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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
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May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: BREKID

Alvin Karpis was arrested at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936 and was promptly removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, arriving there on the morning of May 2, 1936. On May 6, 1936 he was delivered to the custody of the United States Marshal at the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, where is now being held in default of a \$500,000 bond, which was named in both the Hamm and Bremer cases. It is anticipated that the trial of Alvin Karpis in the Hamm case will be on or about the first of November, 1936. Alvin Karpis has made few admissions but among those which he has made is his admission of complicity on his part in both the Bremer and Hamm cases.

As you will recall Fred Hunter was arrested with Alvin Karpis in New Orleans. He has been interviewed and while he denies having participated in the Garrettsville mail robbery, he has stated that he knows considerably concerning this matter. He has furnished in detail information regarding his flight from Post Office Inspectors to the writer and it is anticipated that this information can be used against him in the event he is prosecuted for the Garrettsville mail robbery. A complaint was filed against Hunter at New Orleans on May 4, 1936. He was arraigned on May 6, 1936, at which time he waived hearing. Bond was set in the amount of \$200,000. The Post Office Inspectors have been advised that he is available for interview but they have not questioned him to date.

Connie Morris, the paramour of Fred Hunter, who was likewise taken into custody simultaneously with Fred Hunter was released by the New Orleans office. Early on the morning of May 6, 1936 she was taken to Baton Rouge, Louisiana by Agents and was placed on a train at that point where she was to proceed to her sister's home in San Antonio, Texas. Prior to her being released I definitely advised her that the only reason she was being released was to the end that she might assist this Bureau in apprehending Harry Campbell. She was advised that she should communicate with no newspaper representatives and that if they did locate her she was to furnish no information. She promised to abide by these suggestions. Prior to her release she was furnished with \$150.00 by Fred Hunter. Consequently the Bureau was

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at no expense concerning this woman.

Harry Campbell was arrested at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936. He was immediately removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, arriving there on the same date. His wife, having no knowledge of this fugitive's character, has now been released by the Cleveland office.

Sam Coker, who was arrested simultaneously with Campbell, has assumed the "I don't know" attitude. Coker was paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary during September, 1935, where he had been incarcerated on the charge of bank robbery. His parole was revoked by Oklahoma authorities on February 27, 1936. Accordingly, no prosecution on a harboring charge is being entered against him but he has been returned to the Oklahoma State authorities by reason of violation of his parole.

On May 8, 1936 Mr. Walter Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, telephonically advised me that he had received a communication from Bart A. Riley, counsel for Adams and Randall, informing that it was the intention of the defense to move for a continuance of this case when it came on to be heard on May 25, 1936. He stated that Mark Wilcox, a Congressman from Miami, Florida, will sit in on the defense of Randall and Adams and that in view of the fact that Congress will not have adjourned by May 25, 1936, they will move for a continuance. He also stated that Riley takes the position that in view of the fact the Government has already asked for two continuances, which have been granted, it will be no more than right now for the Court to grant the defense at least one continuance. Mr. Barlow stated that if a continuance is granted he will insist that the motions to suppress statements made by Adams and Riley be continued until it is definitely determined first who the Court will be who will sit on the trial of this case and that the motions should not be heard until this matter is brought on for trial. Thus the Bureau will be saved the expense of having Agents running back and forth to Miami, Florida on these motions.

On May 9, 1936 I again received a telephonic communication from Mr. Barlow, in which he advised that he had discussed with Mr. Holland, United States Attorney, Jacksonville, Florida and with Mr. Parrish and Mr. McMahon of the Criminal Division, the question as to whether the Government should contest the request for a continuance on the part of the defense. He stated that it was his opinion and also that of the above-mentioned gentlemen that the Government should not contest the motion for a continuance; that the Bureau's case would not in any way be injured by having it heard during September, 1936 rather than during May. Mr. Barlow further stated

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that Judge Ackerman, who it was anticipated would hear this case on May 25, 1936, does not enjoy trying a long case. He further informed that several months ago Judge Ackerman promised the United States Attorney at Miami, Florida that he would give only ten days of his time for a court session in Miami during April and May, 1936, and he definitely informed the said United States Attorney that it was his intention then to hear "jail cases". Mr. Barlow stated that without the knowledge of Judge Ackerman the United States Attorney put this case down for trial when Judge Ackerman should arrive at Miami. Mr. Barlow stated that this was probably very unwise on the part of the United States Attorney because undoubtedly Judge Ackerman would be highly provoked, since he had agreed to give only ten days of his time and those days would be devoted to "jail cases".

I told Mr. Barlow that the Bureau wants some definite understanding as to whether the motions to suppress are going to be heard during the period between May 18 and May 25, 1936, because Special Agent in Charge Hanson is in Jacksonville, Florida awaiting the hearings of these motions when his presence is imperative at his own office in Los Angeles, California. He stated that as soon as he receives a further reply from Bart A. Riley, he will advise me so that the Bureau can give prompt advice to Mr. Hanson.

I will follow this matter closely and keep you advised.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire
K. R. McIntire.

Post Office Box 512
Chicago Illinois

May 16, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

As a result of a mail cover placed on mail addressed to Mr. "Barney" Bertsche, 5908 Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, a tracing of a letter has been received at this office postmarked St. Paul, Minnesota, dated May 13, 1936, addressed to Mr. C. P. Bertsche at the above address with the return address of R. Newton, Cable, Wisconsin.

Bertsche is reported to be a person through whom William Elmer Lead communicates with friends and acquaintances located at Chicago.

It is suggested that appropriate investigation be made at Cable, Wisconsin to ascertain the identity of R. Newton in an effort to obtain further information concerning William Elmer Lead.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE NO. **7-30**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/18/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/14, 15/36	REPORT MADE BY: R. C. SURAN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232- Fugitive, ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">HARRY CAMPBELL removed from St. Paul, Minnesota, to U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, May 14, 1936, by Deputy U. S. Marshals. KARPIS states other members of gang purchased cars from Joe Bergl, Cicero, Illinois, but that he, KARPIS, purchased no cars from him as Bergl knew his true identity. Also states he was supposed to be in Toledo, Ohio, April 15th. Interview between KARPIS and Attorney Archie Carey covered confidentially without any information of value being obtained.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minnesota, May 15, 1936; report of Special Agent B. L. Darnon, Little Rock, Ark., April 19, 1936.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">On May 14, 1936, the United States Marshal's Office at St. Paul, Minnesota, advised Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein, that HARRY CAMPBELL would be removed on that date from the Ramsey County Jail in St. Paul to the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, by three Deputy U. S. Marshals. CAMPBELL was removed on this date to the Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, in accordance with the sentence which was passed upon CAMPBELL by Federal Judge M. M. Joyce on May 12, 1936.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Special Agent R. C. Suran on May 15, 1936, had occasion to interview ALVIN KARPIS at the Ramsey County Jail, and during the general conversation</p>			
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had at this time KARPIS was asked if he was acquainted with Joe Bergl of the Bergl Chevrolet Company, Cicero, Illinois. KARPIS advised that he was well acquainted with this individual; that Bergl sold automobiles to various members of the Barker-Karpis gang, and on one occasion Bergl sent word to KARPIS, wanting to know why KARPIS did not purchase cars from him also. KARPIS stated that he sent word back to Bergl to the effect that Bergl was a "Burglar" as Bergl would always charge \$100.00 or \$200.00 more for an automobile when selling a car to a member of the gang just because he knew the identities of the individuals to whom he sold the cars. KARPIS stated that he could go to a regular dealer who did not know his identity and purchase a car for less money, and he could not see why he should pay Bergl more money just because he knew his true identity. KARPIS refused to go into further detail about the identity of the persons to whom Bergl sold cars.

KARPIS on this date volunteered the information that he was supposed to meet HARRY CAMPBELL in Toledo, Ohio, on April 15, 1936, but that he did not meet CAMPBELL because he believed Toledo was getting too hot, and KARPIS is now of the opinion that the Bureau had previously located CAMPBELL and had him under surveillance awaiting his, KARPIS', arrival.

It will be recalled that [REDACTED] stated to Agents of the Bureau that KARPIS was supposed to be at his home on April 15, 1936. In this connection KARPIS stated that he was supposed to contact HARRY CAMPBELL through another individual whose name he refused to disclose. KARPIS further related that on one occasion he went to a certain place in Toledo, Ohio, with another unnamed individual, and when calling on a certain man who lived there, this latter individual refused to recognize him, Karpis, and Karpis did not at first understand why recognition was refused. KARPIS then stated that after a few moments he saw a young man in the room and then realized that this individual upon whom he had called was endeavoring to warn him to leave immediately. KARPIS stated that he believed the man in the room was either a Special Agent of the Bureau or a Post Office Inspector, although he believed the man was too young to be connected with the Postal service.

This undoubtedly is the incident referred to in the report of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas,

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April 19, 1936, wherein it is stated that [redacted] on one occasion proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, with ALVIN KARPIS and drove KARPIS to the intersection of 11th and Adams Sts., where KARPIS left the automobile and probably entered a building located at the intersection of these streets, and after apparently contacting a man by the name of "Joe", hurriedly left this building, and it was at this time that [redacted] drove the Terraplane Coupe to the McManning Marine Automobile Company in Toledo, Ohio. b7c

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Subject KARPIS on several occasions expressed a desire to confer with Attorney Archie Carey of Minneapolis, Minnesota, who is representing Subject JACK PERFER in the Hamm Kidnaping Case. KARPIS has stated that he did not desire to confer with Carey with the view of preparing a defense but that he desired to see Carey to have Carey attend to some "unfinished business" which he, Karpis, had not been able to attend to during the past two years around St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota.

KARPIS has stated to Special Agents R. C. Suran and also J. E. Brennan, that Carey would be compelled to do certain things for him, KARPIS, free of charge, inasmuch as he, KARPIS, "had Carey behind an 'eight ball'", and if Carey refused to do these things he would remind Carey that Carey had a client who would soon go to trial in connection with the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm. KARPIS of course refused to reveal the nature of the unfinished business that he desired Carey to take care of for him.

Special Agent S. E. McKee communicated with Attorney Carey and advised the latter that KARPIS desired to see him, and on May 15, 1936, Carey did call at the County Jail and hold a conference with KARPIS. Prior to Mr. Carey's appearance at the Jail confidential arrangements were made with Mr. Clewett, the jailor, Ramsey County Jail, to place a microphone near the place where the conference between Carey and KARPIS was to take place. Special Agent J. E. Brennan concealed himself in an adjoining cell tier during the conference between KARPIS and Carey. Carey began thumping on the table and it was difficult for Agent Brennan to overhear the exact nature of the conversation, but heard enough to learn that Carey refused to do the things which Karpis desired done, and told KARPIS that he, Carey, would secure another lawyer for him, and it was indicated that Attorney Thomas Newman would be asked

to call on KARPIS. Agent Suran was in the hallway during this conference, and observed Carey and KARPIS but was not close enough to overhear the conversation. However, when Carey left he advised Agent Suran that it would be necessary for KARPIS to get another lawyer.

Karpis subsequently advised Agent Suran that Carey did not believe it advisable for him to represent Karpis in even a civil action, inasmuch as the Government might accuse him of framing a defense for Subject Peifer. Karpis advised that Attorney Newman would be asked by Carey to carry out the wishes of KARPIS without charge.

Special Agent J. E. Brennan is acting as guard at the Ramsey County Jail over KARPIS during the day time and it is believed that valuable information will ultimately be obtained from KARPIS, as Karpis has maintained a friendly attitude, and from time to time has furnished information during general conversations.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

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REPORT MADE AT BOSTON, MASS.	DATE WHEN MADE 5-19-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5-4 to 11, 1936	REPORT MADE BY P. M. PLUNKETT.
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, w.a., - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, w.a., - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w.a., - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Subpoena served on Harry Heller, May 9, 1936. Heller subsequently advised not to respond, states he can be located any time until June 1st, through Al Greenstone his employer, at 1451 West 45th Street, New York. He expects to spend the summer with mother, at Vermont Apartments, Atlantic City, New Jersey.</p> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 100px;">- P. M. PLUNKETT</p> <p>REFERENCE: Telegrams from Jacksonville Office dated May 4 and May 9, 1936. Telegram from Trenton Office dated May 5, 1936.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p> Upon receipt of the first reference telegram from the Jacksonville Office the writer contacted Mr. Donald Simpson, former Special Agent, and presently Asst. Attorney General for the State of Massachusetts. Mr. Simpson advised that he would immediately contact the State Racing Commission and other sources, with a view to locating Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thomas. It was felt advisable to handle the situation in this way lest these parties proved to be unwilling witnesses, and possibly try to avoid service of a subpoena.</p> <p> On receipt of the second reference telegram from the Jacksonville Office, advising that Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thomas had been located in San Francisco, Mr. Simpson was advised that the parties had been located and he ceased his inquiries.</p>			
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It having been ascertained that Mr. Al Sheehan, Manager of the Colonial Theatre, 100 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass., is a reliable individual, he was contacted directly. He advised that Harry Heller is not employed by him but he is an employee of Al Greenstone of New York City, who holds a concession for selling operettas and song hits during the performance of plays at his theatre. He further advised that Harry Heller was on duty at the beginning and end of each performance. Accordingly a wire was sent to the Jacksonville Office advising it of these facts, and suggesting that a subpoena for this individual be forwarded to Boston for service by Bureau Agents.

On May 7, 1936 a subpoena was received at this office with a letter from W. Sanders Gramling, and on May 9, 1936 the writer served the instant subpoena on Harry Heller at the Colonial Theatre. The duplicate of this subpoena, showing the return of this Agent thereon, is enclosed to Jacksonville Office.

On May 10, 1936 a wire was received from Mr. Gramling at Florida, advising this office to disregard the subpoena and advising the witness not to respond. This wire was confirmed on the same day by another wire from the Jacksonville Office.

In accordance with these instructions Harry Heller was contacted and advised to disregard the instant subpoena. He states that he expects to be working for Mr. Greenstone until about the first of June, and does not know any definite address for himself during that time. However, he states that Al Greenstone, at 1451 West 45th Street, New York City is always in communication with him and can promptly furnish his address. After the first of June Heller expects to be at the home of his mother, in the Vermont Apartments at Atlantic City, where he expects to spend the summer.

In view of the fact that this trial has been indefinitely postponed, no leads are being set out for other offices.

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May 16, 1936.

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

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's teletype of May 6, 1936 in connection with the above-entitled case, in which it was reported that several latent prints developed on articles found in a house near Finch Springs, Arkansas, were identified as those of Connie Morris, with aliases. You are advised that a total of twelve latent fingerprints which appear on these specimens have been determined to be those of this individual.

Your attention is invited to the fact that latent palm prints have been developed from time to time on articles submitted in connection with this case and the proper offices of the Bureau advised accordingly.

It is requested that the palm prints of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, Connie Morris, and any other suspects in this case be submitted to the Bureau, if available.

Very truly yours,

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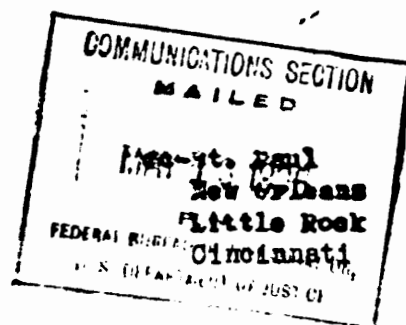
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
May 15, 1936.

Time - 4:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Press interview on Karpis
apprehension and Post Office
Inspectors.

During a telephone conversation with Mr. Suydam he inquired about what I had said at the press conference last week with reference to the Post Office Inspectors. I replied that my statement on this occasion concluded with the remarks that the Bureau had received no aid from the Post Office and that I did not feel I should criticize any other governmental agency. I stated that the press insisted on further facts and that I then told them I would make no further statement for publication but that off the record the Bureau did have difficulty with the Post Office Inspectors who obstructed the Bureau in some instances. I stated that this confidence was preserved by all those present except Friedheim of International News Service who printed a story in the Washington Times containing not only what I had stated off the record but other statements alleged to have been made by me. I stated this created resentment on the part of the other correspondents who considered that they had been "scooped" and wished permission to publish all I had said, this request being refused by me.

I stated that Colonel Gates was present at the conference and would confirm my statements and that I had told Colonel Gates that Friedheim couldn't attend another press conference of mine.

Mr. Suydam stated he inquired because of a telephone call from Mr. Collins who had called in connection with House Resolution No. 508 and wished to know if any mimeographed statements had been given out at the press conference; that he, Mr. Suydam had stated that no such statements had been given out. I stated the Post Office has been giving out statements but that I felt the matter should be settled between the two Departments and not publicly discussed.

J. E. H.

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Time: 10:50 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: STOLLNAP

At this time I called Mr. Dewey at Louisville concerning the announcement by the Nashville Banner that it will publish an exclusive interview had by Freddie Russell with Robinson. I asked Mr. Dewey whether or not any newspaper man had interviewed Robinson in his cell or while he was in Louisville. Mr. Dewey advised that he had been approached about this matter earlier in the day by a newspaper that was considering an offer to buy the story and that he had stated that the whole thing was a complete fake.

Mr. Dewey advised that as Robinson was being taken from the courtroom, after his sentence, a newspaper man had run up to Robinson and asked him if he had anything to say. Robinson replied that he had plenty to say, but at that point Mr. Connelley pushed the reporter away and took the subject on into the marshal's office. Mr. Dewey advised that he understood from his Agents who remained with Mr. Connelley, that a young man was in the marshal's office along with Robinson's father; that one of the attorneys, a Mr. Huggins, had advised Mr. Connelley that the young man was not a member of the family, whereupon Mr. Connelley took the young man into another room and questioned him. Mr. Dewey stated that the most this fellow could have said to Robinson would have been, "Hello".

Mr. Dewey stated that this fellow is the Freddie Russell who wrote the story of the interview, but that he had obtained his information from Robinson's father. He advised that Russell had brought the father down from Nashville for the purpose of obtaining an exclusive interview with Robinson; that the father had talked with Robinson about ten minutes before he went in to plead guilty and about ten minutes afterwards Mr. Dewey stated that the only people present were Robinson's mother, the attorney, Mr. Huggins, and Special Agents of the Bureau. He advised that the so called exclusive story was being peddled around; that a local newspaper had been offered the story for \$30.00.

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I instructed Mr. Dewey to send in a report by air mail giving all the details and any additional developments.

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Time: 11:20 P. M.

At this time I called Mr. Connelley at Cleveland concerning the exclusive story which the Nashville Banner claims to have on Robinson. Mr. Connelley stated that he knew all about the matter and that Freddie Russell who wrote the article, came with Robinson's father from Nashville as an attorney. Mr. Connelley stated that Russell is a reporter as well as an attorney, and that after Robinson returned to the marshal's office, Russell went up to him and said, "Hello, how are you." Mr. Connelley advised that a reporter from one of the other Nashville papers told him that Russell was also a reporter, and that he had immediately grabbed Russell and taken him into another room for questioning. He stated that Russell was asked why he hadn't presented his credentials as an attorney to the Judge; that Russell became very embarrassed and immediately left, saying that he would apologize to the other reporters for trying to pull a scoop on them.

Mr. Connelley also stated that the reporter who approached Robinson as he was being taken from the courtroom, was not Russell but someone from another paper. He advised that there was not a possibility of any other interview after Russell left because Robinson was immediately taken from the office and placed on a train.

I advised Mr. Connelley that I had talked with Mr. Listerman about the lawyer situation. I stated that we would have to avoid asking any special favors because of the attitude maintained by the Bureau of Prisons; that McKay should just simply go in and interview the fellow under the regular rules and regulations, and that if we find he is willing to talk, arrangements would be made to have him returned to St. Paul. I stated that this would give us about thirty-six hours on the train with the fellow and that we could keep him in St. Paul as long as necessary; that we would take him under a writ of habeas corpus to testify before the grand jury and that it would be up to the United States Attorney as to whether or not they used him.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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

Dear Sirs :-

Please rush to me the fingerprints of Alvin Karpis, the
current Public Enemy No. 1 of the United States.

This may enable me to give you some aid in your present
search, which, we hope, will end as successfully as
the others.

I do not harbor any hope to put my hands on little Alvin
but with the close assistance of my respected friend,
E. Laflamme of the Montreal Police Identification Bureau,
I might be able to unearth some information that will help
you.

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Best wishes and congrats, in advance for the Karpis capture.

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Yours very truly,

A. W. Osburn

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Mr. A. W. O'Brien,
Editorial Department,
The Standard,
The Montreal Standard Publishing
Company, Ltd.,
Post Office Box 2700,
Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I am in appreciative receipt of your letter of April 24, 1936 and in keeping with your request contained therein, I am forwarding to you herewith an Identification Order on Alvin Karpis, issued by this Bureau, which contains not only his fingerprints, but also a front and profile photograph of this individual.

Undoubtedly you are already informed that Alvin Karpis was apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936, while Harry Campbell was apprehended by Special Agents at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc-Buffalo

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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I have prepared the attached letter to the Chief of Police at Toledo, Ohio, in response to his letter of May 7th. I have gone over the memorandum prepared by Mr. McIntire concerning our information relative to conditions at Toledo. I have also read the memorandum by Special Agent Hirsh of the Cleveland Office, sent in by Mr. MacFarland, and the newspaper clippings. I am very strongly of the opinion that it would be highly inadvisable to furnish our Toledo information to the Toledo police or to refer to it in any manner at this time. This information is mainly based upon data given us by our confidential informants, including Edna Murray, including a prostitute in the house of Edith Barry, including police officers in the City of Toledo, past and present, who specifically requested that their names be not used in any manner, and from similar sources. There would appear to be nothing to be gained by entering into any controversy based upon this information at the present time.

I believe the letter prepared states the facts, i.e., that the method of conducting the raid which resulted in the capture of Harry Campbell was not intended to reflect upon the Toledo police force (as a matter of fact it was not), and further that in the event you secure any information which you think should be in the possession of the Chief of Police at Toledo his attention will be called to it.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

May 10, 1936

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, Cleveland, Ohio, phoned the Detroit Bureau Office on May 9, 1936, and requested that he be furnished with the name of the informant mentioned in the memorandum of Special Agent W. E. Peters, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 30, 1934. Mr. MacFarland also requested that the Detroit Bureau Office secure any other information relative to irregularities in connection with the police departments at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.

On May 10, 1936, Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland was telephonically advised that the Confidential informant referred to in the memorandum of Special Agent W. E. Peters was a Mr. A. Guttentag, American Building Repair Company, 523 Union Building, Cleveland, Ohio. In accordance with the request of Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland the following is set out for your information:

"Cleveland, Ohio
Sept. 30, 1934

Re: BREKID MATTER
Detroit 7-25

Memorandum to File:

"On the morning of Sept. 29, 1934, Mr. A. Guttentag, American Building Repair Company, 523 Union Building, confidential informant, appeared at the Cleveland Office stating that he had been at the office several times on the afternoon of Thursday, Sept. 27, but had been unable to find anyone in attendance. RECORDED & INDEXED

"In connection with the information about to be set forth as having been secured from this informant, it should be stated that at the time of her arrest at Cleveland, Ohio, on Sept. 5, 1934, Paula Harmon, as Ethel Matterson, stated that her husband Earl J. Matterson was employed

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as a dealer in a gambling joint located at 722 East Superior Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. This spot is operating under the police protection of the city and is well known to Inspector, Sweeney, Inspector Sweeney being in charge of gambling, rackets and the like. When this statement was made by her, Inspector Sweeney got in touch with the operator of this spot, had him in for interrogation at which time he denied having anyone in his employ by the name of Earl Matterson.

"When Paula Harmon returned from her sojourn in Chicago, I asked her why she happened to state that her husband worked at 722 Superior Ave. and she stated that she had no particular reason for making the statement other than that she knew that this place was frequented by the boys and because it was the first place she could think of.

"Now for the story of the informant. He stated that he was in the place at 722 Superior Ave. on the afternoon of Sept. 3, 1934, placing a few bets on the horses. While awaiting the results of the races, he noticed one of the men at the black-jack table losing very heavily. He also noticed that this man was not gambling with anything other than \$100 bills, and, as fast as he would lose the bills in front of him, he would reach into his wallet and bring forth another supply of \$100 bills. So fast was this individual losing his money that the informant recalls mentioning to a bystander that "even if he could manufacture \$100 bills, he wouldn't like to lose them that fast."

"On the following day, Sept. 4, 1934, informant again saw this individual walking down Euclid Ave. in Cleveland. He stated that he looked to be a polished gentleman, wore very good clothes, and informant believed him to be someone connected with a racetrack or other similar gambling racket.

"The three women were arrested Sept. 5, 1934 and on Sept. 7, 1934, there appeared in the Cleveland News photographs of Doc Barker, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis. Upon seeing these photographs, informant immediately identified the photograph of Doc Barker as that of the individual he had seen losing so heavily. He went to the Cleveland police with his information but was advised that they didn't want to be bothered with it. He was 'pushed around' from one police officer to another until he finally adopted a 'to hell with it' attitude, and left the police station.

"On the afternoon of Sept. 27, 1934, he was again in the 722 Superior address at which time he again saw this individual identified as Doc Barker at the black-jack table but this time instead of playing \$100 bills, he was playing 25¢ pieces. Standing immediately behind Doc Barker was a man identified by informant as being Fred Barker. Informant states that, aside from the fact that both men are dark complexioned they do not appear to be brothers. He stated that Fred looks younger,

shorter and slightly heavier than does Doc. They remained at the gaming table throughout the afternoon during which time informant left the building several times and tried to reach agent without success. On the night of Sept. 27, 1934, the Cleveland News carried a photo of Paula Harmon and a story to the effect that 64 Federal agents had been thrown into Cleveland as information had been received that the Barker-Karpis gang were still in the city. Informant did not see the men in the joint on Friday, the 28th.

"With reference to this spot, it is known as 'The Business Men's Whist Club,' and is located on the second floor of a three story building, the first floor being vacant, and the third floor being occupied by the Argonne Athletic Club. Informant supplied agent with two cards, either one of which will be a sufficient passport to gain admittance. He will also secure for me some old record slips of bets so that anyone going in can establish with these slips the fact that he is an old customer. Informant states that he has been present when the police raided the joint and that on these occasions, a telephone call is generally received about an hour in advance and the proprietors then place all of the money in a safe place and continue operations on a small scale. It seems that when this procedure has not been followed in the past, the police confiscate all of the money which is lost track of between the joint and the police station, and the proprietors have become slightly angry at the treatment received from the police. Upon the arrival of the police at the joint, it generally takes about half an hour before the police and the proprietors can decide whose turn it is to take the ride to the station and remain in custody until bond can be arranged.

"Informant also states that upon reaching the second floor of the building there is a landing and, by turning to the right on this landing, one arrives at a large unusually heavy door. Upon rapping at this door, an iron grating is removed, and the man on the other side of the door examines the credentials of the visitor. If he is satisfied, he admits the visitor to a vestibule, but the visitor is not yet in the sanctum sanctorium. The door-keeper raps on the inner door and another iron grating is then removed and the visitor must display his credentials to the inner-doorkeeper. If he is satisfied, the visitor is then admitted to the inner of inners. Once inside the second door, there is a large board covering almost the entire opposite wall upon which are written entries and results for that day. While awaiting the results of the races, there are two black-jack tables at which one may while away the idle moments. These tables are of the half-moon design, the center of the table being removed, and the dealer stands in the center of the removed portion so that he will be in closer contact with the players. Informant states that Doc Barker has a fondness for the seat either at the extreme right or the extreme left of the dealer.

"Immediately upon receipt of this information, the same was transmitted by long distance telephone to Special Agent Sam Cowley at Chicago, Ill., and to SAC Wm. Larson at Toledo, Ohio. Informant was supplied with the day and night telephone number of agent as well as the telephone number of the Detroit Office and was instructed to telephone Detroit collect in the event he was unable to contact agent at Cleveland and had some information of value. All of the photos of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to him but he was unable to identify any with the exception of Doc Barker and Fred Barker. He is strongly of the opinion that these men believe that the Business Men's Whist Club is a safe place to hide-out and that they will return there.

"Upon the arrival of Special Agent Hollis here, I will turn over to him the above information as well as the admittance cards and any other material which informant is able to secure.

Very truly yours,

/signed/ W. E. Peters
Special Agent"

The following memorandum is set out for your information:

"October 12, 1934.

To SAC:

"Replying to your letter of October 10th, which was not received until this afternoon, I wish to advise that I have discussed with Dickstein the advisability of receiving calls at the place where he is staying under the name of Al Dixon, and he feels that it would be perfectly all right and suggested that the best time to call would be between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. as he is always in his room between these hours.

"In regard to the calls that are being received there has been nothing of any significance with the exception of a call that was received last night by Ted advising him that 'the boys are in town' and were at the Secor Hotel. This call was covered by Dickstein and myself. However, nobody in whom we are interested was seen and it was later learned from subsequent calls that 'the boys' referred to about eighteen State Liquor Control agents that arrived in town and as a result the Casino is going to be closed at 1:00 A.M. until they leave town.

"The following incident and information is related as being of possible interest. Yesterday afternoon I went out to get a haircut and on Dickstein's recommendation went to a barber shop located at 247 North Superior Street. While the barber was working on me I engaged him in conversation and the topic finally drifted to the gambling situation which at the present time is receiving considerable publicity in the Toledo news-

papers. My barber informed me that he has for several years worked on Yonnie Lichavoli and had just returned from the jail where he had given Yonnie a haircut and shave. I also learned that this particular shop is patronized by all of the hoodlums, fixers and politicians of importance in Toledo. The barber further volunteered the information that at the present time there are two factions in Toledo collecting graft from the gambling places, one of these is headed by the present Safety Director and the other by George Timminy, with whom my barber is well acquainted. He further advised that the job of collector is a very lucrative position and Timminy has given this position to his best friend a fellow by the name of Ted Angus, who operates the Casino Club on North Summit Street. The barber also advised that a friend of his is interested in a house of prostitution on Cherry Street and through him he has learned that for several years the houses of prostitution in Toledo were assessed \$150.00 a month for the privilege of operating. He stated, however, that since the new Mayor took office there has been no attempt made to collect this money as Timminy and the Safety Director haven't brains enough to get together and each is afraid to start collecting for fear that the other will get something on him. He further stated that there is a house on Ontario Street in the beginning of the 600 block that all of the 'big shots' frequent when they are in town; that this house is operated by two women.

"In going back and forth to the post office last night and today I passed this particular house and it is located at about 643 North Ontario Street. I noted that this house is a 'two story red brick house located on the right hand side of the street as a person is going toward the business district and has several steps leading up to a small porch' as the house that Doc Barker frequented while in Toledo was described in the report that I mailed back to the office last night.

"Before leaving Toledo, Hollis advised me that Helen had learned that a woman who operates a house of prostitution at 114 Nebraska Street was acquainted with Doc Barker; that Doc frequented this particular house on several occasions while in Toledo last summer but that she had not seen him for several months.

As requested in your letter, I will arrange to call the office every second day in order to keep you fully advised of all developments.

Very truly yours,

/signed/ J. L. Murphy
Special Agent"

P. S. - "In sending mail in the future would suggest that it be sent under the name of J. L. Morgan as I have inquired at the General Delivery window so frequently that the men are getting to know me by this name and it might arouse suspicion to have to ask for mail in the name of Murphy."

The memorandum for this file of Special Agent D. E. Hall dated December 19, 1934 reflects that J. A. Carbin, proprietor of the Recreation Club, 924 Phillips, Toledo, Ohio, may have information concerning police irregularities in Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio. This man's phone number is Lawndale 0353, residence 1308 Saber Road, Toledo, Ohio. This memorandum states that this man can be reached through the above mentioned phone number.

The memorandum of Special Agent Abraham Dickstein dated November 27, 1934 reflects that Frazier Reams, the former County Prosecutor at Toledo, Ohio, may have information concerning police irregularities.

The following memorandum of Special Agent W. E. Peters, Cleveland, Ohio, dated November 22, 1934, is being set out for your information:

"Cleveland, Ohio
11/22/34

Re: Edward G. Bremer
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Memo to File:

"Relative to further interview with Frank J. Noonan, please be advised that on Nov. 21, Noonan and his assistant, E. Cook, were interviewed in Noonan's office. The letters received from Spohn were displayed to Cook at which time he admitted that the signature "F. J. Noonan" and "Frank J. Noonan, per E. Cook", were in his handwriting and that as far as he could now recall, he does not have any knowledge of the incident. He stated that whatever was done in this connection with the incident was done at the direction of Noonan and with his authority. He does not recall ever having received or seen the photograph of Charles Carroll nor does he recall ever having received the criminal record of Charles Carroll or what became of it if it was received at the Noonan agency. As previously explained Cook is now assistant to Harry Propper at the Mayfair restaurant. It appeared from the interview that Cook has no investigative ability of any kind whatsoever and everything he does is done at the express direction of Noonan. He is a typical private detective.

"From further conversation with Noonan, it appears that he has some information which was not previously in the possession of the Division. He stated that he has learned that when the women were arrested by the Cleveland Police, a police woman was locked up with them in an effort to ascertain the identity of the women and their connections in the city. He also informed me of the incident in which the original informant (whose name I have forgotten at the moment) called at the Cleveland Police Department, gave them the information and came back several days later to inquire

why nothing had been done about it. He stated that the police department is divided between the administration and the anti-administration forces, that is between the forces supporting Mayor Harry Davis and the forces opposed to him and that in the future, if it is necessary for us to request any assistance from the police department in matters of this kind, it will be necessary for us to ascertain whether or not the officers assisting us are on one side or the other. He intimated that the city (as well as the county) is filled with graft and corruption, that the administration knows that gambling, prostitution and the like is going on unmolested and that the supporters of the administration will not make any moves until the higher-ups in administration politics have been consulted. To quote Noonan, 'You have undoubtedly heard that Toledo invites this element. Hell, if you have the right connections in this town, Toledo doesn't run one, two, three with Cleveland.' He stated that if anyone goes to the police department or the city hall making inquiry about something in which he is interested, he knows about it within 10 minutes after the individual has left the building.

Noonan stated, with reference to the pay envelopes, that in June and July, 1934, he was working on a case in Cleveland which involved most of the breweries in the city. It was a matter which had to be handled with the greatest discretion and Noonan decided that it would be inadvisable to handle the matter from his own office. He therefore went to the manager of the Carter Hotel and arranged with the manager there to rent a suite of rooms for the purpose of establishing an office in the hotel. He had a private telephone installed and brought in a brand new typewriter and a sufficient supply of stationery, scratch pads and pay envelopes with which to operate an office and avoid the necessity of going back and forth to his own office. Cook was house detective at the Carter Hotel at the time and, as Noonan had twin beds in one room, it was arranged that Noonan and Cook would stay in the suite of rooms which Noonan rented. Due to some favors which Noonan had done for the Carter Hotel, it was possible for him to rent this suite at a ridiculously low figure and as long as the rooms remained in Noonan's name, the low rate would continue.

The brewery cases wound themselves up the early part of July and Noonan was going to vacate the rooms. However, Art Hebebrand (who is connected in the Harvard Club) knew that Noonan had these rooms and knew that Noonan was getting them very cheap. Hebebrand told Noonan that, as long as Noonan was getting the rooms so cheaply, Hebebrand would like to take over the suite if Noonan was through with it and use it for entertainment purposes. Noonan informed him that that would be satisfactory as long as Hebebrand paid the bills. Cook moved into a room across the hall and Hebebrand took over the Noonan suite. At the time Noonan moved out he did not think to move out the stationery, pay envelopes, etc.

"Hebebrand continued to occupy the rooms in which he threw a lot of parties until Noonan decided that the arrangement was not satisfactory and he prevailed upon Hebebrand to have the account transferred to his (Hebebrand's) name. Noonan has learned that Hebebrand occupied the rooms until recently.

"From as much as we know of Karpis living in Hebebrand's house and his playing at the Harvard Club with which Hebebrand is connected, it appears possible that Hebebrand may be the connection.

"Cook is to be interviewed further this afternoon at which time his fingerprints will be taken and forwarded to Detroit to be returned here after they have been photographed. Noonan is continuing to try to pick up additional information and further interviews will be had with him from time to time, the results of which will be incorporated in subsequent memorandum.

Peters"

Very truly yours,

H H Reinecke
WRM

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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cc-Cincinnati
Cleveland

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
326½ Post Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 3, 1936

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

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

The two views transmitted herewith were published in the
New Orleans "Times-Picayune" of May 1, 1936, following the apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans on May 1, 1936.

Mr. George Healy, Managing Editor of the "Times-Picayune",
advised that the Bureau may use these photographs as they desire,
providing acknowledgement is given to the New Orleans "Times-Picayune."

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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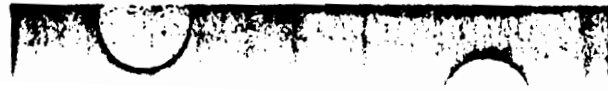
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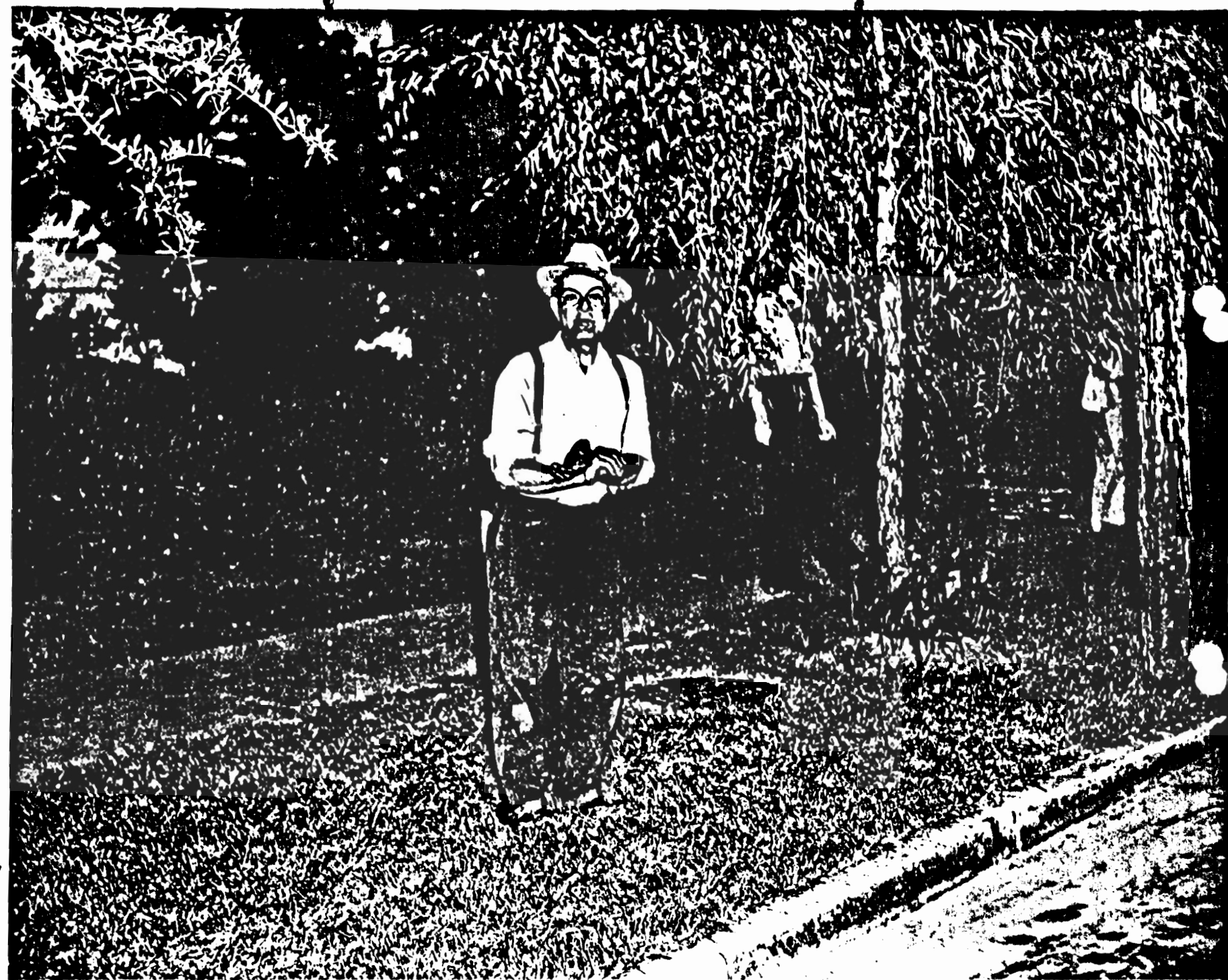
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head of the federal bureau of investigation is shown after he had entered
an automobile to accompany Alvin Karpis to the airport (Shushan Airport)

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John Campbell
Janitor at 3343 Canal St.

[Victims of two kidnappings allegedly perpetrated by the Barker-Karpis gang in St. Paul, Minn., are shown in the center is Hamm, Jr., and Edward G. Bremer, who in the center is John Campbell, 54-year-old janitor of the apartment house in which Alvin Karpis, known to him as "Mr. O'Hara," stayed prior to his arrest here Friday afternoon. Campbell is demonstrating how Karpis appeared, handcuffed, on the Canal street scene as his captors led him away.]

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May 16, 1936.

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Mr. George Nealy,
City Editor,
Times-Picayune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Nealy:

I have just received from Mr.
B. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of the
New Orleans Office of this Bureau, four photo-
graphs which appeared in your newspaper rela-
tive to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

I want to thank you for your
courtesy in making these photographs available
to Mr. Magee and to assure you that they will
be a worthy addition to the collection which
I already have.

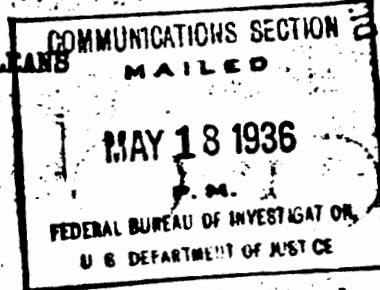
With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan _____
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CC - SAC, NEW ORLEANS



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May 16, 1936.

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Mr. Sam Lang,
Night City Editor,
Times-Picayune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Lang:

I have just received from Mr.
D. W. Hages, Special Agent in Charge of the
New Orleans Office of this Bureau, two photo-
graphs which appeared in your newspaper on
the subject of the capture of Alvin Karpis.

I am indeed grateful for the
courtesy which you extended to Mr. Hages in
making these photographs available and shall
be pleased to add them to the collection I
already have.

With best wishes and kind re-
gards, I am

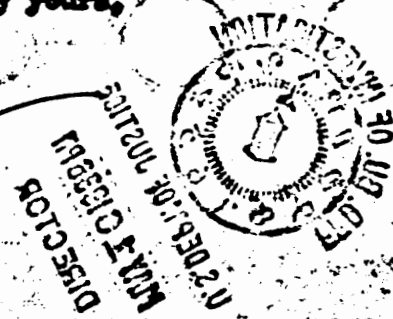
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KRM:AF

May 16, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

This will advise you that Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter occupied the home of E. E. Woodcock at Potash Sulphur Springs, near Hot Springs, Arkansas. According to a signed statement obtained from Clayton Hall, he has advised that he and Alvin Karpis saw an advertisement in a Hot Springs newspaper offering a furnished house for rent. He stated that both he and Alvin Karpis looked at the house, but that he, Clayton Hall, rented it under the name of Clayton Hall, and that Karpis gave \$240.00 for six months' rent, which he, Clayton Hall, paid to E. E. Woodcock in advance.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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Laboratory Report

Case: RE: BREKID

Number: 7-576-11660

Specimens:

- 7-576-11660 A. One Souvenir Score Card upon which appears the known handwriting of Fred Hunter.
" B. One slip of paper upon which appears - "Mr. E. Woods Hot Springs Ark." known handwriting of Alvin Karpis.

Examination requested by: Jacksonville

Date received: 5-21-36 jwp 3:00 PM

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by:

Pickering (AI)

5/25/36

Examination withheld until complete handwriting specimens of Hunter and Karpis can be obtained, at which time a general search of all anon. writings will be made.

CC Chicago
Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul
E. J. Connelley - Chicago

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St. Paul
E. J. Connelley - Chicago

*This will be included in
general search as soon as
complete known
specimens are received.*

*answered
CAA 5-27-36*

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U. S. Department of Justice

CEW:MFS

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID

Enclosed herewith are specimens of the handwriting of
Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis.

(A) Hunter's handwriting appears in pencil on a score
card of the Orlando International Tournament, January 28, 29, 30,
1936, Orlando Game Club, Orlando, Florida, and consists of hand
printed capital letters and numbers, together with the one word
"dummy". (This specimen was furnished to the Jacksonville Office
by Mrs. Howard T. Sims of Orlando, Florida.)

(B) The specimen of the handwriting of Alvin Karpis was
clipped from a tourist camp registration book, and consists of the
words "Mr. E. Woods, Hot Springs, Ark." and "E. Woods, Hot Springs."
These were the registrations of Karpis at the Maitland Tourist Camp,
Maitland, Florida, under date of March 12 and 13, 1936.

These specimens are mentioned in the report of Special
Agent C. B. Winstead, Jacksonville, dated May 18, 1936.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Technical Laboratory
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326½ Post Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 19, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Please be informed that when the Terraplane Coupe belonging to subject Alvin⁰Karpis was searched following the recovery of this car, there was found in the glove compartment one pint of Old Grand-Dad Whiskey unopened with Government stamp affixed.

To avoid any subsequent complications, this bottle of whiskey will be kept in the office safe properly labeled until after the final disposition of the instant case with respect to Karpis and Hunter.

When the case is completed, unless other Bureau instructions are received, two or three responsible agents will be designated to destroy this bottle of whiskey and properly record the incident by communication to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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

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2-New Orleans

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REPORT MADE AT ATLANTA, GA.	DATE WHEN MADE 5/19/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/25/36 to 5/6/36	REPORT MADE BY PHILIP M. BREED
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Reward circulars on subjects Karpis and Campbell distributed in territory covered by the Atlanta Office. Georgia Hotel Association, Inc., Atlanta, Ga., sent special bulletins to its members with copies of the circulars. No further investigation now pending in this territory.

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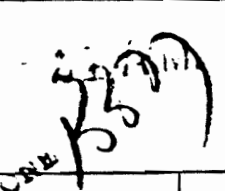
REFERENCE: Bureau telegram of April 22, 1936, to Atlanta Office.

DETAILS:

Reward circulars on subjects Karpis and Campbell were given as wide circularization as possible in the Atlanta territory, a total of 3806 addressees being circularized. The members of the Georgia Hotel Association, with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga., were circularized by their headquarters office, a separate bulletin being sent to them signed by Mr. Stephen Styron, Executive Secretary. A copy of the bulletin sent out by Mr. Styron is attached to copies of this report.

There is no further investigation now pending in this district in this case. The investigation requested in Bureau letter dated April 18, 1936, to the Atlanta Office has been covered and a report thereon separately submitted. In the absence of further Bureau instructions, this case will be retained in a pending status in the Atlanta Office.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. E. Conroy</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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GEORGIA HOTEL ASSOCIATION, INC.

Atlanta, Ga.

ADVISE US IMMEDIATELY ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING

April 29, 1936

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GEORGIA HOTEL ASSOCIATION:

At the request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, we are enclosing two bulletins issued by this department concerning persons wanted, and for whom a substantial reward is offered:

Please post these bulletins in a conspicuous space in order that all front office employees may study them, and in the event you secure information concerning their whereabouts communicate immediately by wire or telephone with the U. S. Department of Justice, 501 Healey Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., Telephone - Walnut 3698.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Stephen Styron

Stephen Styron,
Executive Secretary

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F B I CINCINNATI MAY 20, 1936. 5-05 PM MGR

SAC CLEVELAND AND DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE YOUR LETTER MAY 19TH AS TO WHETHER YOU SHOULD
INITIATE INVESTIGATION AS TO CAPTAIN TIMMINEY AND PTUDYUDD (?) MEMBER(S)
OF THE ^{Ohio} TOLEDO POLICE DEPARTMENT AND SHERIFF O'REILLY, MY PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS
AS TO THE NECESSARY INVESTIGATION AS TO THIS TO THE CLEVELAND OFFICE FULLY
COVERS THE SITUATION THAT WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY ANY AND ALL NECESSARY
INVESTIGATION IS TO BE MADE OF ANY AND ALL PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
HARBORING OF THE SUBJECTS OF THIS CASE AND CONNECTION WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE
POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOULD HAVE NO BEARING UPON THEIR GUILT AND THE NECESSARY
INVESTIGATION TO SHOW THIS. THE OUTLINE OF THE WORK AS GIVEN TO AGENT E. J.
WYNN MAY 18TH IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION SHOULD BE PURSUED VIGOROUSLY LEAVING
THE INTERVIEW OF THE ACTUAL SUBJECTS AND THOSE VERY CLOSE TO THEM UNTIL I
ADVISE THEY SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED. THIS WILL BE WHEN WE HAVE MORE INFORMATION
AT HAND. I EXPECT TO BE IN TOLEDO WHEN THESE PERSONS ARE INTERVIEWED. ALL
INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT CAREFULLY AND DISCREETLY TO AVOID
EMBARASSMENT TO ANYONE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS WE HAVE SUFFICIENT TO CHARGE THEM
WITH A VIOLATION. IF ANY SITUATION DEVELOPS AS TO THE BEST METHOD OF
INVESTIGATION BEFORE I RETURN TO TOLEDO PLEASE CALL ME HERE.

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CONNELLEY

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copy Mr. Zamm

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Please refer to letter dated May 15, 1936 by Special Agent in Charge C. W. Stein of the St. Paul office, authorizing this office to turn over to the wife of Harry Campbell such property as is in the possession of this office, which was seized from him at the time of his arrest.

The Bureau is respectfully requested to advise this office immediately whether this office should turn over to the wife of Harry Campbell the property listed in the referred to letter from the St. Paul office, and the currency in the possession of this office, which was seized from him.

It might be indicated, for the sake of record, that upon instructions from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, \$1,250.00 in currency, which allegedly was the personal property of Campbell's wife, was returned to her and a receipt therefor secured.

Your early advice in the premises will be deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 19, 1936, and to the letter of the St. Paul office to the Cleveland office, dated May 15, 1936, the Bureau sees no objection to delivering to Mrs. Gertrude Billster Campbell, the wife of Harry Campbell, the property mentioned in the letter of the St. Paul office dated May 15, 1936. This instruction is issued in view of the fact that Harry Campbell has furnished a written authorization for the release to his wife the property mentioned in the letter from the St. Paul office and in view of the further fact that none of the property has been identified as ransom money or loot obtained as a result of known robberies.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc: Mr. Connally at Chicago
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New Orleans, Louisiana
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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Kindly be informed that Mr. Meed Zorub, address 617 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone - Main 9032, called at the New Orleans Bureau Office and informed that he is a restaurant corporation manager at New Orleans, Louisiana, but has no present place of business. Mr. Zorub claimed the Five Thousand Dollars reward for the apprehension of subject Alvin Karpis, at the time of this interview on May 15, 1936. Mr. Zorub appears of Greek or Italian extraction.

Mr. Zorub had appeared at the New Orleans Bureau Office on April 23, 1936, to inform relative subject Alvin Karpis. Memorandum of result of this interview had by Special Agent James O. Peyronnin is as follows:

"New Orleans, La.
April 23, 1936.

"Mr. M. Zorub of 617 St. Charles St., New Orleans, was directed to this office by Operative in Charge T. Ryan of the U. S. Secret Service. Zorub stated that about 7:15 o'clock last night, April 22, 1936, he observed two trucks, make unknown, bearing Ohio license plates in front of the Peerless Dairy at 809 Poydras St., New Orleans; that on one of the trucks were two men, and one man on the other truck. One of the men asked him how he could get to the Bus station, and that the man looked like a rider, (hitch hiker), about 28 years old, and that this man who he saw resembled the picture of one of the men shown in yesterday afternoon's newspaper."

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The writer informed Mr. Zorub that his information, while appreciated, did not result in assisting in any way in the apprehension of subject Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Zorub may communicate with the Bureau or the Department requesting reward, and, therefore, this information is furnished the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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

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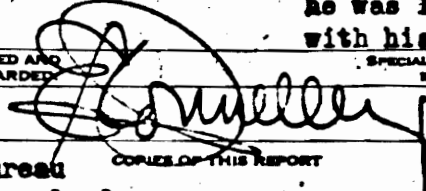
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT CINCINNATI, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 5-18-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/9/36 to 5/8/36	REPORT MADE BY E. J. CONNELLEY SLB
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Based upon investigation and information as supplied by informants at Hot Springs and Little Rock, Ark., and New Orleans, La., information obtained indicating Fred Hunter and Connie Morris alias Ruth Hamm were located 3343 Canal St., New Orleans, La.; that they were contacted by Alvin Karpis from time to time. Observation of these premises and check of the various activities, particularly through the doctor treating Connie Morris, was made, as well as check of the purchases of various automobiles, and Connie Morris was observed at these premises 4-30-36, also a man, possibly Hunter. On 5-1-36 Connie Morris and Fred Hunter observed at this place and later they were joined by Karpis. Thereafter raid was conducted upon these premises, exclusively by Bureau personnel and Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Special Agents in Charge Connelley and Brantley and Special Agents C. O. Hurt and W. L. Buchanan, at approximately 5:30 P.M., 5-1-36, took into custody Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter as they left 3343 Canal St., to enter an automobile on Jeff Davis Parkway, in front of the apartment. Karpis signed waiver and removed night of 5-1-36 to St. Paul, arriving 8:40 A. M., 5-2-36, where questioning was continued by the St. Paul Office. Based upon information by informants and investigative activity at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, Harry Campbell located at 2152 Monroe St., Toledo, O., where he was living as Robert Miller, in apartment #1, with his wife, Bertie Miller, and in subsequent</p>			
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raid, exclusively by Bureau personnel at 5:30 AM 5-7-36 he was taken into custody, together with his wife, by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, SAC E. J. Connelley and Special Agents T. M. Birch and C. E. Smith who entered the apartment for this purpose. Thereafter, at 439 Arcadia St., Toledo, Ohio, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, SAC Connelley and Special Agents C. E. Smith and E. J. Wynn took into custody Sam Coker. On this same morning Coker and Mrs. Campbell were removed, by plane, to the Bureau Office at Cleveland, Ohio, for questioning. Coker subsequently taken to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. Mrs. Campbell released 5-7-36. Harry Campbell having signed waiver, taken by plane by Special Agent E. J. Connelley and Agents Birch and Smith to St. Paul, Minn., where questioning of them was continued by the St. Paul Office.

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REFERENCE:-

Reports of Special Agent In Charge E. J. Connelley, 4-11-36, Chicago, Ill., L. I. Bowman, New Orleans, La., dated 5-15-36, S. K. McKee, St. Paul, Minn., 5-8-36 and letter from Little Rock Office, 4-26-36 to E. J. Connelley at New Orleans, La.

DETAILS:-

On April 9, 1936, Special Agents W. J. McNulty and J. L. Medala proceeded from Cleveland, Ohio, together with confidential informant [REDACTED] and arrived in Little Rock, Arkansas on April 10, 1936. [REDACTED] was taken to Little Rock for the purpose of proceeding to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and there contacting Grace Goldstein, who operates a house of prostitution at 233-1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, and who was the girl friend of Alvin Karpis.

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As has been indicated in reports, [REDACTED] had previously been at Hot Springs in association with subject Karpis and also Fred Hunter, as well as Grace Goldstein and Ruth Hama alias Connie Morris. [REDACTED] at this time, was unable to make contact by reason of the fact that Grace Goldstein left Hot Springs on April 10, 1936 and did not return to Hot Springs until April 25, 1936.

All offices are to treat as absolutely confidential the relationship existing between [REDACTED] and the individuals concerned herein, and not disclose to anyone the information he has furnished to us to assist in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter.

This report will cover a number of situations wherein certain individuals will be referred to both openly and as confidential informants, and the information contained in this report is to be treated as absolutely confidential by each and every office receiving a copy of same, the report being furnished to them for their information only and there should not be disclosed at any time the modus operandi pursued in apprehending the fugitives indicated in this report.

On April 16, 1936, Confidential informant #42, Toledo, Ohio, was contacted and at that time this informant furnished information to the effect that it was reported that Harry Campbell had purchased a Scottish Terrier dog, either from or through Sheriff James O'Reilly, Toledo, Ohio; that possibly this dog was registered through the American Kennel Club, 221 Fourth Avenue, New York City; that also it was reported that Campbell was now going by the name of Bob, the last name not being recalled; that Campbell is now married to a girl whose first name is believed to be Gladys; that he had met this girl, possibly through Clara and Edward McGraw, 2011-1/2 Adams Avenue, Toledo, Ohio; that it was believed that if we were to cover the telephone and residence of the McGraws, we would learn something indicating the location of Harry Campbell; also that Campbell was probably frequenting a saloon in the vicinity of the Ball Park; that Campbell was, undoubtedly, living somewhere on Monroe Street, in that vicinity with the girl whom he had married, and who was reported not to be familiar with his actual identity. The informant was unable to say whether this was Coleman's saloon or tavern, or Coburn's; that Campbell frequented the place of McGraw, located in

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the downtown district where he has his saloon; that the McGraw place is run as a house of assignation; that Campbell had been coming and going with the assurance that he would not be detected for the reason that he believed no one knew his identity and that Sheriff O'Reilly has a sweetheart whom he has been associated with frequently in the past, and that this sweetheart is a particular friend of the girl who is married to Harry Campbell.

Subsequent interviews with this confidential informant indicated that Sam Coker was the party who was supplying this information and it was indicated that Campbell and Sam Coker were frequenting the Goulet Saloon, 2130 Monroe Street, this being operated by Fred C. Goulet and wife, and it is the daughter of the Goulets who is actually the sweetheart of Sheriff James O'Reilly. This person indicated that in the fall of 1935 Campbell had been in Toledo and at that time associated with that person known as Tommy, and, who, by his picture, was subsequently identified as Sam Coker.

Definite arrangements were made with this informant to communicate with Special Agent B. M. Hirsh at Toledo, Ohio, as informant #42, should any information be obtained as to the location of Harry Campbell, in addition to that previously supplied above.

As a result of the contact of [redacted] with the place of Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it was ascertained through the inmates thereof and the madam in charge, that Grace Goldstein was expected back in Hot Springs the night of Friday, April 24, 1936 or the morning of Saturday, April 25, 1936. Informant [redacted] on Saturday night, April 25, 1936, contacted Grace Goldstein upon her return to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and in talking with her, he learned that she had been to New Orleans, Louisiana; that she had been in contact with Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and she had indicated to [redacted] that upon leaving Hot Springs, March 26, 1936, Karpis, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris had proceeded to Corpus Christi, Texas, where they had abandoned the maroon Buick automobile; that they had thereafter proceeded to New Orleans; that they had purchased another automobile in New Orleans; that Connie Morris was receiving treatment from a doctor located in the building on the same floor, upon which there was located the office of the doctor who had previously treated Grace Goldstein when she was in New Orleans; that Grace Goldstein's doctor was one of three doctors by the same name, operating from this same office; that Karpis and Hunter had in their possession jointly \$600.00; that they were possibly planning another job in the near future; that Connie Morris and Fred Hunter were living in an apartment in New Orleans where Karpis came to eat his meals; that they had a colored maid; that she, Grace Goldstein, was to join up with this outfit again in twenty days. b7c

It was also indicated at this time that on the previous night, April 25, 1936, at about 8:00 PM, as per telephone calls from Special Agent In Charge Chapman Fletcher, Little Rock, Arkansas, that apparently Joe Wakelin, Chief of Police, Hot Springs, had taken Grace Goldstein out in his car in an effort to obtain some information.

On April 26, 1936, Agent proceeded from Cincinnati, Ohio to Little Rock, Arkansas, where arrangements were made for [redacted] to maintain close contact with Grace Goldstein. b7c

On Monday morning, April 27, 1936, Special Agent J. L. Medala reported the results of the contact of [redacted] with Grace Goldstein, and additional information was obtained, and Agent thereafter proceeded to New Orleans, where, on April 28, 1936, check was made with Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee, to locate the doctors referred to above.

There were located in Room 1111, Maison-Blanche Bldg., New Orleans, La., Dr. J. E. Isaacson, physician, and his two dentist brothers, F. M. and Irwin Isaacson, this being the ^{only} doctor with two others associated with him, by the same name, that could be located in New Orleans. Thereafter, through the courtesy of the building officials Agents established surveillance of all persons coming from the elevators on the eleventh floor, for the possible appearance of Connie Morris to see her doctor, and this continued up until the time we determined the address elsewhere in New Orleans of the subjects. In subsequent interview with Grace Goldstein, she indicated to me, not knowing why I made the inquiry, that Dr. J. E. Isaacson had been her doctor at one time in New Orleans. This was subsequent to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

As will be covered separately, under personal and confidential cover, our confidential informant #43 was contacted on the early morning of April 30, 1936, and at this time this confidential informant furnished me with information as to the alleged location of Fred Hunter, Connie Morris and Alvin Karpis in New Orleans. *Grace Goldstein*

The following information was furnished to me by this confidential informant, and all offices receiving copies of this report, or Agents becoming familiar with the contents of this report, are cautioned not to endeavor to identify to themselves or anyone else the real identity of the informant who furnished this information, as the informant was very fearful that there might be some action taken against the informant, by reason of its cooperation.

This informant indicated to me that these people, that is, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris, were located on the right hand corner, going out from town, of Canal Street and Jeff Davis Parkway; that Hunter and Connie Morris were living at this place and had been living there since the early part of April; that Karpis was not living at this place, but was coming there for his meals, although at the present time, Karpis might also be found living at that address.

It was also indicated that Karpis had purchased a Plymouth automobile, under the name of O'Hara; that it was believed that they had rented this apartment, possibly under the same name; that there was a very definite possibility that Karpis would not be at this address at all times, but might be away fishing at this particular time, but that, eventually, if the other two were located at the apartment, he would return there and be in contact with Hunter and Connie.

At New Orleans on April 30, 1936, immediate arrangements were made to put this place under surveillance, and Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee arranged with the owner of the property, directly across Jeff Davis Parkway from this address, to occupy the vacant dwelling for purposes of observation, and Special Agents L. I. Bowman and R. L. Tollett were established in this vacant house on April 30, 1936, Agents C. W. Toulme and E. M. Heavrin relieving them on the night of April 30, 1936, and Agents Bowman and Tollett replacing them on the following morning, May 1, 1936.

Special Agent J. O. Peyronnin ascertained from the Light and Gas Service that at 3343 Canal Street, Apartment #3, which would be the address referred to by our informant #43, application for gas and electric had been made on April 13, 1936, by Edward O'Hara.

On May 1, 1936, Special Agent J. O. Peyronnin ascertained that one Edward O'Hara, Corpus Christi, Texas, had purchased a Plymouth deluxe coupe, serial #9036812, motor P2-212244, April 2, 1936, for \$806.28 from the Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, same being equipped with Philco radio, brake tags #33362, 1936, Louisiana license #136-288. (Our informant had previously indicated that the license on Karpis' car, the Plymouth coupe, was #136, but the last numbers were not recalled). The motor company indicated that this car was brought back in on April 14, 1936, for service, and had been driven 2,400 miles.

On the night of April 30, 1936, the Director, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, together with Assistant Director Clyde Tolson, and Special Agent W. R. Glavin, arrived at New Orleans, and in conformity with my previous conversations with the Bureau as to the activities and developments in this case, on the night of April 30, 1936, conference was had with Mr. Hoover as to the general situation, it being noted that as yet, we had not definitely identified anyone, other than Connie Morris as being at the apartment, and it was decided to defer action until the following day, with a continued surveillance of this place, in an effort to identify Karpis and Hunter as being on the premises, before any definite action was taken.

On the morning of May 1, 1936 at 9:45 there appeared at the apartment, and it was observed by Agents L. I. Bowman and R. L. Tollett, an individual who had driven up in a Terraplane 1936 coupe bearing Louisiana 1936 license #18-460. Subsequent check showed this license to have been issued to E. S. Collins, 1330 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, as of April 13, 1936. It is to be noted that this is the address of the Evans Motors of Louisiana, Inc., and from whom it was subsequently determined that this car had been purchased. The person who left this automobile was identified by Agents Bowman and Tollett as being Alvin Karpis, both from his general description and the fact that they were able to observe him by field glasses from their point of vantage from the vacant house across the parkway.

On this morning, after this man had entered the house, he came out of the house and drove away in the Terraplane coupe and was followed by a person, who, the Agents making the observation were satisfied, was Fred Hunter, and he proceeded after him in a Plymouth coupe, 1936 model, bearing 1936 Louisiana license #136-288. Shortly afterward these two individuals returned in the Plymouth coupe and subsequently on this morning, together with Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, I observed the premises at this place and was able to get a look definitely at Fred Hunter, and all of the indications definitely indicated that the parties in this house at that time were Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris.

Thereafter, together with Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Mr. Tolson, Mr. Glavin and Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, plans were formulated for raiding this house while the subjects were available in same, this place being located on the corner of Canal and Jeff Davis Parkway, the main entrance to same facing on Jeff Davis Parkway, insofar as apartment #3 was concerned.

At the New Orleans Office thereafter, all men to participate in this raid were fully advised as to the activities of all persons involved in the raid, and a diagram of the premises and immediate vicinity was prepared on the blackboard for their full information, although a number of Agents present had already witnessed these premises and were familiar with the general situation, insofar as same could be discreetly observed during the time we had it under observation.

The general plan of raiding the house was briefly as follows:-

Special Agent R. L. Tollett was to remain at the observation point in the vacant house across the parkway, and Special Agent L. I. Bowman was to leave the observation house and join the two squads which were to take and maintain the rear of these premises, this rear raiding squad to consist of the following:-

*Agents
Positions
at time
of raid*

Assistant Director Mr. Clyde Tolson and Special Agents R. P. Baldwin, W. R. Glavin, W. J. McNulty, T. E. Neal, J. O. Peyronnin. This squad was divided with one group to be established at the rear end of the house on the back side, one group at the front end of the house on the back side, Agents C. W. Toulme, T. W. Bain, E. M. Heavrin and J. E. Lunsford to be established, two men in an automobile on the far corner of Canal and Jeff Davis Parkway, two Agents in a car to be established on the corner directly across Canal Street on the corner of Jeff Davis Parkway, these two cars to be in such position as to be able to take up the pursuit, should the subjects escape from the house and try to leave in an automobile.

The two rear groups or squads were to maintain their positions to prevent the escape of the subjects from either the front of the house or the back side of the house, and to withhold their fire until directed by the raiding squad, which was to enter from the front, unless, of course, some individual in escaping had cleared the house and it was necessary to pursue him.

Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee was to be established across the street from the house at a drug store, to be available at the telephone, in order to advise the New Orleans Police, should any shooting occur, and in particular to request police officers to keep traffic cleared, this being a very heavily traveled thoroughfare, both as to Canal Street and Jeff Davis Parkway.

To raid the place if necessary, and to control the possible exit of subjects from the front of this house, either through the garage to the rear, or the windows or doors facing on Jeff Davis Parkway, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Special Agents In Charge E. J. Connelley and Dwight Brantley, and Special Agents C. O. Hurt and W. L. Buchanan were to take care of the raiding of the house and the entering of the house, if necessary, and the actual taking into custody of the individuals if they submitted to arrest.

It was planned to have the five above indicated Agents immediately move into position to take the place when the raiding squad at the rear of the house signaled that they were definitely in location. Special Agent J. V. Blake, as the squads moved into position, was to enter the second floor apartment of Mr. R. J. Reid, 3343 Canal Street, in order to be in position to block anyone who might leave from the rear of the Karpis apartment, and try to go up the stairs into the upstairs apartments.

At the approximate time all the Agents moved into position, and just prior to the signal that they were ready for a move, Special Agent C. O. Hurt and Special Agent In Charge E. J. Connelley were established on the opposite corner of Canal Street and Jeff Davis Parkway, followed by a car occupied by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Special Agent W. L. Buchanan and Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, subjects Karpis and Hunter came out of the apartment and started to enter the Plymouth coupe bearing Louisiana license #136288, and Agent Hurt and this Agent immediately crossed Canal St., and blocked their car into the sidewalk, covering them at the same time as we left our car, and Mr. Hoover, together with Agents Brantley and Buchanan, immediately moved across Canal Street to block their car in at the rear and also cover these individuals with their guns, at the same time that Agent Hurt and myself covered them.

Karpis and Hunter were immediately taken from the car and searched, and then secured for transportation in the two Bureau cars to the office.

Mr. Hoover and Special Agent In Charge E. J. Connelley immediately entered the house to cover anything that was in the house, whereupon Connie Morris was found in the house and she was brought to the car by Special Agent In Charge Connelley for transportation to the office. Thereafter the house was again briefly searched by the writer and Mr. Hoover, and it was verified that no one else was present in the house.

Thereafter, Connie Morris, Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis were taken to the Bureau Office at New Orleans by Mr. Hoover and Agents Hurt, W. L. Buchanan and Dwight Brantley.

A detail was established in the house, under the direction of Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee for a search of the premises, which will be covered by subsequent report from the New Orleans Office. The automobile of subjects was taken in charge and removed to the New Orleans Office garage.

Karpis, immediately upon arrival at the office, disclosed the location of his apartment at 3300 St. Charles Street and a detail was then established to search same and guard same for the appearance of anyone. Karpis also disclosed the location of the Terraplane coupe with Louisiana license #18-460, and this was also taken in charge by Agents of the office, various guns being recovered from both automobiles and the house, which will be covered in a report from the New Orleans Office, the guns being traced for identification and forwarded to the Bureau for necessary ballistics tests.

Subject Karpis immediately signed waiver of removal and arrangements were made to transport him to St. Paul.

Alvin Karpis was removed to the airport to chartered T.W.A. plane at New Orleans, and Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Mr. Clyde Tolson, Special Agent W. R. Glavin, Special Agents In Charge E. J. Connelley and Dwight Brantley, and Special Agent C. O. Hurt removed Karpis from New Orleans to St. Paul on May 1, 1936 at 8:24 P. M., proceeding via St. Louis, Kansas City, and arriving at St. Paul on May 2, 1936 at 8:40 A. M., where Karpis was removed to the St. Paul Office and interrogation of him continued.

Karpis, on the trip to St. Paul indicated a willingness to discuss certain features of his violation, insofar as same did not involve any third parties. He admitted to me that Dr. Joseph P. Moran had performed the operations upon his face, resulting in the very evident scars on the side of the head and above the ears on each side, as well as the scars just below the lobes of his ears, wherein Moran had apparently made an ineffectual effort to make lobes on his ears, inasmuch as he previously had no lobes.

Karpis, in a talk of his past activities, in the presence of Special Agent C. O. Hurt and Special Agent In Charge Dwight Brantley, stated with reference to his escape from police officers, on or about January 21, 1935 at Atlantic City, N. J., that he and Campbell were at the hotel with Delores Delaney and Winona Burdette; that he, Karpis, was out in the hall with the officer who was guarding him, and that he asked permission to go into the room to get his partner, and that thereafter he and Campbell came out of the room with machine guns and shot about four times in the hall, without particularly trying to hit the officers and the officers all immediately ran away; that he did not blame them for doing this, as he believed he had the drop on them; that he, Karpis, did not want to kill anyone; that they then ran for the garage where their car was, and at this time they shot at the officers again; that they did not obtain their car and they stole another car which was in the garage to the rear of the hotel, and thereafter, drove this car in front of the hotel, toward the ocean, in an effort to pick up the girls. Being unable to pick up the girls, and inasmuch as the officers at that time were making efforts to apprehend them and were also shooting at their car, they decided to leave.

Karpis advised that he then drove out of Atlantic City toward Pennsylvania, over the bridge; that the officers looked them over as they went across the bridge, but did not try to stop them; that they went to Pennsylvania where they picked up the doctor whom they kidnaped, taking possession of his car.

They abandoned the car which they had stolen in Atlantic City, N. J., at this time and then proceeded west from the State of Pennsylvania, with the doctor in the car, to a point in Ohio, somewhere, where they made the doctor as comfortable as possible in a hall out in the country; that Karpis believes he took the doctor's suit coat; that they thereafter drove the car to the vicinity west of Toledo, Ohio, where they abandoned it; that the motor was not running when they left it; that they then went west. Karpis at this time would not admit his associates in Toledo had harbored him, due to his indication of not involving any third person.

He elaborated upon the fact that Dr. Joseph P. Moran had operated on him, and he indicated that he had been associated with Fred and "Doc" Barker; that he knew Kate Barker, and he also discussed the great pain that resulted from the operation when Fred Barker had his fingerprints changed at Toledo, and also referred to an occasion when, in Chicago, Fred Barker went outside and left the door close and he could not get back in, he, at this time, being in his shorts and having his fingers bandaged from the operation, changing his prints. This referred to a previous story that Doc Barker and Karpis had locked Fred out in the hall in this condition.

On the day that Kate Barker and Fred Barker were killed in Florida on January 16, 1936, Karpis advised he was away from Miami, fishing; that he thereafter jumped out of Miami and proceeded to Atlantic City, resulting in the above mentioned shooting. Karpis denied that he talked with Hamm at the hideout in regard to being a guard at \$100.00 per week.

With reference to Karpis being at Vara Dara Beach, Cuba, he advised that he knew of Agent Kingman being at the hotel of Heller and some reference was made to Kingman going down into Canny County, and he, Karpis, being an American said that was enough for him and he got out; that about this same time also, his, Karpis', pictures appeared in the Havana, Cuba papers.

He denied that he was ever in Miami at any time or at Miami Beach after leaving there about January 17, 1935, although he has been in Florida, fishing, on the west coast of Florida, several times in recent pasts.

The following information is submitted as to the description of Hunter, as obtained by Special Agent in Charge D. W. Magee, by personal observation, and as taken at the Federal Jail, New Orleans, where Hunter is indicated as New Orleans Federal Jail #4478:-

Name	Fred John Hunter, aliases: Fred Hunter, Freddie Hunter, Harold King, H. King, H. J. King, Fred King, Fred Harris, Fred John Henderson, E. O'Hara
Age	36, born October 13, 1899 at Warren, Trumbull County, Ohio.
Height	5 ft. 8 in.
Weight	120 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Dark chestnut, straight
Eyes	Gray-blue
Complexion	Medium dark
Teeth	Good
Speech	Stutters badly when excited and stutters over long words.
Mustache	Dark mustache occasionally
Occupation	Welder, gambler, salesman for gambling paraphernalia
Peculiarities	Low forehead; head long; hat size 7-1/4 in.
Army record	Claims enlisted at Columbus, Ohio, about 1919, assigned to 91st Aero Post, Mather Field, Sacramento, California. Discharged thereafter about one year service; claims bought way out
Relatives	Father, George Hunter, Warren, Ohio, boiler repairer; now resides on rural route out of Leavittsburg, Ohio. Mother, Mrs. George Hunter, claims died when he was six years old, at Warren, Ohio. Brothers: William (Bill) Hunter, machinist, Warren, Ohio; married and separated. Brother: Albert Owen Hunter, Warren, Ohio, arc welder; married and separated. Brother, Clarence Hunter, address unknown. Sisters: Clara Hunter, address unknown. Subject Hunter claims that his brother Clarence Hunter and his sister, Clara Hunter, were adopted out when they were young children, at the time their mother died, and he does not know their present location.
Handwriting specimens	Obtained and forwarded to the Bureau
Fingerprints	Forwarded to Bureau 5-1-36, by New Orleans Bureau Office.
Federal Jail, New Orleans, La.	Number 4472

Pictures of Fred John Hunter, above described, have been transmitted to the Bureau.

The fingerprints of Mrs. Ruth Hamm with aliases, were also taken and furnished the Bureau, and the following description is furnished by Special Agent In Charge D. W. Magee and Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and R. L. Tollett, as to Ruth Hamm:-

Name	Mrs. Melvin Robsion, aliases: Mrs. Ruth Hamm Robsion, Mrs. Ruth Robsion, Ruth Hamm, Connie Morris, Mrs. Harold King, Mrs. H. King, Mrs. E. O'Hara, Mrs. Hammonds
Age	18, born November 25, 1917 at Davidson, Okla.
Height	5' 2"
Weight	114 lbs.
Build	Plump
Complexion	Fair
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Natural color brown; at present has auburn tint, permanent wave; bobbed
Teeth	Good
Face	Round, full face, good looking.
Peculiarities	Very vain, likes good clothes; soft modulated voice; slow in speech; bites fingernails; full lips, smiles when interrogated; possesses a large quantity of make-up material.
Scars, marks	Moles on neck and back; abdominal operation scar.
Handwriting	Signature specimen in possession of Bureau on fingerprint impression card secured by New Orleans FBI office on 5-1-36.
Occupation	Prostitute; presently undergoing treatment for venereal disease.
Relatives	Father, J. L. Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Mother, Mrs. Gertie Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Sisters: Bertha Hamm, age 15; Dorothy Hamm, age 21; Opal Hamm; all reside Davidson, Oklahoma; Mrs. Claude Marshal, Frederick, Oklahoma; Mrs. Thelma Muse, Davidson, Oklahoma; Mrs. Glen F. Kirkpatrick, San Pedro Street, San Antonio, Texas, whose husband is a taxicab driver. Brothers: Raymond Hamm, Leonard Ham,, Howard Hamm, all Davidson, Oklahoma; Frank Hamm, address in California.
Mar. status	Married Melvin Robsion at Duncan, Oklahoma, October 25, 1932, separated in 1935.

Detailed, minute description and information will be furnished by the St. Paul Office as to Karpis, his fingerprints also having been furnished the Bureau by the New Orleans Office on May 1, 1936.

ALVIN KARPIS was interviewed at St. Paul, by Special Agents S. K. McKee and R. C. Suran, as will be covered in separate report.

Edith Barry
AT CLEVELAND, OHIO, on May 3, 1936, contact was had with our confidential informant #42. At this time the informant confirmed previous information supplied as to the fact that HARRY CAMPBELL was living at Toledo, Ohio, and the best information available at this time indicated he was present in the city of Toledo, as of that date. The informant advised that it was understood Harry Campbell had first met Sheriff James O'Reilly at the place of Pat O'Brien, located out in Lucas County; that Campbell is acquainted with the Sheriff, James O'Reilly at Toledo, however informant was unable to say whether or not the Sheriff would protect this individual if he knew his real identity. This informant also advised that Sam Coker, whose picture was identified by the informant, was known as "Tommy" and had been intimately associated with Campbell at Toledo, Ohio; also, in this connection, Special Agent S. K. McKee advised that Alvin Karpis had identified Tommy, who had been associated with him at Toledo, Ohio, as being one and the same as Sam Coker. It was indicated by our informant that the information being supplied had been obtained as the result of conversation had with this party, Tommy, who indicated that he and Campbell apparently spent considerable time at the Goulet saloon at 2130 Monroe Street, Toledo; that Campbell was married to a young girl and the latter was friendly with the girl friend of the present Sheriff, James O'Reilly; that apparently this girl did not know the real identity of Harry Campbell.

Sam Coker

At Cleveland, Ohio, the work of the special detail there was reorganized and re-assigned, inasmuch as the efforts at that time had not produced any definite information as to where Harry Campbell was located and there were assigned to work at Toledo, Ohio, the following Agents: Hardison, Wynn, Dill, Dowd, Malone, Sirene, Murphy, McNulty, Birch, Richmond and J. M. Jones. At this time we had established Agents Endres, Reeder, Manson and O'Mahoney at Canton, Ohio, for the operation of a tap on telephone of Joe Rich, as well as observation of his place. At Toledo, Ohio, we had established a telephone tap at 326 20th St., Toledo, on the telephone of Clara and Edward McGraw, 2011 1/2 Adams Street; also we continued to maintain plant upon the place of Joe Roscoe, at 42nd and Broadway, this being a plant for visual observation of his place and tap upon his telephone. We also, at this time, still maintained the tap upon the telephone of Edith Barry, 524 Southard Street.

The above Agents were assigned to conduct the necessary inquiry through various sources to locate the residence of Harry Campbell, and Special Agent E. J. Wynn was assigned to check the hospitalization of Sam Coker, during October and November, 1935, at a Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. This confinement is supposed to have eliminated the possibility

of Coker's taking part in the Carrettsville train robbery. A check was made upon the place of James Coleman, located in the County, and known as the Granada Gardens, a place frequented presumably by Sheriff James O'Reilly and Harry Campbell and located at Secor and Monroe Sts. A visual observation was also established as to 2130 1/2 Monroe Street, the home of Fred C. Goulet and wife, whose daughter is the girl friend of Sheriff O'Reilly. A visual observation was also set up as to the residence of the McGraws at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, as well as the Hub Cafe, at Jackson and St. Claire Streets, operated by McGrath and McGraw.

Agent Wynn was also assigned to check the particular activities of James O'Reilly, as well as the reputed ownership of a road house by Harry Campbell on Telegraph Road, out of Toledo, towards Detroit.

Agent E. J. Wynn was also assigned to check and identify the Scottish terrier dog sold to Harry Campbell and presumably handled either through the Sheriff, James O'Reilly or actually a dog of the Sheriff, sold to Campbell, said dog being a registered, pedigreed dog.

As a result of the above activity, Agent Wynn ascertained at Christ Hospital that Coker had been in here the last part of October and the first part of November, 1935, for treatment; that he had been there during all of this period, which possibly eliminated him from having taken part in the Carrettsville train robbery, November 7, 1935. At the time Agent E. J. Wynn was obtaining this information at the Hospital, Post Office Inspector S. J. Hetrick and Inspector Cordrey were also obtaining this information, having preceded the Agents at the Hospital, they having acted upon information supplied to them by John Brock whom they have had in custody for the past two months, and they being possessed of the fact that he was there under the name of Pratt. In fact, the Post Office Inspectors had already obtained the information as to the length of time Coker had been in the Hospital and possibly the name of the Doctor who had treated him. The Post Office Inspector discourteously refused to furnish Special Agent E. J. Wynn, upon his request, with the information they had already obtained and left the Hospital. Agent Wynn then consulted with the Sister who was handling the records and learned that Coker had apparently been there under the name of Pratt and also learned that he had been attended by Miss Bobby Robletto. This information was immediately telephoned to me at Cleveland, Ohio, and Agent Wynn was instructed to take this nurse into custody and also to establish an Agent with the Doctor for whom she was working, in order to definitely assure ourselves that they would not communicate with anyone until such time as we could work out a plan for the apprehension of Harry Campbell.

This nurse, Bobby Robletto, advised that she had, since the time she had acted as nurse for Sam Coker, whom she knew under the name of Pratt, been associating with him; that Coker had been coming to her house;

that, in fact, on the previous night Coker had come to her house where she lives with her mother and father, at 439 Arcadia Street, Toledo; that Coker had been brought to her house on the previous night by Robert Miller, whom she identified from pictures as being identical with Harry Campbell.

At Toledo, Ohio, on the night of May 6, 1936, together with Agent C. E. Smith, and E. J. Wynn, Bobby Robletto was interviewed at length by me, and indicated that she was definitely certain that the party she knew as Robert Miller was the same as Harry Campbell, basing her statement upon the picture of Campbell shown to her by the Agents; that she had visited with Campbell and his wife, Gertie, at their house at 2132 Monroe Street, Toledo, she not being certain of the number. However, she was driven by this place and definitely pointed out the door which went into the building where the Campbell Apartment was located. She also identified the location of the Apartment to us.

All of the above situation had previously been communicated to and discussed with the Director, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, and he, together with Assistant Director, Clyde A. Tolson, and Special Agent (A) W. R. Glavin arrived at Toledo, Ohio, on the early morning of May 7, 1936.

Together with Agent C. E. Smith, Agent Sirene previously having maintained a visual observation and surveillance of this address, a careful check was made of the neighborhood, as well as the rear of these premises at 2132 Monroe Street. During the early evening it was indicated that apparently no one was home in the Apartment of Harry Campbell, however, at about 12:30 A.M., to 1:00 A.M., May 7, 1936, it was apparent that somebody had returned to this place and Agent, together with Agent C. E. Smith, definitely located the door of the apartment of Harry Campbell upon which was the name card, "G. Miller", it being apartment #1, right hand front as you enter from Monroe Street. All exits and possible ways and means of escape were carefully checked by Agent C. E. Smith and myself and definite arrangements made for raiding this place. The details of the general lay out of the property and the men available at Toledo were discussed with the Director, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Assistant Director Clyde A. Tolson and Special Agent (A) W. R. Glavin, and thereafter plans were made to raid the place at daybreak, the morning of May 7, 1936.

It had been indicated by the nurse, Bobby Robletto, that Campbell had a new Ford V-8 Coach or Sedan, dark colored, automobile which he maintained in the alley to the rear of the premises where he lives; that she believed this license number was similar to 4544, she not being certain of definite numbers; that she believed he parked this car in the alley at some place, rather than putting same in a garage. By prowling the alley on the night in question, Agent, together with Agent C. E. Smith,

located what was undoubtedly his car, parked in a vacant space to the rear of the Goulet saloon, which is two doors to the East from the Campbell apartment, and this car was a Ford V-8 Coach, with Ohio, 1936 license 5534 F.

The apartment presumably occupied by Harry Campbell was located on the second floor at 2132 Monroe Street. The general plan to raid this place was, as follows, and the persons indicated participated therein:

To be located on the porch at the rear of this apartment, at the rear entrance to the hallway on the second floor, there were established Agents Murphy, Sirene, Jones and Wynn. Special Agents Johnson and Glavin were established with an automobile to block the car of Harry Campbell and also to take care of this individual should he escape or try to leave in his automobile; also established on the porch to the rear of the apartment to cover the alley, were Assistant Director Tolson and Special Agent Richmond; Special Agent Ducommun was established on Monroe Street, to contact any police officers who might appear, in order to establish our identity and to indicate to them whether or not we desired any assistance. Special Agents Malone, Dowd, Hardison and Hirsch were established across Monroe Street from this apartment, in order to take care of the necessary gassing of the apartment, should it be necessary and also to take care of anyone who might come out the front windows at the time the raid was made.

Director, Mr. J. E. Hoover, Special Agent in Charge Connelley, and Special Agents Smith and Birch entered the hallway at 2132 Monroe Street and thereafter knocked on the door of the apartment and demanded entrance. The wife of Harry Campbell, Mrs. Gertie Miller, as she was known, answered the door and at this time we forced our way into the apartment and covered Harry Campbell, who had just gotten out of bed and he was thereafter handcuffed, dressed and made ready to leave. He, at this time, signed a waiver of removal and surrendered his various property, he having a considerable portion of his money in a money belt, which was attached to his trousers; one loaded .45 calibre automatic was found approximately 5' from the door under a pillow on the davenport; one loaded clip was found in the hip pocket of his trousers which he had taken off the night before and three other loaded clips were found in the bed room where he and his wife had been sleeping.

At this time information was obtained as to the location of Sam Coker, at 439 Arcadia Street, at the home of Bobby Robletto, and thereafter Mr. Hoover, Special Agent in Charge Connelley and Agents Wynn and C. E. Smith proceeded to 439 Arcadia where Sam Coker was taken

into custody and returned to the apartment at 2132 Monroe Street. Thereafter Harry Campbell, Sam Coker and the wife of Harry Campbell were taken by chartered plane from Toledo, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio, accompanied by Mr. Hoover, Mr. Tolson, and Special Agents Glavin, Connelley, Birch, Smith and Malone.

At Cleveland, Ohio, we arriving there at approximately 7:45 A.M., Agent Malone, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Tolson and Agent Glavin, with other Agents of the Cleveland Office, removed Sam Coker and the wife of Harry Campbell to the Cleveland Office. Thereafter, Harry Campbell was taken via chartered T.W.A. plane from Cleveland, Ohio, to St. Paul, Minn., by Special Agent in Charge, Connelley, and Agents Smith and Birch, who left Cleveland at 7:45 A.M., and arrived at St. Paul at 11:40 A.M., this same date, May 7, 1936, where Harry Campbell was taken to the Bureau office. Harry Campbell was interviewed enroute to St. Paul, but would furnish little information as to himself or his activities or the activities of any others with whom he had been associated. He indicated however, that his present wife, whom he had married at Bowling Green, was not aware of his real identity. It is known that he did identify himself to her on the plane, in conversation, while proceeding from Toledo, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio. Campbell indicated acquaintance with such parties as "Doc" Barker, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis, but would not disclose any of his actual transactions with these individuals. He indicated that the automobile to the rear of the apartment was the property of his wife and that same was in her name; he also indicated that the \$1200.00 found under the pillow of the bed was the property of his wife and should be surrendered to her. He advised the balance of the money found on his person is his property, he however would not admit that this was obtained in exchange for ransom money, but did state that none of the money found at the place was actual ransom money.

Harry Campbell at St. Paul was questioned by Special Agents R. C. Suran and S. K. McKee, as will be reported by them.

Campbell was actually taken into custody at approximately 5:30 A.M., May 7, 1936, and Sam Coker was taken into custody at 6:00 A.M., May 7, 1936.

The fingerprints and descriptive data as to Harry Campbell are to be furnished by the St. Paul Office, as well as pictures of this individual.

Fred Hunter, who was left at New Orleans, for suitable interrogation, particularly by Agent W. L. Buchanan, is to be charged with having Harbored Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana. Special Agent

D. W. Magee has conferred with the United States Attorney there, as to this situation, and the New Orleans Office will cover in detail and report their interviews with this individual and subsequent prosecutive action taken as to him.

Sam Coker, at Cleveland, Ohio, has been disposed of by return to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, at McAlester, Oklahoma, as will be reported and covered in detail by the Cleveland Office.

On May 6, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, I telephonically communicated with S. J. Hetrick, Post Office Inspector in charge of the investigation of the Garrettsville, Ohio train robbery of November 7, 1935, and advised him that subject Fred Hunter would be available to him for interview at New Orleans in the Federal Jail there, whenever he cared to interview him, or designate some other individual or Post Office Inspector for this purpose. This interview, of course, as per my telephonic instructions to Special Agent D. W. Magee, is to be had in the presence of a Bureau Agent, particularly Special Agent W. L. Buchanan, in order that nothing will occur which might interfere with the cooperative attitude of this individual towards the Bureau and the disposition of the Harboring case against him, upon which he is now held.

On May 18, 1936, my information to the Post Office Inspector, S. J. Hetrick, was confirmed in letter to the Post Office Inspector in Charge, Wallace R. Briggs, Cincinnati, Ohio.

[REDACTED] Youngstown, Ohio, previously referred to above as having been taken to Hot Springs, Arkansas for inquiry through the possible associates of Alvin Karpis there, was returned to his home by Bureau Agents on May 3, 1936. b7c

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CLEVELAND OFFICE will report any and all additional details necessary, as to situations referred to in this report, covering the individual investigative activity of the Agents who were working upon this case. Will also cover in detail the interviews had with the wife of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker, and the disposition made of these individuals. Will continue investigation necessary to show the responsibility of the various persons for Harboring the subjects in this case, both at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio and elsewhere in their district, in keeping with oral instructions previously given.

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE will cover in detail any necessary data as to investigative activity carried on by the Agents of that office,

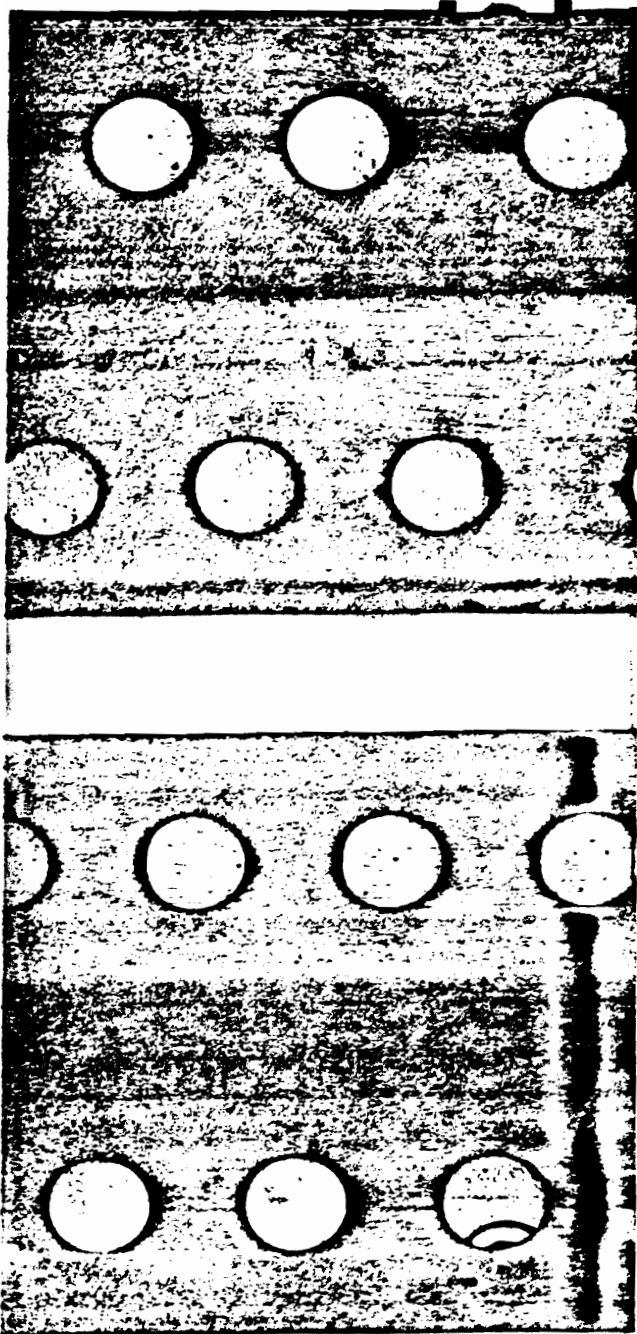
supplementing as necessary the brief references made to various investigative activity at New Orleans, as reflected in this report. Will also cover the interviews and prosecutive action as to Fred Hunter with aliases; also trace, as necessary, the various guns recovered from Karpis and Hunter at New Orleans, tracing these guns from the factory.

LITTLE ROCK OFFICE will supplement any investigation referred to in this report, wherein additional details are available, as reflected by the investigative reports of the individual Agents who covered investigation.

ALL OFFICES are cautioned to report under personal and confidential cover, references to confidential informants who have rendered us assistance in connection with the above investigation, in order to definitely not disclose their identity.

ST. PAUL OFFICE. This office will report any additional details necessary to supplement the information set out in this report.

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77 Get Surprise In 'Drunk Cases'

Men Escape Workhouse Because It Also Is "Full."

Because the Workhouse is too full to accommodate more persons, Louisville tipplers who "got full" over the week-end had a break when arraigned before Judge Brachey Monday. Of the eighty-one appearing to answer drunkenness charges, seventy-seven were liberated on their own bonds after promising to behave thirty days. One \$5 fine was meted out and three cases were continued.

An unprecedented circumstance, veteran attendants said, was that none of the eighty-one was represented by counsel. The "old time" drunks, brought before the court at comparatively regular intervals, were a majority of the group and were obviously delighted at getting off without the usual \$20 fine which most of them are accustomed to working off at Workhouse.

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with no coat on my back in my shirt sleeves.

An you have got the nerve which you are to

Big of a man to help me in any way at all.

But if a man is actually the cause of being captured

if you can beat him out of what he is I intend to

that is your game. But Mr Edger however I want you

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or got, he has not got the power that Jesus

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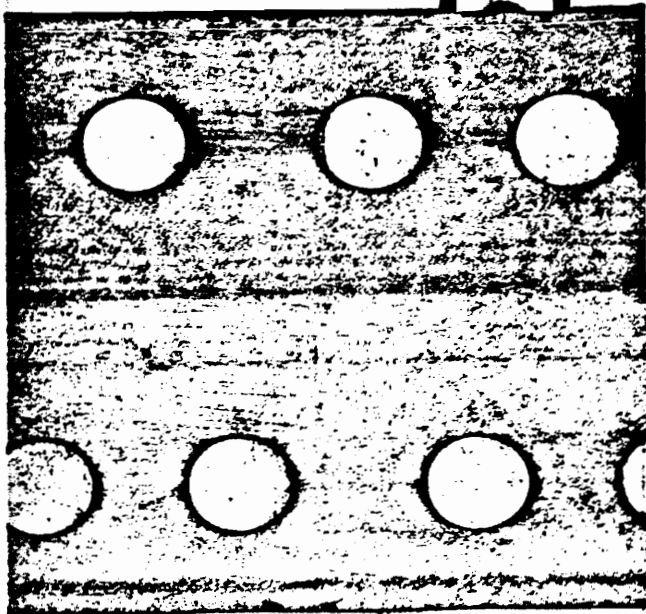
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Very Truly yours
 B. Common man.

DAVID A. POWERS, 1977-C
 435 E. MADISON ST.
 LOUISVILLE, KY.

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 more than a prisoner has in jail.
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5/12/36.

Mr. Hood just advised of call
from Stein.

Harry
Campbell just sentenced to life on
guilty plea.

He talked a little and admitted
he was with Doc. *at* Barker, Karpis and Campbell
at time of kidnaping; that he went south with
them; that he helped guard; that he was with
them on the way back.

Stein is going to talk to him later
today and try and secure additional details.

A memo is being prepared of call.

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DIRECTOR & SACCHICAGO

PHONE. BREKID INFORMANT MENTIONED YOUR TELETYPE THIS AFTERNOON IS RICHARD
TALIMAN GALATAS SUBJECT OF KANMO CASE WHO IS PRESENTLY CONFINED LEAVENWORTH
PENITENTIARY. INFORMATION FURNISHED ME BY GALATAS WAS TO BE TREATED CONFIDENTIAL
THEREFORE IF INTERVIEW REQUESTED BY YOU THROUGH KANSASCITY OFFICE SUGGEST NO
REFERENCE BE MADE TO ME. DURING MY CONVERSATIONS WITH GALATAS I COMMUNICATED
FREQUENTLY WITH MISTER TAMM WHO IS AWARE OF ALL MY NEGOTIATIONS WITH GALATAS

FLETCHER

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Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Baughman
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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 14, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Brekid

Reference is made to the teletype message dated May 6, 1936, from the Little Rock office to the Director and to the Chicago office of this Bureau, concerning the information furnished Special Agent in Charge Fletcher by a confidential informant, who, it is known, is Richard Tallman Galatas, presently confined in the Leavenworth Penitentiary. It is noted that Mr. Fletcher, in the reference teletype, refers to his conversations with Galatas, which were communicated to the Bureau.

Undoubtedly, the information which Galatas furnished to the Bureau as related by Mr. Fletcher, refers to the negotiations had in connection with the information furnished by Attorney William Brandenburg of Little Rock, that Richard Tallman Galatas was ready to furnish information regarding the location of William Elmer Meade in return for leniency of some kind. Subsequent to this information furnished by Brandenburg, advice was received from the Little Rock office, as a result of an interview with Galatas, which resulted in the definite conclusion that Galatas would be of no assistance to the Bureau and that any negotiations on the part of the Bureau for the purpose of postponing Galatas' serving of his penitentiary sentence, which began on March 27, 1936, would not be entertained.

Resultant to a complete ascertainment of the full particulars of the negotiations had with Brandenburg and Galatas, a memorandum was addressed to the Attorney General under date of March 16, 1936, reflecting the advice received from the Little Rock office concerning the efforts made by parties to prevent Richard Galatas from serving the sentence imposed upon him in Kansas City, Missouri, because of his participation in the Kansas City Massacre. The Attorney General was further advised that Ira Ross, Post Office Inspector at Little Rock, Arkansas, recently appeared at the Bureau's Little Rock office, accompanied by Galatas and Brandenburg, and indicated that he, Ross, would communicate with his superior officer in Washington, D. C., for the purpose of having him intercede on behalf of Galatas, to prevent the latter from

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serving the sentence imposed upon him. The Attorney General was further informed that Post Office Inspector Ross intends to point out to his superiors the assistance which Galatas has rendered Special Agents of this Bureau. Of course, the Attorney General was advised the Bureau is strongly opposed to any consideration of clemency being shown Galatas in any form, inasmuch as Galatas was the finger man in the Kansas City Massacre, and although the maximum possible sentence imposed upon him under the statute under which he was convicted was woefully inadequate punishment. The record, of course, shows that the Bureau did not participate in any negotiations with Post Office Inspectors, and that Galatas began to serve his sentence in the Leavenworth Penitentiary on March 27, 1936. It should be noted that the efforts of the Post Office Department to intercede on behalf of Galatas have been properly recorded in the file dealing with the lack of cooperation of the Post Office Department and its Inspectors.

Respectfully,

A. Rosen

A. Rosen.

DAM:cm.
7-15.

326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
May 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: Brekid.

Please be informed that a further check of the
.38 super-automatic pistols at the New Orleans Office
indicates that gun #15791 was recovered in the side pocket
of New Orleans Bureau Office car No. 9, which was the gun
missing on the New Orleans Office inventory.

The writer personally recovered this gun and recalls
that Special Agent W. John McNulty had informed that there
was a gun in the side pocket of this car but did not, as
the writer recalls, inform him that this was the gun that
I had loaned you on May 1, 1936.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Hager,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Boston

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1216 Smith Young Tower
San Antonio, Texas.
May 18, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Ill.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 13, 1936, addressed to the Cincinnati office, you are advised that an accurate record was kept at this office of all wanted notices placed concerning any cars involved in instant case and since the capture of Karpis and Campbell these wanted notices have all been withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

cc Bureau ✓
Cincinnati

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 19, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Referring to your communication of May 17, 1936, and copy of letter from the Oklahoma City Office to the New Orleans Office dated May 14, 1936, I am forwarding herewith, one pair of Peerless handcuffs, 98,539.

It will be noted that it is set forth in your letter referred to above that the number on the cuffs used to transfer Alvin Karpis from New Orleans to St. Paul was 98,538. It can definitely be stated, however, that the cuffs bearing number 98,539, which I am forwarding to you, are those which were on this person upon his arrival in Saint Paul.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California
April 29, 1936

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. J. E. Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In connection with the recent surveillance in Los Angeles of Charles Joseph Fitzgerald in the Brekid and Hanap cases, as you know this surveillance continued for a period of nearly four months, and while, unfortunately, we did not secure the information as to the whereabouts of Karpis, or any others, as a result of this surveillance, nevertheless, it is my opinion that insofar as keeping a check on Fitzgerald is concerned, the efforts were entirely successful.

This success is due, in no small degree, to the splendid cooperation that was extended to the Los Angeles office by Mr. A. P. Buetow, auditor for the Syndicate Mortgage Company, 404 Associated Realty Building, Los Angeles, California. Mr. Buetow represents the owners of the Benjamin Franklin Apartments and the Victoria Apartments in Los Angeles, in which buildings Charles Joseph Fitzgerald and his companions in Los Angeles, namely, Mrs. Alta Robertson and her daughter Imogene Robertson resided, respectively. Mr. Buetow arranged for the Los Angeles office to secure the whole-hearted cooperation of Mrs. J. A. Woods, the manager of the Benjamin Franklin Apartments, 512 South Hobart Boulevard, and of Mrs. Pauline Mackey, the manager of the Victoria Apartments, 527 South Hobart Boulevard.

These two managers cooperated fully, not only in arranging and renting to the Agents of this Bureau apartments, which apartments it is, of course, realized were paid for by this Bureau, but they extended their cooperation in other ways in securing information, in extending courtesies and aiding in every possible request that was made of them.

Without having had the assistance that was rendered by these people, in my opinion, the surveillance over this extended period of time would not have been successful. Because of this, it is my recommendation that you direct a personal letter to Mr. Buetow, expressing the appreciation of this Bureau for the assistance rendered by him, as well as by the two managers, Mrs. J. A. Woods and Mrs. Pauline Mackey.

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It might also be mentioned that Mrs. Mona F. Hensley, 900 South New Hampshire, Los Angeles, who, at the time the Agents began the surveillance, was the manager of the Graystone Apartments, 520 South Hobart Boulevard, also.

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Mr. A. P. Buetow
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assisted materially, but she has left the employ of the operators of the Graystone Apartment Building, and I am of the opinion that she might misuse a letter of appreciation from you. For that reason, I am not making the recommendation that you transmit to her a letter of appreciation. However, she, as well as the other persons mentioned above, has been visited by me, and our gratitude toward them has been shown.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge

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May 15, 1936

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Mr. A. P. Buetow,
Syndicate Mortgage Company,
404 Associated Realty Building,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mr. Buetow:

I have been informed by Mr. J. H. Hanson,
Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles,
California, office of this Bureau, of the splendid
cooperation and numerous courtesies which were
rendered Special Agents of this Bureau during the
course of an official investigation conducted at
apartments coming within your jurisdiction.

It was extremely gratifying to receive
your cooperation in this matter and the cooperation
of Mrs. J. A. Woods and Mrs. Pauline Mackey, who also
assisted this Bureau during its activities which
required the utmost discretion.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc-Los Angeles

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Under date of May 12, 1936 the Cleveland office received a letter from the Bureau (7-576) advising that the following telegram was received by the Bureau from Lloyd Kennedy, mailed at the airport, Cleveland, Ohio, May 2, 1936:

"Suggest you contact Doctors Schwab and Cobb on Karpis. Schwab at Boston psychopathic has new surgical technique on brain photography. Cobb at Massachusetts General now repeating Pavlov and needs humans instead of dogs for a change."

Investigation at the airport discloses that the Pennsylvania Air Lines, on May 2, 1936, had a reservation made at Detroit, Michigan, for a passenger named Kennedy, from Detroit, Michigan to New York via Cleveland. However, this reservation was cancelled and passenger Kennedy did not make the trip. The Pennsylvania Air Lines advised that passenger Kennedy may have made the trip from Detroit to Cleveland on May 2, 1936, and if such is the case his address would be on the records of the Pennsylvania Air Lines in the Detroit office, and had he arrived about noon on May 2, 1936, in Cleveland, he would have been a passenger on Pennsylvania Air Lines trip No. 8.

You are respectfully requested to ascertain from the manager of the Pennsylvania Air Lines at Detroit, Michigan, what record, if any, he has of Lloyd Kennedy on May 2, 1936, and ascertain the address of Kennedy and interview him relative to the contents of his message.

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Very truly,

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Post Office Box 8118
Detroit - Michigan
May 19, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

RE: BREXID

Dear Sir

Reference is made to your letter of May 15, 1936, to the Special Agent in Charge, Cincinnati, Ohio.

A thorough examination of the Detroit Bureau file, as requested in reference letter, reveals that the Detroit Bureau office has the following stop notices still outstanding in connection with the instant case:

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|--|---------|
| (1) Buick Sedan, Motor #63052198, Serial #2895972 | (17-59) |
| (2) Plymouth Sedan, Motor #PJS22772, Serial #2619657 | (15-90) |
| (3) Buick Sedan, Motor #1104299 | (15-90) |
| (4) Ford V-8, Motor #18-493080 | (12-88) |
| (5) Pontiac Sedan, 1933, Motor #933155, Serial #315227 | (12-88) |

The Detroit Bureau file reflects that all other wanted car notices have been withdrawn.

Very truly yours

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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P.O. Box #1525
Pittsburgh, Pa.

May 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: BREMER

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to copy of your communication addressed to the Cincinnati Office under date of May 12, 1936, in the matter entitled as above, pertaining to stop notices outstanding in each field office on automobiles owned or operated by the various persons involved in the Bremer Kidnaping case.

A review of the Pittsburgh Office file indicates that the only outstanding stop notices pertain to the following described automobiles: -

MAKE	MODEL	MOTOR NUMBER	SERIAL NUMBER
* Ford	V-8	18-493080	
* Packard	Club Sedan	18-9553	476273 A
* Pontiac	Sedan	935155	815227

Please advise this office if it is desired that the stop notices pertaining to the automobiles herein mentioned be withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

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Cincinnati

St. Paul

R. L. SHIVERS,

Special Agent in Charge,

BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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508 Medical Arts Building,
Nashville, Tennessee,
May 19, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: REXID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 13,
1936, regarding the withdrawal of the stop notice on a
Buick Sedan, motor number 63052192, and the number of
outstanding stop notices in this office.

Please be advised that there are present-
ly outstanding stop notices on the following:

Pontiac Sedan,
Motor number 935155,
Serial number 815277.

Packard Club Sedan,
Motor number 189533,
Serial number 476273A.

Plymouth Sedan,
Motor number 833277A.

Very truly yours,

T. E. STAPLETON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In connection with the development of harboring charges at Toledo, Ohio, arising out of this case, the indications are that Police Captain George Timminney and other members of the Toledo Police Department, as well as Sheriff James T. O'Reilly, might be possible subjects.

As these persons are city and state officials the Bureau is respectfully requested to advise whether investigation should be made as to their implication and connection with the harboring of the fugitives.

Very truly yours,

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

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

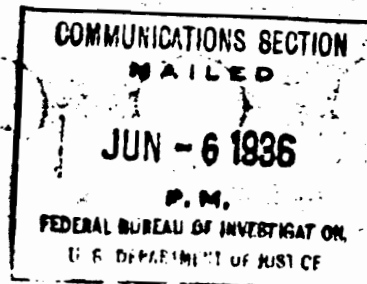
Reference is made to your letter of May 19, 1936.
You are advised that the Bureau desires that you give very
thorough and vigorous attention to any information indicating
that Police Captain George Timiney and other members of the
Toledo Police Department as well as Sheriff James T. O'Reilly
harbored, conspired to harbor or aided or abetted in any manner
in the concealing of members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

I desire that you give this matter vigorous attention
and that the Bureau be advised currently of all developments in
this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc: Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati



Two handwritten signatures in dark ink, likely of the Director and another official, written over the stamp and to its right.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515

Saint Paul, Minnesota

May 19, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to your letter of May 14, 1936, Bureau File No. 7-576, in which you request to be advised of the name of the person connected with the St. Paul Daily News who made that photograph available.

Mr. Dinty Moore, photographer of the St. Paul Daily News, and who is a personal friend of mine, furnished that photograph to me, after which I then transmitted it to you.

No other photographs of that kind are now available.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN

C. W. STEIN

Special Agent in Charge

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May 27, 1936.

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Mr. Dinty Moore,
St. Paul Daily News,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Moore:

Mr. C. W. Stein, Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office of this Bureau, has forwarded to me a news photograph relative to the presence of Karpis in St. Paul in the custody of Bureau Agents.

I want to thank you for making this photograph available to Mr. Stein and to assure you that it will make a valuable addition to the collection I am making of photographs concerning the work of this Bureau.

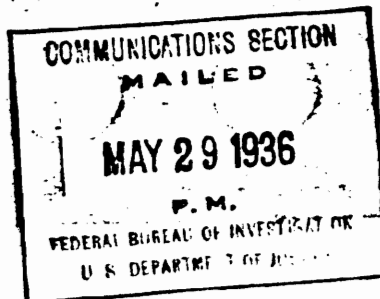
With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Nathan _____
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May 15 - 1936

Mr.

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To the attorney General

Mr. Cummings

Washington D.C.

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name in paper is Harry Campbell

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Alvin Karpis and his gang

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leading to his (Campbell)

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ack, letter Portland, cc Campbell at Chicago, St. Paul, Cincinnati, Cleveland, KRM

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Detective Magazine I saw
 another man wanted By
 the name (Pr. Joseph) Moran.
 Moran is known By his photo
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 is going By the name of
 Melce. Nelson. I am sure
 from the description given
 of Campbell and the photo
 of Moran They are the men
 wanted They came up the
 Rogue River from Gold Beach
 Oregon. to Agness Oregon. By
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way of getting to Agness
There is no road from the
outside world at present
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in the month of June. 1935
went up the River from
Agness about $3\frac{1}{2}$ or 4 miles
to a little sawmill
lumber mill) owned by
a man his name is
Jack ^{one} ~~the~~ ^{Castles}

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a different setting) These 2
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a little house or shack
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name that is do not let
it be known who furnished
the government with the
information if you will
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Yours Sincerely
Alfred J. Renney

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the reward
Alfred J. Renney

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There are 3 1/2 or 4
miles north of Agness
up the Rogue River

Curry County, Oregon.
The only way to get there
is from Gold Beach Oregon.
By Mail Boat to
Agness.

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June 1, 1936.

Mr. Mack Z. Remney,
Glendale, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 13, 1936, in which you furnished certain information purporting to disclose the location of Harry Campbell and Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

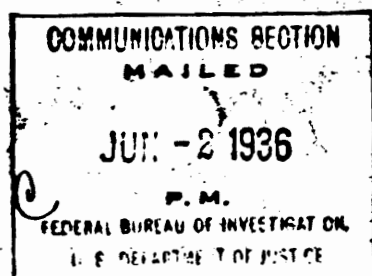
This will inform you that Harry Campbell was apprehended at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936, by Special Agents of this Bureau as a result of information obtained solely by them during the course of their investigation.

The information furnished by you with regard to Dr. Joseph P. Moran will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan
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June 1, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copies of a letter directed to the Bureau by Mack E. Remney, dated May 15, 1936, in which he furnishes information with regard to the alleged location of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

This will inform you that confidential information obtained by the Bureau indicates that Moran was murdered by members of the Karpis-Barker gang and his body disposed of in Lake Erie. The Bureau feels, however, that in view of the fact that Moran's body has never been recovered and in view of the further fact that there are rumors circulating from time to time to the effect that Moran is still living, this investigation should go forward to exhaust the possibility of locating Moran in your district.

You should be very circumspect in dealing with any persons purporting to have information relative to the location of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, so that no publicity will result from investigation thereof.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #66134

cc - Mr. Connelley at Chicago, with copy of incoming letter
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Referring to Bureau letter of May 13, 1936, marked Personal and Confidential, relative to the intent of Detective Harry K. Manson to desist from further investigative activity in the matter of determining whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew subject Campbell was in Toledo, or had associated with him, pending action by this Bureau, I want you to know that no intimation, request, or suggestion was made to the said detective, or other persons in Toledo, that an investigation was being made with respect to members of the Toledo Police Department, or the Sheriff's office.

Chief of Police Ray Allen has been informed that he may pursue, without regard to the Bureau, such investigations as he may desire, contemplates or has initiated with respect to determining whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew Campbell was in Toledo, or had associated with him.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Record of Telephone call of Visitor:

May 19, 1938

Time — 10:50

Name — Mr. Craig, Managing Editor of the
Phila. Bulletin Tele. from Phila.

Details:

Stated that on next Monday he was making a talk before the Pennsylvania Newspapers Editors; that he heard Mr. Hoover's talk before the American Society of Newspapers Editors and thought it was very fine; that in his talk next Monday, he would like to bring out some of the points stressed by Mr. Hoover with regard to cooperation. He stated however, that an article appears in the Editor and Publisher for May 16th criticizing the Bureau for its action in apprehending Harry Campbell and not giving the Toledo newspapers a break in connection with the story; that if possible he would like to get some material to refute this story in case someone brings the question up in his talk. He requested to be called and advised if Mr. Hoover has any statement to make in this connection.

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Note: Situation explained to Mr. Craig — Grateful
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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936

Director
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith copies of the following Toledo,
Ohio, newspapers:

<u>PUBLICATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>
X Toledo Morning Times	5/18/36
The X Toledo News Bee	5/18/36
X Toledo Blade	5/18/36

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
J. P. MacFarland 970
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 11, 1936

PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum prepared by Special Agent L. H. Richmond dated May 10, 1936, relative to a contact he has at Toledo, Ohio, who apparently can furnish information of value in connection with the harboring investigation to be made at that place.

There is also attached hereto a memorandum prepared by Special Agent L. H. Richmond, dated May 10, 1936, covering an interview with Police Officer Harry Manson, of Toledo, Ohio, who has been assigned by the Chief of Police to ascertain whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew Campbell was in Toledo or had associated with him.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Toledo, Ohio
May 10, 1936

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR:

Re: BREKID

On May 8th, 1936, Harry Manson called and said that he was assigned by Chief of Police Ray Allen to conduct an investigation to see if any members of the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department were cognizant of the fact that Campbell was in Toledo and if any members of the department were known to frequent Campbell's apartment. Manson said that while he was interviewing a woman occupant of apartment No. 3 in the same building as that occupied by Campbell, two men came to the apartment of Mrs. Campbell and that Manson was able to hear part of what was said. Manson says that one of the men, Charlie Connell, a private detective of questionable character, gave the code knock, and Mrs. Campbell came to the door. Connell then said that he wanted to introduce a dear, dear friend of the old man, and introduced an individual by the name of Dave Braddock, of Monroe, Michigan. Manson said that he had never seen the individual before. Braddock was supposed to have said that if the cops came up to say nothing. Manson described Braddock as follows:

Name	- Dave Braddock
Age	- 30
Height	- 5' 7"
Weight	- 150
Facial features	- nose appeared as if it had been broken

Last night the writer accompanied Harry Manson and Special Agent Hirsh to Bowling Green, Ohio, in connection with the location of a possible bank robbery suspect. During the conversation Manson said that he had concluded the investigation in the neighborhood of the Campbell apartment and that he had established the fact that Sheriff O'Reilly and Joe Roscoe were visitors at the apartment. He said that he had informed Chief Allen that he did not intend to conduct any further investigation until the Bureau had finished any investigation that it might desire to make.

Manson furnished information concerning various members of the police department, which will be reported in a memo by Special Agent B. M. Hirsh.

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It is the belief of the writer that Manson will be glad to furnish any information that he might have or be able to ascertain concerning possible connections between the mob and the police department here.

It is my opinion that Manson feels that Chief Allen is doing his best to clean up the police department and Manson wants to help, but does not relish the part of conducting the investigation concerning his fellow officers.

I believe he will, however, be of assistance if any officers are implicated in the harboring investigations conducted by this Bureau.

Respectfully submitted,

L. H. RICHMOND
Special Agent.

LHR:h

cc:

E. J. Connelley

Toledo, Ohio
May 10, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE E. J. CONNELLEY

Re: BREKID

On Friday, May 8, 1936, Mr. Paul Brokaw, reporter for The Toledo Blade, called and stated that he had some information he would like to furnish a representative of the Bureau. He called at the Hillcrest Hotel and said that he had learned from one Vic E. Domhoff, Claim Adjuster, General Fire and Insurance Corporation, 1317 Superior, Toledo, that a deputy sheriff of Lucas County has been in the company of Campbell on the average of two nights a week for the past three or four months and that he was seen with Campbell two nights previous to the apprehension of Campbell. Ohio

Mr. Brokaw went on to say that he was unable to learn the name of the deputy from Domhoff, but it is his opinion that Domhoff knows whereof he speaks and has complete information in that regard, and it is the opinion of Brokaw that if Domhoff were interviewed by an agent that valuable information could be obtained concerning any connection between Campbell and the sheriff's office. Brokaw requested that his name not be mentioned in the event Domhoff is interviewed.

After the interview was had with Brokaw the writer escorted him to the street by the hotel, and a man was approaching, and Brokaw told me he wanted me to listen to the conversation. He introduced me as a reporter from Detroit. The man was Al Masters, who operates a saloon known as the Allanby Cafe, 317 West Central Avenue, Toledo. Brokaw asked Masters what he knew about Campbell's friends in Toledo. Although Masters didn't appear talkative, he did indicate that Mrs. Campbell had called him that morning and that he was going to see her that evening. He said that he wasn't telling anybody anything. He did tell Brokaw to come out to his place of business that night, and he might have something to tell him. Mr. Brokaw called me on the following day and said that he had gone to the Allanby Cafe on the night of May 8th and that he was securing some information regarding some deputies who had associated with Campbell here, at which time the conversation was interrupted by a telephone call for Masters. When

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Masters returned from the telephone he immediately jumped on Brokaw and started to beat him. Brokaw said that he got a few scratches and some sore spots where he was hit, but that he was able to get away before any serious damage was done. Brokaw says that he believes the attack was provoked by the fact that Masters learned that he had been making numerous inquiries in Toledo on the same matter. Brokaw says that he learned that Masters left town at 4:00 a.m. on the following morning. The following is a description of Masters:

Name	-	Al Masters
Age	-	30
Height	-	6 ft.
Weight	-	175 lbs.
Build	-	medium - athletic
Hair	-	dark brown
Eyes	-	dark brown
Complexion	-	ruddy
Occupation	-	saloon keeper

Mr. Brokaw stated that the place operated by Masters had been a drinking spot frequented by the various members of the Sheriff's department and that Masters had been a bootlegger during prohibition and his place had been a hangout for petty criminals.

Mr. Ralph Sisson, radio news commentator for station WSPD at Toledo, telephoned on May 8th and said that he had some information he wished to furnish to the Bureau. Accordingly, he said that he would call at the hotel, which he did. He said that he had learned that former City Welfare Director Charles Mathews, 2407 Robeswood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, was in possession of information which would definitely place Captain Timmone and former Inspector Louis J. Haas in the company of Karpis and Campbell at Point Place at the time the mob was supposed to have been in that place. Sisson said that he was of the impression that this information could be substantiated by Charles Hatch, City and County Planning Engineer. He says that in Hatch's job he was in a position to know what was being done by Mathews. It is noted at this point that Mathews is reputed to have been the "major domo" of appointments and graft before his dismissal by the City Manager. He is said to have collected most of the "take" and was very close to Timmone. This information concerning Mathews was volunteered by Assistant U. S. Attorney Gerald P. Openlander and Harry Manson.

It is further noted that Charles Hatch is from the writer's home town and was the first Eagle scout in that part of the country. He was also a member of my church and was my first scoutmaster.

He came to Toledo approximately ten years ago as Assistant City Engineer. At that time he was a clean, young man, and in view of his fine family background I don't believe that he could have been a part to any graft or protection.

I am planning to see Hatch in a personal way and believe that if he has anything on his mind, he will volunteer the information.

Respectfully submitted.

L. H. RICHMOND
Special Agent

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May 13, 1936

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your communication of May 11, 1936, transmitting a memorandum prepared by Special Agent Richmond, dated May 10, 1936, relative to a contact he has at Toledo, Ohio, together with an additional memorandum by the same Agent under the same date, covering an interview with Police Officer Harry Hanson of Toledo, Ohio, who has been assigned by the Chief of Police to ascertain whether members of the Toledo Police Department knew Campbell was in Toledo or had associated with him.

The Bureau has reviewed the contents of the memoranda in question and notes that the statement is made to the effect that "During the conversation Hanson said that he had concluded the investigation in the neighborhood of the Campbell apartment and that he had established the fact that Sheriff O'Reilly and Joe Roscoe were visitors at the apartment. He said that he had informed Chief Allen that he did not intend to conduct any further investigation until the Bureau had finished any investigation that it might desire to make."

The Bureau does not desire that any investigative inquiries conducted by any members of the Toledo police force be held in abeyance because of any possible action or lack of investigative action which may be effected by the Bureau. It is believed that it would be well to convey to Officer Hanson or any other person so engaged information to the effect that their investigative activities will be pursued without regard to the Bureau. The Bureau assumes that no intimation has been given to any person in or around Toledo that any investigation is being conducted by it with respect to members of the Toledo Police Department or the Sheriff's Office.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
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Laboratory Report

Case:

May 20, 1936.

Number:

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Re: Brekid.

Specimens:

One Colt Automatic, Government Model, #162893.
Seven .45 caliber automatic clips - empty.

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Examination requested by:

Cleveland Bureau Office

Date received:

May 14, 1936

Examination requested:

Ballistic

Result of examination:

Examination by: Parsons

Test cartridges have been fired in the above-listed automatic pistol and the test bullets and test cartridge cases compared with all specimens of that type contained in the Laboratory's files but no identification has been made. The test specimens from this gun will be retained in the Laboratory's files for possible future reference.

The above-listed gun together with the clips is being retained in the Laboratory.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau May 14, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #1111804.

cc-Cincinnati
Chicago

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
Mr. J. J. Donnelly, Chicago

MAY 20 1936

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

EAT:TMF

May 19, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent W. L. Buchanan of the Oklahoma City Office, has been at New Orleans since April 30th, engaged in the Bremer case, his last assignment having been the questioning of Hunter. Unless you desire Buchanan to remain in New Orleans for some special reason, I will talk to Connelley about sending him back to his headquarters.

Agent J. V. Murphy of the Oklahoma City Office is at Toledo and I will also see whether this man can be returned to his headquarters.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

*Yes get them back if it
will not interfere with work.*

J. E. H.

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

May 21, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is listed below the data pertaining to stop notices
and flash cards still of record with the Government agencies indicated:

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION:

Flash Card on Oliver Benjamin Lester,
placed 4/21/36.
Flash card on William J. Harrison,
placed 3/21/35
Flash card on Byron Bolton,
placed 10/15/34
Flash card on Charles Preston Vernon
placed 2/27/34.
Flash card on Dr. Joseph A. Moran
placed 5/3/35.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, WAR DEPARTMENT

Flash card on Oliver Benjamin Lester
placed 4/21/36.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT

Flash card on William J. Harrison
placed 3/21/35.

It is requested that you advise if you desire these Flash
cards to remain with the Government agencies named.

Very truly yours,

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J. M. KRITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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New Orleans, La.
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11-30 p. m.

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DIRECTOR ✓
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TO SEND A MESSAGE TELEPHONE MAIN 6711 OR ANY POSTAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE.
FOR MESSENGER TELEPHONE POSTAL TELEGRAPH OR RING POSTAL CALL BOX.

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

May 19, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

While at Toledo, Ohio, recently the writer contacted County Prosecutor Frazier Reams, who indicated that he was quite concerned about the alleged statement made by the Director to the press indicating the unreliability of county officials, he mentioning that in view of the generalities of the statement allegedly made by the Director the criticism not only fell on his office but on all county officials in Toledo. It might be mentioned that County Prosecutor Frazier Reams is and has always been one of the Bureau's supporters in this district. As of the writer's own knowledge Frazier Reams has on numerous occasions spoken very highly concerning the Director and the efficiency of the Bureau under the direction of yourself.

The writer indicated to Mr. Reams that one cannot always believe everything that appears in the press, in which statement Mr. Reams concurred.

The writer suggests in view of the high regard which Mr. Reams holds for you personally and the Bureau that it might be desirable to drop him a little personal note indicating perhaps your appreciation for the splendid cooperation which he has rendered to the Bureau in connection with the Brekid investigation. It might also be mentioned at this time that Frazier Reams was the individual who made available to the Bureau certain confidential informants at Toledo, who were quite helpful in the pursuit of the said investigation.

County Prosecutor Reams was defeated in the primaries for the Attorney Generalship of Ohio and will soon retire from office at Toledo.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Reams County Prosecutor

no action necessary

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 19, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed herewith, newspaper clippings from local newspapers and also a clipping from the Chatanooga News, published at Chatanooga, Oklahoma and dated May 13, 1936, relative to Alvin Karpis and his "Constitutional rights" as published under the "News Open Forum" of said paper.

PUBLICATION	DATE	SUBJECT MATTER
Cleveland Plain Dealer	5/18/36	"Man Cannot Escape Self, Pastor Says, Citing Karpis"
Cleveland Plain Dealer	5/15/36	"Haas Denies He Is Playboy Or Fixer"
Cleveland Plain Dealer	5/19/36	"\$2 Fee To Let 'Legal' Device Run" The "legal" device referred is the slot machine "racket" as passed by city ordinance voting 24 to 8.
Cleveland News	5/14/36	"Trial of Attorney's Libel Suit Opens"
Cleveland News	5/18/36	"Tells of Crime Grip on Nation" This is a story published upon Assistant Director's speech before the Cleveland Council of the Parent-Teacher Association.
Cleveland Press	5/18/36	"Bank Lawyer Withdraws on Eve of Trial"
Cleveland Press	5/18/36	"Draw Pen Terms for Selling Dope" The men referred to are Joseph RICHARDSON and Edward Markling.

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Cleveland Press

5/18/36

Letter of appreciation from Director J. Edgar Hoover to the Cleveland Press and published in the forum of said paper.

Cleveland Press

5/18/36

"Hoover Warned to Halt Jibes at Other Agents" by Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen, authors of the "Washington Merry-Go-Round"

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MacFarland 790
Special Agent in Charge

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CADEK LAWYER WITHDRAWS ON EVE OF TRIAL

Pilliod "Too Busy" to Handle
Police Captain's Bribery
Charge

CONTINUANCE DENIED

Logan, New Attorney, Told
Ample Time Given for
Wednesday's Start

Counsel for Police Captain Louis J. Cadek today withdrew from the case on the eve of his trial on charges of accepting bribes from bootleggers.

Gerard Pilliod announced that the firm of Payer, Corrigan, Cook and Pilliod would not defend Cadek when his trial begins Wednesday in Common Pleas Court. His announcement was made after Raymond J. Logan appeared before Presiding Judge Walter McMahon this morning and asked for a continuance.

Time Is Short

Mr. Logan based request for a continuance on the grounds that he would have little more than 24 hours to prepare a defense. Judge McMahon promptly refused the motion for a delay, pointing out that Capt. Cadek was given ample time to arrange for counsel.

Considerable mystery surrounded the action of Mr. Pilliod's firm, the suddenness and lateness of the withdrawal arousing much speculation at Criminal Courts Building today.

Mr. Pilliod at first declined to confirm the reported withdrawal, but later he made the flat announcement: "You may say we are out of the case." Asked for an explanation, he said that his law firm was very busy with other cases at the present time.

Still With Tax Case

He added, however, that he would continue to represent the police officer in settling his income tax affairs. Capt. Cadek, who admitted depositing \$109,630 while in charge of the gambling, bootleg and vice districts of the city, also admitted he had never made an income tax return.

Asked in what manner he had been brought into the bribery case, Mr. Logan said:

"Capt. Cadek called me on the phone Sunday afternoon (yesterday) and asked me to represent him. I am not familiar enough with the case now to discuss it, but I will know more this afternoon after a conference with the captain."

The News Open Forum

Mr. Alvin Karpis and His Rights

Editor: The News

If the newspaper accounts of his arrest in New Orleans are correct, then there has been a gross miscarriage of justice in the case of Alvin Karpis, that earnestly sought public enemy No. 1. Clearly his constitutional rights have been invaded, and it will now be up to the Supreme Court to determine the amount of injury inflicted upon the unfortunate Alvin. For his arrest at this time and under such peculiar circumstances is another glaring instance of how Government bureaucracy is sure to encroach on that freedom of the press so precious preserved in the sanctum of every newspaper office from copy boy to editor-in-chief.

First of all, without any evasion or equivocation of the simple language of the Constitution, which every officer, judicial or penal, has sworn to uphold, Mr. Karpis, as an American citizen, was entitled to have printed in the newspapers of the day all information of how close the Government sleuths were on his trail. In other words, he was entitled to a fair "break" in the news as to those who were hunting him, and who, it appears, were the only ones getting the "breaks." That, broadly speaking, was an abridgment of the freedom of the press guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Constitution. The question naturally arises, if we have that boasted freedom, why were the newspapers deprived of all knowledge as to what the Government was doing to accomplish the arrest of Mr. Karpis? In thus withholding vital news from the palladium of our liberties, that sterling defender of the rights of the people, the people have been bilked—and Mr. Karpis has been arrested. The Government, which should have been zealous in its desire to further the interests of the newspaper owners by giving out news important to the people, even to the very fact Karpis has driven another nail in the coffin of the Constitution. Had the Government wished to show its contempt for the newspapers, as it manifestly did through its Bureau of Intelligence, it could not have gone about the business in a more deliberate manner than in giving out false information or blind leads day after day as to what the G-men were doing to find Mr. Karpis. The result is that Mr. Karpis was trapped—truly trapped—through the chicanery and malversion of the bureau. And it may well be believed that eminent counsel for Mr. Karpis will know how to obtain justice for him when they appeal to the Supreme Court in his behalf.

While it might rightly be claimed that Mr. Karpis had been pursuing

a criminal career and must soon or later fall into the hands of the police, it is up to the newspapers to vindicate their right to possess news which the public was eager to read and which would have allowed Mr. Karpis sufficient time to avoid the embarrassment of arrest. Had his constitutional rights been thus preserved, Mr. Karpis must assuredly have been a free man today.

Although Mr. Karpis is a bad man, his right to the pursuit of life, liberty and ransom money is as sacred as any other man's, and it should not be molested even for the glorification of G-men. If there is anything left in the Constitution which the Administration has not filched, Mr. Karpis should have the benefit of it. The Constitution must be upheld at any sacrifice.

JOSEPH GREENBAUM

New York, May 11

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Laboratory Report

Case: Re: BREKID

Number: 7-576-11688

Specimens:

- 7-576-11688-A Envelope addressed to Al Vin Karpis, St. Paul Federal
Prison Minn. and postmarked, Peoria, Ill. May 18, 1936 at 10:30 A.M.
- " B One envelope containing a two cent stamp but not postmarked.
Written matter appears on both sides of the envelope.
 - " C One business reply card from the J. D. Roszell Company, Oak
and Washington Streets, Peoria, Ill., sellers of dairy products.
 - " D One coupon ticket #95671.

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Examination requested by: St. Paul

Date received: chp 5-22-36 3:00 P.M.

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:
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Examination by: Appel(1)

7-576-11688-E Two order blanks for the "Only One" Self-heating Smoothing Iron.

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

Incoming letter stated that envelope bore
a 3¢ stamp but it was a 2¢ stamp.

*5/25 While there may be meaning
in the writing but if it is not
cipher. Will compare
writing with anon. file.*

*answered
CAA 5-26-36*

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Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:
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Examination by: Pickering
(A.E.)

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

Incoming letter stated that envelope bore
3¢ stamp but it was a 2¢ stamp.

5/25/36
Suggest that questioned writing
be searched against anonymous
letter file.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
May 20, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Enclosed herewith are, an envelope containing a business reply card from the J. D. Roszell Company, Oak and Washington Streets, Peoria, Illinois, sellers of dairy products; a coupon ticket, and two order blanks for the "Only One" Self-Heating Smoothing Iron, and an envelope bearing a 3¢ stamp. Both sides of this envelope appear to contain a lot of gibberish which is either the work of an unsound mind or possibly a code message.

It will be noted that the letter in which the above data was received was addressed to Alvin Karpis at the St. Paul Federal Prison, Minnesota, postmarked Peoria, May 18, 1936. The letter bears the return address of J. P. Smith, Clerk of Central City Camp No. 1505, Modern Woodmen of America, 315 Millman Street, Peoria, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN

Special Agent in Charge

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REN:MP

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID.

Reference is made to teletype message from Chicago to the Bureau and San Antonio Office under date of May 6, 1936, and to letter from the San Antonio Office to Chicago under date of May 14, 1936, which relate to William Elmer Mead.

It is noted from the letter of the San Antonio Office that the suggestion is made that inquiries be made at West Palm Beach and Orlando, Florida, in connection with the possible location at those points of Mead or his associates. Frequent inquiries have been made at these points during the past winter season without developing any information indicating that Mead has been there with the exception of information from the wife of Charles O. Long to the effect that Mead was at West Palm Beach in January or February of 1936. I have recently talked to the Chief of Detectives, J. C. Stone, at Orlando, who knows Mead and he advises me that so far as he is able to determine Mead has not been in Orlando during the past three or four years. Further inquiries will be made at Orlando in connection with the possibility that O. Miller, with aliases might have been in that City.

It is noted from your teletype to the San Antonio Office that Long has been questioned in Chicago. In this situation your advice as to further contact with Mrs. Long at Sarasota, Florida, is requested.

In view of the information indicating that Mead may have been recently associating with Bennie Yates and Miller, it is suggested that it would be desirable to endeavor to obtain the complete criminal records, and, if possible, recent photographs of these individuals for use in the further investigation to locate Mead.

Very truly yours,

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Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul
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R. E. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-30**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/18/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/6/36	REPORT MADE BY: John V. Anderson JVA:IM
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232, FUG; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>LEON FELIX, under name of L. F. DAVIS, stopped at the Dyckman Hotel, Minneapolis, from April 18th to April 21st, 1936, and subsequently left a forwarding address as 620 Hennepin Avenue, which is known as the "620 Club" operated by Bennie Harris, a local underworld figure. Photographs of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD exhibited to employees of the Dyckman Hotel but none could identify him as an individual who had stopped at this hotel.</p>			
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REFERENCE: <p>Teletype from Kansas City Office, May 6, 1936. Report Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, Calif., 5/18/36.</p>			
DETAILS: <p>Upon receipt of reference teletype message, agent interviewed Charles Knapp, manager of the Dyckman Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and he advised that he knew no one by the name of DAVIS, who was presently stopping at the hotel nor did he remember anyone who had stopped at the hotel by that name in the past. Agent exhibited to Mr. Knapp, the Identification Order of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD, #1354, as well as several other poses of WILLIAM ELMER MEAD,</p>			
DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. W. Altman</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 7-576-11690		RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 22 1936
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and he advised that he had not seen anyone at the hotel resembling these photographs to his knowledge. Mr. Knapp checked the records of the hotel and advised that a man by the name of L. F. DAVIS checked in at the hotel on April 18, 1936 at a monthly rate of \$50.00; that he occupied room 1012, but that he checked out on April 21, 1936. He advised that about this time he remembers that there was an automobile, make and model unknown, parked in front of the hotel bearing a Florida license. The records disclose that L. F. DAVIS gave his address as Daytona Beach, Florida. Mr. Knapp advised that guests of the hotel park their cars at the Fifth Street Garage, located on the corner of First Avenue and Fifth Street. Mr. Knapp also advised that on April 18th, the two following telephone numbers were called from room 1012:

Main 8481 and Atlantic 5752; and that on April 19th, the telephone number, Walnut 6519, was called from that room. These are Minneapolis telephone numbers.

Agent interviewed Ernest Stewart, day clerk at the Dyckman Hotel, and he advised that he remembered DAVIS but knew nothing about him. He was unable to identify the photograph of WILLIAM HEMER MEAD appearing on I. O. 1354, or several other photographs of MEAD that were exhibited to him.

ROY POWELL, night clerk at the Dyckman Hotel, advised that he checked L. F. DAVIS out of the hotel; that he appeared to be in a hurry; that he stated he would be back within a month or so; that he requested DAVIS to leave a forwarding address but he declined to do so at that time. MR. POWELL checked the records and ascertained that there was a forwarding address left for L. F. DAVIS, namely, 620 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which he advised was the "620 Club". This place is known to be operated by Bennie Harris and Ernie Fliegler. The former is known to agent as a local underworld character, who is associated with Jack Peifer, subject in the Hanap case. Ernie Fliegler is a former Minneapolis prize-fighter. With reference to the above forwarding address left by DAVIS, POWELL advised that the record was in his handwriting and he now remembers that this forwarding address was called into the hotel by telephone. Photographs of WILLIAM HEMER MEAD as set out above were exhibited to Powell and he advised he had seen no one resembling this individual at the hotel.

Agent made inquiries at the Fifth Street Garage, located at 1st Avenue North and Fifth Street, Minneapolis, but was advised by the attendant that the records are kept in a vault after 5:00 P.M. and that they would be available the following day as he did not have access to the vault.

Agent proceeded to the 620 Club, located at 620 Hennepin Avenue, and remained at this place for approximately one-half hour, with no inquiry being made. No one was seen resembling WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

At the present time agents of the St. Paul Office are attempting to locate Bennie Harris for the purpose of interviewing him in connection with the Hanap case. He will be interviewed at that time concerning WILLIAM ELMER MEAD and LEON FELIX.

A letter was received from the Kansas City Bureau Office dated May 6, 1936, transmitting a photograph of LEON FELIX, with aliases, U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, #44817. This photograph was not in possession of agent at the time of the above investigation.

Inasmuch as LEON FELIX alias L. F. DAVIS said he would probably be back in a month or so, agent left a copy of I.O. #1354, with Mr. Knapp and he advised that he would call the St. Paul Office in the event that DAVIS did appear at the hotel.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

St. Paul Office

At Minneapolis, Minnesota, at the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company will ascertain who the subscribers of the telephone numbers set out in the body of this report are. At the Fifth Street Garage, 5th Street and 1st Avenue North, will ascertain whether LEON FELIX, under the name of L. F. DAVIS, while he was a guest of the Dyckman Hotel, parked or stored a car at this garage.

Will also report result of interview with Bennie Harris as to WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766
Cincinnati, Ohio

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May 18, 1936.

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~~PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL.~~

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

"BREKID."

Dear Sir:

With reference to my telephone conversation with you as of May 4, 1936, from Cleveland, Ohio, as to the news item appearing in the Cleveland News as of May 4, 1936, to the effect that Frank Weidemann, Assistant United States Attorney Cleveland had proceeded to New Orleans with Postal Inspectors Sylvester J. Hettrick and Jess Cordray, I am enclosing herewith to you a copy of this clipping.

On the date this item appeared, Special Agent in Charge Mac Farland called the United States Attorney's office and made inquiry for Mr. Weidemann and was advised that he was not in the office and would not be in the office until the following morning, Tuesday, May 5. Later, inquiry at Cleveland indicated that Post Office Inspector Hettrick was in the Northern District of Ohio on this date, although we had been unable to locate him earlier in the day. Subsequent conversation of Special Agent in Charge Mac Farland with Weidemann, indicated, as per his statement, that he had not been to New Orleans on the previous morning, Monday, May 4, 1936.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THE CLEVELAND NEWS
May 4, 1936.

Clevelanders Fly South for Karpis' Aide

Three men who paved the way for the capture of Alvin Karpis leave for New Orleans late today by plane to bring back ~~Frank~~ Hunter, a member of the Karpis gang, on a charge of participating in the \$46,000 ~~mail~~ train robbery at ~~War-~~rettsville last November.

The three are Frank Weidemann, assistant to United States Attorney Freed, and Postal Inspectors Sylvester J. Hettrick and Jess Cordray.

Hunter and Karpis, the nation's Public Enemy No. 1, were captured in New Orleans last Friday night on information obtained by Hettrick, Cordray and Weidemann. Karpis faces charges of kidnaping and murder in the west and is now in St. Paul.

Haunted Gambling Joints

Cleveland gambling joints were once the favorite stamping grounds of Karpis and his mob of gunmen.

Hunter, former Ohio small-town boy, is reported to have been a blackjack dealer in a gambling casino that flourished on the city's outskirts before County Prosecutor Cullitan and Safety Director Ness spoiled Sheriff Weidemann's policy of non-interference with gambling.

Hunter was known to federal agents as the "Stuttering Kid" and Karpis as "Sunny Boy Al."

Old Sweetheart Questioned

Hunter, now 37, spent his early days in Leavittsburg, O., near Warren. He became a crack shot after many hours of target practice along the banks of the Mahoning river. He tried his hand at gambling and soon established himself as a professional. He also was an enthusiast over cockfighting, and attended all the shows in northeastern Ohio for a long period.

His former small-town sweetheart was questioned in Warren last week, but federal agents are convinced she has not seen Hunter since he deserted her for "baster company."

Arrested in 1933 for stealing an automobile and possessing a safe-crackers' outfit, Hunter got a three-year term in Ohio penitentiary for trying to dynamite his way out of the Trumbull county jail.

7-576-11690X

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

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

BREKID

1-Composite life size strip with side and two front views, one of the latter when he is wearing glasses.

1-Enlarged photograph of his mutilated fingerprints.

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Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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AIR MAIL-SPECIAL DELIVERY

cc-Chicago
Cleveland
Cincinnati
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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with
aliases, et al -
Edward George Bremer, VICTIM -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the St. Paul Office dated May 8, 1936, inclosing a composite life size strip, with side and two front views; group of pictures on one sheet taken by a Kroomer camera and an enlarged photograph of mutilated fingerprints, all of Alvin Karpis.

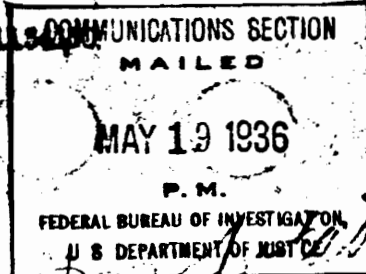
In compliance with your request, there are inclosed herewith to your office and to each of the offices receiving a copy of this letter, five sets of the composite life size strip photograph.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure No. 1

cc-Chicago
✓ Cleveland
✓ Cincinnati
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U. S. Department of Justice
326½ Post Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 3, 1936

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Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I have been advised that these views may be used for release, as they were taken by the "Tribune" staff photographer, providing a credit line is given the New Orleans "Item-Tribune" newspaper.

I have secured the services of a competent, reliable photographer and have taken interior views of the apartment where Karpis was apprehended. Exterior views will be taken early tomorrow morning and will be forwarded by air mail, special delivery at noon May 4, 1936.

Very truly yours, JUN 1 1956

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D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Richard Harris,
The Tribune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Harris:

I have just received from Mr. D. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office of this Bureau, two sets of two photographs each which appeared in the New Orleans Tribune relative to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

I want to thank you for these photographs and assure you that they will be a worthy addition to the collection I already have.

With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Marshall Ballard,
Editor,
The Tribune,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Ballard:

Mr. B. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office of this Bureau, has just forwarded to me two sets of two photographs each which appeared in your newspaper relative to the recent apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

I understand that Mr. Richard Harris, a reporter on your newspaper, made these views available to Mr. Magee and I want to thank you for your courtesy in allowing Mr. Harris to surrender these photographs.

With best wishes and kind regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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

May 21, 1936.

Mr. W. A. VanDuzer,
Director of Traffic,
451 Pennsylvania Ave. N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephonic conversation by this office on April 3, 1936 with Miss Harriette Wright requesting that a stop notice be placed on a 1936 Buick Sedan, motor #63052198, serial #2895272. You are advised that this automobile has been located and therefore, the stop notice may be withdrawn.

Please accept my appreciation for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. W. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned to Mr. Craig, Managing Editor of the Philadelphia Bulletin, concerning his inquiry with respect to the manner in which the press release was made available pertaining to Harry Campbell and Sam Coker following their apprehension at Toledo.

I told Mr. Craig that there was no basis for the criticisms of the Toledo papers in this matter and that we took the prisoners, following the apprehensions, to Cleveland where our field division headquarters is located, and that we had no place at Toledo in which to keep them in custody. I explained that it was imperative that there be no delay in handling the situation and that we, of course, had to avoid a situation which might result in a repetition of the Kansas City Massacre. He was advised that the raid was held at night and the prisoners were immediately taken to Cleveland where the story was given to the press at the first opportunity the Director had to talk to newspaper representatives.

Mr. Craig stated he felt that there was some definite reason for giving out the story in Cleveland and he was very glad to have this background as he wanted to make use of it in a talk which he is planning to make next Monday before the Pennsylvania Newspaper Editors' Convention. He seemed entirely satisfied and most appreciative of the information furnished him.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 20, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID

I am transmitting herewith copies of a communication dated May 19, 1936, from The Marks Store, Miami, Florida, which has further reference to clothing purchased for witnesses attending the trial of the above case at St. Paul during the past winter.

I will appreciate any advice which the Bureau may give as to the possibility of the settlement of this and other similar bills.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge,

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THE MARK STORE

Miami, Florida.

May 19, 1936.

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Attention: Mr. R. B. Nathan, Special Agent

Dear Sir:-

We refer to your letter of April 6th with
reference to an account on our books in the name of
B. J. Fitzsimons, 1856 S. W. 22nd Terrace, Miami,
Florida, in the amount of \$128.97.

To date we have not received a remittance
from Washington for this amount and as it is now nearly
four months old, we should be very appreciative of any-
thing you may be able to do to help us to obtain settle-
ment.

Yours very truly,

Comptroller

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cc - Mr. Fitzsimons

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 20, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to letter from this office to the Bureau under date of May 18, 1936, concerning the reported presence in Panama City, Florida, of Willie Harrison. It is noted that in this letter the advice of the Bureau as to whether to investigate was requested. Unless the Bureau otherwise instructs it is my intention to endeavor to clear up this report by having further investigation made at Panama City to determine the truth or falsity of the report. It is believed that this can possibly be accomplished by maintaining surveillance at the A & P Store in Panama City on the evening of May 23, 1936. This procedure will be followed and if unsuccessful such further inquiries as seem warranted will be conducted.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan
R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio.**

FILE NO. **7-24-**

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Florida.	DATE WHEN MADE 5-18-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4-28 to 5-8-36	REPORT MADE BY C. B. WINSTEAD
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Further interview with Howard T. Sims, Orlando, Florida, disclosed that Hunter and Karpis were in Orlando, March 12 through 15, 1936 in Buick Sedan previously described. Hunter obtained Florida license for Ford Coupe, which had been previously purchased and forwarded to him in c/o Sims. Motor Vehicle Commissioner's records reflect issuance of license to Hunter under name of H. J. King, for Ford Coupe purchased November 26, 1935, from Roy Murray Motors Inc., Corpus Christi, Tex. Persons listed in memorandum book found in possession of Hunter in New Orleans disclaim any knowledge of subjects Karpis or Campbell.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Jacksonville, 4-27-36, and Letter dated May 2, 1936, from New Orleans Office.</p>			
<p>DETAILS:</p> <p>On April 26, 1936, Howard T. Sims, Orlando, Florida, telephoned the Jacksonville Office and advised Acting Special Agent in Charge Royal J. Untreiner that he had thought of some further information concerning Fred Hunter and desired that Agent Winstead call on him the next time he was in or near Orlando. On April 29, 1936, while Agent Winstead in company with Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, were enroute from West Palm Beach, to Jacksonville, Florida, they passed through Orlando for the purpose of contacting Howard T. Sims, and his wife, at which time Mr. and Mrs. Sims together furnished the following information:</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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They advised that since their last conversation with Agent Winstead additional details concerning Fred Hunter had occurred to them which they had overlooked reporting the time of their first conference; that what had prompted them to furnish this additional information is that on Sunday a newspaper was published which bore the photographs of three persons wanted by the Department of Justice, namely Alvin Karpis, William Dainard and Thomas Henry Robinson, Jr.; that the family who occupies one half of the Sims home, a man and his wife, had called attention to these photographs, and stated that the picture of Karpis was an identical photograph and likeness of the "Mr. Woods" who had accompanied their friend Hunter, when Hunter and Woods visited the Sims one night in March; that they all had carefully studied this newspaper photograph of Karpis and were absolutely certain that it was a photograph of Hunter's companion; that they had checked back and determined that Hunter and Mr. Woods had come to their home on March 13, at which time they brought with them one pint of Old Taylor whiskey, and a 1/5 of a Qt. bottle of Gin; that at that time Hunter stated he would like to have a room for himself and Woods for a few days as they had stopped the night before at a tourist camp which they did not like; that they were informed another family was occupying half of the Sims home and they did not have a room to rent them; that these two men stayed at the Sims home for two or three hours and then they went to Harper's Cafe in Winter Park and had supper, and then they all went to the tourist camp where Hunter and Woods had a cabin and they checked back in at that tourist camp, and then he and Mrs. Sims in their car returned to their home; that the next afternoon Saturday, March 14, 1936, about 4 or 5 o'clock Hunter and Woods again showed up at the Sims home in a 1936 Red Buick Sedan, and had with them a quart of Barcadi Rum, a quart of Teachers Highland Cream whiskey, and a bottle of selzer water; that Woods became intoxicated and began bragging on his car and finally showed him the bill of sale therefore; that he paid very little attention to the bill of sale, but does recall that the car was bought in San Antonio, Texas in the name of Sullivan, for cash, about \$1200.00; that the car at that time had an Arkansas license on it the numbers of which the Sims could not recall; that the only name Hunter ever called Karpis by was "Mr. Woods" and stated that Woods had a gambling spot at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and was having the building repainted and repaired and that was why they were in Florida at this time; that Woods kept talking about wanting to go fishing and catch a shark; that they were in their shirt sleeves and had no coats on but did have luggage in their automobile and when they went to leave, he, Sims, noticed an army automatic pistol in the glove compartment of the car;

That during the evening of March 14, 1936, Woods suggested that Sims go out and get some girls for them, but Sims stated he would not permit anything like that in his home; that finally Mr. Rogers, renter of the other half of the Sims home, who with his wife were also in the Sims portion of the house while Karpis and Hunter were there, said "come on over to my apartment and I will buy you a drink", to which remark Karpis took offense and finally told Rogers that he, (Karpis) made more money in one month than Rogers did in a whole year; that Rogers made some sarcastic reply about being able to spend his money if it was not much, and Karpis threatened to whip Rogers, who is a very small man; Rogers jerked off his glasses put them on the table, and then Hunter stepped in and said "Come on Woods, we had better get away from here"; that Karpis calmed down and walked right on out and got in the car with Hunter and they left. At that time Hunter said, "We'll see you tomorrow", but they have never been back to his place and he has seen and heard nothing from them since.

During their visit at the Sims home, Hunter made the remark that he and Woods would go to Tampa, Florida, for some purpose, and that while they were working on Woods' night club at Hot Springs, they thought they would stay around Florida and go fishing for a while; that Sims also recalls that while Hunter and the woman, Connie Morris, were at his place in January and February, 1936, Hunter spoke of his partner "ED" a time or two, and also made some remarks about an "Al".

Sims also stated that while Hunter and his wife were in Orlando during the latter part of January and the early part of February, while stopping at his home, they left on a trip and were gone several days; that when they started to leave they told him they were going over to Daytona Beach and Mrs. Sims insisted that he take his wife up to St. Augustine while on the trip so they might see the historic city and points of interest therein; that when Hunter returned he stated that he had been over to Tampa and down the east coast as far as the keys and also stated that he had seen Mr. and Mrs. Ellis at Parish, Florida; that Mr. and Mrs. Ellis are chicken fight fans and he had introduced Ellis to Mr. Hunter during the tournament at Orla Vista, near Orlando, Florida; that also on their return Hunter had informed him, Sims, that while he was away he had ordered a Florida license plate for his Ford Coupe, and that he had instructed that the license plate when issued be mailed to him in c/o of Sims at Orlando; that as a matter of fact Hunter and his wife left Orlando on Tuesday, February 25, 1936, instead of the date furnished to Agent by Sims in a previous interview as set out in reference report; that a few days after Hunter had left in February, he received a Florida license plate addressed to H. King, care of H. T. Sims, P.O. 3155, Station A, Orlando, Florida, and that when Hunter

and Woods appeared at his home on March 13, one of the first things Hunter asked was for his license plate, and that he handed it to him; that he did not open the envelope in which the plate was contained and does not know what the numerals were that were on the Florida license issued to Hunter in the name of King; that he also has learned that Hunter and his wife did visit Mr. and Mrs. Ellis at their home at Parish, Florida. Mr. Ellis owns the Post Office Building, drug store and the barber shop at Parish; that he went fishing, and Hunter while at Ellis' purchased a hunting license and also a cheap shotgun which he gave to Mr. Ellis when he left there.

At this junction Mrs. Sims informed Agents that she had some of Hunter's handwriting which consisted of figures and letters on an Orlando International Tournament score card of the Orlando Game Club, January 28, 29, 30, 1936, and also the word "Dummy" written out. Mrs. Sims furnished this specimen of Hunter's handwriting to Agent, and same is being forwarded to the Bureau under separate cover by letter.

Mr. Sims also stated that Hunter is crazy about rooster fights and that when he and his wife left Orlando on February 25, 1936, they stated they were going to South Kenner, La., to attend the chicken fight tournament there on February 29, 1936.

Sims also informed Agents that Hunter and Woods stopped at a new tourist camp on the right side of the road going towards Sanford, northeast of Winter Park while they were in Florida in March.

Agents checked the tourist camps between Winter Park and Sanford, and the following information was obtained at the Maitland Tourist Camp about two miles north of Winter Park and about two blocks South of the Post Office at Maitland, which is operated by Mr. Waldo Parsons. Mr. Parsons furnished Agents his register and it was found that "E. Woods, Hot Springs, Ark." registered on March 12, 1936, and again on March 13, 1936. Mr. Parsons stated that Mr. Woods and another man appeared at his tourist camp at about 11:30 P. M. on March 12, in a Buick Sedan automobile, bearing 1936 Arkansas license 5-732, which he, Parsons marked down on the register which is his custom. He stated that these two men checked out on March 13, but returned on that night and Woods registered, and paid for two nights in advance; that they left at 8:30 A. M., Sunday, March 15, 1936; that as he recalls it the Buick Sedan also bore an ornament reading "Hot Springs" above the front license plate.

Mr. Parsons permitted Agent to clip from his register, the registration of "Mr. E. Woods," of March 12, and "E. Woods" Hot Springs," of March 13, 1936, and these two registrations are being forwarded to the Bureau by letter for whatever value this handwriting may have.

Agents are of the opinion, after having talked with Howard T. Sims and his wife, that when first interviewed, Sims who is a well known bootlegger, probably suspected that Agent's inquiries concerning Fred Hunter were for the purpose of locating him for some minor infraction of the liquor laws, but that after seeing Karpis' picture and recognizing him as the man Woods, companion of Hunter on their visit to his home in March, he deemed that it would be to his best interest to report everything that he knew concerning Hunter and his companion Woods, and that he and Mrs. Sims were not consciously harboring Karpis; further Sims agreed that if the Government would pay his actual expenses he and Mrs. Sims would use their own car and drive to Sand Springs, Oklahoma, through Louisiana and to Arkansas in company with an Agent in an effort to locate Hunter and through him locate for the Department, Alvin Karpis. This investigation, of course, was made prior to the time of the capture of Karpis and Hunter at New Orleans.

Immediately upon obtaining information concerning the issuance of a Florida license to Hunter contact was had by telephone by Special Agent in Charge Nathan, with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at Tallahassee, Florida, and it was determined that on February 7, 1936, application for the issuance of a Florida license was made by H. J. King, at Tampa, Florida. This application was executed before M. Coleman, Notary Public, Hillsborough County, Florida, and King's address was given as 218 San Pedro, Tampa, Florida. The license was forwarded to H. J. King, c/o Howard Sims, Orlando, the license being 123-658, and being issued for 1936 Ford DeLuxe Coupe, 8 cylinders, Motor No. 18-2407873.

According to the records in the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, this car entered the State of Florida, January 7, 1936, from Texas, and formerly bore 1935 Texas license, either A 64-116 or A 62-116, both these license numbers appearing on the records. The records further showed that the car was purchased November 26, 1935, from Roy Murray Motors, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas.

This information was forwarded on April 29, 1936 by conference teletype to the Bureau and to the Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Little Rock, San Antonio and Dallas Offices.

Special Agent F. F. Yearsley conducted investigation at Tampa, Florida, which developed that there is no such address in Tampa, as 218 San Pedro, the numbers on this street beginning with 3000 and ending with 4400. The carrier covering this street had no record of an H. J. King receiving mail.

It was ascertained at the license bureau in Tampa that Miss M. Coleman is the Notary Public signing all applications and that she does not see a large number of the applicants, whose signatures are witnessed by other clerks. She advised that she has no recollection concerning the instant application.

The following additional investigation was conducted by Special Agent Yearsley:

Mrs. Ralph B. Wakeland, Acting Postmaster, Parish, Florida, who resides next door to R. L. Ellis, advised that Mr. Ellis is a gambler, highly interested in cock fighting and the owner of several fighting cocks which he fights throughout the State of Florida. Further that he owns an orange grove near Parish, Florida, and the building in Parish where the Post Office is located, in which is also located a barbershop, a restaurant, and drug store, the latter two being owned and operated by Ellis. Mrs. Wakeland then advised that Ellis has many visitors, all alleged to be interested in cock fighting.

Concerning Fred Hunter and his alleged wife whose photographs were shown Mrs. Wakeland, she stated that she recalled the woman as a visitor at the Ellis Home sometime during the first or second week of February, 1936, for several days and that this girl was called "Ruth" to the best of her recollection. She identified the photograph of Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Hamm, alias Connie Morris, as the Ruth she referred to. As to Fred Hunter, Mrs. Wakeland was unable to identify him but stated that he looked like the man with the woman "Ruth", but she was not sure of this. The photographs of Karpis and Campbell, as appearing on the Bureau Wanted Circulars were also shown to Mrs. Wakeland and she stated that she had never observed anyone in or about the Ellis home resembling Campbell, but that Karpis looked like the man with the woman "Ruth", but she could not state whether the man was Hunter or Karpis or either of them as she did not observe them closely. Mrs. Wakeland then stated that these two persons, when at the Ellis home, were driving a 1936 Ford V-8 Coupe, dark in color, with Florida 1936 license, the number of which she did not notice. The car was "brand new". Mrs. Wakeland then stated that she was sure the man Hunter, or Karpis or Campbell had never called at the Post Office for any purpose and that she had not noticed them on the streets.

Further information of value was not available from this source and Agent also interviewed Mr. Wakeland, who is confined to his bed, at which time he was unable to supply additional information, however, both Mr. and Mrs. Wakeland advised that they believed Mr. Ellis would supply Agent with any information he might possess concerning this matter "as he was scared to death of getting into trouble".

Upon calling at the Ellis home Mrs. Ellis was interviewed in the absence of her husband and when shown the photographs of Fred Hunter and his alleged wife she would make no statements but insisted that Agent contact her husband, it being apparent that she knew both Fred Hunter and his wife. Mr. Ellis was immediately contacted by Agent and before he saw his wife, at which time he advised in her presence that sometime between January 28, 1936, and February 1, 1936, the period of the State Cock Fighting Tournament, at Orlando, Florida, both he and his wife were there, having entries in this tournament. Further that they had known Mr. and Mrs. Howard T. Sims of Orlando, Florida, for quite some time and naturally contacted them, at which time they met at the Sims home Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter, who were apparently living there. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis identified the photographs of Fred Hunter and Ruth Hamm with aliases as the persons known to them as Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter. During this tournament the Ellis and Hunter couples became quite friendly and since the Hunters talked of desiring to go hunting and fishing Mr. Ellis invited them to come to his home in Parish, Florida, sometime and he would take them hunting and fishing.

Further that on or about February 11, 1936, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter appeared at the Ellis home as per the invitation and took a room at the H. S. Tison home in Parish, Florida, where they remained until February 13, 1936, eating their meals at the Ellis restaurant. During this time the Ellises and Hunter and his alleged wife went hunting, etc., the hunting season ending on February 15, 1936. When Fred Hunter and his alleged wife left Parish, Florida, they informed Mr. Ellis that they were going to Miami, Florida, and would come back by Parish in a few days, which they did on either February 17, or 18, 1936, and this time resided at the Ellis home as man and wife until February 20, 1936, when they accompanied the Ellises to a cock fight at Brandon, Florida, and then left Parish, Florida, for parts unknown, but stated they were going back to Orlando, Florida.

Mr. Ellis then stated that Fred Hunter did give him a single shot shotgun when the hunting season was over and this gun was examined by Agent and found to be a Hercules - 16 gauge, 1929 Model #22517B, a Montgomery Ward product.

According to both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, the Hunters were driving a new 1936 Ford V-8 Coupe, black in color, possibly dark blue in color, which carried current Florida license, the number of which was not noted by either Mr. or Mrs. Ellis. The Hunters were not "flush" with money, at least they did not display any money or indicate by their actions or otherwise that they had plenty of money. Fred Hunter informed Mr. Ellis that he was upon a vacation and that he was a gambler and worked for some unknown novelty concern selling dice and other gambling equipment, however, Mr. Ellis at no time observed any such equipment or anything relating thereto. Mr. Ellis did not know whether the car belonged to Hunter or his wife or some one else and made no inquiry concerning same. Further neither Mr. or Mrs. Ellis inquired as to where the Hunters were from, their home, etc., but at one time a statement was made that Mrs. Hunter, who was referred to as "Ruth" came from Texas, but the town or place in Texas was not mentioned, and nothing to indicate that she was from Texas, such as license plates, etc., was noticed by Mr. or Mrs. Ellis. When the Hunters came to the Ellis home they had several pieces of luggage, the number not recalled, but it was merely luggage, the contents being unknown. None of this luggage appeared unusually heavy and no guns, etc., were observed by either Mr. or Mrs. Ellis.

Mr. Ellis then stated that apparently Hunter was interested in cock fighting as he talked of attending fights in Tampa, Florida, shortly before he came to Parish, Florida.

Mr. Ellis then advised that he took Fred Hunter to Bradenton, Florida, for the purpose of purchasing hunting license and that Hunter did purchase such license, but the details thereof were unknown to Mr. Ellis, however, he did not observe the license at any time.

It is the understanding of Mr. Ellis that the Hunters were at the Sims home in Orlando, Florida, for about one month. About two weeks after the Hunters left the Ellis home, Mr. Ellis went to Orlando, Florida, and then Sims told him that Mrs. Hunter had become homesick so Fred Hunter gave her the car and she started home.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis were shown the wanted circulars on Karpis and Campbell as issued by the Bureau and they both denied that they had ever seen such persons and that at no time in Orlando, or Parish, Florida, or elsewhere had they observed either Karpis or Campbell with the Hunters or Sims or anyone else and further that neither Karpis or Campbell by name or alias or description had been mentioned in their presence by the Hunters or the Sims. At this point both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis recalled that the Hunters were quite nervous when at the Ellis home, but at the time they did not connect this with the possibility that they might be wanted or connected with some crime.

Mrs. Ellis stated that Mrs. Sims had told her that Mrs. Hunter had been married twice before her marriage to Hunter.

Further information from the above sources was not available, however, Agent interviewed Mrs. H. S. Tison, of Parish, Florida, who confirmed the statements of Mr. Ellis concerning the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter at the Tison home, and also the fact that they were driving a new 1936 Ford V-8 Coupe. Further according to Mrs. Tison, the Hunters had at least five different pieces of luggage, all of which was apparently expensive and some of which appeared to be heavy. Mrs. Tison then stated that if she recalled correctly the Hunters had two shotguns or a rifle and one shotgun, a graphonola, several boxes, etc. Mrs. Tison was unable to identify the photographs of Karpis or Campbell as anyone she had seen and added that such persons were not with the Hunters and did not contact them while they were at the Tison home. Further that the Hunters did not talk with the persons about the Tison home, hence little or nothing was known of them.

While at the Ellis home, Mrs. Hunter took a photograph of Mr. Ellis with a bird dog or a fighting cock, and probably Mrs. Hunter has this snapshot at the present time.

Referring to the reference letter it is stated that the following establishments in Tampa, Florida, are known gambling houses, that is they sell lottery tickets, throw Bolita, etc., and some maintain dice tables, black jack tables, roulette tables and other such games. For the purpose of brevity it is stated that the following contacts of Agent at the establishments noted, who own, manage or have charge of buying equipment, etc., were shown the photographs of Hunter, Karpis and Campbell and all advised that they did not recall either of these three persons from photograph, name, description, or aliases, as persons frequenting their establishments,

particularly Karpis and Campbell. Concerning Hunter they stated that he might have been in their establishments trying to sell dice, cards and other such equipment as there are many such salesman call upon them weekly, who are dispensed with quickly and without a waste of time as these establishments purchase such equipment from the old established firm of Mason and Company, Newark, N. J. In view of this no effort has been made to remember any such salesman and none of the following persons could recall Hunter:

E. RUBIO (Tito) owner and operator, with others, of the Lincoln Club, Lincoln Avenue, Tampa, Florida, which is a completely equipped gambling establishment, using dice, cards, roulette, etc. This establishment was closed about Christmas 1935, but a portion of the equipment was moved to the El Pasaje, 1318 9th Avenue, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, and now operated by E. Rubio, who purchases all equipment, etc.

GEORGE TOLEDO, Manager and buyer for Serafins Place, 1601 Nebraska Avenue, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, which is a completely equipped gambling establishment, using dice, cards, etc.

SAM ITALIANO, Manager and owner together with his brother, Tony Italiano, of the Olympic Cigar Store, 201 East Cass Street, Tampa, Florida, which is a completely equipped gambling house, using dice, cards, etc.

JOE FERRARO and V. TASRNINA, owners and managers of the Red Top Cafe, 910 Nebraska, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, which is a bolita and Cuban lottery establishment and no dice or cards are used there. This establishment caters to the colored element. (low type place.)

The above contacts are known to Agent and it is believed that had these persons any information concerning this matter they would supply same to Agent since it did not involve any of their associates, etc.

The El Dorado Cafe, 1815 14th Avenue, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, is operated by George Saturday, and is a completely equipped gambling establishment, but in as much as Saturday was not available for interview he was not contacted and no effort to contact other persons was made, however, E. Rubio, who is interested therein, stated that the situation would probably be identical with that of the Lincoln Club.

Rudolph's Place, 7th Avenue and 12th Street, Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, is operated by one Rudolph Garcia who is unknown to Agent and who operates a low type establishment which caters mostly to the colored element in the sale of bolita and cuba. He carries a poor name for truth and veracity with the local police and when Agent called at said establishment Garcia was not available for interview. An observation of the establishment developed that little or no equipment for gambling was maintained, other than a number wheel.

In view of the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell and the above noted situation, further inquiry at the two establishments not contacted will not be made.

The following inquiries were conducted at Orlando, Florida, on May 8, 1936, by reporting Agent:

Sam Warren, Flamingo Club, Orlando, Florida, was interviewed and at first stated that he could not recall ever meeting any one by the name of Hunter, however, questioned as to acquaintance with Howard Sims, he advised that he knows Sims, and that he does recall that about three months ago Sims and his wife were in the Flamingo Club one evening, when Sims introduced to him one Hunter. Hunter advised that he was selling dice for some Ohio concern, which he thinks began with the name "Jack" but as he was not interested in Hunter's proposition he so informed him. Hunter asked for his address so that literature could be furnished and he gave his address and Post Office box, which Hunter wrote in a book. He advised that he has not heard from Hunter nor seen him nor Sims.

It was determined that Warren has a good reputation with the Orlando Police Department, and in the past has furnished them with information concerning underworld characters.

It should be noted that when Sims was interviewed by Agents Winstead and Donaldson he mentioned having introduced Hunter to a man by the name of Warren who operates a tavern, and that Hunter had tried to sell Warren some dice. At that time Sims agreed to endeavor to secure the name of the firm which Hunter claimed to represent from Warren.

In view of the recent developments in this case outstanding leads which have as their purpose the location of fugitive subjects, will not be covered with the exception of those leads which relate to the location of William Elmer Mead.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 20, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 16, 1936 to the Special Agent in Charge, Detroit, Michigan.

Please refer to the report of Special Agent W. B. Matney dated February 9, 1936 at Detroit, Michigan. All of the articles mentioned in reference report are being forwarded to you in envelopes marked number 1 and number 2.

There is also being forwarded to you a set of 1934 license plates number e-19-563 in envelope marked number 3. Our files reflect that these plates were found on the car which was confiscated at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, the above mentioned entry being made September 11, 1934.

Also being forwarded to your office is a map of Lake Erie showing Middle Island which was taken from one of the apartment houses in Cleveland, Ohio, one clip of automatic shells, .380 calibre, notes on phone tap of Frank Noonan, Cleveland, Ohio, inventory of apartments in Cleveland, Ohio and a record of telephone calls from Noonan's phones to various places over long-distance. The above mentioned articles are included in envelope marked number 4.

Envelope number 5 contains articles found at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, which articles are listed on pages 38 and 39 of the report of Special Agent B. E. Hall dated September 25, 1934 at Detroit, Michigan.

There is also being forwarded to you one photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Frank J. Noonan which will serve no further purpose in the Detroit Bureau Office. Also being forwarded

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one copy of the statement of Elwood S. Yonker dated February 20, 1935 at Cleveland, Ohio and one copy of the statement of Elwood S. Yonker dated February 26, 1935 at Detroit, Michigan. The above mentioned articles are included in envelope marked number 6.

There is also being forwarded to you two photographs of flashlights, two photographs of underwear, two photographs of a pair of socks, two photographs of a grey shirt, two photographs of underwear, two photographs of the inside of a grey shirt, twelve photographs of underwear, shirt and socks and two photographs of wall paper design. The above mentioned are included in envelope marked number 7.

There is being transmitted in envelope marked number 8 four stenographers notebooks containing a list of names and taps at Toledo, Ohio, also the notes of Special Agent D. E. Hall, the log of telephone taps made at Toledo, Ohio, a list of telephone calls made by George Sargeant from his room at the Hillcrest Hotel dated January 14, 1935, the telephone conversations over Clearwater 4777, residence telephone of James Shimme (Ar. Patton) dated January 23, 1935, the log of telephone taps obtained at Cleveland, Ohio from the Harvard Club dated January 24, 1935, the notes of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, a summary of the telephone tap on the Casino Club, Toledo, Ohio from September 30, 1934 to October 26, 1934, and twelve pieces of paper containing information concerning phone calls.

There is also being forwarded in envelope marked number 9 an undated letter signed by Fred C. Spohn to "Dear Frank" and reply of Frank J. Noonan thereon, and letter from record clerk, Kansas City Penitentiary dated July 26, 1934 to Fred S. Spohn.

A thorough check of the Detroit Bureau file reflects that the above mentioned articles are all of those in the possession of the Detroit Bureau Office which pertain to investigative work performed in Ohio by the Detroit Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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cc-Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul
Chicago

May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

As of possible interest, there are attached
copies of the following editorials:

"Heat Sort Of Job"
May 4, 1936, issue of The Commercial
Appeal, Memphis, Tennessee

"Other Public Enemies"
May 4, 1936, issue of The Press-Scimitar,
Memphis, Tennessee

"Answered"
May 4, 1936, issue of The Press-Scimitar,
Memphis, Tennessee

Respectfully,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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COMMERCIAL APPEAL

May, 4th, 1936.

'A Neat Sort Of Job

Government agents, operating under the personal supervision of their chief, J. Edgar Hoover, seem to have turned in another very neat sort of job in arresting Alvin Karpis without any shooting or violence. It is true enough that the performance may seem to some folks to have been attended by a bit of the theatrical, but it is probably well enough to do what may be reasonably possible to attract public attention to the success of officers in such matters. Certainly we have had enough and to spare of the dramatization of the arch criminals, and it is well enough to see the G-men supplanting them as popular heroes, if heroes we must have in the matter of controlling and punishing crime.

At all events, the G-men are beginning to lay a very broad foundation in fact to support the currently popular belief that they hang on and on, once they take a criminal's trail, and heaven knows we need that sort of thing in this country. Men of the Karpis type, bolstered up by the tremendous profits available to them under prohibition, made a sorry mock of the law in a great many American communities and in a very spectacular sort of way. It may very well be that the air of mystery and romance that envelopes the G-men at the moment is the soundest antidote for the poison the eminence of the gangster and gunman distilled in and for a lot of unstable minds.



COMMISSION GOVERNMENT
WATKINS OVERTON, MAYOR

MEMPHIS, TENN.

MONDAY, MAY 4, 1936.

Memphis Press-Scimitar.

Other Public Enemies

Killer Karpis, public enemy No. 1, having been taken alive without a shot, William Mahan, the Weyerhauser kidnaper, assumes the uneasy crown of his successor.

The Karpis capture sheds new luster on the Justice Department's capable agents, known as the G-men. One after another the big shots of America's gangdom have crumpled under their unrelenting drive. Seldom has this country seen such efficiency as J. Edgar Hoover's policemen are displaying.

This sensational record for crime detection only emphasizes more glaringly the weaknesses in our law-enforcement system that make much of their work futile. We refer particularly to our medieval reformatories and prisons where young men are schooled in crime, to the misuse of the "unwalled prisons" or probation and parole, to the social sink-holes where

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766,
Cincinnati, Ohio

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May 21, 1936

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to letter from the New Orleans Office to the Bureau, under date of May 18, 1936, concerning claim made by E. B. Hauch, of the Quality Motors, Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, La., for the reward for information leading to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis. This is to advise that this individual is not entitled to any reward at any time.

He did not furnish the information leading to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, nor did he render any particular assistance to us, other than to answer direct questions which were asked of him as to the automobile concerned, after we had determined the fact that this car had been purchased by Alvin Karpis, and after we were aware of the address and location of Alvin Karpis.

With reference to the last paragraph on the first page of this letter as to the use of this individual as a witness in the Harboring case expected as to Fred Hunter, it is not believed any witnesses will be necessary, as this individual will probably plead guilty; further that if a trial of Fred Hunter is necessary, due to E. B. Hauch's erroneous claims, it is believed that we should avoid listing him or using him as a witness in this matter. It is believed that we will have other sufficient facts to convict Hunter without the assistance of this party as a witness.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent In Charge.

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