springs without being molested, providing he conducts himself properly at that point, and that he furnished this advice to Karpis, whereupon Karpis decided to proceed immediately to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Hunter informed that it was at this time that he first definitely commenced his continued association with Karpis.

Hunter stated that this association continued with but very few interruptions until May 1, 1936, when they were both apprehended in New Orleans, Louisiana.

It was pointed out to Hunter that this Bureau has definite information to the effect that he was well acquainted with Karpis several months prior to April 1935, and that it was undoubtedly a result of their mutual acquaintance that Karpis sought the assistance of Hunter in obtaining a place where it would be safe to live. Hunter insisted that he had never known Karpis or Campbell prior to this time.

It was suggested to him that he had frequented the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio where he had met numerous persons including Karpis, Campbell, and other members of the Karpis-Barker Gang. When asked at what particular time he had frequented the Harvard Club he declared that he did not care to discuss this matter any further. He stated that he did not care to involve persons who had nothing to do with this case. He, however, declined to discuss any association with members of the Karpis-Barker gang prior to April 1935.

He informed that during his entire association with Karpis the latter never indicated just what had become of Harry Campbell and never furnished any information as to the means by which Campbell would be located. For this reason he insisted that he had no information and would not be able to obtain any information which would lead to the apprehension of Campbell.

Hunter declined to discuss either the Warren, Ohio or the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robberies, insisting that he was not in any way connected with these matters. He did state, however, that he is convinced that he will be convicted of participation in the Garrettsville robbery and used the following language:

"I know I'll be convicted for that job. I'd be convicted even if I weren't guilty."

He then stated - "I know a lot about that job but I don't care to talk about it."

He would furnish no further information in connection with the Garrettsville mail robbery but did furnish information showing that he knew definitely that the Post Office Inspectors were making efforts to apprehend him in connection with that case. He stated that while he and Karpis were living at the house on the hill at Potash Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, near Hot Springs, he and Karpis would go out each evening to determine whether the place was "hot" or being "cased" by Post Office Inspectors. He stated that after making this preliminary survey he and Karpis would then go downtown into Hot Springs and would circle the Post Office in order to learn whether there were any Post Office Inspectors in town. He also stated that he made efforts to learn whether the Post Office Inspectors had been making inquiry in the neighborhood concerning him. He declined to state just how he made these inquiries but did inform very definitely that he was able to obtain underground information along this line whenever inquiries were made concerning his location.

Hunter stated that he and Karpis followed the above procedure practically every night during the time that they lived in the above mentioned house. He stated that this was the only way in which he could keep "clear" since he knew that he was "hot."

Hunter stated that some time prior to this, when he and Karpis were living at a cottage on Lake Hamilton, two men came to that neighborhood carrying fishing equipment, and that he and Karpis were certain that these two strangers were Post Office Inspectors in consequence of which they immediately left the cottage and got out of town. He stated that on another occasion when he and Karpis were living in the house on the hill at Potash Sulphur Springs they were visited by an advertising salesman. He informed that he was positive at this time that the salesman was in fact a Post Office Inspector working under cover; that he became highly excited and insisted that Karpis immediately depart from the home with him and go elsewhere where they would be safe. He stated that in his conversation with Karpis on this subject he insisted that the officers could learn the location of the place where he and Karpis were staying by showing pictures to the various filling station operators within a radius of ten miles of the home where they were living, and through this means could learn the identity of the cars with which they traveled and readily locate them. He stated that Karpis was not impressed with this argument because in renting the place Karpis had been able to arrange whereby the gas and electricity were not transferred to his name but that the bills were rendered in the name of the true owner of the property. He stated that Karpis felt sure, with this arrangement, that it would be impossible for the officers to trace them to this house.



He further advised that while living in the apartment in New Orleans in which he was later apprehended he saw an old sharp-eyed man whom he believed to be a Post Office Inspector carefully examining his license plates; that this individual then walked down to the corner where he engaged the colored caretaker in a conversation. Hunter stated that he was confident that this man was a Post Office Inspector and was interrogating the colored caretaker concerning himself, Hunter, and Karpis; that he was so certain of this that when this stranger left he followed him, conducting such a surveillance as would enable him, Hunter, to determine whether this person was in fact a Post Office Inspector.

Hunter informed that immediately thereafter he went to the colored caretaker and in order to ascertain the true identity of this stranger he told the colored caretaker that the stranger bore a striking resemblance to a man whom he had been well acquainted with in his home town and that the resemblance was so strong that he almost came out of the house to say "Hello." This led the caretaker to inform Hunter that the stranger was not in fact a stranger in the community but that he lived only a few doors away, and that he was a regular resident there.

Hunter stated that on another occasion while living in the apartment where he was later apprehended he saw two men in a Hudson automobile whom he likewise suspected of being Post Office Inspectors, and that he brought this matter to the attention of Alvin Karpis who was not greatly impressed with the suggestion. Hunter informed, however, that by this time his suspicions had been aroused sufficiently that he felt it was time to "pull stakes," and get out of the country. He informed that it was his intention to leave but that his rent was paid up until May 10th, and in view of the fact that he was financing medical treatment for his paramour, Connie Morris, he felt that he should remain at that point until May 10th, when he believed that she would be practically cured of a social disease. He stated that it was his intention to then take her back to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he would let her out of the car during the night time on the edge of the city limits, and that he so informed her of his plans whereupon she agreed to return to Hot Springs so that she would not further encounter him in his flight from the Post Office Inspectors.

Hunter stated that he informed Connie Morris that she should "lay low" in Hot Springs for the next four or five days after he had returned her to that point so that she would not be picked up for questioning by the Post Office Inspectors until he had had sufficient time to make good his escape; that after that time it would be perfectly satisfactory with him for her to permit herself to be openly interviewed by Post Office Inspectors and to tell them the entire truth concerning her association with Hunter. He stated that he informed her that she could go ahead and tell them all the places where she and Hunter had resided together; that he would have no fear of such a disclosure because he had no intention of ever returning to those places where he had formerly frequented, and that he felt confident that if he did not return to those places it would not be possible for the Post Office Inspectors to effect his apprehension.



Hunter further advised that in his flight from Post Office Inspectors he went to Orlando, Florida, during the early part of 1936, which he believes to have been during either January or February; that he and his paramour, Connie Morris, took residence with a family by the name of Simms at Orlando, Florida; that the Simms were fond of watching the dog races; that one evening he and Connie Morris accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Simms to the dog races and upon arrival there he, Hunter, observed two very sharp-eyed individuals within the gates, whom he was positive were Post Office Inspectors; that it is his custom to be liberal with his money but on this occasion he was fearful that these individuals were Post Office Inspectors, for which reason he permitted Mr. Simms to pay the entrance admission so that he would not be conspicuous; that during Mr. Simms' absence he seized Mrs. Simms by the arm, pretending that he was the escort of Mrs. Simms. He stated that he thought this would be a good front to prevent Post Office Inspectors from recognizing him. He stated that he watched these two strange individuals all evening in an effort to determine whether they were looking for him; that thereafter he decided never again to attend the dog races because that would be a very logical place for the Post Office Inspectors to look for him. He advised that whenever Mr. and Mrs. Simms and his paramour, Connie Morris, spoke of going to the dog races thereafter he informed them that he was not at all fond of dog racing but that he much preferred to stay home and read, which he did on many occasions while the others attended the dog races.

On numerous occasions Hunter informed that he knew he was going to be convicted of the Garrettsville job, and that he knew he would get a long sentence as a result of such conviction. He stated that he was well aware of the fact that his location and apprehension were being sought by the Post Office Inspectors in connection with the Garrettsville mail robbery. When asked whether he was fleeing from any charge other than the Garrettsville mail robbery he answered in the negative, informing that he was not "hot" on any other job. While professing innocence of complicity in the Garrettsville mail robbery he was asked whether he obtained the money upon which he lived and with which he purchased automobiles. He stated that when the time comes he will be able to explain where he got the money.

Hunter advised that on the occasion in April 1935 when he alleges that he first met Karpis he was convinced in his own mind of the identity of Karpis at the time he visited with him, but that soon thereafter he was able to learn definitely that that individual was Alvin Karpis. He stated that he knew that Karpis was connected with the Bremer case and that he had been indicted and was a fugitive. He stated that he picked up with Karpis on or about the first part of June 1935 with knowledge of Karpis's fugitive status. He informed that he knew he was getting into trouble when he commenced this association with Karpis, but advised that he took a liking to Karpis and admired him, and despite the trouble in which he might find himself he continued his association with Karpis until his apprehension.

Hunter declined to furnish any information with regard to Milton Lett, merely stating that he believed that he had met Lett at least on one occasion. He stated further that he and Karpis met two persons in a beer joint who were known to them as "Tommy" and "Ray." He does not know the correct or full names of these individuals but stated that in his conversations with Tommy the latter indicated that he was from Dallas, Texas. There was no showing, however, that Tommy had served a term and had been released recently from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Hunter stated that they merely ran into these individuals and that there was nothing to show that Karpis had been previously associated with or had known "Tommy." It is Hunter's recollection, however, that he and Karpis saw Tommy on several occasions in beer joints and at Grace Goldstein's place at Hot Springs, Arkansas. It was also his recollection that when he returned to Hot Springs on one occasion he learned that Ray and Tommy had visited Karpis at a cottage where Karpis and Hunter were maintaining residence at Lake Hamilton.

No further information along these lines could be obtained from Hunter.

E. R. McIntire,  
Special Agent.

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DIRECTOR

PHONE BREKID RE TELEPHONIC BUREAU REQUEST NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHS  
FORWARDED AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY THIRD INSTANT STOP PHOTOGRAPHS  
EXTERIOR INTERIOR CARS GUNS REQUESTED FORWARDED AIR MAIL SPECIAL  
DELIVERY TODAY STOP <sup>down</sup> KARPIS CLOTHES FORWARDED ST PAUL TODAY STOP  
ONE SAVAGE TWO FIFTY DASH THREE THOUSAND ONE TWENTY TWO REMINGTON  
RIFLE THREE FORTY FIVE CALIBER COLT AUTOMATIC ONE COLT ACE  
MODEL TWENTY TWO AUTOMATIC ONE COLT THREE EIGHTY AUTOMATIC ALL  
PISTOLS FORWARDED BUREAU TODAY STOP SHIPMENT INCLUDES KARPIS  
BRIEF CASE USED FOR PISTOLS HUNTING KNIFE TWO FLASH LIGHTS  
ONE BOTTLE INDELIBLE INK AMMUNITION SHIPPED SEPARATELY STOP  
HUNTER STATES ALL GUNS BELONG TO KARPIS

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St. Paul  
E.J. Connelley, Cleveland

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Approved: *D. W. Hager*  
Special Agent in Charge

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*Edward G. Bremer*

*Recorded copy*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 1, 1936.

Time -

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
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Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
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Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
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Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

With reference to the information furnished by [redacted] to the effect that ALVIN KARPIS had planned to kidnap the son of Mr. Richman, wealthy clothing manufacturer at Cleveland, Ohio, please be advised that on April 25, 1936, Mr. Hood in my office telephoned SAC MacFarland at the Cleveland Office, advised him of the facts of this matter as furnished [redacted] and requested him to get in touch at once with Mr. Richman and advise him in the premises relative to the information. Mr. Hood told Mr. MacFarland that he should not promise Mr. Richman we would provide Agents to guard him or anything like that, but that we just wanted him to have this information, apparently from a reliable source, so that he might take whatever action would be appropriate under the circumstances. Also on April 25, 1936, I dictated a letter to the Special Agent in Charge at Cleveland furnishing this information.

On April 27, 1936, during a telephonic conversation which I had with SAC MacFarland at the Cleveland Office, this matter was mentioned, and Mr. MacFarland said he had personally transmitted this information to the Chief of the Police of the Richman interests, explaining that the Richman factories there have their own police department. He mentioned, incidentally, that it is not the son of the elder Richman who is the contemplated victim of this kidnaping, for the reason that the elder Richman does not have a son, he being unmarried. The intended victim is a nephew of Mr. Richman's who was recently married, and to whom the elder Richman gave a large sum of money as a wedding gift.

Mr. MacFarland said that he had cautioned them specifically against giving any publicity to this matter, since this would expose our informant, who is the only person to whom Karpis transmitted this information, and the Richmans promised to give their cooperation in this regard.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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U. S. Department of Justice

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New Orleans, La.  
May 6, 1936.

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

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
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Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID.

I am transmitting herewith cartoon appearing in the New Orleans, Louisiana, "Times-Picayune" the morning of May 6, 1936, entitled, "I'm for Economy - But I'll Lobby for This!" This cartoon is in relation to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans.

Mr. Keith Temple is the cartoonist on the Times-Picayune who executed this cartoon. Mr. L. K. Nicholson is the Editor, as well as the President, of the New Orleans Times-Picayune.

The address of both the above gentlemen is 615 North Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

*D. W. Magee*  
D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THE TIMES-PICAYUNE,  
NEW ORLEANS, LA.  
MAY 6, 1936.

Mr. Keith Temple, Cartoonist.  
Mr. L. K. Nicholson, Editor and  
President.  
The Times-Picayune, 615 North St.

*'I'm for Economy--But I'll Lobby for This!'*



May 12, 1936.

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Mr. Keith Temple,  
The Times-Picayune,  
615 North Street,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Temple:

I have just received from  
Mr. D. W. Hayes, Special Agent in Charge of the New  
Orleans Office of this Bureau, the original of your  
cartoon entitled "It's for Economy--But I'll Lobby  
for This!" which appeared in the May 6, 1936 issue  
of the Times-Picayune.

I want to thank you for making this  
cartoon available for my collection which contains  
other cartoons by you.

I am indeed appreciative of the many  
commendatory cartoons which you have drawn relative  
to the work of this Bureau.

With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Edwards .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
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Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

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May 12, 1936.

Mr. L. E. Nicholson,  
Editor,  
The Times-Picayune,  
615 North Street,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Nicholson:

I have received from Mr. D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office  
of this Bureau, the original of the cartoon entitled  
"I'm for Economy--But I'll Lobby for This!" by  
Mr. Keith Temple, which appeared in the May 6, 1936  
issue of the Times-Picayune.

I am indeed glad to have this cartoon  
to add to the collection which is maintained in my  
Reception Room. Permit me to express my sincere  
appreciation for the numerous cartoons which Mr. Temple  
has drawn relative to the work of this Bureau. I also  
want to thank you for the approval which you accorded  
my recent request for an increased appropriation with  
which to effectively operate the Federal Bureau of  
Investigation.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice  
1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

May 6, 1936.

ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Please find attached hereto an empty cigarette package which was discarded by two men who were driving a Ford car bearing Ohio license #A868R, which car was parked for a while in the vicinity of the residence of one Joe Rich, a likely contact of subject Campbell in this case.

It is respectfully requested that the cigarette package enclosed herewith be processed for fingerprints with the view of determining the identity of the person who discarded the same.

This evidence was sent to this office by Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney with his memorandum dated April 30, 1936.

Very truly yours,

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

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Mr. J. P. MacFarland,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 8, 1936  
transmitting an empty cigarette package purported to have been  
handled by two men who were driving a Ford car bearing Ohio  
license number 48682, in connection with the above-entitled case.

You are advised that the "Camel" cigarette package  
has been examined but no latent fingerprints of value could be  
developed. The original specimen is returned herewith.

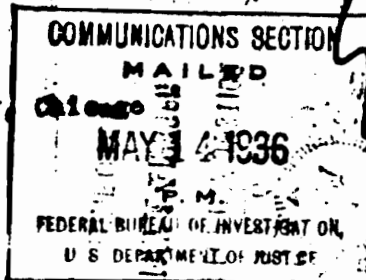
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Baughman \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
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Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 3, 1936

EAT:GLS

Time: 11:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: AGENT MCINTIRE TO NEW ORLEANS

I called Mr. Magee in New Orleans at this time and informed him that Agent McIntire left tonight by plane for New Orleans to help on the questioning, and that he would be down there tomorrow morning. Mr. Magee wanted to know if there were any instructions in regard to the girl. I told him that Agent McIntire wanted to talk to her about an hour and that we would probably turn her loose tomorrow morning.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

Mr. Nathan  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Baughman  
Chief Clerk  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Edwards  
Mr. Egan  
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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

May 6, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

A small item appeared in the May 6, 1936 issue of the Chicago American Newspaper, which news article originated from Oklahoma City, to the effect that Governor H. H. Harland authorized a reward of \$1,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of Harry Campbell. Mention is likewise made that Colonel C. E. Daley, Oklahoma Crime Bureau Superintendent, mentioned that Campbell is charged with many of the crimes with which Karpis is charged.

It is suggested that inquiry be made at Oklahoma City to determine whether the above reward was authorized for any specific crime committed by Campbell in Oklahoma, or whether it was merely a reward issued because of the general notorious character of Campbell.

Very truly yours,

B. H. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 1887  
Charlotte, North Carolina

May 8, 1936

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

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to letter from the Chicago Office to the Cleveland Office dated April 23, 1936, I wish to advise that the circulars issued as to Harry Campbell have been furnished to all airports in North and South Carolina.

I also wish to advise that circulars pertaining to Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis were distributed in North and South Carolina after receipt of same by this office.

Very truly yours,

*G. N. Lowdon*  
G. N. Lowdon,  
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 8, 1936.

Time - 11:37 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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

SAC Vetterli telephoned me from the Philadelphia Office and said that they had about 30,000 of the Campbell and William Mahan circulars folded and turned over to the Post Office Department when both of these subjects were apprehended; that he telephoned the Post Office and requested them to hold up transmittal of these circulars to the addressees. He was wondering what disposition should be made of them now.

I told Mr. Vetterli it would be all right to destroy all of these circulars.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1887,  
Charlotte, N.C.

May 8, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

With reference to your letter, dated April 28, 1936,  
and addressed to the Aberdeen Bureau Office, copies of which  
were furnished all offices, I wish to advise that a check of  
all unsolved bank robbery cases now under investigation by  
this office failed to reflect that any new and uncut currency  
constituted a part of the loot.

Very truly yours,

*G. N. Lowdon*

G. N. LOWDON,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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FILE NO. **7-11**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Buffalo, N.Y.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5/7/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/17, 21; 5/2/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>L. L. JUSKOW (A)</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232, et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

GEORGE PONSFORD, not PENSORT, received call from Cleveland 10/16/35. PONSFORD made two long distance calls on 10/17/35. PONSFORD is Director of Provincial Air Service and is located at Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, Canada.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent E. J. WYNN, Cleveland, Ohio dated February 15, 1936.

**DETAILS:**

**AT TORONTO, ONT., CANADA**

An examination of the city directory and the telephone directory revealed no one bearing the name of GEORGE PENSORT, nor was any governmental agency listed which bore the telephone number Waverly 7474. Agent contacted RAY SMILLIE, Office Manager of the CANADIAN HELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, 78 W. Adelaide Street, who advised agent that the listing on the 'phone number was the King Edward Hotel, 37 King Street, E., Toronto.

At the KING EDWARD HOTEL, agent interviewed J. MEEGAN, Secretary to the Manager. He could recall no one by that name and a search of the registration cards produced no information of value. MEEGAN, at agent's suggestion communicated with the chief telephone

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operator of the hotel to ascertain if she could recollect a call from Cleveland on October 16, 1935. The operator advised that she maintained a record of all calls received altho MEEGAN had previously stated that no notation was made if the customer was not to be charged. The operator called back later to state that at 5 P.M. October 16, 1935 a call from Cleveland had been received for GEORGE PONSFORD, not PENSORT, as given in reference report; that PONSFORD was not in and that the call had been cancelled. MEEGAN examined the registration cards and advised agent that GEORGE PONSFORD had given his address as Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, Canada; that he was a frequent guest at the hotel, and that it was believed he was employed in some branch of the air service.

At the Parliamentary Building, agent was referred to the Forestry Service where C. E. WESTLAND, room 3402 advised agent that PONSFORD was Director of the Provincial Air Service and was stationed at Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, Canada.

Agent then returned to the Hotel King Edward, where he interviewed MR. A. C. DEWAR, Credit Manager. MR. DEWAR consulted his records and advised agent that PONSFORD had registered in the hotel on October 16, 1935 and had checked out on October 17, 1935. During this time he made two long distance calls. MR. DEWAR conferred with the higher officials and said that altho they would ordinarily have no hesitancy in giving such information to the Bureau, they did not regard it advisable to do so in this case, because of the fact that PONSFORD was an important man politically and was regarded as the right hand man of PREMIER HEPBURN. He stated that detailed information about the long distance calls would not be given unless they were required to do so by a Court order. Agent wishes to note that during the lengthy discussion with MR. DEWAR, the latter made several remarks concerning PONSFORD "playing around" shortly after election.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DETROIT OFFICE at SAULT STE MARIE, ONT., CANADA will interview GEORGE PONSFORD, Director of Provincial Air Service as requested in reference report of Special Agent E. J. WYNN, Cleveland, Ohio dated 2/12/36.

- P E N D I N G -

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 4, 1936

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

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I called Mr. Stein at St. Paul to ascertain the developments in this matter. He stated they are still talking to Karpis but he still is reluctant to furnish any information concerning individuals with whom he has been associated; that he won't furnish any information concerning Duke Randall and Joe Adams.

I asked whether the photographs which Mr. Quinn had requested had been sent in, and he stated they will be sent in about an hour and a half; that they developed some yesterday but they were no good; that they are being put through another process and will soon be ready.

I asked that he continue to send in teletype summaries every day and he stated he would get one out to the Bureau every evening between five and six.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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MR CONNELLEY AT CLEVELAND

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May 7, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

RE: RENTED

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 22, 1936, enclosing therewith a copy of a letter dated April 17, 1936, received from the Oklahoma City Office by the Bureau, concerning investigation conducted by that Office, in connection with the above entitled case; also, this letter requested that the files of the Field Offices receiving a copy of the previously mentioned letter be checked on any unsolved bank robbery cases now under investigation, in which now and uncut currency consisted of part of the loot.

The Louisville Office has no unsolved bank robbery cases at this time, and is, therefore, unable to furnish any information concerning any now and uncut currency involved in bank robbery cases.

Very truly yours,

G. C. HART  
Special Agent in Charge

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May 2, 1936.

**PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL****MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR**

Re: Lack of Cooperation on the Part of  
Post Office Inspectors in Connection  
with the Bremer Case.

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of Special Agent E. J. Dowd, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, April 27, 1936, which is submitted in connection with the Bremer case, which discloses that Agent Dowd on April 18, 1936, held a conversation with Post Office Inspector F. E. Casey at which time Casey advised Agent Dowd that with the exception of himself and two or three other of the Post Office Inspectors assigned to the Cincinnati Division, his Department, particularly those now in charge, are exceedingly jealous of this Bureau and notwithstanding their apparent spirit of cooperation, if the opportunity presents itself, it is their intention, without notifying this Bureau, to bring about the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell, preferably alive. In this connection Casey confided that a movement is now afoot to soon abandon the plants in which the Post Office Inspectors are now maintaining surveillances with Bureau Agents and go back to the policy of inviting all peace officers, and rewards and payments from a confidential fund, to join with the Post Office Inspectors in an effort to locate Karpis and Campbell and cause their apprehension.

I now make reference to the report in the Bremer case of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, April 22, 1936, on page 71 of which it is shown that Post Office Inspector in Charge W. A. Briggs informed Special Agent T. M. Birch that after a conference at Washington, D. C., which had been attended by himself, Chief Post Office Inspector Aldrich, Assistant Attorney General Joseph E. Keenan and other Post Office officials, it was decided that the Post Office Department will purchase for use of the Post Office Inspectors machine guns, .351 rifles and shotguns. At this time Agent Birch asked Mr. Briggs if the conference was attended by a representative of this Bureau, to which Briggs replied, "Not that I know of, except that the Department of Justice was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joseph Keenan." Mr. Briggs then advised Agent Birch that after the necessary firearms equipment was purchased he believed it would not be necessary to call upon the Bureau or any other law enforcement

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agencies to assist the Post Office Inspectors in running down criminals wanted by them for violations of the postal laws.

I now refer to a letter directed to the Bureau by Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, dated March 25, 1936, submitted in the Bremer case. In this letter Mr. Brantley points out that Carol ~~Wankersley~~, confidential informant of the Oklahoma City Office and former wife of ~~Herman~~ ~~Barker~~, recently held a conference with Joe ~~Anderson~~ of the ~~Kansas~~ State Highway Patrol, and several Post Office Inspectors in the hotel room occupied by Joe Anderson in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She stated that Inspectors Haynes and Hill of Tulsa were present and that there were two Post Office Inspectors from Cleveland, Ohio, one of whom she believes is named Claggett (full name E. D. ~~Claggett~~) and the other she believes is Cordell (correct name Jess ~~Cordrey~~). She stated that the facts related below were not stated directly to her but that she heard a considerable portion of the conversation between the Post Office Inspectors and Joe Anderson.

She stated that the Post Office Inspectors have a feeling against the Bureau because they fear that some time in the near future all investigative and enforcement agencies of the Government will be combined in one unit and that the Director of this Bureau will be designated to head such an organization; that if this is done all of the Post Office Inspectors and practically all of the personnel of the other Government organizations so affected will lose their jobs. She stated that she also heard them say that this Bureau has been catching too many men and has been receiving too much credit in the newspapers therefor, which appears to irk and annoy the Post Office Inspectors considerably. She stated that these two topics were discussed within her hearing by these parties to some extent.

She further stated that the Post Office Inspectors ~~Haynes~~ and ~~Hill~~, told her that it was their understanding that Bureau Agents believed that she was contacting Karpis for his wife, Dorothy ~~Karpis~~, alias ~~Raymon~~ who is residing at Tulsa, and that whenever she is in this country she is watched like a hawk. She stated that she did not know whether this remark to her was calculated to bring forth some statement from her to indicate she was friendly to us or might have been used by us.

The report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn dated at Cleveland, Ohio, April 22, 1936, in the Bremer case further disclosed that Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and E. J. Wynn interviewed [REDACTED] at b7c

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Youngstown, Ohio, March 25, 1936, and after obtaining considerable information from him, made arrangements with him for [redacted] to proceed to the Cleveland Office on the following day, March 26, 1936, where he could be further interrogated to better advantage. To assist [redacted] in this matter Agent Wynn provided him with a \$5.00 bill and also with a slip of paper bearing the name of Special Agent Wynn and the address of the Cleveland Bureau Office. Much concern was experienced by the Cleveland Office when [redacted] failed to put in his appearance on March 26, 1936, as he had agreed. This was particularly important to the Cleveland Office in view of the fact that [redacted] had furnished the Bureau with substantially all of the important information which it now has concerning Alvin Karpis. [redacted] not putting in his appearance, it was necessary for Agents E. J. Dowd and W. B. O'Mahoney to proceed to Youngstown, Ohio, the residence of [redacted] on March 27, 1936 in an effort to locate him. These efforts were unsuccessful, [redacted] professing ignorance of the location of her husband. The Agents then maintained a brief surveillance of the home in the thought that [redacted] might return. At about 5:00 P. M., March 27, 1936, Post Office Inspector Hettrick telephoned Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland of the Cleveland Office from Youngstown, Ohio, advising that the Post Office Inspectors had taken [redacted] into custody and that they were aware that two of the Bureau Agents were conducting investigation at Youngstown and had [redacted] home under surveillance inasmuch as they believed [redacted] could furnish information as to the present whereabouts of Alvin Karpis. Agent Dowd was instructed to communicate with the Post Office Inspectors at the office at Youngstown, Ohio.

Agents E. J. Dowd and W. B. O'Mahoney proceeded to Youngstown, Ohio, where they met Post Office Inspector Hettrick who was in company with Inspectors E. D. Glaggett, H. W. Tavenar, Jess Cordray and H. R. Briggs, Post Office Inspector in Charge of the Cincinnati Division, and also Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Police, Mark Lock of the Ohio State Highway Police and William Powers. At this conference Mr. Briggs advised that his men had taken [redacted] into custody the day before, to wit, March 26, 1936, and were holding him for questioning. It then developed that [redacted] indicated that he could furnish information as to the whereabouts of Alvin Karpis but before doing so desired to have representatives of this Bureau and the Post Office Inspectors present for the purpose of seeing what proposition they had to offer. At this time Agent Dowd inquired as to the whereabouts of [redacted] whereupon Post Office Inspector in Charge Briggs replied, "He is not under arrest, but we have him in tow, and at the proper time

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will produce him." When Agent Dowd interviewed [redacted] he inquired as to why [redacted] had failed to put in an appearance at the Cleveland Office. [redacted] replied that he left Thursday morning, March 26, 1936, and while on his way to the Cleveland Office was picked up by about twelve men, one of whom accused him of being a mail robber; that he was taken to a police station where on three different occasions he was placed in the show-up and viewed by witnesses; that he protested to the men who had him in custody advising that he was on his way to the Bureau Office at Cleveland, at which time he exhibited to them a piece of paper bearing the name of Special Agent E. J. Wynn and the address of the Cleveland Bureau Office, together with the original \$5.00 bill that had been given to him by Special Agent Wynn to cover transportation.

I now have reference to a letter directed to the Bureau by Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland of the Cleveland Office dated April 29, 1936. In this letter, Mr. MacFarland advises that Special Agent T. M. Birch, who is working with Post Office Inspector Frank W. Tavenar at Youngstown, Ohio, on the Bremer investigation, has advised that Inspector Tavenar informed him that Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick, whose headquarters are at Cleveland, Ohio, instructed him, Tavenar, to furnish to the newspapers at Youngstown, Ohio, information concerning the various plants being maintained in Youngstown and vicinity so as to render said plants worthless, inasmuch as the Post Office Inspectors did not have sufficient men to man these plants. Inspector Tavenar indicated to Special Agent Birch that he, Tavenar, did not agree with this policy, but that he had to follow it, the reason being that some of the Post Office Inspectors are jealous of the Bureau, and resent the action taken by the Bureau in issuing wanted circulars for Karpis and Campbell in which a greater reward is offered than that posted by the Post Office Department. Special Agent Birch late on the afternoon of April 28, 1936, observed Post Office Inspector McNeill in conference with two newspaper reporters. It appears that Inspector McNeill and the two newspaper reporters, together with Ohio State Highway Patrolman Neck, mentioned hereinbefore, were cruising in an automobile past the residence of [redacted], the informant in this case, where a plant is being maintained.

The Cleveland Office has submitted the following attached newspaper clippings indicating that the newspapers have obtained information with reference to the Bureau's activities in the vicinity of Toledo and Youngstown, Ohio, and its efforts to apprehend Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell:

Memorandum for the Director

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Clipping from the Cleveland News, Cleveland Ohio,  
dated April 28, 1936.  
Clipping from the Youngstown Telegram, Youngstown, Ohio,  
dated April 28, 1936.  
Clipping from the Youngstown Vindicator, Youngstown, Ohio,  
dated April 27, 1936.  
Clipping from the Warren Tribune Chronicle, Warren, Ohio,  
dated April 27, 1936.  
Clipping from the Warren Tribune Chronicle, Warren, Ohio,  
dated April 28, 1936.  
Clipping from the Youngstown Vindicator, Youngstown, Ohio,  
dated April 28, 1936.

Respectfully,

E. R. McINTIRE.

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

May 6, 1936

TO ALL FIELD OFFICES:

Re: BREKID

Reference is made to the mimeographed letter addressed to all field offices, emanating from this office dated April 13, 1936, furnishing information with reference to recent associates of subjects Karpis and Campbell.

Recent investigation in this case indicates that Sam Coker, alias Ralph Poole, alias Ralph Nelson, alias Tommy Coleman, described on page two of the letter of reference, is an intimate contact of subject Harry Campbell, and that undoubtedly he knows subject Campbell's location. Developments in this case, as of recent date, indicate that Sam Coker, with aliases, is presently with Milton Lett, whose description is set out on page one of the letter of reference.

All offices are hereby notified that in the event Milton Lett or Sam Coker are located they are to be kept under surveillance and the writer immediately notified as to their location in order that consideration may be given to the best procedure to be followed with reference to them in order to determine if Harry Campbell can be located through either of them.

Sam Coker is reported to have upper gold teeth, which are very noticeable. He is part Indian and talks with a decided southwestern accent and in a very low tone, due to the fact that he suffered a gun shot wound in the palate. His most recent alias is Tommy Coleman.

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Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley  
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. R. B. Nathan,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
412 U.S. Court House and P.O. Bldg.,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

BREKID MAIL FOR L W THOMAS RECEIVED TODAY BY POST OFFICE SOUTH SANFRANCISCO  
BEING HELD GENERAL DELIVERY PENDING ARRIVAL THOMAS STOP THOMAS RACED  
GREYHOUNDS HERE BEFORE AND APPARENTLY ENROUTE HERE TO OPENING RACE TRACK  
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*Edw. J. Nathan*

JEM:CEP

May 6, 1936.

Time - 7:22 P.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

Re: Harry Campbell.

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Cleveland and stated he was quite sure subject had been located in Toledo in a house; that the information came indirectly through the hospital there; that the Post Office Inspectors know about the hospital but not about the nurse who knows where subject is located. Mr. Connelley stated the nurse would be kept in custody until the raid was made and that he was going to Toledo and would have a squad of fourteen men there with equipment. I stated I would endeavor to get a plane and fly there directly and would notify Mr. MacFarland of my plans. Mr. Connelley stated he would keep in touch with MacFarland. Mr. Connelley stated the nurse identified subjects but that she might be wrong; I stated we would have to take a chance on that.

Time - 8:00 P.M.

Mr. Whitley telephoned from New York and advised Mr. Tolson that a two motor Douglas air liner would be in Washington within two hours and would meet the Bureau party at the Eastern Air Lines hangar.

Time - 8:03 P.M.

I telephoned Mr. MacFarland at Cleveland and told him we would go directly to the Toledo airport unless the plane could not land there in which case it would land at Cleveland. I stated I would call again before I left, and I told Mr. MacFarland to have an Agent with a car ready at Toledo in case the plane landed there. In answer to Mr. MacFarland's query I stated he could see Agent Madala if necessary even though he is under suspension.

P. M. Very truly yours,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

**1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio**

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**May 6, 1936.**

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

**Dear Sir:**

**RE: BREKID**

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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 6, 1936, (7-576) advising that the Bureau, in accordance with letter from the Cleveland office, dated March 27, 1936, placed a wanted notice against the fingerprints of ~~Fred Hunter~~, with aliases, FBI #54440.

*Post 5/18/36*

In view of the recent apprehension of Fred Hunter at New Orleans, Louisiana, the Bureau is being hereby requested to withdraw the wanted notice against his fingerprints.

**Very truly yours,**

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

**EJW/EJB**

*Edw. J. P. MacFarland*

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

May 7, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Enclosed herewith are the fingerprints of SAM/COKER,  
which were taken at the Cleveland Bureau office on this date.

Very truly yours,

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

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789 Starks Building  
Louisville, Kentucky

May 7  
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Special Agent in Charge  
Jacksonville, Florida

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of May 4, 1936, requesting this Office to endeavor to ascertain the address of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thomas, through a relative, Mrs. G. Thomas, 925 Idlewild Court, Lexington, Kentucky.

Please be advised that an Agent of this Office contacted Mr. Fleet Hays, Superintendent of Mails, at Lexington, Kentucky, relative to the parties residing with Mrs. G. Thomas, at the above address. Contact was also had with Mail Carrier J. F. Berry. Both of these gentlemen reported that the only other person living with Mrs. G. Thomas was a Mrs. McKinney, a young woman who was believed to be the daughter of Mrs. G. Thomas.

Interview was had with Mrs. S. Thomas, under the pretext of desiring to get in touch with L. W. Thomas, concerning the racing of greyhounds. Mrs. Thomas advised she had last heard from her son, about a month ago, and he stated in his letter that he was leaving Florida, but did not state where he was going. However, he advised he would write to her as soon as he became settled.

Mrs. Thomas advised that her son resided with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Church, in Miami, Florida, the exact address not recalled by her.

A mail cover has been placed upon Mrs. Thomas's mail, and she will again be contacted in an effort to locate her son. Mail tracings are being received from the postmaster at Lexington, Kentucky, and it is suggested that copies of the handwriting of L. W. Thomas, be forwarded to this Office.

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Very truly yours,

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O. G. DREW  
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 6, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE MECHANICAL SECTION

Re: POCKET IDENTIFICATION ORDERS

Data concerning the following should be withdrawn from future publications of the Pocket Identification Orders:

✓ Alvin Karpis - No. 1

William A. Brown - No. 10

Ray Burke - No. 11

Harry Lawrence Gilmore - No. 12

Charles G. Fisher - No. 99

— E. J. Bryant - No. 72

A form letter is being dispatched to all field offices advising that these data are to be cancelled.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

May 6, 1936.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,  
San Antonio, Texas.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to teletype of the above date setting out information obtained from Charles Owen Long, associate of William Elmer Mead, indicating that Mead was at San Antonio, Texas, during the latter part of February, 1936.

Long stated that this telegram was sent under the name of Hall, which was the alias used by Mead at San Antonio; that in this telegram Mead suggested that if Long was interested in some prospects (in connection with confidence games) that he get in touch with Mead at San Antonio, Texas. Long stated further that prior to the receipt of this telegram and during the time that he was at West Palm Beach, Florida, in about the first part of February, 1936, a confidence man named "Jew" Goldie mentioned to him that Sammy Gates, a confidence man, had made arrangements to open up a "phony" horse race or stock brokerage office at San Antonio; that the police and the county attorney had been "fixed," and that Mead intended going to San Antonio to work with Gates.

Long stated further that contact undoubtedly could be had with Mead if he is in San Antonio by making inquiry of confidence men in the lobby of the St. Anthony Hotel, at which place confidence men congregate.

This information is in line with the information contained in the letter from the Little Rock Office dated March 19, 1936, setting out almost identical information to the effect that Mead had been in San Antonio, Texas, with Sammy Gates, but because of a drive made by the chief of police against confidence men had left. However, it is possible that the confidence men are again concentrating in this town, and it is probable that through confidential informants

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It may be ascertained whether Mead, who is reported to be traveling with his wife, Kate Mead, is frequenting San Antonio.

Mead is reported to have a 1934 Chevrolet or Ford sedan or coach of a dark color.

For your use in the investigation being conducted at San Antonio, I am forwarding herewith a bust photograph of William Elmer Mead, two stand-up photographs of Mead, a group photograph of William Elmer Mead, Kate Mead, and an unidentified young girl, and a specimen of the handwriting of Mead.

It may be mentioned that Charles O. Long is being held at the Chicago Bureau Office for further questioning.

Very truly yours,

E. H. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC: Bureau

Little Rock

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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May 5, 1936.

Mr. Tamm:

Why did the New Orleans  
office not have Hunter sign the  
attached fingerprints?

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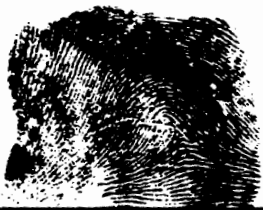




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*[Signature]*

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Four Fingers Taken Simultaneously

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PHONE BREKID. RE TELEPHONIC BUREAU REQUEST NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHS FORWARDED  
AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY THIRD INSTANT STOP PHOTOGRAPHS EXTERIOR INTERIOR  
CARS GUNS REQUESTED FORWARDED AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY TODAY STOP KARPIS  
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STOP ONE TWENTY TWO REMINGTON RIFLE THREE FORTY FIVE CALIBRE COLT AUTOMATICS  
ONE COLT ACE MODEL TWENTY TWO AUTOMATIC ONE COLT THREE EIGHTY AUTOMATIC ALL  
PISTOLS FORWARDED BUREAU TODAY STOP SHIPMENT INCLUDES KARPIS' BRIEF CASE USED  
FOR PISTOL HUNTING KNIFE TWO FLASH LIGHTS ONE BOTTLE INDELIBLE INK STOP  
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Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

TDQ:RCL

May 2, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Freeheimer of the International News telephoned and wanted to know if Karpis would be prosecuted under the Lindbergh Law. I advised him that he would be and he then wanted to know if there was any information that could be furnished concerning the identity of the woman taken into custody at New Orleans and was advised that in view of the fact that Mr. Hoover was personally handling this case, no comment could be made. He then made inquiry as to whether the reward would be paid and was advised that no reward would be paid.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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Mr. Tamm ✓  
Mr. Baughman ✓  
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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith two photographs appearing in the New Orleans "Times-Picayune" relative to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans on May 1, 1936.

These photographs were obtained through the courtesy of Mr. George Healy, managing editor, and through the courtesy of Mr. Sam Lang, Night city editor of the "Times-Picayune". Mr. L. K. Nicholson is the owner and publisher of this paper.

These two views were syndicated by the Associated Press to all Associated Press representative papers, and can not be used or surrendered by the Bureau to other news representatives.

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Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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

May 4, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The following is a report of the current status of the developments in the Hamm and Bremer cases in St. Paul.

Agent McKee is continuing the questioning of Alvin Karpis and there has been no change in Karpis' attitude except that he appears to have "clamped down" a little more than yesterday. He, according to SAC Stein, makes an admission here and there about various matters, which are being embodied in a statement and which when they are all considered together, will be of some significance.

Karpis is not lying about anything and if he does not care to comment upon a particular question will state that he will not answer that question. Efforts have been made to obtain some information of value to the Miami prosecution of Randall and Adams, but these efforts have been to no avail so far. Karpis repeatedly states that he will not "snitch" on anyone who has ever befriended him. He has, however, admitted knowing Chuck Fitzgerald and enumerated various plates and dates when and where he saw Fitzgerald which, of course, is very favorable to us, particularly since Fitzgerald denies knowing or ever having seen Karpis. The questioning of Karpis is continuing.

The photographs of Karpis' fingertips, hands and face were forwarded to the Bureau by air mail this noon.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
May 4, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

HAMAP

Reference is made to my telephone conversations with you last evening regarding the story printed by the International News and Universal News Services regarding admissions by KARPIS and his desire to enter a plea of guilty if assured of receiving two life sentences to run concurrently.

I had previously informed the Bureau by teletype about 7:55 P.M. regarding the story that Mr. Sessions, the reporter for the Chicago Herald and Examiner had sent to the Chicago paper, to record my meetings and conversation with Mr. Sessions.

I may state that he first called me at my residence about 10:00 P.M., May 2, 1936, after I had retired. I informed him at that time that I could make no statement and that no pictures were available for release until somewhat later. He desired to know whether I would be at the office the following day, Sunday, and if so whether he could call on me. I of course answered him in the affirmative.

Upon his arrival at this office about 11:00 or 11:30 A.M., I was at my desk. I invited Mr. Sessions in and after talking to him for a short while our conversation was interrupted by a telephone call from Mr. Quinn from Washington, D. C. Upon learning the identity of the caller I politely requested Mr. Sessions to excuse me and he left the room, apparently to leave the offices. I then closed the door between my office and the anteroom in which callers wait. This was done as a precaution to what I thought

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would prevent the hearing of any conversation conducted in my office. After I had finished my conversation I walked out of the anteroom and found Mr. Sessions sitting there. He stated his paper had directed him to ask certain questions in connection with this case. He particularly desired to know whether he could not be given a photograph of KARPIS taken since his arrest, on Sunday afternoon, May 3rd, so that he could transmit it to his Chicago paper, that it might be printed in the early Monday morning edition.

I advised him that this could not be done since it had been previously agreed by the reporters of the Twin City newspapers, that Monday morning would be the most desirable time because then none would be scooped. He continued to insist upon being furnished a picture but I politely told him that I couldn't break faith.

About 3:30 P.M. May 3, 1936, I received a telephone call from Jack MacKay, Associated Press representative here, desiring to know whether there was any truth in the International News Press report received at Chicago that KARPIS had admitted his part in both the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings. Mr. MacKay further stated that the story appeared to have its source in St. Paul. I told Mr. MacKay that I had no comment to make, in a joking manner, and he answered that of course it sounded ridiculous to him and that he did not intend to carry any story on it.

Possibly 15 or 20 minutes later Mr. Sessions of the Chicago Herald and Examiner called up and advised that he had sent a dispatch to his Chicago newspaper that KARPIS had confessed to both the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings, but that he had sent it without any foundation, but with the hope that it may be true or come true. I informed him that I could make no comment on the case at all.

About 7:45 P.M., an editor, I believe from the St. Paul Dispatch, called the office and advised me that he understood that the International News Service was furnishing a story to the New York papers and Chicago newspapers that KARPIS had confessed to the Bremer and Hamm kidnappings. Immediately upon receipt of that information I informed the Bureau by teletype.

After my first conversation with you on the night of March 3, 1936, I checked with all the Agents in the office and found out that none knew or had talked to Mr. Sessions. They all stated that they had not talked to any newspaper man and that they had not discussed KARPIS' statements or admissions with anybody in the United States Attorney's Office.

I again reflected upon the contents of the newspaper story as carried by you and felt that it must have come from Mr. Sessions in some manner. It was then remembered that he had been in my office shortly before I talked with Mr. Quinn and informed him of KARPIS' admission to being involved in the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping cases. I then recalled that he was sitting in the anteroom after I had finished my conversation.

Therefore, Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, Special Agents S. K. McKee, E.H. Williams, and E. C. Suran, conducted a test to determine whether a person speaking in a normal voice over the telephone could be heard in the anteroom. We learned that if a person spoke somewhat above the ordinary tone of voice, particularly the tone he uses over the telephone, it was possible to hear him not only in the anteroom where Mr. Sessions had been sitting but also in the corridor of the hall to which a door from my office leads. It was obvious then where the "leak" occurred.

I regret very much that it happened and have taken suitable precautions to prevent a recurrence.

This afternoon while I was talking long distance to Mr. Tamm of the Bureau, I heard sounds of a radio on the wire. After concluding my conversation with Mr. Tamm I informed the chief operator of it and requested that it be checked to learn the source of that noise and to check all lines leading into this office for the possibility of a tap.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CWS:SEC  
AIR MAIL

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 3, 1936

TDQ:GLS

Time: 11:25 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: STORY OF KARPIS' CONFESSION

I called Mr. Stein in St Paul at this time in regard to the story originating in St Paul today to the effect that Karpis had confessed to both the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings, and had stated he was glad it was all over and that it had been "Hell on Earth".

Mr. Stein stated that he had sent a teletype report to the Bureau about 12 hours previously about this; that the story was written by a reporter named Sessions, of the Chicago Herald and Examiner; that Sessions had called him after he went to bed last night and asked for a photograph; that he informed Sessions it had been arranged to make the release to all newspapers Monday morning; That Sessions returned to the office this afternoon and wanted the same photograph, which was refused, whereupon Sessions left; that not so long afterward the Associated Press correspondent in St Paul, Jack McKay, called him, Mr. Stein, and inquired about a story, which had appeared in the International News Service in Chicago, to the effect that Karpis had confessed to both the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings; that he laughed and told McKay he had no comment to make on it. I asked Mr. Stein if he knew any thing about the statement alledged to have been made by an agent to the effect that Karpis had said he was glad it was over and that it had been "Hell on Earth". Mr. Stein said he knew nothing about it but; that a few minutes after he had heard about it through the Associated Press, Sessions had called him and informed him that he had printed such a dispatch for his Chicago newspaper without any foundation but he hoped that it might come true; that he told Sessions he had no comment to make on it. Mr. Stein further stated that one of the agents wives had just called and reported that Walter Winchell had made a similar statement over the radio adding that Karpis was being detained in the county jail, which Mr. Stein stated was incorrect. I told Mr. Stein I could not recall Winchell saying anything about saying it had been "Hell on Earth" and he was glad it was all over. Mr. Stein stated he was positive no agent in the St Paul office had talked to anybody about it. I asked him if any of the agents had talked to Sessions. He said he was quite sure they had not because none of the agents had mentioned it and he had talked to all of them and told them not to say anything to anybody; that he had told the boys on the phone not to make any comment on any calls that might come in but to refer all calls to him; and that, that had been the practice all day.

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MEMO FOR THE DIRECTOR RE STORY OF KARPIS' CONFESSION May 3, 1936

I told Mr. Stein that due to the fact that Sessions had hit the thing on the head so definitely it looked like there was a leak some place; either some agent was talking or the reporter had, from talking to different agents, gleaned enough, from stray remarks passed by the agents, to be able to make such a statement as he had made. I instructed Mr. Stein to impress it upon everyone in the office, both agents and clerical employees, in no uncertain terms, that if anyone gives out any information, no matter who he is, that person will be fired; that their giving out, or intimating, or passing remarks that will lead to this information getting out will not be tolerated; that the Director is the person to give out such information and that the Bureau cannot afford to have this information coming out elsewhere. Mr. Stein assured me he would make this clear to everyone in the office. Mr. Stein stated he felt sure no agent in the office had talked to Sessions with the exception of himself, but that he would check thoroughly to make sure, and if he gained any more information from his inquiries he would call me back.

I reminded Mr. Stein of the telegraphic summaries which should be sent to the Bureau about five or six o'clock each evening, and also told him not to let Karpis have any newspapers of any kind, or any magazines that might indicate anything about the case. Mr. Stein said he would watch this closely.

Respectfully,



T. D. Quinn.



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR  
EAT:CDW

General Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
May 3, 1936.

Time - 3<sup>pm</sup>

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Magee at the New Orleans Office to inquire if there have been any developments, and he said there have been none since his last call. He said that one of the accountants in the office, R. P. Baldwin, on March 2, 1936, moved into the Commodore Apartments, 3300 St. Charles Street, which is the same place where Karpis had his apartment. Baldwin was in apartment No. 22, and Karpis was in apartment No. 24. However, they are in different wings of the building, and with different entrances. Mr. Connelley was advised of this, and Mr. Baldwin was ordered to move out of there at once. Mr. Baldwin's wife is going to have an operation in a couple of days, but they are going to move just as soon as possible.

With reference to the situation of Fred Hunter, I told Mr. Magee the best thing apparently to do in this matter is to go over to the U. S. Attorney and have him authorize the filing of a secret complaint against this man, and then turn the warrant over to us for service. Under this arrangement, we can hold him as long as we want to, and at the same time, we will have a complaint filed and a warrant in our hands. Mr. Magee said the U. S. Attorney, he is sure, will accede to this.

Mr. Magee said that they didn't get much information from Hunter today about the instant case, and he was wondering if he should send a teletype summary in any event. I told him that this summary should be sent in any event so that the same might be on your desk in the morning.

With reference to Connie Morris, I told Mr. Magee that I would talk with Mr. Connelley in due course and see what disposition he desires made of this woman.

Time - 1<sup>pm</sup>

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I telephoned Mr. Stein at the St. Paul Office with reference to how Karpis is getting along out there. He said that Karpis seems to be getting along all right, and with further questioning, he will possibly do a lot of talking. I told Mr. Stein there are a number of things you desire to be taken care of in connection with this situation. First, if Karpis starts talking and gives

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us any information of value, he should not be filed upon tomorrow; in other words, he should be kept as long as he is giving us any information of value. With reference to the belief on the part of Karpis that Duke Randall put the finger on him in connection with the Atlantic City affair, I pointed out to Mr. Stein this should be used as a basis for questioning Karpis relative to all of the activities of Randall. I suggested to Mr. Stein that they ought to more or less foster the idea, and somewhat passively admit to Karpis that Randall fingered him in the Atlantic City affair, to see if he will tell us anything about Randall which will strengthen our case against him, or which will serve as the basis for further investigation. I told Mr. Stein that after we get an oral statement out of him as to the names and places, etc., in the Randall situation, we will ask him if he will testify by deposition or personally against Randall.

The third point I brought to Mr. Stein is the fact that you want a teletype summary every evening of all the developments during the questioning of Karpis and what action is being taken. I told him to send this teletype summary around five o'clock every afternoon.

Concerning the newspaper situation, I told Mr. Stein you desire that no newspaper men get anywhere near Karpis, and further, that Karpis is to be given no newspapers.

Mr. Stein said that Karpis has been doing a little talking as a result of the questioning, admitting that he is involved in both the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings; however, he will not discuss the other subjects involved in these matters. He indicated that he might take a guilty plea on one of the kidnappings, provided that he does not have to take a guilty plea on the other, and thus have two life sentences hanging over his head.

Mr. Stein mentioned that you had authorized his giving to the papers tomorrow a recent photograph of Karpis. In this connection, he said he was contacted by one of the papers, who wanted an advance copy of the photograph so that this paper could carry a full-page photograph of Karpis in its morning edition. Mr. Stein said that he refused this, having in mind that you would not want any one paper to have a scoop on the photograph of Karpis. I believe Mr. Stein acted correctly in this situation.

Details of the questioning of Karpis will be furnished the Bureau in due course, of course.

5/3/36

Time

-3:10 pm

I talked with Mr. Connelley concerning the situation of Connie Morris down in New Orleans, and he said about the only thing we can do is to ship her out of there into Oklahoma. He said that he would like to get an agreement out of her whereby she would promise to look for Campbell when she is set free. He suggested that we buy her a ticket in New Orleans for Oklahoma and see that she gets on the train. Mr. Connelley said he is satisfied that when she gets out in Oklahoma, the Post Office Inspectors are going to pick her up.

I expressed considerable anxiety over the fact that the Post Office Inspectors or some of the police department making some statements which will give rise to a story that Grace Goldstein was the person who really furnished the information which led to the apprehension of Karpis. Mr. Connelley said that while they have no way of knowing this to be a fact, they are liable to make a stab in the dark at it, and make some trouble and embarrassment for us.

With reference to Grace Goldstein, Mr. Connelley said they are getting her clothes out of Hot Springs, and she is going over into Tennessee, and then to some place on her own initiative until the matter cools off some.

Mr. Connelley does not believe that successful prosecution can be had of any of the police characters in Hot Springs, for the reason that we can't prove knowledge of their part that the subjects were in there without exposing Grace Goldstein, which, of course, we do not desire to do.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:WCS:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 5, 1936.

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Time - 9:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Informant Clayton Hall.

SAC Fletcher telephoned me from the Little Rock Office with reference to the fingerprints of [redacted] which were sent into the Bureau by Dutch Akers of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Regarding the circumstances of this situation, Mr. Fletcher advised that on April 27th, Grace Goldstein and [redacted] were both at Hot Springs; that Grace was picked up by the Bureau agents and that soon after it became advisable to have [redacted] leave the Best Tourist Camp where he was staying as Agent Smith had called Mr. Fletcher and advised that [redacted] had been spotted and would be picked up unless he moved. Mr. Fletcher stated that [redacted] was instructed to leave without his personal belongings, and that some time after April 27th, Dutch Akers went into the cabin which [redacted] had occupied and took fingerprints; that Akers told Agent Damerson that the prints were given to Agent Smith, and that he, Mr. Fletcher, knew that Smith had received some of the prints. Mr. Fletcher advised, however, that he had talked with Akers today, and Akers had stated that the prints were sent into the Bureau; that Fletcher had discussed this with Mr. Connelley, who had advised that in the event Akers had actually sent some of the prints to the Bureau in Washington for comparison, they should be held up.

Mr. Fletcher advised that [redacted] is known around Hot Springs as N. O. Bell or C. O. Sullivan, and that Akers had probably sent the prints in under one of these names. He also stated Mr. Connelley had previously sent in the prints of [redacted], mentioning the above aliases, and that unless the prints were intercepted, the correct identification would probably be made. Mr. Fletcher stated that he was not sure the prints were sent in, but that Akers is so tricky he may have held out a few of the prints and not turned them all over to Agent Frank Smith.

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I advised Mr. Fletcher that a check would be made, and the prints would be held up in the event that a report has not already been sent out.

Respectfully,

MAY 14 1936

E. A. TAMM

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U. S. Department of Justice  
Postoffice Box 314,  
Birmingham, Alabama,  
May 7, 1936.

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

Dear Sir: Re: BREKID

Reference is made to Bureau letter of April 28, 1936, addressed to the Aberdeen office, attaching copy of a letter dated April 17, 1936 from the Oklahoma City Bureau office, with reference to a quantity of money alleged to have been seen, which money was in long sheets of several bills to a sheet.

A review of the files in this office fails to disclose any robbery wherein this type of money was taken.

Very truly yours,

E. P. GUINANE  
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Cincinnati  
Chicago

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

EAT:WCS

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 7, 1936.

Time: 9:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: HARRY CAMPBELL

At this time I called Mr. MacFarland at Cleveland and inquired about a report from the local representative of the Toledo Blade to the effect that a reporter had located a car and trailer belonging to Harry Campbell and containing several articles, including a gun. I advised Mr. MacFarland that the Toledo Blade alleged that the car and trailer had been reported to a Federal Agent but that the information was ignored.

Mr. MacFarland stated that he knew nothing of the incident, although he had heard of the car and trailer. I instructed Mr. MacFarland to investigate the report in the morning so that the Bureau could not be accused of overlooking any possible source of information. I also advised Mr. MacFarland to make a personal contact with Fred Mollonkoty who is the editor of the Toledo Blade.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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May 6, 1936

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

MR E J CONNELLEY  
SAC ST PAUL  
NEW ORLEANS  
LITTLE ROCK

RE BREKID SEVERAL LATENT PRINTS DEVELOPED ON ARTICLES FOUND IN HOUSE  
NEAR POTASH SULPHUR SPRINGS ARKANSAS IDENTIFIED AS THOSE OF CONNIE  
MORRIS WA ARRESTED NEW ORLEANS FIRST INSTANT

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May 7th, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In the Chicago Herald and Examiner for May 6th, 1936, there was carried a cartoon entitled "Bringing It Home to Him", depicting the G-Men as a bull dog bringing to a criminal a rat entitled "Karpis." A copy of this as it appeared in the Chicago Herald and Examiner was forwarded to the Bureau. I, however, communicated with Mr. Frank Marron, a reporter for the Chicago Herald and Examiner and requested him to secure the original of this cartoon for your reception room and he did secure the original from the Cartoonist, Dorman H. Smith, which original I am forwarding herewith to the Bureau.

I would suggest that you direct a letter of appreciation to Mr. Dorman H. Smith for his courtesy in furnishing you with the original of this cartoon.

Incidentally, I might remark that Mr. Marron informed the writer that Mr. Smith was greatly elated over the fact that you had requested this and others of his cartoons and he sent word to this Office that he expects to have another real good cartoon in the next few days relative to the apprehension of Campbell and Mahan and that he will save the original of this cartoon for your reception room.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Herman M. Smith,  
Chicago Herald and Examiner,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Mr. D. M. Ladd, Special Agent in Charge  
of the Chicago Office of this Bureau, has sent me the  
original of your cartoon entitled "Bringing It Home to  
Him," which appeared in the Chicago Herald and Examiner  
on May 6, 1936.

I think this is an excellent drawing and  
I am very pleased to have it as an addition to the  
collection which is maintained in my Reception Room.

It is my personal opinion that your car-  
toons are among the best which have come to my atten-  
tion, concerning the work of this Bureau. Mr. Ladd  
informed me that you expect to have another cartoon  
in a few days relative to the apprehension of Campbell  
and Mahan, and that you plan to save the original for  
me. I shall be looking forward to seeing it.

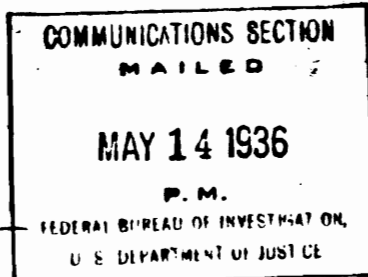
With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati**

FILE NO. **7-11 22**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Buffalo, N.Y.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5/7/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/21, 24, 27/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>L. L. JUSKOW (A)</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1232, et al; - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Identification Order #1354 displayed to managers of hotels and peace officers in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal, with negative results. Police of Wales Hotel at Montreal no longer hangout for confidence men.</p> </div>			
REFERENCE:  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Report of Special Agent T. E. BILLINGS, Los Angeles, Calif. dated March 12, 1936. Report of Special Agent R. M. STITES, Buffalo, N.Y. dated February 21, 1936.</p> </div>			
DETAILS:  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><u>AT TORONTO, ONT., CANADA</u></p> <p>The managers of the following hotels in Toronto were interviewed:</p> <p>A. G. DEWAR, Manager - KING EDWARD HOTEL GEORGE ELLIOTT, Manager - VICTORIA HOTEL W. L. ANDERSON, Manager - ROYAL YORK HOTEL E. W. THOMPSON, Manager - PRINCE GEORGE HOTEL</p> </div>			
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <p><b>COPIES DESTROYED</b> <b>78 MAR 24 1965</b></p> </div> <div style="text-align: right;"> <p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>B. E. Blackett</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</p> </div> </div>			
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These are the four main hotels in Toronto and are the ones most likely to be visited by MEAD in the event he does come to Toronto. None of the managers were able to identify the photographs of MEAD. His modus operandi was explained and they were requested to display the Identification Order to the floor clerks and bellhops. All promised to do so, and stated that the Identification Order would be placed in such a position that it would also always be visible to the room clerk.

[REDACTED] b7c b7d  
[REDACTED] taken the Identification Orders to the several hotels and apartment houses, and that they have been on the lookout for MEAD and would continue to do so.

AT OTTAWA, ONT., CANADA

Agent interviewed [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who advised that he had already displayed the Identification Order to the various hotels and apartment houses with negative results. He stated that there are only one or two good hotels in the city, but that there are many small and exclusive apartment houses of the type that would be chosen by MEAD in the event he did visit Ottawa. Agent left additional Identification Orders [REDACTED] and he stated that he would leave them at the hotels and apartment houses most likely to be contacted by MEAD, and that he would again make the rounds of other places in Ottawa.

AT MONTREAL, QUE., CANADA

At the Ritz Carlton Hotel, Sherbrooke Street, agent contacted MR. EMILE DES SAILLANTS, Manager, who when shown the Identification Orders of subject MEAD stated that MEAD had never stopped at his hotel. He gave the Identification Order to the floor clerk with instructions to place it in the cage where it could be observed by all employees.

Due to the pressure of other work, agent was unable to contact the other hotels personally [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that after the visit of Agent STITES, as is mentioned in his report dated February 21, 1936, they displayed instant Identification Orders to all the hotels and better class apartment houses with negative results. When asked about the Prince of Wales Hotel, they replied that it is now a small shabby fourth rate hotel, and not the type that would be frequented by MEAD. They advised that up until about three years ago it was known as a hangout for confidence men and gamblers, as was almost every hotel in town; and they explained that about three years ago [REDACTED] had been placed in charge of the confidence squad and was given full authority to do anything he wished to rid the city of confidence men.

[REDACTED]

Agent left six copies of the Identification Orders on MEAD [REDACTED] who stated that they would leave them at the hotels and apartment houses most likely to be visited by MEAD, and that they would also leave one at the Prince of Wales Hotel.

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1216 Smith Young Tower,  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is had to your letter dated at Kansas City,  
Missouri, April 15, 1936.

A check at the Sheriff's Office at San Antonio, Texas re-  
flects that on April 8, 1936 James Hutton and Ed Faust were arrested  
by the Sheriff's Department for the robbery of the Van Horn Drug Store  
at 5616 Broadway, San Antonio, Texas. It developed that Ed Faust was  
not implicated in this robbery and he was released. He is a local  
thief who resides at San Antonio, Texas.

James Hutton made a confession of the robbery and stated  
that one Cody Rambo was the party who was in on the robbery and Rambo  
was arrested at Waco, Texas and returned to San Antonio, Texas on April  
9, 1936. A check of the fingerprints of Faust and Rambo was made by  
the Identification Bureau of the San Antonio Police Department with  
the fingerprints of Elmer Frazier, which they have in their files, and  
neither Rambo nor Faust is identical with Frazier.

On May 2, 1936 James Hutton was interviewed by agent C. E.  
Davis, without Hutton knowing the reason for the interview, as to any  
knowledge he had of Elmer Frazier. Hutton stated that he met Elmer  
Frazier in the latter part of January or the first part of February,  
1936 in a beer joint run by Frazier and his wife, either in the 2000  
or 2100 block on Troost Avenue. He stated that this beer joint is  
located on the west side of Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and  
is the first beer joint after you pass 19th and Troost going south  
on Troost and is either called the "Troost Inn" or "Troost Tavern."

Hutton states that he left Kansas City, Missouri on the 5th  
day of February about 1:30 A. M. and that, before leaving, he went to  
this place and purchased some sandwiches and beer from Frazier and that  
is the last time he has seen him. Hutton further stated that he served  
time in the State Penitentiary at Jefferson City with Elmer Frazier's  
brother, whose name was Jimmie Frazier and that he was convicted at  
Kansas City, Missouri for highway robbery and is still confined at

Jefferson City.

Hutton declared that the photograph of Elmer Frazier, K. S. P. #8430, is not a good photograph of Frazier as he now looks; that Frazier is now about 6' 2" in height, weighs about 175 pounds and has a slender build; that Frazier's wife is about 35 years of age, height 5' 2", stocky build and, as he remembers, has dark brown hair and medium complexion. Hutton stated further that he had only been in this place of Frazier's about eight or ten times and that he had seen Frazier driving a 1930 or 1931 model Chevrolet Sedan bearing California license plates.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc- Bureau  
Chicago  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland  
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Division.  
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THE DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHINGTON DC 20535

THE NEW ORLEANS 8-6-36

10:45 AM

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DIRECTOR

*Edw. Bremer*  
*Fred*  
PHONE BREKID SUBJECT HUNTER ARRANGED TODAY ON HARBORING CASE  
CHARGING HARBORING SUBJECT ALVIN KARPIS AT NEW ORLEANS ON  
HUNTER CASE INDICTMENT SAILED HEARD BOND SET TWO HUNDRED  
THOUSAND HUNTER WILL BE CONFINED FEDERAL JAIL NEW ORLEANS

IN DEFAULT OF BOND USA HERE WRITING DEPARTMENT RELATIVE

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Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

# WESTERN UNION

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

New Orleans, La., May 6, 1936.

DUM:GW. 8 PM cc-Bureau Mr. Connelley, Cleveland; Cincinnati; Omaha.

THOMAS F. FARLEY  
CHIEF OF DETECTIVES  
SIOUX CITY IOWA

RETEL WILL FORWARD LATE PHOTOGRAPH FRED HUNTER THROUGH OUR  
OMAHA NEBRASKA BUREAU OFFICE

D. W. MAGEE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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Chicago, Illinois

May 7th, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

I am transmitting herewith two copies of the  
photograph of Charles Owen Long.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*  
D. M. LADD

Special Agent in Charge

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R. L. SHIVERS  
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
620 NEW FEDERAL BUILDING  
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

BREKID KARPIS POSSESSED RIFLE SAVAGE LEVER ACTION MODEL NINETY NINE  
304481  
CALIBER TWO FIFTY DASH THREE THOUSAND SERIAL THREE NAUGHT FOUR FOUR  
EIGHT ONE SAME SHIPPED BY SAVAGE ARMS COMPANY UTICA NEW YORK APRIL  
NINETEEN TWENTY EIGHT HUKILL HUNTER PITTSBURGH NOW OUT OF BUSINESS  
SUCCEEDED BY J. A. WILLIAMS COMPANY ONE FIFTEEN SEVENTH STREET  
PITTSBURGH. TRACE EXPEDITE.

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

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With reference to Bureau letter dated September 8, 1935, relative to a cover being maintained on the mail of Elmer Farmer, register #47103, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, there are being transmitted herewith to the Bureau, and each of the offices designated below, copies of the following correspondence.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant dated 3-29-36.  
Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer dated 3-28-36.  
Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant dated 4-3-36.  
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer dated "Thursday Evening", postmarked 4-4-36.  
Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer dated 4-4-36.  
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer dated "Tuesday Evening", postmarked 4-8-36.  
Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant dated 4-10-36.  
Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer dated 4-12-36.  
Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff dated 4-11-36.  
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer postmarked 4-14-36.  
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer dated Easter Sunday.  
Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant dated 4-14-36.  
Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff dated 4-19-36.  
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer dated "Friday Afternoon".  
Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer dated 4-19-36.  
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer dated "Sunday Afternoon".  
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer postmarked 4-21-36.

On April 27, 1936, a letter was received from E. H. Eckholdt, Secretary to the Warden, U.S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, advising that Elmer Farmer was transferred on April 24, 1936 to the United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz Island, California.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Paul.

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, #47103, Postmarked: Elmhurst,  
Ill., March 28, 1936.

March 28, 1936.

Dear Elmer

I received your letter Thursday and was very glad to know it was just  
a cold you had and nothing serious.

I am enclosing ten dollars. Chub was over Tuesday and give it to me,  
he comes over once a week now, sometimes I show him your letters, he  
always asks about you and says to tell you business is going along  
alright.

I wrote to Reed instead of Bates, asking him to see Bates, as they  
are in Washington and Reed knows you. I think that is better than my writing  
Bates, dont you. I'll let you know just as soon as I hear anything from  
it.

Am going to the store now and will mail this. Love from both of us.

Blanche Brabant  
275 Geneva Ave. Elmhurst, Ill.

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Letter written by Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant.

Leavenworth, Kansas, April 3, 1936

Dear Blanche

Received your letter with the ten dollars in it Tuesday night. I suppose you have received my letter I wrote you Sunday by now. I hope Reed can do some thing for me as I know they will soon transfer some of us to Alcatraz and I hope something is done so that I dont go. it may be alright over there but you never get to be paroles from there. I am feeling alright but not like I should be. I should be out side in the air most of the day. thats good that Chub comes over to see you every week now that will help to keep him on the job. am glad to hear he has good business and hope it continues. tell him to let you save his money for him then he will always have it when he need it. we had snow down here the first two day of April but today its warm again. I have not been out to work yet hope I get out this coming week. how is Gifford coming along with the garden is it all planted now. I will write again the first of the week. Best regards to you and Gifford.

Elmer Farmer

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer  
Postmarked Chicago, Illinois, April 4, 1936.

Thursday Evening

Dearest Elmer:

I received your nice letter Tuesday and would have answered it immediately but I have been sick with a cold and just did not have the "pep" to write. I am sorry I did not write immediately, because I was looking for a letter from. I always did receive one either Monday or Tuesday but now its any day. Don't you write on Sunday anymore? How are you getting along honey? Have you been outside working since you wrote to me last week? We had a big snowstorm here Wednesday and it has been quite cold ever since. I want to tell you about an "ad" I answered for a job in a Hotel. I received a reply and they requested me to come over for an interview yesterday, so last night, I went over to see the manager. It was over on the north side and a very "swisky" place. I could have the job and it was a good one as Assistant Manager in this apartment hotel if I would work for sixty days for just my room and board and not anything on Sundays. I suppose I could postpone my meals over the week-end. Of course, there was no guarantee that after the sixty days were up I would keep the position so from the way it looked to me they would get someone to do a lot of work for nothing and then let you go and get someone else. That really is a good way to have a lot of work done for nothing. So I guess I will just keep looking for a job. May is a lot better and is getting along nicely now. I am surprised that You did not receive my card on your birthday, gee honey, I would not forget you on that day. I did not see Virginia anymore so did not find out anymore about Jack writing to you. I am going over to see Martha tonight, she is not working. Less has been layed off again so she is not having such a grand time getting along. How are those people getting along and have you heard anymore news to tell me about that higher court business? Be sure and tell me of any new developments, you know how anxious I am to know all about it. I guess this is about all for this time as I am having a hard time writing as Albert has the radio on so loud it is annoying so will close until Sunday when I will write again to you dearest, so hoping you are well and getting along nicely, with lots of love

Helen Conliff  
4143 West End Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer

Sunday, April 4, 1936

Dear Elmer,

I received your letter Thursday, was glad to hear from you and that you are feeling alright. I hope you will soon be given some work. I have'nt as yet heard from Reed, I asked him to see Mr. Bates for you and I think that will accomplish more than my writing to Bates.

We are having some cold weather here, its been snowing all day, we were going to the graves to-day but couldn't do so on account of the bad weather. Gifford couldn't work in the garden today but he's getting it ready for planting and this ought to be a good summer for gardens. Its now 8 in the evening, I'll mail this in the morning.

Good nite - and love from both of us.

Blanche Brabant  
275 Geneva Ave  
Elmhurst, Ill.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer  
Postmarked Chicago, Illinois, April 8, 1936

Tuesday afternoon

Dearest Elmer,

Sorry I did not write the promised letter to you Sunday, but I have had such a bad cold and have felt so sick just did not feel like it. How are you getting along honey? Have they put you to work yet? I was wondering if you had read in the Chicago papers about Ruth Norman from Bensenville getting killed? If you did not, I will tell you about it. Last Friday Ruth and her sister Clara who is married to that Floyd Hoover, a fireman on the Illinois Division, went downtown Easter shopping. While crossing the street at State and Adams streets, a woman who had stopped for the lights became excited and stepped on the gas and ran right into Clara and Ruth, she dragged them about 100 feet and she also hit some man in the crowd too. Both of Ruth's legs were broken, also her neck and all of the fingers on her right hand. She died about a half hour later and Clara is at St Luke's Hospital badly hurt with a skull fracture and a broken leg and several minor injuries. Les took Martha and I out there to see Ruth last night at Geil's. She is being buried this afternoon and Clara is very low. I wonder what they will do to that woman driver? Bensenville is just the same. You know honey, Bart's brother-in-law and Jess' sister are living in our house on Addison Street. Well anyway, he works on the railroad. I think he is a yard clerk at Mannheim, so he was down in the basement fixing the fire and someone shot at him from the vacant lot and he was shot through the side. He is in the Hospital and everyone says that whoever it was that done it thought it was you or Jim. That's the story all over town. What do you think? Everyone who reads the papers should know you are away. You never will guess what else I am going to tell you. Walter Darr and Rose Grobe are engaged to be married. Surprised? I certainly was though they are just about the right types for each other. Honey, did I ever tell you that Danny Carroll got hurt on the railroad? Well anyway, he got \$7000.00 and now he and his wife have a real nice hotel and restaurant. I think it is in Mt. Carroll. I bet he is a good business man, dont you? Well ol' dear, this letter is really newsy this time isnt it? See honey I have been saving it all up for you. I am not working as yet, though I really have been trying and trying to get a job. Irene was quite lucky Sunday night, she went out to Shams, that dance hall in Arlington Heights on Higgins road and her number was called out and she won \$30.00. I certainly can assure you she was real glad and so were we as it came in handy for her to get some clothes for Easter. This time last year I was planning on going to St. Paul. Do you remember last Easter what a nasty day it was in St. Paul and I came to see you and then stood outside in all of the rain looking at you in the window from the street? Certainly wish I could see you this Easter., but I guess not. How is Harold and all of the rest getting along? Well honey, I guess this is just about all for this time and so hoping you are getting along nicely will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff

4143 West End Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

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Have not heard from Ann nor Charlotte as yet but just as soon as I do will let you know. May is better and says "hello" and Scotty is still in good standing.



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

Leavenworth, Kansas, March 29, 1936.

Dear Blanche

I received your letter last Sunday night and was glad to hear from you. I sent you a letter the same after noon. I am writing this letter Sunday but will not send it until Monday morning if I did that last Sunday I could of told you I received your letter. I am feeling all right now but would like to get out in the air soon its been some time since I have been out to work now and the weather has been real nice down here. You should hear from Bates soon and he may tell you what they are going to do with me any way he will tell you if I am to be transfered. Kenny was in to see Chub and asked about me that nice, I suppose he could get in to see me all right if he comes down, he was always nice to me and I would be glad to see him. se Chub is saving up for the license now. I suppose as soon as he gets that it will be the same as before. how is Giffords garden coming along now I see in the paper you are having nice weather up there. this is about all for this week so hope I have good news next.

Elmer Farmer

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Letter from Elmer Farmer #47103 to Blanche Brabant.

Leavenworth, Kansas, April 10, 1936.

Dear Blanche

I received your letter last night so thought I would drop you a line this morning before breakfast. you should hear from Reed soon now if he is going to answer your letter. so far I am not working but feeling alright. the weather is not so good down here now and it looks like it will rain or snow today; its been like that most all week. that was to bad about the two Norman girl from Bensenville. I see in the paper one of them was killed and the other one is hurt pretty bad. so Gifford is getting the garden ready to plant, I suppose it is a little early to plant now but it should be warm the last part of this month. I wrote you a letter last friday so I suppose you received that by now. How is Chub getting along now. I dont suppose there is much doing in his line of business now. When the weather gets warm he should have good business then. this is not much of a letter but I am going to breakfast now so want to mail this on the way. Best regards to you and Gifford.

Elmer Farmer

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Letter received from Blanche Brabant for Elmer Farmer, #47103.  
Postmarked: Elmhurst, Ill., April 13, 1936.

April 12, 1936.

Dear Elmer

Today is Easter and its a lovely day, we were out on the porch this afternoon and enjoyed the nice weather.

I received your letter Thursday, and I also received a letter from Reed's secretary, she said Reed was out of town, but to feel assured he would be very glad to do everything possible to assist you, when he returns here, we will try and see him, but as yet he is not here. I wouldn't worry about being transferred, unless some one of authority tells you that you are to be transferred, otherwise pay no attention to what you are told, as they cannot know anything about it. I hope they will soon give you some steady work, the time will pass much quicker when you are occupied.

There's not much news from here, things are going along about the same. Chub was over twice last week, as I was out one day he called. I think he'll be over tomorrow.

It's too wet to get into the garden, Gifford intended to plant carrots today but couldn't do so, its so muddy. It would be nice if you could work on the farm there. I told Reed you would prefer outside work, as it's healthier work for you.

I'll go out now and mail this letter and will look for your letter next week.

Love from both of us,

Blanche Brabant  
275 Geneva Ave  
Elmhurst, Ill.

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

Leavenworth, Kansas, April 11, 1936.

Dear Helen:

I received your letter and two Easter cards this week one card from Irene they were both very nice also a real newsy letter from you, about what happened in our old house I am sure had nothing to do with me or Jim. that was good of Irene winning the thirty dollars prize at the dance I suppose she got all dressed up for easter with it. yes I did see that in the papers about normans it sure was to bad. I think I told you about it in my last letter. so you didnt see Chub or any of the others fellows when you were out to Bensenville I hear from him each week also some of the fellows send there regards to me through Blanche Chub tell her and she tells me about it when she writes. I remember last easter in St Paul it was raining you were there to see me Harolds mother was up there also. so Rose Grohe and Walter Darr are going to get married they sure are a good pair. thats the first I heard about danny Carroll being hurt it must of been a good case against the company for him to get seven thousand dollars as they dont pay any thing they can get out of paying he sure must be a fine buisness man alright. I have been in the town of Mt. Carroll and its a nice place so if he has a hotel and restaurant there it must be quite a nice place. It seems as hard for you to find work out side as it is for me to find work in here. I have not been out side for some time now and it sure is warm in here in the summer time and then be locked up in here all the time makes it that much hotter. I dont feel any to good latley and if they keep me locked up all summer I dont see how I will stand it. my lungs are not very strong and they are beging to hurt me now I have been in side to much with out any fresh air or sunshine. so may is up and feeling alright again thats fine and scotty is still in good standing. How about Albert did he get that job with the CCC yet. How is old Jim Duffy is he still in Bensenville. and what about J. P. Lynch is he still in buisness out there. I suppose Henry is with Chub and who tends bar for him now he cant do it all him self. Best wishes to you and May.

Elmer Farmer

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103  
Postmarked Chicago, Ill April 14, 1936.

Tuesday afternoon

Dearest Elmer:

Just received your letter and I am sorry that you are not well. How can they treat you that way? Its terrible but conditions perhaps will change for you if things turn out the way I think they will.

Today is Election day here in Chicago. Lots of excitement and all that. Did I tell you Sam's brother is running for Ward Committeeman in this Ward? You know he lives on Homan Ave. Martha and Les are going to drive me out to Bensenville to see Kolze to get a license for Scottie, it costs so much here in Chicago and he told me he would give me one so I might as well get it. I went to the Mabro last night with Sue. You know every Monday night they have a drawing and they call out one name and if you are not there then it is added to the money the following week, it went on like that until finally it got up to \$1,950, so I thought I might be lucky and win it. gosh honey, I had it all spent in my head and I certainly would have made a trip down to see you.

You know Patsy was going to make a trip down there this spring to see someone and so I am going to get in touch with him and if he will take me along I am going with him just so I can see you.

I dreamt about you last night. I feel so sorry you are sick and I feel so helpless to help you. I can do so little for you now. I was surprised about Danny Carroll too and thought that was a lot of money for him to get from the railroad. I wonder if he was crippled or something? I will try and find out for you. You know George Blank had a little boy. 15 months old and it died last week. Martha was telling me. I feel sorry as he was so proud of him. I answered an ad in the paper for a salesgirl in a cotton frock shop and I am supposed to hear from them this week. It is kind of tough trying to get a job and go along here. You know honey, I have a good record at Fields and I was so certain I would be kept on steady, anyway I was disappointed. However, I felt courageous yesterday so I sat down and wrote the Supt a letter. He hired me and encouraged me a whole lot so I just told him how everything was for me and explained my circumstances and asked him to put me on steady. He can't no more than ignore it and I doubt very much that he would do that to me, so may be I will hear from him. If I dont, no one but you and I will know about it so "no hits no runs, no errors". Did I tell you Irene quit school? She did and wants to go to work gee honey, jobs are so scarce and she knows the way I have been looking for a job, but she thinks she is so smart. She wants to get a job taking care of a baby which she will be able to do but the salary is so small. You know there was an ad in the paper for a girl to help with light housework and to work in a drug store, that was fine for me so I called and they wanted me to work from 8 in the morning until 6 at night doing housework and from 6 to 12 at night in the drug store and for the large sum

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of \$3. per week, can you imagine that?

Well honey, this letter is not so newsy bit I wrote to you Sunday so did not have much to tell you. I am glad you liked my card and that you received it for Easter. I hope you are feeling better by the time you receive this letter and dearest why dont you ask for some medical attention? Oh yes, about that incident at out house, that man had had some trouble with someone on the railroad in fact with different ones, so perhaps someone he had trouble with, did it. Irene thought it was meant for us but I wanted to tell you the "hoosey" they spread around. Hoping you are feeling O.K. and write as soon as you can will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff  
4143 West End Ave.  
Chicago, Ill.



Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103 Postmarked: Chicago, Ill., April 13, 1936.

Easter Sunday.

Dearest Elmer:

I was sitting thinking of you and so thought I would write to you. Did you receive my card? I hope so. I sent it in time for you to receive it today. I was lucky enough to get some work at Fields this week, that is I worked Thursday, Friday and Saturday and was glad, as I needed the money for a few things.

I was a grand day today, so warm and nice which is somewhat unusual on Easter. I received a letter from Ann on the same day your last one arrived. She asked about you and said to say "hello" but she did not tell me anything about Montis, so when I answer her letter I will ask her again and will let you know. I am glad Blanche is trying to help you. I wish I could but I cannot. If she would be a little nicer to me I would call her and ask her what progress she had made but I am afraid she would not give me any information, so I will have to rely on you.

I did not hear anything more about Clara Hoover from Martha nor anyone from Bensenville, but I did have lunch with the head sponsor of the personnel department at Fields the other day and the fellow she goes with is a doctor at St. Luke's Hospital and she said that she was not getting along very good.

Irene is all dressed up for Easter, looks quite nice too. I am going over to Martha's later on, I get so fed up staying here with May, you know honey, she was an old crab before Nick died and she was well then, but now - - - - Well you can imagine what she is like now, so I try to leave her alone. I guess I am a lot different from the girl I was in Bensenville. Well honey, that's the way it goes, but I certainly hope that things turn out O. K. for you and then we can go along again. Scottie is still in good standing. I guess I will have to get him a license here and it costs \$3.50 for him, that's enough isn't it? Well, ol' dearest, I hope you are getting along O. K. and working, so I will close for this time, so until I hear from you will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff  
4143 West End Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Leavenworth, Kansas, April 14, 1936.

Dear Blanche

Received your letter today and was glad to hear from you, also to know you hear from Reed Secretary he should be back there soon in Washington. I know it wont do me any good to worry about being transferred but I would like to stay here if I could and was given some kind of work. I know thay dont put anyone to work on the farm that has much time to do so I dont think thay would let me out there to work but there is lots of jobs in here that you are out side all day on and I sure could do any of them. Chub is getting real good now to be ever twice in one week so you had nice weather for Eatsers there, we also had a nice day down here and it still is nice here. I am feeling fine agin have been eating fruit these last two weeks Oranges and apples is all we can buy in the store here but I have them every day. I read most of the day and listen to the radio at night as the weeks pass by fast to me. I am here ten months today. Best wishes to you and Gifford

Elmer Farmer

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer.

Friday Afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:

I thought I would scribble you a few lines so here goes. Not much news to tell you about but I did want to write to you anyway. How are you feeling? I hope you are better. I wish they would allow you outdoors in the yard for a little while every day. I am sure you would feel better if they would. So far have not heard from any of the people I wrote to in regard to all of the "Ada". I was out to Marys last night and so tonight I am going to a house party with her and Rose. It has been a long time since I played bunco. I can imagine honey how depressed you must feel without a job down there. I hate to be around without a job though there is a lot of work around here to do but I think if you are working you feel so much better dont you? Has anyone wrote to you outside of Blanche and me? I was wondering everyone says they will but then I guess they forget and dont do it. Patsy called me like other day and told me that fellow from Glen Ellyn was home. He also was telling me he was trying to get your old place in Bensenville on the corner but he cannot get a license out there. Its too bad. they dont give him or someone else one it would be a good place for someone to start a tavern. I was looking for a letter from Ann today and I thought she might give me some news for you. The mailman has not been around this afternoon so far so I will wait until he does come around and perhaps I will have some news for you. No mail from anyone. Well honey I guess this is just about all for this time, but I will write to you Sunday and tell you all about the bunco party tonight. I really and truly hope you are feeling a lot better and dearest write to me just as soon as you can, so until I hear from you will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff  
4143 West End Ave  
Chicago Illinois

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff

Leavenworth, Kansas  
April 19, 1936

Dear Helen

I received your two letters this week and was glad to hear from you. so you finely got a few days work thats good hope they put you on steady soon. I see my name in the paper today also a picture of Barts house and they have him in St Paul for the Hamm kidnaping thats all news to me I sure dont know anything about it. I had a cold the last week but feel much better today. the weather is very nice down here now I suppose its about the same in Chicago I dont know just what is being done for me I know they heard from Reed and Harrys niece but if they can help me any I dont know. I suppose they will tell me about it later on and will let you know about it. the drawing at the Mabro didnt mean a thing to you Tuesday night you should take Irene there she is lucky and might win the bank. that was some election in Chicago last week I hope the next one is better and the republicans win it that would be better for every one so you heard from Ann but nothing about Monte I suppose he will be the witness agins those people in the case cumming up now by the looks of the paper they will heve me back up there for trial with them also but thats something I dont know anything about and I cant see how they can put me in it as Bart and George were friends long before I ever knew eather one of them. I see Harold in the diningroom and he looks fine he is not working in the shoe factory any more but is in the tailor shop now. he was getting paid in the shoe shop also five days each month off for good time but in the tailor shop he dont get nothing. I suppose he didnt like the work and asked to be transferred. these other people in with me didnt here anything about there case yet but said it would come up some time next month but I dont think it will help them any things must be picking up around Bensenville Chub said he was doing fine business end the Restraunt was also doing good. how is Bezo getting along. I dont suppose there is much play out there any more that town is sure on the map now its a shame about bart I dont think its so.

Elmer Farmer

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Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer

April 19, 1936

Dear Elmer,

I received your letter Wednesday and would have written sooner, but we were trying to see Reed, he is here now. We called him on the phone several times but there is no answer he and Kenny won the nomination.

We have been getting some cold weather here but today is warmer. So Gifford is planting part of the garden. Things are going along here about the same. Chub was over, he looks fine and is doing nicely. I hope you will get work now outside and we will come and visit you.

Love from both of us

Blanche Brabant  
275 Geneva Ave  
Elmhurst Ill.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer:

Sunday Afternoon.

Dearest Elmer:

Well ol dear here is your Sunday letter I promised you. It is a grand day nice and warm. I hope you have been able to get out in the yard since you last letter to me. Nell I went to the bunco party and did not win anything. It was nice though. I met a lot of the girls I know there. Irene went with me and she won a toilet set she is lucky isnt she? I stopped in to see Virginia the other night she is fine but said Jack is bothered with sciatica rheumatism like he was that time he had to take all of those baths at Elgin remember? How are you feeling dear? I hope you are better and that your lungs are not bothering you. Well honey there is not so very much news to tell you about. I think I will wait until I hear from you however if there is anything you want me to do let me know when you write so do write as soon as you can you know I will be anxiously waiting to hear from you so until I do will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff  
4143 West End Ave  
Chicago Ill

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, #47103 Postmarked: Chicago, Ill.,  
April 21, 1936.

Tuesday afternoon

Dearest Elmer.

Just received your letter which I was looking forward to receiving as I was wondering if you were up in St. Paul or not. Oh yes, a lot of publicity again and honey, I am certain they are all wrong about you this time. My letter to you Sunday was rather short but I did not know whether you would receive it or not. Sullivan was going to court today and have you, Bart, Barker, Karpis, Fitzgerald and Peifer indicted and oh yes, that dizzy Monte who is still up in St. Paul by the way. There was a news flash over the radio which said that Bart was going to be a government witness. Jess, Bart's wife called Martha and told her to have me call her but I thought I would wait a while. After all, what for? Of course, if you go up to St. Paul again, I would be glad if I could get a ride up there to see you and Mary Jane and her husband have a car. Well, honey, what do you think will be done? I hope Elmer, in all sincerity you are being truthful with me. When you say you know nothing about this new case. If you do know anything about it, try and help the Govt. the same as Bart and Montie are doing and perhaps you will be given some consideration. What about a lawyer? You will need one, I imagine. Why don't you let the Court appoint one? Well, dearest it is a mess again, but I know you had nothing to do with this affair. Well, have not had any calls from Fields since the last time, I told you about it, and I have answered so many "ads" I really have felt kind of down, but here's hoping I go to work soon, and with you hoping with me I should. Irene is lucky isn't she? If I would have won it, it certainly would have come in handy now. Julius Frey from Bensenville spoke very well of you to the reporters and also Mrs. Blanck, it was in the Sunday Herald & Examiner. I am so very glad you are feeling better. I did feel so sorry for you when you told me you were sick. Honey, have you had any work yet? Are you still kept in a cell all alone all day? You know, I want to tell you something, perhaps you will be angry but I hope not Elmer. You told me to sell your clothes in all of your letters, so I did need money so badly (you really do not know the half of it) I did and all I got was \$13.00. I have some of your shirts left tho and you can have them if you have to go to St. Paul. I will send them to you and some of your socks and a few things that I have left. I really and truly am sorry and hope you will not be angry with me and I never would have sold them if it was not so necessary, but don't worry I will get you some things. Scottie is the Father of four of the nicest little black puppies you ever did see, so fat and cute. He is quite a man about town isn't he? I am glad Reed wrote, he never did answer any of my letters. I wonder why? May be Keiney interested. He one hopes something can be done for you anymore than I do. I still have the same ideas about you I always have had. Bozo is going along or was but I do not know about now. Well, honey, I guess this is about all but I will write to you in a day or so, so meanwhile I hope you are O.K. and keep your chin up. With lots of Love.

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Helen Conliff

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Excuse paper but only thing I had and I am in a rush

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

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May 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the Bureau dated April 28, 1936, addressed to the Aberdeen Office, a copy of which was furnished to all offices. Attached to this letter was a letter from your office to the Director, dated April 17, 1936, in which was set forth information that an informant had stated that he saw several sheets of money in Sam Coker's hotel room and that this money appeared to be of the denomination of \$20.00 bills. In the letter from the Bureau, it was requested that the files of all unsolved bank robbery cases now under investigation be checked to determine if any new or unmet currency constituted a part of the loot.

This office wishes to advise that a check has been made of the bank robbery cases under investigation in this office, and there is no information of any new or unmet currency constituting a part of the loot taken in these bank robberies.

Very truly yours,

E. W. Smith,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 8, 1936.

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Time - 5:05 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Chicago and read to him the following telegram received by the Bureau from SAC Fletcher at the Little Rock Office: "An Associated Press dispatch is being released here this afternoon originating from Hot Springs, Arkansas, stating Grace Goldstein returned to Hot Springs, and when questioned concerning her disappearance stated she had been held by Government Agents while the Karpis gang was being wounded up. The dispatch further quotes Grace stating that Agents took her to St. Paul and so many places she could not remember, and that she was brought back and released close by, and the Government men seemed to think they could capture the Karpis gang better if she was out of the way. The above information was obtained from the Associated Press here who called for verification \* \* \*."

I told Mr. Connelley I had talked with you about this telegram, and it was your idea possibly Mr. Connelley would want to proceed at once to Little Rock or Hot Springs and see if this matter can't be hushed up before it gets any further, and the actual facts of the matter revealed. He said that he certainly would like to talk to this woman, not only about this, but about some machine guns, and also to talk to her about some money "for services rendered". He said that he would proceed at once to Little Rock and make arrangements to meet her at some out-of-the-way place and see what she has to say about this situation. He said that they have not given her anything as yet, and they want to give her some money, not as a reward, but for services rendered in connection with this case.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Post Office Box 1870  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
May 6, 1936

RE: J  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to our telephonic conversation during the evening of May 5, 1936 concerning certain alleged latent fingerprints obtained by Herbert "Dutch" Akers, Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs Police Department, in a cabinet at Hot Springs, occupied by an informant in this case, you are advised that Agent F. S. Smith informs me that Akers told him that he obtained certain latent fingerprints from drinking glasses in a cabinet on or about April 28, 1936; that these prints were photographed and photographic reproductions thereof were furnished Agent Smith by Akers. Mr. Smith stated that he was not present when these prints were made and he, therefore, does not know whether Akers sent copies of them to the Bureau, but that Akers told him that he did not. These latent fingerprints are now in my possession. The substance hereof was furnished to you in our telephonic conversation of May 5th.

You are advised that on May 4, 1936 Agent F. S. Smith received a telegram by Western Union, sent at 9:00 A.M. on the same date, as follows:

"BELIEVE I HAVE LOCATED LOCK BOX OF PARTIES YOU WERE  
LOOKING FOR HERE MIGHT BEAR AN INVESTIGATION  
HERBERT AKERS"

You were advised of the receipt by Agent Smith of this telegram on May 5, 1936 by long distance telephone.

Agent Smith, who is now ill, informed me that Akers apparently refers to Karpis and associates in the body of the telegram when mentioning "parties you were looking for".

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Very truly yours,

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Cincinnati, Cleveland,  
Chicago, St. Paul.

Special Agent in Charge.

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OR OCEAN PARKWAY BROOKLYN N.Y. UNKNOWN VICINITY

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