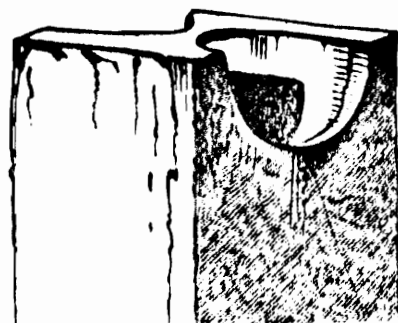


# *of the* GERMAN OGRE

Wholesale disappearances of German boys, whose bodies were found under apparently natural circumstances led police on the trail of a ruthless monster whose depredations caused his downfall.



His trail of violence at an end, the mysterious ogre stands in the prisoner's dock in Schwerin court as his sensational trial is held.

Germany holds over from the Middle Ages the effective beheading block as a means of disposing of its worst criminals.

peddlers who constantly sift through the whole lowland area.

Some of these wanderers are jovial, entertaining fellows, and great tellers of tales. Others . . .

Only two days after the body of Ernest Tesdorf was found, eight-year-old Alfred Praetorius disappeared from his native town of Rostock, in the northern section of Mecklenburg. His frozen corpse was discovered January 4, 1934, in the woods outside of town. As there were no signs whatever of violence, the police attributed death to freezing, and at this time the tragedy was not linked with the previous death, although the position of the body, legs stretched out limply, arms crossed as though in prayer, was the same as in the other cases. Had the police realized precisely what had happened to the Praetorius boy, it is not unlikely that the ghastly series of horrors would have ended then and there.

But they did not realize. Each case seemed an isolated instance. Only the Tesdorf death seemed peculiar.

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Twelve days after the body of Alfred Praetorius was discovered, there was another disappearance reported in Luebeck, to the west of Schwerin. Hans Korn, nine years old, vanished while on his way home from school the afternoon of January 16. One month later he was found dead in the woods on the outskirts of town. And again death was attributed to freezing, since the body and clothes were undisturbed and there were no signs of a struggle of any kind.

Dr. Beusch, reciting each case to the attentive detectives, pointed out that the ogre apparently took a holiday for more than six months, the period extending from February, 1934, until October. And then he began to strike with terrifying rapidity, as though his long lay-off had whetted his lust to such an extent that he must kill wholesale.

On October 2 Guenther Tieck, nine, vanished from Oranienburg. The body was found October 29.

On October 8 Erwin Wischnewski, eleven, disappeared from Brandenburg, west of Berlin. His still form was found November 10 by mushroom pickers.

On October 16 the monster slew two boys from the town of Neuruppin. Arthur Dill, 8, and Edgar Dittrich, 5, dis-

appeared on that day and their bodies were discovered the following day, lying side by side in a thicket, as though peacefully asleep. As it happened, a bit of poisonous mushroom was found in the mouth of the Dill boy, so the police decided that this had caused the two deaths.

Subsequently they changed their minds about this, for an insurance agent reported that, while driving along the highway on the outskirts of Neuruppin, he had seen the Dill boy in the company of an elderly man. The child had seemed sleepy and weary, he said, and the man all but dragged him. The informant could give only the vaguest description of the man—he was about sixty years old, and roughly dressed. The boy's family was positive he must have been a stranger to Arthur.

"We got our first break a few weeks later," continued the attorney general, "for on December 22, the murderer made a very grave mistake—the one mistake which, I hope, will lead to his capture."

On the late afternoon of that day, twelve-year-old Erich F— (the boy's identity was never made public) was standing in front of a department store in the little town of Techentin, near

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# Smashing the KARPIS

By JACK HEIL  
*Special Investigator*



**I**N THE preceding instalment of this dramatic story, Mr. Heil, who was assigned to the task of making a personal investigation of the Karpis capture especially for this magazine, related the circumstances leading up to the \$50,000 mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, last December. He told how the bandits, in wild west fashion, grabbed the loot and fled in a gray sedan, and how post-office inspectors immediately leaped into the investigation which was to lead to startling developments.

In obtaining material for this authentic



Station Agent W. B. Moses (right) was busy about his

story, Mr. Heil traveled extensively and interviewed many persons in order to prepare this dramatic account.—THE EDITOR.

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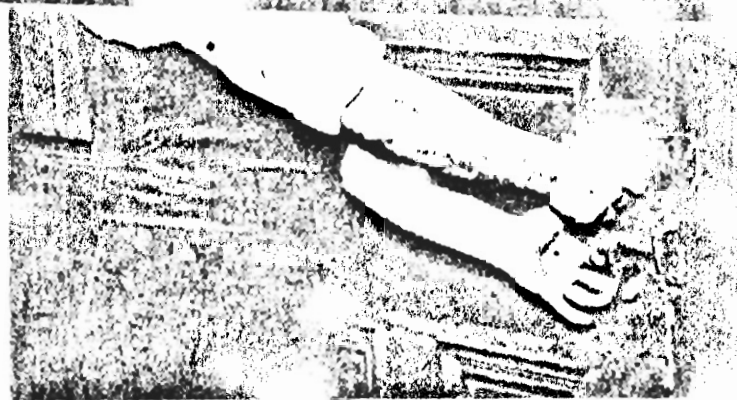
**D**UST of the fleeing bandit car still clouded the air about Garrettsville as employes of the Erie Railroad and the railroad mail service flashed word of the 1935 wild west mail robbery into the office of postoffice inspectors in Cleveland.

It so happened that a number of out of town inspectors were in the Cleveland office at the time, and with the first flash, and while the lurid details of the job were pouring into the ears of Inspector Sylvester Hettrick over the phone, Inspectors C. C. Hart of Cleveland, and H. W. Taveney of Youngstown, were leading half a dozen other inspectors in a race for the scene.

Almost simultaneously, the news was shot to Chief Inspector Kilroy P. Aldrich in Washington, and to W. R. Briggs, inspector in charge of the Ohio territory, at Cincinnati. Within an hour or two, practically every inspector in the country had the news.

From Station Agent W. B. Moses and others, Inspector Hettrick got a detailed story of the holdup. The arrival of the bandit car disgorging its mob; the sudden attack on the mail car; the herding of the bystanders and rail and mail employes on the station platform; the looting of the mail car; transfer of the mail sacks containing \$34,000 in cash and

mail robbers, armed with machine guns and automatics, descended on the Garrettsville station. He was forced to line up with others when mob struck.



\$12,500 in bonds, to the shiny, gray Plymouth sedan; the flight, with a coal dealer, C. P. Morrow, in temporary pursuit.

"The license number was LU 671," Moses told Hettrick.

Hurriedly, Hettrick jotted down the meager descriptions of the unmasked bandits, and of those who were covered.

Meanwhile, the office was notifying Inspectors Jeff Cordray of Lima, and E. D. Claggett of Akron. Pittsburgh inspectors were requested to meet the train, and get statements from any witnesses aboard, as well as the train crew and mail clerks.

Hardly more than seconds had elapsed, before Cleveland Police Captain Harry Weis, in charge of the auto bureau, was

checking the license number of the car, at the inspector's request.

"Car was registered in the name of Carl Baker," Weis informed Hettrick a short time later. "Probably a phony name, and I'm sure the address is phony. Here's the bill of sale dope."

Weis poured out the information that would enable the inspector to check the bill of sale in County Clerk John J. Busher's office.

By that time, Police Sergeant Vern Cross of Akron was on the wire. Cross knows his way around. Also, he knows that two and two make four. When he heard of the robbery, across his mind had flashed an incident of almost three weeks before.

"I'm sending you a picture of a mug we nabbed here on an SP charge October

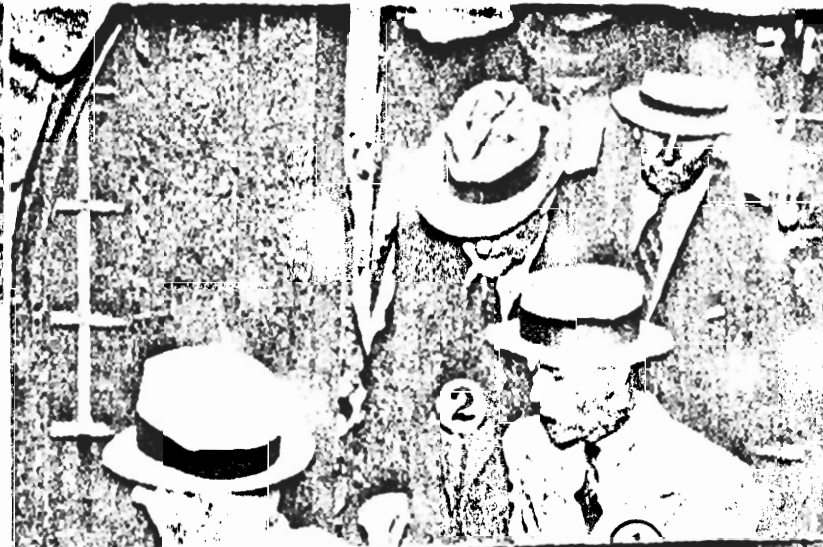
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# Notorious MOB

From one end of the country to the other went grim manhunters as they tracked suspects and made quiet, but relentless, investigations to solve the \$50,000 Garretttsville, Ohio, mail robbery and round up the last of the Karpis gangsters.

20," Cross explained. "He tried to buy a new car here, similar to the one used at Garretttsville. Had a pocket full of twenties, when we nabbed him. Gave us the name of Thomas J. Shaw. We mugged and measured him, and sent the dope to the Bureau of Investigation in Washington because we couldn't make him. It's almost three weeks now, but we



haven't any word back."

With dragnet set, Hettrick jumped on the bill of sale lead, while Cleveland police investigated the address given.

In Akron, Sergeant Cross conferred with Chief of Detectives Fred W. Diesz.

"Bet you a dime to a doughnut, this Shaw had a hand in that job," Cross told his superior. "Now that I think of it, some guy came in and tried to spring him the day we picked him up. Some fellow by the name of King. See you later, Chief," and Cross was on his way to pick up the trail of the two suspects.

He enlisted the aid of an undercover man outside the department.

"Find out who King is," were his terse instructions. The operative nodded.

#### Check Car Clue

**D**OWN at Garrettsville, Inspectors Hart, Taveney, and their five colleagues were interviewing every person who could give the slightest information. With the assistance of members of a squad of Sergeant Mock's state police, they took the statements of witnesses.

Attempts to trail the fugitive car loaded with bandits, machine guns and loot of almost \$50,000 ended without result. The flying gray Plymouth sedan had vanished. Not a trace of it was picked up by police of Ohio, as it sped away.

By the following day, November 8, the postoffice inspectors, Hart, Taveney, Cordray, Hettrick, Claggett and F. R. Casey of Toledo, had traced the bandit car through Clerk Busher's office to a salesroom on West 25th street, in Cleveland. They learned that the deluxe model sedan had been purchased by a man for cash on October 25, just five days

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Dapper in light suit and straw hat, Alvin Karpis (1) is led into federal court in St. Paul. Behind him (2) is Charles Fitzgerald who pleads guilty to conspiracy in the Hamm kidnaping.



after the attempted Akron purchase.

Inspector Claggett had obtained the purchase order signed by Shaw in Akron. Armed with this and the Akron photo, the inspectors questioned the auto salesman carefully. There was marked similarity in the handwriting of Shaw and Baker, the name given by the man who bought the Plymouth.

The Bertillon picture of Shaw closely resembled the man who had given his name as Carl Baker. But the identification was not positive.

While all this was going on, I was sitting in my office in Cleveland, reading the newspaper accounts of the robbery. For some reason, this case intrigued me particularly, and I purchased every paper and carefully checked the robbery stories. Whether it was intuition or a hunch, the thought hit me that this case would be worth following.

As a reporter, I had covered the federal building for years. I had covered the activities of the G-men when they were known as Dee-jays. I'd also covered the activities of that little known branch of government service handled by the postoffice inspectors from the days of H. K. Cochrane and Cy Zimmerman, the latter leaving Cleveland to become assistant to the chief inspector in Washington.

Perhaps I was interested in the Garrettsville job because I knew from experience, the Rondout and Toledo jobs for example, that the postoffice inspectors, steeped in a tradition almost as old as the nation and fired by an elan or

And the boldness, precision and ruthless daring of the Garrettsville gang told me that these mobsters were on the big time. From November 8 to this day, I have followed the case.

It was less than 48 hours after the bandits had vanished with their \$50,000 loot that Sergeant Cross reported to Inspectors Cordray, Claggett, Taveney, Casey and Hettrick.

"As soon as you can identify Shaw, you'll know who pulled the deal," he informed the inspectors. "The guy who went under the name of Harold King and tried to spring Shaw, was none other than 'Stuttering Fred' Hunter. He's got connections with the southwest's bad men."

"Get any report back from the bureau in Washington on Shaw's card?" asked one of the inspectors. Cross shook his head in the negative.

#### Trail Leads To Karpis

**I**N FAR away Oklahoma, Postoffice Inspectors W. W. Haynes and George Hill, veterans of the service, read over the reports of the \$50,000 robbery.

"That has all the earmarks of a South Coffeyville planned job," they agreed, meaning that it had been plotted and carried out by gunmen from the notorious badlands along the Kansas-Oklahoma boundary, which spawned the Barkers, Karpis and a host of other killers.

Inspectors Haynes and Hill went to work to prove their theory, and within a week had obtained sufficient informa-

that Chief Inspector Aldrich placed Inspector Hettrick in charge of the investigation.

In the days that followed, Inspectors Taveney, Cordray, Claggett and Casey were almost daily visitors at the office in the new Cleveland postoffice, working in and out of the city with Inspector Hettrick.

Operating in close cooperation with Sergeant Cross, they made a detailed check of Stuttering Freddie Hunter's activities and associates. Originally from near Warren, Ohio, a short distance from Garrettsville, Hunter's record was long and bad.

He was a close associate of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and to verify this came the report from Oklahoma that Haynes and Hill had connected the public enemies in the Garrettsville job.

But every effort to identify Thomas J. Shaw failed.

Inspector Hettrick and his aides hastily gathered every available picture of Hunter, Karpis and Campbell, and began a systematic canvass of every witness on the Garrettsville platform the day of the robbery. Karpis was identified beyond question, as were Campbell and Hunter. For days, the farmhouse of Hunter's relatives in Trumbull county, was under constant surveillance, as was a certain Warren joint in which the inspectors and Sergeant Cross found Hunter had a sweetheart.

But Stuttering Freddie did not appear.

December came, and found Inspectors Hettrick, Claggett, Taveney, Cordray and Casey working day and night. Hun-

esprit de corps which has no equal, and is responsible for 99 per cent of all mail depredations; that the quickest and surest way to get yourself behind good strong, iron bars is to mess around with the U. S. mail.

...tion to convince them that Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, and Harry Campbell, his pal, were in on the job.

Shortly after the robbery, I understand

...Casey's stamping ground had been in Taveney's bailiwick, and for that reason he felt a particular responsibility. Likewise Casey, who knew that Karpis and Campbell had frequently used Toledo and Sandusky for vacation spots and hide-outs.

But in spite of their efforts, and the efforts of Sergeant Cross, no worthwhile



The above photo shows the approach to the Karpis hideout, near Hot Springs, which was raided by Federal agents. At right, part of the gas mask equipment carried by the raiders.



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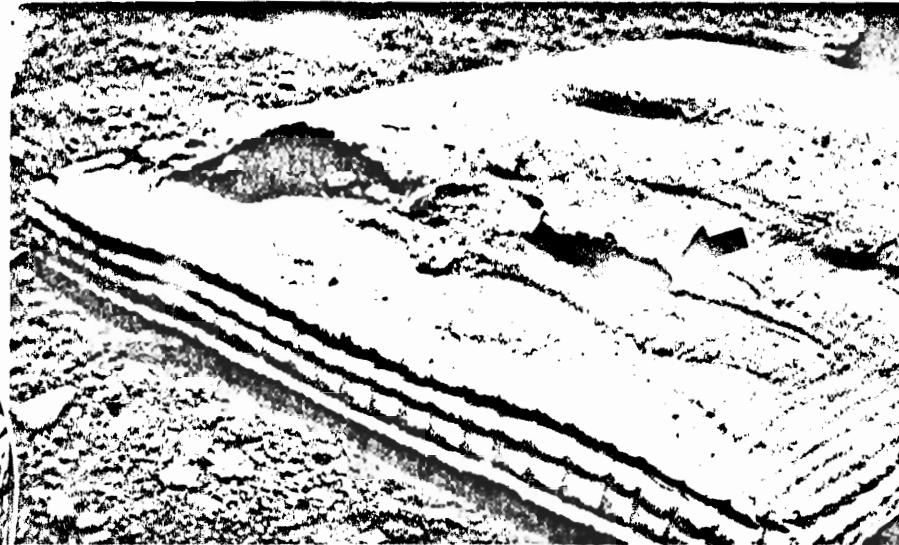
Below, a closeup of the Hot Springs hide-out deserted shortly before the raid last March. Gas bombs fired into the house on Malvern road set fire to a mattress, pictured at right. One of the bombs may be seen near the center of the mattress.



information was obtained on the mysterious Mr. Shaw.

But there is this to be said of the postoffice inspectors; for sheer tenacity, they have a bulldog looking like a kitten.

Failing to receive the much wanted information from the Department of Jus-



"Karpis flies," Anderson advised inspectors.

That was enough. Airports went under surveillance immediately. Inspectors Hill and Haynes specialized on Oklahoma and Arkansas fields, Hettrick in Cleveland, Casey in Toledo, Claggett in Akron, Taveney in Youngstown, and Cordray covered miscellaneous ports.

A long, tedious job it was. It lacked the thrill, dash and theatrics of front page raids and rattling machine gun fire. And here again, the Ohio State Patrol aided by express order of Colonel Black, commanding officer.

Sergeant Cross of Akron reported to inspectors that the Department of Justice in Washington had finally come through.

Thomas J. Shaw in reality was J. Milton Lett of Wann, Oklahoma. The word was rushed to Inspectors Hill and Haynes.

J. Milton Lett?

Joe Anderson knew him. Why, he'd been nabbed in Kansas just about the time of the Garrettsville job, on a fugitive warrant, but had been released. To Anderson, L-E-T-T spelled Karpis. His arrest in Kansas gave him a perfect alibi for the mail robbery.

Through information furnished by the

the clearing house of crime and criminals in Washington, Inspector Hettrick and his aides, true to the best traditions of the postoffice inspection service, became more determined than ever to put the Garrettsville case in the ice box. They weren't interested in Alvin Karpis as Public Enemy No. 1. They wanted Alvin Karpis for robbing the mail, and they meant to get him.

But the elusive Karpis and the shadowy Campbell were wary birds.

#### Kansas Sleuth Aids

**D**OWN in Oklahoma, Inspectors Haynes and Hill met up again with an old pal, Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Patrol. They'd worked with Anderson before, and, true to the methods of the service, they never hesitated to call in city and state police officers to assist them.

Joe Anderson knew the badlands as no other police officer knew them. He knew the gunmen and their molls. He knew their "fronts" and their connections. The term "camera eye" has been used recklessly. But it fits Joe Anderson.

Recently, I read a dispatch from Topeka, Kansas, in which Colonel Wint Smith, in command of the Kansas patrol, was given credit for locating Karpis eventually. To a certain extent this is true. Smith turned Anderson loose to work with Hill and Haynes, until Karpis was captured.

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Patiently, the inspectors and their police aides traced planes arriving and landing at airports in Ohio, Oklahoma and Arkansas. They checked every plane in and out, interviewed pilots and, in many cases, passengers. Days passed into weeks.

Inspectors Hettrick, Claggett and Cordray beat a path back and forth between Ohio and the Southwest. A thousand planes were checked and rechecked through airports and the license system of the Federal Department of Commerce.

Then Inspector Hill and Haynes and Joe Anderson caught up with a plane. It had landed at Hot Springs, Arkansas, at Little Rock and at Tulsa, Oklahoma. It had come from Ohio about November 9, two days after the Garrettsville job.

While Hill and Haynes wired the Department of Commerce for all available information on the plane from its license number, Joe Anderson and other inspectors checked each airport carefully, and learned that two men had left the plane at Hot Springs. A third man had left it at Tulsa. From that moment on, Hettrick, Cordray, Claggett and the two southern inspectors centered on their new lead.

The Erie Railroad, on the basis of information supplied by postoffice inspectors, had put out a flier for Karpis, in connection with the Garrettsville robbery on its road. That flier was issued at Cleveland late in December.

It was the middle of January that

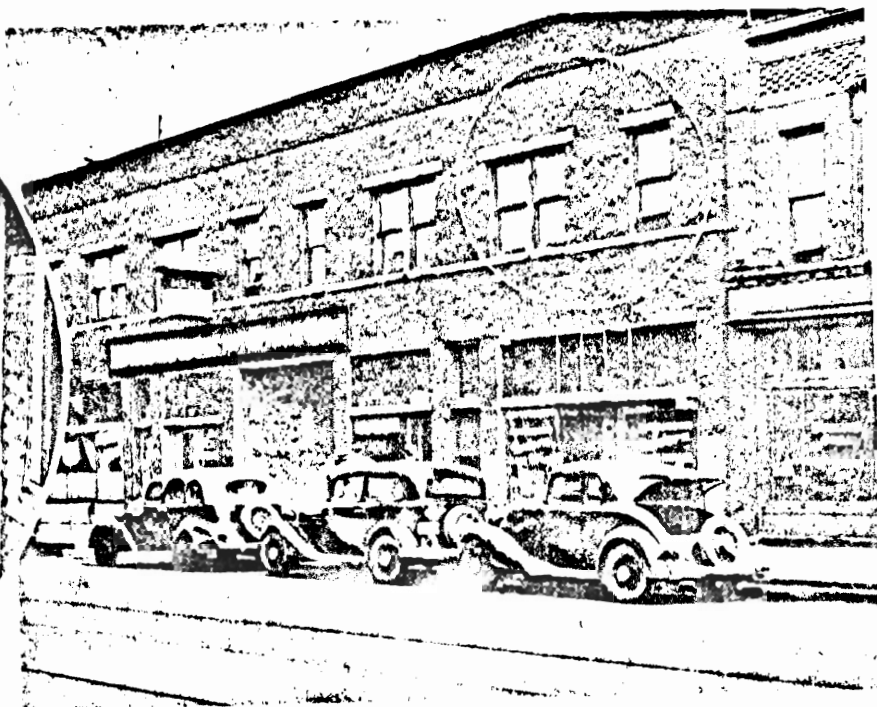
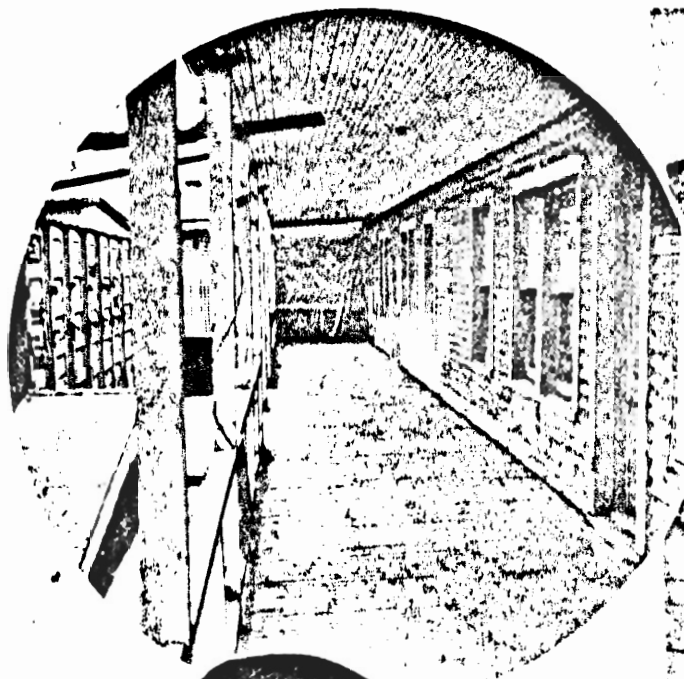
Department of Commerce, the suspicious plane was traced to Toledo by Inspectors Hettrick, Cordray and Claggett. They learned that it had been owned by a man in Toledo, but that on November 8, the day after the Garrettsville job, it had been sold—for cash—to a Port Clinton pilot. Quietly, and without any furor, the inspectors continued to probe, to learn that late in October a stranger had made arrangements with the pilot for a flight south, which contemplated the purchase of a plane. The original date had been passed up, but the deal went through on November 8, indicating to the inspectors that the failure of Lett, alias Shaw, to purchase the car in Akron had forced the gang to wait for the next payroll shipment to the Mahoning Valley steel mills.

#### Spot Suspects

**I**T WOULD have been simple for the inspectors to have arrested the man, but they preferred to play smart, and set a trap. They figured that the plane might be used again. Only three of the gang had gone south, and they knew that Campbell spent lots of time around Toledo. So they kept the Port Clinton pilot under constant surveillance. Watching. Waiting.

Down south, meanwhile, Inspectors Cordray, Claggett, Hill and Haynes were moving heaven and earth to run down their quarry, using Joe Anderson's knowledge of the country, and its habits, as a lever.





Surly Harry Campbell (left), Karpis lieutenant, was trapped in a Toledo apartment where he was living with an Ohio girl whom he married under the name of Robert Miller. Rear and front approaches to his hideout are pictured above.

"This man, Joe Anderson, knows his stuff," Cordray and Claggett told Hettrich. "A pretty smart trick that he

In spite of the hectic activities of the postoffice inspectors in their hunt for Karpis and his associates, a stranger around the postoffice would never have suspected that the hunt for the much publicized public enemy centered there. The quiet, matter-of-fact manner in which these sleuths do their work is a tradition of the service.

From time to time, Inspector Briggs



Thus it was, that late in January, the inspectors and Anderson were in a criminal courtroom at Independence, Kansas. A notorious underworld character was on trial. Anderson knew his connections, and they were there to see who'd attend the trial.

The camera eye of Joe Anderson covered the spectators. Then it focused on two men. Quietly, and with no confusion, the pair were nabbed. Anderson had them mugged and printed. Then they were released.

One of the men was Grover "Burrhead" Keady, gambler, police character, but not a gunman. The other was John Brock of Tulsa.

"Keady's a front man for the gang," Anderson advised. "I don't think he was in on the robbery. But Brock? He probably was."

With the photos and records, Inspectors Cordray and Claggett rushed back to Cleveland. Once more they canvassed the witnesses. No one made Keady, but Brock? Readily he was identified. And positively.

pulled, too."

During the days following the Independence episode, not a moment passed that Keady and Brock were not under the watchful eyes of the all-patient postoffice inspectors or the eagle-eyed Joe Anderson. Postoffice inspectors seldom go off half-cocked. When they make a case they make a case, whether they make the headlines or not. And so they kept a constant watch on Keady and Brock, without either man having the least suspicion that he was suspected of the Garrettsville job, and the psychological effect of their release in Independence was to give them a feeling of security—perhaps to make them just a bit bolder. And following the courtroom arrest, Colonel Wint Smith was reinforcing Inspectors Hill and Haynes and Private Joe Anderson.

Anderson's knowledge of the oil country underworld was proving invaluable to the inspectors. His acquaintance with the molls and their men later was—but that's getting ahead of the story.

Gathering bits of information here and there, the inspectors and their aides learned that Keady knew the identity of the Garrettsville robbers, or at least two of them. So in February, the inspectors picked up Keady, and Cordray and Claggett brought him to Cleveland, where he was lodged in county jail with strict orders that he be held incommunicado. Again days passed, with the inspectors using all their cunning on Keady to obtain information.

ran up from Cincinnati for conferences with his men, but always they were left to their own devices. Reports of all inspectors bearing on the case reached Cleveland daily. Chief Inspector Aldrich bided his time, knowing that his men would eventually clean the case up.

Early in March, after steady questioning of Keady for several weeks, Inspector Hettrick was ready for Brock. A few days later, Brock arrived in Cleveland, and with him came Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Patrol.

It is an axiom of the postoffice inspectors that state and city police are invaluable aides and that they contribute no little to their success. Shortly after Brock's arrival, he was transferred to the Youngstown jail of Mahoning county. In order to conceal their moves from danger of leakage Brock was booked at Youngstown by Inspector Taveney as "Charles Johnson," and like Keady in Cleveland, he was held incommunicado.

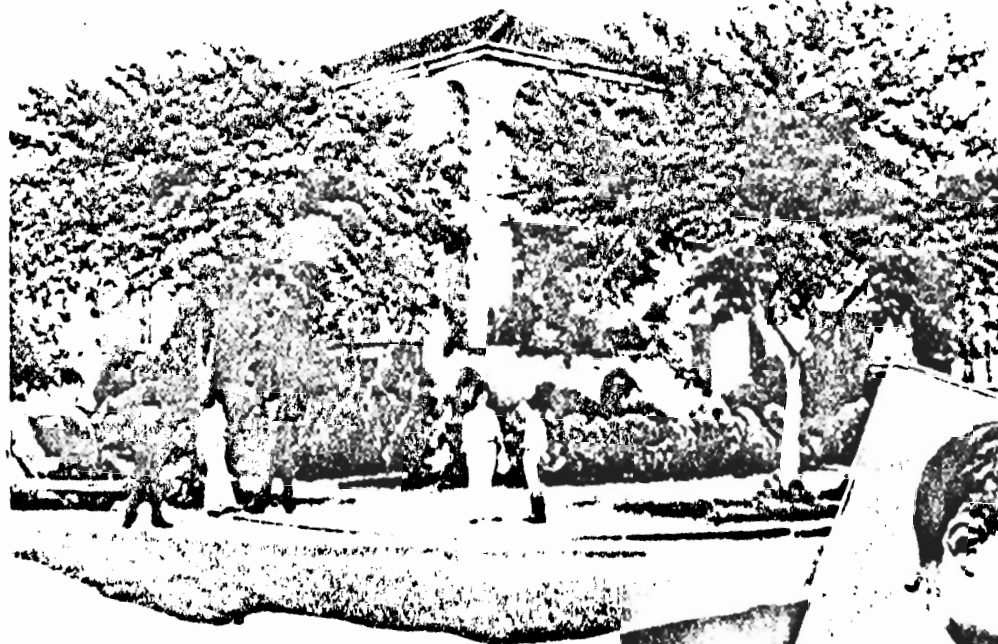
#### Suffer Setback

THE following three weeks saw Youngstown the center of activity in the Karpis hunt, but still the watch was maintained over the Port Clinton pilot.

Then a monkey wrench was thrown into the machinery. All chance of the success of the Port Clinton vigil was lost when G-men bounded into Port Clinton and nabbed the pilot right under the noses of the watching inspectors, whisked

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It was in the attractive apartment building shown at the left that Alvin Karpis was captured in New Orleans. Below is a reproduction of the fier issued by the Erie Railroad on December 31 in connection with the Garrettsville mail job.

him away to a hideout and questioned him for days.

The quizzing G-men learned from the pilot's lips only what Inspectors Hettrick, Cordray and Claggett had known for weeks.

The fier readily admitted that he had carried three men south, and identified a photo of Karpis. He was paid \$500 for the trip and used this money to finance the plane "purchase."

The G-men then released the aviator, and allowed him to return to Port Clinton. He denied being in the



... denied knowing the real identity of his passengers, who had been identified by Inspectors Hill and Haynes as Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and John Brock.

But, while the nabbing of the pilot turned out to be a dud, the inspectors were making hay in Youngstown, aided by their Kansas ally, Joe Anderson. The tight-lipped postoffice men have never divulged their secret, but somewhere, sometime during the Youngstown stay of John Brock, alias Charles Johnson, and probably from his lips, they learned a lot.

Late in the afternoon of March 28, 1936, they had the information they were seeking, and Inspectors Cordray and Hettrick, together with "Old Faithful" Joe Anderson, came racing to Cleveland and immediately chartered a plane. In a spirit of the usual cooperation, they called in two G-men and tipped them off that they were going after Karpis and Hunter.

Of course, the G-men notified their chief, J. Edgar Hoover, and immediately orders went out to a number of his agents to gather in Little Rock, Arkansas, immediately.

The plane left Cleveland airport at 3:30 a.m., March 29, and arrived in Little Rock that afternoon, and there, to their dismay, the postoffice inspectors found an army of G-men with enough armament to stage another Ethiopian campaign.

The inspectors shook their heads a bit  
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sadly, but kept their thoughts to themselves. But they knew that such an army could not be gathered without the tipoff going out.

An expression of pained disappointment flashed across the weathered features of Joe Anderson. He knew the grapevine and the almost utter impossibility of mobilizing an army of men and "music boxes" in Little Rock without the weary Karpis getting the scent in the wind.

Right then and there, the veteran inspectors and their ally from Kansas would have wagered a hundred to one, that they were doomed to find an empty nest.

G-men took charge of the situation and made elaborate plans for the raid on the information furnished by the inspectors.

#### Find Empty Hideout

**I**N THE early morning darkness of March 30, the raiding party slipped out of Little Rock, armed with automatics, machine guns, rifles and gas bombs, and headed in the general direction of Hot Springs. A short distance from the spa, on the Malvern road, the

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autos were abandoned, and the manhunters proceeded cautiously until a farmhouse, set on the top of a sparsely wooded hill, stood out against the early morning sky.

A hurried consultation, and the G-men and their allies deployed through the trees and surrounded the house. Stealthily, as the red men of old, they crept upon the house in the darkness. Inspectors Hettrick and Cordray, with Joe Anderson, were in the van. At any moment a burst of machine gun fire from the house might rake the woods. The house occupied a commanding position. In daylight, approach would have been impossible.

There was utter silence except the gently rustling leaves and the occasional crackle of a twig under an advancing foot. The possemen took cover in the fringe of trees about the yard of the farmhouse.

Then came the barrage as the G-men loosed a rain of gas bombs. Through the windows they went, to the accompani-

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# Enigma of the SLAIN SWEETHEART

A brutal California slaying is cracked in record time to reveal a fantastic motive which outrivals the weirdest fiction.

THE call came during the middle of the afternoon on September 4, 1919. Babbling excitedly in almost unintelligible dialect, a woman flashed us the word that a girl had been slain in an old rooming house in the negro district.

I jumped into a squad car and was whirled away to the murder scene. When we reached our shabby destination I entered the place and made my way to the second floor. There I met an old negress, so fat she bulged all over.

Before I had a chance to ask a question she turned and waddled down to the end of the hall. Silently she pointed to a closed door, her eyes rolling until they

*By Chief of Detectives*  
**HARRY J. KELLY**

*San Diego Police Dept.*

As Told To EDWARD A. DIECKMANN

Lying upon the crimsoned bed was the nude body of a young negress, one of the most ghastly sights I have seen in years of police experience. She had literally been slashed to death.

In my first look at the body I noticed a number of deep gashes on her face and down each arm. Her body was criss-crossed with gaping wounds. We counted them later and found 63 vicious

coroner. Then I tried to get a line on the case.

The old mammy couldn't help much. The girl had rented the room a week before, she said. There was no register in the place and I couldn't find any letters or other means of identification in the dead girl's room.

"This girl have any boy friends?" I asked.

showed... lumbered away, casting a fearful glance over her fat shoulder.

I knew there had been a killing but what I didn't know was whether or not the killer was still in the house. Cautiously I gave the door a shove, then stood back, gun in hand. My precautions were needless. The only occupant of the room wouldn't have hurt anyone. She was conclusively and horribly dead.

cuts. None of them, however, had been fatal. The victim had died slowly—had bled to death.

A harness bull had driven me down. He'd trailed me up to the room but before he had a chance to get sick I hustled him off to get some more cops and the

"Girl friends?"

"No, sir."

"When did you find her?"

"Jus' now."

#### Identification Fails

**B**UT beyond that I couldn't get anything more out of the landlady. After the coroner arrived we washed the girl's face and made her a little more presentable. Then I called in several negroes to take a look at her. None of them rapped to her at all. I didn't blame them much. She didn't look much like anything human, but I'd hoped that someone would put a name to her. A couple of other dicks soon showed up and we went into a huddle.

"This is one of those passion killings," one dick said, although he didn't use those words, he being a plain guy.

"Guess she stepped out on her man, all right," I said. "But who is the man and who is she? That's what worries me."

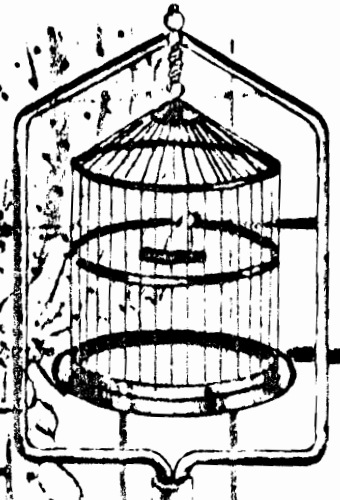
"It looks like a woman bumped that jane off," another dick broke in. "Some of these black gals are awfully dexterous with a shive 'specially if they're jealous."

"Might be a burglary job," a uniformed cop interrupted. "She caught the guy and he had to slice her to make his getaway."

I laughed. "Then this burglar undressed her, I suppose, and did some

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The ape-like negro at the left was speedily rounded up by San Diego officers for the ghastly knife slaying of his former sweetheart. What made the case unusual was the incredible part played by a canary in the atrocious crime.



knowledge, he couldn't say what the weather was; he was not in the city on that date.

In an attempt to prove that the present charge against Mrs. Glab was unwarranted persecution and that everything that could be done in the way of an investigation had been done in 1928, only to result in complete exoneration for his client, Hahn called an imposing array of officers, ranging from the ambulance driver to the prosecuting attorney who had moved for dismissal.

#### State Scores Heavily

**B**UT in each instance, Williams skillfully twisted their testimony into a boomerang against the defense. Again and again he shot the same question: "Did you search the Lincoln coupe in the Glab garage?"

"No. We couldn't. It was locked."

After all, everything that could be done, had not been done.

It was locked! The force of that oft-repeated reply stamped an indelible picture in the mind of every listener in the courtroom—the picture of a Lincoln coupe, standing immune from search during the entire 1928 check-up, a .32-20 pearl-handled Smith and Wesson revolver safely hidden in a secret compartment.

And Williams took pains to remind the jury that the sliding door to the garage had been found partly open!

Taking the stand in her own defense, Mrs. Glab repeated, with a few minor deviations, the story she had originally told to officers at the Van Nuys station. She denied every accusation of the prosecution. She distinctly remembered that it was raining the night her husband was killed because her "hair had come out of curl." Her heels didn't "click." When she had occasion to run, she ran "on her

room, Mrs. Glab? Let the jury judge for themselves."

In return, Williams ironically called attention to the two-inch thickness of the courtroom carpet.

Mrs. Glab emphatically denied that she killed her husband.

"Do you know who did?"

"Yes! W. R. McIntire! He was terribly jealous of Mr. Glab. That's what we were quarreling about when I accidentally shot him."

McIntire hurried back from San Francisco to testify in rebuttal. "Our quarrel had nothing to do with Mr. Glab. He was in Paris. Mrs. Glab pulled a gun on me because I tried to put one of her unwelcome men callers out of my apartment. As to the murder, her accusation is a ridiculous concoction. I came forward voluntarily in 1928, was investigated and cleared beyond a shadow of suspicion."

Several detectives verified McIntire's testimony.

Another prosecution witness called in rebuttal was C. G. Carlson, attached to the Rainfall Division of the Los Angeles county flood control. His records disclosed that on the night of June 18, 1928, at the Mulholland station, only a mile and a quarter from the scene of the crime, and at several other stations within a radius of a few miles, the night was clear and there was no trace of rain.

Williams now refreshed Mrs. Glab's memory regarding another of her "errands" on the afternoon of June 18. As an alibi for using her husband's sedan she had said, "The key to my Lincoln was broken in the lock."

"You neglected to tell us," said Williams, "that on that same afternoon you drove to a Lincoln agency and procured a new key; that when you left your home the second time, after 7 o'clock, you could

as revealed in his closing argument, was as follows: Carefully planning the murder in advance, Mrs. Glab had left her own car in the garage, the sliding garage door partially open to admit ready access at a later hour. Upon arriving home about 9 o'clock, she had parked the sedan a distance from the garage, sent her niece to summon Mr. Glab, shot him as he reached the front of the car, then fled to the garage where she secreted her gun in the Lincoln coupe. After locking the car with the key obtained only a few hours before, she slipped out of the rear of the garage, running noiselessly on the grass to the front porch where she entered the living-room through the French windows. The time consumed in hiding the gun and reaching the house accounted for her tardiness in answering the maid's knock.

Branding the defendant as a cold-blooded killer who had ruthlessly slain her husband to prevent his putting his money beyond her reach, Williams asked for the extreme penalty.

After deliberating for twenty-seven hours, the jury compromised. The majority had been in favor of a first degree verdict but they yielded to the stubborn minority holding out for a less severe judgment. "Guilty of murder in the second degree" was their final decision.

But calloused little Hazel merely shrugged her shoulders: "It's all the fault of that guy Williams; he's been after my scalp from the start!"

To her way of thinking, a sentence of "Five years to life" for second degree murder is nothing to turn gray about, particularly, since California's prison for women boasts a beauty parlor.

It seems safe to predict that the designing little widow's worst punishment will be the lack of new fields to conquer, for at Tehachapi, alas there are no men!

Attorney Hahn smiled confidently: "Will you kindly walk across the court-

to." Williams' reconstruction of the crime.

(It should be stated, however, that Thelma Dabney was not involved in Mrs. Glab's activities outside the law.)

## Sterilization and Crime Prevention

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exactng a more severe penalty for his crime than would the state of Michigan.

Mrs. Rowland, who had taken no part in the actual commission of the fiendish crime but who had stood by willingly and aided in the preparations for it, was subsequently tried and convicted of common law conspiracy and is now serving a sentence of from three and one-half to five years in the Detroit House of Correction.

But there is no reclaiming life for the two pitifully water-logged little bodies that were dragged from the lake and consigned to a grave beside their own father, shorn by savagery of the most inhuman kind of their very God-given right to live and grow on earth!

The point here is that neither Rowland nor his wife should ever have been allowed to assume the responsibility of raising children. Psychopathic tests of Mrs. Rowland conducted at the University of Michigan just prior to her trial and conviction clearly show the reason.

These tests showed her to possess the mental age of eleven years and two months and to be further handicapped by a faulty nature characterized by extreme selfishness and inadequate emotional reaction.

Her mental condition was not one that experts could define as insanity, yet she was classed as a "borderline" case, incapable of undertaking the normal functions of society. And in discussing the crime with Rowland himself I became convinced that, had he lived to undergo a similar test, the result in his case would have been much the same!

### Advocate Sterilization

NEITHER registered the slightest emotional regret at the awful fate of the children. Both admitted—Rowland in a complete confession of the crime—that they had many times discussed plans to "be alone, so we could go to the woods together and fish and hunt as we both liked . . ."

Neither Rowland's self-inflicted death nor the few years that the mother of those two little children will spend in prison is by any means adequate punishment for their crime, nor an adequate moral lesson to others of their kind.

*There is no adequate punishment for such crimes—but there can be adequate prevention!*

Obviously, Mrs. Rowland should never have been allowed to bring children into

the world. Certainly she should never have been allowed to marry again after the death of her first husband, and with the second child yet unborn.

A system of mental and moral examination before marriage licenses are issued—before unfortunate victims are born of defective unions—and the mandatory sterilization of those who are found unfit for parenthood would go a long way toward the prevention of such crimes.

Sterilization of such mentally and morally insufficient persons could not in any sense of the word be considered a penalty for their afflictions, as it may be charged. But it would, definitely, provide a measure of protection for both society and themselves that is sadly lacking today.

And it would eliminate the birth of countless other incompetents!

*Let medical science lead the way in the prevention of crime, not merely show us the reasons after it is too late!*

There are states now in which a mere physical examination of both parties is necessary in obtaining a marriage license, but this is not sufficient . . .

*We must keep parenthood morally and mentally clean!*



## Smashing the Notorious Karpis Mob

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ment of shattering glass. There was no response from the inside.

Joe Anderson grunted in disgust.

From a second story window, on the right side of the house as you approached from the front, came a flickering glare, but not a sound. With a dozen machine guns trained on the doors and windows, a squad of G-men, wearing gas masks, rushed the house under a barrage of machine gun fire.

The nest was empty.

Instead of manhunters, they became firemen, as they rushed upstairs and threw a flaming mattress from the window. One of the bombs had sent it blazing. A cordon of agents kept curious neighbors at a distance as the G-men, postoffice inspectors and Kansas State Police, Colonel Wint Smith and Joe Anderson, searched the place minutely.

It was evident that the place had been but very recently abandoned. Feminine

knick-knacks were scattered about. And there were snapshots which indicated that the inmates of the house would have been warned on the approach of the agents. There was a picture of a gigantic Great Dane, taken in the drive about the house. In addition were found snaps of a comely young miss in slacks, and several other shots.

For twenty-four hours, the Federal men checked and double-checked the place, and questioned every neighbor in the vicinity. Two couples had been there, one of the women intermittently, the younger steadily.

Following the fruitless raid, one of the G-men blamed the failure upon the publicity given to the mobilization of the G-man army.

"You spoiled our plans and spoiled a good story," he remarked to newspapermen.

The inspectors and Joe Anderson knew

that they had had Alvin Karpis and Stuttering Freddie Hunter in the bag, but for the tipoff. Weeks and months of patient and painstaking work had gone for naught.

But they still had an ace on their collective sleeve.

And this ace was none other than the Kansas patrolman's intimate knowledge of the southwest's underworld and his almost uncanny ability to extract information from it. Nine times out of ten, a detective's success depends on his stool-pigeons. And in this case, Joe Anderson's reputation as a square shooter was worth a million.

### Investigate Woman

INSPECTORS Hill and Haynes, with the aid of Anderson, had been investigating a 30-year-old Hot Springs woman. Attractive and vivacious, she was reported to have attracted more than the passing attention of Alvin Karpis.

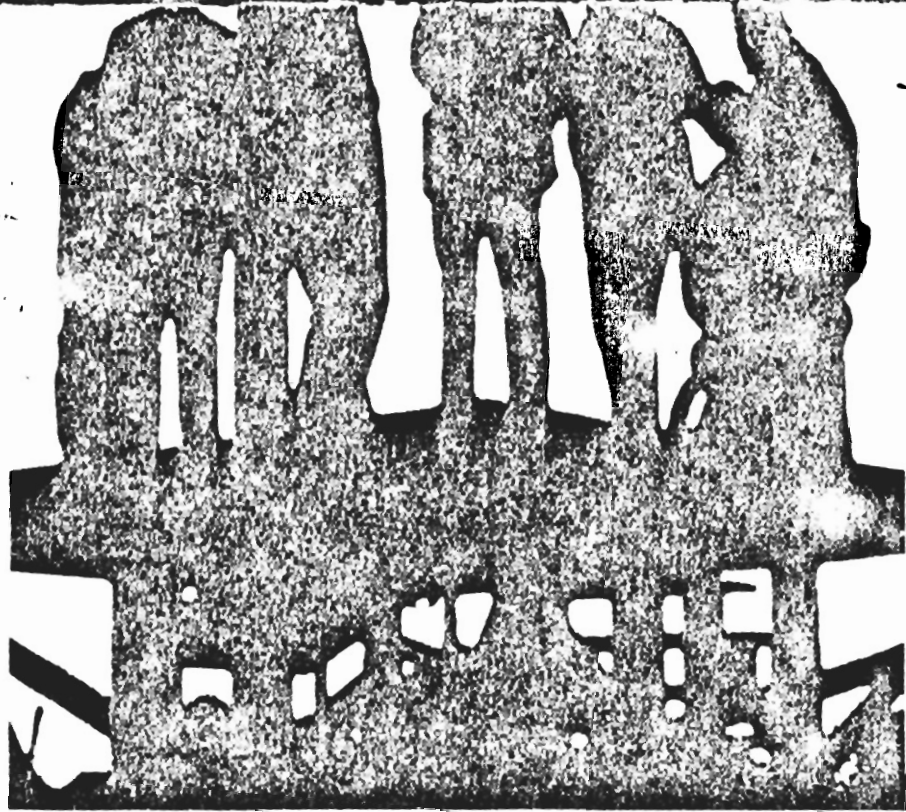
Mary Matthews—and that isn't her true name—operated a hotel of sorts in the spa city, and frequently the inspectors, through Anderson, had checked her in the company of a younger girl, perhaps in her late teens or early twenties. For weeks, the Matthews woman had been bobbing in and out of sight.

At the time of the futile raid, the post-office inspectors, cooperating one hundred per cent with the G-men, had passed along the information on Mary Matthews.

Knowing that under the circumstances, the Matthews woman might prove to be the key to the situation, they determined



SILHOUETTE  
OF A MAN  
ABOUT  
TO DIE



In this dramatic silhouette photo, Arthur Gooch, with the hangman's rope about his neck, is shown on the gallows at Oklahoma state penitentiary, McAlester, where, on June 19, he plunged to his death for kidnaping. He was the first to die under the federal Lindbergh law.

to the... of the... page of the Karpis case, but... do it in such a way that she would be their unwitting aid.

Once more, Joe Anderson and his contacts stepped into the breach. He knew somebody that knew Mary Matthews. Someone that he could trust. And so, hardly had the gas fumes drifted away from the Malvern road farmhouse, before Joe Anderson's go-between was on the job. It was a delicate piece of work. A slip meant a ride.

Perhaps a week or ten days elapsed, and then Hill and Haynes and Anderson identified the younger girl. Since she was cleared she might as well be nameless here, but she was the sweetie of Fred Hunter.

The Kansan and the inspectors now had definite proof to back up Brock's information that the occupants of the raided farmhouse had been Karpis, Hunter, his sweetheart and, occasionally, Mary Matthews.

The escape of Karpis and Hunter might have discouraged less patient and determined sleuths than the postoffice inspectors and their Kansas ally. But the inspection service has never learned the definition of failure.

Anderson's plant managed to keep in fairly close contact with Mary Matthews in the succeeding weeks.

But where had Karpis and Hunter gone? If Mary knew, she was keeping it to herself. As days and weeks passed, the tension lifted. Narrow escapes weren't so unusual. The plant reported that Hunter's girl friend apparently was with the fugitives. But where? That was the question.

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### DAISIES

(San Quentin Prison Bulletin)

Blue daisies, white daisies,  
Happy laughing faces,  
Scattered in the meadows  
Of all the country places.

Laughing in the sunshine,  
Laughing in the rain,  
Nodding to the passers-by,  
Down the shady lane.

Sturdy little bodies  
Swaying in the sun,  
Contented in your wildness,  
Having spritely fun.

—J. W.

### SUPPOSE

(San Quentin Prison Bulletin)

Suppose that lofty mountains brave  
Would bend to my light whim,  
That each and every saint or knave  
Applauded me with vim.

Suppose that flowers—fragrant, rare,  
Would nod as I pass by  
And whisper, don't you fret or care,  
Your foes we will defy.

Suppose the pine trees—tall, sedate,  
Stretched friendly arms to me,  
And dew drops winked and knew my fate.

## Smashing the Notorious Karpis Mob

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Believing that Karpis and Hunter might possibly double back to Ohio, the inspectors waited a brief time, and then visited a farmhouse between Youngstown and Warren, Ohio, which Inspector Taveney had been watching for some time. Inspectors had known for weeks that the gang had stayed at this place the night before the robbery, but in keeping with their well laid plans, they preferred to keep their information to themselves until they could make the most of it. They questioned the man who lived there, knowing that he was a friend of Hunter.

### Learn Mail Job Details

**T**HROUGH months of painstaking work, through adroit questioning of Keady and Brock, Inspector Hettrick and his aides now had a perfect picture of the Garrettsville robbery. The hangout before the job, the flight, the five-way division of spoils, the disposition of the Plymouth sedan.

They had learned also, that originally, the fifth man on the job was to have been Sam Coker, another bad man from the Southwest, but that he had been stricken with illness and was in a Toledo hospital on November 7.

Nor had they forgotten Harry Campbell. Through information garnered by Inspectors Hill and Haynes and Joe Anderson in Oklahoma, Inspector Hettrick, together with Cordray, Claggett and Casey, had traced the marriage of Harry Campbell in 1935 to a Bowling Green miss in her late 'teens, who believed he was Robert Miller. They knew that he was in or around Toledo, but he was slick and

to show that Brock came clean under their clever and persistent questioning, in a manner which must have surprised even the postoffice sleuths.

In keeping with the police of Chief Inspector Aldrich's service, his men continued to cooperate with the Department of Justice men and the G-men were constantly being advised of the latest developments.

But it was during the last three days of April, along about Tuesday or Wednesday, the 28th or 29th, that the break came.

Joe Anderson's stooge reported that Mary Matthews, perhaps inadvertently, had let slip the information that Karpis and Hunter, with Fred's sweetie, were in New Orleans. Somewhere on Canal street.

### G-men Plan Raid

**W**HEN this information was relayed to the G-men, they apparently forgot all about the postoffice inspectors. Perhaps in the excitement they forgot to notify them. But at any rate, acting on the information of Joe Anderson's stooge, they picked up Mary Matthews and gave her the works.

In all fairness, it should be said that they learned from her the vital information and the street address.

Karpis was posing as Ed O'Hara. Miles away from the scene, at the time, was the G-men's director, J. Edgar Hoover, who was advised of developments in telegraphic word from his New Orleans subordinate, David W. Magee.

Then came the stunning surprise to every member of Chief Inspector Aldrich's postoffice inspecting service. For

And liked me just for me.

Suppose that gossip, envy, hate,  
Died from disuse, neglect,  
Would I then still bemoan my fate,  
Or glean lost self-respect?

Suppose the moon, up high above  
Explained to me anew  
About this stirring thing called Love,  
Would I, then, call to you?  
—V. W.

### MY MUSE IS GONE

(San Quentin Prison Bulletin)

My muse of summer melody essays  
To break the bonds I hold about her  
form.  
She shivers from the whistling blast of  
storm  
That rages, whines, carrens, and ever  
flays  
Her soul; while the ardent, witching gaze  
She had of yore is gone—I'm left forlorn,  
Of every inspiration sadly shorn,  
And now in turn my dismal spirit strays.  
—E. S.

### PROMISE

(San Quentin Prison Bulletin)

God gives us the promise of morning,  
The promise of summer and spring.  
But the promise of man,  
Giving light and warmth to the heart,  
Is not so dependable a thing.  
—J. W.

supper. Twice, he had seen through  
their fingers.

Inspectors buzzed through Ohio with  
most of the activity centered around  
Youngstown and Toledo. In the latter  
city, Inspector Casey was working over-  
time in his efforts to locate Campbell and  
Coker.

Checking the records of the various  
Toledo hospitals Casey, aided by Het-  
trick, Cordray and Claggett, found that  
Coker had been in Mercy Hospital during  
October and up to about November 20,  
1935. Under an assumed name, of course.

They assumed logically enough that  
during this long stretch in the hospital  
he was visited by his friends and acquaint-  
ances, and that after his release he visited  
these same friends and acquaintances.

Once more, the inspectors embarked  
upon a canvass as careful, detailed and  
painstaking as their previous airport  
check. They questioned nurses, doctors,  
attendants—every single person, in fact,  
who might possibly furnish the slightest  
clue. Descriptions they took—some good,  
some meager. They checked and re-  
checked their information. Gradually,  
they began to get somewhere.

By April 27, Hettrick and his aides  
were ready to close in on their prey.  
Hettrick swore to warrants for Karpis,  
Campbell, Hunter, Brock and the fifth  
man, "John Doe." The warrants were  
issued by Assistant U. S. Attorneys Hugh  
McNamee and Frank Weideman in  
Youngstown from Cleveland for the oc-  
casion.

Although the inspectors have remained  
strictly non-committal, the coming trial  
on the mail robbery charge is expected

months. They had to find the  
Hammer newspaper whom the Department  
of Justice had sought for years. They'd  
located him through brilliant and relent-  
less sleuthing with the aid of Joe Ander-  
son.

When the news reached J. Edgar  
Hoover that Karpis was at the Canal  
street hangout, he quickly but quietly  
chartered a plane in New York under an  
assumed name. The pilots recognized  
him when he boarded the ship.

"Going after Karpis?" one pilot ban-  
tered. Hoover frowned and swore the  
pilots to secrecy. After a stop or two to



"No food, thanks, I'm dieting."

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pick up additional agents, the pilots brought the big transport ship down at Shushan Airport, New Orleans, early Friday morning, May 1.

New Orleans, being considerably larger than Little Rock, the influx of agents slipped by without undue notice. Late Friday afternoon, the agents cautiously but effectively surrounded the Canal street apartment.

So quietly and cautiously did the agents take up their positions, that John Campbell, janitor of the building, burning trash beside it, had no intimation of what was going on.

The door of the apartment swung outward. Out stepped Public Enemy No. 1, Alvin Karpis. Face lifting or no, he was easily recognized.

"Stick 'em up!"

The words must have roared into the ears of the nation's most dangerous criminal as the agents barked from all sides. Fingers trembled on a dozen machine gun triggers, as the G-men saw the start of surprise from Karpis, as he took in the situation with a glance.

Up went his hands, even as Hoover and his men grabbed him, took his gun, and put him in irons.

Janitor Campbell looked up from his work just in time to see the manacled Karpis standing at the curb.

Immediately, other agents grabbed his companions, a man and girl. The trio was whisked away to department headquarters. Without delay, the manacled Karpis was rushed out to Shushan Airport, into the plane, and with Hoover and a squad as guards, sped north for Minnesota's Twin Cities, to face the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping charges.

The man and girl remained behind. Magee, in charge of the New Orleans office of the Bureau of Investigation readily identified his prisoner for news-

## HOW THE ARMY TRAINS Air Fighters



Brig. Gen. H. H. Arnold, assistant chief of the air corps and co-author of "This Flying Game," contributes a notable article on military aviation. He tells how flying cadets are chosen, the type of man desired and the methods of training at the San Antonio flight school of the West Point of the Air.

## Tricks of Deadly TORNADOES



Whirling black funnels which drive splinters through plate glass and straws into plants! Twisters which have killed 5,258 persons and caused \$225,000,000 damage in the United States in two decades. S. D. Flora, noted Tornado meteorologist, describes their vagaries in an authoritative feature.

GAR WOOD

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postoffice inspectors and Chief Hoover to lay their cards face up on the table. The hearing, according to advices from Washington, is slated for this fall.

With Karpis under arrest and safely locked up in St. Paul after a dramatic flight from New Orleans, Harry Campbell succeeded to the purple robes of Public Enemy No. 1, but to the postoffice inspectors he simply remained a yegg who robbed the mail.

Naturally disappointed at Director Hoover's coup, Inspector Hettrick and his aides didn't have time to sulk. Campbell was next on their list.

As I related before, Inspector Casey of Toledo had traced Coker to Mercy Hospital. As usual, they took the G-men into their confidence. They furnished the first information to the justice men on Coker's hospital stay.

I think it was the fifth or sixth of May that the inspectors had found a Coker "friend" who had visited him at the hospital, and after his release on visits to the Campbell apartment on Monroe street.

With inspectors in Mercy Hospital on May 5 or 6, the G-men came in, working on information furnished by the postoffice men.

Then history repeated itself. Without confiding in Inspector Casey or Hettrick, they picked up the person, located by the inspectors, and obtained the Campbell and Coker addresses.

Once more the agent in charge wired his chief the information that Campbell and Coker had been located. As in New Orleans, a plane dropped down at a Toledo airport. It was a huge transport plane engaged by Hoover, following receipt of information from his subordinates in Toledo.

It arrived at 2 a. m., May 7.

Quickly, Hoover marshalled his forces and raced them to an apartment, over a row of stores on Monroe street. Hastily the building was surrounded. Silently, the G-men mounted the stairs.

They rapped at the apartment of Robert Miller. In the stillness of the early morning the rap reverberated through the apartment.

The agents walked in and found Campbell with his bride of a few months. There was no resistance. An automatic, six clips of cartridges and about \$3,000 in cash was scooped up.

Losing no time, the agents bundled Campbell and his wife into a car, manacled and under heavy guard, and set sail for Arcadia avenue where Coker was picked up without trouble. Back at the airport the big plane, "The City of Kansas City," roared away in the direction of Cleveland, with Director Hoover and his prisoners. Leaving Coker and the woman there, it headed back for the west and the Twin Cities.

#### Seek Fifth Man

ONE of these days, the inspectors and Joe Anderson will pick up the fifth man in the Garrettsville job, after which they will write finis on that mail robbery, as usual.

But when the final story of the capture of Alvin Karpis et. al. is written or told, Sergeant Vern Cross of the Akron police department will get the credit for the work which enabled Inspector Hettrick and his aides to get off with a running start in the hunt that ended the careers of men who had flaunted the law for two and one-half years.

Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Patrol and his chief, Colonel Wint Smith will get the credit due them; Smith for

lending his man to Inspectors Hill and Haynes, and Anderson for the invaluable service he rendered in grabbing Brock and Keady, and then setting the stage for the Karpis capture.

I say this because I know from experience at the postoffice inspection service, from Chief Inspector Aldrich down to the last man who worked on the case, wants the credit to go where the credit is due.

And DARING DETECTIVE readers are requested to do one thing—keep this story at hand, and when the proposed congressional investigation bares the story of the Karpis capture, compare the facts which you have just read.

At the time of this writing Karpis is facing trial in St. Paul, Minn. Campbell is in Leavenworth, after pleading guilty to kidnaping charges. Coker has been returned to prison at McAlester, Okla., as a parole violator, but will be brought to Cleveland to face the mail robbery charge.

Hunter is serving a two-year term in Atlanta penitentiary for harboring a felon. For some reason, G-men declined to turn him over to postoffice inspectors to face the mail robbery charge, but he will be brought back from Atlanta for this trial in the fall. The penalty of mail robbery is a mandatory, flat 25-year sentence. Brock is being held in Cleveland county jail on the mail robbery charge. Keady was released on personal bond as a material witness.

The women involved have all been released.

The federal grand jury in Cleveland is expected to return indictments in October, and the trial of the mail robbers, Hunter and Brock, will be interesting.

Thus was the power of the Karpis mob smashed with the apprehension of the leader himself and his lieutenant, Campbell.



## Enigma of the Slain Sweetheart

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plain and fancy carving, eh? Afraid we'll have to throw that theory out."

The coroner was ready to cart away the remains so I took her fingerprints before the ambulance left. "You stick 'round here," I told the uniformed cop. "Don't let anyone in. There'll be a fingerprint man down to dust over this room."

But when I checked the fingerprints later I drew a blank. I'd sent the other dicks out to circulate through the negro district and was just about to start out when I was called to the phone. It was an attendant up at the morgue.

"Say, Cap, there's a big buck up here who says he knows the girl. He wants to see you," he said.

A few minutes later I was talking to a big negro, six feet tall and unusually black. The dead girl was his sister, Cora Farmer. She was from Chicago and had arrived in southern California a few weeks ago. She didn't have any enemies and only a few friends in our town. He didn't know who'd killed her, he said, but he wanted the guy caught. So did I.

With her name as a lead it wasn't long before we began to click. Loungers around the negro poolhalls remembered a big yellow buck who had been asking for Cora Farmer. He was a stranger, they said, and wore a big fur cap with earflaps. That was a hot tip. Such a cap in southern California was bound to be

noticed. I had a hunch that we would soon have our man.

My hunch was right. We had found the dead girl at 2:30 that afternoon. At 7 o'clock that night our man was in the jug. Tracing his movements through various negro hangouts, we had picked him up along an old railroad track which



Chief of Detectives Harry J. Kelly of the San Diego police reveals one of the most bizarre mysteries on the official records in this unusual story.

he had mistaken for the main line out of town. He proved to be Clarence Murry, an ex-convict.

### Admits Killing

OUR first questions brought immediate results. He made no bones about doing the job. Yes, he'd killed Cora Farmer. He showed me the knife he had used. It was still stained with clotted blood.

"Why'd you kill her?" I asked.

The big negro merely grunted:

"Where are you from?"

"Chi," he replied slowly.

"Oh, I see. You knew Cora Farmer back there, eh?"

He nodded, twisting the fur cap in his calloused hands.

"And she ran out on you. Is that why you bumped her off?"

He glanced up, his eyes wide. "You think I'd come 'way out here fo' dat?"

I tried another tack.

"When'd you hit town?"

"Las' night. I jus' found her dis mornin'."

"What's your racket? Where've you been?"

"Just got out of de pen, suh."

"You and Cora were sweethearts back in Chi?"

"Yas, suh. We was fixin' to get married right soon. You see, boss, me an'

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Dear Sir:

In connection with the investigation being pursued at Cleveland relative to the above matter, it has become necessary to very closely investigate the activities of Samuel T. "Little Fellow" Haas, a local attorney.

In checking the long distance telephone calls made from the office of Haas, (telephone No. Cherry 1584), it is noted that numerous calls have been made since June 1, 1936 to telephone number Townsend 82966 at Detroit, Michigan. On one occasion someone in Haas' office talked to Edward F. Strong at the above number.

Edward F. Strong is a local attorney who also has gambling and race track interests in Cleveland and Miami Beach, Florida, and it is possible that the above referred to number may have some connection with such interests.

You are respectfully requested to conduct necessary investigation, ascertaining to whom telephone number Townsend 82966 is listed and also obtain the type of business that is conducted at this place. All other information believed pertinent to this investigation should also be procured.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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August 21, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

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Mr. Suydam telephoned and wanted to know if we would furnish him with the description and criminal record of Harry Campbell as disclosed by the Bureau's Identification Order #1226 and wanted to know if we had an extra copy of the release prepared on John Hamilton.

Mr. Suydam was furnished with the information concerning Harry Campbell, but was informed that the release on John Hamilton had been exhausted and was advised that possibly Colonel Gates might have a copy of the release in question.

Respectfully,

T. D. QUINN

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July 20, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: BREKID

Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Dawsey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
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Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Room 5250

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Phones 53 and 560

TO: \_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Coffey  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Harbo  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Nathan \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Lester  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Renneberger  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Schilder  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Foxworth \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Tracy  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Glavin  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Quinn \_\_\_\_\_  Files Section  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Mail Room

RESEARCH DIVISION

\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Acers \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Pieper  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Dawsey \_\_\_\_\_ Miss McKarnin  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_ NOTE & RETURN  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_ FOR APPROPRIATE  
\_\_\_\_\_ SEE ME \_\_\_\_\_ ACTION

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*R. E. Joseph.*

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E. A. Tamm.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

404 New York Building

Saint Paul, Minnesota

August 25, 1936

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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Reference is made to my letter of June 19, 1936 regarding the appeals of Harry Sawyer and Cassius McDonald. Assistant U. S. Attorney George Heisey has advised me that on August 5, 1936 Sawyer's lawyer served a motion for an order of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals on the United States Attorney's office, extending the time within which to file his printed brief and to deposit with the Clerk of said court the estimated cost of printing his record on appeal.

The United States Attorney's office interposed counter motions for dismissal on the ground that through lack of diligence Sawyer's counsel had failed to obtain such orders within the original period specified by the rules.

On the morning of August 10, 1936 the above orders were taken under advisement by the Circuit Court of Appeals. On the afternoon of that date the Judges announced that they would have dismissed the appeal in an ordinary case, but that in view of the fact that Sawyer is serving a life sentence they felt they had the discretion to relax the rules on his behalf, which they did, granting him the requested extensions of time.

You will be kept further advised in this matter.

Very truly yours,

*C. W. Stein*

C. W. STEIN

Special Agent in Charge

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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: B R E K I D

While Special Agent A. E. Farland was at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, on August 24, 1936, Warden Zerbst referred to him Post Office Inspectors Rowland, of Kansas City, Missouri, and Hill, of Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Warden stated that from some source they learned the money had been turned over to Harry Campbell by this Bureau at the penitentiary, and that these men were desirous of learning the source of the money and whether serial numbers had been kept of it. The Warden advised them that the money had been turned over to Harry Campbell by Agent Farland and referred them to him.

They did not disclose to Agent Farland the source of their information but requested advice as to where the money had come from and whether serial numbers of it had been taken. Agent Farland advised he did not know the source and to his knowledge no serial numbers were taken.

Very truly yours,

*W. A. Smith*  
W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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*See serials 12752 & 12751  
situation handled by  
Mr. Connelley  
in letter to  
P.O. Inspector Briggs.*

*9/25/36  
cc - Cleveland  
Cincinnati  
Chicago.  
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*Aug 27 1936  
[Signature]*



re: BREKID CASE

SAC Stein advises Judges announced that in view of fact Harry Sawyer is serving life sentence, they were granting him requested extensions of time in which to file printed brief and to deposit with Clerk estimated cost of printing his record on appeal.

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September 25, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREKID

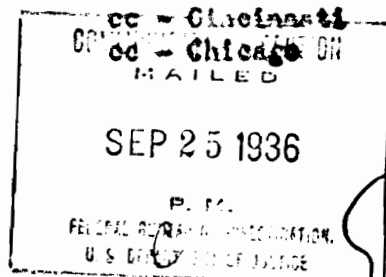
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a letter from Mr. E. J. Connelley to your office under date of September 1, 1936, inclosing a copy of a letter addressed by Mr. Connelley to Mr. Wallace R. Briggs, Post Office Inspector in Charge, Cincinnati, Ohio, which advised Mr. Briggs that the Postal Inspection Service desired information concerning the personal property or funds of Harry Campbell or Sam Coker, and that a postal inspector should communicate with you.

The Bureau desires to be advised whether the Postal Inspection Service has called upon you for any information concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: JACKSONVILLE

BREKID ADVISE IMMEDIATELY STATUS INDICTMENTS RETURNED AGAINST NATHANIEL  
HALLER CHARGING HARBORING MISPRISON OF FELONY AND CONSPIRACY AND STATUS  
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*Edgar Hoover*

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August 27, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOSEPH B. KEENAN,  
ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL.

*Edmund H. Bremer*

You will recall that Volney Davis, a subject in the Bremer kidnaping case, was sentenced to a term of life imprisonment on June 7, 1935, because of his activities in this case. I have recently received information from underworld sources indicating that persons associated with Volney Davis during his criminal career have made statements indicating that they intend to kill Davis. These statements are attributed particularly to those associates of Volney Davis who were sentenced for their participation in the Bremer kidnaping case. In view of these circumstances, I believe that extraordinary precautions should be taken to properly guard Volney Davis from being murdered by his fellow prisoners. I believe that Volney Davis is incarcerated in the Alcatraz Prison at the present time, and it is to be noted that a number of other persons who were convicted for their activities in the Bremer case are likewise in the Alcatraz Prison. I am bringing this matter to your attention for any action that you deem appropriate.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
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August 26, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the listing on 1936 Ohio license number T 450 F be secured from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles at Columbus, Ohio, and forwarded to the Cleveland field office.

Kindly expedite this investigation.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

*Edward J. ...*

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

August 26, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the Cleveland office dated August 19, 1936, wherein you were advised that Gertrude Billeter Miller, wife of Harry Campbell, was proceeding toward Oklahoma, and it was believed possible that she might endeavor to contact Wilton Lett.

Please be advised that Gertrude Miller has returned to Toledo, Ohio, and you may dispense with any plans you may have under consideration for the purpose of maintaining a surveillance with reference to her.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

*Edward J. Bowen*

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

August 26, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sirs

Re: BREXID

As requested by Special Agent S. K. McKee of your Office, there have been drawn from the Brekid file in this Office all serials pertaining to Milton Lett. These have been placed in two volumes and are being mailed under registered cover to your Office for your use in preparing the summary on Milton Lett.

As soon as your use of these serials has been completed it will be appreciated if you will return them to this Office inasmuch as in a large number of instances this Office has forwarded the only copy of a serial to your Office for your use in this instance.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 8-25-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-18-24-36	REPORT MADE BY S. K. McKEE
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Tap on telephone of Nate Weisenberg, 3558 Raymond Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, installed 8-18-36. Summation of data obtained from Quinn and Weisenberg phone taps set out herein; Quinn tap reveals calls made to two police officials. Locations of several houses of prostitution ascertained as result of Quinn tap. Inspector Story of Cleveland PD declined to reveal name of police officer who met man from Harvard Club, but states he will try to induce this officer to talk with us. Information as to police matrons and complete roster of Cleveland PD secured from Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety, for use this investigation. Interviews with all police matrons on duty Cleveland City Jail 9/5-7/34 results in statement by Matron Molly Bartelheim that Paula Harmon continually demanded in loud voice that somebody contact Shimmy Patton in order to effect release of three women. Ruth Ross, prisoner at City Jail on 9/5-6/34 made signed statement to effect police woman told Gladys Sawyer she would try to secure "break" for her. Set-up of police squads during September 1934 obtained for future reference. Frank J. Wiesenberger advised Karpis alleged to have drunk with parties from Harvard Club at place near club known as Sellers. Additional investigation made as to backgrounds and activities of Nate Weisenberg and Samuel T. Haas. Investigation thus far fails to indicate any employee of Harvard Club who can be approached for information as to activities or harboring. Dorothy Taylor, Cleveland prostitute, furnished detailed information as to graft paid by her

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to police officers for permission to run house of prostitution; this woman is to act as informant. Further observations of houses of prostitution made for use future activity. M. Boosallis, Cleveland, pin ball machine operator, claims he has never made payments to anyone for privilege of having machines in operation.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated August 18, 1936.

DETAILS: AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

This report covers the activities of Special Agents C. E. Smith, J. E. Brennan, A. P. Kitchin, R. T. Noonan, J. B. Fitzgerald and S. K. McKee,

Special Agents H. A. Snow and W. H. Hoffman are covering a telephone tap on the phone of Ardell Quinn, 1916 East 84th Street, Cleveland, Ohio; while Special Agents V. I. Parry and W. B. Matney are assigned to cover a tap on the telephone of Nate Weisenberg, 3558 Raymont Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio. Both of these telephone taps are being maintained on a twenty-four-hour basis.

The tap on the Quinn phone has been in operation since August 15, 1936, while that on the Weisenberg phone was installed and put in operation on August 18, 1936. The listening end of the Weisenberg tap is located in the home of George J. Schaefer, 3666 Washington Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio. Investigation concerning him was made prior to approaching him, and same is being set forth below.

The following investigation relative to the reputation of George J. Schaefer, 3666 Washington Boulevard, University Heights, was made by Special Agents A.P. Kitchin and C. E. Smith for the reason it was necessary to secure a place for the purpose of maintaining a tap on the phone of Nate Weisenberg, 3558 Raymont Boulevard.

Cleveland, Ohio  
Quinn  
Weisenberg



[REDACTED] was interviewed and after a check of his records stated that Mr. Schaefer formerly resided at 9910 Cedar Avenue and conducted a grocery store at 9913 Cedar Avenue. Mr. Schaefer, who is married and sixty-five years of age, has been engaged in the grocery business for the past fifty years [REDACTED] revealed that he bore a good reputation.

Mr. William Klein, Superintendent of the Cleveland Heights Branch Post Office, was interviewed by Special Agent C. E. Smith, who formerly worked for him, and Mr. Klein stated that Mail Carrier John Besdick knew everybody in the vicinity of Raymont and Washington Boulevards and could be trusted.

John Besdick was interviewed by Special Agent C. E. Smith, and he stated that George J. Schaefer presently operates a grocery store at Center and Mayfield Roads, has a grown daughter and in so far as he knows bears a good reputation.

Special Agents A. P. Kitchin and C. E. Smith interviewed Mr. Schaefer at his place of business, and as he talked very frankly and appeared to be responsible, agents made known their identity and requested his permission to use a room in his home. Mr. Schaefer accompanied agents to his home where he talked it over with his wife, and both of them agreed to permit agents the use of the third floor of his home. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Schaefer was advised of the nature of the investigation, except that it was of a confidential nature, nor did they request any information. Mr. Schaefer advised that there were no children in the house, as his daughter had been married recently and was leaving home. Telephone tap on the Weisenberg phone was installed on August 18, 1936.

From the telephone tap on the telephones of Ardell Quinn, 1916 East 84th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, several telephone numbers were secured, and the names and addresses of the particular subscribers were secured by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin from the local phone company. Inquiry was made at the particular addresses for the purpose of getting the places located and securing any information available looking forward to the possible future interview with the parties named. Investigation relative to these suspected houses of prostitution was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan on August 21 and 22, 1936.

The following information was obtained from the tap on the telephones at the house of prostitution operated by Ardell Quinn and is being set out as to dates, together with the subsequent information obtained from the Ohio Bell Telephone Company as to the subscribers to the numbers which are of apparent import:

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At 8:30 PM some girl called Endicott 9623 which is the Wade Park Spaghetti Inn, 6922 Wade Park, and asked for Alex Bolen or some similar name, but this individual was evidently not known at this address.

At 9:00 PM some girl called Garfield 4224, but got no answer. This number is listed to Miss Margaret Lewis, 9810 Hough Avenue, suite #1. In a subsequent telephone conversation this place was learned to be a house of prostitution.

Telephone number Garfield 4224 was found to be in the name of Miss Margaret Lewis, 9810 Hough Avenue, suite #1. At this place it was noted that Miss Margaret Lewis and B. Sacks appear as occupying suite #1, their names appearing on the mail box and the apartment bell. There are six suites in this building, and the one in question is on the lower floor immediately adjacent to the entrance of the building. Suite six is now vacant and inquiry was made of Andrew Cairi in suite five who has the renting of this building. It is noted that the suites in this building are not furnished. The telephone call to this number was to a girl by the name of Beatrice, and it would appear that this is the person who is in suite one under the name of B. Sacks.

At 9:05 PM same girl called Cedar 7167, but received no answer. This was found to be listed to (not published) W. P. Quinn, 1941 East 81st Street. Subsequent conversation proved this to be a "call house" or house of prostitution.

Telephone number Cedar 7167 is listed in the name of W. L. Quinn, 1941 East 81st Street, apartment #101, and the party talked to at this number was Grace. It was noted at this place, which is a large apartment house on E. 81st Street, that on the mail box for apartment 101 are the names "Clark and Lee". On the card on the apartment bell box no names appear, the card merely having a large number "101" printed thereon. From the names on the mailboxes it was noted that several girls reside in this apartment house, some alone and some two and three in an apartment. The name of the custodian is W. H. Dailey, apartment #3. Just before entering this place two girls were noted standing on the third floor, looking out of the windows, at the end of the hallway, and while they both smiled, neither made any other effort to attract agent's attention.

At 9:20 PM same girl called Henderson 9086 and had difficulty in obtaining same. She finally told the operator that the number was listed to Leo Garrett, 1921 East 70th Street. The operator stated that the telephone was not out of order, but she could not get an answer. This address was later verified.

At 9:25 PM the same girl called Glenville 1363 and asked for Adam or Aaron, but the girl who answered the phone stated he was not there. This number is listed to Mrs. Anna Bernstein, 9020 Parkgate Avenue, also to Davis and Aaron Sheinhart at the same address.

At 9:39 PM Ardell Quinn accepted a long distance reverse call from a Mrs. Sweeney in Detroit, Michigan. The conversation was concerning some furniture that Mrs. Sweeney had shipped to Ardell, but has not yet arrived. Mrs. Sweeney told Ardell that Pauline Franklin was at her home. Ardell asked concerning the condition of Jack Maher or Marks but received no answer. Ardell also stated "OK then, dearie, I'll see you soon. Let me hear when you are coming down. Tell mother to call during the week."

At 10:46 PM some unknown man with a foreign accent called for Elaine Mayas. This call was from New York City and the conversation was mostly concerning the children; apparently they were man and wife, and the fact that she was going to work an extra week and then return home to New York. At this the man stated that that was fine, as they needed money.

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At 12:20 AM Louise called the house of Margaret Lewis and asked for Margie. Margie was not at home but she talked to one FRED. They discussed business, and Louise told him that business was bad at Ardell's and that she was going to New York next Saturday.

At 12:25 AM Louise called Woodbine 9701, which is the Forest City Social Club, 3006 Lorain Avenue, but before anyone answered she hung up.

At 1:33 PM some girl called Fairmount 6292-J, (Earl H. Brooks), 2712 Cranlyn Road, Shaker Heights; and talked to some girl at that address. She asked if the girl's father was in and upon finding that he was not, she requested the girl to have her father leave the house and call her.

At 1:35 PM some woman called Cedar 8380, Boulevard Manor Apartment, 1301 East Boulevard, and asked to speak to a Mr. King. Mr. King was not in.

At 2:00 PM Ardell called Washington 9756, Ganin Brothers Filling Station, 3913 East 40th Street, and talked to some boy. She asked if "Lama" was at home; also asked how JOE was doing, and the boy told her that JOE was still in bed.



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At 1:50 PM Ardell called Sweetbriar 0698-W, which telephone is listed in the name of Dr. H. S. Zaryour, 3566 East 151st Street, and placed some bets on the races. This is a bookie joint.

At 1:55 PM Ardell called Garfield 3714, which telephone is listed in the name of Harry Hyman, 12117 Mayfield Road. She talked to a man she called ~~Peanuts~~ and placed some bets on the races. This also is a bookie joint and the telephone is an unlisted number.

At 4:25 PM Louise called Margaret Lewis' place and asked for the number of Claire Thomas, stating that business was dull at the Quinn place, and she wanted to get work at Claire Thomas' place. She was informed that the Thomas number was Prospect 1459. This number is listed to Mrs. Clair Thomas, 2025 Superior Avenue and is a house of prostitution.

Telephone number Prospect 1459 was found to be listed in the name of Mrs. Clair Thomas, 2025 Superior Avenue, and the conversation on this phone included the name Clair Thomas. This number, 2025 Superior Avenue, is a house located on the corner of Superior Avenue and E. 21st Street, just a block from the police station. Directly on the corner is a restaurant known as Weiss' Restaurant, and it is joined with this house, altho the house is wooden and the restaurant is of brick construction. The house is a large, two-story structure, and the blinds were pulled low on all the windows, the house having the general appearance of a house of prostitution. There are no other houses on Superior Avenue within two blocks of this house. Special Agent Smith advised that there is reputed to be a house of prostitution within a block or two of the police station, and this may be the house. This house will be borne in mind during further inquiry.

At 4:30 PM Louise called Mr. Henry J. Richter at Garfield 0225, St. Louis, Missouri, long distance. She talked to him at length and stated she might leave here next Monday for Texas and wanted to stop in St. Louis to see him. He informed her that he could not spend the night with her, as his wife would be at home, as she has returned from California, but that he might get off from work about 4:00 PM and see her for awhile.

At 4:45 PM a man giving his name as Dave Stein called and asked for Miss Quinn. Ardell was not in, so he left his number for her to call which was Prospect 2820. This phone is listed to the ~~Union~~ National Exchange, Inc., room 416, Hickox Building.

At 6:50 PM a girl by the name of Alice called in and asked for Kitty. During the conversation they discussed business, and Alice told Kitty that she had to remain where she was until she could finish paying for some articles that she had purchased, but stated she may come to Ardell's to work. She stated her telephone number was Henderson 1657. This number is listed in the name of Charles H. Higgins, 2026 East 77th Street, and is evidently a house of prostitution.

Telephone No. Henderson 1657 was found to be listed in the name of Charles H. Higgins, 2026 East 77th Street, and the party talked to at this address was a girl named Alice. She and Kitty, a girl at Ardell Quinn's, talked about how business was at their respective places. This address is a frame house just off Euclid Avenue on East 77th Street. There is an apartment house on Euclid Avenue with an alley in the rear and across from this alley is this house, it being the first house on the west side of the street. There is a porch extending the full width of this house in front, and at the time of this observation, noon August 22, 1936, a girl, about 25 years of age, was sitting on the porch. She gave no indication she was engaged in the practice of prostitution.

At 7:40 PM Louise called Cedar 2904, which is listed in the name of A. B. Seabury, 1910 East 85th Street, and talked to a woman whom she called Crickett. Louise wanted to come over to work for her. This is evidently a house of prostitution.

Telephone No. Cedar 2904 was found to be listed in the name of A. B. Seabury, 1910 E. 85th Street, and the person called there was referred to as Crickets, apartment No. 7. It was noted at this apartment house that apartment suite No. 7 is in the name of Mrs. A. B. Seabury. This is one of the better apartment houses, and it is noted that a doctor resides there and most of the apartments are occupied by men. This agent and Agent Kitchin made inquiry thereat when efforts were being made to locate an apartment for the placing of this tap on the phones of Ardell Quinn, this place being located almost in the same position on E. 85th Street that the home of Ardell Quinn is located on E. 84th Street. The name of the custodian does not appear on the mail boxes and bell box, and due to the fact that she was consulted by agents about one week previous and advised she had no vacancy, it was not deemed necessary to consult her again.

The following conversation is quoted verbatim due to its importance:

At 7:48 PM Ardell called Fairmount 6296.

Man's voice: "Yeah".  
 Ardell: "How are you? You know the party we were talking to the other night?"  
 Man's voice: "Yeah".  
 Ardell: "Tell him to watch out. They got something on him. That big shot down town is watching him very closely".  
 Man's voice: "Alright, I'll tell him. Goodbye".

In connection with this call it was ascertained that the above number is listed to Emmett J. Potts, 2114 Lambert Road. It should be noted that Potts is Superintendent of the Criminal Investigation Division of the Cleveland police.

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At 12:40 AM a Mrs. Neville called Ardell's and talked to Louise, stating that the telephone number of Jane Brooks is Cedar 5830. She stated that she would call Mrs. Brooks and tell her about Louise. The telephone number and address of Mrs. Neville were not obtained. It was ascertained that Jane Brooks is a madam of a house of prostitution, who resides in suite #2, 10012 Lamont Avenue. In this connection, it should be noted that in the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated 1-20-36, at Cleveland, Ohio, re Brekid, this woman was interviewed at the above address, at which time she was questioned concerning William Elmer Lead. No information was obtained from her, however.

Telephone No. Cedar 5830 was found to be listed in the name of Jane Brooks, 10012 Lamont Avenue, suite #2. It was found at this address that Jane Brooks is the only person listed as residing in this apartment. The building in which this is located is a small apartment house - the second door off 101st Street. No one appears on the information board or mail boxes as being custodian at this apartment house. Inquiry was made of the colored maid observed working outside of the apartment house next door on the corner of Lamont and 101st Street, but she professed to know nothing of the parties living at 10012 Lamont Avenue.

On this date and at 8:10 AM Joe called from Ardell's place to Prospect 8714. This was a usual business conversation relative to his garage, but it was ascertained that this number is listed to the Canim Brothers Filling Station located at 1806 East 19th Street.

At 11:40 AM Joe called from Ardell's place to Bedford 575. This is the Bedford Municipal Hospital, Bedford, Ohio. Joe asked concerning the condition of a Mrs. Fernandez and also asked to speak to Mrs. Fernandez's nurse. Subsequent conversations established that this nurse is named Miss Adams and is a friend of Joe.



At 12:45 PM Joe called from Ardell's to Cherry 0780 and asked for the Beauty Parlor. He then talked to Ardell. This was found to be the Allerton Hotel and is probably the beautician who takes care of Ardell Quinn.

At 1:15 PM a girl believed to be Sis called Garfield 5587 and talked to Edna. This number is listed in the name of Sally Darling, 2047 East 88th Street, suite #4, and is a house of prostitution. During the conversation they discussed business at the houses, and Sis told Edna that at Ardell's at that time were Gypsy, Louise, Kitty and herself and that Louise only came in during the evenings and that Gypsy might leave the house on Monday.

Telephone number Garfield 5587 was found to be listed in the name of Sally Darling, 2047 East 88th Street, suite #4. At this apartment house which is located between Euclid and Carnegie Avenues, it was noted that in suite #4 there are listed the following persons: S. Darling, S. Berke, and E. Carter. It was also noted that there appears to be many girls living in this apartment house and also at 2053 E. 88th St., which is operated in conjunction with the apartment house at 2047. Inquiry of the custodian at 2053 brought forth the information that one of the girls is leaving an apartment within the coming week and that same will be available for rental about September 1st. The custodian, a woman, declined to give her name, that is, she advised that her telephone number was Republic 2139-R and in calling to just ask for the custodian. From the inquiry made above in connection with these telephone numbers and addresses it would appear that the girls residing at these various apartments are prostitutes operating on calls from various houses of prostitution and that they perhaps practise prostitution on a limited scale at the places where they reside.

At 4:15 PM during a conversation between Louise at Ardell's and Clara at Margaret Lewis' place, Clara told Louise to get in touch with Katherine Kerr at Cedar 5250 and that probably Katherine could give her work at her house. This number is listed to Katherine Kerr, 2038 Cornell Road, suite #9, and is a house of prostitution.

From the telephone tap on the telephone of Nate Weisenberg the following was ascertained on this same date:

From the general survey of the numbers called during the day it was ascertained that the negro maid in the Weisenberg home called to the Rothenberg Drug Company 2939 Woodland, pay station number Cherry 8522, and talked to someone relative to the numbers that she wished to play. It was also gathered that Mr. and Mrs. Weisenberg are "on the outs". No other pertinent information was obtained on this date.

Special Agent S. H. McKee talked with Mrs. R. E. Karburger, Chief of the Legal Department of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, Cleveland, Ohio, relative to procuring telephone information during the course of this investigation. Mr. Karburger desired to know what type of information we would desire, and he was informed that we would want listings on both published and unpublished telephones, and data on toll calls from time to time. He stated that it was agreeable to supply this information, but he stressed the need for keeping the relationship between the telephone company and this office in the strictest of confidence.

Arrangement was made whereby only one agent outside of the writer would call on the company for information, and that this contact should be made with Miss Mable Hiller, Room 704 of the telephone building. This woman works under the supervision of Mr. R. Christman, and the matter of obtaining information has been discussed both with her and Mr. Christman. Arrangement has been made with Mr. Christman that I will telephone him and let him know the identity of the agent who will call for this information.

Special Agent A. P. Kitchin is designated as the man to maintain this contact with the telephone company, and any agents desiring telephone information should request Agent Kitchin to obtain same.

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At 8:50 AM Ardell called the Central Police Station and asked for Sergeant Harr (phonetic), but did not locate him, as he was not there.

At 9:45 AM Ardell called the 11th Precinct Station and talked to Sergeant Wright (phonetic), this is probably Sergeant Walton Fife, explaining she was sorry she was not at home last nite when he called on her and asked him to come out to her house right away if he wanted to see her and to bring Dolly Bishop. Fife stated that Bishop was getting ready to leave the office and would not be able to come by, but that he would be over right away.

At 10:35 AM Ardell called Main 5169 and asked to speak to Mr. Goldwasser, relative to a mortgage. This number is listed to Harry M. Goldwasser, room 948, Standard Building.

At 10:40 AM Ardell called Cherry 1471 and asked for Max Efros. Efros was not in, but she left a message she would take care of a mortgage if Efros would come by her house. This number is listed to Max Efros, room 208, 423 Euclid Avenue.

At 12:20 PM Joe called Main 0037 and talked to Mr. Friedman, Jr., relative to the purchase of a platinum watch chain. This number is listed to the Loyal Securities, Inc., Room 305, Scofield Building.

At 4:45 PM some girl called from Ardell's place to Westlake 394, at which time she talked to some unidentified man relative to having to have Harry's tonsils taken out. This man stated that Mom was not in. They discussed the possibility of taking Harry some cheaper place than the Belleview Hospital, mentioning the name of a Dr. Rosen who would be less expensive. A woman later came in during the conversation, at which time the girl talked to her relating the same story about Harry and addressed this woman as Mom. This number is the number of Mildred Thatcher, 24463 Westlake Road, and is an unpublished number. In this connection, it is thought that this Mildred Thatcher is a paramour of Nate Weisenberg. This has not as yet been established.

At 8:55 PM Elaine (Louise) talked to someone at Jefferson 3474, Columbus, Ohio, and left a message to have Harry Well call her when he came in.

Weisenberg Tap

At 8:30 AM Nate called Longacre 6367 and talked to Harry. He asked what time Harry would be down at the boat or bank and told Harry that he wanted to see him. This number is listed to H. E. Small, 19609 Scottsdale Boulevard, Shaker Heights. The 1935 city directory shows a Harry E. Small as being Vice President and Secretary of the Cleveland Morris Plan Bank.

At 8:40 AM Nate called Cherry 8230 and asked to speak to either Mr. Fitzwilliams or Mr. Bennett relative to some dope they gave him being ok. Neither of these men were in, so he made an appointment. This number is listed to Electrical Housekeeping, Inc., 2600 Euclid Avenue.

At 11:10 AM a Mr. Noonan talked to Mrs. Weisenberg from 11:10 to 11:26 AM. Mr. Noonan inquired if Mr. Weisenberg was at home and was told he had gone; that he did not get in this morning till three o'clock and this morning he spoke to her for the first time in three days about the Clemons boys, whose father he knows, being in the war in Spain. Mr. Noonan spoke of buying dinners and drinks for a lot of people which Mrs. Weisenberg said was foolish. Mrs. Weisenberg said SIDNEY HILL, SHIMMY PATTON, ART HEBBERAND and MICKEY McBRIDE did not do that. Noonan said he bought a \$250 outfit, shoes, suit and hat for his wife and encouraged Mrs. Weisenberg to go to some downtown store, buy an outfit and charge it to her husband. Noonan said Weisenberg was at the Back Stage last nite. (Probably the Back Stage Club on 9th Street near Euclid Ave.)



Mrs. Weisenberg said she knew he had some other dame and would like to walk in the Back Stage some nite when he was there. Mrs. Weisenberg agreed to purchase an outfit, charge it to her husband and see what would happen. Mrs. Weisenberg agreed to go with Mr. and Mrs. Noonan to the Showboat next Saturday night.

This conversation is mentioned due to the fact that it is thought that Noonan is the same Noonan, the private detective who arranged to get the criminal record for ALVIN KARPIS when the mob was in Cleveland.

At 12:44 PM Mrs. Weisenberg called Kirkland 9-F-2 and talked to Emma. Stated that Nate had called and asked if Barney was at home. Mrs. Weisenberg told Emma that Nate was going to install a \$1500 refrigerator and for her not to let him have any money. This is E. Zimmer, Chilli-cothe Road.

At 1:42 PM Mrs. Weisenberg called some woman at Broadway 5249-M and carried on the usual conversation between friends. This number is listed to Cletus Phillips, 4900 East 110th Street.

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At 12:45 AM Elaine Mayas (Louise) talked long distance to Harry Bell, Columbus, Ohio, about her mother and sister, his wife, he informed him that if he could not reach her at Ardell's to call her at Michigan 9640. This is a pay station at Engine House number 35, Cleveland Fire Department. This is evidently near the place where Louise stays when she is not at Ardell's.

Telephone number Michigan 9640 was found to be a pay station located in one of the city fire department stations, this one being at 3540 East 93d Street. It is noted that the girl using the name Louise told a person over long distance (calling from Columbus, Ohio) that if she could not be located at Ardell Quinn's, she could be located at the telephone Michigan 9640 which was the number she said she was calling from. This telephone number was found to be a pay station in a fire station and agent made a call therefrom. Three firemen were on duty on the lower floor of this station at the time agent entered to make this call. It was noted that this location is toward the outskirts of the city and there are no apartment buildings in the vicinity. This first station is located one block south from the intersection of East 93d Street and Union Street, and at the point where the station is located Crane Street intersects from the west, the fire station being located on E. 93d and Crane. Crane Street does not continue thru but across the street (93rd) east and about 50 feet south Gibson Street intersects from the east. Benham Street on the east and

George Street on the west intersect East 93d Street in a similar manner a block south of the fire station, and Beacon Street runs east from East 93rd Street between the Gibson and Union Streets, there being no corresponding street on the west side of 93rd Street. It is possible that this girl, Louise, lives in this vicinity and is probably known to some of the firemen who send work to her when she receives a call.

At 5:15 PM Elaine (Louise) called long distance to Percy Mayas, apartment 1-C, phone Lehigh 4-9243, New York City. This conversation was relative to the children and apparently she is the wife of Mayas.

On August 19, 1936, at the request of Special Agent C. E. Smith, Frank Story, Deputy Inspector of the Cleveland Police Department, appeared at the Cleveland field office where he was re-interviewed by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith relative to the identity of the police officer who on September 6, 1934, met a representative of the Harvard Club at Franklin Circle, at which time the police officer was advised that the individuals under arrest were "hot".

Inspector Story advised he had discussed the situation with the officer and the officer was now hedging and denied stating he had told the Inspector he had said he met anyone from the Harvard Club and advised him that the woman in jail and their associates were "hot"; however, Inspector Story stated that in his own mind he was sure the officer he talked to had told him. Inspector Story further stated he also has another officer in mind who may be the one who related the incident to him, and he intended to also see that officer and question him in an endeavor to ascertain whether or not he was mistaken in the identity; however, he felt sure the officer with whom he first talked was the right person.

When questioned as to the identity of the officer, Inspector Story stated that the officer had frequently received tips from individuals apparently connected with the Club, and he did not feel he could furnish the officer's name as he did not believe the officer was connected in a criminal way with instant case, and it would be violating a confidence on his part. Inspector Story agreed to re-contact the officer and endeavor to have him come to the Cleveland field office and furnish agents with the complete story of the meeting, and if he failed in the attempt, which he felt he would, he stated he would put it directly up to the officer that the Department of Justice had discussed the situation with him which placed him in a rather embarrassing position and use that means of prevailing upon him to tell his story and clear up the present situation.

On August 19, 1936, Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety, City of Cleveland, was interviewed in his office by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith relative to securing the photographs for identification purposes of the various matrons who were on duty at the city jail on September 5, 1934, and during the period following that Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette were incarcerated in the Cleveland City jail, and he stated after a check of the records that the matrons on duty at that time were still on duty with the exception of Grace Lynch, who has been sick since December 1935 and who will, in all probability, not return to work. Mr. Ness stated he would have a group photograph of all the matrons taken by a photographer in the City Hall and not by the police photographer and would be very glad to furnish same to agents. At this point Mr. Ness was also asked if he could secure photographs of all the police women and furnish agents with a copy of same. Mr. Ness stated he would furnish agents with a group photograph of all the matrons and policewomen within one week and expressed his willingness to assist in any manner possible and suggested that if it was agents' intention to question the matrons or policewomen, he would when requested by us order them to appear at the Cleveland field office at whatever time set, if this would be desirable.

Mr. Ness stated he had a "bug" on the line of a certain west side police captain in whose precinct a gambling house had been operating and after several calls had been placed advising that the place was operating and no action had been taken, he had personally raided the place, having first placed two police officers in the gambling establishment to secure evidence. Mr. Ness stated as a result of that raid the Captain was suspended and then resigned. It will be noted here that Mr. Ness undoubtedly referred to Captain Adolph Lanchan. Mr. Ness was questioned as to whether he had any direct evidence or information bearing on graft and corruption in the police department as a result of vice and gambling, and he stated that within the very near future several Inspectors and Captains of the police department were going to need the services of an attorney. Mr. Ness was asked by Agent McKee if information of that nature would be available to the Bureau, and he stated that he would be willing to give us the information. That information will be secured and reported as soon as practical after Director Ness has had the opportunity to straighten it out.

During the interview Mr. Ness furnished agents with the name of Frank J. Weisenberger, 3364 Berkley Avenue, occupation orchestra leader, and stated that he had received information that Weisenberger knows about the KARPIS situation and he was passing it on to agents for whatever use might be made of it. These men will be forcibly interviewed in the near future.

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In view of the fact that the tap on the phone of Ardell Quinn revealed that a call was made from her place to a police sergeant at the 11th Police Precinct agents requested a roster of the police department for reference purposes; however, none were available, so Mr. Ness loaned agents the payroll of the police department, which will be copies and then returned to the Director. Mr. Ness did not inquire the reason for wanting this roster and no statement with respect thereto was made to him.

It was ascertained from Mr. Ness that the address of the woman prisoner, Ruth Ross, who was arrested at 7:25 p.m., September 5, 1934, and later released is 2433 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

The names of the matrons at the City Jail in 1934 have been reported previously, but they are being set out again herein along with their addresses which were recently obtained. These women are being interviewed for their full knowledge of the circumstances surrounding the arrests of the Sawyer woman and her two companions.

Barbara Karsicek, 5933 Engel Avenue,  
Molly Bartelheim, 17502 Woodbury St.,  
Alice Weber, 1736 Superior St., NE,  
Grace Lynch, 6717 Bridge Avenue.

With respect to the Bartelheim woman, agents were advised by Police Officer Walker, personal aide to Director Ness, that she has been suspected of giving out information to attorneys concerning the arrests of women prisoners for some time. He stated that investigations have been made in the past, but that nothing has ever come of them. He also advised that the Bartelheim woman was accused on one occasion by a woman arrested on an intoxication charge of stealing a diamond ring from her, but that the charge was never substantiated for the reason that she denied it, and nothing could be done about the matter as the word of the matron was just as good, if not better, than that of the prisoner.

Miss Alice Weber, matron at the City Jail, was interviewed at the Cleveland field office by Special Agents C. E. Smith and S. K. McKee on August 20, 1936. She stated she has been employed as matron for the past thirteen years and resides at the Catholic Young Women's Hall, 1736 Superior Ave., NE. When questioned concerning her knowledge of the circumstances surrounding the detention of Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon during September 1934, she advised she had a very "short" memory and could not recall anything concerning these women. She examined their photographs but said they did not appear familiar to her. The attitude of this woman was extremely evasive and her answers to questions left agents under the impression that she had been coached. She admitted that someone from downstairs in the central police



headquarters, where the jail is located, had called her up "something over a year ago" and asked if any police officer had talked to these women while they were confined or if a male guard had been present. She could not remember who had called her but said she told them no male guard had been present for the reason that there has never been a male guard at the city prison. Miss Weber claimed that she never reads crime news in the papers and is not interested in matters relating to crime. She stated she "put in her hours" at the jail, and while there never talked to any prisoners but tended to her duties as a guard. She later admitted she read murder stories in detective magazines but claimed that she had never read anything about the Bremer kidnaping in any magazine or newspaper. This woman was questioned at length but continued in her contention that she could not recall anything about the detention of the women in question.

Miss Alice Weber appears to be about sixty years of age, five feet in height, weight about one hundred fifteen pounds, has grey hair which she wears in a medium bob, with blue eyes and slightly wrinkled skin in the face.

Mrs. Barbara Marsicek, 5953 Engel Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, matron in the Cleveland City Jail, was requested to appear at the Cleveland field office, to which request she agreed, and on August 21, 1936, was questioned by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith relative to the facts surrounding the imprisonment of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette by the Cleveland police on September 5, 1934.

Mrs. Marsicek advised she had been employed as a matron in the City Jail for the past fourteen years in company with three other matrons, each of whom rotated from day to night duty every month and also took their turn on relief duty every fourth month. Photographs of Gladys, Paula and Wynona were exhibited to Mrs. Marsicek, and she identified them as individuals who had been in jail sometime during September 1934. She stated that the reason she recalled them was that shortly following the arrest of the women the newspapers carried headlines setting forth the connection of the women with the Karpis gang who had been residing on the west side of the city about that time.

Mrs. Marsicek stated that she had only talked a short time with Gladys whom she called the fat woman. She did not remember her name and the conversation dealt only with Gladys' small daughter. Mrs. Marsicek stated that Gladys seemed to be worried about what the police would do with the child. This, insisted Mrs. Marsicek, was the only conversation she had with any of the women as the rules strictly forbid anyone but the arresting officers talking with a prisoner who has been booked for investigation. Mrs. Marsicek further stated that her sole duties consisted of receiving, searching and placing in jail all women prisoners brought

to the station and that she never attempted to engage any of the prisoners in conversation and had never been requested by any police officer or police woman to endeavor to secure information from any of the prisoners. Agents were further advised by Mrs. Marsicek that she had not called any attorney for the woman and stated in this connection that if a charge is placed against a prisoner, he has the right to call for bond and that right is given him; however, if the prisoner is held for investigation, the orders are that no one may talk to them nor can the prisoner use the telephone.

Mrs. Marsicek further advised agents that no police officer, official or any other person, had questioned her at any time about the women in question.

For further reference the following description of Mrs. Marsicek is set forth:

Age	- 55 yrs.
Height	- 5' 6"
Weight	- 180
Hair	- sandy, blond - short bob
Eyes	- blue; wears silver rimmed glasses
Teeth	- fair and even, gold cap upper front
Build	- heavy
Complexion	- fair
Scars	- cut scar, inner side right arm

Mrs. Molly Bartelheim, 17502 Woodbury Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, matron at the City Jail, was interviewed by Special Agents C. E. Smith and S. K. McKee relative to the circumstances of the arrests of Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon. Mrs. Bartelheim was on duty at the jail from 3:00 PM until 11:00 PM, September 5, 1934, the date of the arrests, and worked the same shift during the additional two days the women were in custody. It is to be stated that this matron is fifty years of age, about five feet, two inches in height, weighs around two hundred pounds; has blue eyes, grey bobbed hair and wears gold-rimmed spectacles. She advised that she has been employed as a matron for about thirteen years. She was shown photographs of the Sawyer, Burdette and Harmon women, and she readily recognized all three pictures as those of the three women arrested at some hotel for being disorderly and who were later found to be connected with the Karpis gang.

She stated that the Harmon woman was the small woman who acted very ugly and who complained of a diamond brooch, ring or bracelet having been stolen from her en route to the jail in the patrol wagon. The matter of this piece of jewelry was investigated by Lieutenant Johnson at the time, according to Mrs. Bartelheim. This woman also

kept demanding in a loud voice that somebody call Shimmy Patton for her and he would see that the three of them were released. Mrs. Bartelheim stated that the Sawyer woman kept crying about her child and seemed to be more concerned about the child than anything else. With respect to the Burdette woman, it was stated that she was very quiet and did not have anything to say. Mrs. Bartelheim said that none of the women appeared to be very drunk, but that they had enough to drink to make them ugly and nasty. She said the Harmon woman particularly was hard to handle in that she continually cursed and demanded that someone telephone Shimmy Patton. The matron said that she remembered the cases of these women were handled by Mildred Wilcox of the Women's Bureau and that she talked with them in a conference room across the hall from the cells in which the women were held. She advised that the three were separated as they were under investigation charges; that they were not allowed to get in touch with anybody and that no telephone calls were made for them unless the officers who handled the case made them. Mrs. Bartelheim remembered taking the Harmon woman to a conference room for interview by Miss Wilcox, but she could not remember if she took the other two over to Miss Wilcox. She advised, however, that she may have done so.

Mrs. Bartelheim recalled that on the night these women were brought in a detective, whose name she could not remember, was standing around. She said he would have heard the Harmon woman demanding that somebody call Shimmy Patton. She stated that Miss Wilcox should remember the entire case in all of its circumstances very well, as it was her investigation and received much publicity.

This matron was questioned concerning any of these women asking her to take a message out of the jail for them, and she stated that the requests or demands of the Harmon woman were the only ones. She stated emphatically that she did not relay any messages for them. She also advised that the only requests were that somebody get in touch with Shimmy Patton.

Mrs. Bartelheim advised she is not acquainted with Patton. She stated in response to a question that she does know Art Hebebrand and she described him as a "louse." When asked what she meant, she stated he was just "no good" and mentioned that he had killed a man with his automobile and gotten away with it and had also run over a young nephew of hers in his car and nothing had ever been done about it.

With respect to Mrs. Grace Lynch, matron at the City Jail, who was on duty from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm on September 7, 1934, which was during the period the Sawyer woman and her two companions were confined in the jail, it was ascertained from Miss Mary Loftus, 6717 Bridge Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, that Mrs. Lynch is presently confined in the Psychopathic Ward of the City Hospital. Through Dr. R. F. Scherb, resident physician at the City Hospital, it was ascertained that Mrs. Lynch has been a patient since the late spring of 1936. She is suffering with senile dementia, and because of delusions that everything she touches is dirty spends all of her time washing her hands. Dr. Scherb advised that it might be possible to talk with her, but that he could not make any statement as to the reliability of her statements. Special Agents Smith and McKee talked with this woman and displayed to her photographs of the three women in question, but she neither recognized the pictures nor remembered anything that happened at the time of their arrest. It is to be stated that Mrs. Lynch merely stares into space when a question is asked her and her actions are such it is apparent her mind is unbalanced.

Ruth Ross, the woman arrested on an intoxication charge and placed in the City Jail shortly after Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon were taken into custody on September 5, 1934, was located at 2433 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, by Special Agent R. T. Noonan and brought to the Cleveland field office for interview. The interview will be set out hereinafter in the form of a signed statement. This woman is colored but appears to be a fairly intelligent type of person. She lives with her three children and supports them through her work with a WPA project at 2070 Ontario Street. Her husband deserted her some time ago. As to the five women in the City Jail at the time she was placed therein, she has identified three of them as Sawyer, Burdette and Harmon. Her recollection of the remaining two is that one was a colored woman, while the other was a small, blonde girl arrested on an intoxication charge. She said that this girl was still in jail when she, Ross, was released. She also advised that she believes this girl is now working at the same WPA project where she is employed, and she is going to try to ascertain her name and address. This item will be followed in order to bring this phase of the investigation to a logical conclusion. This statement will be retained in the Cleveland field office files.

"Cleveland, Ohio  
August 20, 1936

"I, Ruth Ross, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.



"During 1934 I resided at 2433 St. Clair Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and I still live at the same place. I am thirty-two years of age and have three children. I am now working for a WPA project as a seamstress and am located at 2070 Ontario Street.

"During the forepart of September 1934 I was arrested by the Cleveland police and placed in jail at the central police station. It was just before dark that I was taken to jail. There were about five women in jail when I was brought in. I have identified photographs of three women as three of the women in the jail when I was brought in. The picture bearing the number Cleveland, Ohio 43329 was called Gladys; the one bearing Cleveland, Ohio 3237, part of the number being missing, was called 'Weona' or some similar name; and I saw the woman shown in picture Cleveland, Ohio 43238, but I did not hear her name.

"All during the night these three women talked back and forth and at various times were taken from their cells by the matron. The matron on duty when I was brought in was an elderly woman with grey hair and of a heavy build. Once when 'Weona' was called out Gladys told her to keep a stiff upper lip and not to say anything. This occurred when she passed Gladys' cell.

"On one occasion the woman named Gladys was called out to a small room opposite the cell I was in and was talked to by a tall woman whom I thought was a police woman. Gladys was sitting on the table and I heard the tall woman ask her if she was being treated all right and if she had plenty of cigarettes. She also said that she would try to get a break. Sometime during the night I believe I heard the tall woman called by the name Mildred.

"During the time these three women were in jail the one whose name I do not know but whose number is 43238 kept hollering that the police had stolen a diamond ring or bracelet from her when they brought her to the jail. This woman had plenty of money according to a remark she made to me. I believe she said she had about \$500 and during the night she bought food and coca colas for everybody. The woman called Gladys said she had about \$50, while the girl named 'Weona' said she only had a little over one dollar.

"Once the woman called Gladys asked me to take a message to one of the other women, but the matron had told all of us not to talk to the three women and I did not want anymore trouble than I already had. I did not carry any messages for any of them, but I believe a small blonde girl (white) who was brought to the jail on the next day did

carry messages for this woman. The blonde girl was still in jail when I was released on the night following my arrest.

"On the morning after I was arrested a lawyer came to see the woman whose name I did not hear. He was a small man and walked with a limp as if one leg was shorter than the other. From the way they talked I got the idea that they were acquainted with each other.

"While in jail I heard these women talking together on the morning after my arrest. All the women were let out from their cells to take exercise in the corridor and to permit the cleaning of the cells. I swept the cells out. I heard them talking to each other, and they said that they hoped their men had sense enough to keep going as they would know something was wrong when they did not meet them as they were supposed to.

"I have read this statement which consists of two pages and I know the contents to be the truth and to have been furnished by me.

/s/

"Ruth Ross"

Witnessed:

S. K. McKee, Special Agents,  
C. E. Smith, Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice

Patrolman Walter Walker, badge No. 1059, personal aide to Eliot Ness, Safety Director, was interviewed for the purpose of securing a list of the various squad members during the year 1934 as previously requested by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith, and he furnished agent with the following list; as agent glanced over same Patrolman Walker pointed out his own name and stated he had been on the liquor, gambling and prostitute squad working out of the First Precinct during the period in question.

Agent asked him what his duties consisted of at that time and Walker said, "They wouldn't let me do anything". No further conversation was carried on at that time by agent with Patrolman Walker as it is contemplated he will be interviewed at length in the near future.

Special Squads in September 1934

## DETECTIVE BUREAU:

Labor and Vandal Squad

Lieutenant Kurt B. Glosckner  
 Sergeant William Hussman  
 " George Zicarelli  
 Detective Thomas Casey  
 " Roy Heisley  
 " Fred Walker  
 " Nathan Wachs

Murders

Sergeant Bernard Wolf  
 Detective Orley May  
 " Emil Musil  
 " Joseph Jacobs  
 " Harry Hugo  
 " Harrison Harney  
 " Andrew Harris  
 " Carl Zicarelli  
 " Herbert Wachsmann  
 " Theodore Carlson  
 " Otto Diskowski  
 " Gordon Shibley

Robberies

Detective Martin Cooney  
 " Anton Balzer  
 " Mason Nichols  
 " Anton Kocevar

Special Assignment to Director of Public Safety Office

Detectives Harold Beingsesser and Harry McCue

Special Assignment out of Detective Bureau

Captain Frank Story and Lieutenants Charles Callahan  
 and John Zeman

Pickpockets

Detective Thomas Murphy

Hotels

Deputy Inspector Joseph Sweeney

Sergeant Norman Finegan

" Emil Smetana

Detective Charles Martin

Stores

Detectives Henry Kiehl and Mark Price

Pawns

Detectives Henry Jankovsky and Geo. Franke

## FIRST PRECINCT:

Liquor, Gambling and Prostitutes (in citizen's  
dress)

Sergeant Joseph Mullarkey

" Hugh Graham

Patrol. 1082 Joseph Zalewski

" 139 James Stuckey

" 681 Andrew Smith

" 1059 Walter Walker

PAWN RECORDS

Patrol. 562 Charles Zibell

" 394 John Gull

## THIRD PRECINCT:

Liquor, Gambling and Prostitutes (in citizen's  
dress)

Sergeant William Veverka

Sergeant John Lavelle

Patrol. 1050 Fred Beattlett

" 261 Edward Kopacka

" 83 John Lasker

" 512 Thomas Lally

" 1218 Jack Harris

" 18 John Malone



FIFTH PRECINCT: Liquor, Gambling and Prostitutes (in citizen's dress).  
 Patrolman #992 Gustav Wahl  
 " #1006 John Zicarelli

SEVENTH PRECINCT: Liquor and Gambling (in citizen's dress).  
 Sergeant John Palecek and  
 Patrolman #148 John Chevin

EIGHTH PRECINCT: Liquor and Gambling (in citizen's dress).  
 Patrolman #108 John Stepha

ELEVENTH PRECINCT: Liquor, Gambling and Prostitutes (in citizen's dress).  
 Sergeant Walton Fife  
 " Elmer Harold  
 Patrolman 1178 Thomas Harpe  
 " 762 William Rhodes

Matron on duty Wednesday, September 5, 1934, at 6:00 PM - Mrs. Mollie Bartelheim.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan:

Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith were given the name of one Frank J. Wiesenberger, 3365 Berkley Avenue (CH) by Safety Director Ness as a party who would have some information on the Karpis situation in Cleveland, Ohio.

Inquiry was made where it was determined that this individual [redacted] was formerly connected with the Wiesenberger orchestras but that his 1936 employment appears to be with the Equitable Life Insurance Company. The 1935 city directory gives the address of Frank J. Wiesenberger as 3364 Berkley Avenue which is the same address he has on the record. However, he has a listing in the June 1936 telephone directory under the address 13214 Forest Hill, telephone Glenville 0101. A telephone call to the Musicians Union, 2200 E. 21st Street, and a later call there in person failed to result in any other information than that Frank J. Wiesenberger was a member of this Union until a year or so ago when he dropped membership. The various offices of the Equitable Life Insurance Company in Cleveland were

contacted by telephone, but Wiesenberger was not known thereat. From the residents at 13216 Forest Hill it was learned that Wiesenberger was employed in one of the automobile exhibits at the Great Lakes Exposition and that he returned to his home for a short time each evening.

Frank J. Wiesenberger was contacted on the evening of August 21, 1936, at his home, 13214 Forest Hill, which is located in Cleveland Heights. He stated he was formerly exclusively engaged in the orchestra business but now is in the automobile business for the Chrysler Company and is employed at present at the Chrysler Building at the Great Lakes Exposition in Cleveland. He still handles the bookings for some orchestras in addition to his employment with the Chrysler Company.

Mr. Wiesenberger advised that he has in the past frequented a place operated by Charles Sellers where beer is sold and which place is located across from the Harvard Club on Harvard Avenue and is in the same lot or yard, directly in front of the club. This beer parlor is operated in the basement. Sellers has a beer license, but it is generally understood that it is possible to obtain more than beer if desired. Sellers has two brothers, first names not known, who tend bar and are generally employed in this place. One day, at least six months ago, possibly longer, Mr. Wiesenberger stating that it might have been in the winter or early spring, he overheard a general talk in Sellers' place to the effect that Karpis had been in there a year or so ago, it being the same time that three women of the same gang were picked up in Cleveland in a hotel; that Karpis had drunk beer in Sellers' place but that Sellers did not know who Karpis was until a long time afterward. This general talk was to the further effect that Karpis and others frequented the Harvard Club and the gamblers were taking care of him in town. Wiesenberger also heard the name of Shimmy Patton mentioned as one of those who had been with Karpis drinking beer at Sellers'. He also indicated first that he had heard Sellers make this statement, but on further questioning he would not go this far, stating that there was a number of men around, perhaps four or five, the names he does not now recall, and they were having a general discussion, and the above reference to Karpis was part of this discussion. He added that the newspapers had never carried any account to his knowledge that Karpis and any of the others of the same gang had been at the Harvard Club, and, therefore, he believes that the statement made concerning Karpis being in Sellers' place has some merit and was made by someone who knew about what he was talking. Mr. Wiesenberger was of the opinion that to go direct to Sellers would fail to produce any information, as he did not believe he would tell anything to an officer and also might hesitate to give any information concerning the happenings at the Harvard Club inasmuch as that place supplied him in the past with a considerable amount of business.

It is believed that Mr. Wiesenberg knows this statement concerning the presence of Karpis was made by Sellers and that he also can furnish the names of some of the men who were present at the time this statement was made. He will be interviewed again at a later date. In this matter he requested that if he is desired for further interview, he be notified by telephone and he will come to the office or will meet an agent some place away from his home. He made this request because he did not want to cause his wife any worry and did not want her to know that he had visited Sellers' place. At the time of this interview Frank J. Wiesenberg's wife and son were in New York City on a visit.

Mr. Wiesenberg could not recall how this information had come into the hands of the Bureau unless he had been some place where he drank a few too many beers and had remarked about what he had overheard. He made several remarks about how rotten the police department was in Cleveland and stated that numerous gamblers and liquor dealers had testified at the recent bribery trials of police officers in Cleveland to the amount and the number of police they paid off too and just what the situation in the matter of pay-offs was.

Mr. Wiesenberg advised that he has had his name confused with the man known as Nate Weisenberg, which he resents, a number of times. He knows little of this man other than that he is the reputed slot machine king of Cleveland and is a Jew. On one occasion in New York City shortly after he had registered in a hotel room a man called and tried to borrow one hundred dollars from him, thinking he was Nate Weisenberg.

The following inquiry was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan during the period August 17, 18, 19 and 21, 1936, for the purpose of getting some general information regarding Nate Weisenberg.

Nate Weisenberg at the present time resides at 3558 Raymont Avenue, his telephone number being Fairmount 6671. It is noted that another Nate Weisenberg is listed in the 1935 Cleveland City Directory as residing at 1299 Coventry Road (CH) but b7c

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this is an entirely different person. It is also noted that the wife of this man is stated in the city directory to be Helen, while the wife of Nate Weisenberg under inquiry is given as Anna, and it is noted from the telephone tap that this is correct.

The following information is checked

Weisenberg's last employment as proprietor of the Mayfair Casino, East 14th and Euclid Avenue, and that before this he was sales representative of the Mills Slot Machine Company, 4601 Harvard Avenue, Cleveland,

Weisenberg to be about fifty years of age at the present time; that he is married and his wife is named Anna, and that he has a son, Francis, who is married and lives away from home. Weisenberg has been a resident of Cleveland most of his life and for the past three and one-half years has resided at 3558 Raymond Avenue.

that the Mayfair Casino was incorporated under the laws of the state of Ohio in June 1935, but Weisenberg does not appear thereon as an officer of the corporation. A letter has been forwarded to the Columbus, Ohio, State Department, to obtain full information and details with reference to the organization of this corporation.

There is further information

to the effect that Weisenberg was placed on the police black list which was published in the Cleveland Press of August 22, 1930. These records also carry the information that Weisenberg has been in the slot machine business in Cleveland for fifteen years and is reputed to be the slot machine king in Cleveland. It is also noted that on November 12, 1932, he was sued by the Morris Plan Bank for \$2,000. He is reputed to own a couple of lots in Cleveland,

has not obtained information as to where they are located. In 1926 inquiry was made from Buffalo, NY,

with the statement that they found it hard to get any information concerning Weisenberg, advising at the time that when he was in Buffalo he stayed at the Ford Hotel. Inquiry was also received

seeking information relative to Weisenberg. The only other information available was that he at one time had an account at The Cleveland Trust Company.

John A. Gallagher, attorney for the Morris Plan Bank, East Ninth and Huron Road, advised that Nate Weisenberg had been in and out of that bank for the past ten years and that he, Gallagher, had been connected with the bank; that while he did not know of the banking transactions that went on, he presumed that Weisenberg had had some dealings with the bank. The suit against Weisenberg in 1932 was on a note originally of the amount of \$2400 made by one Samuel H. Deutsch, on which Weisenberg and one Samuel Upper were sureties. Deutsch went bankrupt and judgment was obtained against the sureties. Weisenberg paid the note and secured



an assignment of the judgment. Samuel Opper, the other signer on the note, was head of the Opper Cap Company, 1378 West Sixth Street, in 1932 and 1933.

Mr. Gallagher advised that Weisenberg was the reputed partner of one Joiner, who was found killed in quicklime about a year ago. At this time Mr. Gallagher made the statement that there was a man in this bank who knew Weisenberg well, perhaps as well as anyone in town, and that he might later furnish this man's name. He stated that he was not sure whether this man would be willing to give any information if questioned. As far as the banking connections of Weisenberg were concerned, Mr. Gallagher stated that he had no first-hand information relative thereto, as he did not handle that part of the bank's records and had no access thereto, but he advised that any of the officers of the bank could give this information and mentioned in particular Mr. H. E. Small, Vice President, who was in the bank at the time and who was acting in the absence of the president, who was on vacation. Agent the following day called by telephone to secure the name of the man from Gallagher, who might know all about Weisenberg, but at that time he apparently had completely changed and said that what he meant was that any of the officers would tell of Weisenberg's banking business with the bank, again naming Mr. Small. He stated that he realized that the statement he made the day previous to agent was perhaps confusing and that he only meant to say that the man he had in mind would know of Weisenberg's dealings with the bank. It is evident that Gallagher had in mind Mr. Small, but intended to retract his statement. It is further noted that Mr. Small called the Weisenberg home by telephone on 8-20-36, the day before the interview with Mr. Small, and at that time asked for Nate.

In conversation with H. E. Small of the Morris Plan Bank, Vice President, on August 19, 1936, it was noted that Mr. Small appeared quite friendly toward Weisenberg. He stated that Weisenberg did not have an account there, but it is noted he did not make a check but replied to that question from memory or personal knowledge. He did state, however, that Weisenberg occasionally borrowed from the bank and was considered a good man to do business with as he always paid up promptly. He has heard that Nate Weisenberg is called the slot machine king, but personally he couldn't say whether he was or not. When asked about the Mayfair Casino, Small remarked "he owns that, doesn't he?" He was advised that agent was only asking Small whom it was assumed would know, inasmuch as he loaned money to Weisenberg. Small then suggested that Nate be asked about it, as he was sure Nate was the kind of a person who would come right out and tell whether he owned the place or not and just how much he had in it. Mr. Small stated he was always well impressed with

Nate Weisenberg since the time that Nate paid the Deutsch note mentioned above. At the time the note was taken he stated that if Weisenberg had been the signer to whom the bank intended to look for payment in the event of the default of the maker then the note would perhaps never have been taken, but Samuel Opper, the other signer, was considered good. Developments were just to the contrary, according to Mr. Small. He made the further statement that he considered Weisenberg just a great big slob, not at all of the criminal type and one who never had been known to hurt anyone.

At The Cleveland Trust Company the writer (Agent Noonan) contacted E. L. Mason, Vice President, on 8-18-36. At first contact Mr. Mason stated that the name of Weisenberg sounded familiar, but he could not just place it. He left his office for a few minutes to check on the records for an account and returned, advising that Weisenberg did have a checking account there and had had for some time; that it was not a very large account and was generally near the borderline of the required amount on deposit. Mr. Mason at this time stated he recalled now who Weisenberg was and knew him as connected with the Mayfair Casino. Mr. Mason stated he heard recently that some New York interests had bought in at the Mayfair, but that this was only a rumor as far as he could say. He further advised that Weisenberg is a very close friend of Babe Ruth and that about a year ago Weisenberg brought Ruth to the bank and talked to Mr. Mason. The purpose of this visit was in connection with the purchase of the Cleveland Baseball Club, Ruth desiring to put up \$50,000 toward this purchase, but desired to have it appear as if same had been put up through the bank.

It is noted in the telephone log on the Weisenberg home that at 8:25 AM on 8-21-36, Mr. Cody, former Inspector of Detectives in Cleveland, and now connected with The Cleveland Trust Company, made a call for Nate Weisenberg. It is also noted that at 9:15 AM the same date a man called and talked to Mrs. Weisenberg and told her that Nate had said "they" were checking up on his income tax.

Frank J. Wiesenberger, 13214 Forest Hill, when interviewed in connection with another matter, connected with this case, advised that he had often been mistaken for Weisenberg and had also been often questioned as to whether or not he was a relative of Nate. He called attention to the difference in the spelling of the names and also stated that Nate was a Jew and that he was not. Personal information concerning Frank J. Wiesenberger is set out in another part of this report. Mr. Wiesenberger advised that on one occasion just after he had checked in a hotel in New York City a man called him up and attempted to borrow a hundred dollars, thinking he was Nate Weisenberg. He further advised

that a man by the name of Hoffman who is employed by Canning and Harmon, Chrysler dealers in East Cleveland, and who works at the present time from ten to five each day at the Chrysler Building at the Great Lakes Exposition (Dodge section), recently told him, Wiesenberger, that he, Hoffman, used to work for Nate Weisenberg, either in the placing of slot machines or in the collecting therefrom. This information was just given by Mr. Hoffman within the past two weeks. Mr. Wiesenberger advised that if it was not desired to approach Hoffman direct, he might be able to get some information from him. Should Mr. Wiesenberger be later interviewed he should be contacted by telephone for an appointment, as he does not want his wife to be worried by the fact that he has any information in this matter.

Miss Leona Marie Esch and Mr. Edwards of the Cleveland Association for Criminal Justice had only general information to offer concerning Weisenberg when they were interviewed, and nothing in addition to that set out herein. Miss Esch made a call to the Identification Division of the police department when she was sure the superintendent, Potts, was out and was informed that there was no police record on Weisenberg. This would appear unusual in the light of the publication of Weisenberg on the police black list in 1930, which appears in another part of this report. Miss Esch later advised Agent Kitchin that she thought she would be able to get considerable information on Weisenberg and his lieutenants and places where they hang out and would advise either this agent or Agent Kitchin.

Special Agent John E. Brennan in connection with efforts to place the tap on the Weisenberg telephone determined that Weisenberg is the owner of 1933 Lincoln coupe, which was seen parked in front of his residence at 3558 Raymond Avenue. The motor vehicle records show that this car was purchased 6-5-35 in Ohio and that it is a 1933 Lincoln coupe, bearing engine number KB 2035 Certificate of Title #2208917 and bears Ohio 1936 Ohio license JC 195.

Special Agent S. K. McKee learned from R. Christman of the telephone company that Weisenberg has a girl friend he is supporting, who has an unlisted telephone. This girl lives in the west part of the city and according to Mr. Christman came to the telephone company on one occasion and told Mr. Christman of her relations with Weisenberg whom she stated used the name Weis or some similar name at the apartment where she lives and asked that they find out if her phone was tapped as she feared that Weisenberg was going to have her killed for doing a little talking. She admitted she had done a little talking, saying she "got a loose tongue" when she had three or four drinks. The mother of this girl lives at 24463 West Lake Road, where unlisted telephone Westlake 394 is located in the name of the girl, the girl's name being Mildred E. Thatcher.

Mr. Christman has promised to secure additional information and turn same over to Agent McKee.

Additional information being secured on Weisenberg will be reported in subsequent reports.

During the inquiry with reference to Nate Weisenberg, it was learned he had been included in a police black list published in the Cleveland Press under date of August 22, 1930. The publication of this newspaper for that date was examined, and it was noted therein that this so-called black list included sixty-five names of persons furnished to the Chief of Police at his request by the Detective Bureau and the Criminal Identification Bureau. The Chief of Police, George Matowitz, in his statement said he intended to "make life miserable" for those known in criminal circles and ordered their arrest on sight, further stating that they would be taken from police precinct to police precinct, so that the various police officers will become acquainted with them and recognize them on sight.

The following is the published blacklist:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Alias</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Address</u>
Angersola, Fred		--	
Angersola, George	King	27	1357 East 85th Street
Angersola, John	King	31	12024 Mayfield Road
Arrizone, Mike		--	15340 Yorick Road
August, Adam		29	999 East 78th Street
Blank, Robert	Monty	--	7802 Hough Avenue
Blair, Joe		40	3517 East 143d Street
Bronstein, Morris		22	6102 Woodland Avenue
Cassera, Charles		28	3355 East Boulevard
Cassera, Sam		30	2539 Woodland Avenue
Calabrese, Warren		26	10824 Frank Avenue
Dimino, Tony		35	12013 Dunham Road
Dolby, Sam		27	1154 East 111th St.
Coletta, Charles		30	12010 Paul Avenue
Cotti, James		--	-- -- --
DeMarco, Dominic		24	2533 East 127th Street
" , John		28	2506 East 43d Street
Donkin, Rudy		36	Euclid, Ohio
Dorrington, Ray		32	1192 East 113th St. and 1516 East 38th Street
Finkelstein, Louis		34	Hotel Belmont
Fisher, Morris		27	3641 Carnegie Avenue
Fisher, Abe		29	3073 East 105th Street



<u>Name</u>	<u>Alias</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Address</u>
Fox, Henry	"Fuchs"	32	8312 Bellevue Avenue
Fried, Joe		32	3847 East 147th Street
Feldman, William	"Cockeyed Willie"	40	2174 East 121st Street
			2573 East 37th Street
Entis, Louis		29	7912 Kinsman Avenue
Galetti, Frank		25	1918 East 120th St.
Delaner, Mike		--	16015 St. Clair Avenue
Hart, Sol		28	10804 Massie Avenue
Jackson, Thomas		29	1292 East 135th Street
Katowitz, Harvey		30	- - - - -
" , Joe		--	- - - - -
Katz, Henry	"Hoots Gibson"	25	1136 Eddy Road
Lando, Tony		32	11709 Farrington Ave.
Lombardo, Sam		29	3352 East 140th St.
Maxwell, Alex		30	1350 Walnut Avenue
Milano, Frank		39	12605 Mayfield Road
Miller, Artie (dead)		26	3622 East 149th St.
" , Eddie		25	10535 Armor Ave.
Morei, Peter		--	9910 Woodland Ave.
Muscatello, Colagero		34	10806 Kinsman Road
Pearlman, Dave		24	13515 Kinsman Road
Pierce, William	"Chick"	33	9914 Madison Avenue
Polizzi, Al		32	3402 East 116th St.
" , Charles		36	11919 Mayfield Road
Porris, Phil		28	11715 Tuscora Avenue
Rabinowitz, Louis	"Robins" "Lazier"	--	5809 Thackeray Avenue
Reese, Jake		37	9117 St. Clair Ave.
Rubin, - -	"Akron"	30	3290 E. 116th St.
Rubenstein, Sam		27	3340 East 113th St.
Ruseo, Frank		28	1552 Ansel Road
Satula, Nick		34	2576 E. 27; 2199 E. 55
Schlachet, Morris		27	2669 East 68th Street
Sorge, Anthony		30	2356 East 33d Street
Stilo, Peter		43	2047 East 77th Street
Striebert, Wm.	"Mopey"	40	980 East 78th Street
Todero, Angelo		24	2685 East 126th Street
Weiss, Artie		30	12400 Superior; 975 Eddy
" , Sidney		30	E. 102nd near Euclid
Weisenberg, Nate		45	Hotel Winton
Weisman, Harry	"Big Jew"	30	996 Ansel Road
Winegate, Arnold		30	Hotel Gillay
Yeager, Louis		35	- - -
Cancetti, James		35	- - -
Gentile, Sam (dead)		32	5810 Ensign Road

It is noted that previous to the listing of the above names the article made particular reference to the fact that Frank Russo, Angelo Todero, Nate Weisenberg, and others were included in the list. It is noted that the Cleveland Press for a few days following the publication of this list named those picked up and also mentioned the names of some who were taken off the list, because they had entered into some legitimate business. However, the name of Nate Weisenberg did not appear among those.

Reference is made to the penciled notations made by one of the county prosecutors purporting to be a list of the employes of the Harvard Club, which notations were made in connection with a search and seizure warrant served on the above club during the fore part of 1936. Special Agent John E. Brennan endeavored to secure the present addresses of these individuals and make neighborhood inquiry concerning them and ascertained that this list was apparently obtained thru checking license numbers of automobiles parked in the vicinity of the Harvard Club as the only person found to be definitely connected with the club was Tony Amerbach, a doorman.

No person named Fred Brarderhagen or any name similar is listed in the city or telephone directories of Cleveland. The 1935 auto license #DT 390 is listed in the name of Mrs. Fred W. Buddenhagen, Twinsburg Road, Massadonia, Ohio.

The only J. D. Gwizdalski listed in the directory was located at 8107 Laumer. Mrs. Eugene Mahler, 8103 Laumer, stated she has known this man for five years; that he has been in the employ of the American Steel Company as long as she has known him; owns his own home, but is now known as J. D. Brown, having had his name legally changed within the past several months. Ohio 1935 license CE 189 is listed to J. D. Gwizdalski, Liberty and Miles, Solon, Ohio. It was ascertained that this person was an ex-bartender, formerly in the livery business, and in 1934 drove a private taxi for four men, charging them \$4 each to take them to and from a gambling club at Geauga Lake. He later drove a taxi to and from the Harvard Club. This man, who is the person most probably referred to on the list, died on February 21, 1936, at the age of sixty.

No inquiry was made concerning Margaret Gallagher, listed as a driver, other than to ascertain that 1935 Ohio license GF 106 was listed to a person of this name whose address was 1379 East 91st Street. This individual is believed to be a relative of Dan T. Gallagher, connected with the Harvard Club.

Edward Keegan, listed as residing at 3738 West 143d Street, was found to have moved to 4366 West 49th Street and has been in the employ of James C. Heintz & Company, machinery manufacturers, 3738 West 143rd.

for the past eight years as a truck driver. His credit rating was listed as good from 1931 to date. He was divorced from his wife, Coletta, in 1934, after several separations, but his reputation in the neighborhoods in which he has resided has been good. The president of the company in which he is employed stated that Keegan has had a good record with the firm and has not the time or the money to frequent gambling houses. Keegan stated that he was subpoenaed by the state in the early part of this year and informed that the license number of his car had been taken in the vicinity of the Harvard Club; that he had never been to the Harvard Club and knew nothing concerning its operation; that he had loaned his car to various friends at different times, anyone of whom might have parked it near the Harvard Club, and that he does not know now who it might have been who was using it; that he offered this explanation to the authorities who had subpoenaed him and that it was accepted and he was excused.

No person named L. T. Hepner was found to be residing in Cleveland. The directory lists a person of this name as President of the Highway Oil Company, residing in Parma, Ohio. Inquiry will be made as to the possibility of this being the individual referred to on the list.

The list contains the name of John W. Taylor, carpenter. The city directory lists a person of this name, occupation carpenter, at 13318 Ferris. Mrs. Mildred Eason, a widow, 13316 Ferris, and Mrs. Donald L. Schaub, 13310 Ferris, whose husband is a clerk in the National Refining Company, both stated that Taylor resided at this address for several years and was a carpenter, but not employed by any other person that they knew of; that he moved away about three months ago. [redacted] has no record of Taylor and Station D of the Post Office covering this district has no forwarding address. He is not a member of the Carpenters' Union.

As to Dave Lebowitz, the directory lists a person by this name as residing at 3530 East 149th Street. Mrs. Pauline Savransky, owner of the apartment building at this address, stated that David Lebowitz and his wife, Dena, occupy apartment #1, but she refused to furnish any information as to him. Barney Savransky, occupant of apartment #3, likewise stated that inquiries could be made of Mr. Lebowitz. [redacted] it was ascertained that Lebowitz operates the King Solomon Hotel at 2581 East 43rd [redacted] and that his wife was arrested once for shop-lifting. Lebowitz was interviewed at the King Solomon Hotel and stated that he has never been to the Harvard Club and knows nothing about it and if anyone of that name was employed there, it was not he.

Mrs. Stanley Klonowski, 7130 Deveny, Mrs. Catherine Brodzinski, 7127 Deveny and Mrs. Mary Swiatkowski, 7135 Deveny, were interviewed concerning Walter Kruszewski, listed as residing at 7131 Dorsey, the correct name of the street being Deveny. It was ascertained from them that this man was employed formerly by the Canfield Oil Company, later drove a

car and is now a machanic in business for himself at 3954 East 71st Street, he having been evicted from his previous address. While driving a cab during the latter part of 1935 and the fore part of 1936, he took passengers to and from the Harvard Club, but so far as is known had no direct connection with the Harvard Club, as an employee thereof. It is noted that when subpoenaed before the Grand Jury he stated he received \$5 per day from Tony Amersbach for driving but did not know what went on inside of the building.

George Himmelstein, no address given on the list; there is a person named George P. Himmelstein, formerly of 2725 Hampshire Road, and now living at 2688 Mayfield Road, apartment #18. Information obtained from Mrs. M. H. Evans, Mrs. Ed E. Ehrlich and Mrs. R. J. Strasberg, all living in this apartment building, indicates that this man was proprietor of the Annex Barber Shop and Cigar Store at 1117 Chester a number of years ago, later operated the Green Road Club, a gambling joint until it was closed in 1931, when some person was murdered in it. Himmelstein is now employed at the Mayfair Casino, 1511 Euclid; he is fairly well known as a handbook operator. No inquiry was made at the Mayfair Casino by reason of the fact that a telephone tap is being maintained on the telephone of one of the principals of the Casino.

Fat Joyce. There is no identifying data noted after this name on the list. There are ten persons of this name listed in the directory.

Evan Briggs. No identifying data is contained on the list in connection with this individual. No such name is listed in the city or telephone directories, no record of an Evan Briggs.

J. McNulty. No identifying data is contained on the list in connection with this name. There are four persons of this name in the directory.

Tony Amersbach. No inquiry was made concerning this person, as he has been heretofore mentioned in investigative reports emanating from the Cleveland office and is known to have been an employee of the Harvard Club, who cannot be approached for information.

John Sweeney, listed as driver, 2055 Boxterly. Inquiry of neighbors in the vicinity of this address revealed that this man was employed as a bus driver for the Harvard Club until the fore part of 1936. He resided with his wife, Anna, and brother-in-law, Harold H. Des Forges, an investigator for the Nickel Plate Railroad at the above address, but separated from his wife on or about April 1, 1936, at which time his wife and her brother, Harold, took up residence at 1454 Lakewood. Mr. Harold Des Forges stated he has not seen or heard from Sweeney since the first part of April 1936 and knows nothing about his present whereabouts and does not care to know. Mr. Roy R. Des Forges, 7314 Lawn, another brother-



in-law, made a similar statement. The post office has no record of a forwarding address for Sweeney.

Charles Kelly, listed as residing at 11017 Clifton. Mrs. Marie H. Brown, a widow, 11015 Clifton, and Arnold Goodman, President and Vice President of the Arnold Furniture Company, residing at 11019 Clifton, were interviewed, and it was ascertained that Kelly moved from the above address to 1438 Newman several months ago; that Kelly was an advertising salesman and was out of town most of the time; was very reticent in giving out any information about himself; that his wife is employed as a secretary in the Advertising Department of the Cleveland News. Several calls were made to the Newman Avenue address, but no one was found at home. The neighbors do not know Kelly. [REDACTED] has no information concerning him. b7d

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin:

This agent again contacted T. J. Edwards in the office of Newton D. Baker, Union Trust Company Building, at which time he stated he had made a few discreet inquiries and had learned a few more things that are general knowledge, and if it came down to proving the facts, it would be embarrassing, if not impossible, for him to do so.

With reference to the Mayfair Casino, Incorporated, located at 1511 Euclid Avenue, telephone Prospect 2575, he stated that information has come to him that this club is owned by Max Marmorstein, Samuel Tilden Haas and Nate Weisenberg; that the property is leased from the Loews Cleveland theaters, with offices at 1515 Euclid Ave. Mr. Edwards stated that in order to improve the building, the Loews interest compelled them to let a contract, and they will probably have the information relative to the actual ownership of this Casino.

The matter of contacting the Loews interest was discussed with Special Agent S. K. McKee, at which time it was decided to ascertain from the records of the Secretary of State all details relating to the incorporation of the Mayfair Casino, Inc., and the desired information may be obtained in this manner, which, of course, would preclude the necessity for any open interview with one of the Loews officials.

On August 18, 1936, a letter was sent to the Cincinnati field office requesting the above investigation through the Secretary of State, George S. Meyers, Columbus, Ohio.

Edwards stated that Max Marmorstein is a real estate man who has the reputation of renting cheap apartments in the city of Cleveland to prostitutes for the use thereof in connection with the girls' illicit profession.

With reference to others who are known intimates of Haas, he stated that Mike Abbey, proprietor of the Back Stage Club, located at 915 Chester Avenue, telephone Prospect 9123, was a close friend of Haas. He also named the following associates of Haas:

Solly Hart, noted Cleveland racketeer and muscle man who collects for pin ball games and any other petty gambling devices that are installed in Cleveland.

Morris Klineman, who is at present in the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, serving a sentence for violation of the NPA, Edwards states that Klineman knows this entire set-up as far as the rackets are concerned in Cleveland and may disclose some pertinent facts to an agent of this Bureau.

Dave Langman, proprietor of the gambling concession, located in the Cleveland Athletic Club Building: this place was raided about one month ago by the local police under the supervision of Captain Weiss; Weiss approached the door of this gambling concession and demanded entrance which was granted to him about 45 minutes later. Of course, when the officers got into this place, nothing was found that would warrant an arrest of Langman. The newspapers made a big play of this incident and ridiculed Weiss for having no back-bone. Edwards states that the rumor among the professional men is that the raid was fixed.

He stated that although not openly Inspector of Police Jim Hughes is thought to be connected with the Haas crowd; also, that Emmett Potts, Superintendent of the Criminal Investigations, is thought by some to be in with the Haas crowd, but that he very seriously doubts this to be true.

Marty Lavelle, former Director of Public Safety, was with Marty O'Boyle, noted west side racketeer and bootlegger, had two girls out in Lake Erie some time around July of 1935, at which time one or both of the girls drowned. He stated that this confirmed in his mind the fact that he has always suspected that Lavelle was being paid off by O'Boyle and others connected with Samuel T. Haas.

Emanuel Rose, law partner of Herman Kohen, with offices in the Leader Building, was formerly police prosecutor under the Harry L. Davis administration and is probably still a "fixer" with the Haas crowd.

With reference to Jim Connell, the attorney for Haas during the libel suit against the Cleveland Press in May 1936, he stated that Connell is Irish and at one time was an assistant to the County Prosecutor; that Edward C. Stanton, at present in the Terminal Tower, was at that time County Prosecutor. He stated that after the change of the administration Connell went into partnership with Stanton. It should be noted that Stanton was employed by someone to represent Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette when they were arrested in Cleveland, and when the Harvard Club was telephonically advised by some unknown person of this arrest. Connell also represented Swartz in his recent murder trial for the murder of one of the henchmen of Tommy McGinty.

Sol Danaceau at present in the office of the prosecutor was formerly in the office of Haas.

The following is a composite description of Haas as obtained from interview with T. J. Edwards:

Name - Samuel Tilden Haas  
 Age - 49 born 1886  
 Height - 5' 5"  
 Weight - 120  
 Hair - brown, slightly bald  
 Eyes - dark, beady  
 Nationality - American - Jewish  
 Occupation - attorney, 735 Leader Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio  
 Residence - 19800 Shaker Boulevard, Shaker Heights, Ohio  
 Marital status - married  
 Peculiarities - prominent nose; narrow face (rat-like); eats lunch daily at the Fisher-Rohr Restaurant, 1794 E. 9th - Cleveland  
 Complexion - medium dark  
 Glasses - none  
 Politics - Republican  
 Relatives - wife, Marjorie Hubbard Haas, 19800 Shaker Blvd. no children  
 Crim. record - arrested; tried twice for Arson or complicity therein, but no check been made yet of PD records as to actual dates and number of arrests for obvious reasons.  
 Associates - listed in this and report of reference  
 Education - law at John Marshal and Clev. Law Schools  
 Scars and marks - none known

With reference to the residence of Haas, this agent personally observed same and found it to be located in one of the most exclusive residential sections of Cleveland. Practically all of the homes in this neighborhood appear to be very expensive and a rough estimate of the cost of the Haas home is approximately \$40,000. There are vacant lots on both sides of the Haas residence, and on the east side there is at present a new home under construction. Those residing in the immediate neighborhood of Haas are as follows:

All of the following are located on Shaker Boulevard.

19300 Charles E. Denney, President, Erie Railroad Company,  
 19315 Dr. Allen Graham, Medical Doctor  
 19513 W. King White, President, Cleveland Tractor Company  
 19600 Frank M. Whitaker, Senior Vice President, Nickel Plate, C&O  
 and Pere Marquette Railroads  
 19605 Samuel O. McFall  
 19700 Robert Higgins, Standard Tools Company  
 19701 Clarence J. Carlin, Real Estate  
 19713 Robert F. Black, President, White Motor Truck Company  
 19900 Oscar L. Cox, Conservator of the Union Trust Company  
 20000 T. Blair Willison, Real Estate  
 20050 Samuel Kymán, Buyer for Fisher Grocery Company Chain Stores  
 20100 Harold H. Brown, Contractor

The above information was obtained from Joseph Ruzika (Rose), mail carrier for the Shaker Heights Station. Ruzika has been carrying mail in this section for the past fifteen years. Ruzika stated that Haas has a Japanese or Phillipino servant in his home, who is married to a Scotch woman; that their name is Sadow, but that he does not know the first name or initials of this family, but he will endeavor to ascertain same and furnish to this agent when he is next interviewed. He also stated that Haas has an old gardner, name not known, who also works for others in the neighborhood, and he will also endeavor to ascertain his name for this agent. According to Ruzika, when he was discreetly questioned, all of the residents of this neighborhood are absolutely trustworthy with the possible exception of Haas relative to whom he has heard reports that "he was not straight".

On the following day, information was obtained from Daniel A. Ray, Assistant Superintendent of the Mails, that the name of Sadow is John C. Sadow. He stated that Mrs. Sadow receives some mail from Glasgow, Scotland, and that Sadow only receives a newspaper from San Francisco, the Japanese American Daily. This information was furnished the superintendent for the benefit of this agent.



but the name of the gardener has not yet been obtained.

Robert F. Black, President, White Motor Truck Company, 79th and St. Clair, was interviewed by this agent and stated he had only been in the neighborhood of the Haas residence for the past two years and that he does not know Haas. He stated that he knows most of the neighbors, but is of the impression that Haas never visits any of the people in this community. He stated that he did not know who Haas was until the recent libel suit was tried, in which he was the plaintiff.

Mr. Black telephonically communicated with W. King White, President of the Cleveland Tractor Company, who also stated that he did not know Haas personally and knew nothing whatsoever concerning him except what he read in the newspapers during the libel suit. Mr. Black stated that he doubted very much if Haas would be personally known to any of the residents of this neighborhood.

This agent accompanied by Special Agent Noonan, contacted William Edwards, Director for the Cleveland Association of Criminal Justice, Film Exchange Building, at which time Miss Leona Marie Esch, Secretary, was also interviewed. After a search of their files it was ascertained that their records contained no information that had not heretofore been furnished this agent by the Newton D. Baker law firm. Miss Esch stated she would discreetly endeavor to ascertain what information she could concerning both Haas and Weisenberg and would notify this agent.

While discussing the above matters with Mr. Edwards, he informed this agent that his association had been conducting quite an extensive investigation relative to the "bail-bond racket" in the city of Cleveland, which closely allies several prominent members of the Cleveland Police Department with the racketeers in this racket. He stated he had just had a conference with all of the editors of the Cleveland newspapers, and it had been decided that the story relative to his investigation would be "broken" on Monday, August 24, 1936; that on Monday morning at ten o'clock he expects to deliver to the members of the police department, who are connected with this investigation and who will probably be indicted for conspiracy in connection therewith, a copy of the article to be printed in the newspapers that afternoon.

While discussing other matters telephonically with Inspector E. J. Connelley, Special Agent S. K. McKee also advised him of the above.

Miss Esch later advised this agent telephonically that she had obtained some information relative to Nate Weisenberg. She stated to

this agent that the fact that she had called must be held in confidence due to the fact that in her office there was existing some friction and she did not wish to get in "dutch" with Edwards for supplying information in other than through official channels. It is suggested that in the future when information is desired of Miss Esch she be telephonically advised that the agent wishes to see her, at which time she will make arrangements for the interview.

She stated that she ascertained from her police informant that Nate Weisenberg owned a large interest in the Mayfair Casino Club and maintained his "day-light" office in this Club; that relative to his slot machine racket, he had his meetings with his agents and lieutenants at some place located near number 3000 on Lorain Avenue at some Italian restaurant or beer parlor. She stated that she will obtain the exact address of this place and will advise this agent on Monday. She also informed that the meetings held by the Weisenberg mob are held in the rear of the above-mentioned place and at night after business hours.

It should be noted, in connection with the above, that on August 16, 1936, Elaine Mayas, known at Ardell Quinn's house of prostitution as Louise, called from Ardell's house for telephone number Woodbine 9701, which is listed to the Forest City Social Club, 3006 Lorain Avenue. She did not talk to anyone there, as she hung up before the number was answered. Also in this connection, Louise called Westlake 394, which is the unlisted telephone number for Mildred Thatcher who is alleged to be a paramour of Nate Weisenberg. This matter will be further checked and reported.

Miss Esch stated that she also ascertained from her informant that about three years ago when Frank Joyner, local racketeer was murdered; that Nate Weisenberg is alleged to have put him on the spot for endeavoring to muscle in on his slot machine racket. She stated that this is not authentic, however. According to Miss Esch, Weisenberg spends a great deal of his time at the Hotel Hollenden. *Cleveland*

On August 20, 1936, a prostitute by the name of Dorothy Taylor was brought to the office by Special Agent L. A. Ducommun for questioning in connection with a White Slave Traffic Act case. After he had finished his interview with her she was interrogated by Special Agents C. E. Smith and S. K. McKee for information concerning this investigation. She advised that her true name is Doris Vosburgh; that she was born in Lockport, New York, and at one time was married to Sylvester Harris, who presently lives in New York City and whom, she stated, was a pimp. Her present place of residence is a rooming house at 4814 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. She is separated from her husband although not divorced. She furnished her age as thirty years. She appears to weigh about 200 lbs., is about 5' 8" in height; has false teeth and dyed red hair.

Dorothy Taylor advised that she entered the racket when about seventeen years of age; that shortly after becoming a prostitute she spent approximately five years in burlesque shows playing in all major cities from Montreal, Quebec to Louisville, Kentucky, and from New York City to Omaha, Nebraska, and that while traveling with these shows she practised prostitution in the hotels where the show troupes stayed while on the road. She also advised that after leaving the show business, she practised prostitution in Youngstown, Ohio; Washington, D. C., Toledo, Ohio, as well as Cleveland, Ohio, and that she has spent the major portion of her time in the city of Cleveland. She was questioned as to the identities of the various madams of the houses where she has worked but she refused to divulge the names of any of these, although she did admit that she worked for a woman by the name of JEAN on Nebraska Street and for a Jewish woman on Monroe Street, both in the city of Toledo, Ohio.

Dorothy Taylor advised that she is now working in a house of prostitution operated by a colored madame named Alice Redd, also known as Alice Knapp, at 1268 Scovill Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, telephone Prospect 8114. This woman also operates a saloon called the Red Lantern located at 14th and Scoville Avenue, and has a second house of prostitution immediately adjacent to the saloon and facing on 14th Street. The Taylor woman stated that there are two other girls in the house on Scovill Avenue, whose names are Frances Drake and Betty Taylor.

Agents questioned this woman as to whether she had ever operated any houses of her own, and she advised that about four years ago she had a place at 5610 Longfellow Avenue, and while at this time she had trouble with the police and moved to another place at 62nd and Lucerne Avenue. She was questioned as to whether she ever paid graft to the police officers or public officials, and after some hesitation admitted

that she had paid off to the Vice Squad in the Fourth Precinct as well as to two of the police captains who were formerly in charge of this precinct.

After a great deal of hesitation Dorothy Taylor gave the name of Captain Cadek as one of the officers to whom she had paid money. However, she did not state how much or under what circumstances the money was paid. She also stated that she paid Captain Burns the sum of \$25.00. When asked for the facts concerning this pay-off she stated that she had been arrested by the police while she was operating at 5610 Longfellow Avenue and taken to the Fourth Precinct with a man who was arrested in her place. She said that Captain Burns released the man but held her awhile and then told her that she would have to move. She said she asked Captain Burns if she "could do business"; however, he replied that she would have to move. Continuing as to this incident, she said that she had been arrested at about the same time for carrying a concealed weapon, and while the case was pending Captain Burns had an occasion to call at her house relative to the case. She said that when the Captain called another girl who was working in her house let him in; that she was busy with a date, and thinking the Captain was also a date she walked into the room in the nude, at which time the Captain stated that he might have done business with her but now she would have to move. This woman advised that she did move to an apartment located at 62nd and Lucerne Avenue, and shortly thereafter she ran into Captain Burns on the street, and he wanted to know where she was living, and upon being advised he stated that he would be up to see her. Shortly after this meeting Captain Burns called at her house, and their differences were patched up. She said that it was on this occasion that she gave him \$25 and that it was the only occasion when she personally paid anything to him.

Agents continued to question Dorothy Taylor as to the identities of other officers to whom she had paid protection money in the past, and she advised that shortly after she opened her place at 5610 Longfellow Avenue two Vice Squad men named Watts and Dietrick raided her place, and after looking it over asked her how she would like to pay, and the officers then advised her it would cost \$60.00 per month and they will guarantee her protection, to which she agreed, and did pay up until the time when Captain Cadek was transferred and Captain Blizil was placed in charge of the precinct. Shortly after Watts and Dietrick made the pay-off arrangement with her they brought Sergeant McWilliams to her place and introduced her to him. Dorothy Taylor further advised that the pay-offs to Captain Burns, Sergeant McWilliams, Watts and Dietrick and Captain Cadek occurred in about 1932.



When questioned relative to the pay-off to police or public officials at the present time the Taylor woman stated that while she had no knowledge of any pay-off, it was understood that there was a pay-off, because all of the police, including the Captain of the Third Precinct, know the houses which are operated in the precinct but do not bother them; further, that she had noticed Captain Duffy and other police officers frequenting Alice Knapp's saloon on numerous occasions.

Dorothy Taylor was questioned as to the identities of the bondsmen who generally furnish bonds for prostitutes when they are arrested, and she advised that FRANK HOAGE, a butcher, generally takes care of matters of that kind. It will be noted here that Frank Hoage is generally considered to be one of the largest "numbers" racket men in Cleveland. The Taylor woman further advised that after her arrest for carrying a concealed weapon she engaged the services of Lawrence Payne, an attorney, who also put up \$500 in cash for her bond at the time of this arrest. It is to be stated here that while Dorothy Taylor admits that she is part negro, she could pass for a white woman anywhere and that Lawrence Payne, who represented her, is a negro city councilman in Cleveland. This woman stated that she never served any term on the concealed weapon charge. She did not know the disposition of the case, but said she guessed she was probated or something.

Of her own volition Dorothy Taylor informed that most of the wearing apparel sold to prostitutes in the district where she operates is made by the Bogan Manufacturing Company, 208 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, which company is represented by a Mr. Goldstein; a man known as Solly, and a woman known as Miss Flowers. It is contemplated that in the near future these individuals will be interviewed in order to ascertain from them the locations of various houses of prostitution for future investigation.

The Taylor woman was also questioned concerning the identities of the members of the Precinct Vice Squad in the Third Precinct. She advised that Captain Duffy is in charge of the entire precinct; that Sergeant Reed and an officer known to the girls as "Little Billy" and another known as Charley are working in the day time and Sergeant Otto Karlovec and an officer known as Jim and one known as Mel are working at night.

The Taylor woman was questioned as to the system under which the house in which she works is operated, and she advised that one

girl comes on duty at 8:00 a.m. and works until 10:00 p. m. and two come on duty at 11:00 a.m. and work until 1:00 a.m. at which time the house is closed. Each of the girls is permitted to stop work at 10:00 p.m. every third day. She further advised that the price in this house is one dollar or more, if it can be secured, of which fifty per cent goes to the madam. In addition, the madam receives one dollar per day for board from each girl and they also have to pay extra for towels.

The Taylor woman advised that she is expecting to receive a sum of money from some insurance company next week, same being a settlement from an automobile accident, and that it is her intention to open a house of her own if she can get Alice Redd to "straighten her out" with the police. By this she meant that it would be necessary to have permission from the police to open a house of prostitution if she desired to operate unmolested. She stated that the arrangements with the police would, of necessity, include a pay-off. She has promised to inform Agent McKee of her set-up with the police if she obtains permission to open a place of her own. She has also stated that she will endeavor to learn from conversations with the other girls at the 1268 Scovill Avenue house where she is now working of the locations of numerous houses of prostitution throughout the city, and will pass this information on to us.

During the course of this interview this woman stated several times that she would not be able to work any place if it became known that she had talked to us and furnished any information. She was very fearful that either the police or other prostitutes would learn of her actions and that she would thereby be placed in a difficult spot. Arrangement was made by Agent McKee to contact this woman telephonically at the 1268 Scovill Avenue house on August 28, 1936, and later meet her on the street in an automobile in order to obtain additional information from her. On account of the fear this woman has of the police and underworld learning of her relations with us, because of the information she has already supplied, and on account of the setup through which we are to receive valuable information with respect to this investigation in the future, no attempt was made to have her execute a signed statement covering the instant data, as it was felt she would not cooperate fully if this was done. However, before the termination of this investigation or when it is felt that we have exhausted our possibilities with her, a complete signed statement covering all of the information she has supplied will be secured.

With reference to the police officers mentioned by Dorothy Taylor a check of the police department roster was made to ascertain the full names and ranks of these persons wherever possible, and same is being set out below:

Louis J. ~~Cadek~~: Captain, dismissed from department and presently on bond pending appeal of his conviction for receiving money from bootleggers.

Edwin C. ~~Burns~~: Captain, recently promoted to Deputy Inspector.

Thomas G. ~~Duffy~~: Captain

C. E. McWilliams: Sergeant

Otto Karlovec - Sergeant

Leroy T. ~~Reed~~ - Sergeant

E. R. ~~Dietrick~~ - Patrolman #397

Little ~~Billie~~ - Patrolman 4th Precinct, Vice Squad

~~Charlie~~ - " " "

~~Jim~~ - " " "

~~Mel~~ - " " "

Watts - May be Detective N. ~~Wachs~~

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. B. Fitzgerald. During the daylight hours of August 20 and 21st agent walked along some of the streets in the red-light districts of Cleveland and was invited into the following places, in addition to many listed in a previous report. Prostitutes rapped on closed windows and beckoned agent to enter or called from open windows and in every case where agent inquired the cost of prostitution the answer was one dollar.

1202	Scovill Avenue
1332	" "
1241	" "
1243	" "
1253	" "
1702	" "
6304	Hawthorne Avenue
6108	Hawthorne Avenue

At each of the above listed Scovill Avenue addresses two white girls were visible, although this is purely a negro street. At the two Hawthorne Street addresses one negress appeared at each place.

At the corner of East 55th Street and Hawthorne Avenue from the Hawthorne Street entrance a negro prostitute invited agent in although what appeared to be her husband and infant child were on the porch with her.

At the Regal Hotel, 2112 Prospect Avenue, said by Patrolman John H. Jones (colored) to be a house of prostitution, agent found the place to be a low-grade upstairs hotel in a business district, which has only a few rooms not occupied by regular guests, but no girls were in evidence when the reporting agent called. The clerk said nothing to indicate the nature of the place. It has the appearance of a place where streetwalkers might take men at night.

The Royal Hotel, 2734 Euclid Avenue, also said by Officer John H. Jones to have prostitutes, was found by agent to be a part of one of the large old residences just outside the business district, operated on the rooming house plan without an office or lobby. Agent made inquiry at this hotel for a fictitious guest, but noticed nothing to indicate a place of prostitution. It also is probably a place where streetwalkers take men or where girls are available on call.



Investigation in what is called the "Little Hollywood" section of Cleveland, which is between East 65th and East 79th Streets and north about three blocks from Euclid Avenue, reflects that this section is mostly apartment houses, many of which are occupied by streetwalkers and girls available on call, but has no houses of prostitution of the window tapping variety.

Investigation in the vicinity of West 117th Street and Clifton Boulevard relative to an exclusive sporting house in operation a few doors west of this intersection was unproductive. This corner seems to be a headquarters for taxi drivers, so several of them were questioned concerning the presence of such a place in that neighborhood, but none appeared to be aware of its presence.

One taxi driver stated that the only place he knew of in that vicinity where a woman could be obtained was at 11027 Clifton Boulevard, where Ethel M. Allen operates a place for electric baths, massage and colonic irrigations. This driver stated that Ethel gave a massage along with sexual intercourse, and, therefore, felt free from arrest for prostitution. This West Lake Cab driver gave agent a card, telling him to show Ethel the card and tell her the cab driver sent him. This card of Ethel M. Allen, masso-therapist, is being retained in the Cleveland file in this case for future reference.

For use in this investigation in the way of identifying police officers or officials, whose names come up from time to time, either through investigative activity or through telephone taps, a complete roster of the personnel of the Cleveland Police Department has been obtained from Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety, and it will be made a part of this file for reference purposes.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, August 8, 1936, in the above matter, wherein it is requested that Mike Boosallis be interviewed with reference to the racket set-up in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, whereby he is permitted to install digger machines owned by him in these two cities.

M. Boosallis, who now resides at 7711 Euclid Avenue, apartment 107-B, Cleveland, Ohio, advised he is the owner of 34 of the so-called digger machines, often referred to as crane or claw machines. At the present time he has 21 of these machines operating in Washington, DC; 6 in Cleveland and 7 at Geauga Lake near Cleveland. He has no machines

at Toledo, Ohio, at the present time having sent the six machines which he had operating there back to Washington, DC, within the past few days. Boosallis denied having paid any protection at Toledo for the installation of these machines, this having been set out in a separate memorandum.

Mr. Boosallis stated that Jack Fetterman of the firm of Fetterman and Fetterman, attorneys in the Leader Building, Cleveland, represent the digger or claw machine operators in Cleveland and have advised that these machines can be operated in Cleveland. He stated that most of the parties who have these machines that he knows of, with the exception of one or two, are persons who started out on a small scale and have advanced to the point where they can make a fair living but do not make any large amount of money; that they are persons who have saved up a small sum of money, and being out of a job have invested it in one or two of these machines, eventually saving to the point where they can own anyway from five or six to a dozen of the machines; that none of them are graduates of any "racket", and that only the one or two mentioned above are known to have formerly been bootleggers. Mr. Boosallis stated that he entered this business three and one-half years ago with an investment of \$150 for one of the digger machines, and by hard work has in that time advanced to the point where he owns these 34 machines. He stated he is now working a good living out of this; that one man operating ten of these machines by himself and not employing any outside help can make a good living therefrom. He stated that six machines would hardly be sufficient to insure one man a good living.

With reference to the situation in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Boosallis stated that he has not been approached by anyone requesting that he pay to anyone for the privilege of operating, and that he has not paid protection to anyone. He started to operate in Cleveland, he stated, only on the assurance of Attorney Fetterman that these machines could legally be operated. At no time has he been threatened with the destruction of these machines, if he does not pay off. About a year ago he heard a rumor among the operators of machines in Cleveland that it was necessary to pay off or be run out. However, he claimed that he could not recall the source of this rumor nor could he recall who the alleged payoff was supposed to be to. It is agent's belief that Boosallis knows the source of this rumor and who the alleged payoff was to be made to, but hesitates to give out this information. He suggested that Mr. Pearlman, whose first name he could not recall, but who was the boss at the Acme Novelty Company, 5711 Euclid Avenue, which company operates digger machines and pin ball games, would, in all probability, be able to tell who ever demanded a payoff in Cleveland. With reference to this company, Mr. Boosallis stated that there

were three Pearlman's connected with the company, but suggested that only the one who was the head of the company be interviewed. He also stated that perhaps Henry Epstein of the American Novelty Company, 12th and Chester, which company operates other machines, as well as digger machines in Cleveland, might be a source of information. Should neither of these parties be able to name who the payoff man on these machines was supposed to be, he was sure that they could give information as to the party or parties to be contacted for this information. It was the belief of Mr. Boosallis that either or both of the men mentioned above would be willing to give any information they might have concerning any payoff, as it would be to their interest, if the machines they were operating could legally be operated, to assist in stopping such a payoff. These companies, he stated, supply machines to many of the smaller operators.

Mr. Boosallis further advised that previous to going into the business of operating digger machines he was in the wholesale candy business in Washington, DC, at which he was making a very scant living. About a year ago he first began to operate in the vicinity of Cleveland and has been living in Cleveland for about six months. For seven years previous to moving to Cleveland Mr. Boosallis stated he lived in Washington, D. C. Mr. Boosallis is married and has two children about the ages of six and seven. His wife and children reside with him. He stated that he would endeavor to secure additional information concerning any payoff in Cleveland, and in the event he was able to secure any further information, he requested that his name not be mentioned in connection therewith.

During the period of this report a review of this file is still being made for undeveloped leads relative to the harboring situation in Cleveland.

In view of the importance of talking with Milton Lett, a summary report as to him is being prepared, setting out all known data concerning him and indicating undeveloped leads for future investigation looking toward his apprehension.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE at CLEVELAND, OH, will continue investigation of results of telephone taps on Ardell Quinn and Nate Weisenberg.

Will re-interview Frank K. Wiesenberger for full information he possesses relative to Karpis being in Sellers' Place near the Harvard Club with Patton and Hebebrand.

Will interview Charles Sellers for knowledge of Karpis drinking in his place with Patton, Hebebrand and others.

Will consider investigation as to novelty companies named by M. Boossellis for data on payoffs for operating pin ball machines and similar devices.

Secure from Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety, photos of police matrons. Consider advisability of getting vice and gambling data from Ness.

Confidentially interview Patrolman Walter Walker, badge No. 1059, for his knowledge of police corruption.

Letter is being addressed to the Philadelphia field office requesting interview with Morris Klineman for his knowledge of the set-up of "rackets" in Cleveland.

Effect contact with Dorothy Taylor, prostitute, on 8-28-36 and obtain additional data as to houses of prostitution, also information on set-up on payoffs to police.

Interview Messrs. Goldstein and "Solly", also Miss Flowers, for information on the locations of houses of prostitution in the city of Cleveland.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.



Post Office Box 11429,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
August 14th, 1936.

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*Handwritten: G. Brennan*

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. E. J. Connelley, Inspector,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
600 U. S. Court House, Foley Square,  
New York, New York.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 2nd, 1936, in which you transmitted to me Money Orders Numbers 59203, 59204 and 59205, for one hundred dollars (\$100.00) each, two hundred dollars (\$200.00) of which was to be given to [redacted] of this office and the other one hundred dollars (\$100.00) was to reimburse me for that amount which had been previously given by me to [redacted]

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On August 12th, 1936 I turned over [redacted] two hundred dollars (\$200.00) in cash and obtained an informal receipt for three hundred dollars (\$300.00), which I am forwarding to you, as I presume you will wish to

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Mr. E. J. Connelley

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file this with the Blue Slip which you will submit to the Bureau. I did not make this receipt more formal as [redacted] might become suspicious of the purpose of this receipt and I am doing everything in my power to develop [redacted] or use in this District.

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It is my opinion that further payments should be made to this Informant in line with the suggestion previously made by you; that is, to turn over two or three hundred dollars at a time until the entire sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) has been paid. I, therefore, suggest that within the next thirty days, if you consider it advisable, you forward to me an additional two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to be paid this Informant and that in December when the season opens at Hot Springs, Arkansas, consideration be given to further payments from that time until the racing starts in February, when the season will be at its height.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES HANCOCK,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc: Bureau

Enclosure (1)

1442 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

August 26, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the harboring and related investigation being presently conducted in Cleveland as a result of the presence of Alvin Karpis and other persons in the city, information has been obtained that the subjects of this case were able to obtain cover in Cleveland through gambling connections and because of tie-ups between the police and gamblers and persons connected with other rackets. It has been ascertained that one MORRIS KLINEMAN, now an inmate of the Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, was formerly an intimate associate of Samuel T. Ebas, a Cleveland attorney, and of Nate Eisenberg, who is regarded as one of the big shots in the slot machine racket in this city.

An interview with Klineman for the purpose of obtaining all data possible concerning his knowledge of rackets in Cleveland is desirable, and you are accordingly requested to have such an interview conducted. It would also be desirable to obtain all information Klineman may have as to the Harvard Club, a gambling establishment located in a suburb of Cleveland, and concerning Shimmy Patton and Art Hebebrand, co-operators of the place.

Kindly have the special agent assigned to make this interview secure as much detailed information as is possible and cover at least the gambling and vice rackets.

It will be appreciated if you will have this interview expedited.

Very truly yours,

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J. F. MAC FARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 26, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

On August 24, 1936, Miss Ruby Lillie, 1301 15th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., called here, indicating that she had received advice that William J. Harrison, formerly indicted in the Bremer case was her uncle. It will be recalled that at your suggestion I obtained a copy of the Identification Order on this person (now deceased) and showed it to her. This visitor then stated she believed her information was incorrect.

Respectfully,

*des*

L. C. Schilder.

- Mr. Nathan ✓
- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Joseph
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*Mr. Tamm - Chicago  
Please note the note attached to the original  
at the bottom of the envelope.*

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MAIL CLERK:

This is the letter I inquired about. Please note the note attached to the yellow. Will this assure the original being returned to Mr. Tamm for delivery by special messenger? hcb

August 27, 1936

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

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In connection with the harboring investigation being conducted in Cleveland, as a result of the various members of the Karpis-Barker gang having been furnished cover in this city, efforts are being made to ascertain the identities of the various individuals employed in the past at the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland, inasmuch as Arthur W. Hebebrand and James A. Patton, operators of this establishment, are the persons primarily responsible for the harboring violation and as Alvin Karpis and others of the gang frequented this place at least during the year 1934.

In an effort to obtain information as to the names of the employes of the Harvard Club, it is requested that interview be had at the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Washington, D. C., in order to learn if Hebebrand or Patton, either as individuals or partners or under the corporate name of the club, set out any information in their income tax returns relative to the employes at the club. It is my understanding that firms having persons in their employ receiving remuneration in excess of the minimum exemption are required to furnish the government with the names of the employes in this classification along with the salary paid to them. It is desired that inquiry in this latter connection also be made.

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The Harvard Club is located at 3113 Harvard Avenue, Newburgh Heights, Ohio, although this section is generally regarded as being a part of Cleveland.

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It will be greatly appreciated if you will have this investigation conducted just as expeditiously as possible.

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Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*  
RTR

J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Cincinnati  
Chicago  
St. Paul

*Let. to Mr. Tamm, Bureau of Investigation, City of...*  
9-24-36 RCL

September 24, 1936.

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The Honorable,  
The Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

My dear Mr. Secretary:

During the course of an official investigation being conducted at Cleveland, Ohio, by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it has become desirable to obtain all information possible concerning the employees of a gambling establishment known as the "Harvard Club", which is located at 3113 Harvard Avenue, Newburgh Heights, Ohio, which is a suburb of Cleveland.

It would be appreciated, if you would advise me whether a list of these employees is on file at the Office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and, if so, would you kindly furnish to the bearer of this letter a copy of the list of these employees with such other information as your files might contain concerning them.

Sincerely yours,

Attorney General.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington

*Original  
Signed by A.G.  
& sent to me  
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*Re...*

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

August 27, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
New York City

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

While maintaining a telephone tap on the telephone of Ardelle Quinn, a notorious madame in this city, information was obtained that may be of interest to the New York field office in connection with a probable violation of the White Slave Traffic Act.

A prostitute who is at present working at the house of Ardelle Quinn under the name of Louise Martin, made a long distance telephone call to Percy Mayas, Lehigh 4-9234, apartment 1-C, New York City. This call was placed in the name of Elaine Mayas, and the substance of the conversation was to the effect that she had mailed him some money the day previous, but he insisted that she send him more.

This call was made on August 20, 1936, and on the 22nd instant Percy Mayas, evidently a Greek, called Elaine Mayas at the house of Ardelle Quinn and again insisted that she send him more money. When this call was completed the New York operator inquired of Elaine Mayas the address of Percy Mayas, as he had left the pay station owing the telephone company \$1.05. The address of Mayas, as given by Elaine to the operator, is 138 West 58th Street, New York City.

The above information is being furnished you for such investigative action as you may see fit relative to a probable violation of the White Slave Traffic Act.

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Very truly yours,

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J. P. McC...  
Special Agent in Charge

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*George Edward*



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Post Office box 912

Chicago, Illinois

August 26, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In line with Bureau letter of August 20, 1936, this Office is forwarding to your Office two photographs of the exterior of the home of Harold Alderton, in which house Mr. Bremer was held a victim.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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Cincinnati, Ohio

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Special Agent In Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to your letter of August 26, 1936, requesting a listing on 1936 Ohio license #~~T-450-N~~.

Please be advised that the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, informs this office that there was no license issued in the above series higher than the number 50.

On the assumption that the correct license might have been T-50-N, it was ascertained that this was issued to L. N. Strawser, 2779 Johnstown Pike, Columbus, Ohio, for 1924 Ford coupe, motor #9037411.

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Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent In Charge

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

August 28, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Erekid

Dear Sir:

There has been mailed to the Chicago field office, under separate cover, a large photograph, approximately 11x16 inches, bearing the pictures of a woman and of a young boy. The woman is Mrs. Mildred H. Wilcox, policewoman at Cleveland, Ohio.

For use in the harboring investigation presently being conducted here it is requested that you have the photographer at the Chicago office reproduce the picture of the woman and forward three copies of same to this office. Only the photo of the woman is desired.

Please return the original when the reproductions have been made.

It will be greatly appreciated if you will have this work expedited.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Cleveland, Ohio  
August 28, 1936

E. J. CONNELLY  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1130 Enquirer Building  
Cincinnati, Ohio

BREXID RETEL TWENTY FIFTH INSTANT ADVISE RESULTS CHECK AUTO  
REGISTRATION SHARKEY GORMAN

MAC FARLAND

10:30 am

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

August 28, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Erskid

Dear Sir:

There are attached hereto photographs of Dave Miller, Alex (Alky) Miller and Dan Gallagher, and it is requested that six copies of them be made and forwarded to the Cleveland field office.

It is requested that this matter be expedited in view of the investigation presently being conducted by the Cleveland office.

Very truly yours,

J. F. MAC FARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 29, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the harboring investigation presently being conducted at Toledo, Ohio, please furnish the Cleveland Office of this Bureau with the present addresses of the following Agents who worked in Toledo, Ohio, during 1934:

- Former SAC William Larson
- M. W. Meekins - *no recall*
- R. C. Chapman
- A. Dickstein - *no recall*
- D. E. Hall
- J. L. Murphy
- W. E. Peters
- D. R. Allen (A)
- L. A. Quindry (A) - *no recall*
- N. E. Manson (A) - *no recall*
- R. H. Laughlin (A) - *no recall*
- J. G. Michalek

Very truly yours,

*H. H. Reinecke*

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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September 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

In accordance with the request in the letter from the Detroit office to the Bureau dated August 29, 1936, you are advised the following addresses are the latest on file in the Bureau for the employees and former employees named:

William Larson, former SAC, c/o General Motors Corporation, Detroit, Michigan.

M. F. Perkins, Special Agent, Nashville field office.

H. G. Chapman, former Special Agent, 1077 West 23rd Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

A. Dickstein, Special Agent, Trenton field office.

L. E. Hall, former Special Agent, c/o Mrs. Lucy C. Hall, P.O. Box 101, Fowler, Indiana.

J. L. Murphy, former Special Agent, 150 West Euclid Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

N. E. Peters, former Special Agent, 211 Highland Avenue, Salem, Ohio.

Bruce R. Allen, former Special Agent (A), 250 Farragut Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

L. A. Quindry, Special Agent (A), Milwaukee field office.

W. E. Hanson, Special Agent (A), Cleveland field office.

V. H. Laughlin, Special Agent (A), Louisville field office.

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J. G. Michalek, former Special Agent, Somerset  
Apartments, 1527 East Jefferson Avenue,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

CC-Detroit  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

August 28, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of a letter dated August 22, 1936, written to Dolores Delaney, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, by Mrs. Clara Verute, 525 North Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois, sister of Subject Alvin Karpis.

A photostatic copy of this letter was received at this office through Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the Detention Farm.

Very truly yours,

*H. H. Feinecke*  
H. H. Feinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Addressed: Miss Dolores Delaney,  
Box 1000,  
Milan, Michigan.

Return Mrs. C. Venute,  
Address: 525 N. Wood Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

525 N. Wood St.  
Chicago, Ill.  
Aug. 22, 1936

Dear Dolores:

I hope you received my other letter about Al. Be sure to mention in your letters to my Dad if you receive this.

I'm so sorry Dolores, but Al will not be allowed to write to you. I know how you must want to hear from him. However if you can obtain permission to write to him, he said he would be allowed to receive the letters. He has been assigned to work in the Distributing Dept. in the Laundry. He says it is nice clean work but he would say that to make us feel good about it. He also asked me to write & tell you that he can do nothing about that money in Florida & that if you can, to try to get it sooner or later.

Ray is doing fine. He sure is sweet but he really is a case. Mother said your brother was over the other day. Have you heard from any of your people lately?

This is the way you must address Al's letters

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Of course his letters are all strictly censored.

They say in the slip which was enclosed with his letter that you should limit your correspondence to family or business affairs or both & it can not contain criminal or objectionable material. So be very careful in what you write to him, Dolores. Be

sure, also to address him as "Karpavicz" not Karpis as it will only delay your letter.

I hope you are well & that things are not going too badly for you. I am,

Sincerely yours,

Clara

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR  
EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

August 27, 1936.

- Mr. Nathan .....
- Mr. Tolson .....
- Mr. Ladd .....
- Mr. Clegg .....
- Mr. Glavin .....
- Mr. Nichols .....
- Mr. Rosen .....
- Mr. Tracy .....
- Miss Gandy .....

Time - 2:11 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Byron Bolton.

During a telephonic conversation which I had with Mr. Stein at the St. Paul Office, he said that he is advised by the United States Marshal that he intends to remove Byron Bolton tomorrow afternoon to Milan, Michigan. While the plans are being secretly made, and no one knows of the impending removal of this man, the Marshal wanted to know if we could arrange to have some Agents meet their train in Chicago and accompany the party over to the Pennsylvania Station where they will board the train for Milan.

I told Mr. Stein that we would assist the Marshal in this matter, instructing him to get in touch with Mr. Ladd at the Chicago Office and tell him to meet the Marshal when he arrives at the appointed time; that we want a sufficient number of cars with the proper equipment, a sufficient number of men, a proper surveillance of the place before the time arrives, and every precaution taken so that we won't have a repetition of the Kansas City Massacre.

Mr. Stein mentioned that the Marshal indicated it would be all right with him if our Agents went along with his removal party for the protection of this man, but as I do not feel this is necessary or desirable, I told Mr. Stein he should send no men along with the Marshal.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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CINCINNATI, OHIO  
AUGUST 28, 1936

*Edw. G. ...*

J P MACFARLAND  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
1448 STANDARD BUILDING  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

BREKID BUREAU MOTOR VEHICLES COLUMBUS ADVISED NO AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION IN NAME

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1130 Enquirer Building  
Cincinnati, Ohio

JET:MDR  
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August 28, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: "BRKID."

Dear Sir:

As requested in telegram from the Cleveland Office dated August 26, 1936, Agent J. E. Thornton checked at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, regarding a car which might have been registered by one GRANT W. COOPER, however, there is no car registered in the state of Ohio by such a person.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE # **30**

REPORT MADE AT <b>St. Paul, Minn.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-27-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8-20-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>S. W. HARDY</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1232, etal. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;"><b>P.</b></p> <p>Helen Marks is FBI number 35750, a shoplifter residing 513 1/2 Wabasha, St. Paul, at present. William Mormon not known under that name to Minneapolis or St. Paul police.</p>			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, Chicago, Illinois, June 27, 1936.			
DETAILS: <p>513 1/2 Wabasha Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, is the Glendale Apartment Hotel operated by Caleb Hassie who stated that Mrs. Helen Marks has lived there intermittently for the past three months; that she has made two trips during that time, stating that she went to Chicago on those occasions, staying about two weeks each time; that she has another woman with her in her one-room apartment which is number 38 at the present time. Mr. Hassie did not know the name of the other woman. He states that she does not as a rule entertain any men in her apartment and that the only man he had seen there was a Jewish man approximately 55 - 65 years old, named Sam, who used to be a tailor in the Globe Building.</p> <p>From the description of this Sam, it is known that he is Sam Leff alias Sam Loff, a notorious fence of St. Paul, brother of Nathan Leff alias Nathan Neff, who is at present on probation in Federal Court at St. Paul, Minnesota, after conviction on a Theft from Interstate Shipment case.</p> <p>On August 20, 1936, Agent observed Helen Marks get in a 1936 black Plymouth Sedan bearing Minnesota plates B-537,924. This car is listed to her and her address on the license record is shown as 44 North Lexington,</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>B. W. L. W.</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
3- Bureau 2- Cincinnati 1- Cleveland 1- Chicago 2- St. Paul		<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">71576-12736</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">AUG 31 1936</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">SEP 11 1936</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">SWH: SEC</p>	

BY TELETYPE FILE S. P. I.

St. Paul, Minnesota, The car bears motor 250,956. *H. Lyons*

Minneapolis Police Department records reflect that Helen Marks is FBI number 35750, a shoplifter; that she has an extensive criminal record as a shoplifter from 1903 to the present time. Some of her aliases follow:

As MAY CONWAY she is Cleveland, Ohio, Police Department number 25321.

As JULIA THORNTON she is Toledo, Ohio, Police Department number 17588.

As ELIZABETH SMITH she is Chicago, Illinois, Police Department number C-52751.

As HELEN MARTIN she is Minneapolis, Minnesota, Police Department number 24184.

As HELEN MARKS, she is St. Paul, Minnesota, Police Department 26482.

Minneapolis police records reflect she is sister of Bobby Newton, a confidence man, and that she was the wife of a man named MARKS alias "ST. PAUL SIKES" a thief who dropped dead in New York while picking pockets a few years ago.

At the time of her arrest in Minneapolis in 1933 she was with another shoplifter named Catherine Sloane, wife of Charley Albany, who is a Minneapolis thief living off his wife's earnings as a shoplifter.

Helen Marks and Catherine Sloane were defended by Attorney Archie Carey of Minneapolis on shoplifting charge in November, 1932. In January, 1933, they were living at the home of Marty Joyce, 1355 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis. Joyce at that time rented rooms in his house to small time racketeers around Minneapolis.

This Helen Marks is evidently the party who corresponded with C. P. Bertsche, 6208 Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, June 12, 1936.

Since William Elmer Mead has been apprehended, in the meantime the Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office instructed that Helen Marks should not be interviewed. He also instructed that the lead appearing in report of reference for the St. Paul Office at Staples, Minnesota, to ascertain Mead's location, should be disregarded in view of the recent apprehension of Mead.

At the Radisson Hotel in Minneapolis, Assistant Manager C. O. Olson was contacted and he stated that there had not been any incident of a man being thrown from the balcony of that hotel during the past year that he knew of. This was verified by a number of bellboys whom he called to question about such an incident. The Minneapolis Police did not know anything about such an incident.

Assistant Manager Olson checked his records to ascertain whether G. Miller alias J. J. Miller alias F. A. Morgan, had been at the Radisson Hotel during the past year, with negative results. Neither he, nor house detective Tynson, knew of this party nor of anyone using the alias of "Reno Red".

The Minneapolis Police Record Bureau and the St. Paul Police Record Bureau do not reflect this G. Miller, alias J. J. Miller alias F. A. Morgan alias "Reno Red" under any of those names. However, it was ascertained at the Minneapolis Police Record Bureau that a confidence man using the name "Reno Red" had been in Minneapolis at some time during the past several years. However, this information had just come from other confidence men during questioning, and no police record of "Reno Red" could be located under his known names.

Officers in the St. Paul and Minneapolis Police Departments were contacted with regard to William Mormon but none of them seemed to know such a person and a check of police records failed to reflect that there was a record on such a party.

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 28, 1936

*Handwritten initials*

*Edw G. Bremer*

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This will acknowledge receipt of photo-  
static copy of letter written to Dolores Delaney,  
an inmate of your institution, under date of August  
22, 1936, by Mrs. Clara Venute, 525 North Wood  
Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Thanking you for your cooperation in  
transmitting this letter to us, I remain,

Very truly yours,

H. E. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

HPR:AM  
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R. D. BROWN  
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
 US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 722 MIDLAND S. VINGE BUILDING  
 DENVER, COLORADO

B REID SECURE INCIDENT BY PHOTOGRAPH S. M. L. L. N. ARRESTED DRIVER POLICE  
 NINETEEN THIRTY ONE ON NINETEEN TWENTY TWO FOR LONDON ENGLAND AUTHORITIES  
 ON SWINDLE CHARGES FORWARD PHOTOGRAPH CINCINNATI OFFICE AIR MAIL SPECIAL  
 DELIVERY

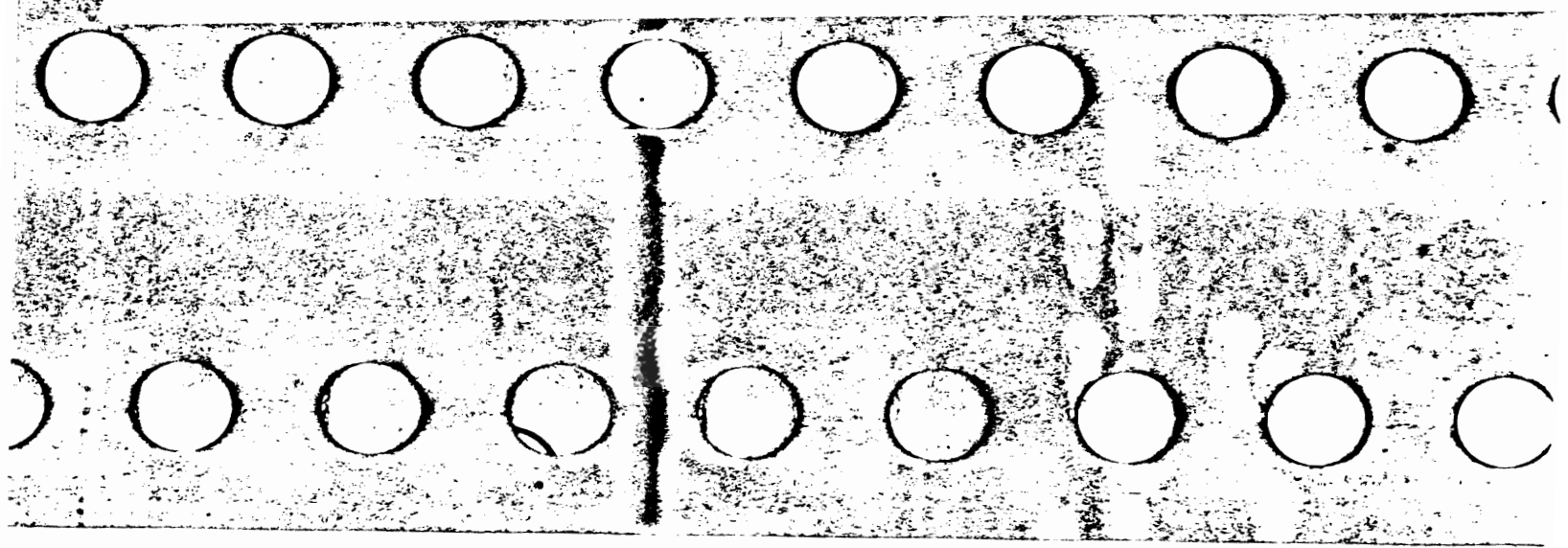
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cc Bureau, Cincinnati, New York

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404 New York Building  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
August 25, 1936

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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: HANAP - BREKID

Reference is made to your letter of August 20, 1936 submitting copies of ransom notes in the above mentioned cases. However, copies of two ransom notes in the Brekid case were not included. One, undated, which is partially quoted as follows:

"Chas. McGee

"You must be proud of yourself by now. If Brauer dont get back his family has you to thank Youve made it almost impossible but were going to give one more chance - the last.

"First of all all coppers must be pulled off.

"Second the dough must be ready.

"Third we must have a new signal. When you are ready to meet our terms place a N.R.A. sticker in the center of each of your office windows. Well know if the coppers are pulled or not.

The second note is the one that McGee, the intermediary, found in the pocket of his automobile at 969 University Avenue, St. Paul. It appears to have been the final note in the Brekid case, and was delivered on either February 8 or 9, 1934. It instructed the payoff man to drive down a certain road until he saw red flashlights and then to throw the money out.

It is requested that photographic copies of these notes be furnished this office AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY, for transmittal to Mr. Connolly.

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Very truly yours,

CWS:ACF

cc Chicago (2)  
Cincinnati "  
Cleveland "

C. W. STEIN  
Special Agent in Charge

VIA AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY

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August 29, 1936.

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Mr. C. W. Stein,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
404 New York Building,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: RANAP - BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 25, 1936, requesting photographic copies of two ransom notes in the Brekid Case, which were not included in the Bureau's letter of August 20th.

One, undated, beginning as follows, is transmitted herewith.

"Chas. McGee

"You must be proud of yourself by now."

The second note requested is the one McGee, the intermediary, found in the pocket of his automobile in front of 969 University Avenue, St. Paul. Please be advised that a photographic copy of this note is not on file in the Bureau's photographic file and therefore is not being transmitted.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #571421.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

cc - Chicago  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland

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R. E. VETTERLI  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
1300 LIBERTY TRUST BLDG.  
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

RE BREKID SECURE IMMEDIATELY PHOTOGRAPHS FRANK C. DAVIS CONVICTED NINETEEN THIRTY TWO SDNY ON MAIL FRAUD SENTENCED NORTHEASTERN PENITENTIARY LEWISBURG SENTENCE COMPUTED SUMMER NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE ALSO PHOTOGRAPHS WILLIAM O'BRIEN CONVICTED NINETEEN THIRTY TWO OR THIRTY THREE SDNY MAIL FRAUD SENTENCED ONE YEAR ONE DAY SAME INSTITUTION FORWARD PHOTOGRAPHS DIRECT CINCINNATI OFFICE AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

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GOVERNMENT RATE CHARGE  
cc Bureau Cincinnati, New York

SEP 11 1936

TO SEND A MESSAGE TELEPHONE HUBBARD 1234 OR ANY POSTAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE FOR MESSENGER TELEPHONE POSTAL TELEGRAPH OR RING POSTAL CALL BOX.

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

August 31, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
New York City

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from this office to New York dated August 27, 1936, as to the girl by the name of Elaine Mayas alias Louise Martin relative to a possible White Slave Traffic Act matter.

On the night of August 28, 1936, Louise Martin talked to her mother in Sistersville, West Virginia, at which time she stated that she was leaving Cleveland for New York City at 1:30 a.m., the following morning. During this conversation she was asked by her mother where in the city of New York she could be reached in the event it was necessary to get in touch with her hurriedly, to which she replied she could be reached at 77 Lenox Avenue. No telephone number was given, but due to the fact that this is not the address as given for Percy Mayas it is thought this is probably a house of prostitution or a call house.

The fact that she has left Cleveland was confirmed over this telephone tap, as Ardell Quinn informed some person calling for Louise that she had left the city.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Bureau  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# 115-1

CAA:EG

Laboratory Report

Case:

August 27, 1936.

Number:

7-576-12652

Re: **Reid**

Specimens:

A. Two pages of the sample hand writing of Mrs. Edna Murray.

Examination requested by:

**Kansas City Office**

Date received:

**8/24/36**

Examination requested:

**Document**

Result of examination:

Examination by: **Appel**

Comparison of the above known writing with anonymous letters in general and other questioned writings in various cases will be completed as soon as other known gangsters' writings are collected.

*Edna Murray  
X anonymous communications*

- 1 - Bureau
- 1 - Kansas City
- 1 - Cincinnati
- 1 - Cleveland
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- 1 - Chicago
- 1 - W. Connelley, Chicago
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August 27, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

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 August 24, 1936.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure:

#1049590

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

*Handwritten notes and signatures:*  
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L.H.P.  
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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

July 7, 1936

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: BREKID

You will recall that it has been rumored from time to time that a pay off was made by members of the Karpis-Barker gang during September, 1934, when they are alleged to have been tipped off by members of the Cleveland Police Department. There has been some intimation that a diamond bracelet was the consideration for this tip off. James Spear, a detective on the Shaker Heights Police Department, which city lies adjacent to Cleveland, has advised that he has heard rumors that at the time a raid was conducted on the residence of Karpis in Cleveland, Ohio during September, 1934, a police sergeant, whose identity is not known, and who was in charge of the raid squad, ordered the cruisers to meet on a street next to the street on which the gang was living, and that he sent one cruiser to stop in front of the correct address which was a signal for the mob to leave. Spear has declared that two of the detectives in the cruiser which stopped in front of the house had no knowledge of the setup. According to Spear the pay off was a diamond bracelet. The two detectives in the cruiser who are alleged to have been ignorant of the entire affair, are said to be Lugo and Jacobs. Jacobs is now dead. The Sergeant in charge of the detail was Bernard Wolf. Wolf, as you will recall, was the officer of the Cleveland Police Department who made the allegation after the apprehension of Karpis that agents had not cooperated with the Cleveland Police Department, and at the time a raid was conducted at the home previously occupied by Wynona Burdette and Harry Campbell, a shooting ~~was~~ most arose between agents and members of the Cleveland Police Department.

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The Cleveland Office has ascertained that one Ferris, a lieutenant of the Pittsburgh Police Department, at one time had a run-in with Bernard Wolf and it is alleged that he may have information of value concerning Wolf. The Pittsburgh Office has been called upon to interview Ferris to this end.

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In previous memoranda I have informed you of advice received from Gladys Sawyer to the effect that a police matron had expressed a willingness during September, 1934 to place Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon on the streets in consideration of \$500.00. Safety Director Eliot Ness of Cleveland, Ohio, has expressed a willingness to cooperate in this matter and has promised to secure the names of all matrons and detectives who were on duty on September 5, 1934. This matter will be followed up by the Cleveland Office.

Monrath Larson, a motorcycle officer of the Toledo Police Department, and a former member of the Vice Squad under Captain George Timiney, has advised agents in Toledo that after Bureau Agents commenced interviewing several madams operating houses of prostitution, most of these houses immediately closed down; that the pay off for the month had been made at that time, and when the houses closed the collector was forced to "kick back" part of the collection. Larson informed that it is reported that the City Hall newspaper reporters get \$200.00 a month each from the "take"; that the reporters are Joe Gibbs, Mike Desmond, and Jack Flanigan; and that Gibbs and Desmond are very close friends of Captain Timiney and give him a boost whenever possible. Larson has also informed that one Julius Davis, a jeweler, has been around to the various houses of prostitution and has instructed the landladies and inmates thereof to keep still and not to sign statements.

Captain Charles Hennessy, also of the Toledo Police Department, and who was formerly in charge of the Vice Squad, advised agents that he resigned as head of the Vice Squad on February 16, 1934, and stated that he refused to take graft and would not play ball with the criminal element. Hennessy also informed that Ted and Bert Angus handled graft from vice and other sources for six or seven years until Timiney was removed from the Vice and Hoodlum Squads; that he has no doubts but that Timiney knew the true identities of members of the Karpis-Barker gang when they were in Toledo during the summer of 1934. It is also interesting to note that one Frank Roush, who was formerly a policeman in Toledo, resigned some time ago in order to enter the slot machine business.

Detective James Ford of the Toledo Police Department was likewise formerly in charge of the Vice Squad. He advised that the Licovoli mob was imported into Toledo by the Fretti brothers to take



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over the manufacture of liquor. Ford stated that when he heard of the presence of the Licovoli mob he sent out word that they would not be tolerated in Toledo and that three days later he was removed from the Vice and Hoodlum Squads.

Information has been obtained that George Timiney formerly cohabited with a woman known as Deane Allen, and that he is now living with one Edith Marks who is the former wife of the deceased Chet Marks, an underworld character. In fact it has been shown that Timiney's bonus money was sent to the address occupied by Edith Marks.

A signed statement has been obtained from Mrs. Petra Kooper of Toledo, Ohio, who was a close personal friend of Clara McGraw. Campbell, as you will recall, resided at the McGraw home and it was there that he met Gertrude Billeter. In her statement Mrs. Kooper alleges that she was introduced to Harry Campbell by Clara McGraw under the name of Bob Miller; that Clara McGraw alleged Miller to be her cousin and to be engaged as a contractor. Some time thereafter Clara McGraw informed Mrs. Kooper that Campbell was not in fact her cousin, but gave no further explanation. It would undoubtedly appear that Clara and Edward McGraw were thoroughly cognizant of the true identity of Campbell. There is the additional factor that Charles A. Fitzgerald, as early as 1919, was frequenting Toledo, Ohio in the liquor racket, and at that time was acquainted with Fred and Catherine Goulet who operate a restaurant known as the Goulet Grill at which place Harry Campbell and Sheriff James O'Reilly frequently drank beer and conversed together concerning dogs. The Goulets and McGraws are well known to one another and it is not unreasonable to suppose that Campbell may have had an entree to many persons in Toledo including the McGraws and Goulets through Fitzgerald.

Information has now been obtained from Charles C. Long of Chicago, who you will recall was the former companion of William Elmer Meade, to the effect that the "fix" in Toledo, Ohio is usually collected by Sam Hessler, an underworld character. Hessler in turn accomplishes his "fix" through Sergeant William Culver. Long alleged that Culver collected this graft for Captain George Timiney.

Respectfully,

*K. R. McIntire*

K. R. McIntire.

*E.*

POST OFFICE BOX 112  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44101

August 31, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BRKID

As requested in your letter of August 19, 1936 I have had prepared at this office copies of the photographs of those individuals named in your letter, with the exception of the photographs of Tom Marshall, John Brown, and W. Milton.

Six of each of these photographs are being forwarded to you herewith.

Very truly yours,

E. M. LADD

Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box #1525  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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August 29, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

REKID

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith additional lists of sales of the Thompson Sub-Machine Gun, furnished this office by the Federal Laboratories, Inc., at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania today.

Very truly yours,

*R. L. Shivers*  
R. L. SHIVERS  
Special Agent in Charge

HLS: IW  
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cc: Cincinnati

*Edward G. Brennan*

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<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Serial Nos.</u>
City of Madison Police Dept.	5/11/34	2	3425 13397
Sheriff Brown Count. , Green Bay	5/12/34	2	6065 3247
Lincoln County 1104 East 1st St. Merrill	5/16/34	1	7043
City of Merrill Police Dept.	5/16/34	1	7644
City of Wausau	5/16/34	2	7022 7379
Dane County, Madison	5/29/34	2	13261 13267
City of Plymouth Police Dept.	6/7/34	1	13468
City of Green Bay Police Dept.	10/6/30	1	9055

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN WYOMING FROM  
OCTOBER 22, 1929, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS  
THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>date</u>	<u>quantity</u>	<u>Serial Nos.</u>
Wyoming State Penitentiary, Rawlins	10/22/29	1	6599
Sheriff Sheridan County, Sheridan	2/11/31	2	3077 2222
Law Enforcement Dept. State of Wisconsin Cheyenne	4/4/31	1	2834
Police Dept., Cheyenne	4/10/31	1	9005
Police Dept., Casper	7/21/31	1	6902
Sheriff Carbon County, Rawlins	6/10/33	1	3646
City of Laramie Police Dept.	11/17/33	1	5432
Natrona County, Casper	3/30/34	2	7167 5662

ALL THESE RECORDS AS LISTED 3.2.7



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 OF THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN WASHINGTON  
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<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Serial Nos.</u>
Piper and Taft, Seattle	12/20/28	2	8657 8482
Overland Package Freight Service, Seattle	5/21/29	5	4661 4680 4202 4037 4422
Art Burnside N. 2208 Dakota, Spokane	7/6/29	1	1360
" "	8/5/29	3	6163 6208 6965
" "	8/12/29	2	6622 5774
Sheriff of King-Claude, Barnich County Seattle	10/4/29	2	6525 5811
Sheriff Dill, Kelso	10/15/29	1	9091 Returned
Sheriff Yakima County, Yakima	11/26/29	1	6086
Art Burnside Sporting Goods Co. N. 2208 Dakota St. Spokane	1/10/30	2	7375 6862
" "	1/18/30	2	5574 6666
" "	1/24/30	1	6321
George Kwan 214 Washington St. Seattle	9/4/30	1	4680
Chief of Police, Raymond	9/20/30	1	8990
Chief of Police, Yakima	9/23/30	1	8680
Bellingham Police Dept.	9/30/30	1	8998
Sheriff Whatcom County, Bellingham	9/30/30	1	8425
Chief of Police, Everett	1/3/31	1	8756
Sheriff Walla Walla County Walla Walla	9/23/33	1	3913
City of Tacoma Police Dept.	9/27/33	1	2408
Chief of Police, Tacoma	6/27/34	2	10446 10331
U.S. Penitentiary, McNeil Island	7/10/34	6	12758 10827 10079 1110 12791 11158
Washington State Patrol, Olympia	7/20/34	2	11524 13451

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<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
Stambaugh Thompson Co. Youngstown, Ohio	5/7/21	1	<u>223</u>
Stambaugh Thompson Co. Youngstown, Ohio	5/27/21	1	<u>909</u>
Whiteacre-Greer Fireproofing Co. Waynesburg, Ohio	6/24/21	1	<u>948</u>
A.J.Coach & Co. 222 Leader Bldg. Cleveland, Ohio	5/24/21	2	<u>147-190</u>
Cleveland Trust Co. Cleveland, Ohio	3/22/21	1	This order filled at N.Y. Office <u>165</u>
Farmers National Bank Canfield, Ohio	5/14/21	1	<u>246</u>
Note: Gun #246 returned Nov.3,1931 by Postmaster,Manville,N.J. for compensator.			
Frank P.Hall Co. Columbus, Ohio	5/24/21	1	<u>618</u>
Police Dept. Youngstown, Ohio	6/15/21	1	<u>1125</u>
F.J.Blose Delco Light Co. Dayton, Ohio	5/24/21	1	<u>610</u>
Roscoe C.Smyth Bergholz, Ohio	5/3/21	1	<u>167</u>
Brendanour Sporting Goods Co. 130 East 6th St. Cincinnati, Ohio.	9/26/21	1	<u>1271</u>
Louis Rush, Starbenville, Ohio	7/22/22	1	<u>2453</u>
The Kruse & Bahlmann Hdwe. Co. Commercial Square, Cincinnati, Ohio	11/23/25	1	<u>4384</u>
London Prison Farm, London, Ohio	7/14/26	2	<u>3834-5200</u>
The Cleveland Sport Goods Co. 1909 E. 13th Street, Cleveland, Ohio	12/15/26	1	<u>4313</u>
The Cleveland Sport Goods Co., 1909 E. 13th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.	12/28/26	1	<u>5300</u>
The Ohio Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio Shipped to: P. E. Thomas, Wardens Office, Ohio Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio	2/9/27	4	<u>5026-4973</u> <u>4074-5058</u>

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New Prison Constr. Dept., State of Ohio, London, Ohio	9/19/24	2	2312-2911
Theodore E. Eickoff, 1747 Hillview Road N E Cleveland, Ohio	9/11/24	1	1887
The O. F. Deal Hardware Co., Canton, Ohio	11/10/24	1	2789
Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio	7/20/25	2	3184-3394
H. T. Belz Hardware Co., Maumee, Ohio	9/13/28	1	7298
The Buckeye Cycle Co., 65 East Mill St., Akron, Ohio	5/20/27	1	4385
The Buckeye Cycle Co., 65 East Mill St., Akron, Ohio	6/23/27	1	3360
Frank P. Hall Co., 100 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio Shipped to: Don R. McGill, Nelsonville, Athens Co., Ohio	8/4/27	2	4846-5110
The Buckeye Cycle Co., 65 E. Mill St., Akron, Ohio	8/15/27	1	4398
Louis Rush, 335 Market St., Steubenville, Ohio	9/2/27	1	4987
The Frank P. Hall Co., 100 North High St., Columbus, Ohio Shipped to: Don R. McGill, Nelsonville, Ohio	9/27/27	1	1173
Clarence Harris, Cincinnati, Ohio Shipped to: Eugene J. Mertaugh, Hessel, Mackinac County, Michigan via St. Ignace	11/12/27	1	5169
Crawford & Deal, 335-337 Tuscarawas St. E Canton, Ohio	10/11/22	1	1738
Geo. H. Collins, Cashier, Jewett State Bank, Jewett, Ohio	10/26/22	1	744

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City of Lima, Lima, Ohio	2/5/23	1	1065
Leon L. Wolf, Johnson Paint Co., Cincinnati, Ohio LOAN	3/4/24	1	2669
Service Safety Co., Findlay, Ohio	1/19/28	1	4116
John W. Echelbeny, Director of Public Safety, Kent, Ohio	2/6/28	1	3927
Cashocton Mining Co., Cashocton, Ohio	3/9/28	1	6218
Buckeye Cycle Co., 65 East Mill St., Akron, Ohio	5/16/28	1	6659

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<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
M.E.Raya El Paso, Texas	5/24/21	1	<u>215</u>
The Petmecky Co. 505 Congress Ave. Austin, Texas	7/28/21	1	<u>2307</u>
Potchernick's 211 St. Mary's St. San Antonio, Texas.	8/9/21	2	This order fil at N.Y. Office <u>2073 2199</u>
Joseph Netzer Hdwe. Co. Laredo, Texas	10/21/21	1	<u>661</u>
Adj. Gen.'s Dept. Austin, Texas	1/6/22	1	<u>2275</u>
Potchernick's The Winchester Store San Antonio, Texas	1/17/22	1	<u>897</u>
M.E.Raya c/o Brennan & Leonard Laredo, Texas	3/15/22	5	1287-1347-1363 <u>1331-1830</u>
Garza Hdwe. Co. Eagle Pass, Texas.	3/22/22	1	<u>2210</u>
The Stockyards Nat. Bk. Fort Worth, Texas	5/13/21	1	<u>198</u>
Joseph Netzer Hardware Co., Laredo, Texas	3/23/22	2	<u>1433-2255</u>
The Petmecky Co., 505 Congress Ave., Austin, Texas	4/5/22	2	<u>200-957</u>
Fred J. Feldman Co., El Paso, Texas	4/26/22	1	<u>1925</u>
The Petmecky Co., 505 Congress Ave., Austin, Texas Shipped to: H. J. Petmecky, Albert Sigal, Del Norte Hotel, El Paso, Texas	5/8/22	1	<u>1841</u>
The Petmecky Co., 505 Congress Ave., Austin, Texas	7/12/22	2	<u>1462-1468</u>
Casso, Guerra & Co., Laredo, Texas	9/3/25	2	<u>3017-3845</u>
Murray Hardware Co., Eagle Pass, Texas	8/9/26	1	<u>2732</u>

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A. Dentz & Bro., Laredo, Texas	9/16/24	1	2850
Casso, Guerra & Co., 1301 Itrubide St., Laredo, Texas	11/28/24	1	2786
E. Moye, Receiver, Krakauer-Zork Co., El Paso, Texas	3/2/25	1	2945
Shelton-Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	6/17/25	1	3842
Guy B. Harrison, Waco, Texas LOAN	1/15/27	1	4635
F. J. Boyer, Gainesville, Texas	1/21/27	1	4685
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	2/3/27	2	4995-5042
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	2/28/27	3	4830-4927 5174
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	3/2/27	2	4917-4515
Police Dept., Dallas, Texas	3/4/27	4	5176-4976 4936-4523
Norman Lunday, City Marshall, Kenedy, Texas Shipped to: Norman Lunday, Karnes County, Hobson, Texas	4/26/27	1	3854
Shelton-Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	4/26/27	2	4867-3458
City of Berger, Texas	5/25/27	2	4748-5107
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	5/27/27	4	4441-1779 5157-5288
First National Bank, Pampa, Texas	5/31/27	1	5087
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	7/13/27	2	4498-4292
Mr. Bee Cowen, Prohibition Admr., Beaumont, Texas	8/1/27	1	4989

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Mr. Bee Cowen, 311 San Jacinto Bldg., Beaumont, Texas	9/14/27	1	5232
Note: Gun #5232 returned to have compensator attached Feb. 17, 1934 by City of Port Arthur Police Dept., Port Arthur, Texas			
City of San Antonio, Texas Shipped to: Chief of Police, San Antonio, Texas	10/1/27	1	2781
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	10/1/27	2	4153-3376
Treasurer, McLennan County, Waco, Texas Shipped to: Judge James R. Jenkins, McLennan County, Waco, Texas	11/22/27	1	5126
The Petmecky Co., 505 Congress Ave., Austin, Texas	7/28/22	1	1549
Mexican Consul, Laredo, Texas For Gen. Gustave Salinas	8/30/22	1	2023
The Petmecky Co., 505 Congress Ave., Austin, Texas Shipped to: Roy Campbell, Collector of Customs, San Antonio, Texas	9/29/22	1	2202
The Petmecky Co., 505 Congress Ave. Austin, Texas	10/2/22	4	361-657 1905-1939
Sheriff H. H. Stickley, Hemphill County, Canadian, Texas	4/30/23	1	1545
J. W. Lorentzer & Co., El Paso, Texas	9/20/23	1	2502
Note: Gun #2502 returned March 26, 1929 to be converted from 21 into U S Navy Model by Chief of Police, El Paso, Texas			
Mexico Hardware Co., El Paso, Texas	12/15/23	5	2418-2548 2577-2552 2029

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Mexico Hardware Co., El Paso, Texas	12/24/23	2	1052-2047
Laredo National Bank, Laredo, Texas	1/12/24	10	1849-1911- 2051-2085- 2117-2119- 2173-2224- 2569-2774
Imperial Trading Co., Laredo, Texas	2/13/24	2	2368-2671
Ogden & Van Auken Co., Beaumont, Texas	2/15/24	1	3000
Torreon Exchange & Com. Co., 907 Farraght St., Laredo, Texas	4/2/24	1	2330
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	5/1/28	1	6966
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	6/16/28	1	5590-7399-6804 5844-5745-6229 6000
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	6/20/28	2	6444-5975
Shelton Payne Arms Co., El Paso, Texas	7/3/28	1	6327

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W. P. Hanson, Gen. Mgr., Rosiclare Lead & Fluorspar Mining Co., Rosiclare, Ill.	5/13/21	5	342-347-352 356-358
Rock Island Arsenal (Museum) Rock Island, Ill. LOAN	8/12/21	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>
First National Bank, 38 So. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.	12/2/21	1	This order filled from N Y Office 1593
Theodore May, %J. V. Watson, Room 1108, 20 Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill. LOAN	12/10/21	1	This order filled from N Y Office Returned
A. Irving Jordan, Highland Park, Ill.	1/25/22	1	1836
Dept. of Police, Chicago, Ill.	3/9/22	1	This order filled from N Y Office Returned
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 128-132 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	5/17/22	1	512
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 128-132 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	5/22/22	1	Filled from N Y Office 1900
Western Cartridge Co., East Alton, Ill. LOAN	12/19/21	1	2188

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Von Lengerke & Antoine, 128-132 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	5/17/22	2	1664-2476
Note: Gun 1664 returned for repairs from So. Dakota Penitentiary ATT: Warden Eugene Reiley, Sioux Falls, So. Dakota and ret'd. to them April 9, 1934.			
Hibbard, Spencer & Bartlett Co., Chicago, Ill.	6/9/22	1	1655
S. Glen Young, Special Officer, Marion, Ill.	12/31/23	1	2256
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 128 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2/8/24	1	1248
Hibbard, Spencer & Bartlett & Co., Chicago, Ill.	3/14/24	2	2681-2999
The Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. LOAN	8/10/25	1	3279
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2/6/26	3	4656-4916 4645
Al Dunlop, Editor, The Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2/25/26	2	4310-4861
Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., State Street Bridge, Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: W. H. Shoemaker, Chief of Detectives, 179 North La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.	3/1/26	2	4173-4614

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Al Dunlop, Detective Publishing Co., 1029 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Highway Deputy Sheriff's Dept., Rm. 715, County Bldg., Chicago, Ill.	3/30/26	3	70-1176-3223
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Note: Gun #3454 returned for repairs June 16, 1934 by E. F. McDonald, Pres., Zenith Radio Corp., 3620 Iron St., Chicago, Ill.	4/19/26	2	3454-3042
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	8/10/26	2	310-311
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	1/20/28	1	3731
Mahoney Hardware Co., Eldora, Ill.	10/8/26	1	4689
Clifton Hatcher, Dep. Sheriff, Williamson County, Marion, Ill.	10/11/26	1	2165
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Warden Rudolph, State Prison, Jefferson City, Mo.	11/6/26	2	4284-444
Federer Miller Hardware Co., Carbondale, Ill.	12/3/26	1	4421
R. Z. Gill, Jr., Sheriff's Office, Murphysboro, Ill.	12/14/26	1	4961
R. Z. Gill, Jr., Sheriff's Office, Murphysboro, Ill.	12/17/26	1	4427
The Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	3/7/27	1	5099
The Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Lawrence Hattendorf, Sheriff, Wheaton, Ill.	3/7/27	1	4457

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The Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: H. A. Byrn, Chief of Police, Johnston City, Ill.	3/7/27	2	4681-4947
Note: Receiver #4947 returned July 3, 1930 by California Arms Co., 225 11th St., San Francisco, Calif. to have compen- sator attached			
G. N. Portman Co., 122 No Adams St., Peoria, Ill.	3/22/27	2	5046-4772
Rudolph Z. Gill, Jr., 1328 $\frac{1}{2}$ Walnut St., Murphysboro, Ill.	1/26/27	1	4413
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Sheriff Pritchard, Benton, Ill.	2/1/27	2	5106-5296
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2/1/27	1	4581
Woodward Hardware Co., Cairo, Ill.	2/3/27	1	5068
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Chief of Police, Doquoin, Ill.	2/15/27	2	4466-5290
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Chief of Police, Westfrankfort, Ill.	2/24/27	3	5294-4693- 5075
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Chief of Police, Wankegon, Ill.	6/20/27	2	2498-3406
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	6/27/27	4	3847-4200 4134-4933
Sergeant O. W. Kempster, State Police, Sterling, Ill.	7/8/27	1	3597

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Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Louis A. Bright, County Auditor, Edwardsville, Ill.	7/8/27	1	4267
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	3/29/27	1	3520
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	3/31/27	2	4945-5284
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: E. M. Stubblefield, Sheriff, Carlinville, Ill.	3/18/27	1	5172
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Frank Schram, Sheriff, Oakland County, Pontiac, Mich.	5/6/27	2	4309-4843
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	5/27/27	4	4798-4524 4518-3424
Mindes Bros. Supply Co., 15 Collinsville Ave., East St. Louis, Ill.	6/6/27	1	4899
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Police & Fire Committee, City of Ashland, Ashland, Ky.	6/15/27	1	2745
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to Chief of Police, River Rouge, Michigan	6/15/27	2	4213-2823
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	10/13/27	3	3492-4236 3979

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Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	11/19/27	2	4850-5281
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: K. D. Hiller, Chief of Police, Police Headquarters, Uhrichsville, Ohio.	11/23/27	1	3324
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	11/28/27	1	4856
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	12/27/27	2	2693-3105
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	7/16/27	1	4183
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	7/21/27	2	2960-5262
Mindes Bros. Supply Co., 15 Collinsville Ave., East St. Louis, Ill.	7/23/27	1	3393
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	7/27/27	2	2825-378
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	7/28/27	1	3752
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: H. J. Mueller, Cashier, Morton Grove Trust & Savings Bank, Morton Grove, Ill.	8/2/27	1	5115
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Sheriff Chas. Ahrens, Belleville, Ill.	8/9/27	1	4720
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Police Dept, City of East St. Louis, East St. Louis, Ill.	8/13/27	2	5136-4580

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Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	8/17/27	1	4677
Mindes Bros. Supply Co., 15 Collinsville Ave., East St. Louis, Ill.	8/23/27	2	5177-4672
Mindes Bros. Supply Co., 15 Collinsville Ave., East St. Louis, Ill.	9/19/27	1	5134
Note: #5134 was a carbine model and was returned Jan. 24, 1931 by H. Papper Estate, 6211 Easton Ave., St. Louis, Mo. to be converted to 21A.			
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Sheriff Walter Neirstheimer, McLeon County, Bloomington, Ill.	9/20/27	2	4125-4127
The Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Ross Johnson, Chief of Police, Granite City, Ill.	5/8/28	1	4502
Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., 211 East North Water St., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Illinois Merchants Trust Co., ATT: Capt. C. S. Brandt, 231 So. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.	6/7/28	2	3998-5273
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Detective Publishing Co., H. D. Harper, Chief of Police, Antlers Hotel, Colorado Springs, Colo.	6/7/28	2	7029-5316
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: The Chief of Police, Springfield, Ohio	2/2/28	1	5496
P. Von Frantzius, 608 Deversey Parkway, Chicago, Ill.	2/21/28	1	1675

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<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2/28/28	5	6159-5454- 5457-5518- 5918
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: City of Chanute, Police Dept., Chanute, Kansas	4/28/28	1	6918
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: A. R. Armstrong, Chief of Police, Pittsburg, Kansas	4/28/28	1	6334
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	1/6/28	3	3200-4013 4291
P. Von Frantzius, 608 Diversey Parkway, Chicago, Ill.	1/19/28	1	4397
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	1/19/28	1	4086
Mex American Co., 10 So. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Mex America Co's. Warehouse, 1548 West Taylor St., Chicago, Ill.	2/8/28	7	4254-4336 1729-4730 3674-5266 5060
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2/16/28	1	1492

Note: This gun returned to have compensator attached July 10, 1934 by Middletown Police Dept., Middletown, Ohio.

Note: Gun #4291 returned for repairs on Feb. 20, 1930 by John Koch Company, Rock Island, Ill.

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 Serial # 15 1/2 1897 427 3200-4013 5060

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Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: A. M. Devoursney, %Edwardsville National Bank, Edwardsville, Ill.	8/28/24	1	2636
Note: #2636 was returned for compensator and inspection May 25, 1934 by Madison County Sheriff, Edwardsville, Illinois.			
Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Shipped to: Lesley O. Farmer, Deputy Sheriff, Marion, Ill.	11/12/24	2	2347-2596
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2/25/25	2	7-576-12581 ↑ 3294-3350 7-576-12581 ↑
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	7/9/25	2	2976-3717
Von Lengerke & Antoine, 33 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	8/11/25	2	3732-3824
The Detective Publishing Co., 1029 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.	3/5/28	1	5914
Note: This gun returned to have compensator attached June 29, 1934 by Middletown Police Dept., Middletown, Ohio.			

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 THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN  
 CONNECTICUT FROM 1921 to **JULY 30, 1929.**  
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<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
State Police Dept. Hartford, Conn.	5/11/21	6	305-306-335-353 363-372
Remington Arms Co. Bridgeport, Conn.	6/2/21 Note: This gun loaned.	1	697 62-32146-333
S.M. Stone Colt's Patent Fire Arms Hartford, Conn.	8/17/21	1	3535
Remington Arms Co. Bridgeport, Conn.	9/12/21 Note: This gun loaned.	1	992
Herrick Foote, P. O. Box 548, New Haven, Conn.	4/19/27	1	1722
Herrick Foote, P. O. Box 548, New Haven, Conn. Shipped to: Chief Geo. S. A. Pickel, Police Headquarters, Linden, N. J.	5/9/27	1	2095
John F. Moran, P. O. Box 1667, New Haven, Conn. Shipped to: John F. Moran, Heany Laboratories, Whitney Ave., New Haven, Conn.	7/6/27	1	3864
State of Connecticut, Quartermaster's Dept., State Armory, Hartford, Conn.	4/11/25	4	3286-3479 3578-3695
Supply Officer, Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn.	9/12/27	1	4860
John F. Moran, P. O. Box 1667, New Haven, Conn.	11/26/27	1	Filled from N Y Office Returned
Jordan Hardware Co., 670 Main St., Willimantic, Conn.	5/1/28	1	7188
Jordan Hardware Co., 670 Main St., Willimantic, Conn.	5/29/28	1	5478

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<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
Watkins-Cottrell Co. Richmond, Va.	5/24/21	2	340-448
S.O. Fisher Lynchburg, Va.	5/2/21	2	206-213
Nelson Hardware Co. Roanoke, Va.	5/12/21	2	416-490
John M. Tanner Graham, Va.	6/3/21	1	665
The Chas. & Ohio Railway Co., Richmond, Va.	9/2/22	2	Filled from N Y Office 986 1456 997
F. J. Merkling, Elk Mountain, Waynesboro, Va. LOAN	6/17/26	1	

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 THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN  
 MASSACHUSETTS FROM 1921 TO DECEMBER 17, 1928  
 AS FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
Boston Police Dept., Boston, Mass.	5/26/21	6	540-554-562-567 575-587
Bob Smith Sporting Goods, 75 Federal St., Boston, Mass.	8/8/21	1	This order filled at N Y Office 1952
Dept. of State Police, Comm. of Mass. State House, Boston	5/13/21	1	<u>312</u>
Bob Smith, Federal Street, Boston, Mass.	5/24/21	1	<u>583</u>
Ordinance Dept., Mass. N. G., State House, Boston, Mass.	6/23/22	4	1485-1684-1968 <u>2015</u>
Selectmen, Town of Maynard, Police Dept., Maynard, Mass. Shipped to: John Connors, Deputy Chief Police, Maynard, Mass.	7/6/22	1	<u>1467</u>
Bob Smith, 75 Federal St., Boston, Mass.	12/6/23	4	2419-2445-2470 <u>2479</u>
Note: Gun #2470 returned January 1932 by Mass. State Police to have compensator attached.			
Bob Smith, 75 Federal St., Boston, Mass.	7/15/24	1	<u>2390</u>
City of Springfield, Springfield, Mass. Shipped to: Wm. J. Quilty, Chief of Police, Springfield, Mass.	7/31/26	2	<u>4282-3343</u>

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<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
Board of County Commissioners, Suwannee County, W. H. Lyle, Sheriff, Live Oak, Fla.	5/13/21	1	365
	Note: Gun #365 returned for repairs December 3, 1934 by Duval County, Jacksonville, Florida, Sheriff Rex Sweat.		
Gen. Chas. P. Lovell, The Adjutant General, St. Augustine, Fla.	8/4/22	1	1570
Col. Merian C. Cooper, 326 Market St., Jacksonville, Fla.	8/30/22	1	Filled at N Y Office Returned
Auto-Ordinance Corp., St. Petersburg, Fla.	1/21/24	6	2511-2870 2814-1988 2887-2713
J. C. Green, St. Petersburg, Fla.	5/12/24	1	3252
Dr. De Boe, 1510 Pizarro St., Coral Gables, Fla. LOAN	5/3/26	1	3148
Frank T. Budge, Co., Miami, Fla.	12/7/26	2	4501-2816
City of West Palm Beach, West Palm Beach, Fla. Shipped to: H. W. Butler, City Pur. Agent, West Palm Beach, Fla.	9/8/25	1	3793
Frank T. Budge Co., Miami, Fla.	1/21/27	1	4760
Frank T. Budge Co., Miami, Fla.	2/16/27	1	4393
Frank T. Budge Co., Miami, Fla. Shipped to: J. S. Bletch, Supt., Florida State Farm, Raiford, Fla.	7/27/27	2	5112-2183

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 THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN WISCONSIN FROM  
 SEPTEMBER 27, 1928, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS  
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<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Serial Nos.</u>
John Meunier Gun Co. 272 West Water St. Milwaukee	9/27/28	1	8094 <i>from mail in 12295</i>
Chief of Police, Kenosha	2/19/29	1	5335
Guy H. Dixon & Son Co. 246 Main St. Racine	3/5/29	1	7008
Chief of Police, Kenosha	3/13/29	1	6649
Dunham Fulton Gun Co. Oshkosh	3/20/29	1	7257
John Meunier Gun Corp. 272 West Water St, Milwaukee	3/21/29	2	7163 7244
Voigt and Christensen, Hurley	11/9/29	1	6711
WisState Prison, Waupun	11/14/29	2	5749 6214
John Meunier Gun Corp. Milwaukee	12/21/29	1	6040
" " " "	1/3/30	1	6011
Capt. W. Permain 1604 Quincy Ave., Racine	1/28/30	1	7336
John Meunier Gun Corp. Milwaukee	4/14/30	2	8630 8981
Sheriff Mueller, Baraboo	6/6/30	1	6081
Sheriff Lincoln County, Merrill	9/24/30	1	6285
Police Dept., Neenah	12/5/30	1	9963
Police Dept., Appleton	2/2/31	1	2582
Sheriff's Office, Manitowoc	7/16/31	1	5931
County Clerk, Monroe County, Sparta	1/25/32	1	10451
Kohler Police Dept. Village of Kohler, Sheboygan	3/12/32	1	7349
Police Dept., Racine	9/14/32	1	3363
Police Dept. Fond du Lac	2/24/33	1	9823
Police Dept, Eau Claire	4/19/33	1	6212
R. W. Enos, Fed. Lab. Agent Consignment, Milwaukee	6/15/33	1	3044
Sheriff Walworth County, Elkhorn	8/26/33	1	7413
Village of Shorewood 3930 North Murray Ave. Milwaukee	11/29/33	1	8130
Sheriff Juneau County, Mauston	1/23/34	1	11560
City of Marshfield Police Dept.	3/10/34	1	13703
Sheriff Langlade County, Antigo	5/8/34	1	7964
City of Antigo Police Dept.	5/9/34	1	12859

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-29-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8-16, 19, 21-26/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. C. SURAN</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Individuals who attended Sam Coker at Mercy Hospital, Toledo, Ohio, unable to identify persons who visited patient. Gertrude Miller now admits that Karpis was known to her as "Sonny"; visited Campbell at place of Ed McGraw in May 1935 and again in latter part of October 1935; that Milton Lett known to her as "Bill" visited Campbell at McGraw's place in September or October 1935; that she first met Campbell on a "call date". Sam Coker registered at Lorraine Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, on October 23, 1935. No identification made to date of Coker's visitors. Original registration cards for John Brock at Lorraine Hotel during March and November 1935 secured. Joe Roscoe and Tip O'Neil apparently good friends and visited Middle Island together. Joe Roscoe purchased interest in Middle Island in 1929 with Larry Taylor, Guy Tibbles, Gene Stacey and Walter Lammers. Clayton Hall furnished details concerning his association with Karpis, Hunter, Coker, Campbell and Lett. States Karpis and Hunter claimed that Sheriff O'Reilly and Gertie Miller did not know true identity of Campbell. William Poulos states his slot machines removed from Lucas County by deputy sheriff while those belonging to Tom Worland were permitted to operate; that Fretti brothers tried to "muscle in" on his punch board business in 1928 and when he refused to do business his stock was seized by police. Slot machines of Tom Worland continue to operate in Lucas County unmolested. O. W. Plotner advises slot machines of W-B Service removed from his filling station by deputy sheriff after he refused to do busi-

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ness with Worland; Worland's machines continue to operate in the immediate vicinity of this filling station. Mildred Kuhlman advises that Rene and Thelma Holst and Madeline Angus talked frequently of the gang knowing their true identities; that Rene Holst stated to her that Timiney backed out because gang too "hot"; that Bert Angus turned Karpis and Campbell away from Casino Club after their escape from Atlantic City and thereafter Karpis and Campbell frequented 42nd Street Cafe; that Whitey Warner associated with Willie Harrison at Cleveland, Ohio and was the "boy friend" of Rene Holst. Warner employee of Harvard Club during 1934. Telephone tap on Fretti brothers' telephone indicates they have influence with the police. Maxine Belmont apparently dealing directly with members of the Vice Squad to avoid having Shelby Hotel molested. Bill Irwin, former crap dealer at Jovial Club, Toledo, Ohio, might be person referred to by one Sellers at Cleveland, Ohio, as being friend of Karpis.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio dated 8-22-36.

DETAILS: AT TOLEDO and YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

This report covers the investigative activity of Special Agents V. E. Criss, J. L. Madala, E. J. Wynn, D. P. Sullivan, J. V. Phy and R. C. Suran, who have been engaged on the harboring investigation at Toledo, Ohio.

Special Agent E. J. Dowd has been maintaining a telephone tap on the telephone of the Amusement Games and Novelty Company (Star Vending Company), 514 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, which is the business address of Joe and Ben Fretti, who are prominent in the gambling activities in Toledo, Ohio.

Special Agents R. A. Guerin and M. J. Kavanagh have been maintaining the telephone tap on the telephone of Maxine Belmont Thomas, who is prominently engaged in the vice racket in Toledo, Ohio.

Special Agents H. B. Dill and N. S. Harzenstein are maintaining the tap on the telephone of Sadie Dann, Oxford Hotel, 825 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio, Sadie Dann being another madam of a house of prostitution mentioned prominently throughout this investigation.

Some of the conversations as appear to be significant to this investigation are being included in this report.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala at Toledo, Ohio, on August 22, 1936:

Referring to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 6-13-36 as to the apprehension of Harry Campbell, Dr. D. J. O'Leary, Mercy Hospital, was re-interviewed, and from the hospital records concerning Sam Coker who was in the hospital under the name of Robert Pratt advised that Sam Coker entered the hospital on October 30, 1935, as a patient of Dr. Howard J. Murphy. At this time he had as a special nurse Bobbie Robbletto. On October 31st Mrs. A. R. Krueger was hired as a special nurse to work from 3:00 p. m. until 11:00 p. m., and on November 2nd, 1935, Miss Dorothy Stout was hired as a special nurse to work from 11:00 p. m. until 7:00 a. m., Miss Robbletto working from 7:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. Mrs. Krueger and Miss Stout worked through until November 12, 1935. Miss Helen Duvall worked in place of Mrs. Krueger on November 7, and -8, 1935. Nurses in training at the hospital who attended Sam Coker at various times were Miss Morris, Miss Smith and Miss Promemscheckel. Coker was operated on [redacted] November 7, 1935. Coker claimed he was a salesman for the Milam Oil Company, Chelsea, Oklahoma, and had roomed at 414 East Warren Street, Columbus, Ohio, and had requested that his employer be notified in case of emergency; that he had two sisters living and well, one sister dead who died from tuberculosis and that his parents were dead. He refused to give the names of any of his relatives. b7c

Dr. Allan Avery performed the operation on November 7, 1935. The records reflected that on October 30, 7:00 p. m., Coker had one visitor. The nurse attending him at this time would be Miss Morris. On November 12, 1935, between 12:00 and 10:00 p. m. he had one visitor which would be during the time Miss Robbletto was on duty. On November 13 between 10:30 and 11:00 a. m. Coker had a visitor while Miss Robbletto was on duty. On November 15 at 7:00 p. m. he had a visitor, Miss Smith, Miss Morris or Miss Promemscheckel being on duty. On November 17th between 12:00 and 1:30 p. m. he had a visitor, Miss Robbletto being on duty. At 7:00 p. m. on the same day he had another visitor, one of the general duty nurses, mentioned above, was on duty. On November 19 he had a visitor, one of the general duty nurses being on duty. On November 20th at 7:00 p. m. he had a visitor; one of the general nurses being on duty. On November 21st the record reflects that Coker left the hospital at 3:00 p. m. and returned at 8:45 p. m., that on November 22nd he again left at 3:00 p. m. and returned at 8:15 p. m. On November 25, 1935, at 3:30 p. m. he was discharged from the hospital.

Miss Mary Ruth Morris on general assignment at the hospital, as referred to above, was interviewed, but could not remember anyone visiting Sam Coker while she was on duty. She stated that she only went into his

room from time to time or when she was called. She was shown the pictures of Alvin Karpis, Milton Lett, John Brock and Harry Campbell, but could not recognize any of the pictures.

Sister Irene, in charge of the nurses at Mercy Hospital, remembers that Miss Robbette told her on one occasion that she believed that there was some mystery attached to "that man", referring to Sam Coker; that he must be a bandit, robber or something. She was also shown various pictures of Karpis, Lett, Brock and Campbell, but failed to recognize any of them as any one she had seen at the hospital.

Mrs. Alice R. Krueger, 3809 Alameda Street, Toledo, Ohio, telephone Lawndale 1010, was interviewed at her home and stated that she remembers that shortly before Sam Coker was operated on, a man about fifty years of age, medium build, about five feet eight inches tall, grey hair, wearing a large dark overcoat and having a full face visited Coker. As far as she knows this was the first visitor Coker had; that he was in isolation at that time but inasmuch as this man wanted to see Coker quite badly, she permitted him to visit, and as she opened the door, Coker apparently recognized him and told her to let the visitor in. She stepped outside and thus did not hear anything which they talked about; they talked for about five minutes, and as she remembers, this man said he was either from the Lorraine Hotel or had heard through the Lorraine Hotel that Sam Coker was in the hospital. She further remembers that on another occasion subsequent to Coker's operation, two men visited him. One of these men she is unable to describe and has no idea as to what he looks like; the second man she remembers resembled Sam Coker very closely, and she thought he might be his son and asked Coker if he were. Coker stated that he had no children. This latter man she described as being between twenty and twenty-two years of age, dark hair, medium build, about five feet, eight inches tall, weighing about one hundred sixty pounds, prominent nose and very closely resembled Sam Coker; that these two men stayed and talked for some time, and she knows that they left him some money, as Coker asked her to take it from his dressing gown pocket, she believes, and give it to him; that he then counted the money and placed it in the pocket of his pajamas and said he would have Bobbie take care of it in the morning. She claims that she did not hear the conversation of these men, as they would stop talking whenever she came into the room. The only thing which she remembers that Sam Coker said relative to himself was that he was a traveling salesman with some oil company and that he had contracted his fever somewhere in Alabama.

Miss Hazel Duvall, 321 - 21st Street, Toledo, Ohio, telephone Main 3891, was interviewed and stated that she was called on the telephone by Mrs. Krueger and requested to substitute for her on November

7th and 8th; that she distinctly remembers that Sam Coker whom she knew as Tommy Pratt would not talk to her and said nothing; that the only thing which he asked her to do was to purchase for him on November 8th an out-of-town newspaper, which she believes was a Cleveland paper; that she sent the newsboy who sells papers at the hospital for the paper. Coker did not ask her to read this paper. She stated that he had no visitors while she was on duty and that as far as she remembers he had come out of the anesthetic before she went on duty and thus if he did talk while under the influence of the anesthetic, she did not hear it.

Doctor Allan Avery, Room 1052, Edison Building, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed and stated that he had operated upon Sam Coker alias Tommy Pratt on November 7, 1935, between 3:10 and 3:44 p.m., that the operation was [REDACTED] that he knows that Coker had no visitors while he was attending him and that no one ever telephoned him, Dr. Avery, as to Coker's welfare, which he remarked at the time seemed very peculiar; that a couple of days before Coker was discharged he requested permission to leave in a cab to get some money to pay his bill, whereupon he, Dr. Avery, thought that that would be the last he would see of Coker, but, instead, Coker did return to the hospital, paid his bill in full, and as he, Doctor Avery, remembers paid him with twenty-dollar bills; that while under the anesthetic Coker did not make any statements though he did not see him after he left the operating room; that Miss Duvall, the special nurse, should have heard anything which he might have said after he, Coker, was taken from the operating room; that Mr. Sharkey, the floor walker, wheeled Coker from the operating room to his private room, which would take approximately ten minutes and perhaps he might have heard something.

On August 24, 1935, Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala made the following investigation:

Mrs. Gertrude Billeter Miller, who is presently living in an auto trailer at her mother's home, 518 Kopernik Avenue, Route #3, Nebraska Avenue, just on the outskirts of Toledo, was brought to the temporary office of the Bureau and re-interviewed. She stated that she first met Esther Goulet, she believes, in the summer of 1932 at the Trianon Ballroom, 1415 Madison Avenue, through a girl friend. Subsequently, she became very friendly with Esther. Esther had an automobile and would pick her up quite often at her home at 1049 Indiana Avenue and go for a ride. On these rides they would just ride around, going nowhere in particular. During this period Esther introduced her to her parents who at the time were operating the Delmar Lunch Room at 708 Monroe Street. About this time Gertrude's mother decided she was going to move out of Toledo into the country where she

could live cheaper. Gertrude didn't want to leave the city and talked it over with Esther Goulet and Esther suggested that she, Gertrude, come to live with them. Gertrude's mother moved out somewhere on Central Avenue, and she, Gertrude, went to live with Goulets. She started to work for Gertrude's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goulet, receiving room and board and tips. She believes this to have been in the latter part of 1933. She worked for the Goulets for four or five months and during this period she met Mr. and Mrs. McGraw through Esther, who had known them for some time and who would often go to the McGraws to visit them or to use their telephone. At this time or when she first met them, the McGraws were operating a rooming house and selling beer and whiskey on the side. Esther and she bought drinks from the McGraws. Esther Goulet at the time was not going around with any boy friends, as far as she, Gertrude, knows, and she, Esther, frequently took money out of her mother's cash register. She stated that she visited the McGraws on various occasions during this period, sometimes in the afternoon or then again in the evening. She claims not to have known that the McGraws were operating a call house; that during the winter of 1933 and 1934 she had trouble with Fred Goulet and was discharged on account of being late and went to live with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Krueger, 629 Miller Street, Toledo, Ohio. She stated that she lived with them for about four or five months and obtained a job at Herk's Hat Store; that she did not see Esther Goulet or visit with the McGraws during this period; that her job at the hat store terminated through lack of business, and she again saw Esther who invited her to come back and live with them, which she did.

This was during the summer or fall of 1934. Fred Goulet told her that he was sorry that he discharged her and that she could come back to work for her room and board and tips. She stated that at this time the Goulets were operating the LaVardo Inn, located in the 2700 block on Monroe, and they had moved to 2017 1/2 Adams Street where they lived in an apartment on the second floor, which was about two doors distant from where Ed and Clara McGraw lived at 2032 1/2 Adams Street. Esther Goulet was still friendly with the McGraws, and she, Gertrude, learned that Clara sent for Esther to come over there on two or three occasions; that she also went to visit the McGraws, usually accompanied by Esther. The work at the Goulets consisted of serving meals and drinks. She and Esther visited McGraws in the afternoon on an average of once or twice a week. Ed's sisters were frequently there. Ed's sister, Eleanor Davis, and Mamie, last name unknown, were frequently at the McGraws. Another visitor was old Louis, who visited there and



did chores for Mrs. McGraw. Ruth King would be there on Friday doing maid work. While she, Gertrude, was working at the La Vardo Inn, Mrs. McGraw knew that she was not earning much money, and on one occasion when visiting Mrs. McGraw, Mrs. McGraw told her that a man at her place wanted a girl and wanted to know if she would party with him, as it would be a chance for her to earn some money. She stated that she went to the room with this man, had sexual relations with him and was paid three dollars. She claims that this was the first time that she had ever had sexual relations with a man for money. She is quite positive that Esther had relations with men at McGraws or went to the McGraws on call, although Esther never told her so. She claims that the man with whom she had relations was about fifty years of age, grey hair, stocky build, weighing about one hundred seventy to one hundred eighty pounds; that she did not hear his name and did not see him after this. She was asked by agents if she had ever heard him called Sam, but she claims she never heard his name at all. She stated that several weeks later when she was going over to McGraws to use their telephone, as she came up to the rear door of the McGraw apartment she observed that there was a strange man sitting in the kitchen; that she started to leave when Mrs. McGraw called to her to come on in; that she said no as they had a visitor, whereupon Mrs. McGraw told her to come on in and meet her cousin, Bob, which she did. Ed McGraw was there at the time and heard Clara introduce Bob whom she, Gertrude, now knows to be Harry Campbell, as her cousin; that she used the telephone and commenced to leave, but Bob asked her if she wouldn't stop and have a bottle of beer; that she stayed a few minutes but did not drink; that she does not recall at this time just what the conversation was about; that this was on a Thursday prior to Mother's Day; that from all appearances it seemed to her that Bob had merely dropped in to see the McGraws, and she did not think he was living with them.

As she was leaving, Mrs. McGraw told her to come up Saturday; that he, Bob, would be there, inferring that there would be some business. In response to Clara's suggestion she went back to McGraws about one o'clock Saturday and found Clara, Ed and Bob there. She stated that they had a few drinks, and she began to get infatuated with Bob and asked Clara if he was a married man. Clara said, "No". Thereafter, she and Bob went to a room at McGraw's house, had sexual relations and Bob paid her ten dollars. After that they had a few more drinks of beer. She still did not know whether Bob lived with the McGraws at this time. She stated that after this Bob took Clara and her in his black Ford coupe, 1935 model, with Ohio license plates, to a florist, where he bought a rose bush for her, Gertrude's, mother and one for Clara for Mother's Day, which was the following day, Sunday.

She told Bob that she might see him the next day and then left the McGraws in a cab and went to the Goulet's restaurant to work. The following morning she called Clara on the telephone and asked if Bob was there. When she found out that he was, she asked to have him call for her at the LaVardo Cafe where she had been cleaning. This he did. He drove around for a while and then to the McGraws' home, where they arrived at about two o'clock. She believes that Ed, Clara McGraw and old Louie were there when they arrived. They all sat around and drank, and when it came time for her to go to work, which was about six-thirty, Bob wouldn't let her go. He told her if she would quit her job, he would take care of her, and by this coaxing finally induced her not to return to work but to stay there at the McGraws with him. When she agreed to stay he told Mrs. McGraw they would take the back room. At this time she observed that Bob had some of his clothes there. That night she and Bob went for a ride. She returned with Bob to the McGraw house and stayed with him. She did not notify the Goulets where she was. Monday morning Bob gave her thirty dollars to buy some clothes.

She went downtown by herself and purchased a full outfit of clothing. When she returned she showed these clothes to Clara. Clara knew that she, Gertrude, had not had sufficient money of her own to buy these clothes. Around this time she heard Esther Goulet come up to the McGraws on several occasions and ask if they knew where she, Gertie, was. Mrs. McGraw said that she did not. She, Gertrude, had previously told Mrs. McGraw to say that. She claims that she did not see or meet any people at the McGraws during this time. Three or four days later, she went to the Goulets and got her clothes. This time she saw Esther and told her that she was going to live at the McGraws with Clara's cousin; that he appeared to have a lot of money. She recalls that she had previously told Esther about the affair with the first man she met at the McGraws. She stated that Esther was a little bit put out by the fact that she had not let her family know that she was not going back to the restaurant to work. On one occasion shortly after she met Bob she asked Clara what his name was, and Clara told her that it was Bob Brown. Sometime later she and Bob went to the Goulets to get things straightened out, and Bob said that his name wasn't Brown, but was Clarence Miller, but that she should continue to call him Bob. Finally Bob asked her to marry him, and when they told the McGraws about this, Ed McGraw stated that he, Bob, was getting a good girl and that she, Gertrude, was getting a good man. Along about this time Clara told her that Bob was a road contractor. About two days before they were to get married, which was May 29, 1935, Bob purchased an engagement and wedding ring, giving her the engagement ring at the time. They told the McGraws that they wanted to get married right away.

Ed McGraw said that he had a friend in Western, Ohio, who could fix it so that they wouldn't have to wait five days, which is required of non-residents in Ohio. Gertie stated that thereafter Ed and Clara McGraw, Bob Miller and she proceeded to Western, where Ed McGraw contacted an old friend of his named Livingston. Ed McGraw informed him in the presence of Gertie that his wife's cousin, meaning Bob Miller, wanted to get married right away and asked whether he could fix it, so that they wouldn't have to wait the required five days. Mr. Livingston replied that he thought he could, whereupon the five of them, that is, Ed and Clara McGraw, Livingston, Bob Miller and she drove to Bowling Green, Ohio, in Livingston's car. When they arrived there the five of them went to the Clerk's office, and Ed McGraw told the clerk that he had a couple with him that wanted to get married right away. At this time Livingston told the clerk that Gertie was his niece, and that she resides at Western, Ohio. He also "fronted" for Bob Miller, but Gertie doesn't recall what statements he made as to him, Miller. Gertie recalls that Bob Miller told the clerk that his occupation was that of a road contractor.

Bob Miller and Gertie were married at Bowling Green, Ohio, on May 29, 1935, by Justice of the Peace Frank Smith. She stated that Ed and Clara McGraw were witnesses to the marriage.

Gertie stated that Ed and Clara McGraw and Bob Miller and she returned to Toledo, Ohio, that night, and thereafter they went to Goulet's Grill, the Granada Gardens and Tony O'Brien's place to celebrate the marriage. She stated that this was the second occasion she had taken Bob Miller to Goulet's Grill, and as she recalls, she introduced him to Esther and Mr. and Mrs. Goulet, as Bob Brown, and indicated to them that he was a road contractor. At the Granada Gardens they told Jim Coleman, whom Gertie previously met through Esther Goulet, about their marriage. She stated that Bob Miller met Jim Coleman for the first time on this occasion, he being introduced to him by Clara McGraw as her cousin.

Gertie advised that thereafter Bob Miller and she lived with the McGraws for a period of possibly three or four weeks; that during this period Clara McGraw prepared the meals and would make them as comfortable as possible. She stated that Ed McGraw also attended them during this period, and frequently ran errands for her husband, Bob Miller. Gertie asserted that no one came to visit them while they were living at the McGraws and that they, likewise, paid no one any visits. She stated that Esther Goulet came to see her on several occasions around this time, but that these visits were very short. In this connection she stated that Esther was still "put out" over the fact that Gertie left her parents' place of business without prior notice.

Continuing, Gertie related that while they were living at the McGraws, they frequently went to Goulet's Grill, Granada Gardens and Tony O'Brien's place in the county; that on one occasion while Clara McGraw, Bob Miller and she were at O'Brien's, Mrs. McGraw introduced Bob Miller to Mrs. O'Brien as her cousin, stating that he and Gertie, pointing at her, had just gotten married. Gertie stated it seemed that Mrs. O'Brien and Clara McGraw were old-time friends, as they talked about past experiences.

Gertie further stated that the only persons whom she recalls frequenting McGraw's place while they were there are Bert Ford, McGraw's two sisters, "Old" Louie, Ruth King and Glenn Kneisel. She advised that there were, of course, other persons, but she does not know their identities.

She went on to state that it was during this period that her husband first met Sheriff Jim O'Reilly; that as she recalls this meeting, Bob was at Goulet's Grill drinking at the bar, and Sheriff O'Reilly was also there; that Fred Goulet introduced them, and thereafter Miller became quite friendly with O'Reilly. Gertie was asked whether she had knowledge of the fact that Sheriff O'Reilly was intimately acquainted with Esther Goulet, and she replied that she knew they were good friends but that she never saw them alone together at any place other than the McGraws.

Gertie was then asked whether she knew Tom Worland, and she replied that she did not know him personally, but had heard that he operates the slot machines in Lucas County. She was then asked whether her husband, Harry Campbell, had any slot machines in Lucas County, and she stated that she had not heard this, but did hear that he had several machines in Cuyahoga County. She further stated that she had not heard that Sheriff Jim O'Reilly had introduced Tom Worland to her husband and that he had purchased an interest in slot machines in the county through Tom Worland.

Gertie further related that on one occasion while they (she and Bob Miller) were at the Granada Gardens, she was playing the slot machine, and so was Campbell; that it happened that her husband was winning, and she was not. Campbell at this time told her that it was all a matter of knowing how to play these machines, and thereafter stated

that he was in that kind of racket. Gertie averred that this was the first word she had that her husband was supposed to be in the slot machine business. She stated that Campbell told her he had several machines in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and thereafter led her to believe that he was in business by himself and that he had someone make the collections for him.

Continuing, Gertie stated that on July 13, 1935, Campbell purchased a trailer, fully equipped, for approximately \$600; that thereafter they lived in this trailer on the lot in the rear of her mother's place on Hill Avenue. She stated that this place is immediately adjacent to the "Dug-out", which place is reported to be owned by Tom Worland. Agents asked Gertie at this time whether she and Miller habitually frequented the "Dug-out" during the period they lived in their trailer, and she replied that she recalls going into this place on only one occasion with her husband.

Gertie further advanced the information that sometime in the month of July 1935 she and Campbell drove to Silver Lake, Michigan, in the trailer, and stayed there for approximately one month; that her mother and two brothers visited them over the week-ends. She stated that when they returned from Silver Lake, Michigan, they continued to live in their trailer until the weather became cold, possibly in November 1935; that they returned to McGraw's place, where they lived until they moved to the address at which they were residing when Campbell was arrested by Bureau agents on May 7, 1936.

She advised that during their latter stay at the McGraw's Campbell, on one occasion, brought home a friend of his whom he introduced as Tommy Pratt; that shortly thereafter Tommy was forced to go to a hospital, and sometime later Gertie asked Campbell what had happened to Tommy, and Campbell replied that he was still in the hospital. Agents asked Gertie if she knew of her own personal knowledge whether Campbell visited Tommy, since identified as Sam Coker, while the latter was in the hospital, and she stated that he did not and would furnish no explanation as to why he didn't. She went on to state that after Tommy left the hospital he went to live with the McGraws and that shortly prior to his arrest he had moved in with them, Miller and her.

Gertie stated that sometime in October 1935, while they were living in their trailer, Campbell left Toledo and was gone for approximately one week, not stating where he was going or where he had been upon his return.

Gertie advised that she never saw a Hudson coupe in her husband's possession and is positive he never owned a car of this type. It will be recalled that Lynn Lamb had previously advised agents that Campbell

possessed a Hudson coupe for a period of about three weeks and that on one occasion Campbell drove him to downtown Toledo in the same.

Agents asked Gertie about the address, 1805 Adams Street, where, according to John Brock, he, Brock, visited Alvin Karpis and "Sam" shortly prior to the Garrettsville mail train robbery on November 7, 1935. She replied that she never visited this address, nor did she know anyone living there.

Gertie advised that she recalls living at McGraw's place on Thanksgiving and that Campbell and she had Thanksgiving dinner there, which dinner was prepared by Clara McGraw. She further stated that while they were living at 2130 Monroe Street, the only visitors had by them were Tommy Pratt, Esther Goulet, Gertie's mother and her two brothers. She emphatically advised that Sheriff O'Reilly never called upon them at their apartment.

Gertie was questioned further about her knowledge of Campbell's history and family relations, and she replied that on one occasion she asked him about his parents, and he stated that they were miles away, and, in fact, didn't even know whether they were still alive. She stated that he never received or sent any mail during the time that she lived with him.

It will be recalled that Bobbie Robbette, the girl friend of Sam Coker, advised agents that on one occasion she accompanied Pratt (Coker) and Gertie and Bob Miller to the Granada Gardens, and while there Bob left and returned about thirty minutes later in the company of a young couple, apparently Gertie's friends. Agents asked Gertie about this incident, and she recalled that Janet and Harry Jull who now live on Detroit Avenue were the two individuals above referred to. She stated that Janet Hull is a school chum of hers.

Agents also asked Gertie whether she ever met a man by the name of "Slim" at Goulet's Grill, and for whom Campbell frequently bought drinks, and she replied that agents undoubtedly had reference to Orvill Schaffer, who is a repairman of bakery equipment about Toledo; that she was acquainted with this individual prior to the time she met Campbell and that he was frequently in Goulet's Grill when she and her husband were there. She was unable to state where this man lives and suggested that he could be located through the Goulets, as he is in their place quite often.



It might be stated that during the entire interview with Gertie Miller on this occasion Agent Madala repeatedly and vigorously informed her that she was not telling the truth about certain matters, particularly the matter of her knowledge as to the true identity of Campbell and others, whereas Agent Criss, as pre-arranged, would talk pleasantly and attempt to reason with her, as a result of which she stated to Agent Criss that she had some information to tell, but would divulge it to no one other than him. The following signed statement was at this time obtained from Gertie Miller, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland field office files:

Toledo, Ohio  
August 24, 1936

"I, Gertrude Billeter Miller, make this statement voluntarily to Special Agent V. E. Criss, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

"About a week before I was married to Bob Miller, who I know now to be Harry Campbell, Ed and Clara McGraw, Bob and I were sitting out in the kitchen of McGraw's home, 2011½ Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, about seven or eight o'clock in the evening, or shortly after we had finished eating dinner, when someone rang the front doorbell. Ed McGraw went to the door, met this person and apparently took him into the living room which is located in the front part of the house. Ed then came back to the kitchen, and told Bob that there was someone to see him. Bob left the kitchen, which is located in the rear of the house and walked up the hall toward the front of the house to the living room. Bob remained in the front part of the house about fifteen or twenty minutes, apparently talking to this unknown person, when he called to me and told me to come on in. I then went to the living room and was introduced as Gertie and as his future wife by Bob to a man whose name was given as Sonny. I identify the picture of Alvin Karpis, dressed in black sweater, white shirt, wearing glasses, a full length photograph, as being the man. I was introduced to as Sonny. At that time he was wearing a dark suit of clothes, glasses and had a dark felt hat. Bob then called to Ed McGraw and ordered a drink for five and told Ed and Clara McGraw to come on into the living room. Ed and Clara came on into the living room, Ed bringing drinks with him. I think all, with the exception of Clara McGraw drank beer, and she drank a highball. Bob did not introduce Ed or Clara to Sonny, as they already seemed to know each other, and entered into a general conversation. Sonny remained for about an hour and half talking to us, after which he departed. Bob did not state anything about this man, Sonny, after he departed.

"About four o'clock in the afternoon, in the latter part of September or the first part of October 1935, when we were getting ready to eat, Bob and I being in the kitchen, Clara was preparing the evening meal, and I believe Ed McGraw was in the front part of the house somewhere. The front doorbell rang again. Ed answered the door, and again apparently took the person into the living room, and then came back into the kitchen where Bob and I were and told Bob that Bill was up in front and wanted to see him. Bob left the kitchen and walked up into the front of the house and talked to this person for ten or fifteen minutes. This person then left, and I was not introduced to him. About a week later, at about eight thirty in the evening, Ed and Clara McGraw, and Bob and myself were in the living room, when the front doorbell rang. Ed answered the bell, and invited the person in, and took him into the card room, which is adjacent to the sitting room. He then came in and told Bob that there was someone to see him. Bob got up, and went into the card room, and talked to this person, and then Bob came back into the room and said that he was going out for about an hour. I went to the front door with Bob, and he introduced me to this man who he had been talking to in the card room as Bill. I identify the photograph of Milton Lett, taken at Akron, Ohio, 10-20-35, #26337, as being the man I was introduced to. Bob and Bill then left the house together, and Bob returned after about an hour.

"One afternoon sometime in the latter part of October 1935, Ed and Clara McGraw, and Bob and I were sitting in the kitchen of the McGraw home, 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, when the front doorbell rang. Ed McGraw went to the door and apparently took the person who rang the bell into the living room, then came back into the kitchen, and told Bob that Sonny was there to see him. Bob went into the living room, and remained between a half hour and an hour. Bob ordered drinks for all of us. Ed served Bob and Sonny their drinks in the living room, and came back and served Clara McGraw and myself, and he then drank with us. I did not see Sonny on this occasion. After he left, Bob came back into the kitchen, and made no mention of Sonny or any conversation he had with him.

"This statement consists of two pages, each of which I have read, and initialed mistakes with my initials G.B.M., and placed my signature to the bottom of page one, and also my signature below to this second page.

/s/ "Gertrude Billeter Miller"

Witness:  
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Gertrude Miller was very friendly toward the Bureau at the time she left agents and stated that she is willing to cooperate in any way possible and furnish all information in her possession.

She will be interviewed again in the near future.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and J. L. Madala on August 22 and 24, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated August 22, 1936, wherein it is mentioned on page 39 that Bobbie Robbletto, nurse, first met Sam Coker, whom she knew as Tommy Pratt, at the Lorraine Hotel where he occupied room number 609; that he was exceedingly sick at the time and that she and Dr. Howard Murphy took Coker to Mercy Hospital, this being on or about October 29, 1935.

Agent contacted Mr. Schwanbarger, Chief Auditor of the Commodore Perry Hotel, who permitted agents to search the registration records of the Lorraine Hotel for the above-mentioned period. A thorough search failed to locate a record in the name of Pratt, and thereafter agents had Mr. Schwanbarger search the hotel general ledger which listed the accountings of the individual rooms by number. Mr. Schwanbarger turned to the account for room 609 around November 1, 1935, and it revealed that Robert Pratt occupied that room on this date, and in checking back it was determined that Pratt registered into this room on October 23, 1935, paying a rate of \$2.50 per day. Agents checked this account thru the ledger, and it was noted that on November 9, 1935, Pratt's account was transferred to the hotel's city ledger, which means that Pratt was temporarily relieved of this room, and his account charged to the hotel's accounts receivable. The ledger further reflected that Pratt checked back into the hotel on November 26, 1935, and was given the same room - 609; that he thereafter remained in the hotel until December 5, 1935, at which time he checked out, paying the amount of \$78.56 in full of account. Agents noted that three local telephone calls were charged against Pratt's account on October 29, 1935, and one local call on October 30, 1935; that the only other incidental items charged to the account were for laundry and valet service.

Mr. Schwanbarger advised agents that the records of local calls made from the rooms of the Lorraine Hotel are stored in the warehouse of the Commodore Perry Hotel at 1001 Madison Street, Toledo. At this latter place agents ascertained from the list of local calls made on October 29, 1935, that the following numbers were called from room 609: Main 2176, Main 7488 and Jefferson 1490; that on October 30, 1935, telephone number Main 7488 was again called from room 609.

At the Hillcrest Hotel agents examined the criss-cross directory for the city of Toledo, which revealed that telephone Main 2176 is listed to the Toledo Academy of Medicine, 1420 Monroe Street; that number Main 7488 is listed to A. J. Robletto, 124 Irving Street; and that Jefferson 1490 is listed to Dr. H. J. Murphy, 3315 Parkwood Avenue.

On August 22, 1936, agents interviewed Verne Smith, relief day clerk at the Commodore Perry Hotel, whom agents learned was night clerk at the Lorraine Hotel during the period in question. He readily identified the photograph of Sam Coker as the Mr. R. Pratt, who occupied room 609 at the Lorraine Hotel from October 23, 1935 to December 5, 1935. He stated that he recalls that this individual was taken to the Mercy Hospital by Dr. Howard J. Murphy, who was the hotel doctor at that time, shortly after he registered into the hotel; that he was confined in the

said hospital for approximately three weeks and that after he was discharged from the hospital he returned to the hotel and stayed for possibly ten days before he checked out. Mr. Smith advised that the reason he so distinctly recalls this individual is because that during the time Pratt was in the hospital considerable discussion was had concerning his hotel bill, which at that time was unusually high. Mr. Smith stated that Thomas Willis was manager of the Lorraine Hotel at that time, and it is his belief that Mr. Willis went to Mercy Hospital and talked with Pratt about this bill, altho he is not certain as to this. Smith advised that he never had any personal contact with Pratt and that the information above set out is his entire knowledge of this individual.

Mr. Smith was asked whether he recalled any visitors which Pratt (Sam Coker) might have had while residing at the hotel, and he replied that he, personally, did not observe any. He advised, however, he is certain that Mrs. Grace Baker, who was then day clerk at the hotel saw one or two of Pratt's visitors. The following employes worked at the Lorraine Hotel during the above indicated period, according to Mr. Smith:

Thomas F. Willis	-	Manager
Grace Baker	-	Day room clerk
Charlotte Cranker	-	Cashier
Roscoe Johnson	-	Bellboy
Larue Wilson	-	"
Jesse Simmons	-	"
Mitchell Perry	-	"
Proctor Lyles	-	"
"	-	"

Mr. Smith advised that Thomas F. Willis is at the present time employed with the Electric Auto-Lite Company, Champlain and Mulberry Streets, Toledo; that Grace Baker is now cashier in the coffee shop at the Commodore-Perry Hotel; that Roscoe Johnson, Larue Wilson and Mitchell Perry are still bellboys at the Lorraine Hotel, and that Jesse Simmons is now bellboy at the Commodore Ferry Hotel. Mr. Smith did not know the present location of Proctor Lyles and Charlotte Cranker.

Agents exhibited to Mr. Smith all available photographs of the Barker-Karpis mob, but he was unable to identify any of them as persons he might have seen in the Lorraine Hotel.

Mr. Smith was particularly questioned as to who referred Dr. Murphy to Pratt (Sam Coker), having in mind that perhaps someone outside



of the hotel's employ secured the services of Dr. Murphy for Pratt. Mr. Smith was unable to advise as to this, but advanced the suggestion that, in all probability, someone in the hotel's employ called Dr. Murphy, as he was house doctor there at that time.

At the Electric Auto-Light Company, Champlain and Mulberry Streets, agents interviewed Mr. Thomas F. Willis on August 25, 1936. Mr. Willis is at the present time employed as an accountant with this firm. He stated he was manager of the Lorraine Hotel from August 1935 to April 1936; that after he left, Verne Smith, above mentioned, took his place as manager until June 1, 1936, when the hotel changed management. Mr. Willis readily identified the photograph of Sam Coker as R. Pratt, who resided at the Lorraine Hotel for several weeks during the latter part of 1935. He stated that he saw Pratt on only two or three occasions, the first one being when they took him to Mercy Hospital and the others being when Pratt returned to the hotel after his release from this hospital; that he never engaged in any conversation with him, and the only recollection he has of his being at the Lorraine Hotel is that when Pratt went to the hospital he recalls checking his bags in the room to see whether they were of any worth in the event Pratt would "jump" his hotel bill. Mr. Willis stated that he was kept informed of Pratt's condition at the hospital thru Dr. Murphy, and on one occasion he, in behalf of the hotel, wanted to send a basket of fruit to the hospital, but Dr. Murphy advised him that Pratt wasn't permitted to eat fruit.

Mr. Willis further stated that he at no time visited Pratt while the latter was in the hospital; that for some reason he was not worried about his unpaid hotel bill, possibly because Dr. Murphy informed him, Willis, that Pratt appeared to have considerable money and was financially capable. Mr. Willis could not recall whether he had Pratt fill out a formal credit card; nor could he recall of any visitors to Pratt's room or persons in his company when leaving or coming to the hotel.

After some questioning Mr. Willis recalled that either a day or two after Pratt went to the hospital some person inquired for him at the hotel, either by telephone or at the desk, and he referred this particular individual to the hospital. Mr. Willis was unable to describe this person, stating that he does not know now whether he personally talked with this person or whether someone else told him about the inquiry. Photographs of Alvin Karpis, Milton Lett, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and John Brock were exhibited to Mr. Willis, but without avail.

It will be recalled that John Brock informed the Post Office Inspectors that "Sam" visited Sam Coker at the hospital shortly prior to the Garrettsville train robbery, which occurred November 7, 1935.

It should also be noted in another portion of this report that Mrs. Krueger, nurse at Mercy Hospital, advised that an elderly man visited Pratt (Sam Coker) a day or so following his arrival at the hospital; that the description of this person as given by Mrs. Krueger is somewhat similar to that of "Sam", allegedly the fifth man in the Garrettsville robbery.

Arrangements will be made to interview the other persons, names above set out, who were employed at the Lorraine Hotel during the period Sam Coker resided there, as to anything they may furnish as to the associations of Coker and particularly as to any visitors who he might have had during the period in question.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala on August 17, 1936, at Toledo, Ohio:

Through a confidential source the Bureau received a copy of the undated signed statement submitted by John Brock to the Post Office Inspectors, which statement contains in narrative form a report of facts in connection with the movements of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell and others during the time of the mail robberies at Warren, Ohio (April 25, 1935) and Garrettsville, Ohio (November 7, 1935). Photostatic copies of this statement were transmitted to the Cleveland and Cincinnati, Ohio Bureau offices by the Bureau under date of May 12, 1936, for consideration in connection with this case.

It was noted in the first part of the aforementioned statement that either in the latter part of February or first part of March 1935 Freddie Hunter approached John Brock at the Lincoln Hotel in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and made inquiry as to whether Brock wanted to make some money. Brock replied that he did, whereupon Fred Hunter gave Brock \$100.00 and told him to proceed to the Lorraine Hotel in Toledo; that Brock left Tulsa, Oklahoma, by bus two or three days later, and upon his arrival at Toledo he checked into the Lorraine Hotel, where he waited three or four days before Fred Hunter showed up.

It was further noted that at this time John Brock met Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell and discussed the contemplated Warren mail robbery; that after this discussion Karpis told Brock to go to the Harvard Club in Cleveland; that he went to the doorman of this club, and told him that he wanted to see another party; that about thirty minutes later Brock connected with the other party and delivered to him the following message, "To see that boy and have the boy get an apartment for Karpis"; that Brock returned to Toledo that night and stayed at the Lorraine Hotel where he was registered under the name of T. F. Evans.

With the above information in mind agents contacted Al Shapiro, manager of the Lorraine Hotel, 1117 Jefferson Street, who advised that the present management had no interest in the Lorraine Hotel during the year 1935; that the hotel was formerly under the management of the Commodore-Perry Hotel and that all of their records for the period subsequent to June 1, 1936, are in the possession of that hotel.

At the Commodore-Perry Hotel agents contacted Mr. A. W. Schwabarger, Chief Auditor, who permitted agents to check the registration

cards of the Lorraine Hotel for the year 1935. Prior to the search agents asked Mr. Schwanbarger whether any Post Office Inspectors had previously checked the hotel records for a registration in the name of T. F. Evans. He advised that he has no independent recollection of such a check being made by that agency and various inquiries among the several employes in the accounting office also were negative as to this.

Agents located two registration cards in the name of T. F. Evans, Sandusky, Ohio, the first one disclosing that this individual checked into the Lorraine Hotel at 4:30 a.m., March 22, 1935, occupying room 616 at a rate of \$2.00 per night; that he remained at the hotel until March 26, 1935, checking out some time in the afternoon of that date. The records failed to reveal that Evans made any local or long distance telephone calls or sent any telegrams while registered at this hotel.

Agents also located a registration card which reflects that T. F. Evans, Sandusky, Ohio, again registered into the Lorraine Hotel on November 5, 1935, and checked out the following afternoon, occupying room 312 on this occasion. No record of any telephone call or telegram could be found on this record.

It should be noted that this is in conformity with John Brock's statement, in that he and Fred Hunter left Cleveland on or about November 4, 1935, Hunter going to Youngstown, Ohio, and Brock going to Toledo, where he registered at the Lorraine Hotel under the name of T. F. Evans, this being just prior to the Garrettsville train robbery.

The original registration cards of the Lorraine Hotel which bear the signature of T. F. Evans, Sandusky, Ohio, were obtained from Mr. Schwanbarger and are being retained in the Cleveland field office files for future evidential value.

The various employes who worked in the Lorraine Hotel during the aforementioned period will be interviewed at a later date, at which time photographs of the various members of the Karpis-Barker mob will be exhibited to these employes for possible identification as visitors to Evans' room.

The following investigation was made by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala on August 20, 1936:

Larry Taylor, owner and operator of the Riverside Cafe, 1797 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed and advised that he had operated a hotel on Mid Island which lies within the boundaries of Canada and in Lake Erie for approximately five years or between the period of from 1928 to 1932, inclusive. The island consists of 49 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land and the Canadian government owns 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres for light house purposes. The balance of 48 acres in 1928 belonged equally to Gene Stacey, Tipton, Ohio; Guy Tibbles, East Harbor, Ohio, and Walter Lammers, now deceased. In 1928 Larry Davidson, a prohibition agent, who subsequently turned bootlegger, sold a four-hundred horse power speed boat to Joe Roscoe, who came over to Mid Island thereafter quite often bringing friends with him. Joe Roscoe was known as a prominent gambler in Toledo, Ohio. At first, he, Taylor, leased Mid Island as a resort and in 1929 induced Joe Roscoe to go into partnership with him, and they purchased that portion of the island not reserved by the Canadian government for \$36,000. Supposedly, Joe Roscoe and he owned one-half interest each, but he later found out that Stacey, Tibbles and Lammers had reserved a one-third interest, and as he and Lammers were enemies he, Taylor, prevailed upon Joe Roscoe in 1932 to buy his, Taylor's, share; thus Joe Roscoe after 1932 was, as far as he knows, a two-thirds owner.

Taylor doesn't believe that Bert Angus owned or owns any share of Mid Island. Dewey Smith was supposed to have operated the hotel on a commission basis during 1933; Bert Angus operated it on a percentage basis in 1934 and Walter Pelpash operated it in 1935. Dewey Smith has been interviewed, as set out in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated July 3, 1936, on page 26.

Hunky (Babe) Bowers was a bartender for either Dewey Smith or Bert Angus.

Taylor claims to have known Joe Roscoe for about fifteen years, but knew his wife, Ganey Broadway, prior to that. He doesn't remember how he met Joe Roscoe, who is a very quiet person and is more or less of a mysterious character, who was a gambler in Toledo and finally became an operator of gambling places with John Hayes, who was killed at Detroit, Michigan, in 1935. Joe Roscoe then took over Hayes' places of business, at present operating his main gambling places at 513 Jefferson Street, which is managed by Ed Wandtke and at 221 St. Clair Street.

Taylor claimed that as far as he knows Joe Roscoe never ran liquor from Canada to the United States or had any interest in liquor running. He remembers that Joe Roscoe brought Tip O'Neil to Mid Island just after he was released from the penitentiary after having served a sentence for Post Office robbery; that on several occasions thereafter Roscoe brought him to the island and apparently they were good friends. From a conversation overheard between Roscoe and Tip O'Neil, he, Taylor, was of the opinion that O'Neil is in some way interested in the Harvard Club, a gambling place located in Cleveland, Ohio. Joe Roscoe also brought Ted Angus to Mid Island shortly after he was released from the Federal Penitentiary after having served a sentence for violation of the National Prohibition Act. In 1930 and 1931 Ted Angus was rated as a "fixer" of the local authorities around Toledo.

Taylor claims not to know of any previous criminal record of Joe Roscoe, stating that Roscoe is very close-mouthed, speaks broken English and on this account he has always been refused entrance into Canada by the Canadian authorities. He does not seem to have United States citizenship papers, as people from the United States are usually allowed entry without questioning into Canada. Taylor claims not to know Joe Roscoe by any other name. He claimed never to have seen any of the gang implicated in the Bremer kidnaping at Mid Island or at the Casino Club in Toledo, Ohio, or at the Harbor Club in Cleveland, stating that he had only been at the Harvard Club once in his life in the year of August 1936 when he went there to visit a couple of his friends known as Red McColl and Charlie Crowell, who are ladder men; that is, observed payments of money over crap tables and who have worked there during the period of its operation. Taylor claims not to have made any pay-offs to local or county officials but admitted he operated a small bootleg joint in Toledo, Ohio, prior to going to Mid Island, although he claims he was arrested at that time by federal prohibition agents and paid a small fine and served a short sentence. He further stated that he has observed peace officers trying to raid gambling places in Toledo, but they were thrown out bodily therefrom and nothing seemed to come from it; that any people observed these attempted raids, which clearly indicated that there was something wrong somewhere or that the gambling places undoubtedly are protected through bribery.

He stated that he knew Fred Goulet when he used to have a place at Point Place near Toledo, Ohio, but does not know of any association of his with Charles J. Fitzgerald alias Big Fitz or other members of the Karpis-Barker gang. He stated that he knew Ed McGraw, but claimed not to



know of any association between McGraw and the Barker-Karpis gang. He stated that he had met McGraw in Miami, Florida, in 1927 where he was operating a small bootlegging establishment. He understands McGraw only operated this place a short while as he was arrested and sentenced for violation of the National Prohibition Act.

He knows that Joe Roscoe knows Ed McGraw, but knows of no business associations between them and has never seen them meet other than casually.

He knows that Edith Barry and Tip O'Neil are very close friends and that Edith Barry is also a very good friend of Joe Roscoe, but as far as he knows, they have never had any business connections.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. L. Madala at Youngstown, Ohio, on August 16, 1936:

Clayton Hall, who has heretofore admitted harboring Alvin Karpis at Youngstown, Ohio and Hot Springs, Arkansas, was again interviewed by this agent with the hope in mind that he might be able to furnish further detailed information with respect to the set-ups in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, which made it possible for the various members of the Barker-Karpis gang to live in those cities without any interference by the local police. Most of the information furnished by Mr. Hall has been previously reported, same being contained in several voluminous reports; however, in order to use the information submitted by Hall to better advantage, it was deemed expedient to piece together his statements to form a more coherent whole and set out the same in one report in proper chronological order.

Clayton Hall advised that he has known Fred Hunter for a period of approximately three years, having met him in Warren, Ohio, which is Hunter's home; that thereafter he saw Hunter off and on in various gambling places in Warren and Youngstown, Ohio, at which places he worked as shiller and black-jack dealer. Mr. Hall stated that during 1933 and 1934 Hunter worked in the Single 'G' gambling place and thereafter went to work for Jim Muncine, a gambler who has his place in Warren, and that Hunter was also interested and active in the promotion of game cock fights.

Hall went on to relate that sometime during the latter part of January or early part of February 1935 Hunter came to his home at 134 Ridgewood Drive, Youngstown, Ohio, in company with a young man whom he introduced as Ray Miller, since identified as Alvin Karpis. Hunter advised Hall that Miller and he were associated together in a gambling place in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, called "The Monoca", or some such name, and thereafter led him to believe that they had just clipped some sucker for several thousand dollars and that this individual was out looking for them; that they wanted to know whether they could live at his place until things "cooled off". Hall stated that this proposition was not unusual, as he also is a professional gambler and that in several past instances he had been in similar circumstances. He advised that he consented to keep them, and it was arranged that he feed and shelter them for a period of possibly two or three weeks. Hall advised that his mother was there at that time on a visit from Columbiana, Ohio, which made it

necessary for Karpis to sleep with his young son, Bobby. He stated that Freddie Hunter did not stay there that night, but went to his place on Vine Street in Warren, Ohio; that on the following afternoon Hunter returned to his home and picked up Karpis and left; that they did not return that night or any time thereafter until the latter part of May 1935. Hall advised he later learned from Karpis that he did not stay at his place, as was planned, for the reason that he did not want to impose upon Hall, on account of his mother being there.

Agent asked Hall whether either Karpis or Hunter indicated to him where they were living just prior to their visit to his home, and he answered that he believed it was in Cleveland, Ohio, notwithstanding the fact that they originally told him that they were operating a gambling place in Pittsburgh. In this connection Hall explained that he knew Hunter as a big liar and that in this instance he did not believe that Hunter had any interest in the mentioned gambling house, although he did believe their story about "clipping some sucker". Hall could furnish no definite information as to why he thought Hunter and Karpis lived in Cleveland, as above mentioned. He stated that he just thought that they did.

When agent asked Hall whether it was customary for him to harbor "hot" gamblers in his home he replied in the affirmative, stating that he had previously permitted Ed Seamon and Jack Campbell to live at his home while they were "hot".

Hall advised that Karpis was driving a 1935 model Ford V-8 coach, black in color with black wire wheels, on the occasion of the above visit. He did not know where Karpis purchased this automobile, but thought it was in Cleveland.

Continuing, Hall stated that the next time he saw Karpis and Hunter was some time in the latter part of May or first part of June 1935; that Hunter and Karpis stayed two or three nights on this occasion, and that on either the first or second day Hunter requested that he drive him to Cleveland, Ohio, in Hall's Reo automobile. Hall advised he drove Fred Hunter to Cleveland and that upon their arrival there Hunter directed him to a parking lot near the Cleveland Hotel. He told Hall that he had to see some party and requested that he return to his lot several hours later and pick him up. Hall advised that he observed Hunter enter a taxi-cab and that he parked the car and went to a movie; that he returned to the appointed place at 4:00 p. m., and short-

ly thereafter Hunter arrived in company with a young man whom he introduced as "The Kid". Hall now knows this individual as Milton Lett. Hunter informed Hall that he was unable to contact "that party", which would make it necessary for him to remain in Cleveland until "that party" returned. He instructed Hall to return to Youngstown and inform Karpis, whom he referred to as Ray, that he would wait for "that party", and would return to Youngstown with "The Kid" as soon as he contacted him. Hall stated that he relayed this message to Karpis upon his arrival home.

At this point Hall advised agent that he later learned from Hunter that he worked at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio, just shortly prior to this particular trip and that his mission on this trip was to see his former boss. Hunter did not indicate who his boss was nor the nature of the mission. Hall further advised that he, likewise, learned at a later date that Milton Lett was working at the Harvard Club around this period and that Hunter met Lett on the occasion of this visit.

Hall advised that on this trip Fred Hunter was driving a 1935 model Ford V-8 coupe, black in color, which Hunter purchased in the state of Kentucky, name of city unknown. He further advised that this automobile was left with him by Hunter in October 1935 and that the same is now in storage at the Manning-Marino Company garage at Youngstown, Ohio. Further details as to this will be reported hereinafter.

Mr. Hall stated that during this visit at his home Karpis frequently talked about the excellent fishing in the state of Maine, indicating that he had recently been there.

Continuing, Hall related that the next time he again saw Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis was on or about August 1, 1935; that on this occasion Hunter and Karpis came to his home as before and requested that he keep them for a couple of days. He stated that on either the first or second day of their arrival he, Hall, and Fred Hunter went to the Manning-Marino Motor Company, Youngstown, Ohio, where Hall purchased a 1935 Hudson coupe for Karpis under the name of E. F. Parker; and that thereafter Hunter and Karpis remained only a few days and then left for points unknown.

Hall advised that Fred Hunter came to his home alone just prior to the Joe Louis - Max Baer fight in New York City sometime in September 1935; that Hunter at this time indicated that he had been in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that Ray Miller (Alvin Karpis) had also been there. Hall stated that he drove Hunter to Cleveland, Ohio, in Hunter's Ford coupe bearing Kentucky license plates, and that Hunter boarded a plane there for New York City. Hall stated that Hunter purchased his ticket and made his reservation under the name of Harold King.

Continuing, Hall advised that three or four days later Hunter returned to Youngstown, Ohio, and stayed at his, Hall's, home overnight; that on the following morning Hunter requested that Hall drive him to Warren, Ohio, in the latter's Ford coupe, which he did; that Hunter directed him to a certain intersection in Warren where two men apparently were waiting for Hunter; that they were seated in a Hudson coupe (not Karpis' Hudson) and Hall met them under the name of Tommy and George. He now knows them to be identical with Sam Coker and Harry Campbell. He stated that this occasion is the only time he ever saw these two individuals. Hall continued that Hunter got out of the Ford coupe and entered the Hudson car, stating that he was riding with George and Tommy to Hot Springs, and that he, Hall, should keep his Ford until he returned for it. Hall advised that he kept the car in his garage for a few days and then stored it at the Manning-Marino Garage in Youngstown, Ohio.

With reference to Tommy, referred to above, Hall stated that he later heard from either Hunter or Karpis that this individual had served time in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary for approximately ten years; that Karpis assisted in a monetary way in obtaining a parole for him in the summer of 1935; that thereafter Karpis met him in McAlester, Oklahoma, and brought him to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Karpis had a cottage. He further learned that Tommy (Sam Coker) lived with Karpis and Fred Hunter at Hot Springs for a short time, after which Hunter drove Tommy to Toledo, Ohio, and established him there. Hall is not certain whether Tommy attended the Louis-Baer fight with Fred Hunter. Hall continued that shortly after Tommy's arrival in Toledo, he became seriously ill and had to undergo some kind of an operation.

Hall related the following information as to Harry Campbell, which he gathered through conversations with Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis:

He stated that Campbell was supposed to have married a young girl at some place out of Toledo sometime during the month of April or May 1935; that a sheriff was present at this wedding, but that the sheriff does not know the real identity of Campbell; that Campbell's wife is also

not aware of Campbell's identity, she thinking that he is in the slot machine racket; that Campbell is always referred to as George by Karpis and Hunter; that Campbell is supposed to be a heavy drinker and spends a great deal of his time riding in his automobile and can usually be found on the highways.

According to Clayton Hall, Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis again came to his home in Youngstown, Ohio, on or about October 12, 1935, and stayed for approximately three weeks; that they would generally be gone all day and would return at night, stating that they were going "to town". He advised that on or about October 15, 1935, he went to the Manning-Marino Motor Company, Youngstown, Ohio and sold the Hudson coupe previously purchased by him for Karpis under the name of Parker to that automobile agency; that several days later Karpis bought a Terraplane automobile from the Manning-Marino Motor Company under the name of Ames.

Continuing, Hall stated that on October 19, 1935, he drove Fred Hunter to Akron, Ohio, for the purpose of assisting Hunter in purchasing a second-hand automobile; that while they were there they observed Milton Lett in the office of the automobile agency, likewise, negotiating for the purchase of an automobile; that he, at first, did not recognize Lett, and when he and Hunter left the automobile company office, Hunter asked whether he noticed "The Kid" in there. He went on to state that at Hunter's suggestion they waited for Lett on a street corner near the automobile agency, and a few minutes later Lett joined them. Hunter stated that he had to see Jack Eandy for a few minutes and suggested that Hall and Lett wait for him at an appointed place, which Hall believes was in front of the leading hotel in Akron. He continued that Lett and he waited at this spot for about one-half hour and apparently their actions aroused the suspicions of a police officer who arrested them on suspicion; that at the police station the officers found approximately \$850 in the possession of Lett and only a few dollars in Hall's possession; that they held Lett and fingerprinted and photographed him. Hall stated that inasmuch as they had nothing on him, they immediately let him go.

Hall further stated that he later learned from Fred Hunter that he was within a few feet of Lett and Hall when they were picked up; that he immediately went to a friend of his in Akron and propositioned him to put up \$150, which with the money taken from Lett at the time of his arrest, would be sufficient to provide a \$1,000 bond, which Lett was going to ask for; that the object in mind was to have Lett jump this \$1,000 bond after his release. Hall did not know whether this proposition was accepted, nor did he know under what circumstances Lett was released. He



stated that this was the last time he saw Milton Lett.

As stated before, Hall advised that Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis remained at his home on this particular visit for approximately three weeks, leaving on or about November 3, 1935. He could not or would not furnish any information with respect to the Garrettsville, Ohio, train robbery which occurred on November 7, 1935; he also claimed to be ignorant of the fact that Karpis et al "cased" this robbery during the period he and Fred Hunter were living at his home. He professed to know absolutely nothing of this robbery, nor would he admit any knowledge of the Warren, Ohio, mail robbery which took place on April 24, 1935. He did state, however, that Karpis at one time indicated to him that George Sargent and another fellow were serving a bum rap, (they were convicted for the Warren mail robbery mentioned above). Hall advised that Karpis seemed pleased about Sargent's incarceration, stating that he should be in jail, as he is nothing more than a "stool pigeon". In explanation, Hall advised that Karpis believes that Sargent put Doc Barker "on the spot", for the reason that Doc Barker had taken his, Sargent's, girl away from him. Continuing, Hall stated that about one month ago several Italian men from Warren and Canton, Ohio, came to him and offered him a proposition to go to St. Paul, Minnesota, and secure a deposition from Alvin Karpis to the effect that George Sargent did not participate in the Warren mail robbery, and that his recent conviction was unjust. Hall stated he informed them that he, of course, could not do a thing like that and suggested that they contact the proper United States Attorney in this regard. Agent attempted to secure the names of these individuals from Hall but without success, he advising that he did not want to involve these people.

Continuing, Hall related that when Karpis left Youngstown, Ohio, on or about November 3, 1935, he told Hall that he would leave the Terraplane automobile in his custody and that he may use it at will until he came back after it. He explained that he had no use for it at that time.

At this point Clayton Hall still insists that he was not aware of the true identity of Alvin Karpis, although he did admit that he believed him to be a bank robber.

Hall further stated that as he recalled, about December 10th or 12th, 1935, he received a telegram from Karpis from Hot Springs, Arkansas, advising him to drive the Terraplane coupe to Hote Springs and to register at the Arlington Hotel under his right name and also advising

that he should bring his wife with him for the trip. Hall stated that this invitation was merely a friendly gesture on Karpis' part, as his wife had previously remarked to Karpis that she had done very little traveling in her days; that Karpis knowing this and the fact that they treated and fed him well while he lived at their house, it is Hall's belief that Karpis felt he owed them some consideration. Hall stated that about a week or so later he and his wife proceeded to Hot Springs in the said Terraplane coupe, and upon their arrival there they registered into the Arlington Hotel under the name of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hall, Youngstown, Ohio; that either that same day or the next day Karpis contacted him, and thereafter brought him and his wife to a cottage on the outskirts of Hot Springs, where he for the first time met Grace Goldstein, who was living with Karpis.

Hall advised that Freddie Hunter was also in Hot Springs at this time and was keeping company with a girl named Connie; that he and his wife remained at the Arlington Hotel for only a few days, and thereafter moved to a tourist camp on the outskirts of town. Hall stated that he and his wife remained in Hot Springs until on or about December 22, 1935, when they returned to Youngstown, Ohio, in the Terraplane coupe.

Continuing, Hall related that the next time he saw Alvin Karpis was on January 14, 1936, at which time Karpis came to Youngstown, Ohio, by plane, he arriving at his home, 134 Ridgewood Drive, by taxi-cab around 5:00 or 5:30 p.m., that on the following morning Karpis asked Hall to drive him to Toledo, Ohio, in the Terraplane coupe; that en route Karpis directed him to a garage in Port Clinton, Ohio, where Karpis got out of the car and entered the said garage. Hall advised that Karpis remained in this place for only a minute or so, and in getting into the car he remarked that "the fellow" wasn't in, and that there wasn't any use in waiting for him to return. Hall averred that he is not acquainted with John Zetzer, nor has he ever heard his name mentioned by either Karpis or Fred Hunter.

Hall went on to state that he thereafter drove Karpis to Toledo, Ohio, and upon their arrival there Karpis directed him to drive to the intersection what he thought was Eleventh and Adams Street; that when they neared this particular intersection Karpis directed him to drive around the block before stopping; that as they made the first circuit around this block, Karpis observed a new Packard automobile parked in front of the building at that location. Hall stated that Karpis apparently suspected this car, as he told him, Hall, to again drive around the block, and when they came back they observed a colored chauffeur sitting

in the Packard automobile above mentioned, and shortly thereafter drive away in same; that thereupon Karpis remarked, "It's all right", and instructed Hall to park in the space vacated by the former automobile.

Hall went on to relate that Karpis got out of the Terraplane and entered the building at Eleventh and Adams Streets; that although he did not actually see Karpis enter the said building, he believes with a certain degree of certainty that Karpis entered by way of the first entrance from the corner of the intersection of the above two named streets; that as he recalls, there is a grocery store located on the corner of the building and a row of stores on the first floor and a number of apartments above these stores on the second floor.

Hall stated that Karpis returned to the car about five minutes later in a very apparent excited and disturbed condition; that he jumped into the automobile and instructed Hall to drive away from the vicinity immediately and thereafter directed Hall over a circuitous route out of Toledo. Hall stated that as they were driving away, Karpis related that he went up to "this" apartment and knocked on the door; that a man whose name might possibly be "Joe" opened the door and Karpis asked him whether George was in; that this man pretended not to know him and stated that he, Karpis, must have the wrong place, indicating that no one around there was named George, and that possibly the party for whom he was inquiring lived across the hallway. Hall stated that Karpis at first did not get the meaning of this non-recognition, and when he was about to again talk with this man, the latter winked at him, and about this time Karpis observed through the open door a stranger standing beside a table which was located at the end of the long hallway which is visible from the corridor outside of the apartment. Hall stated that Karpis thereupon believed that the place was "planted" by government agents and that it was for this reason that the man in question refused to recognize him. He went on to state that Karpis further feared at this time that the agents might have recognized him, and seen him enter the Terraplane coupe which Hall was driving and that for this reason Karpis told Hall immediately upon their arrival at Youngstown, Ohio, to store the car in Manning-Marino's garage, which Hall did.

Karpis also informed Hall at this time that it was lucky for him that he did not go to the apartment by way of the back stairs; that if he had, the probabilities were that the agents located in the house might have easily recognized him, as one could easily and clearly observe from the kitchen of the said apartment anyone coming up the stairs.

by It might be stated that on May 6, 1936, Clayton Hall accompanied Special Agent W. J. McNulty visited the intersection of Eleventh and Adams Streets, Toledo, Ohio, and Hall informed that as he recalls he parked the Terraplane coupe on January 15, 1936, approximately in front of the Blue Goose Lunch on Adams Street.

Continuing, Hall related that on the following day, January 16, 1936, at Karpis' request, he drove Karpis in his personally-owned Reo sedan to Canton, Ohio, where Karpis contacted Joe Rich, who apparently was known to Karpis; that as he recalls, he left Karpis out of the car at the corner of Third and Cherry Streets, Canton, Ohio, and when leaving Karpis informed him that he wouldn't need him any more and for him to return to Youngstown, if he wished. Hall stated that previously Karpis asked him to return to Hot Springs, Arkansas, with his pilot and to tell Grace Goldstein to come to Canton, Ohio, with the same pilot and register into the Onesta Hotel and to wait there for a telephone call from him. Hall advised that he readily agreed to make the trip to Hot Springs and that that evening he left his home and checked into the Albany Hotel at Youngstown, Ohio, under the name of Art Bell; that the pilot, now known to him as Johnny Stover, contacted him that night, advising that he should be at the airport at 7:00 a.m. the following morning. Hall stated that he was at the airport at the appointed time, and thereafter he accompanied Stover and his wife in the plane to Hot Springs, Arkansas, leaving Youngstown at about 8:00 a.m., January 17, 1936. Hall stated that they had a forced landing during the afternoon at Paducah, Kentucky; that they remained in that city overnight, and on the following morning they proceeded on their way, and thereafter had an uneventful trip to Hot Springs; that upon his arrival at Hot Springs he checked into the Majestic Hotel, and sometime during the evening of January 18, 1936, he contacted Grace Goldstein at her house of prostitution, the Batterie Hotel, and gave her Karpis' message. He stated that either the following day or the day after he drove the Goldstein woman in her green Buick coupe to the airport at Hot Springs, Arkansas, where she boarded Stover's plane, and she thereafter flew with him and his wife to Canton.

Hall advised that about three or four days later Karpis and Grace Goldstein returned to Hot Springs and contacted him at the Majestic Hotel; that shortly thereafter they came by the hotel, picked him up and drove him to a white stucco house located at 127 Fensel Avenue, Hot Springs, where Karpis and Grace were apparently living together. Hall stated that Karpis informed him that they had a very rough plane ride on their way back to Hot Springs; that they had a forced landing near Benton, Arkansas, and that it was necessary that they hire some individual with an automobile to drive them to Hot Springs.

It was while in Hot Springs on this trip that Clayton Hall first learned of the identity of Alvin Karpis, according to his own statements. He stated that he observed Karpis' photograph in the Red Book magazine, and when he recognized the same, he confronted Karpis with the identification, and Karpis readily admitted to him his identity and asked what he was going to do about it. Hall stated that he agreed to go along with him and keep his identity a secret, and thereafter by his own admissions, he, Hall, rented a bungalow and purchased a Buick car for Karpis.

The details of Hall's movements and activities while in the company of Alvin Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the period of January 18, 1936, to February 20, 1936, are set out in full in the reports of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated April 19, 1936; report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 11, 1936; and the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated April 22, 1936. The information here apparently has no bearing on the investigations presently under way in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio.

As indicated above, Clayton Hall left Hot Springs, Arkansas on February 20, 1936, and prior to his leaving Karpis informed Hall that he would see him on or about April 15, 1936, at Youngstown, Ohio.

Hall was questioned at great length concerning his knowledge of the set-ups in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, and he advised that the information related above is the extent of his knowledge as to this. He stated that he frequently heard Karpis and Hunter talk about one EDITH, who is supposed to be a former nurse and an "all-around good fellow" in Toledo, and from what he could gather as a result of these conversations, she is their Toledo contact. Hall could not recall any specific conversations or statements relative to this possibility. Agent asked Hall whether either Karpis or Hunter ever mentioned the name of JOE ROSCOE, and he replied negatively. He did state, however, that at the time he drove Karpis to Toledo on January 15, 1936, Karpis referred to the man with whom he talked relative to Campbell as Joe, last name not mentioned. Hall knew of no other individual in Toledo who might have harbored Karpis or Campbell in any manner or at any time.

With reference to the possibility of Sheriff James O'Reilly knowing the true identity of Campbell while he was associating and drinking with the latter at Goulet's Grille and other places, Hall advised that from what he could gather, as a result of conversations had with Karpis and Hunter Sheriff O'Reilly did not know the true identity of Campbell;

that they frequently laughed over this and would remark that that situation "was one for the books". Hall further advised that the name of Ed McGraw was never mentioned to him nor in his presence, nor was the name of Fred Goulet ever mentioned. He stated that it was also his understanding that Campbell's wife, likewise, did not know who Campbell really was, she believing that he was in the slot machine business.

As to the Cleveland set-up, Hall advised that both Fred Hunter and Milton Lett formerly worked in the Harvard Club, and in view of their close association with Karpis it appears very likely that Karpis is, likewise, known to other employes of that club. He stated that he never heard either Karpis or Hunter mention the names of Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, Tip O'Neill, Smoky Sharkey, Neily Mitchell or Tony Amersbach; that, however, he frequently heard Hunter make reference to "his boss" in Cleveland, but at no time did Hunter ever reveal his name or identity to him.

With reference to Milton Lett, whom Hall knows as "The Kid", Hall advised that Lett is probably known to gamblers and underworld characters in Akron, Ohio, as Lett on one occasion mentioned to him that he used to work in Akron as a shiller, not mentioning the name of the gambling place.

For the information of the file, Clayton Hall and his family are presently residing in a cottage at Craig's Beach, Milton Lake, Ohio; this cottage is situated on a short dirt road called Edgewater Drive and is the second house on the right as one enters this road from the highway going to Craig's Beach proper. Hall advised that he contemplates residing here until September 1, 1936, and when he moves he will inform the Cleveland field office of his new address. It might be stated that Hall is still employed with the Holland Furnace Company at Youngstown and can be reached by calling the office of this company. He receives all of his mail care of General Delivery, Youngstown, Ohio.



The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on August 22, 1936 by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Mr. Walter Curran, Sales Engineer, Bunting Brass and Bronze Company, 715 Spencer Street, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed with reference to the fight at the Casino Club involving Pat Murray, the entertainer, and various members of the Barker-Karpis gang. He stated that he recalled being at the club on the occasion of the fight, having gone to the club with Messrs. Zahrly, McKahon and Gavin; that he recalled that at the time the fight started there was a group of young men, short in stature, standing at the bar, but he was unable to identify them by photographs as being members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

He stated that he recalled that Ted Angus and Nig Cousins grabbed Mr. Zahrly during the course of the fight; also, that one of the men standing at the bar grabbed a chair as if ready to swing it.

The only information of real value obtained from Mr. Curran was a corroboration of the fact that a fight took place at the Casino Club, which corroborates the story told by Marie Barley and the entertainer, Pat Murray, the latter two, it is to be recalled, being able to identify members of the gang as having been participants in the fight; also the fact that Curran stated that after the fight he heard Ted Angus state that the fellows were just a bunch of young punks off the boats and not to pay any attention to the matter.

On August 23, 1936, Special Agents J. V. Murphy and R. C. Suran interviewed William Poulos at the Penny Arcade, Jim's Place, Put-in-Bay Ohio.

Previous investigation at Toledo, Ohio, revealed that Wm. Poulos formerly operated slot machines in Lucas County, Ohio, and Toledo, Ohio, and as a result of his failure to pay protection he was

run out of the slot machine business in Toledo and Lucas County, Ohio.

Poulos advised that his residence is 1584 Eleanor Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, and that he presently has the slot machine concession at Jim's Place, Put-in-Bay, Ohio, which place he operates during the summer season, which ends on Labor Day, and he expects to return to his residence in Toledo immediately after Labor Day. He stated he has been in Toledo, Ohio, about seventeen years and the greater part of this time he has been in slot machine, pin ball and punch board business. Poulos advised that prior to 1928 and during that year he had a place of business located at 707 Summit Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, at which place he was engaged in the manufacture of punch boards. He stated that during 1928 Al Fetzer and the Fretti brothers wanted a half interest in his business of manufacturing and putting out punch boards, but did not want to put any money into the business, but wanted their half interest to be given them for the protection they might afford his business. He stated that he refused to accept their proposition, and Fetzer and the Fretti brothers put the "finger" on him to the police, and as a result the gambling squad, under Captain Schultz, raided his place of business and confiscated all of his stock, including punch boards and some slot machines; that his entire stock was valued in excess of \$10,000, all of which he failed to recover after same was seized by the police department.

Poulos stated that at the present time his wife has eighteen one-ball pin ball machines in the city of Toledo, which were in "on the sneak", and no contribution is made, either to the police department or the Fretti brothers or anyone else for the privilege of operating these machines. He stated, however, that this is not true with other operators of pin ball machines in the city of Toledo. He stated that a Mr. Scheerer of the West Toledo Coin Machine Company, 1414 Sylvania Avenue, has several machines in Toledo, for which they pay \$1.50 per week to the Fretti brothers for the privilege of operating them. He stated that other operators in Toledo are Louie H. House, 405 Platt Street and Al Fetzer, 312 - 18th Street, Toledo; that these operators are reported to have an understanding with the Fretti brothers, whereby the Fretti brothers receive a part of their earnings. Poulos advised that he placed slot machines in various spots in Lucas County, Ohio, about three years ago and continued to operate machines in that county until about four or five months ago. He stated that the number of machines he had located varied in number, and the most machines he had at any one time in Lucas County amounted to about thirty. He stated that about four or five months ago Sheriff O'Reilly came to him and instructed him to take all of his slot machines out of the County of Lucas. He stated that the sheriff never at any time endeavored to

collect a pay-off from him, and neither did the sheriff give him any reason why he, Poulos, should take his machines out of Lucas County, while Tom Worland was permitted to continue operations. He stated that he had no evidence that Tom Worland paid the sheriff for the privilege of operating between four to eight hundred slot machines in Lucas County, but inasmuch as the sheriff permitted Worland's machines to operate, while other operators were not permitted to operate in the county, he concluded that Worland must be paying off to the sheriff.

Poulos was asked to name specific instances where his machines were removed and Worland's machines were permitted to operate, and he stated he had a complete list of the machines which had been removed by the Sheriff's Office at his home in Toledo, and after his return to that city about September 7th, Labor Day, he would furnish this list to agents with more detailed information. He stated that he had one 5¢ slot machine in the Gintzel Grocery store, and Tom Worland had four such machines in this store, which store is located just over the city limit line in Lucas County at the intersection of Chicago Pike and Wayne Avenue. He stated that about three or four months ago his machine was taken out of this place by Deputy Sheriff Sharkey, while the machines belonging to Worland were permitted to operate. Poulos also mentioned that at one time he had two 5¢ slot machines and one 1¢ cigarette premium slot machine located at Sam's Place, about five miles out of the city limits of Toledo on West Central Avenue; that about two months ago, which he recalled was shortly after the capture of Harry Campbell, Deputy Sheriff Sharkey took his, Poulos', machines out of Sam's Place and Tom Worland's machines were placed therein a few days later.

Poulos advised that there is a feed store and filling station located on the Telegraph Road just west of the Toledo Terminal Railroad underpass; that the proprietor of this place had his own slot machines in operation at the filling station; that Tom Worland tried to place his machines there, and the proprietor refused to do business with Worland, and shortly thereafter the proprietor's machines were confiscated by the sheriff's office, while at the same time slot machines belonging to Tom Worland were permitted to operate in a filling station located a short distance from the filling station where the slot machines had been confiscated.

Poulos advised that quite some time before the apprehension of Harry Campbell he had heard that the Bob Miller who was hanging around in the vicinity of the Goulet Grill on Monroe Street had an interest

with Tom Worland in some slot machines, but that he had no definite information that Miller (the alias of Campbell) did, in fact, have slot machines in operation.

On August 24, 1936, Special Agents Murphy and Suran determined that the filling station and feed store located on the Telegraph Road, referred to by Poulos, was one which is operated by Mr. O. W. Plotner at the intersection of Telegraph Road and Warrington Street. Mr. Plotner advised agents that three or four years ago he operated slot machines in his filling station for a period of about one year, which machines belonged to Tom Worland. He stated that after operating these machines for about a year one of Worland's employes came to him and said that they would have to take the machines out, which was done, and a few weeks later Worland's man, whose name he does not know, came back and wanted to replace the slot machines, but that he, Plotner, advised this man that he did not want the machines put back into his filling station inasmuch as the biggest play received on the machines was from his, Plotner's, employes. He stated that for a period of a year and one-half he had no slot machines in his filling station, but after this period a man representing the W-B Service Company, believed to be a Greek by the name of Poulos, put in one 5¢ slot machine. He advised that this slot machine was in operation for just a short while when one day a man employed by Worland stopped to buy a cigar and observed the W-B Service Company slot machine; that about a week later a deputy sheriff, whose name he does not know, came to him and stated that he had received a complaint from some teachers' association about the slot machine, and Plotner would have to take out the machine from his filling station.

Plotner stated he asked the deputy sheriff why the filling station operated nearby by Mrs. Tiplady, a principal of a school, would be permitted to operate slot machines in her filling station while he could not do so. He stated that the deputy sheriff pretended to be surprised there were slot machines in the filling station operated by Mrs. Tiplady; that the deputy sheriff then proceeded to Mrs. Tiplady's place of business and returned shortly thereafter and advised him, Plotner, that Mrs. Tiplady had been instructed to remove these machines. Plotner advised that the slot machine was taken from his filling station by the deputy sheriff, and the slot machines were also removed from Mrs. Tiplady's place of business, but these latter machines were replaced within a week. He stated that as near as he can recall this incident took place about the first of the year 1936. Plotner advised that about five months after the 5¢ slot machine had been removed from his filling station, the W-B Service Company placed a 1¢ slot machine in his

filling station, and this machine was also removed by the same deputy sheriff who had removed the 5¢ slot machine. Mr. Plotner stated that the slot machines belonging to Tom Worland are still operating in various filling stations along Telegraph Road, and these machines bear a sticker "Delux Service". Plotner stated that while he was not specifically told, he concluded that the reason his machines were removed was because he refused to do business with Tom Worland's outfit, who seem to have protection.

Investigation previously reported verifies the information furnished by Mr. Plotner that numerous pin ball and slot machines bearing the "Delux Service" sticker are in operation in various filling stations and lunch rooms along Telegraph Road in Lucas County, Ohio.

Special Agents Murphy and Suran visited the Gintzel Grocery Store, located on Wayne Avenue, corner of Westwood, and found this grocery is now operated as the Maumee Valley Market No. 2; that there were no slot machines located in this store; however, alongside the grocery is a small drinking joint called the Tumble Inn, and it was noted there is one one-ball machine in this place, which bears the "Delux Service" sticker. It was also ascertained that Mr. Gintzel no longer operated a grocery store, and is now operating a fruit stand on route #4, which is located about one-half mile west of Westwood Avenue on Wayne Avenue.

Mr. H. L. Gintzel stated that he operated the grocery store previously referred to at the corner of Wayne Avenue and Westwood, prior to December 1935. He stated that prior to 1931 he had a slot machine in his store, placed there by a Greek whose name he believed to be Poulos, but he had the Greek remove this machine from his store in 1931. However, the Greek had one or two slot machines in the lunch room known as the Tumble Inn, next door to his grocery, and the slot machines in the Tumble Inn were hijacked and taken by some unknown persons, and Poulos accused him of taking the machines and searched the upstairs of his store, which resulted in his, Gintzel, giving Poulos a whipping for calling him a harsh name. Mr. Gintzel stated he has had no slot machines in his place of business since the year 1931; that he sold his grocery store in December 1935 after his father became injured and was unable to assist him in its operation.

On August 22, 1936, Special Agents Murphy and Suran, while at a filling station and lunch room known as Adams Lunch, located at the intersection of US #20 and State Highway #263, observed in this place one 5¢ slot machine bearing a Delux Service sticker. There was also in this place of business a one-ball pin ball machine, also a ten-ball pin ball machine, which bore no Delux Service Sticker, but had a card

with a notation "Phone Main 2374". Across the street from the Adams Lunch is located the Garden Gate Cafe, where agents noted therein one 5¢ slot machine and two one-ball pin machines, all bearing the DeLux sticker.

Agents interviewed Carl Fisher, Justice of the Peace, who operates a grocery store, gas station and tourist cabins at the intersection of Highways 20 and 263, opposite the Garden Gate Cafe, in Lucas County, Ohio. Fisher stated he is a brother-in-law of Al Fetzner, of Toledo, Ohio, who operated slot machines in the county of Lucas about five years ago but was "pushed" out of the county by Tom Worland; that Fetzner is presently operating pin ball machines in the city of Toledo. Fisher advised that during the time that Fetzner operated slot machines in Lucas County, he, Fisher, had some of these machines in his place of business, and after Fetzner turned the county over to Worland, the latter's machines were placed in his grocery store and filling station, and he continued to operate these machines until he became Justice of the Peace on January 1, 1936. Fisher was asked if he knew the location of any slot machines in Lucas County at the present time, and he said that he did not have any such information, as he did not get around very much, and as Justice of the Peace he would not give any attention to slot machines unless a complaint was filed before him, which he stated has never been done. Fisher previously stated that the Adams Lunch is operated by his brother-in-law, and his attention was called to the fact that a slot machine is located in this place, as well as one being located in the Garden Gate Cafe, directly across the street from him. He denied he knew these slot machines were located in the above-stated places. He stated that the constables working out of his office carried Deputy Sheriff Commissions, but would take no action against slot machines, as that matter would be left to the sheriff's office, and, as Justice of the Peace, he left the prosecution of slot machine cases to the County Prosecutor's office. He was asked if he had any information as to why slot machines were permitted to operate openly in Lucas County, and he smiled and said "I suppose fees are paid to the Sheriff". He would not enlarge upon this statement.

Mr. Fisher stated he had no information, rumor or otherwise, that Harry Campbell had ever placed any slot machines in Lucas County, Ohio.

On August 22, 1936, Agents Murphy and Suran while en route to Waterville, Ohio, stopped at a grocery store and filling station known as the Nation Wide Grocery, located at the intersection of US Highway #20 and Dulton Drive, Lucas County, Ohio. Agents observed in this



place one 10¢ slot machine, one 5¢ slot machine and one 1¢ slot machine, all bearing the Delux Service sticker. There was also in this grocery store a 1¢ cigarette premium machine.

At Waterville, Ohio, agents observed one 5¢ one-ball pin machine in the Dick Witt store and beer parlor. There was also observed two 5¢ one-ball pin machines in the Wadlog Inn at Waterville, Ohio. These machines did not bear the DeLux Service sticker. No slot machines were observed in these places and other beer parlors visited.

Justice of the Peace L. H. Thoroman, Waterville, Ohio, was interviewed. He stated he has been Justice of the Peace at Waterville, Ohio, for the past eight years and did not know of any slot machines that are in operation in his township. He remarked that he did not believe he would know a legal vending machine from an illegal gambling machine; that he never had a slot machine case in his court. Thoroman said he was a Republican and of opposite political faith from Sheriff O'Reilly; that he had never received any information that O'Reilly permitted the operation of slot machines in Lucas County.

In two drink parlors at Whitehouse, Ohio, which places bore no names on the front of the building, agents observed pin ball machines therein. In one of these drink parlors there were two pin ball machines, and in the other drink parlor there was one pin ball machine. These machines did not bear the Delux Service sticker.

Mr. J. C. Dennis, Justice of the Peace, Whitehouse, Ohio, advised agents that he had no information concerning any slot machines in operation at Whitehouse, Ohio. Dennis stated that he has been Justice of the Peace since January 1, 1936, but is crippled to such an extent he is unable to get around much, which fact was observed by agents.

Dennis stated that he is a Republican and Sheriff James O'Reilly is a Democrat, but that he has no information of any malfeasance by the sheriff in the administration of the duties of his office, with the exception of the newspaper publicity which related to the sheriff associating with Harry Campbell. Dennis stated that the majority of the citizens at Whitehouse, Ohio, were of the opinion that the sheriff knew the true identity of Harry Campbell, but that no one, so far as he knew, had any definite information which would indicate this to be true.



couple of machines. Kerr stated that he had a 5¢ slot machine in Al Cousino's filling station and grocery located at Big Ditch Road and Cedar Point Road, Lucas County, and this machine was picked up by Deputy Sheriffs Sharkey and Carr in the spring of 1936 and he never got the machine back; that he has not been around to this location to see if any other machines were put in after his was removed by the deputy sheriffs. He stated his machine was the only one at that spot. He stated he has two pin ball machines in Lucas County; that William Poulos has some pin ball machines in Lucas County and Poulos operates as the W-B Service. Kerr stated that he has a penny slot machine in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Club at Point Place, and Tom Worland has two five-cent slot machines in this place alongside of his; that he has a five-cent slot machine in the Tremainville Road in Lucas County, Ohio. He stated he placed these machines in the county just a few days prior to this interview, and he does not know how long they will remain before being picked up by the Sheriff's Office.

Kerr stated that the following operators operate pin ball machines and some have a few slot machines:

Al Fetzer, 18th Street near corner of Madison Street, Toledo;  
 Louis House,  
 Kyle Mobley and Donald Feak on Western Avenue, Toledo,  
 Murrel Fike,  
 Carl Cooper, National Coin Machine Company,  
 Guy Shearer,  
 Mose and Hunts Shapiro, one of whom deals "Black Jack" at  
 Superior Sports Center, 120 Superior Street,  
 Carl LaPlante,  
 George Davis, with Cooper in National Coin Machine Company

Kerr stated that Cooper has quite a few slot machines, but the big operators in the city of Toledo are House, Fetzer, Cooper, Fretti brothers and Guy Shearer; and that Cooper and Shearer have a few machines in spots in the county.

Kerr denied that he knew that Tom Worland had the concession for slot machines and other machines in Lucas County, but stated that he knows it is a big risk to put machines out in the county. Kerr denied that he ever made a payoff to anyone, other than the 25% of their earnings paid to a syndicate, when he and Poulos were in business together from 1931 to 1932 or 1933.

On August 25, 1936, Special Agents Suran and Murphy interviewed Guy Shearer at his place of business, the Coin Amusement Supply Co.,

1353 Sylvania Avenue, Toledo. He stated he started in business in Toledo in April 1936 and is a broker or agent for pin ball machines; that he does not operate any of these machines in Toledo or Lucas County, Ohio, altho his son, Floyd Shearer, has about 25 pin ball machines in Toledo. He stated before coming to Toledo he was located at Monroe, Michigan, where he operated about forty slot machines. Mr. Shearer denied that he ever paid anyone anything in connection with the operation of slot or pin-ball machines in Toledo, altho he did state he paid the attorney fees on one occasion about the time the city of Toledo was going to license pin-ball machines a couple months ago.

Shearer stated his business is to sell pin ball and other amusement machines to the operators and he has recently sold an order to the Fretti brothers of Toledo, who are large operators of pin-ball games in Toledo.

The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on August 23, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan, John L. Madala and E. J. Wynn:

Father Schackelhoff, in charge of the Propagation of the Faith, 2205 Madison Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, on August 23, 1936, contacted Special Agent E. J. Wynn by telephone concerning agents' previous interview with Mildred Kuhlman requesting to see agents. Agents Sullivan and Madala called on Father Schackelhoff, and he stated he has been acquainted with Mildred Kuhlman for many years, both having been born and reared in the same town; that after she was called as a witness at the trial of Arthur R. Barker at St. Paul, in May 1935, he read of this in the newspapers and that later during the year her mother asked him to look out for Mildred, and on his return to Toledo, Ohio, he contacted Captain George Timiney and Detective John McCarthy, who he previously knew and asked them what they knew about the Kuhlman girl's acquaintances and friends, and Timiney and McCarthy told him at that time that she was going around with gangsters, but they were no more specific than that; that he interviewed Mildred at that time, and she told him some of her story in confidence; that on Sunday, August 23, 1936, Mildred Kuhlman called on him and told him that she had again been interviewed by Bureau agents and was greatly worried, because she had told all the truth and still was not believed by agents.

The Father stated that he suggested to Mildred that she tell all the truth, and he asked agents whether they believed that she was withholding information. Agents stated that they were sure of this, whereupon the Father agreed to contact Mildred Kuhlman and advise her to tell the truth.

The following investigation was conducted on August 24, 1936, by Special Agents E. J. Wynn and D. P. Sullivan:

Mildred Kuhlman was contacted at the residence, and she willingly came to the temporary office being maintained at Toledo for interview, stating that she did not desire to be interviewed at her residence.

She stated that after she had contact with Father Schackelhoff on August 23, 1936, she returned home.

The Kuhlman woman stated that for this reason she did not want to be interviewed in hearing distance of this woman.

She stated that for about two months, up until either May or June 1934, she was visiting in the state of Texas; that upon her return home to Toledo she was keeping company with a young man, who was engaged in the chromium plating business by the name of Eddie Nagle, 1231 Overland Parkway, telephone Kingswood 2451; that at that time she was residing with Thelma Holst and Al Wilson in the Burdella Apartments, Collingwood and Cherry Streets; that Thelma, Rene and Madeline at this time told her of a wonderful bunch of fellows who were hanging out at the Casino Club and bragged to her how much money they had and were spending there, and when she inquired as to their identities, they told her that they undoubtedly were racketeers, who might be employed in connection with the Auto-Lite strike in Toledo; that she did not go to the Casino Club for two or three weeks or more; that thereafter she did visit the Club with Madeline, Rene and Thelma and there met Russell Gibson, under the name of Slim; Doc Barker under the name of Shorty; Jimmie Wilson under the name of Jimmie; Willie Harrison under the name of Willie Harrison; Charles J. Fitzgerald as the "Old Man"; Harry Campbell as Buff and Buffalo; Dr. Joseph P. Moran as Doc; Wynona Burdette as Wynona; Paula Harmon as Paula, Edna Murray as Rabbits; Volney Davis as Cotton, and Dolores Delaney as Dolores. She was unable to identify the photographs of Ollie Berg, Fred Barker, William Weaver, Myrtle Eaton, Alvin Karpis and Belle Born and other photographs shown to her. She stated that these men and women were frequent visitors at the Casino Club and spent money freely; that they were friendly with Bert and Ted Angus; that after they were seen by her over a period of time she recognized the fact that they were not legitimate; that she recalled that on one occasion at Thelma's apartment sometime before Madeline went to the hospital in the summer of 1934 she, Madeline, Rene and Thelma were there and Madeline and Rene produced a Toledo newspaper which she believed was the News-Bee and showed Mildred a news article with an accompanying group of three or four pictures and that she recalled that Doc Barker's photograph was among them, but she could not recall the other photographs; that she believed that this news article mentioned that Doc was wanted for murder.

She stated that she and the other three women were startled by the news and little was said; that thereafter Thelma and the other two women diligently read the newspapers and bought detective magazines, which might contain stories of the gang; that thereafter she recalled Thelma having a detective magazine having photographs of Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker in the line-up; that she believes that mention was made that these men were wanted for murder. (The only Toledo news article



with pictures of the gang which appeared in the summer of 1934, was an article in the Toledo News-Bee of May 25, 1934, which contained a photograph of Karpis and Volney Davis, the latter having printed underneath the name "Barker", and this article mentioned that Barker and Alvin Karpis are under indictment for the Bremer kidnaping case).

Mildred Kuhlman stated that thereafter Rene and Thelma Holst and Madeline Angus frequently talked of the gang, knowing their true identities; that she recalled that some one of these girls, probably Rene, told her that Bert and Ted Angus and George Timiney were not receiving any money to protect the gang; that originally a large sum of money was to be set aside and given to George Timiney by the mob as 'protection' money; that Timiney was, in turn, to split some of this money with Bert and Ted Angus, but that he refused to take the money, because he felt that the gang was 'too hot', and for this reason Bert and Ted Angus did not get their money; that it was evident that this gang obtained protection, because the various members of the Hoodlum Squad visited the Casino Club when the gang was frequenting the place; that she is acquainted with the following members of the Squad, as it was then constituted: John McCarthy, Bob Fielding, Michalak and Timiney; that she could not recall, however, seeing McCarthy at the Casino Club during this time; that she did not see Timiney visit the Casino Club with the Squad, but that he did visit there during the time the mob was going there; that on a couple of occasions he was with Mrs. Toddy Marks and another elderly couple, unknown to her; that generally Timiney was alone; that she cannot recall him sitting at the table with any of the gang, but remembers that he was drinking at the club during the time that the gang was present.

She stated that she recalled that one evening at the Casino Club, she, Rene, and probably Madeline were sitting together at a booth; that on their arrival she noticed a party sitting at a table in the rear; that these individuals consisted of the Old Man (Fitzgerald); Doc Moran, probably Nig Cousins and Edith Schultz, former sweetheart of Nig Cousins, an old grey-haired woman whom Rene told her was Clara Miller, a 'call-house' operator and two or three young women who were unknown to Mildred and who Rene stated were 'call' girls of Clara Miller; that she recalled that Doc Moran was quite intoxicated and that he came over to the booth and asked her to dance with him, but she refused; that George Timiney may have been present at the Casino Club that night, although she could not recall this to be a fact; that Doc Barker and other members of the gang may have, likewise, been there; that she could not recall George Timiney asking Rene Holst for a dance and being turned down; (this incident has previously been narrated by Edna Murray, as set out in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated July 24, 1936); that she recalled members of the gang were endeavoring to induce Doc Moran to stop drinking, but he was quite surly and disagreeable; that she could not

recall Doc Moran leaving the place that night and that she believes it was the last time she saw him; that she had no information with reference to his death other than information obtained from recent newspaper articles; that she thinks it was on this occasion that either she or Rene Holst jokingly made an indecent suggestion to the Old Man (Fitzgerald); that the latter became enraged and swung his cane about and smashed some glasses and bottles sitting on the bar; that it was possible that 'Rabbits' was present at the club that night and may have sat with Rene and herself for a short while.

When questioned concerning the occasion when the gang had a free-for-all fracas at the Casino Club, Mildred Kuhlman stated that she remembered that one very hot evening while it was still quite early she and Rene Holst were sitting at the bar with Willie Harrison, Jimmie Wilson and Doc Barker and possibly a fourth man from the gang; that she recalled someone of the gang hit an entertainer by the name of Scottie, and a man sitting at some table took Scottie's part; that Ted Angus and Nig Cousins held this stranger's arms and Bert Angus, likewise, attempted to stop the fight and that either Willie or Jimmie, but very probably Jimmie, walked up to the stranger and struck him from the rear while he was held by Nig and Ted; that during the fight Willie pulled a gun, and Bert Angus said in substance 'Willie, what the Hell are you doing - put that gun away', which Willie did.

Mildred further stated when asked whether she recalled the member of the gang who verbally chastised Willie for pulling a gun as being Fred Barker, she replied 'Was that Him?', and she stated that she did recall a short, young man who was occasionally with the gang, but who usually kept to himself and sat in a booth on the side, but she could not identify the photograph of Fred Barker; that she could not recall all the details of the fight, because she sat at the bar combing Rene Holst's hair and purposely only took glances of what was going on.

She stated that she was acquainted with Whitey Warner, who, she recalled, was in charge of the gambling concession at Middle Island during the summer of 1932 when Bert Angus managed the Island; that Warner was the sweetheart of Rene Holst, and was still infatuated with her in the summer of 1934, although he was working as a gambler somewhere in Cleveland, O., and she understood that he had a good gambling job, and was working in a large gambling house there; that Willie Harrison would make trips to Cleveland and later Whitey Warner would visit Toledo to see Rene, and Rene discovered that Willie while in Cleveland would narrate to Whitey Warner

stories that Rene had an apartment in Toledo where she was practising prostitution and had a number of girls working for her; that, as a result, Whitey Warner would become greatly aroused over Rene's reported activities; that Whitey Warner visited the Casino Club with Rene Holst on several occasions in the summer of 1934 and that it was probable that he was there when the gang was present; that during this time Rene was also keeping company with Ludy Fleming and that she was worried that Fleming might find her at the Casino Club with Whitey Warner.

It is to be recalled that Whitey Warner has been previously mentioned in this investigation and that it has been reported that he was employed at the Harvard Club, Cleveland, during the year 1934 and up until it was closed in January 1936 as the result of a raid by the prosecutor and that thereafter his name was mentioned on the telephone tap of Art Hebebrand as being a prospective employee of the new Harvard Club which reopened in a new location shortly after the January 1936 raid; that while in Cleveland Whitey Warner was a permanent guest at the Allerton Hotel, and it is very possible that he is presently employed at the gambling place of Hebebrand and Shimmy Patton in Newburgh Heights, which place supplanted the closed Harvard Club.

Mildred stated that she did not know whether Whitey Warner was acquainted with the other members of the gang or whether the gang visited him in Cleveland other than Willie Harrison; that she has not seen him since shortly before she left Toledo in November 1934 with Doc Barker.

Further information was obtained from her that Ludy Fleming visited the Casino Club in 1934, when the gang was there; that she recalled that Ludy Fleming owned a boat and that she also believed that Ted Angus owned a boat; that it was her impression that Ted's boat was called the 'Cum-Cum', and Ludy owned a boat which she thought was called, 'The Hay Bag'; that she heard some of the gang intended to purchase it and that they spoke of riding in it on different occasions; that she understood that Ludy was having trouble with his wife at that time and that sale of the boat was held up because Mrs. Fleming objected to it. Reference is here made to the information previously provided by Mildred Kuhlman concerning the boat trip made by her, Doc Barker, Harry Campbell, Willie Harrison and Rene Holst to Middle Island, as set out in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated August 22, 1936. Mildred Kuhlman stated that when they reached Middle Island Joe Roscoe was there and that she recalls at that time he was

having a well dug on the island and that members of the gang present were greatly interested in watching the well digging operations; that Willie, Doc and Buff left and were gone a couple of hours and returned with three girls whom she gathered were 'call' girls, and who they stated they had picked up at Put-in-Bay, and after a few hours they took the girls home. She could not recall whose boat was used on this trip, and no additional information was obtained from that previously reported concerning it.

Mildred Kuhlman stated that she, Madeline, Rene and Thelma did not know where the gang went after they left Toledo. She recalled, however, that Rabbits stopped at the Casino Club one day and had no money, and she mentioned that she left home with only fifty cents, just sufficient to pay the toll bridge charge, and that from this she, Mildred, and the other women mentioned surmised that Rabbits had moved to Cleveland, Ohio, and had to use the money for the Sandusky Bay toll bridge; that thereafter she read in the Toledo newspapers of the arrest of Wynona, Paula and another woman in Cleveland at a hotel where they had a fight and that independent of the newspapers, she heard from a source that she cannot now recall that the rest of the gang had escaped after being tipped off; that she did not hear that any man had called at the Casino Club shortly after the arrest of the women at Cleveland who advised Bert Angus of the details. (This information is contained in previous reports on interviews with Helen Ferguson, who stated that immediately after the arrest of the three women in the Cleveland Hotel a man came to the Casino Club and called Bert Angus outside and gave him the details and told him that there had been a police 'tip off' there and the gang got away.)

Mildred Kuhlman stated that after the gang left Toledo she did not see them again at the Casino Club or in other local places, with the exception of Doc Barker and Russell Gibson, and again related the incident when she made a trip to Chicago with Doc Barker in September 1934, as set out in her signed statement obtained from her when she was arrested in Chicago with Doc Barker in January 1935.

Concerning Albert "Al" Wilson, who formerly lived with Thelma Holst in the Burdella Apartments in the summer of 1934, Mildred Kuhlman stated that this man worked as a crap dealer in a gambling place on St. Clair Street. (This is probably the gambling place operated by Ed Warnke at 631 St. Clair Street. Joe Roscoe is reported to own this place.) Mildred stated that she has not seen Wilson since she left Toledo in November of 1934 for Chicago and has no idea where he is presently located.

The Kuhlman woman stated that she kept company with Eddie Nagel in the summer of 1934; that Nagel was a legitimate business man, and when he discovered the type of persons who were frequenting the Casino Club in 1934, he was displeased with Mildred because she continued to go there, but he never had anything to do with the gang.

When asked what places the gang frequented besides the Casino Club, while they were in Toledo, Mildred Kuhlman stated that she heard them speaking of having visited the 42nd Street Cafe, which is operated by Joe Roscoe and also having done to the Dutch Village Night Club operated by Art Hand and Joe Rose, although, she stated, she had not ever been with them at the Dutch Village.

Mildred Kuhlman stated that she had no information as to where Doc Barker and other members of the gang purchased their automobiles, nor did she know of any favors done by Bert or Ted Angus for the gang. She stated that she had been acquainted with George Timiney for many years and that up until five years ago she operated a "beer flat" with Nellie Carbin, and that she had forgotten Timiney's reputation until Nellie recalled same to her.

Nellie reminding her of the incident which occurred several years ago when her brother-in-law, Red Haynes, who was also bootlegging, raved about having to pay off to Ted Angus. Mildred stated that she knew that George Timiney was quite friendly with Ted and Bert Angus, and this incident recalled the probable reason for their friendship. Mildred stated that Red Haynes was either a dye maker or a typesetter and is probably located somewhere in Toledo.

Mildred recalled that on one occasion while the gang was frequenting the Casino Club, "Slim" Gibson mentioned that he was going to the Algeo Hotel to pick up some woman. Mildred gathered from the remark that "Slim" was referring to Pattie Lonquest. (Upon the arrest of Doc Barker and Mildred Kuhlman in Chicago in January 1935 it was known that Mildred Kuhlman was quite friendly with and frequently in the company of Pattie Lonquest.) The Kuhlman woman was asked whether she knew how Pattie Lonquest became acquainted with "Slim" Gibson and others of the gang, and she remembered that Pattie Lonquest told her that once she had a date with Louis Alterie, but was out with "Slim" Gibson at the time; that Pattie asked "Slim" if he desired to meet her friend, referring to Louis Alterie but not mentioning his name; that when "Slim" and Louis Alterie saw each other they greeted one another as old friends.

Mildred stated that from what Pattie told her Pattie and Louis Alterie were quite friendly, inasmuch as Pattie spoke of him as being a fine man and a free spender of money. It may be noted that Louis Alterie, a former Chicago gangster, was ambushed and killed presumably by gangsters last year in Chicago. Mention has previously been made in this file that the Barker-Karpis gang negotiated with Alterie for the exchange of ransom money in either the Bremer or the Hamm kidnaping case.

Mildred Kuhlman further informed that upon her return to Toledo in the latter part of January 1935 after she was released at Chicago, Rene Holst and Madeline Angus told her that Karpis and Campbell appeared at the Casino Club after their escape at Atlantic City, New Jersey, and called Bert Angus outside and requested that he give them shelter; that Bert Angus, knowing they were "hot" told them to get the hell away, although they offered him a large sum of money, probably \$500, if he would aid them.

Mildred stated, further, that someone whom she believes may have been Rene Holst told her at about the same time that a few days after Karpis and Campbell had contacted Bert at the Casino Club, they were seen at the Dutch Village and also seen drinking beer at the 42nd Street Cafe, and the remark was made to her that they must be crazy to do such a foolish thing, considering the fact they were so "hot"; that Rene, Thelma and Madeline were quite frightened about this and Madeline said that they all would probably be picked up. Mildred stated that she did not know what happened to Karpis and Campbell after this time and had no information that they remained in Toledo or even visited here.

In view of the information previously obtained from [redacted] that Rene Holst told him that Campbell had married a local Toledo girl, Mildred was closely questioned re any knowledge she might have that Campbell was married, but she denied ever hearing of same or even knowing that he was in Toledo until after his arrest in May 1936. b7d

Further information was obtained from Mildred that after her return to Toledo in the latter part of January 1935 Thelma Holst told her Doc Barker and "Slim" Gibson had visited her around Christmas time in 1934, and Doc Barker told Thelma that Mildred was still in Chicago and that he and the gang had never wanted her to be with them, but she had "horned in" on them.



On August 19, 1936, Special Agent E. J. Dowd while covering the telephone tap on the telephone of the Amusement Game and Novelty Company (Star Vending Company) 514 Monroe Street, Toledo, telephone Main 5412, overheard the following conversation on August 19, 1936 at 10:58 a. m.,

Joe Fretti: Now listen, Wilson, you want to be a detective, don't you? Well, take a tip from me and stall around for an hour or so and the license will be there for the table. What's the big hurry?

(The City Council of Toledo recently passed an ordinance which provided for the issuance of licenses for pin-ball machines in Toledo provided there were no rewards paid. The licenses for the machines were to be placed on August 19, 1936, and the above conversation, no doubt, refers to said license and indicates that the Fretti brothers have some influence in the police department.)

At 12:13 PM on August 27, 1936, Special Agent Dowd overheard the following conversation on the Fretti brothers tap:

Incoming call: Guy Shearer calling Ben Fretti

Shearer: Ben, get this - an ad in last night's paper - Attention shopkeepers! Pin-ball machines cheap, sold, rented and exchanged and serviced - 436 Superior Street. Is he connected with you?

Fretti: No, I never heard of the place, but do not get confused if they are attempting to sell pin-ball machines; they are going to get an awful trimming. You know we are not in business for our health. Just as soon as

they put a machine in alongside of ours, we'll take ours out and after they lose a few machines, pay \$50 fines and go into court, they won't last. What we got to do is to keep our collectors on the alert and whenever they find any of these machines, fill them with slugs, and we'll take care of the rest."

Shearer: "What about the test case in court?"

Fretti: "There's not going to be anything to it. We arranged this morning to have the case continued to the 14th, so as to give us the opportunity to look up the validity of the ordinance. Personally, I can't see where it will stand up. As I said before, I will instruct the collectors to be on the lookout for any new machines, and if you get any further information on it, let me know."

Incoming call at 12:22 p.m. on August 27, 1936:

Man calling: This is Dick, let me talk to Ben Fretti.

Man answers: He's talking on the other phone; hold the wire.

Ben Fretti gets on the line

Dick: Say Ben, what's the dope on the machines?

Ben: Everything is all right. We arranged this morning to have the test case continued until the 14th to test the validity of the ordinance. In the meantime, everything is arranged to open up all the boxes. (reward boxes when a winning play is made) - Go ahead and operate.

Dick: Yeah, but if we get pinched, who pays the fine?

Ben: There's going to be no pinches that we know of and if there are, we stand good for the \$50 fine.

Dick: There are two patrolmen on the beat out here, and they came in and made inquiries about the machines, but we had them locked.

Ben: Hall, open them up. What's the names of these coppers?

Dick: I don't know, the one in the afternoon seems to be a pretty good fellow.

Ben: Get their names right away and call me back and we'll see they don't bother you.

On August 16, 1936, Special Agent R. A. Guerin overheard the following conversation over the telephone tap on the phone of Maxine Belmont Thomas, 2105 Warren Street, Toledo, Ohio:

Incoming call at 2:45 p. m.

Woman calling: I don't feel well. I'm disgusted.

Maxine: I suppose you're still bothered after having those teeth pulled. I had to meet some people up at Jenny's (Jenny Miller, Shelby Hotel), so they wouldn't be bothering her. They said though they were sent up there. You know sent up to do it on account of that other trouble. (apparently meaning the dismissal of Officer Haala from the police department for associating with Jenny)

Woman: I saw somebody yesterday and asked why they were picking on her. This party said that it was because of that trouble she had.

Maxine: Well, that's it. I wanted to find out what it was all about and that is what they told me. We can't go out of business, and I can't tell her to get out, and she wouldn't sell out anyway.

Woman: A lot of others are walking the streets, but they are not bothered. I'll tell you when I see you who it was that told me about why they are picking on her.

Maxine: When they came up there, Freddie Moss (member of the Vice Squad who was with the squad when Jenny Miller was recently arrested) was so drunk he could hardly stand up; he was paralyzed, and in court he said he was drunk, he didn't know what he was doing. That other one is coming back to work tomorrow, and you know how he is. He's the leader, and I do not like to see him come back.

On August 23, 1936 Special Agent R. A. Guerin overheard the following conversations over the telephone tap on the telephone of Maxine Belmont Thomas:

Outgoing call to Main 0596 4:29 p.m., (place of business of Johnnie Thomas, husband of Maxine)

Maxine: Gilley made an appointment to meet me at your place at five o'clock, and I don't want to disappoint him. Will there be some place in front for us to sit?

Johnny: Yes. (There is an officer on the present Vice Squad by the name of Gilley, and it is probable this man is meant whom Maxine has referred to).

Outgoing call to Adams 0655 (Shelby Hotel) at 7:05 p. m.

Maxine: Mary, is Jenny there?  
 Mary: No, she's not here today.  
 Maxine: I met that party and talked to him in case  
 you see her.  
 Mary: I won't be here. I'm taking off tomorrow; it's  
 my birthday.  
 Maxine: Have you got a new sweetie?  
 Mary: Naw, nothing like that.  
 Maxine: Well, in case she calls, tell her I saw that party.

(The party referred to would appear to be Gilley)

Special Agent M. J. Kavanagh overheard the following conversation  
 on this tap at 9:47 p. m. on August 23, 1936:

Outgoing call to Adams 4941 to Lena Miller, 45 Michigan

Maxine: Hello, Lena, how are you?  
 Lena: Hot. How are you?  
 Maxine: Alright; last night Gilley and his partner were in  
 the place and wanted to see me. Mary called me  
 and I had to meet them. Talked to them an hour  
 and a half. Told them that I didn't want to be  
 a bad loser, but neither did I want to lose the  
 big prize.  
 Lena: I know. I'll see you tomorrow and tell you about  
 it.

It appears from the above conversations that Maxine Belmont is  
 dealing directly with members of the Vice Squad to avoid having  
 trouble in operating the Shelby Hotel.

These conversations will be borne in mind at the time Gilley is  
 interviewed concerning vice conditions in the city of Toledo.

The telephone tap being maintained on the telephone of Sadie Dann,  
 Oxford Hotel, 825 Summit Street, Toledo, by Special Agents N. S. Har-  
 zenstein and H. B. Dill has produced no conversations of apparent  
 value.

Report of Special Agent C. E. Smith, Cleveland, 7-21-36, sets out a lead to locate George Green, paramour of Mable Green, madam of a call house and thru him locate Eddie Seaman and Jake Gilmore to inquire re the activities and associates of Joe Rich.

7-1 On August 16, 1936, Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy contacted [redacted] who advised that he knows one George Green, who at one time ran a joint in Canton, Ohio, and was supposed to have been run out of that city; that George Green is not the paramour of Mable Green, madam of a house of prostitution; that he does not know Eddie Seaman and Jake Gilmore. [redacted] stated he ascertained that George Green is now living at 1770 Superior Street near Ash Street, Toledo; that Green is in bed with a bad leg and appears to be in hiding, as it was very difficult for him to obtain his location through members of the underworld. [redacted] also stated he learned there are two men who frequent the Owl's Club in the 400 block on Huron Street; that these two men come to the Owl's Club shortly after midnight and are free spenders, and it is his opinion they are "hot", and they may be Seaman and Gilmore, although he has no information to base that opinion on or with which to draw that conclusion. b7d

[redacted] that Joe Billeter, father of Gertrude Billeter Miller (wife of Harry Campbell) received a post card on August 6, 1936, bearing an illegible postmark and the card was a picture of the Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary and bore the message that she, Gertrude, was going to Oklahoma. [redacted] stated that Gertrude has a sister, Mrs. Max Snyder, residing at 1724 1/2 Orchard Avenue, Los Angeles, California, and he heard that Gertrude might go to visit with her sister in California. He stated he heard that some young man accompanied Gertrude on her trip to Leavenworth, Kansas, but is unable to learn the identity of the young man.

On August 22, 1936, [redacted] advised that he learned that Gertrude Billeter Miller has returned to Toledo, Ohio, about August 18 or 19 and that her mother and some unknown man had accompanied her to Oklahoma and Leavenworth, Kansas, and that Gertrude did not go to see her sister in Los Angeles, California.

[redacted] stated that Velmer "Fats" Mason, 206 Indiana Ave., Toledo, Ohio, was trap drummer at the old Casino Club when Ted and Bert Angus operated that place.

On August 27, 1936, [redacted] advised Agent J. V. Murphy that Harry Welles, address unknown, is formerly a bartender at the 42nd Street Cafe for Joe Roscoe during 1933 and 1934; that Charles Sweet was a chef at this cafe about the same period, and Sweet lives at 628 Lotus Street, but he is now working for Joe Roscoe

as chef at Middle Island, having started working there about the first part of the week; that Roscoe, who has a dock at Lakewood, Michigan met Charles Sweet at Lakewood, Michigan, about 6:30 a.m., either Monday or Tuesday of this week and took him in a speed boat to Middle Island to work at the hotel there. b7d

[redacted] further advised that Mickey Nunnold was campaign manager for former Sheriff Krieger and is a good friend of present Sheriff James O'Reilly; that Nunnold used to reside at 647 Western Avenue, Toledo, but is now said to reside in West Toledo near where Krieger resides; that Nunnold is a "fixer" and hangs out quite a bit at the city barns back of the county jail.

[redacted] stated that a friend of his by the name of Lilly, who lives at the Merchants Hotel, informed him he saw Ted and Bert Angus on the street in Toledo last Friday, August 21st, and Ted looked very bad and seemed to be worried; and that Ted told Lilly that things in Toledo looked bad.

George Charles Sellers, who operates a beer parlor and restaurant at 3113 Harvard Avenue, directly across in front of the Harvard Club, when interviewed by special agents of the Cleveland office stated that he operated a bootleg joint at the same address in 1934; that Karpis, Harrison and a third man by the name of Harry were in his place drinking during the summer and early fall of 1934; that the first time he saw Karpis was when a crap dealer by the name of Bill, last name unknown, who hailed from Toledo, Ohio, shook hands with Karpis and then turned to him, Sellers, and stated, "These men are friends of mine and are ok; they want some whiskey; take care of them".

On August 27, 1936, Special Agent J. V. Murphy contacted [redacted] who advised that he knows a crap dealer by the name of Bill Irwin or Erwin, who used to work at one time in the Jovial Club at 631 St. Clair Street, Toledo, Ohio.

He described Bill Irwin as about 42 years, height about 5 feet, 8 inches, weight from 180 to 200 pounds, having a big stomach, being a neat dresser, with a full head of hair.

[redacted] stated he would ascertain where Bill Irwin is presently located, and if he is still in Toledo and so advise agent.



On August 19, 1936, Gerald P. Openlander, Assistant United States Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, directed a letter to the Cleveland field office, in which he requested an agent to interview him concerning a matter which was of no particular importance.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. J. Wynn and D. P. Sullivan on August 24, 1936:

Assistant U. S. Attorney G. P. Openlander was interviewed at the Federal Building. During the conversation Mr. Openlander stated that the next Grand Jury would convene at Toledo September 1, 1936; that ordinarily the Grand Jury sits for only two or three days. He asked agents whether they thought anything of importance in instant investigation might come to his attention in the ensuing weeks, stating he desired to take a few days off, but would remain in the city of Toledo if he thought that anything of importance might come up during the time he might be away.

Mr. Openlander stated that the cases handled by his office are unusual, in that it is rare that anyone pleads not guilty; that in the two or three years he has been holding down the office of representing the United States Attorney at Toledo he has tried only four cases; that for this reason it is very difficult to get any trial experience while acting as Assistant U. S. Attorney in Toledo.

Mr. Openlander further stated that U. S. District Judge Hahn, who holds court at Toledo for the Western Division of the Northern District of Ohio, is unusual in that he has a strong dislike for sentencing any person who comes before him; that it is told that the first individual Hahn was forced to sentence caused him so much anguish that he was actually sick both before and after the man was sentenced. Mr. Openlander went on to state further that Judge Hahn is quite averse to sentencing women, in particular, and that the only cases where he does sentence women are where they are convicted on narcotic charges; that even then he ordinarily will give only a suspended or probationary sentence. In further conversation Mr. Openlander stated that there was some question as to whether persons indicted in Toledo or in any other part of the Western Division of the Northern Judicial District could be tried in Cleveland, which is located in the Eastern Division of the same judicial district.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

7-1 The CLEVELAND OFFICE at Toledo, Ohio, will continue investigation at the Lorraine Hotel in an effort to ascertain the identities of persons visiting these parties there, especially subjects.

Will interview Clara Miller, madam of a call house, concerning her alleged visits and association with members of the gang at the Casino Club.

Will interview Eddie Nagel, former friend of Mildred Kuhlman, concerning the statement made by Kuhlman that he ceased visiting the Casino Club due to the character of the individuals who frequented the place.

Will interview Dr. Howard Murphy, Nurses Dorothy Stout, Miss Smith and Miss Pronenscheckel and exhibit photographs of the gang to them to ascertain whether any of them visited Sam Coker during his confinement in the Mercy Hospital.

Will endeavor to locate Gene Stacey relative to his interest in Middle Island in 1929 and for whatever information he has concerning the activities of Joe Roscoe.

Will endeavor to locate and interview Al Wilson, former boy friend of Thelma Holst.

Will interview Edward Greenwald alias Greenie concerning the transportation furnished by him to various members of the gang, particularly Karpis, Campbell, Coker, Joe Roscoe and Ed McGraw. This man should possess considerable information concerning the various persons who harbored Doc Barker, Karpis and Harry Campbell. Care should be exercised when interviewing this man in order that he will not be aware of the fact that Edith Barry has been interviewed by an agent of the Bureau.

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EAT:GEM

August 29, 1936.

Time - 10:25 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
Dr. Carl E. Noble - Victim;  
Extortion.

SAC MacFarland of the Cleveland Office telephoned me and said that tonight at one o'clock, they have to put on a plant in the above entitled case at Sandusky, Ohio. He said that since the personnel situation in that office is very tense at this time, he was wondering if he might use the special detail on the Bremer harboring cases for this one case.

I told MacFarland that he might use these men for a few hours on this plant with the understanding that no men are taken off of the telephone taps, pointing out that the taps must go on, extortion case or no extortion case.

Mr. MacFarland said that he has already talked with Mr. Connelley, who said that if the use of these men would not jeopardize the case, and if the Bureau approved the use of them, it would be all right with him.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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September 1, 1936.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Referring to report of Special Agent H.D. Harris, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated June 23, 1936, Special Agent in Charge C.D. McKean of the Boston Office telephonically advised on August 29, 1936 that one Arthur Hamilton who was arrested by the New York City Police Department on August 27, 1936 was identical with one Arthur Hapney, a suspect in instant case.

Detective Herman Levine of the Safe and Loft Squad, New York City Police Department, who was one of the arresting officers, was interviewed by Special Agent H.C. Leslie, and advised that he had information that Hamilton together with one Samuel Allen and another "con man" named "Henry", whose identity will be ascertained, is the mob of "con men" who defrauded Mr. F.C. Tuttle of Cincinnati, Ohio.

There will be found attached hereto photograph of Hamilton, which should be shown to Tuttle for the purpose of determining whether he can identify Hamilton as one of the mob that defrauded him.

A report in this matter will be submitted within the next day or so.

Very truly yours,

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R. WHITELY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 29, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated August 6, 1936, requesting information as to the date the Identification Orders on Karpis and Arthur (Doc) Barker were received by this office and further information as to the distribution and receipt of the temporary wanted notices for members of the Barker-Karpis gang, and information as to the identity of the Agents working on this case at Toledo, Ohio.

A careful review of the file in the Detroit Office reveals that all serials relating to investigation in Ohio were forwarded to your office. This review further showed that in some instances the only serial contained in the Detroit file was forwarded to your office and for this reason it is suggested that your office review the files there in order to definitely establish the names of the Agents working in that territory during the year 1934.

Your attention is called to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall dated August 22, 1934, at Detroit, Michigan. On page 11 thereof Agent Hall sets forth an interview with Captain Hennessey of the Toledo Police Department at which time Captain Hennessey advised against contacting Captain George Timmeney, stating that there was no question in his mind but that Timmeney was crooked.

The Identification Order on Alvin Karpis, #1218, and the Identification Order on Arthur Barker, #1219, were both received in the Detroit Office on March 26, 1934, and were distributed by Donald L. VanKarter, who was the night clerk in the Detroit Office at that time.

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The temporary wanted notices on the members of the Barker-Karpis gang were received at the Detroit Office on October 18, 1934, and a correction was made on the Identification Order as to Alvin Karpis, changing a typographical error from #1318 to the correct number 1218.

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As to the Agent who delivered these wanted notices to the Toledo Police Department, reference is made to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall dated December 8, 1934, at Detroit, Michigan, a copy of which was forwarded to your office April 24, 1935. On page 27 of this report Agent Hall stated that he contacted Inspector John Lorry of the Identification Unit of the Toledo Police Department and left these temporary wanted notices with him.

As to the Agents in the Detroit Office working on this case in Toledo during 1934, from the serials on hand in the Detroit Office it has been ascertained that these Agents are as follows:

Former SAC William Larson  
M. W. Meekins  
R. C. Chapman  
A. Dickstein  
D. E. Hall  
J. L. Murphy  
E. E. Peters  
D. R. Allen (A)  
L. A. Quindry (A)  
H. E. Hanson (A)  
R. H. Laughlin (A)  
J. G. Michalek  
H. H. Hollis (Deceased)

A list is being forwarded to the Bureau requesting that the present location of these various Agents be supplied to your office.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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St. Paul  
Cincinnati



# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. C. Box 709  
Portland, Oregon

August 28, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping

With reference to Bureau letter dated June 1, 1936, in regard to a letter from Mack Z. Renny, dated May 15, 1936, in which he furnishes information with regard to the alleged location of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. H. Simons at Agness, Oregon.

Larry Lucas, a resident of Agness for a long period of time, stated that he knew Nels Nelson and his partner, Earl R. Wilder, well. These two men registered at his tavern June 2, 1936, as being from Amboy, Minnesota, and were looking for a cabin site. The suspicious thing about the individuals was the unusual site selected for a cabin and was not a suitable place in the eyes of the local people. Unmarked photographs were displayed and Lucas was specifically asked to view the photographs of Moran and Campbell. He stated that there was some similarity in the features of Nelson and Harry Campbell, but he definitely stated that they were not identical. There was no similarity of either of the men to the photograph of Moran. He gave the following descriptions of the two men:

Earl R. Wilder  
Height 5' 6"  
Build Short, stocky; slight pot belly  
Age About 45  
Wore glasses  
Occupation Newspaper man

Nels Nelson  
Age 40 to 45  
Height 5' 9 or 10"  
Build Slender  
Weight 145-160  
Appeared to be an old ball player

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