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TITLE <b>JURY PANEL, October 17, 1938, Term of Court, Little Rock, Arkansas.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>QUALIFICATIONS OF JURORS</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

At request of United States Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas, and with Bureau authority, investigation was conducted concerning personnel of jury panel called for October, 1938, Term of Court, which includes prosecution of former Hot Springs, Arkansas, officials and others for harboring ALVIN KARPIS.

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**REFERENCE:**

Bureau telegrams to Little Rock Field Division dated September 21 and 30, 1938.

**DETAILS:**

This investigation was made jointly by Special Agents JOSEPH J. PIEPER, HAYNE A. THOMPSON, RALPH V. HARMAN, L. R. WEBER and J. R. CALHOUN.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. E. Anderson</i> <small>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</small>	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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\*ADAMS, GEORGE H.  
Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas

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ADAMS resides at 1200 Chestnut Street in Pine Bluff where he has been a native of the city for many years; that he is sixty years old, married, and has a wife who is his only dependent; that he has been a publisher for a number of years, and presently owns the "Pine Bluff Daily Graphic", a newspaper. They further report that he is very well regarded and takes an active part in civic, religious, and commercial activities; that he owns his home and has an approximate income of \$300 monthly. They report him to be very high esteemed and that he is considered very reliable which is seen in the fact that the merchants are willing to sell him any amount on credit. They report that he owns considerable property and is worth about \$35,000.

Deputy Sheriff L. THOMASSON of Pine Bluff advised that ADAMS is fifty-five years old or over; that he is the publisher of the "Pine Bluff Daily Graphic", a morning newspaper; that he is married and is a brother-in-law of EDGAR BREWSTER, Jefferson County Judge; that he is of good reputation and citizenship and that there is no question of his honesty. THOMASSON stated that ADAMS believes in law enforcement and from the attitude and policy noted in his newspaper he does not uphold lawlessness; that he has noted that ADAMS' newspaper's editorial policy is good and of a progressive tone. No damage suits involving ADAMS were known to THOMASSON, who stated that ADAMS "has his peculiarities which are 'just so'", but THOMASSON could furnish no particular data concerning this remark, neither could he furnish any information of ADAMS' credit rating or financial standing, although he advised that there were times one or two years ago when ADAMS was hard pressed. He further recalled that ADAMS had an opportunity to sell his newspaper several years ago but did not do so, although he was offered a good sum for same

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Sheriff GARLAND BREWSTER of Jefferson County advised that ADAMS' attitude and newspaper editorials were favorable and that he supported law enforcement agencies; that he has known him for fifty years and that there is no question of his honesty and reputation; that his character and habits are good. BREWSTER could not furnish any information concerning any damage suits involving ADAMS, stating that as far as he knew there never had been any such suits. He could not advise the credit rating of ADAMS at the present time but stated that ADAMS has been in bad circumstances but that he is now in shape to come out of same satisfactorily; further that Governor CARL E. BAILEY of Arkansas permitted ADAMS to liquidate \$25,000 to \$50,000 on his newspaper and that ADAMS is presently paying off same.

\*ATWOOD, E. T.  
New Edinburg, Cleveland County, Arkansas

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Mr. E. T. ATWOOD is a banker at New Edinburg, Arkansas, is a white man, fifty-three years of age, and is a married man. His habits are quiet, he is well regarded and he has had no court record. His income is estimated at \$3,500.00 a year from his business, and \$1,000.00 a year from investments. He owns his own home and farm land and has a net worth of \$10,000.00. Citizens of his community regard him as a very reliable man, honest and dependable and with a record of fair dealing. He has operated a bank in his community for many years.

Mr. ROBERT W. MAYS, merchant at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that he had known Mr. ED ATWOOD for many years and that he considered him A-1 in every respect.

Mr. FRED MORTON, the leading attorney at Fordyce, Arkansas, and a former resident of Cleveland County, Arkansas, stated that he considered Mr. EDWARD ATWOOD as a leading citizen of his county, one who is very reliable and not subject to any evil influences.

Sheriff W. R. BENTON, Fordyce, Arkansas, has known Mr. E. T. ATWOOD of New Edinburg, Arkansas, for many years and considers him an upright, excellent citizen.

Mr. CARL HOLLIS, banker at Warren, Arkansas, stated that he had known Mr. E. T. ATWOOD all of his life. He estimated him as being about forty-seven to fifty years of age. He described him as a man of means, a leader in his community and one of the finest citizens of his acquaintance. Mr. HOLLIS stated that Mr. ATWOOD is a man of integrity and that he could not be reached through any undue influences.

MRS. C. H. BAKER,  
Park Hill, North Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the Little Rock City Directory reveals a listing for Mrs. WILLA B. BAKER, wife of CLOIS H. BAKER, Deputy Circuit Clerk, home address - 723 Pine Street, Park Hill, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

C. G. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department checked his files for a record of Mrs. C. H. BAKER, with negative results.

Mr. BERNIE T. HOFF, County Clerk, Pulaski County, Arkansas informed that he knows both Mr. and Mrs. BAKER and has known them for the past ten years; that Mrs. BAKER is a good woman, possessing good character and excellent reputation; that to the best of his knowledge, neither she nor her husband have ever been involved in any trouble of any kind; that Mr. BAKER receives a steady salary of \$150.00 a month, being employed as Deputy Circuit Clerk; that he formerly worked for Mr. HOFF. According to Mr. HOFF, Mr. BAKER is purchasing his home and is financially responsible, although not wealthy or real well off; that he has had quite heavy medical expenses due to the physical condition of his son, age 15 years, who has some bone infection.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he does not know Mrs. C. H. BAKER, although he does know her husband; that Mr. BAKER possesses an excellent reputation, is financially responsible although not well off and has never been involved in any personal injury suits to the best of his knowledge.

Mrs. HOUSTON, proprietor of a small cafe, located at 1800 Arkansas and Missouri Highway, Park Hill, informed that she is well acquainted with the BAKER family; that they have one son, age about 15; that she considers them very excellent people with good character and reputation; that Mr. BAKER is steadily employed, and that to the best of her knowledge, they are members of the Methodist Church and are Democrats, although not active in politics; that she had never heard anything of a derogatory nature concerning them, nor had she ever heard of them being involved in a personal injury case.

Mr. and Mrs. BISHOP, neighbors of Mrs. BAKER informed that they had resided in this neighborhood for the past nine months, and although they did not know the BAKER family intimately, they considered them to be very good neighbors who bore an excellent

MRS. C. H. BAKER

reputation in the community; that they have never heard anything derogatory pertaining to the BAKER family. Mr. and Mrs. BISHOP stated, that because of their brief acquaintanceship with the BAKER family they were unable to pass on their financial condition.

X BARNES, JOHN  
Norman, Montgomery County, Arkansas

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Mr. JOHN BARNES, Norman, Arkansas, is employed at the Black Springs Lumber Company, Norman. He has resided in that city twenty-five years and no previous address is known. He is forty-eight years of age, married, white, American, and has a wife and one son dependent upon him. He has been a mechanic for twenty-five years with the Black Springs Lumber Company and is also Mayor of Norman. No previous employer is known. He has a good permanent position, is well regarded, has good character and reputation, no court action is known against him and he is considered trustworthy.

He has an income of \$125.00 per month in salary; no other income is known. He owns his own home, which is valued at about \$1,500.00.

Sheriff J. M. GLAZE, Mount Ida, Montgomery County, Arkansas, informed that he had known JOHN BARNES for about twenty years; that he estimated his age as about fifty; that he is employed by the Black Springs Lumber Company, is thoroughly reliable, earns a good salary, is financially responsible, has an excellent character and reputation and would be above taking a bribe. He stated he had never heard of him being involved in any trouble or involved in any personal injury suit. He is a Democrat, but not active in politics, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church, Norman, Arkansas.

Mr. P. G. WARNEKE, Norman, Arkansas, informed that he had known BARNES for over twenty years; that he possesses an excellent character and reputation, earns a moderate salary from steady employment and he is financially responsible. He advised that he had never been in difficulty of any kind to the best of his knowledge; that he does not think he would accept a bribe. He is presently Mayor of Norman, Arkansas; is very active in the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. ALBERT REESE, Merchant, informed that the Black Springs Lumber Company is composed of CHARLES F. McKNIGHT of Kansas City, Missouri, President; Mrs. L. J. WITHERSPOON of Mena, Arkansas; J. T. PINKERTON, Norman, Arkansas; S. J. O'NEAL of Benton, Arkansas; and J. D. JONES of Arkadelphia, Arkansas. To the best of his knowledge there are no stockholders residing in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

He stated that BARNES has been employed there at a salary of approximately \$100.00 a month for over twenty years; that he owns his own home, valued at \$1,500.00 and has a Chevrolet Automobile; that it is generally considered that he has a good reputation and character. He is Superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday School and a deacon of the Church.

Mr. REESE stated that a number of years ago he had been told that BARNES was doing private work on company time and was earning a little income which was not rightfully his, however, he did not know if this was absolutely true. Mr. REESE also stated that sometime ago BARNES had been injured in an accident at the plant and as a result of it he had used a large quantity of dope to relieve his pain; that although he was not in a position to substantiate this he was of the opinion that BARNES had become a dope fiend since this injury though this fact is not generally known in the community. It was difficult to obtain information from Mr. REESE, he appearing very reticent, and it was quite apparent that he did not want to recommend BARNES very strongly.

Mr. ALEX PARSON, Merchant, gave substantially the same information as his partner, ALBERT REESE, however, he did not know anything about BARNES using dope. Mr. PARSON stated the general reputation and character of BARNES was good, however, he would not trust BARNES very much, himself; that he would not want him on a jury if the other side would try to bribe the jury. To the best of his knowledge he was never involved in any personal injury suits.

Mr. PARSON stated that BARNES had some relatives by marriage residing in Hot Springs, Arkansas, namely, DEL ROWAN, EARL ORWAN and C. W. ROWAN. Mr. PARSON also stated that the attorney for the lumber company which employed BARNES is JERRY WITT of Mount Ida, Arkansas, who is the brother of EARL WITT, Circuit Judge, and brother of GIBSON WITT, JR., Prosecuting Attorney in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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X BARRETT, J. B.  
Stuttgart, Arkansas County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] BARRETT resides at 406 Vine Street, in Stuttgart; that he is a contractor in his own business and has been a resident of Stuttgart for fifteen years or more; that he is fifty-two years of age, married, has a wife, two married daughters, and a son, age seventeen, who resides at his home; that he is one of the best contractors in Stuttgart and is kept busy; that he is of good character and habits; that no known details of any court record has been uncovered; that he is thrifty and has an estimated income of \$5,000 annually; that his son aids in the earnings of the household during school vacations; further that BARRETT owns his home at the above address which is valued at \$5,000 and he is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] W. E. ALRIGHT, a reference, claims that BARRETT has owed him \$20 since 1932 and that ALRIGHT was unable to explain why BARRETT had not taken care of this account, however, ALRIGHT claimed that he has not tried to collect his money and that therefore, it could be an oversight on BARRETT'S part. A tire company at Stuttgart reported [REDACTED] that BARRETT'S account is considered very satisfactory and that he pays his bills in full from thirty to sixty days, further it is noted that they regard his reputation as being honest and reliable and of good character.

Investigation by Agent, through MORGAN DENMAN of DENMAN Brothers, Jewelers, discloses that BARRETT is about fifty years old, owns his own contracting company, is married and has a large family, some of whom are married; that he attends church, owns his own home, and is of good reputation; that he has known BARRETT for fifteen years; that his reputation and honesty are considered good as well as his credit rating. DENMAN believed that BARRETT owned another home besides his own; that he is a competent contractor. DENMAN advised however, that BARRETT is considered "hot headed" according to information he had received from

men who are employed by BARRETT. DENMAN did not know BARRETT'S attitude on law enforcement although he considered him a good citizen. He believed that BARRETT was arrested at Stuttgart about five years or so ago after he had assaulted a workman employee with a hammer following the workman's remarks to another employee concerning the results of BARRETT'S contracting work, which remarks were overheard by BARRETT; that BARRETT was released at his trial and although the victim of the assault attempted to collect damages from BARRETT the victim was unsuccessful in doing so. DENMAN could not advise the name of the attorney who represented BARRETT during these events.

WALTER B. PFEIFFER, President of the Peoples National Bank of Stuttgart, advised that BARRETT is about fifty-five years old and has resided for many years at Stuttgart during which he has operated his own business as a contractor; that he is a good citizen and is of good reputation, that he believes his attitude on law enforcement is good. PFEIFFER'S bank, however, has not had any credit dealings with BARRETT although his account at the bank is considered very satisfactory by PFEIFFER. He advised that he has heard that BARRETT is inclined to be hot headed. He had no information concerning BARRETT'S arrest of some years ago nor could he furnish any information concerning any damage suit involving BARRETT. He was unable to recall full particulars but advised that Chief McCASLIN could probably furnish information concerning some trouble in which one of BARRETT'S boys had been involved.

JOE F. B. MORRISON, an attorney of Stuttgart, recalled that BARRETT had a son who was sentenced to the Arkansas State Penitentiary on a larceny charge from Stuttgart and that this son who was considered a "mean type" individual later died in the Penitentiary; that MORRISON believed this son had actually been killed by prison authorities as a result of his own actions. MORRISON, who guessed the purpose of Agent's inquiry, advised that BARRETT was not a prosecution type juror and that he would not make a good Government juror.

Chief T. G. McCASLIN of the Stuttgart Police advised that BARRETT is an average citizen and business man; that he is considered high tempered; that he does not know of his attitude as a juror. McCASLIN advised that BARRETT'S son, KENNETH BARRETT, was sentenced to the Arkansas State Penitentiary for one year on a larceny charge about three or four years ago from Stuttgart; that BARRETT worked hard to keep this son straightened out but did not try to prevent his boy from going to the Penitentiary when he was found guilty; that the boy died in the Penitentiary; that this son was young and became involved in a game which led to his downfall; that this son had been arrested by the Stuttgart Police on various charges, mostly misdemeanors. McCASLIN also advised that J. B. BARRETT was arrested but acquitted after striking EVERETT BOUGH, one of his workers, several years ago with a hammer over labor difficulties. The Chief was unable to recall or furnish any further particulars concerning this arrest. He believed, however, that in his own opinion, BARRETT wanted the law enforced but he could not advise BARRETT'S attitude towards law enforcement officers as he claimed same was unknown to him. McCASLIN, who stated that BARRETT is a good hard worker, could furnish no information concerning possible damages involving BARRETT.

X BAXTER, EARL  
Monticello, Drew County, Arkansas

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BAXTER was to the effect that he had lived at Dermott, Arkansas, as a boy and at Monticello, Arkansas, for the past five years.

He was described as being twenty-seven years of age, married and the owner of the Baxter Lumber Company. He was described as a man of good character and habits, with a net worth of \$2,500.00, and with an income of \$200.00 a month. Further information was that he is paying for his home on the Federal Housing plan at the rate of \$35.00 per month, and that he pays all his obligations in a very satisfactory manner.

Investigation at Monticello, Arkansas, disclosed that EARL BAXTER is an uncle of RUSSELL BAXTER, formerly employed as a Clerk of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D. C. The BAXTER family is an outstanding family at Monticello and at Dermott, Arkansas.

Mr. JOE McCLOY, a banker at Monticello, Arkansas, described EARL BAXTER as about twenty-seven to twenty-eight years of age. Mr. McCLOY said that Mr. BAXTER had been employed by the People's Lumber Company, but for the past few years he had owned his own business and that he was rather successful at the same. He devotes his energies to the management of his business and his morals and habits are good. Mr. McCLOY stated that the BAXTER family had been fairly successful in the past, but that they were all known as "money grabbers". Mr. McCLOY stated that he did not think that EARL BAXTER would be susceptible to bribery or undue influences, but that he was a young man who was anxious to get ahead.

Mr. JUAN TROTTER, merchant at Monticello, Arkansas, said that EARL BAXTER is a young man possessed of a good education and of better than average intelligence. Mr. TROTTER stated that Mr. BAXTER'S record in Monticello was good.

Mr. L. W. BELL, County Clerk, Monticello, Arkansas, stated that EARL BAXTER was reared in the vicinity of Monticello and that his family had moved to Dermott, Arkansas, when he was a school boy, but had moved back to Monticello. Mr. BELL said that he considered Mr. BAXTER one of the most promising young business men in the County. He stated that Mr. BAXTER had not been involved in any Court proceedings, and that he considers him a young man of good moral character.

Mrs. A. PROTHRO, Dermott, Arkansas, stated that EARL BAXTER was a boy when living at Dermott, Arkansas, but that he and his people enjoyed an excellent reputation.

\*BECKHAM, WALTER,  
Woolum, Van Buren County, Arkansas.

Mr. WALTER BECKHAM is described

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being an orchardist. He is a native of Van Buren County, Arkansas, is a white married man about fifty years of age, and has three or four children. He has been in business for himself for years, is thrifty and has an estimated income of \$600.00 per year. He owns his own home and 160 acres of land and has a net worth of \$1,000.00. He is described as being of excellent character and habits. He has always paid cash for his needs and is highly regarded in his community.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT, Arkansas State Police, Little Rock, Arkansas, a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, stated that Mr. BECKHAM is a native of Mr. HATCHETT'S home county. Mr. HATCHETT considers Mr. BECKHAM as an excellent citizen about fifty years of age. He lives in the mountainous portion of Van Buren County. Mr. HATCHETT stated that, although Mr. BECKHAM lives in a secluded portion of the county, he was anything but ignorant. Mr. HATCHETT stated that Mr. BECKHAM had not been involved in any Court proceedings and that he considers him entirely reliable.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, member of the legislature, Clinton, Arkansas, said that Mr. WALTER BECKHAM is a man of good reputation who lives in the mountainous section of Van Buren County. Mr. HALL described Mr. BECKHAM as a republican in politics and was formerly Postmaster of his settlement. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. BECKHAM is entirely honest and that he could be depended upon to do his duty as a citizen.

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close personal friend of Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, War Risk Insurance Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas, described Mr. WALTER BECKHAM as an excellent citizen fifty years of age and more than average in intelligence. Judge FRASER stated that BECKHAM had not been involved

in any Court proceedings and he did not recall him as being a member of any jury. Judge FRASER thought Mr. BECKHAM to be a very fair minded man and he is positive that he could not be reached by any improper influence.

\*BIBB, Mrs. C. H.  
Gould, Lincoln County, Arkansas

Investigation by Agent through CLAUDE H. HOLTHOFF, Gould merchant, discloses that she is the wife of GUY H. BIBB, who owns and operates a drug store at Gould; that she is about forty-five years old, had no children. HOLTHOFF, who has known her about fifteen years at Gould, reports that she and her husband are both fine people and they are "as good as any citizens in the country as they stand for the higher things in life"; that he considers them honest and reliable, and that they never have been in any trouble; that their credit was good; and that they paid their bills promptly; that they were in good financial condition and that they own two or three small farms in addition to their drug store. He reported that they believe in strict law enforcement and that Mrs. BIBB was fair and impartial in her attitude. He had no information concerning a damage suit involving them.

RANSOME E. LAKE, Gould farmer and father of ALLEN LAKE, a plantation manager, advised that he has known Mrs. BIBB for twelve or fifteen years but that he has not been closely associated with her other than as a neighbor; that she was a good moral woman and was well liked by other women; that he considers her above the average woman; further that she was a "high class lady" and is a club and church member; that her husband has a good reputation and both of them are considered very good citizens as they stand for strict law and order. He believed that their finances were in good shape as they own their drug store and home as well as farming property. To his knowledge the BIBB'S were never involved in any damage suit.

X BOYD, SELMA  
Bee Branch, Van Buren County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. BOYD is from fifty to fifty-four years of age, married and the father of two grown children. He is the owner of his own farm and has eight hundred acres of good land; his habits and character are reported as good [REDACTED] thrifty man, with an income of \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00 a year. His wife inherited from \$6,000.00 to \$8,000.00. He is believed to be worth \$10,000.00 or more.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT, Arkansas State Police Officer, and graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, Little Rock, Arkansas, is a native of Van Buren County, Arkansas. Captain HATCHETT stated that he had known Mr. SELMA BOYD all his life and that he considers him an excellent citizen, except for one failing, that being that he has taken part at times in illegal elections practices. Mr. HATCHETT stated that Mr. BOYD has been involved in no court trouble to his knowledge, and that he is a man above the average in intelligence. He has no connections with Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Mr. HATCHETT believed that Mr. BOYD would be unbiased if called as a juror.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, Clinton, Arkansas, member of the Arkansas State Legislature, stated that he had known Mr. SELMA BOYD for the past eight years, and that he considers him a man to be in excellent financial circumstances for his community. He inherited some property from his wife's father a few years ago and is a thrifty man, somewhat above the average in intelligence.

Mr. HALL described Mr. BOYD as being about forty-eight to fifty years of age. He stated that BOYD is township committeeman, and that he has also been active in politics, and that he is "in good" with the CARL BAILEY faction in State politics. (Mr. HALL, himself, is actively opposed to Governor CARL BAILEY.)

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close friend to Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, War Risk Insurance Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas, stated that he

has known Mr. SELMA BOYD for a number of years and that he is a leading citizen of the Southeastern portion of Van Buren County. Judge FRASER regards Mr. BOYD as a good citizen and as one of fair intelligence. He did not believe that Mr. BOYD could be approached by undue considerations.

X BROWN, L. R.,  
Des Arc, Prairie County, Arkansas.

The following information concerning

L. R. BROWN [REDACTED]

L. R. BROWN is reported as being forty-four years of age, married and has two daughters. He is Cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, has an income of \$175.00 to \$200.00 per month and is generally estimated to be worth between \$15,000.00 and \$20,000.00. He is highly regarded by his associates. His character and habits are good and nothing unsatisfactory [REDACTED] was reported.

Sheriff F. L. GRADY and Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that BROWN was approximately thirty-eight years of age, married and has resided in Des Arc all of his life. Both informants have known BROWN for the last thirty or thirty-five years. BROWN is employed in the local bank. He has an excellent reputation and has never been known to be involved in any criminal activities or to have been disreputable. He is highly regarded in his community, is a member of local civic groups, has served on juries from time to time and has made an excellent juror. According to Agent's informants, BROWN is in favor of strict law enforcement.

Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that, in his opinion, BROWN would endeavor to be excused from the jury but that, in his opinion, he should not be permitted to do so because he would make an excellent juror. BROWN has never been involved in any damage suits.

\*BURTON, J. C.,  
Casa, Perry County, Arkansas.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton,  
Arkansas, advised that J. C. BURTON is a man sixty years of  
age or over; that he has been on the school board for  
approximately thirty years, but that within the last year or  
two a complaint was lodged against him while he held the office

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[REDACTED] but that he doubts whether there is  
anything to it. He also advised that his experience with  
BURTON makes him believe that BURTON is for law and order, is  
mentally alert, sound, and that he would make a fair and safe  
juror. He advised that he has watched him on a few occasions  
in criminal cases and he has shown himself to be a state juror.

BAYLOR HOUSE, Sheriff, Perryville, Perry  
County, Arkansas, advised that J. C. BURTON is a merchant and  
that although he has been a member of the County Central  
Committee for approximately thirty years he was removed for  
bolting the Democratic ticket, and that he voted for HERBERT HOOVER  
in the Presidential race; that he also got into some difficulty  
[REDACTED] that he does  
not consider him as a good juror because if the defendant appears  
to be a friend of his he lets him out no matter what the charges  
may be; that the Prosecuting Attorney always sees that BURTON is  
excused for jury service as it is believed that he can be bought.

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CARL ADAMS, a former merchant, Perryville,  
Arkansas, advised that BURTON is one of the wealthier individuals  
in the county. He advised that a couple of years ago BURTON got  
into some difficulty [REDACTED] but that the  
matter was settled quietly out of court.

CABE, HORACE,  
Gurdon, Clark County, Arkansas.

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Mr. HORACE CABE is single and is about forty-five years of age. His home was formerly at Stamps and at Texarkana, Arkansas, and he is the owner and manager of a lumber company at Gurdon, Arkansas. He is described as a man of excellent character and habits with an income of \$4000.00 to \$5000.00 a year and with a net income of \$25,000.00. He owns his own home and is highly recommended by bankers. His father at one time was rated as a millionaire and each of his sons were set up in business and each one is doing well in his line of work. HORACE CABE has a reputation of meeting all of his obligations promptly.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Fordyce, Arkansas, formerly President of the Henderson-Brown College at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, advised that he has known the CABE family for the past twenty-five years and that they are an excellent Christian family. He stated that HORACE CABE is one of three brothers and that these boys are now at Gurdon, Arkansas, and all are making good. The Rev. WORKMAN stated that HORACE CABE is a man who can not be reached by any improper influence. Questioned as to any connection between Mr. CABE and JOHN H. LOOKADOO, Lawyer in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, the Rev. WORKMAN stated that Mr. CABE could not be influenced by Mr. LOOKADOO in any manner.

The Rev. JOHN HOOVER, Methodist Minister at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that Mr. HORACE CABE is a church leader at Gurdon, Arkansas, and that he is a man of the highest character.

Mrs. JAMES YOUNG, Gurdon, Arkansas, stated that her husband worked for Mr. HORACE CABE a number of years and that she considers him and his brothers as outstanding

Christian men in their community. She stated that he is a steward in the local Methodist Church, and that he is sober, industrious and thoroughly honest.

The Rev. K. L. SPORE, Methodist Minister in Gurdon, Arkansas, stated that Mr. HORACE CABE is Chairman of the Board of Finance of the Methodist Church in Gurdon and that he is an unusual man in that, although single, he attends all services of the church regularly, and that he has never missed a meeting of the Board of Stewards or the Board of Finance. The Rev. SPORE stated that Mr. CABE manages the local lumber company, which he and his brothers own, and that the other brothers manage their mercantile store, which is the largest in Gurdon. He stated that Mr. CABE is under no influence at present to JOHN H. LOOKADOO, notorious damage suit attorney in Arkadelphia, the County Seat. Mr. SPORE stated that Mr. CABE'S company, after having had numerous damage suits filed against them by LOOKADOO, ended the matter by paying LOOKADOO a retainer fee as their attorney. The Rev. SPORE stated that LOOKADOO "could not get to first base" with HORACE CABE and that no other person could approach him unduly. He stated that Mr. CABE was a college man, he having attended Hendrix College, the school of the Rev. SPORE.

Dr. HENRY A. ROSS, friend of Agent CALHOUN, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that HORACE CABE was one of the leading citizens of Clark County, Arkansas, and that he and his brothers had been set up in business by their father and had maintained their businesses successfully. Dr. ROSS stated that Mr. HORACE CABE is a man of the highest moral type and that he was positive that he could not be approached through any improper considerations.

Mr. HORACE CABE has been known slightly by Agent J. R. CALHOUN for a long number of years, and his brother, LOUIS CABE, was a school mate of Agent CALHOUN in Hendrix College. Agent CALHOUN knows LOUIS CABE to be a citizen of the very highest type.

CHURCHILL, G. W.,  
Hector, Pope County, Arkansas.

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CHURCHILL is approximately seventy years of age and has been in the vicinity of Hector for approximately forty years and is considered a permanent resident. He is a former merchant but is presently not working and is receiving an old age pension from the State of Arkansas, which amounts to approximately \$12.00 per month. He has always been considered honest, reliable with good character and habits. CHURCHILL and his wife reared a big family and were divorced about two years ago, and that at the present time he has no dependents. It is not known whether he owns any real estate.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he is not very well acquainted with CHURCHILL but that at a recent political meeting he heard his name mentioned as being a leader at Hector, Arkansas.

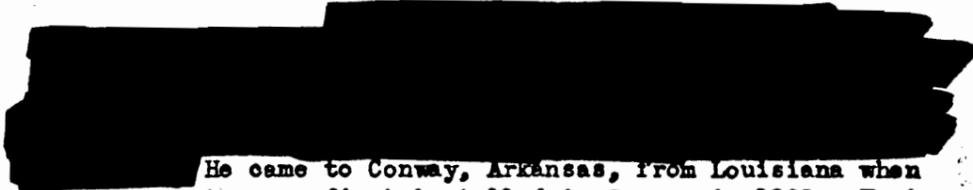
BURL HARRIS, Deputy Sheriff, Russellville, Arkansas, Pope County, advised that G. W. CHURCHILL seems to be active despite his age, mentally alert and has a fairly likable personality, but that he impresses him as being of a wavering type, as in conversations he seems to be radical and whatever happens to hit his mind at a particular time stays put and nothing can change his ideas about it. He advised that he has noted this particularly in conversations regarding politics, as CHURCHILL is a republican and has been raising the devil about Government expenditures and FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT in general. HARRIS advised that he does not remember of CHURCHILL having served on any of the county juries but believes that he might get off on an odd angle and then nothing would ever change his mind about it.

H. H. HILL, Cashier, Bank of Russellville, Russellville, Arkansas, advised that CHURCHILL is a good citizens

conscientious, fair and unbiased, and that he does not believe that CHURCHILL is in sympathy with law violators; that once he gets an idea he sticks to it and that he believes that this is chiefly due to the fact that the old man is not educated and doubts whether he has finished the eighth grade. He advised that he does not believe that CHURCHILL has been involved in any damage suits and that he does not know the reason for CHURCHILL'S recent divorce.

\*COCHRAN, R. E.,  
Conway, Faulkner County, Arkansas.

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He came to Conway, Arkansas, from Louisiana when the gas system was first installed in Conway in 1929. He is a white man thirty-eight years of age, is married and has no children. He has been Manager of the Arkansas-Louisiana Gas Company in Conway since 1929. He is highly regarded by his employer and has an excellent personal reputation. His income is \$200.00 a month and he rents his home at Conway. He is a member of the Methodist Church, Rotary Club and other organizations, and is considered a leader in civic affairs.

Dr. THOMAS S. STAPLES, Dean of Men of Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas, said that he considers Mr. R. E. COCHRAN an intelligent citizen of excellent reputation.

Mr. HARVEY COUCH, JR., President of the First National Bank of Conway, Arkansas, stated that Mr. R. E. COCHRAN is a man about thirty-five years of age and that he has lived in Conway since the Gas Company had had an office and that he had been Manager of the company. Mr. COUCH stated that this man has never been involved in any legal difficulties and that his reputation for paying his bills was excellent. Mr. COUCH regards him as a thrifty citizen and he can not be reached by any undue influence. Mr. COUCH stated that Mr. COCHRAN has been known to Mr. HARVEY COUCH, SR. for a number of years before he came to Arkansas, and that his father also considers him an excellent citizen. (Mr. HARVEY COUCH, SR., one of the leading financiers of the South, was in Mexico City at the time of this investigation)

Mr. R. W. ROBINS, a leading lawyer in Conway, Arkansas, stated that he regards Mr. R. E. COCHRAN as a

good citizen and as a man who would make an excellent juror. He stated that Mr. COCHRAN has not been involved in any legal matters since coming to Conway, Arkansas.

\*COOK, SAM H.  
Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] COOK resides at 1142 Walnut Street in Pine Bluff where he has been a resident of the city for some years; that he is fifty years of age, married, and has a wife who is his only dependent; that he has been employed for years as the Assistant Manager of the Ice Service Company of Pine Bluff; that he is very well regarded by his employer and is also very well regarded as to character, habits, and morals. They report a monthly income of \$300.00; further that he owns his own home and that he is considered very reliable and to own considerable property; that he is worth about \$10,000; that he pays cash for most of his merchandise and the merchants report they would sell him any amount.

Investigation by Agent through Deputy Sheriff L. THOMASSON of Pine Bluff discloses that COOK is Jewish, about fifty years old, and has been with the Ice Service Company of Pine Bluff for twenty years during which period he has been known to THOMASSON, whose impression is that COOK is a stockholder in this company. THOMASSON further advised that COOK is married, is a family man of good reputation and is a good upright, honest citizen, whom he believes owns his own home; that he is the "live, wide awake" type of man and that he has never held anything against him. THOMASSON'S impression is that COOK is in fair financial condition with good living circumstances; that he has never been in any known trouble. THOMASSON was unable to furnish any damage suit data involving COOK. THOMASSON reported that COOK'S attitude towards law enforcement is good.

Sheriff EARLAND BREWSTER of Jefferson County advised that he has known COOK all of his life, which covers the past fifty-five years; that COOK has been an employee with the Ice Service Company for the past twenty-five or thirty years; that he owns his own home, is married, is

considered a good citizen, and has a good community reputation; that he is a deputy sheriff of Jefferson County by commission and has a good attitude towards law enforcement. The Sheriff had no information concerning any damage suit involving COOK. He was unable to furnish any data concerning COOK'S credit rating but believed that he worked on a salary and that he thought he paid his debts. Other than the income of his salary the Sheriff could furnish no additional information concerning COOK'S financial standing as he advised there was no other known source of income other than COOK'S salary known to him.

\*DANIELS, R. JULIUS  
Dermott, Chicot County, Arkansas

Mrs. A. PROTHRO, sister-in-law of the late Ex-Governor HARVEY PARNELL, said that Mr. JULIUS DANIELS was born and reared at Dermott, Arkansas, and that he is about fifty to fifty-five years of age. Mr. DANIELS at one time was in fair circumstances, but lost all of his money at the outset of the recent depression, and Mr. HARVEY PARNELL then gave him the job of managing the PARNELL plantation a few miles out of Dermott. After the death of Mr. PARNELL, Mrs. PARNELL retained Mr. DANIELS as the manager of this plantation. Mrs. PROTHRO said that Mr. DANIELS owns his own farm and manages it as well as the PARNELL plantation. She considers Mr. DANIELS a trustworthy citizen.

Mr. G. C. JOHNSTON, Cashier of the Dermott State Bank, Dermott, Arkansas, said that Mr. JULIUS DANIELS has a brother named BUFORD DANIELS who is employed in the Federal Building at Little Rock, Arkansas, by the Agriculture Extension Service. He estimated Mr. JULIUS DANIELS' age to be fifty-two years, and he stated that JULIUS DANIELS has two farms, each of eighty acres; one is located at the edge of the town of Dermott and the other adjoins the plantation of Mrs. HARVEY PARNELL. He manages the plantation of Mrs. PARNELL, and Mr. JOHNSTON described him as a good farmer but not a very good manager. Mr. JOHNSTON regards him as an upright and honest citizen.

Mrs. BESSIE C. WILLIAMS, Post Office Clerk at Dermott, Arkansas, has known Mr. JULIUS DANIELS all her life and she regards him as an upright, honest citizen.

  
Mr. R. JULIUS DANIELS is a white man, about forty-eight years of age, who has lived at Dermott, Arkansas, all his life. He is married and has two children and has been employed as a plantation manager for the past twenty years, and at present is employed by Mrs. HARVEY PARNELL at Halley, Arkansas. His character, habits and morals are listed as good, and his income is estimated at \$2,500.00 per year. He owns his own home and

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is regarded as a very dependable person who meets his obligations. He pays cash for his purchases, but business men in Dermott regard him highly as a credit risk.

DAVENPORT, G. D.  
Clinton, Van Buren County, Arkansas

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G. D. DAVENPORT owns the Variety Store at Clinton, Arkansas, and that he is a man about forty years of age, married and has three children. He has owned his present business for the past five years, and prior to that time he taught school in Oklahoma for about five years.

[REDACTED] as man of good character and habits, one very thrifty and with a net income of \$1,500.00 a year from his business in a small town. He owns his own home and has the net worth of \$5,000.00. His record for paying his bills is good.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT of the Arkansas State Police, Little Rock, Arkansas, and a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, stated that he considers Mr. G. D. DAVENPORT one of the finest citizens in Van Buren County, Arkansas. Mr. HATCHETT stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is a Republican in politics and is the owner of his own business in Clinton. Mr. HATCHETT stated that he is positive that Mr. DAVENPORT could not be reached by any undue influences.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, a member of the State Legislature, stated that he considers Mr. G. D. DAVENPORT "One Hundred per cent O. K.". He described him as a Civic leader, and a merchant who was formerly a school teacher. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is a Republican in politics, and he stated that he had never been involved in any court proceedings or any trouble. Mr. HALL is positive that this man could not be reached by any undue influences.

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close friend of Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, Bar Risk Insurance Attorney of Little Rock, Arkansas, stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is generally known as DEWEY DAVENPORT, and that he considers him the best of the four men from Van Buren County, Arkansas, who are on the present jury panel. Mr. FRASER stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is fair minded, is very intelligent and is absolutely honest.

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MRS. KATHERINE DAVIS,  
4314 Woodlawn, Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

A search of the Little Rock City Directory revealed a Mrs. KATHERINE DAVIS, wife of S. PRESTON DAVIS, JR. at the above address.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock, Arkansas, advised, after making a search of his files, that there is no criminal record listed for Mrs. DAVIS.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he does not know Mrs. DAVIS personally, but does know her husband, S. PRESTON DAVIS, who is in the cotton seed products business; that he considers Mr. DAVIS a very high-class man who is financially stable; that to the best of his knowledge, no one in the DAVIS family had ever been involved in any personal injury cases.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he knows Mr. and Mrs. DAVIS; that he has known them for the past ten years; that he estimated Mrs. DAVIS' age to be 38 or 39 years; that she and her husband possessed an excellent character and reputation; that the DAVIS family are very reliable people, live very comfortably, although not wealthy, are protestant by religion, Democrats as to politics, and to the best of his knowledge and opinion, Mrs. DAVIS was of sufficient character to refuse any bribe which might be offered her.

Mrs. COHN, residing at 4314 Woodlawn, across the street from the DAVIS home informed that Mr. and Mrs. DAVIS were very excellent neighbors and high-type citizens of Little Rock, Arkansas; further, that Mr. DAVIS is a reliable business man; that the DAVIS family has two children, a girl in college and a son in junior high school; that they belong to the Methodist Church and live in moderate circumstances; that to the best of her knowledge, she has never heard anything derogatory against the DAVIS family, nor heard of them being involved in any personal injury cases of any kind.

The DAVIS home was noted to be a nice looking, modern, small frame house, located in a nice neighborhood.

ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR.,  
El Dorado, Union County, Arkansas, or  
900 North Street, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] DEMERS' address as El Dorado, Arkansas. His employment as laborer in the oil fields at El Dorado, Arkansas, where he has been but a short time.

[REDACTED] that he has resided at the following addresses in Little Rock, Arkansas: 1210 Bishop; 1910 Main; 2209 Cedar and 716 Summit. DEMERS' age is [REDACTED] 23 or 25 years. He is married and a white American citizen. His dependents are [REDACTED] his wife and one child. [REDACTED] further disclosed that he has been employed in oil fields as a laborer for possibly two or three months. His former employers are [REDACTED] B. F. GOODRICH COMPANY, Little Rock, Arkansas and The National Standard Insurance Company.

[REDACTED] DEMERS is well regarded, has good character and habits, and no court record of DEMERS is known. [REDACTED] DEMERS is not receiving any salary at the present time, but that prospects looked good and that he will get paid soon, the amount of his pay not being known. [REDACTED] further revealed that he does not have any other source of income, his estimated worth not being over \$500.00. No bank experience is known [REDACTED]

In the reports furnished by individual merchants, one department store advised that they have refused DEMERS further credit. Two other merchants indicate satisfactory credit, and a hospital informs that a bill in the amount of \$40.95 was placed in the hands of an attorney for collection on August 23, 1938.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department advised that there is no record of ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. in his Identification Unit. Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK, informed that he does not know ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. but that he does know his father who is a practicing attorney in the City of Little Rock; that ALBERT P. DEMERS, SR. possessed good character and reputation and is considered very responsible and reliable.

ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. WORTHEN & COMPANY, Bankers, Little Rock, Arkansas, advised that he does not know ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR., but he is acquainted casually with ALBERT P. DEMERS, SR. whom he described as an average type lawyer.

The address furnished for the residence of ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. was 1880 West 6th Street; however, investigation revealed that there is no such number on Sixth Street. Inquiry in the neighborhood of 900 North Street, which is the address of ALBERT P. DEMERS, SR. revealed that ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. was no longer living in Little Rock, but was working in the oil fields at El Dorado, Arkansas. It is noted that [REDACTED] neighborhood investigation indicated that DEMERS is residing in El Dorado, Union County, Arkansas, which is in the Western District of Arkansas. b7d

Mr. E. L. SPEIGHT, Deputy U. S. Marshal telephonically informed that notice had been sent to ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. addressed to 1880 West 6th Street, and that a registered return receipt was received, signed by Mrs. ALBERT DEMERS, which return receipt was postmarked Calion, Arkansas on October 7, 1938. Calion, Arkansas is located in Union County, which is in the Western District of Arkansas.

Mr. BENTLEY WOFFARD, in the office of B. F. GOODRICH COMPANY, 5th & Broadway Streets, Little Rock, Arkansas furnished Agent with their file on ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. This file indicated that DEMERS made an application on August 27, 1937 for position as gasoline attendant. His address at this time was given as 900 North Street, Little Rock. Applicant was employed by this concern as an attendant until January 8, 1938, at which time he was released in order to reduce the force. This application indicates that DEMERS was born March 5, 1914; that he attended Little Rock High School and graduated in 1932, after which he attended the University of Arkansas for two years, until 1934. Under references in this application, is noted the name of United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG, Little Rock, Arkansas.

The facts developed in this particular instance were discussed with U. S. Attorney FRED ISGRIG, who informed that he has personally known ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. for over 20 years; that in his opinion it wouldn't make much difference whether he was on or off the jury, inasmuch as he does not possess sufficient fortitude to sway the deliberations of a body of men. Mr. ISGRIG stated that inasmuch as he knows this particular individual, no further investigation should be conducted.

DOLLAR, PHINAS A.,  
Morrilton, Conway County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] Mr.  
DOLLAR is approximately thirty-eight years of age, married and has two children; that he is employed by the Arkansas Power & Light Company at Morrilton, Arkansas, and has been in Morrilton for a period of six years; that his former residence was Russellville, Arkansas, where he lived for approximately twenty-five years. DOLLAR is of excellent character and habits, his reputation is good and he is considered very reliable, pays his local obligations in a very satisfactory manner and is considered good by Morrilton merchants. His prospects of permanent employment are good and he is well regarded by his employers. There is no Court record known and he has the reputation for being thrifty. He has a monthly salary of \$150.00, owns three houses in Russellville worth \$5,000.00, is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000.00, pays \$20.00 a month rent and is prompt in paying his rent.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has known PHINAS A. DOLLAR for ten years, goes hunting with him and has found him to be a man of high ideals, alert, keen, open minded, definitely in favor of law enforcement, and a staunch member of the Baptist Church. He advised that types of crookedness are repulsive to DOLLAR and that there is not a finer man in the whole community. Mr. MOORE further advised that DOLLAR is President of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, past President of the Kiwanis Club and is a live wire and an active member in everything in which he participates.

BURL HARRIS, Deputy Sheriff, Russellville, Arkansas, advised that P. A. DOLLAR'S reputation is the very best and that DOLLAR has a brother-in-law in Russellville who has a habit of getting drunk and DOLLAR has given the order that whenever this brother-in-law gets drunk to throw him in the furthest back cell.

**DRAKE, A. C.**  
Fordyce, Dallas County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. A. C. DRAKE as a man about sixty-five years of age, married with a grown daughter who is now employed. Mr. DRAKE is a timberman by occupation, but has been unemployed for the past four years. He has lived at Fordyce, Arkansas, for the past thirty-five years, and is described as being a man of good character and habits. He owns his own home but has a mortgage on the same. He formerly was employed by the Hampton Stave Company which later became the Ashcraft and Hampton Manufacturing Company, which firm has been out of business for the past eight years. Mr. DRAKE then ran a tie mill owned by HY HEARNSBERGER.

Mr. DRAKE is considered [REDACTED] as honest and reliable, but his age has been against him in finding new employment.

Sheriff W. R. BENTON, Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. A. C. DRAKE is thoroughly reliable in every way.

Mr. CLARK BENTON, Vice President of the Fordyce Bank and Trust Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. DRAKE is a man sixty years of age or more and that he is conscientious and honest. Mr. BENTON stated that Mr. DRAKE has been in financial trouble due to unemployment for several years. Mr. CLARK BENTON felt that Mr. DRAKE was a man of such high character that he could not be approached by undue considerations.

Mr. J. WILLARD CLARY, Hempstead Jewelry Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, described Mr. DRAKE as an elderly man of excellent reputation. He had a mortgage on his home, but the house burned recently. His daughter worked for the W. P. A. in Fordyce for a modest salary, and she and her parents live on this income. Mr. CLARY stated that the reputation of Mr. DRAKE was absolutely above reproach.

Mr. ROBERT W. MAYS, merchant at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that he believed Mr. DRAKE to be a man of good character. Mr. DRAKE has been out of a job for some years and is an elderly man.

Mr. FRED MORTON, leading attorney in Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. A. C. DRAKE has been a lumberman for many years and that he was in fair circumstances until a few years ago when he was unable to secure employment. Mr. MORTON stated that Mr. DRAKE is a Republican, one of the few in Dallas County, Arkansas. He described him as a law abiding citizen.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Methodist Minister at Fordyce, Arkansas, described Mr. A. C. DRAKE as a fine citizen; a man of good intelligence and one who could not be reached by any undue influences.

EHEMANN, MIKE,  
Atkins, Pope County, Arkansas.

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EHEMANN is a native of Atkins, Arkansas, and is approximately sixty-five years old; that he is married and has four dependent children and other married children who are self dependent; that he has been engaged in farming and has been so employed for a number of years; that he has a good character, habits and is well regarded by local merchants as he always pays his local obligations in a very satisfactory manner. The income from his farm is estimated at \$1500.00 per year, which land is worth approximately \$4000.00 and consists of 160 acres. Local merchants recommend a \$500.00 credit. His bank experience has been very satisfactory and he is reputed to be a very thrifty individual.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has not had very much experience with MIKE EHEMANN but that his general reputation is very good.

BURL HARRIS, Deputy Sheriff, Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, advised that MIKE EHEMANN is the highest type of citizen; that he is pretty broad minded and very well liked in his community. He advised that EHEMANN is not educated but has good common sense and is a very good business man. He further advised that he is a devout Catholic and takes a deep interest in all Catholic Church affairs. He advised that EHEMANN is definitely for law and order; that as far as he knows he has never been involved in any damage suits. HARRIS stated that "if you are looking for a jurymen for the Hot Springs trial, you couldn't go wrong with this man".

It is to be noted that HARRIS appears to be an upright, honest law enforcement officer not in sympathy with any allegiance between law enforcement officers and criminals.

\*EZELL, CHARLES A.,  
Thornburg, Perry County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] EZELL is forty-eight years of age, married, has three children, has been in Thornburg, Arkansas, for the past twenty years and his former residence is not known; that he is employed in his own Mercantile business and has been so employed since living in Thornburg; that his character and habits are good and he is well regarded in the community; that his wife helps him in his business; that his income is \$1,200.00 per year, owns his own home and other property which is valued at \$1000.00, and he is generally estimated to be worth \$2000.00. He is considered honest, reliable and a trust worthy citizen. There is no known Court record.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has known EZELL for approximately ten years and that he is a man of sound judgement and, as far as he knows, is a good citizen; that he drinks a little and has made three unsuccessful attempts for the office of Sheriff of Perry County; that about two or three years ago his store was robbed and he is very bitter against law violators; that he has been on the County and State Juries and has been regarded as a State juror.

Sheriff BAYLOR HOUSE advised that C. A. EZELL was tried for first degree murder approximately twenty years ago after he had killed a man in a fight. He advised that the jury was hung for about twenty-four hours; that he believed that the jury had been fixed. Sheriff HOUSE advised that EZELL does not believe in convictions and that there have been complaints that he handled liquor. Sheriff HOUSE does not believe that he would make a favorable juror as he is known to drink.

CARL ADAMS, former merchant, Perryville, Arkansas, advised that EZELL sells drinks quite a bit, at least he has in the past, and ran for Sheriff two or three times against

BAYLOR HOUSE, who is presently Sheriff. He believes that the reason EZELL did not succeed in defeating HOUSE is that HOUSE is a better politician than he is. He advised that as a young man EZELL got into a fight with another man and hit him over the head with a club, from which injury this individual died, and that EZELL was tried for first degree murder and was acquitted.

\*FAISST, HUGO,  
Bigelow, Perry County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] FAISST is a native of his community, approximately forty years of age and married; that he is the owner and operator of a sawmill at Bigelow and has been so employed for a number of years; that his income is from \$200.00 to \$300.00 per month; that his character and habits are good, is well regarded in the community by associates and is a trustworthy citizen. He pays his local obligations in a very satisfactory manner. It also states that FAISST is of German extraction and participated in the sawmill business with his father before going into business for himself; that he has a record of being thrifty, owns his home and timber land, which is valued at \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00, and is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000.00; that his bank experience is good.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has known FAISST for approximately twelve years; that when FAISST talks he has the smell of liquor on his breath but that he is not a drunkard; that, being of German extraction, he drinks quite a bit of wine but no liquor.

J. E. BRAZIL, Attorney, a law partner of Mr. JOHN G. MOORE, advised that he is from Bigelow and that FAISST is a good business man, owns a lot of property, has always impressed him as being a good, straight-forward man and, though he has been involved in a number of law suits, he does not believe that any of them were damage suits.

Sheriff BAYLOR HOUSE, Perryville, Perry County, Arkansas, advised that HUGO FAISST is a very good citizen, a German and very well thought of in his community. He comes from good people, has good common sense, is a World War veteran and is a member of the American Legion. Sheriff HOUSE advised that he has been of valuable assistance to him in

locating criminals, but, though he has been cooperative, he has requested that his name be kept out of any conversations with these criminals as he owns quite a bit of property around Bigelow, including a sawmill manufacturing plant, and that should some criminal get it in for him he would run the danger of having his property burned. He advised that the services of FAISST on the juries have been satisfactory and that FAISST is head of the largest lumber company, namely the BRYANT Lumber Company.

CARL ADAMS, former merchant, Perryville, advised that HUGO FAISST is well fixed financially and that his character has never been questioned; that he is not acquainted with what his attitude might be as to law enforcement.

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\*FINLEY, WILTON E.  
Fordyce, Dallas County, Arkansas

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WILTON E. FINLEY is twenty-seven years of age, and has been Assistant Manager of the Fordyce Lumber Company since 1936, and draws an estimated salary of \$175.00 a month. He owns no real estate, pays \$20.00 a month rent and has a net worth of \$1,000.00. He is a white American, is married and is well regarded from the standpoint of thrift and general moral character. He has paid his local obligations promptly.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Methodist Minister at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. WILTON FINLEY has a fine position and comes from a fine family. The Rev. WORKMAN believes Mr. FINLEY to be a fine citizen.

Mr. CLARK BENTON, Vice President of the Fordyce Bank and Trust Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that WILTON FINLEY holds a responsible position but that of late he has been addicted to the use of liquor and Mr. BENTON stated that he is running with a crowd which is notorious for poor morality. Mr. BENTON said that FINLEY is a good business man, but that he would not put too much dependence upon him.

Mr. J. WILLARD CLARY, Hempstead Jewelry Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, said that he and WILTON FINLEY were in school together; that FINLEY attended college one year. He stated that FINLEY worked for a short time at Crossett, Arkansas, and was then transferred to Fordyce, Arkansas, inasmuch as the lumber companies of both cities are owned by the same interests. Mr. CLARY described WILTON FINLEY as a drinking man and as a man known as a "bootlicker", one who "plays up" to persons in authority in order to further his own interests. Mr. CLARY stated that he believed that WILTON FINLEY could be reached by undue influences and that he would not put any trust whatever in him.

Information received from Mr. ROBERT W. MAYS, merchant, and from Sheriff W. R. BENTON, both of Fordyce, Arkansas, indicated that they consider Mr. FINLEY an excellent young man.

Mr. FRED MORTON, leading attorney at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that WILTON FINLEY had not been implicated in any court proceedings; that he considered FINLEY a young man of good character; that the only objection against him is his youth.

Inasmuch as Crossett, Arkansas, was the former home town of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN, inquiry was made by Agent CALHOUN of two of his sisters, Miss CARRIE CALHOUN and Mrs. W. E. FINCH, Crossett, Arkansas, in a casual manner concerning Mr. FINLEY, and it was learned that Mr. FINLEY had been stationed at Crossett for about two years as a stenographer and that his reputation in Crossett at the time was excellent as to habits. The same information was secured from Agent CALHOUN'S sisters as was secured from Mr. CLARY, namely that Mr. FINLEY had a tendency to "play up" to persons in authority to further his interests.

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\*GRAHAM, RALPH,  
Jacksonville, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

F. C. CHASTIN, Superintendent of Schools, advised that he has been acquainted with RALPH GRAHAM for the last ten years, and was associated with GRAHAM in a teaching profession for a period of five years. GRAHAM, according to this informant, is a man of excellent reputation, has good character, morals and habits and has never been known to have been involved in any difficulties with law enforcement officers to the best of his knowledge.

GRAHAM is a Past Master of the Masonic Lodge at Jacksonville and at present is Lecturer. He is approximately thirty-five years of age, has a good, keen mind and is a logical thinker. About five years ago GRAHAM suffered a stroke, resulting in paralysis, and has not been able to work since that time. CHASTIN informed that this has not in any way effected his ability to think. This informant knew of no damage suits that GRAHAM had ever been involved in.

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GRAHAM is employed as Justice of Peace at Jacksonville, from which he has an income of from \$15.00 to \$20.00 per month. His estimated net worth was given as \$2,000.00. In addition to his income as Justice of Peace he draws about \$15.00 a month disability benefits from an insurance policy. The disability is a result of a stroke of paralysis suffered by GRAHAM approximately twenty years ago. He is well regarded in the community in which he lives and no unsatisfactory information concerning his credit record was reported. He was reported as being thirty-five years of age, single and having resided in Jacksonville during most of his life.

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GROBMEYER, JOHN R.  
327 Charles Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. JOHN R. GROBMEYER and wife, TOLISE GROBMEYER, reside at 327 Charles Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, having resided at that address since 1926. They formerly resided in Forrest City, Arkansas.

[REDACTED] Mr. GROBMEYER operates the J. R. GROBMEYER Lumber Company of Little Rock, Arkansas; that he is fifty-five years old, married, white, an American citizen, has a wife and three dependent children. He has owned and operated the J. R. GROBMEYER Lumber Company for the past twelve years, and possesses a good character and habits. No court record is known for him. His income is estimated between \$5,000.00 and \$7,000.00 per year. He owns his own home and is generally estimated to be worth between \$40,000.00 and \$50,000.00; his bank experience is listed as satisfactory. The reports given by individual creditors indicate that GROBMEYER'S credit is very good.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police, Department, advised that they have no criminal record for Mr. GROBMEYER.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK stated he considered GROBMEYER a very responsible, upright citizen in Little Rock, possessing an excellent character and reputation, apparently very well off financially.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed he had known GROBMEYER for approximately ten years; that he is a man of good character and reputation and financially responsible; that he had never heard anything derogatory concerning him and to the best of his knowledge, Mr. GROBMEYER has never been involved in any personal injury cases.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Springs Street, informed he had known GROBMEYER four or five years and to the

best of his knowledge he possesses a good character and reputation and family background; that he is very well fixed financially and is of sufficient moral strength to withstand the offer of any bribe; that to the best of his knowledge, GROBMEYER has never been involved in any personal injury case.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of the Union National Bank, informed he had known GROBMEYER for seven or eight years. He possesses a good character and reputation, is financially responsible and would be above taking a bribe.



\* HASTINGS, SETH  
Stuttgart, Arkansas County, Arkansas

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Mr. HASTINGS resides at 724 South Main Street, in Stuttgart; that he is the local representative of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Louis, Missouri; that he has been a resident of Stuttgart for ten years or more; that his former residence is not known; that he is between forty-eight and fifty years of age, married, and has a wife and four children, ranging from six to eighteen years in age; that he has been occupied as an auditor for ten years or more with the above firm; that he is well regarded by his employer, is of good character and habits, and is considered thrifty, receiving a salary of \$250.00 per month. They further advise that he is receiving rent amounting to \$50.00 per month from four houses; that he owns his own home which is valued at \$5,000, and is generally estimated to be worth \$8,000. His bank experience is listed as very satisfactory and he has dealt with the Peoples National Bank, who are a reference, for ten years or more; that he has had loans with this bank from time to time and all of their dealings have been very satisfactory. According to credit references his account is prompt the first of each month, and he is generally considered to be honest, reliable, and of the very best character and that his general reputation is beyond reproach, his standing in the community being considered its best.

Investigation by Agent, through MORGAN DENMAN of DENMAN Brothers, a Jewelers' concern at Stuttgart, discloses that Mr. HASTINGS is about forty-five years old and has been known to DENMAN for the past six or seven years and ever since HASTINGS has resided in Stuttgart; that he is married, has three children, attends church. DENMAN advised that he understands that HASTINGS is a Government man protecting the Government's interests involving the Arkansas Rice Growers Cooperative Association, whose members are farmers, further that it is possible that HASTINGS sells insurance also; that he is considered a good citizen of good reputation and although he is "finicky" at times, he believes he is fanatic and strict on law enforcement, further that he is above reproach in intelligence and

has never been involved in any trouble nor does he possess a criminal record to DENMAN'S knowledge. It was determined from DENMAN that one daughter is a semi-invalid and is provided for by him. DENMAN did not know of a damage suit involving HASTINGS other than the fact that HASTINGS brought a law suit to establish a property line last year but lost same. DENMAN believed that HASTINGS was represented by W. A. LEACH, an attorney of Stuttgart, during this suit. DENMAN believed that HASTINGS owns his own home and lives within his income; that although he does not know his financial standing that his credit rating is considered good.

WALTER P. PFEIFFER, President of the Peoples National Bank of Stuttgart, advised that HASTINGS' reputation was very good and he is considered honest and reliable; that he is a Special Representative with the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Louis, Missouri, and advances credit to the Arkansas Rice Growers Association. PFEIFFER did not know of any insurance business in which HASTINGS was interested. He further advised that HASTINGS owns his own home, which is incumbent for a reasonable amount, otherwise he did not believe that HASTINGS has any financial worth, although his credit standing is considered good. He advised that HASTINGS, who is Treasurer of the Arkansas Synagogue and a loyal member of the Presbyterian Church, had a A-#1 attitude on law enforcement; that he found him to be fair and impartial; that prior to his present occupation, he believes HASTINGS was connected with a bank in the State of Arkansas and was on the State Banking Department Staff. PFEIFFER had no information concerning any possible damage suit involving HASTINGS.

JOE F. B. MORRISON, Attorney at Stuttgart, who guessed the purpose of Agent's inquiry, advised that he considered HASTINGS a good juror and is definitely a prosecution man as he is "hard boiled" and has a good attitude towards law enforcement. MORRISON stated that HASTINGS has not been involved in any damage suit in Stuttgart during the past ten years; that if he had been involved in any such suits they must have taken place elsewhere.

T. G. McCASLIN, Chief of Police of Stuttgart, advised that he has known HASTINGS for several years; that he considers him a good citizen, and that he has never been in any trouble. From McCASLIN'S personal acquaintance and observation he did not know whether he would or would not make a good impartial juror although his reputation is good and he is honest as far as he knows. McCASLIN considers his law enforcement attitude good; could furnish no information concerning any possible damage suit involving HASTINGS whose credit rating or financial standing was unknown to him.

MRS. J. W. HATLEY,  
401 North Ash Street, Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the Little Rock City Directory revealed that JOHN W. HATLEY and wife, ANNIE, resided at the above address. The occupation of JOHN W. HATLEY was listed as Deputy County Commissioner, State Insurance Commissioner and Fire Marshal.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, after a search of his records, advised that there was no record for Mrs. J. W. HATLEY.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he had known Mrs. HATLEY for about 12 years; that he estimated her age to be about 65 years; that she is a high-type individual with good character and reputation; that she is financially responsible but not wealthy; that to the best of his knowledge, she has never been involved in any personal injury cases.

A woman neighbor of Mrs. HATLEY, name unknown, who resides at 326 North Ash Street, informed that she had known the HATLEY family for a number of years; that they are people of excellent character and reputation and are members of the Presbyterian Church; that Mr. HATLEY is employed in the State Capitol; that she had never heard anything of a derogatory nature pertaining to members of the HATLEY family and that she had never heard of them being involved in any personal injury cases.

Another neighbor of Mrs. HATLEY at 414 North Ash Street informed that she has known the HATLEY family for about five years; that the HATLEY family is not very neighborly and are rather "distant"; however, they possess an excellent reputation in the community; further, that the family had never been in any trouble to her knowledge, and she has never heard of them being involved in any personal injury cases.

\* HAYMAN, G. W. (Negro)  
1024 Gaines Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Dr. G. W. HAYMAN, SR., a negro physician, resides at 1024 Gaines Street, with an office at 1012 West 11th Street, Little Rock, Arkansas; that he has lived in Little Rock, Arkansas, for a number of years, having been at his present address since 1925.  
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He is sixty-five years old, married, a negro, and his only dependent is listed as that of his wife; several children being grown. He has been a physician in Little Rock, Arkansas, for the past thirty or thirty-five years; prior to which time he was a student. This report indicates that HAYMAN is considered a competent Doctor and had a good practice; his character and habits are considered good, and he is considered thrifty. His income was estimated at \$200.00 per month with no other earning of any one in the house listed, nor does he have any other known income.

[REDACTED] HAYMAN owns his own home and is estimated to be worth approximately \$5,000.00.

The individual creditors who replied to the credit inquiry indicate he has satisfactory credit with the exception of one account which is in the hands of an attorney in 1937, which is the hands of an attorney in 1937, of which the balance of approximately \$45.00 is still owing.

The report indicated that a suit was filed in Little Rock Municipal Court, Case # 37212, Nowlin Lumber Company vs Dr. G. W. HAYMAN, suit for \$21.05, filed December 10, 1936, which was paid September, 1937.

Lieutenant C. O. PINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record for HAYMAN.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN informed he had known HAYMAN for over twenty years; that he is a negro physician, and is considered one of the better class negroes in Little Rock, Arkansas; that at one time HAYMAN had considerable money, but he does not know what his present financial status is, but he is considered a responsible negro.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK informed he had known HAYMAN a number of years; that they had never heard anything derogatory concerning him, and in his opinion HAYMAN was one of the better class negroes in Little Rock; that he does not know anything as to his financial responsibility, nor did he ever know of him being involved in any personal injury cases.

J. ROBERT BOOKER, negro attorney, Century Building, informed he had known HAYMAN twenty-five years; that his general reputation and character are excellent, financially responsible; promptly pays his financial responsibilities; that he is approximately seventy years old, and is actively engaged in the practice of medicine; that to the best of his knowledge he had never been involved in any difficulty of any kind, nor has he ever been involved in any personal injury suits. BOOKER informed that a son, ARTHUR HAYMAN, aged twenty-three, is presently confined in the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, charged with assault with deadly weapon, having been sent there last November. As to this son, BOOKER stated that he was mentally afflicted, having the mind of an eight or nine year old child, which is apparently the result of his being injured in an accident a number of years ago. As to the rest of the family, BOOKER stated that they are high type negro people.

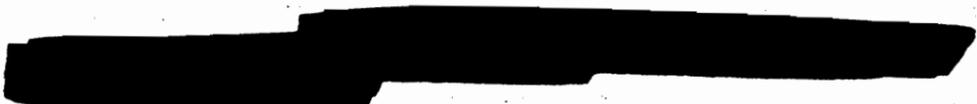
SCIPPIO A. JONES, negro attorney, Century Building, informed he had known HAYMAN for over forty years; that to the best of his knowledge HAYMAN is a native of Arkansas, and is about seventy or seventy-five years old; that he is considered an honest and reliable negro of generally good character and reputation; is financially responsible, owning his own home, is a graduate of the McHarry Medical School at Nashville, Tennessee, but that to the best of his knowledge HAYMAN has never been involved in any personal injury suits.

As to his family, JONES stated that HAYMAN had two sons who were not the best of citizens. One son, a dentist, is a drunkard, however, with no criminal tendencies; another son is involved in various criminal activities, presently serving time in a penitentiary.

When asked whether or not he thought HAYMAN would accept a bribe, JONES stated that HAYMAN possibly could be swayed into doing something against his better judgment.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, advised he knows HAYMAN as a negro doctor, however, he does not know him personally, has had no business dealings with him whatever, and has never heard anything derogatory concerning him.

HORNE, A. F.,  
Des Arc, Prairie County, Arkansas.



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HORNE was reported to have resided in Des Arc during all of his life. He is forty-eight years of age, married and has two children. He is the proprietor of a general store and has an estimated income of \$1500.00 per year. His net worth is estimated at \$10,000.00. His character, habits and credit record are good.

Sheriff F. L. GRADY and Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that HORNE was approximately thirty-eight years of age, married and has resided in Des Arc all of his life. Both informants have known HORNE for the last thirty or thirty-five years. HORNE is in the mercantile business. He has an excellent reputation and has never been known to be involved in any criminal activities or to have been disreputable. He is highly regarded in his community, is a member of local civic groups, has served on juries from time to time and has made an excellent juror. According to Agent's informants, HORNE is in favor of strict law enforcement.

Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that, in his opinion, HORNE would endeavor to be excused from the jury but that, in his opinion, he should not be permitted to do so because he would make an excellent juror. HORNE has never been involved in any damage suits.

HUGHES, WALTER R.  
Benton, Saline County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] r. HUGHES is married, his wife's name being DORIS, and he has two children. He resides on River Street in Benton, Arkansas.  
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[REDACTED] HUGHES has resided in Benton, Arkansas, all his life. He is presently forty-three years old, white and an American. He is employed in the JOHN L. HUGHES Store, Benton, Arkansas, as a Clerk. He does not have or never had any other occupation; is well regarded as to character, habits and morals. [REDACTED] he is regarded favorably by his employer. (It will be noted that his employer is his brother.)

[REDACTED] has never engaged in any illegal practices or business. As to salary, [REDACTED] estimates he earns \$100.00 a month or less, and has no other income, and that he owns his own home.

[REDACTED] states that HUGHES is the son of the late GEORGE HUGHES and a brother of JOHN L. HUGHES. The HUGHES estate which is composed of a large bottom farm and considerable rent property, both residents and business, is estimated to be worth \$50,000.00 to \$75,000.00, but this was all willed to JOHN L. HUGHES and their mother, Mrs. NANNIE HUGHES, therefore WALTER R. HUGHES has no income from this estate. HUGHES has always worked for the firm of HUGHES and Son, and in the past has had a sizeable income. This firm is now doing a small volume of business and his salary is considerably less than in the past. He owns his own home which is well located, estimated to be worth \$2,500.00, and thought to be unencumbered.

HUGHES has never been given any authority and has never assumed any responsibility of carrying on the business, and has always worked there as any other employee. He is well regarded, and it is generally believed that he would pay any obligations he would make if it was in the bounds of his income.

HUGHES has two grown daughters, married, a son, about twelve years old, and the baby is five months old. He was willed only \$10.00 of his father's estate, however, he has been given a job in the store all the time. It is rumored now that as the business is not more than paying expenses they might close out.

Mr. C. F. ELZA, Postmaster, Benton, Arkansas, informed that he has known WALTER R. HUGHES for a number of years. He possesses a good character and reputation, owns his own home, which he estimates to be worth \$3,500.00 or \$4,500.00. He considers him financially stable, however, he has no other income than that received from work in the JOHN L. HUGHES store, however, his mother is fairly well to do and he may receive some money upon her death. To the best of his knowledge he has never been involved in any personal injury cases, and is a member of the Methodist Church.

Mr. RALPH WALTON, Benton, Arkansas, advised he has known HUGHES all his life; that he comes from a very good family, and he and his brother operate a store left by their father which business at one time was very lucrative, but is now in rather poor shape, and to the best of his knowledge HUGHES is not very well off financially; that he is a Democrat but not active in politics, and is a member of the Methodist Church, but not active in church work. His general reputation and character is good, however, he, WALTON, is rather prejudiced against HUGHES inasmuch as he understands that WALTER HUGHES and his brother, JOHN L. HUGHES, induced one D. MATHEW HARRISON to execute an excessive mortgage on HARRISON'S home, which was to falsify the credit rating of the HUGHES Store, indicating that mortgage as an assets to the business. Mr. WALTON stated that he understands this mortgage is still in effect, and was one of the causes for HARRISON'S death last July, inasmuch as HARRISON worried a great deal over this mortgage which was on his home. As to this mortgage, WALTON stated that to the best of his knowledge there was no financial consideration given HARRISON, and it was a pure fraud in order to establish a good credit for the store. WALTON explained that he could not prove this matter himself.

When asked as to whether or not in his opinion HUGHES would accept a bribe, WALTON stated he could not say yes or no as to this question, but in his opinion HUGHES was not of strong enough character to be absolutely trustworthy, and very likely HUGHES could be easily swayed. Mr. WALTON concluded by stating he did not know if HUGHES had ever been involved in any personal injury case.

Chief of Police W. H. McKLOWN advised that HUGHES did not have a criminal record in Benton, Arkansas. Chief McKLOWN stated he had known HUGHES for a great number of years; that he possessed a good character and reputation, and comes from a good family; that he is employed in the general store, the business of which is poor, consequently gives the opinion that HUGHES is not very well off financially. He is a member of the Methodist Church, a Democrat in politics and has never been involved in any personal injury cases. Mr. McKLOWN concluded by stating he did not think HUGHES would accept a bribe.

HENRY A. KENDRICK  
1870 Gaines Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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Mr. HENRY A. KENDRICK resides at 1870 Gaines Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, is retired from the Custodian Department of the United States Post Office; that he has lived in Little Rock a number of years.

[REDACTED] he is sixty-three years old, married, white and an American. His dependents are listed as a wife and one child.

He is retired from the Custodian Department of the United States Post Office, where he was employed as elevator operator in the Post Office for twenty-five years, with a pension of \$83.33 per month. He has good character and habits, no Court record is known, and he is considered thrifty. He owns his own home which is estimated to be worth \$2,000.00. The credit reports indicate that he owes a doctor \$350.00, which account was placed in the hands of an attorney August 1, 1934. Another account reveals he has been paying a hospital bill since March, 1933, which hospital bill was at one time \$213.50; at the present time remaining only \$23.50 owing; the last payment of which was made in July, 1938.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record concerning HENRY A. KENDRICK.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he had known KENDRICK for twenty-five or thirty years; that he has a good reputation and good character and thinks he is financially hard up. Mr. WORTHEN stated he did not know anything derogatory concerning Mr. KENDRICK.

Mr. and Mrs. WITT, 1868 Gaines Street, neighbors, informed that they had known the KENDRICK family for thirty-four years; that they considered the KENDRICK family very good, substantial upright citizens. It was their understanding that Mrs. KENDRICK at one time owned or presently

owns some real estate, but they did not know the place in the State; that they are of Protestant Religion, their politics unknown, and to the best of their knowledge have never been involved in any personal injury case.

Mr. DONAHO, 1869 Gaines Street, informed he had known the KENDRICK family for a number of years and considered them very good reliable people; that to the best of his knowledge, Mrs. KENDRICK owned some property some place, which would be the only other source of income other than the pension which Mr. KENDRICK receives from the Government. Mr. DONAHO advised he had never heard of any difficulties or trouble which Mr. KENDRICK had been in at any time, and to the best of his knowledge he had never been involved in any personal injury case.

A Jewish lady, name unknown, residing at 1871 Gaines Street, advised she had known the KENDRICK family for approximately twelve years; that she considered them very good substantial honest citizens.

MRS. M. A. LALLY,  
2115 Arch Street, Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the Little Rock City Directory revealed that Mrs. ANNIE LALLY, widow of MARTIN LALLY, lived at the above address. Also listed as living at this address was the name Mrs. NETTIE L. ROBINSON, widow of BIGELOW ROBINSON.

C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department advised that there was no record for Mrs. M. A. LALLY at his department.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK, Little Rock, informed that he does not know MRS. LALLY personally, but was acquainted with her husband, now deceased, who held a responsible position with the Missouri Pacific Railway Company, prior to his death; that he was a highly responsible and respected citizen in Little Rock, Arkansas; that to the best of his knowledge, Mrs. LALLY was between 65 and 70 years of age.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. WORTHEN and COMPANY, Bankers, informed that he had known Mrs. LALLY for 35 years; that he believed her to be approximately 70 years old; that she is a widow, whose husband, MARTIN LALLY, was train master for the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company prior to his death; that Mrs. LALLY had held a very responsible position at the American Exchange Trust Company, being employed in the Safe Deposit Section of this concern; that Mrs. LALLY is not well fixed financially and presently resides with her daughter, Mrs. NETTIE L. ROBINSON, who is also a widow, Mrs. ROBINSON'S husband having been killed in an automobile accident; however, there was no accident case involved, inasmuch as Mr. ROBINSON'S son was driving the car which turned over, killing Mr. ROBINSON.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he is acquainted with Mrs. LALLY; that she is somewhere in the sixties as to age, possessed good character and reputation and formerly held a very responsible position with the American Exchange Trust Company, in the Safe Deposit Section; that she is not financially well off at the present time but is of good character and one who would stand by her commitments. Mr. WOOD stated, that in his opinion Mrs. LALLY would be above the acceptance of a bribe.

\* LASIEY, L. D.  
330 Midland  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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Mr. L. D. LASIEY resides at 330 Midland Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas; he has been retired six years, formerly employed by the National Cash Register Company. He has lived in Little Rock for a number of years; [REDACTED]

He has resided at his present address since 1916. He is sixty-five years old, married, an American citizen; his only dependent is listed as his wife. He was formerly employed as Manager of the National Cash Register Company for twenty-seven years in Little Rock, Arkansas, having retired approximately six years ago. He possesses a good character and habits; no court record is known. He is considered thrifty, has an income of approximately \$150.00 to \$200.00 a month, which income is derived from investments and rentals; he owns his home and some rental property. His general estimated worth is approximately \$25,000.00; bank experience and general credit rating is very good.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record concerning L. D. LASIEY.

Mr. O. N. MARTIN, Chief of Detectives, Little Rock, Arkansas, Police Department, informed he has known Mr. LASIEY slightly for the past ten years; that he possesses a good reputation, excellent character, is considered very reliable and good citizen.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he has known LASIEY for a number of years and that he is a man of considerable means, however, he does not know anything against him and does not know him very intimately.

Mr. WEATHERSPOON, 334 Midland Avenue, neighbor of LASIEY, informed that LASIEY'S reputation and character are very good; that he is a retired business man and apparently a man of considerable means.

The home of Mr. LASIEY at 330 Midland Avenue was observed to be a large brick house in a very high class neighborhood. The house and grounds appeared to be very well cared for and the value of this house is estimated to be \$15,000.00 or \$20,000.00.

LATTURE, OTIS,  
Beebe, White County, Arkansas.

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LATTURE is employed as Manager of the Goodman Company (Produce & Feed), and has been so employed for the past fifteen years. His character and habits are good and he is well regarded by his employer. He earns a salary of \$20.00 per week with an additional income of \$250.00 a year from his farm. LATTURE'S net worth was reported to be \$5000.00, which includes the valuation of his home. He carries three accounts with local merchants and was reported to pay all promptly at the first of each month. He has resided in Beebe since July 30, 1929, and prior to that time resided at Floyd, Arkansas. He is approximately forty-eight years of age, married and is of white racial extraction.

E. A. ROGERS, Constable, advised that LATTURE is a man between 38 and 40 years of age, and that he has been acquainted with him all of his life. LATTURE is married, has no children and has resided in Beebe or in that vicinity during his entire lifetime. He is honest, reliable and, according to ROGERS, his truth and veracity are beyond reproach.

LATTURE is employed by a poultry firm, having its main offices at Searcy, Arkansas. According to ROGERS, LATTURE has never been involved in any damage suits but has frequently served on juries in local court cases involving both criminal and civil matters. ROGERS advised that LATTURE is the type of a person that he would like to have on the jury. ROGERS stated that he thought LATTURE was a member of the Masonic Order at Beebe, but he was not sure that this was correct.

XLAW, B. J.,  
Plainview, Yell County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] Mr. BRODY J. LAW is forty-five years of age, married and has no children; that he has been in the vicinity of Plainview for twenty years or more and is engaged in business as Law Brothers General Mercantile with his brother C. B. LAW, and has been so employed for a number of years; that his character and habits are excellent, is well regarded in the community and is one of the leading citizens; that his income is estimated at \$2,000.00 a year from his business and he owns his own home; that he is generally estimated to be worth \$15,000.00. He pays his local obligations in a prompt and satisfactory manner and usually pays cash or buys through his own business. There are no details known of any court record.

JOE GAULT, Postmaster at Dardanelle, Arkansas, who, before his appointment as Postmaster, was Sheriff for sixteen years with headquarters at Danville, Arkansas, and then served as Deputy Sheriff at Dardanelle, advised that B. J. LAW is approximately his own age and that he is very well acquainted with him; that LAW'S father served as County Clerk and in various other official capacities at Danville, Arkansas, and that B. J. LAW was practically raised up around the Court House; that he started a mercantile business at Plainview, Arkansas, and has done very well; that he is highly regarded in the community as being a high class citizen, very respectable with a fine character. He advised that LAW has never been involved in any damage suit cases and that he has served on County juries and has always been a state juror and recommends him as a jurymen.

MRS. W. M. MATTHEWS,  
112 Colonial Court, Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

An examination of the Little Rock City Directory disclosed the listing of NONIE MATTHEWS, widow of WALTER M. MATTHEWS, as living at the above address.

C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department made a search of his files in an effort to locate a record of MRS. W. M. MATTHEWS but did not find such a record.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN - Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers informed that he does not know Mrs. MATTHEWS personally, but that she maintains a small savings account in the Worthen Bank.

Mrs. B. J. CHAMBLIN, 116 Colonial Court, Little Rock, informed that she has been a neighbor of Mrs. MATTHEWS for over ten years and that she estimates Mrs. MATTHEWS' age to be approximately 50 years; that her deceased husband had been a doctor at the Veterans Bureau prior to his death; that she was unable to state anything but the best, pertaining to Mrs. MATTHEWS' character and reputation; that she has three children, two of whom are attending the University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado, and one is attending Junior High School in Little Rock; that she is a member of the Methodist Church, politics not known; that to the best of her knowledge, she has never heard of Mrs. MATTHEWS being involved in any personal injury cases. Mrs. CHAMBLIN stated that it is her opinion that Mrs. MATTHEWS receives some sort of a Government pension since the death of her husband, and it is possible that she received some income from insurance policies left by him.

It was noted that the home in which Mrs. MATTHEWS resides is a nice looking frame building, located in a nice section of Little Rock.

Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN informed that he is personally acquainted with Mrs. MATTHEWS, she being the widow of Dr. WALTER MATTHEWS, who was a close personal friend of Agent CALHOUN. Dr. MATTHEWS practiced medicine in Crossett, Arkansas, which is the home town of Agent CALHOUN, prior to the World War. Agent CALHOUN states that at the time of Dr. MATTHEWS' death in 1936, he was the Chief Physician of the Veterans' Administration Facility in Little Rock,

MRS. W. M. MATHEWS

Arkansas. Agent CALHOUN stated that Mrs. MATHEWS possesses an excellent character and reputation.

McCLENDON, P. C.,  
Gould, Lincoln County, Arkansas.

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McCLENDON is self employed as a contractor and garage operator on his own property at Gould, Arkansas, where he has resided for the past twenty-eight years; that he is forty-eight years old, married, and has a wife, who is his only dependent, and he has been owner and operator of a garage for the past twenty years; that he is also a general contractor and owns his own property; that he has always been in business for himself; that he is of good character and habits, is considered thrifty and has an income of \$200.00 per month. They report that he owns other property from which he derives an income which is included in his \$200.00 per month income, plus \$80.00 monthly from rent sources; that he is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000; and that he owns his own home and other property. According to information they obtained from a bank, McCLENDON carries a small but satisfactory account and he has not applied for any loans. They further report that he has been in Gould from twenty-two to twenty-five years; that he lived in Warren, Arkansas, three years prior to his arrival in Gould; that he is well thought of in both social and business circles.

Investigation by Agent through CLAUDE H. HOLTHOFF, a merchant of Gould, discloses that McCLENDON is about forty-five years old; that he has been personally known to HOLTHOFF for twenty-five years; that he owns his garage and does auto mechanic work therein; that he is married and his wife is his only dependent. HOLTHOFF, although reporting his reputation to be honest, considers him but a fair citizen, advising that McCLENDON was involved in bootlegging activities during prohibition days, and although he believes he was arrested for same he was acquitted; that his partners in these bootlegging activities were caught more readily and suffered the consequences rather than McCLENDON. HOLTHOFF advised that he did not believe McCLENDON "was much on law enforcement as he belly aches and is grouchy about the law since he likes to do as

he believes". He further advised that McCLENDON'S father, who is now dead, was a doctor, but that when he was alive he tried "to tame him down", however, McCLENDON'S mother is presently living and is considered by HOLTHOFF to be a very fine woman. He did not believe his credit to be very good as he thinks McCLENDON presently owes money. He advised that he is presently on friendly terms with McCLENDON but that the above information concerning McCLENDON was "just general talk from people who deal with him (HOLTHOFF)"; that he had no information concerning any possible damage suit involving McCLENDON.

RANSOME E. LAKE of Gould, a farmer and father of ALLEN LAKE, a plantation manager, advised that he has known McCLENDON for the past twenty-five years during which McCLENDON has operated a joint garage and service station and has done work for him; that McCLENDON was married and had but one dependent, his wife; that he operates a good sized garage, considering a town the population of Gould, and that he believed he rented the service station end of his garage to another individual. LAKE reported his general reputation to be good as far as he knew. He stated that he considers him a good honest citizen as well as a good workman; that he believes his attitude is good on law enforcement, and that he thinks he has served as a juror on petit and grand juries. As far as LAKE knew McCLENDON did not have any debts nor could he furnish any information concerning McCLENDON'S suspected bootlegging activities. He believed that McCLENDON was making a living at least as far as his financial condition was known to him. LAKE had no information concerning a damage suit involving McCLENDON.

MRS. F. W. McCLERKIN,  
1615 Battery Street, Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

A search of the City Directory for Little Rock, Arkansas lists a Mrs. LAURA McCLERKIN, wife of JEFF W. McCLERKIN at this address. Also listed in the City Directory at this address is A. WEBSTER DOBYNS, with the law firm of ROSE HEMMINGWAY, CANTRELL & LAUGHBOROUGH.

Mr. C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised that they do not have a criminal record for Mrs. F. W. McCLERKIN, F. W. McCLERKIN or LAURA McCLERKIN. Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK informed that he did not know Mrs. McCLERKIN personally but had known her husband, now deceased, who was a very reliable citizen, possessed of excellent character and reputation and was a very responsible individual.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen & Company, Bankers, informed he has known Mrs. McCLERKIN for 45 years; that she is the widow of FELIX W. not JEFF W. McCLERKIN; that she is between 60 and 65 years of age, possessed of good reputation and character. Mr. WORTHEN stated that FELIX W. McCLERKIN was a former druggist who had operated in Little Rock, Arkansas for many years; that to the best of his knowledge, Mrs. McCLERKIN is financially responsible and is living with her daughter who married an attorney by the name of A. WEBSTER DOBYNS.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, Little Rock, informed that he knows Mrs. McCLERKIN, and that to the best of his knowledge, she is approximately 60 years old; that she is a leader in the social set in Little Rock, Arkansas and bears an excellent character and reputation; that he also knew her deceased husband, a former druggist in Little Rock; further, that he considered Mrs. McCLERKIN financially responsible, although not particularly wealthy; that in his opinion she has sufficient moral character not to accept a bribe which might be offered her, under any condition; that to the best of his knowledge she has never been involved in any personal injury suits.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Cashier, Union National Bank, informed that he knows Mrs. McCLERKIN and estimates her age to be about 55 or 60; that she is an old resident of Little Rock, Arkansas and very highly regarded by everybody, possessing a good character and reputation; that she lives with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. DOBYNS who is an attorney; that personally, she is not well off financially, however

Mrs. F. W. McCLERKIN

she is financially responsible in that she would not contract any obligations which she could not take care of. Mr. Wood further stated that he did not know of any personal injury cases in which Mrs. McCLERKIN had been involved, and in his opinion she would not accept a bribe under any circumstances.

\*MILLER, MRS. CHARLES A., JR.,  
2000 Arch Street,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mrs. CHARLES A. MILLER, JR. is related by marriage to the wife of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN, of the Little Rock Field Division, and it was stated by United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG, Little Rock, Arkansas, that it would be unnecessary to make further investigation concerning her.

Mrs. MILLER was formerly Miss APSIE BRANSFORD, daughter of the late THOMAS BRANSFORD, a leading citizen of Lonoke, Arkansas. She attended Ward-Belmont College at Nashville, Tennessee, for one and one-half years. She is about thirty-six years of age and her husband, Mr. CHARLES A. MILLER, is a nephew to the late Senator JOSEPH T. ROBINSON. Mrs. MILLER is the mother of twin daughters, seven years of age. Mrs. MILLER is a woman of excellent character and is far above the average in intelligence. She has had no jury service and has been involved in no Court procedure.

\*MOONEY, ED B.  
302 Cottage Street  
Hot Springs, Garland County, Arkansas

[REDACTED] ED B. MOONEY is fifty-five years old, a native of Arkansas, and is President of the ED B. MOONEY, INC., Construction Contractors. Mrs. ED B. MOONEY, age fifty, is Vice President, and Mr. J. G. McRAE (Son-in-law) is Secretary and Treasurer of this Corporation.

This business was incorporated this year for \$10,000.00, with \$10,000.00 capital paid in. ED B. MOONEY, personally estimated worth real estate assessed for \$5,920.00, worth approximately \$40,000.00 market value; mortgaged for about \$25,000.00 at this time. Personal property, furniture, fixtures, heavy road equipment assessed valuation \$2,100.00, market value about \$21,000.00.

[REDACTED] Mr. MOONEY has been in the general contracting business for twenty-five years or more, and is considered to be one of the largest in this part of the State. Prior to this incorporation he owed considerable money and it is believed that the incorporation papers were taken out in a reorganization measure. The building where the office is maintained is owned by Mr. MOONEY personally. Both Mr. MOONEY and Mr. McRAE draw a living wage from the business and both work full time.

The trade record revealed that one tire concern considered his credit good, one hardware concern advised as follows: "Dealings for number of years - at least twenty years - owes old accumulated balance around \$2,000.00 on which he is paying a satisfactory carrying charge. Buying about \$200.00 to \$250.00 per month now on corporation account. Dealings satisfactory". A bank reported, "Dealings on secured real estate loan. Present account is in good standing; refinanced loan February, 1935; contract is paid up in advance at present - balance about \$1,500.00."

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His personal accounts are paid in a satisfactory manner and other accounts in the name of the Marquette Hotel, which he owns, are also in good standing.

Mr. WILLIAM KAUFMAN, Identification Officer, Hot Springs Police Department, informed that they do not have a criminal record for Mr. MOONEY.

Mr. S. A. KEMP, Postmaster, Hot Springs, Arkansas, informed that he had known Mr. MOONEY for twenty years. As to reputation and character he would not make a very positive statement, however, he intimated that it was not so good. He estimated his age as between fifty-five and sixty, married and had one adopted daughter, about twenty-five years old. He is reputed financially well off. He is engaged in the contracting business, however, has used questionable methods and poor workmanship in executing some of his contracts. As to any personal injury suits, Mr. KEMP advised that it was his recollection that a damage suit was brought against the contracting company about six years ago for failure to put up red warning lights on a construction project. Mr. KEMP stated that to the best of his knowledge, MOONEY'S attorneys were GIBSON WITT, SR., and GIBSON WITT, JR.; in this connection it will be noted that GIBSON WITT is the father of GIBSON WITT, JR., who is the Prosecuting Attorney, and also the father of EARL WITT, who is the Circuit Judge in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

According to Mr. KEMP, MOONEY is a Democrat but not very active in politics. When asked as to MOONEY'S honesty, KEMP replied that MOONEY was for himself, first, last and always.

Mr. DuVALL, Superintendent of Mails gave substantially the same information as was given by Mr. KEMP. In addition Mr. DuVALL suggested Agent contact Mr. GEORGE BOLTON, Assistant Superintendent, National Park Service in Hot Springs.

Mr. GEORGE BOLTON, Assistant Superintendent, National Park Service, advised that he is personally acquainted with MOONEY through business dealings for a number of years; that MOONEY contracted and put in the sidewalks on Bath House Row, and also various other small contracting jobs for the Government. Mr. BOLTON stated that one had to keep a close watch on MOONEY to see that he obtained full value and full

quantity for what was contracted.

Mr. BOLTON stated that a number of years ago when Judge TRIEBER was United States District Court Judge at Little Rock, MOONEY was making practically all of the bonds in bootlegging cases. Mr. BOLTON stated that he does not think MOONEY is engaged in making bonds at the present time.

As to his financial status, Mr. BOLTON stated that he considered him fairly well off; that he owns the Marquette Hotel and also quite a bit of real estate; that he belongs to the Catholic Church, is a Democrat in politics, but not very active.

BOLTON stated that he did not think that MOONEY was mixed up with the Hot Springs political crowd, and does not think that he would take a bribe if impaneled on a jury. Mr. BOLTON suggested Agent contact Mr. WILLIAM ANDERSON, SR., President of Stearns Hardware Company.

Mr. WILLIAM M. ANDERSON, President of Stearns Hardware Company, advised that he knows MOONEY personally, and has known him for a number of years; that he did not like to say anything about MOONEY, inasmuch as he is prejudiced against him, because MOONEY had owed him approximately \$3,000.00 or \$4,000.00 for a long period of years. Mr. ANDERSON stated that he had helped MOONEY out in times when MOONEY was very hard pressed and despite this friendship on his part, MOONEY had never been fair in his dealings toward him; that he is a contractor and has a reputation of cheating in his contracting work.

Mr. ANDERSON stated that MOONEY laid the pavement behind the Stearns Hardware Company and within a short time the upper portion of the pavement cracked and came off, leaving a very poor looking street. Mr. ANDERSON stated that MOONEY would beat every one he could in any of his dealings. As to his financial status, Mr. ANDERSON stated that MOONEY owns quite a bit of property, is reported to own the Marquette Hotel and is in debt to the Arkansas National Bank; that he is a Catholic, a Democrat in politics, but not active. When asked whether or not he thought MOONEY would accept a bribe, Mr. ANDERSON stated that he did not want to state whether or not MOONEY would do so, but answered

he would not want MOONEY to administer his estate.

Mr. JIM POULOS, Proprietor of the Mayflower Grill, advised that he had known MOONEY for over twenty-five years; that in his opinion MOONEY is not trustworthy, and he would not want him on the jury in instant case. Mr. POULOS stated that he did not think MOONEY would accept a bribe, but that if MOONEY was on the jury he would almost have to hold for the Hot Springs crowd inasmuch as he is in business in Hot Springs, and if he did not work with the Hot Springs crowd, they would force him out of business and ruin him. It is purely a matter of self protection in MOONEY'S case.

Mr. POULOS stated that MOONEY has put in quite a bit of city pavement and naturally had to be in with the City mob to get the contracts. POULOS suggested that it would be very unwise to have anyone from Hot Springs on the jury, inasmuch as if they are in business in Hot Springs they are almost compelled to look out for the interests of the Hot Springs mob for fear of reprisal in their business and personal affairs.

Mr. BILL SEIZ, JR., Court and Exchange Streets, stated that he had known MOONEY personally for a number of years; that in his opinion MOONEY is very crooked in all his dealings and is in with the Hot Springs mob; that in his opinion he would not be above taking a bribe, and assuming that he would not take a bribe, he would still be a dangerous witness for the Government, inasmuch as he would undoubtedly favor the defendants as a matter of self protection because of his business affiliations in Hot Springs which would be in danger of ruin, as the Hot Springs mob would pass ordinances which would affect his business, or if he were to get sued in any of the local courts which are apparently controlled by this mob, the verdict would be against him. In connection with this, Mr. SEIZ stated that at one time a number of years ago MOONEY had opposed the City powers and they in turn had passed ordinances which had almost ruined MOONEY, these ordinances directly affecting his contracting business, and in this manner MOONEY was "whipped" into line for them.

Mr. SEIZ stated that one time a few years ago one of MOONEY'S trucks had killed a man, and he was sued in the local courts. MOONEY was fully covered by insurance so did not suffer any personal loss himself. Mr. SEIZ stated

that to the best of his recollections GIBSON WITT, SR.,  
and GIBSON WITT, JR., were his attorneys in this case. Mr.  
SEIZ strongly recommended against taking anybody in Hot  
Springs on this jury.

\* NEAVILLE, JAMES A., SR.,  
Griffithville, White County, Arkansas.

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NEAVILLE is reported to have resided in Griffithville for the past thirty-eight years, where he has been engaged in the banking, lumber, mill and cotton gin businesses. He is approximately sixty years of age, married, has some grown children and is highly regarded in the community. His income was estimated at \$15,000.00 to \$18,000.00 a year and his net worth was estimated to be between \$55,000.00 and \$60,000.00.

T. C. PLANT, Sheriff, and Deputy Sheriff MARTIN, Searcy, Arkansas, advised that JAMES A. NEAVILLE, SR. is a man approximately fifty years of age residing at Griffithville, Arkansas. He is a banker and has other business interests in that community. According to Agent's informants, his son, JAMES A. NEAVILLE, JR., has recently been elected Sheriff of White County and will take office on January 1, 1939. Mr. NEAVILLE is a man of good moral habits and is highly regarded throughout the entire county. He has served for a period of fifteen years as Chairman of the County Central Committee, is a member of the Masonic Order and is a Shriner. In addition he is a member or is affiliated with almost every civic group in White County. Both Mr. PLANT and Mr. MARTIN advised that, to the best of their knowledge, Mr. NEAVILLE has never been involved in any criminal matters or anything of a disreputable nature. He is honest and has a wholesome attitude towards strict law enforcement. They knew of no damage suits in which Mr. NEAVILLE had been involved.

MRS. ED O'BRIEN,  
1322 Broadway Street, Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Upon examination of the City Directory for the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, it was ascertained that Mrs. MARGARET O'BRIEN, widow of EDWARD O'BRIEN, resided at 1322 Broadway, Little Rock. Also listed at this address in the City Directory is the name - JACK O'BRIEN, an editorial writer.

C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department advised that a search of his records revealed no criminal record for Mrs. O'BRIEN.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, Worthen & Company, Bankers, Little Rock, Arkansas informed that he knows Mrs. O'BRIEN personally; that she is a widow between 60 and 70 years of age; that her husband, EDWARD O'BRIEN was formerly with the Democrat Printing Company; that Mrs. O'BRIEN is a woman of very high character and reputation and possesses an excellent reputation in her community; that she is financially well off; that he did not know anything derogatory pertaining to her, and that to the best of his knowledge, she was never involved in any personal injury cases.

A Mrs. RAMSEY, a neighbor residing at 1308 Broadway, informed that she had known Mrs. O'BRIEN for the past year and a half; that she is a widow, a member of the Catholic Church and a high type woman, possessing an excellent character and reputation. Mrs. RAMSEY stated that she had never heard of Mrs. O'BRIEN being involved in any personal injury cases.

The home in which Mrs. O'BRIEN resides was noted to be a nice looking moderate house, with approximately eight or ten rooms, this house being of wooden construction.

A woman living at 1400 Broadway, name unknown, informed that she had known Mrs. O'BRIEN for over six years, and that Mrs. O'BRIEN is a widow, member of the Catholic Church, a Democrat and has three sons, two of whom reside in Little Rock, one operating a service station, one working for the Black and White Food Stores, and that the other son is located some place in Missouri; that Mrs. O'BRIEN possesses an excellent reputation and good character; that she knows nothing derogatory concerning her whatever; that to the best of her knowledge Mrs. O'BRIEN had never been involved in any personal injury cases.

MRS. ED O'BRIEN

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street informed that he had known Mrs. O'BRIEN for about 35 years; that she is about 65 years old and a widow, her deceased husband having been quite active in city politics, he formerly holding the position of Street Commissioner; that in his opinion, Mrs. O'BRIEN is financially well fixed; that she possesses good character and excellent reputation; that to the best of his knowledge, she has never been involved in a personal injury case; that she is a Catholic and is a member of St. Andrews Catholic Church.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he knew Mrs. O'BRIEN in a business way; that she is about 55 to 60 years of age, possesses a good character and reputation and is well off financially.

\* OWEN, GEORGE E., JR.,  
Conway, Faulkner County, Arkansas.

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GEORGE E. OWEN, JR.  
lived at 1405 College Avenue in Conway, Arkansas. He is twenty-two years of age, is a white man and is single. He has worked for his father in the real estate business for the past ten months as a salesman. He attended Arkansas State Teachers College in Conway and worked as a salesman for the Bond-Richardson Candy Company for two years. His income is about \$60.00 per month salary and commission. He lives with his parents, who own their own home. His father is described as a Baptist Minister, and his grandfather is also a minister. He is a member of the 153 Infantry of the Arkansas National Guard and is awaiting appointment as a Reserve Officer in the Supply Department of the Arkansas National Guard.

Dr. THOMAS S. STAPLES, Dean of Men of Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas, stated that he considered GEORGE OWEN, JR. as somewhat immature and rather spoiled. Dr. STAPLES said that GEORGE OWENS, JR. was an only child and that he was reared in the home with his parents and grandmother, which accounted for his being spoiled. Dr. STAPLES said that GEORGE OWEN, SR. was formerly Postmaster at Conway, Arkansas, on a temporary appointment and that his father had been a preacher for the Hard Shell Baptist or some similar denomination. Dr. STAPLES said that he did not have a very high opinion of GEORGE OWEN, JR. as the young man was some what of a "smart aleck".

Mr. HARVEY COUCH, JR., President of the First National Bank of Conway, Arkansas, described GEORGE OWEN, JR. as "wet behind the ears". Mr. COUCH stated that this young man was over twenty-one years of age but that he was very immature, and that he did not consider him particularly trustworthy. Mr. COUCH stated that he knew nothing definite to back up this opinion but that he does not think that he is a person to occupy any position of importance.

Mr. R. W. ROBINS, a leading lawyer in Conway, Arkansas, said that GEORGE OWEN, JR. is a mere youth and that he would not accept him for jury service. Mr. ROBINS stated that this young man is supposedly honest and that his father, who was acting Postmaster at Conway, enjoyed a good reputation.

Chief Deputy United States Marshal FRED BRADLEY, Little Rock, Arkansas, telephoned Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN at the Little Rock Field Office and stated that he has recently served jury subpoenas for the present term of Federal Court, and that since GEORGE OWEN, JR. of Conway, Arkansas, was on that jury he felt it his duty to state that the information he had received concerning this young man in and around Conway was anything but favorable. Mr. BRADLEY was interviewed by Agent CALHOUN, at which time he stated that GEORGE OWEN, JR., according to his information, loafed in pool halls in Conway and drew a salary from his father for doing little or nothing. Mr. BRADLEY stated that this young man's reputation was anything but stable, but that he had learned nothing definite except that he was known as a loafer.

PAUL, GUS,  
Route #1, Malvern,  
Hot Spring County, Arkansas.

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GUS PAUL is a man about forty-two years of age, is married and has a grown son. He has farmed for himself a number of years and is a man of good character and habits. His income is estimated to be about \$70.00 per month. He owns his own home and farm and has a net worth of about \$5,000.00. His record for paying his obligations is excellent. He has done some work for the State Forestry Department.

Sheriff TOM S. FISHER, Malvern, Arkansas, has known GUS PAUL for twenty years. He lives south of Malvern, Arkansas, in Dover township. He is a married man and is regarded as honest, honorable and intelligent. Sheriff FISHER does not believe that GUS PAUL could be reached by any undue influence. He stated that he has not been involved in any legal difficulties. It was learned further that during the sixteen years that Mr. FISHER had been Sheriff at Malvern, that GUS PAUL has been a member of the jury on several occasions and Mr. FISHER believed that he served in an excellent capacity.

Mr. H. H. FISHER, County Clerk at Malvern, Arkansas, stated that he has known Mr. PAUL for sixteen years and has had business dealings with him. He considers him honest, upright and of average intelligence. He owns his own farm and is fairly prosperous.

Mr. JACK KIGHT, County Treasurer at Malvern, Arkansas, stated that GUS PAUL is a good reliable citizen who lives seven miles from Malvern on his own farm. Recently he has done some work for the Federal Government on the Cotton program, but Mr. KIGHT did not know the exact nature of the same. Mr. KIGHT said that Mr. PAUL has no interest in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he does not believe that he can be reached by any improper influence.

Mr. LON P. HARDIN, Assistant Postmaster at Malvern, Arkansas, said that GUS PAUL bears a good reputation in Malvern, Arkansas. Mr. HARDIN said that he was not well acquainted with Mr. PAUL personally, but that the PAUL family was made up of good citizens.

Mr. ED F. McDONALD, Sheridan, Arkansas, former Secretary of State of Arkansas, said that he knew GUS PAUL slightly and that ordinarily he would think him a fair man for jury service, but that inasmuch as Hot Spring County adjoins Garland County, Arkansas, he would not care to place him on any jury having to do with any of the political crowd at Hot Springs. (Mr. McDONALD is aware of the nature of the investigation inasmuch as newspapers carried the list of the jury panel in this case. He was interviewed concerning a citizen in his own county and volunteered the information concerning Mr. PAUL.)

MRS. R. W. POLK,  
1823 Broadway, Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the current City Directory disclosed a listing for LOUISE POLK, wife of R. WALTER POLK of Polk Realty Company, located in the Pyramid Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mr. C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, after a search of his records, advised that there was no record of Mrs. R. W. POLK at their department.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN, Little Rock Police Department informed that he does not know Mrs. POLK personally, but he has known Mr. R. W. POLK for 15 or 20 years; that Mr. POLK is a respectable citizen, who possesses good character and of fine reputation; that although he does not know anything about his personal habits or financial condition, he is convinced that he is financially responsible.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President of the W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he has known Mrs. LOUISE POLK for a long period of time, and that she is between 60 and 65 years of age; that her husband, R. WALTER POLK, is in the real estate business; that both Mr. and Mrs. R. W. POLK are high-type citizens and possess good character and reputation. Mr. WORTHEN, stated that to the best of his knowledge, Mr. and Mrs. POLK were financially hard up; further, that he had never heard of either of them being involved in any personal injury cases.

The home occupied by the POLK family at 1823 Broadway Street was observed by Agent, at which time it was noted that same is a moderate wooden frame house, located in a nice neighborhood in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mrs. FEE, neighbor of the POLKS, located at 1900 Broadway, informed that she had known the POLK family for over ten years; that both Mr. and Mrs. POLK were of good character and bore an excellent reputation in this community; that to the best of her knowledge, the POLKS are members of the Christ Episcopal Church and are Democrats, although not active in politics. Mrs. FEE stated that she had never heard anything of a derogatory nature pertaining to either Mr. or Mrs. POLK.

MRS. R. W. POLK

Mr. CARL OMERING, a neighbor located at 1816 Spring Street, Little Rock, informed that he had known Mr. and Mrs. POLK for over 35 years and that both possessed excellent character and reputation, Mr. POLK being engaged in the real estate business. Mr. OMERING estimated the age of Mr. and Mrs. POLK as approximately 60 years. Mr. OMERING stated that Mrs. POLK is very much interested in the social set of Little Rock, Arkansas, and that she is a sister to the wife of JOHN FORDYCE who operates the Fordyce Baths in Hot Springs, Arkansas; further, that he didn't think that the POLKS were in very good financial condition, and that he is of the opinion that their children are helping support them; that he had never heard of anyone in the POLK family being involved in any personal injury cases, either as defendants or plaintiffs; that he is of the opinion that Mrs. POLK has sufficient moral character that she would refuse any bribes that might be offered her, under any circumstances.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he knows Mr. and Mrs. POLK. He estimated Mrs. POLK'S age to be 55 or 60; that she possesses good character and reputation, and that he does not know anything of a derogatory nature against either Mr. or Mrs. POLK; further, that the POLK family is financially responsible, although limited to the earning capacity of Mr. POLK, who is in the real estate business which business, at the present time, is limited and rather small. Mr. WOOD stated that to the best of his knowledge, the POLKS are Democrats, although not active in politics, and are members of Christ Episcopal Church. Mr. WOOD stated that in his opinion Mrs. POLK is a woman of excellent character who would not accept a bribe under any circumstances.

\* PUGH, H. G.  
2323 Battery Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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Mr. H. G. PUGH resides at 2323 Battery Street, Little Rock,  
where he has been residing [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] on December 30, 1908; that he  
is presently promoting an investment company.

He is sixty years old, married, white, an American, and his dependents are listed as a wife, his children being grown and are not considered dependent. His present business is promoting an investment company similar to Hamilton Investment Company of Denver, Colorado. He was formerly the owner of the H. G. PUGH Printing Company, and formerly Secretary to the Arkansas Commission Printers Association for two years; that he has a good character and habits.

[REDACTED] PUGH went bankrupt on November 7, 1931, being discharged from bankruptcy in July, 1933. The credit report reveals that the bankruptcy case # 3720, filed November 7, 1931, listed liabilities of \$7,737.01; secured claims \$1,664.87, unsecured \$1,000.00; assets - real estate \$1,320.00; personal property \$5,115.00; chose in action \$175.00; exemptions claimed \$9,500.00, home and \$500.00 personal; discharged from bankruptcy July 11, 1933.

[REDACTED] present income of Mr. PUGH is estimated at \$125.00 to \$150.00 per month; his wife keeps roomers in their home, the income of which is not known. No other income was listed or known for Mr. PUGH. The home in which PUGH lives is valued at \$5,000.00 and is owned by him.

Under reports from individual creditors it is indicated that Mr. PUGH has very poor credit, four accounts having been placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. A review of the credit reports of the individual creditors indicates he owes approximately \$450.00 at the present time.

Lieutenant C. O. FINEK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised that Mr. PUGH has no criminal record.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK informed that he had known PUGH for twenty years; PUGH formerly being in the printing business; that he considered him a good citizen of good character and reputation, and while not particularly well off financially, he considered him financially responsible.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN informed he had known PUGH fifteen or twenty years. He considered him a good citizen of good character and good reputation. In his opinion Mr. PUGH was financially well off.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of the W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed he was prejudiced against PUGH, inasmuch as PUGH had cheated him out of some money a number of years ago. Mr. WORTHEN stated that he did not wish to make any statements as to PUGH other than at present there was an H.O.L.C. loan on his home, and in his opinion PUGH was not financially well off at the present time.

Mr. LEON B. CATLETT, Assistant United States Attorney, informed he known Mr. PUGH by sight, and from information he has received Mr. PUGH'S character and reputation are apparently good, and he understands PUGH is hard up financially.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, informed he has known PUGH for a number of years; that he is a man of good character and good reputation; that he either is at the present time, or has been in the book store and printing business, and possibly is well fixed although there is some question as to that in Mr. OMERING'S mind. Mr. OMERING stated that in his opinion Mr. PUGH was of sufficient moral strength to refuse any offer of a bribe. To the best of his knowledge Mr. PUGH has never been involved in any personal injury case.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that to the best of his knowledge Mr. PUGH is approximately sixty or sixty-five years old, of Baptist religion, possesses a good character and reputation; that he was formerly in the printing business and went bankrupt; that he would be above taking a bribe. Mr. WOOD described PUGH'S financial status as "financially limited".

LEONARD OSCAR RED  
2700 Booker Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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LEONARD OSCAR RED resides at 2700 Booker Street, and operates a retail ice business for himself at his home in Little Rock, Arkansas; that he has resided a number of years in Little Rock,

that he has resided at his present address since 1912.

He is approximately fifty-seven years old, married, white and an American. He has dependents listed as his wife; the report indicates he has children who are grown and not dependent. His history at previous locations is listed as good. The report states that he has operated the retail ice business for ten or twelve years in his home; that he formerly worked as foreman at the Dickinson Brick Yard and was also formerly in the dairy business. He is well regarded and of good character and habits. No Court record is known. His income is estimated at \$100.00 a month with no other income known. The report indicates that he owns his home and is worth approximately \$4,500.00. His bank experience is given as satisfactory.

Under the credit reports of various business agencies it is noted that three accounts were placed in the hands of attorneys for unpaid balances. One concern indicates he paid as agreed. Another concern indicated he had received credit in the amount of \$51.93 in September, 1932, contracting to pay \$6.50 per month, the article being returned in January, 1933, after only two payments had been made, when he stated he could not pay for same.

Lieutenant C. O. PINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record concerning LEONARD OSCAR RED.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. E. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he has known RED slightly in a business way and does not know anything prejudicial against him; he knows that at one time RED had a H.O.L.C. loan on his home which is probably an encumbrance on his home at the present time.

Mrs. CALLIMAN, neighbor, living in the 2600 block on Booker, informed that she had known RED for twelve years and she considers him and his wife good folks; that she thought he was approximately seventy years old; that he is very hard up financially and has a Home Owner's Loan on his home. Mrs. CALLIMAN stated that to the best of her knowledge, RED possessed a good character and reputation, had never been in any trouble of any kind and had never been involved in any personal injury cases.

Mrs. BROWER, neighbor, 2701 Johnson Street, informed she had known Mr. and Mrs. RED for the past twenty years; that she considers them good people. His first name is LEONARD, her first name is SADIE; he is approximately seventy years old and his wife approximately fifty; that they have two married daughters. He being in the ice business is not very well fixed financially, but she considers them honest, good neighbors.

Mrs. WOMACK, 2705 Johnson, informed she had known Mr. and Mrs. RED for approximately five years and in her opinion they were good honest upright people. He is in the ice business and does not have a very large income. She understands that Mrs. RED owns a piece of property across the street from 2700 Booker. Mrs. WOMACK stated that she understood a number of years ago Mr. RED had hurt an ankle in an automobile accident, however, she did not know whether or not there had been a law suit over the same.

The home in which the REDS reside at 2700 Booker Street was noted to be a small, rather old frame house, which was not very well cared for. It was noted that the house opposite 2700 Booker is for sale, the advertisement reading, "Inquire at 2700". This is undoubtedly the property mentioned by Mrs. WOMACK as being owned by Mrs. RED.

X RIGGS, E. MARION  
128 Woodbine Street  
Hot Springs, Garland County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] E. MARION RIGGS  
of 128 Woodbine Street is married, his wife's name being OLIVE  
RIGGS, and he has one dependent. He has lived at 128 Woodbine  
Street for twelve years, and has lived in the City thirty-six  
years. He is forty-eight years old, white and an American; his  
present business is that of real estate and investments, and he  
has been in that employment since 1935. He was formerly  
manager of the Southern Newspapers, Inc., at Hot Springs,  
Arkansas, for a number of ten years. Nothing detrimental is  
known as to his habits and morals, and he is active in civic  
affairs. He is well regarded in Hot Springs and has an excellent  
reputation. He is not known to have been engaged in any legal  
practices or business. His estimated income is \$600.00 per  
month. He owns his home and other property in Hot Springs,  
which he rents; the valuation of these properties being \$50,000.00.  
A mortgage report under date July 2, 1938, mortgage # 77007,  
E. MARION RIGGS and OLIVE to First Federal and Loan of Little  
Rock - Pt. 10/97 City, Amount \$2,000.00.

Mr. WILLIAM KAUFMAN, Identification Officer,  
Hot Springs Police Department, informed that they do not have  
a criminal record for Mr. RIGGS.

Mr. DuVALL, Superintendent of Mails, Hot  
Springs, Arkansas, informed that he has known Mr. RIGGS for a  
number of years, and he bears an excellent reputation and  
character to the best of his knowledge. He has never been  
in trouble or arrested at any time. He is a Democrat in  
politics, but not active, however, his deceased father, JOHN  
RIGGS, at one time ran for Governor of the State of Arkansas;  
this was about fifteen years ago; that he is probably a  
member of the Presbyterian Church to the best of his knowledge.  
He does not know of him ever being involved in a personal  
injury case.

He owns a four family apartment house, and apparently lives within his means, although Mr. DuVALL was unable to estimate RIGGS' financial worth.

Mr. JIM POULOS, Mayflower Grill, advised that he knew Mr. RIGGS was in the real estate business, but that he had never heard anything detrimental concerning his character or reputation, however, he strongly advised against taking RIGGS or anyone else from Hot Springs on the jury inasmuch as there was great danger of pressure being brought upon anyone who had business in Hot Springs, and in this manner might force them to favor the defendants because of fear of reprisal against them personally and against their business should they act otherwise.

Mr. BILL SEIZ, JR., Court and Exchange Streets, informed that he knows RIGGS personally; that his general character and reputation are very good, but he would not want him on this particular jury, inasmuch as he is sure RIGGS has borrowed money from W. S. JACOBS, gambler and political power in Hot Springs, and this might be used as a lever on RIGGS. Mr. SEIZ stated that RIGGS is not well off financially; he is probably poor; that his character is of sufficient strength that he would not take a bribe, but he might be frightened into holding out against a conviction for fear of reprisal to himself or his business.

Mr. SEIZ reiterated that he did not think it advisable to take anyone from Hot Springs, or if it was a choice of one, either MOONEY or RIGGS, he would recommend that RIGGS be taken.

Mr. WILLIAM ANDERSON, President of Stearns Hardware, Hot Springs, advised that he known Mr. RIGGS personally; that he was reared in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and has lived there all his life; that his father, JOHN RIGGS, had operated the New Era Newspaper there for a number of years; that E. MARION RIGGS had worked as Editor on this paper and also for the company which bought this paper out some years ago; that he had quit the newspaper job about two years ago. Mr. ANDERSON stated that RIGGS owns real estate of at least \$30,000.00 in value; that in his opinion RIGGS has a good income; that he has an excellent character and reputation and is absolutely honest and upright; that he has

frequently expressed himself against the criminal element in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that in his opinion RIGGS is above taking a bribe, is not a politician and has never been involved in any personal injury cases.

\*SHACKELFORD, J. W.  
DeWitt, Arkansas County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] SHACKELFORD is about seventy years of age, has resided at DeWitt for fifty years, and is a native of Arkansas County. [REDACTED]

They advise that he is a widower and has been in the retail grocery business for himself for a number of years at DeWitt, Arkansas; that he retired several years ago; that he is considered of good character and habits, is thrifty, and has an income from rentals of about \$4,000 per year, which are payable monthly; that he resides with a daughter and receives about \$2,000 income from stocks in a rice mill. They further report that he owns real estate at DeWitt on the Square Store Building as well as farm land; that he is generally estimated to be worth \$25,000. They also report that he was engaged in the retail grocery business for many years and sold this business to his son; that he helps in the store off and on; and that he is reliable and in a position to pay for anything he may order. They report that he is Director in the First National Bank and is a very thrifty man.

Investigation by Agent determined through FRANK A. TRICE, Deputy Sheriff and Deputy Tax Collector at DeWitt, that SHACKELFORD is about sixty-two years old; that he has been known to TRICE for the past twelve or fifteen years; that he is a life time resident of DeWitt and presently operates a grocery store with his son; that his wife is deceased but that he has two children, both of whom are married. TRICE regarded him as a good citizen and of good reputation, stating that he is a church member; that his family is considered good, and that they have never been in any trouble. He advised that SHACKELFORD owns his own home as well as "quite a bit" of real estate. He advised that he has a good attitude toward law enforcement; that he is considered fair and impartial, and is not considered hot headed; that to his knowledge he has never been in any trouble nor involved in any damage suits. TRICE believed his financial standing good but did not consider him wealthy.

WILLIAM B. KORSWORTHY, Arkansas County Treasurer at DeWitt, stated that SHACKELFORD is between sixty-eight and seventy years old, is a highly regarded citizen and "stands for what is right", having a good attitude toward law enforcement; that he is a member of a good family and background; that there is no question of his honesty. He believed that he was worth \$5,000 or more and that his credit rating is considered good. He advised that SHACKELFORD has served on county juries and in his opinion is fair and impartial. Although SHACKELFORD has never been involved in any damage suits to his knowledge, he recalled that in 1930 SHACKELFORD was a candidate for Mayor, that he was defeated following which he contested the election but lost same in court; that R. D. RESCO, an attorney, who is now deceased, and G. W. BOTTS, an attorney, represented SHACKELFORD at that time. He further stated that SHACKELFORD has been in the grocery business at DeWitt for many years. He is getting along in years and other than the usual sensitiveness of approaching old age, he considers him "okeh".

LAWRENCE R. DEARING, Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank of DeWitt, advised that SHACKELFORD is a upright, leading citizen "who ranks with the tops" and is one of the bank's directors; that he has high ideals and has \$25,000 in finances; that he is debt free and although "super-conservative" he is "high top"; that SHACKELFORD, who was born and reared in Arkansas County, and who believes in strict law enforcement, has never been involved in any law suit or damages to his knowledge.

\* SMITH, ODUS,  
Route #1, Clinton,  
Van Buren County, Arkansas.

Mr. ODUS SMITH is described

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as a  
married white man, about forty years of age, and with three children. He owns his own home and sixty acres of land. His net worth is estimated at \$1500.00 and his income from his farm is estimated at about \$600.00. He has farmed for years and he is described as a man with good character and habits. He pays his obligations promptly.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, member of the legislature from Van Buren County, Arkansas, said that Mr. ODUS SMITH has worked as a W.P.A. foreman. Mr. HALL believes Mr. SMITH to be honest and upright in every respect. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. SMITH is the type of man who, if any one were to try to approach him improperly, would notify the officers immediately. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. SMITH has an average education and that he is a man of average intelligence.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT, of the Arkansas State Police, Little Rock, Arkansas, a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, said that he has known ODUS SMITH all of his life and that he considers him entirely reliable.

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close friend of Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, War Risk Insurance Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas, stated that he has known ODUS SMITH during the entire life of SMITH. He stated that SMITH has a fair education and that he is a man of average intelligence. Judge FRASER does not recall that this man has served on any jury. He considers him absolutely reliable.

\* STEELY, T. A.,  
Lonoke, Lonoke County, Arkansas.

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STEELY was reported to have resided in Lonoke for the past five years, prior to which time he resided in Almyra. He is thirty-five years of age, married and has one child. STEELY is employed as a salesman for the Arkansas Power & Light Company. He is well regarded in the community and has a good character and habits. His income is reported as \$125.00 per month and his net worth as \$750.00.

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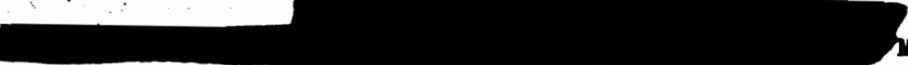
Mr. L. H. YOUNG, who is connected with the Chevrolet Sales Service, advised that he has been acquainted with T. A. STEELY for the last five years. STEELY moved to Lonoke approximately five years ago from Stuttgart, Arkansas. He is presently employed by the Arkansas Power & Light Company as a salesman, and is principally engaged in the selling of electrical household appliances. Mr. YOUNG stated that he bears a good reputation in Lonoke, has never been involved in any criminal matters nor has he ever been involved in any damage suits to the best of his knowledge.

Mr. YOUNG advised, however, that STEELY'S credit in the community of Lonoke is very bad, and that at the present time he is indebted to his concern for approximately \$35.00, and that no payment on this account has been made for the last year. He further informed that he has made inquiry among the local merchants and has found that a similar poor credit condition exists with reference to this man in the entire community. Mr. YOUNG was at a loss to explain why STEELY did not pay his bills, stating that he did not drink or gamble and apparently was conservative. In view of the poor financial

condition of Mr. STEELY, it was Mr. YOUNG'S opinion that he might be easily influenced by offers of a monetary consideration, but that other than this he knew of no further derogatory information concerning this man.

It should be noted that the informant in this case, Mr. L. H. YOUNG, is the father-in-law of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN and was especially frank in giving Agent information concerning T. A. STEELY.

**STURGIS, CHESTER F.**  
Arkadelphia, Clark County, Arkansas

 Mr. CHESTER F. STURGIS owns a sawmill and has been in the timber business for many years. His home for the past eight years has been Arkadelphia, Arkansas, but prior to that time he lived at Sparkman, Arkansas.

He is described as being about forty-eight years of age, a white man with a wife and one child. He is described as a man of good character and habits, very thrifty and with an income of \$40,000.00 a year. He owns his own home and has a net worth of \$275,000.00. His record for meeting his obligations is excellent and local merchants consider him good for any reasonable amount of credit.

The Rev. JOHN HOOVER, Methodist Minister at Arkadelphia, and friend of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN for the past twenty years, informed Agent CALHOUN that he considers Mr. CHESTER F. STURGIS an excellent citizen. The Rev. HOOVER stated that all of the STURGIS family with the exception of CHESTER STURGIS are Methodists, but that CHESTER STURGIS is a member of the Baptist Church. Rev. HOOVER stated that he considers Mr. STURGIS to be above reproach, and that he does not believe that he can be reached through any evil influences.

Dr. HENRY A. ROSS, leading physician of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that CHESTER STURGIS is one of the finest men of his acquaintance; that he has been a leader in civic affairs for many years. Dr. ROSS stated that recently a child of a couple of sharecroppers was seriously ill and that the child needed hospitalization and that when Mr. STURGIS heard of it he telephoned to him, Dr. ROSS, that the child should have every attention, and that he, Mr. STURGIS, would pay the bill, although Mr. STURGIS was in no way obligated to this family.

Dr. ROSS stated that Mr. CHESTER STURGIS is part owner of the Park Hotel in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he is rather friendly to the Hot Springs crowd. He advised further that CHESTER STURGIS employs JOHN H. LOOKADOO, attorney at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, as his attorney on a retainer basis. Dr. ROSS stated that Mr. STURGIS has no "tie up" with Mr.

LOOKADOO, but that he had been forced to take this step in self defense, as LOOKADOO is a notorious damage suit attorney and it is common talk in Clark County that unless a business firm retains LOOKADOO as its attorney the firm will be "hound to death" by spurious damage suits. Dr. ROSS stated that JOHN H. LOOKADOO is a nephew of Houston Emery, former Prosecuting Attorney of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that Mr. EMERY is one of the ring leaders in the Hot Springs political crowd. Dr. ROSS stated that it was his opinion that Mr. CHESTER STURGIS could not be reached by undue methods, but that he had close friendships in Hot Springs.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Methodist Minister at Fordyce, Arkansas, and former President of Henderson - Brown College of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that he had known CHESTER STURGIS for twenty-five years and that he considers him an upright citizen who can not be approached by any undue influences.

X SWAIM, HOUSTON  
England, Lonoke, County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. SWAIM has been a resident of England, Arkansas, for the past thirty years, and that he operates his own insurance and rentals, as well as a farming business; that he is sixty years of age; married, and has but one dependent, his wife; that he has been in the above business for a number of years; that he is of good character and habits, is considered thrifty; has an income of \$3,000 per year; that he owns his own farms and home; that he is estimated to be worth \$35,000; and that his bank experience is considered good. They also advise that he pays cash for his requirements and carries no charge account with local merchants; that he has a son in the grocery business and purchases groceries from his son; that he is honest, reliable, and bears a good reputation, and is considered very conservative and a "saver".

Investigation by Agent discloses that J. HOUSTON SWAIM, according to Miss HAZEL N. POE, Postmistress at England, that SWAIM is from fifty-five to sixty years old, that he has resided in England for about the past thirty years during which she has known him over this period; that he is married and resides at home with his wife; that they have two children who are married; that SWAIM is a farmer on an extensive scale and that he is considered well fixed financially; that he sells insurance on the side. Miss POE regards him as a good citizen, honest reputation, and as being "straight and excellent". She considers him law abiding and sober; further that he has never brought or been involved in a damage suit to her knowledge; that she does not know anything adverse about him.

CARLISIE E. HANKINS, active Vice-President and Cashier of the Bank of England, advised that he has known SWAIM for the past fifteen years; that SWAIM is now a farmer and that he owns his own home and farm; that he is of excellent reputation and is considered above reproach; that his financial standing is good and that he has mostly cash on hand at the present time; that he is active in the

affairs of the Baptist Church and is considered of good character and habits; that he believes in law enforcement; that about 1932 he reportedly lost from \$25,000 to \$50,000 through failure of the American Southern Trust Company at Little Rock, Arkansas. To HANKINS' knowledge SWAIM has never been involved in a damage suit. SWAIM'S family has never been involved in any trouble to HANKINS' knowledge.

WILLIAM P. WILLBANKS, Chief of Police, England, advised that SWAIM is "as good as any man in the district"; that he made his money years ago in a "fair and square manner"; that he has no known criminal record. WILLBANKS further advised that he believes SWAIM is "fair and square"; that he has served on the Lonoke County Grand Jury, is considered a good juror, and he believes in law enforcement. SWAIM is in good financial standing and above reproach, paying cash for everything and owning his own home, according to WILLBANKS.

J. G. THORNTON, Colored,  
1420 West 15th Street, Little Rock,  
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer of the  
Little Rock Police Department, after making a search of his records,  
advised that J. G. THORNTON does not have a criminal record.

J. ROBERT BOOKER, Colored Attorney, located in the  
Century Building, Little Rock, Arkansas informed that he had known  
THORNTON for 25 years; that THORNTON is about 63 years of age and  
is a physician; that his general reputation and character are good;  
that to the best of his knowledge, THORNTON had never been involved  
in any personal injury cases, either as a plaintiff or defendant;  
further, that at one time THORNTON was very well off financially  
but had lost a great deal of money in the stock market crash; that  
at the present time, while he is not financially well off, he is  
financially responsible and would pay all his just obligations.

SCIPPIO A. JONES, Colored Attorney, Century Building,  
Little Rock, stated that he had known THORNTON for over 35 years;  
that his reputation and character are very good; that he is financially  
responsible, owns his own home, is in the active practice of medicine  
and is approximately 55 or 60 years of age. JONES stated that he  
had never heard of THORNTON being involved in any personal injury  
cases, either as plaintiff or defendant; that further, he did not know  
anything derogatory concerning THORNTON or his family.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, Little  
Rock, stated that he knows THORNTON in a business way and considers  
him one of the better type negroes in the City of Little Rock; that  
THORNTON has a good reputation and is reported to be very reliable;  
that at one time THORNTON was considered wealthy, but because of  
illness and other financial losses, he is not very well off at the  
present time; however, that his practice is undoubtedly bringing  
him in a very good income at the present time. Mr. WOOD stated that  
THORNTON, at one time, had a loan at this bank, which loan was taken  
care of very promptly.

\*WEST, L. L.  
Sims, Montgomery County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] it will be noted is in direct variance with information obtained as a result of interviews with residents in Mount Ida and Sims, Arkansas, and is apparently a mixup between L. L. WEST and RANSOME WEST, a brother of L. L. WEST, inasmuch as RANSOME WEST is a local merchant of Sims, Arkansas, while L. L. WEST is a farmer.  
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[REDACTED] resided in Sims for twenty years, is approximately fifty-two years old, is white and an American, is married and has a dependent family.

[REDACTED] WEST is in business for himself and owns and operates a general merchandise store at Sims, Arkansas. Inasmuch as L. L. WEST is a farmer, this last reference is undoubtedly to his brother, RANSOME WEST.

[REDACTED] WEST is a farmer and live stock dealer, owns his farm and is considered prosperous. This is apparently an error also, as will be reported hereafter, inasmuch as L. L. WEST rents his property.

[REDACTED] that WEST is well regarded in his community and never engaged in any illegal transactions. As to the income,

[REDACTED] it is estimated at \$100.00 per month from store, live stock dealings, etc. [REDACTED] he owns considerable farm land.

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this man is considered to be a good provider for his family, has been known in and around the territory for more than twenty years, and is considered to be prosperous for the community where he resides. His local charge accounts have been inactive recently.

Sheriff J. M. GLAZE, Mount Ida, Montgomery, Arkansas, advised that he had known L. L. WEST for eight or ten years; that he is married, has a number of children and is a farmer; that his brother, RANSOME WEST, operates a small store in Sims, Arkansas. Mr. GLAZE stated that he had never heard any real detrimental remarks

concerning L. L. WEST, except that he is rather pugnacious and gets in occasional fights and goes on an occasional drunk; that at the present time WEST is appealing a judgment against him in the Justice of the Peace Court who found him guilty of fighting, which case is to be tried in the Courts at Mount Ida shortly. In this connection Sheriff GLAZE stated that WEST'S attorney is JERRY WITT, who it will be recalled is the brother of EARL WITT, Circuit Judge, and GIBSON WITT, JR., the Prosecuting Attorney in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. GLAZE stated that L. L. WEST is very poor financially; that he has never heard of him being involved in any personal injury cases. When asked whether or not in his opinion WEST would accept a bribe, Sheriff GLAZE stated he did not know how to answer that question inasmuch as he was not sure about what action WEST would take in such a case. However, he did not consider him trustworthy and felt that he would be easily influenced.

Mr. JEFF STOVAL of Sims, Arkansas, was interviewed at Mount Ida, Arkansas, he being recommended by Sheriff GLAZE as a reliable person. STOVAL stated that he had known WEST for a number of years; that he has a very poor reputation and character; that he is always in trouble for drinking and fighting; that he is in very poor financial conditions, owes considerable debts, and is a dead beat, as is his brother RANSOME WEST; that he is not active in church work and his brother, RANSOME WEST, who is a merchant in Sims, bears a poor character and reputation also. Mr. STOVAL stated he would not trust WEST with anything.

Mrs. EVA HITCHCOCK, Postmaster, Sims, Arkansas, advised that she had known LIMMIE L. WEST for over twenty years; that she considers him a good citizen, as good as any around Sims, Arkansas; that he has a number of enemies in Sims, among who are the STOVALS and GALZE, who are always trying to get WEST into trouble by forcing him to fight so that they can have him arrested. Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that there are two political factions in town, on which she and WEST are on one side and STOVAL and GLAZE on the other; that in her opinion WEST is a good upright, upstanding citizen trying to do the right thing, but is continually being implicated in fights as aforementioned inasmuch as he is unable to avoid them.

Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that WEST is married and has eight children; that at one time he had property of his own which he lost through foreclosures; that for the past two or three years he has been renting property which is part of the Stearns estate, which estate is at the present time either owned by or managed by JERRY WITT, local attorney at Mount Ida, Arkansas. It is again to be recalled that JERRY WITT is a brother of EARL and GIBSON WITT of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that WEST is presently appealing a sentence in the Justice of the Peace Court which found him guilty of fighting. Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that RANSOME WEST, brother of L. L. WEST, operates a store in Sims, and has had everything made out in his wife's name in order that he would avoid paying creditors some years ago.

Mr. WALTER HITCHCOCK, husband of the Postmaster, gave substantially the same information as Mrs. HITCHCOCK, stating that he considered WEST as good a citizen as any in the community, however, he was pugnacious; that he is honest, has many enemies and is very, very poor; that he undoubtedly owes money to JERRY WITT from whom he rents the property on which he resides with his family.

The home in which L. L. WEST resides was observed, and it was noted that same was a very old, run down, dilapidated looking, unpainted wooden building in a very poor farming section. There were no improvements whatsoever on this place.

X WILCOXON, J. DEAN  
Eudora, Arkansas

[REDACTED] DEAN WILCOXON  
is a member of the firm of the Wilcoxon Hardware Company in  
Eudora, Arkansas, and that he has lived at Eudora for the  
past eight years, coming there from Crossett, Arkansas.

He is a white man, married and with no  
children. He is described [REDACTED]  
as a man of good character and habits and very thrifty. He  
draws a salary of \$150.00 a month and shares in the profits  
of his company. He owns a farm in Ashley County, Arkansas, and  
has a net worth of \$5,000.00. His credit reputation is  
excellent and he is described as a hard worker.

Mr. J. DEAN WILCOXON has been known by  
Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN for the past twenty-five years. Mr.  
WILCOXON is known by Agent CALHOUN to be a young man of the  
highest moral character, and he and Agent CALHOUN were close  
friends. Mr. WILCOXON married a young lady who was a school  
teacher in Crossett, Arkansas, and she is also a citizen of  
a very high type. Mr. WILCOXON is a cousin to Mr. LEVI WILCOXON,  
Superintendent of the Crossett Lumber Company, one of the  
largest manufacturing firms in the State of Arkansas. His  
reputation in Crossett was above reproach.

Mr. LONNIE LIPE, Insurance Agent in Eudora,  
Arkansas, and former schoolmate of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN,  
stated that Mr. DEAN WILCOXON enjoys the highest reputation in  
Eudora, Arkansas. Mr. LIPE stated that Mr. WILCOXON had never  
been involved in any court proceedings, and that he is  
decidedly for law enforcement.

Mr. R. T. STEPHENSON, cotton buyer in  
Eudora, Arkansas, and friend of Agent J. R. CALHOUN for many  
years, stated that he had known DEAN WILCOXON before Mr.  
WILCOXON moved to Eudora, Arkansas, and that he considers him  
a man of the very highest type, a citizen who would do his  
full duty in law enforcement.

Mr. ROBERT C. GRUBBS, Cashier of the Eudora State Bank, Eudora, Arkansas, said that he had known Mr. WILCOXON since the latter came to Eudora, Arkansas, and engaged in the hardware business with his brother, JAMES J. WILCOXON. Mr. GRUBBS considers DEAN WILCOXON a clean living citizen who is absolutely trustworthy. He meets all his obligations and has been involved in no legal difficulties.

\*WILKERSON, CARL,  
Sheridan, Grant County, Arkansas.

Mr. CARL WILKERSON, [REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED] lived on Route #1, Sheridan, Arkansas, and has lived in the county all of his life. He is a farmer and stock raiser, and is about forty years of age. He is a white man, married, and his character and habits are good. His income is estimated at \$1200.00 per year or more and he is described as thrifty. He leases land and has a net worth of about \$2,000.00. The bank rated him as a man who did not borrow money but regarded him as a good risk. He is rated as one of the most successful cattle men and farmer in the County and now owns one-hundred head of good cattle, and farms in connection with this business. He has gone through the business depression with a good credit record and is well regarded in his community.

Mrs. PAUL J. CLARK, Sheriff of Grant County, stated that Mr. CARL WILKERSON has a good reputation in his community.

Mr. ED F. McDONALD, Attorney at Law, Sheridan, Arkansas, said that CARL WILKERSON is about forty years of age, is a high school graduate and is above the average in intelligence. Mr. McDONALD stated that this man is thoroughly honest and that he knows that he can not be bought or reached by any improper influence.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: SAC, EL PASO

FBI, LITTLE ROCK                      OCTOBER 12, 1938                      8:35 PM                      JHS

SAC, EL PASO

BREKID OSCAR POPE MUSE WITNESS WANTED HERE SEVENTEENTH INSTANT, THIS CASE, REPORTED  
DRIVING THIRTYFOUR CHEVROLET SEDAN MOTOR FOUR FOUR TWO FOUR FIVE FOUR MIGHT POSSIBLY  
VISITING CONSUMPTIVE BROTHER, T. J. MUSE, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO. CONTACT MUSE AND  
ADVISE HIM REPORT HERE COMING MONDAY NINE AM. SUBPOENA ALREADY ISSUED.

CONNELLY

*Edward G. Bremer*

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- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Dawes
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

*Alvin Karpis*

FBI LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 10-12138 1-42 PM IN  
 DIRECTOR  
 BREKID. CONFERENCES HAD WITH USA AS TO TRIAL. MONDAY, OCTOBER  
 SEVENTEEN, TRIAL ON INDICTMENT CHARGING HARBORING OF KARPIS WILL  
 START. INFORMANT, HOT SPRINGS, INDICATES DEFENSE WILL TRY FOR  
 CONTINUANCE AS TO WAKELIN DUE TO PHYSICAL CONDITION AND LOSS OF  
 MEMORY MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO PRESENT A SATISFACTORY DEFENSE.  
 USA WILL BE PREPARED TO MEET ANY SUCH ACTION. USA WILL INSIST ON ALL  
 BEING TRIED TOGETHER ON THIS INDICTMENT. AGENTS K. R, MCINTIRE,  
 CHAPMON FLETCHER AND E. J. WYNN WILL NOT BE NECESSARY WITNESSES AND  
 REFERENCE MY TALK WITH USA THEY NEED NOT APPEAR. NEW YORK AND  
 ABERDEEN OFFICES ADVISED AS TO WYNN AND FLETCHER.  
 CONNELLEY  
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Little Rock, Arkansas  
October 15, 1938

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Mr. Fred A. Hegrig  
United States Attorney  
Federal Building  
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to the motion filed by the attorneys for JOE WAKELIN asking for continuance of his trial because of this defendant's physical and mental condition, the following investigation was conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

It was ascertained from reading the Hot Springs newspapers that JOE WAKELIN and a party of officers raided a home in Perry County, Arkansas, and during the progress of this raid some unknown assailant crept up behind WAKELIN and hit him over the head with a shotgun; the blow striking him at a point approximately at the base of the skull. The newspapers went on to state that WAKELIN was unconscious for several hours after this attack on him, and that he was found lying on the ground by some of the officers who had accompanied him on this raid.

A follow-up story concerning WAKELIN'S attack appeared in the local papers the following day, at which time mention was made that WAKELIN'S condition was not serious.

Agents from the Little Rock Office interviewed KENT RUSH, reporter for the "Hot Springs Sentinel Record" and he advised that he wrote the above two stories which appeared in the Hot Springs papers. He went on to state that he talked with WAKELIN on the night or early morning after the assault made upon him, at which time WAKELIN gave him the statement of the circumstances surrounding the attack upon

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him. Mr. RUSH said that he was with WAKELIN for approximately one-half hour at this time, and that WAKELIN'S mind appeared normal.

Mr. RUSH went on to state that thereafter he occasionally saw WAKELIN at the Police Department, and that to his knowledge, WAKELIN was not confined to a hospital or to his bed for any continuous period.

Agents from this office also interviewed Mr. CHARLES GOSLEE, Editor of the Hot Springs papers, who advised that during the Grand Jury investigation of the JOHN DICKSON killing in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in January, 1937, they issued a subpoena for JOE WAKELIN to appear before the said Grand Jury and give testimony. Mr. GOSLEE stated that shortly after this subpoena was issued for WAKELIN, Municipal Judge VERNE WEDGEWOOD talked with him and said that WAKELIN could not appear before the Grand Jury inasmuch as he was sick in bed, which sickness he claimed was the result from the blow he had received on his head several months previous.

The Agents also interviewed JOE L. SCOTT, former police officer of the Hot Springs Police Department, who advised that he remembered the assault upon JOE WAKELIN, and that to the best of his recollection WAKELIN was not confined to his bed for any continuous period thereafter. He said that WAKELIN continued to work at the Police Department after the said attack; that only occasionally he would come to the Police Department in the middle of the day, stay an hour or so and then leave. He indicated that WAKELIN kept this up until the time he was suspended from the police force in the latter part of December, 1936, as a result of the JOHN DICKSON killing.

Mr. SCOTT further indicated that to the best of his knowledge WAKELIN was treated by Dr. H. KING WADE of the Wade Clinic after his injury, but could not be certain of this.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Transmit the following message to:      **LITTLE ROCK**

BREKID. JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON JUNIOR, SEAMAN, SECOND CLASS, ON  
USS TENNESSEE. SHIP AT PRESENT ENROUTE TO PUGET SOUND, BREMERTON,  
WASHINGTON. DUE THERE OCTOBER TWENTYTHIRD.

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Washington, D. C.

October 18, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

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RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Confirming teletype sent to your office relative to the present whereabouts of JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON, JUNIOR, reported to be aboard the U.S.S. TENNESSEE, Special Agent LOUIS LOEHL of this office was informed by W. D. HALL, Division of Enlisted Personnel, Bureau of Navigation, that JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON, JUNIOR, is a Seaman, Second Class, on the U.S.S. TENNESSEE, which is at present en route to Puget Sound, Bremerton, Washington, for overhauling, and is due there October 23, 1938.

Very truly yours,

GUY HOTTEL,  
Special Agent in Charge

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October 14, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to teletype from your office dated October 12, 1938, signed by INSPECTOR CONNELLY, which stated that OSCAR POPE MUSE, witness in this case, was wanted at Little Rock on October 17, 1938, for the trial of this case; and that he was reported to be driving 1934 Chevrolet Sedan and was possibly visiting his brother T.J. MUSE, Las Cruces, N. M.

You are advised that I personally contacted J.T., not T.J., MUSE at Las Cruces, N.M., who stated that so far as he knew his brother was located on the farm of EARL SPENCER, one mile from BRASHEAR, Mo., and that he had not been to visit him since last January. With the thought that perhaps OSCAR POPE MUSE was enroute to Las Cruces, I left word with J.T. MUSE to have him call this office if he should arrive within the next several days. He promised to do this.

By telegrams dated October 13, 1938, your office and the St. Louis Office were advised of the above and the St. Louis Office was requested to contact OSCAR POPE MUSE on the farm of EARL SPENCER, Brashear, Mo., and advise him that he was wanted at Little Rock on Monday, October 17, 1938, at 9 a.m.

Very truly yours,

R.J. Untreiner,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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REKID. EL PASO ADVISES OSCAR POPE MUSE WHO IS NECESSARY  
WITNESS TRIAL HERE RESIDING FARM OF FRANK EARL SPENCER,  
BRASHEAR, MISSOURI. SPENCER PREVIOUSLY SERVED WITH  
SUBPOENA THIS CASE AND USM KNOWS LOCATION OF HIS FARM.

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*Edward G. Bremer*

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U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
607 U S COURT HOUSE, POLEY SQUARE  
NEW YORK NEW YORK**

**BREKID AGENT BJ WYNN UNNECESSARY WITNESS SHOULD NOT APPEAR OCTOBER SEVENTEENTH**

**UNLESS FURTHER ADVISED**

**CONNELLY**

*George Brown*

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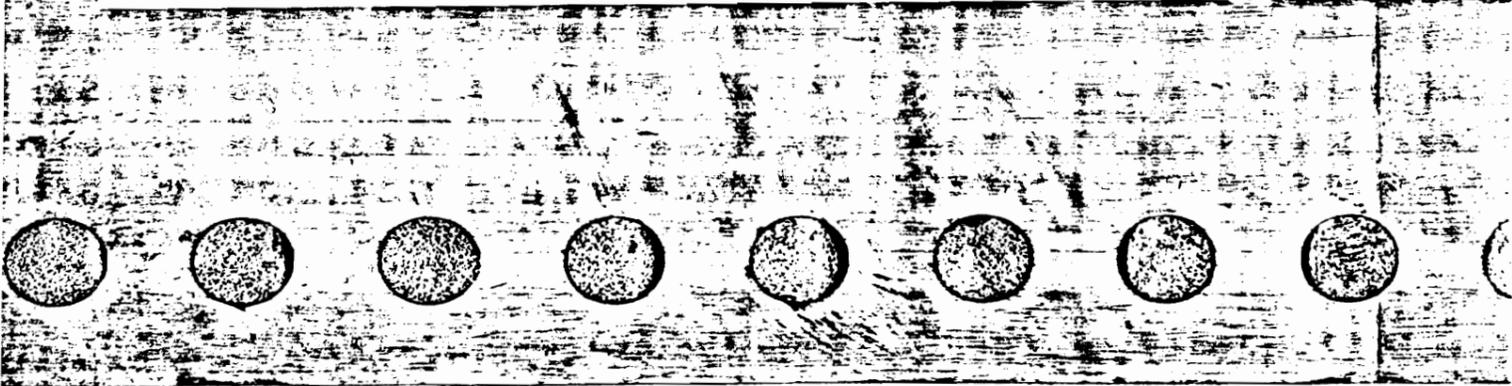
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LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

BREKID. J. T. MUSE, LASCRUCES, NEWMEXICO, ADVISES BROTHER OSCAR POPE MUSE ON FARM OF EARL SPENCER ONE MILE FROM BRASHEAR MISSOURI. ST. LOUIS REQUESTED ADVISE HIM OF TRIAL MONDAY.

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 423 U S COURT HOUSE AND CUSTOM HOUSE  
 ST. LOUIS, MO.

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BREKID. OSCAR POPE MUSE, WITNESS, WANTED LITTLEROCK SEVENTEENTH INSTANT THIS CASE. J. T. MUSE, LASCRUCES, NEWMEXICO, BROTHER, ADVISES OSCAR POPE MUSE NOW ON FARM OF EARL SPENCER ONE MILE FROM BRASHEAR, MISSOURI. CONTACT MUSE ADVISE HIM REPORT LITTLEROCK NEXT MONDAY NINE AM. SUBPOENA ALREADY ISSUED. ADVISE INSPECTOR CONNELLEY AT LITTLEROCK.

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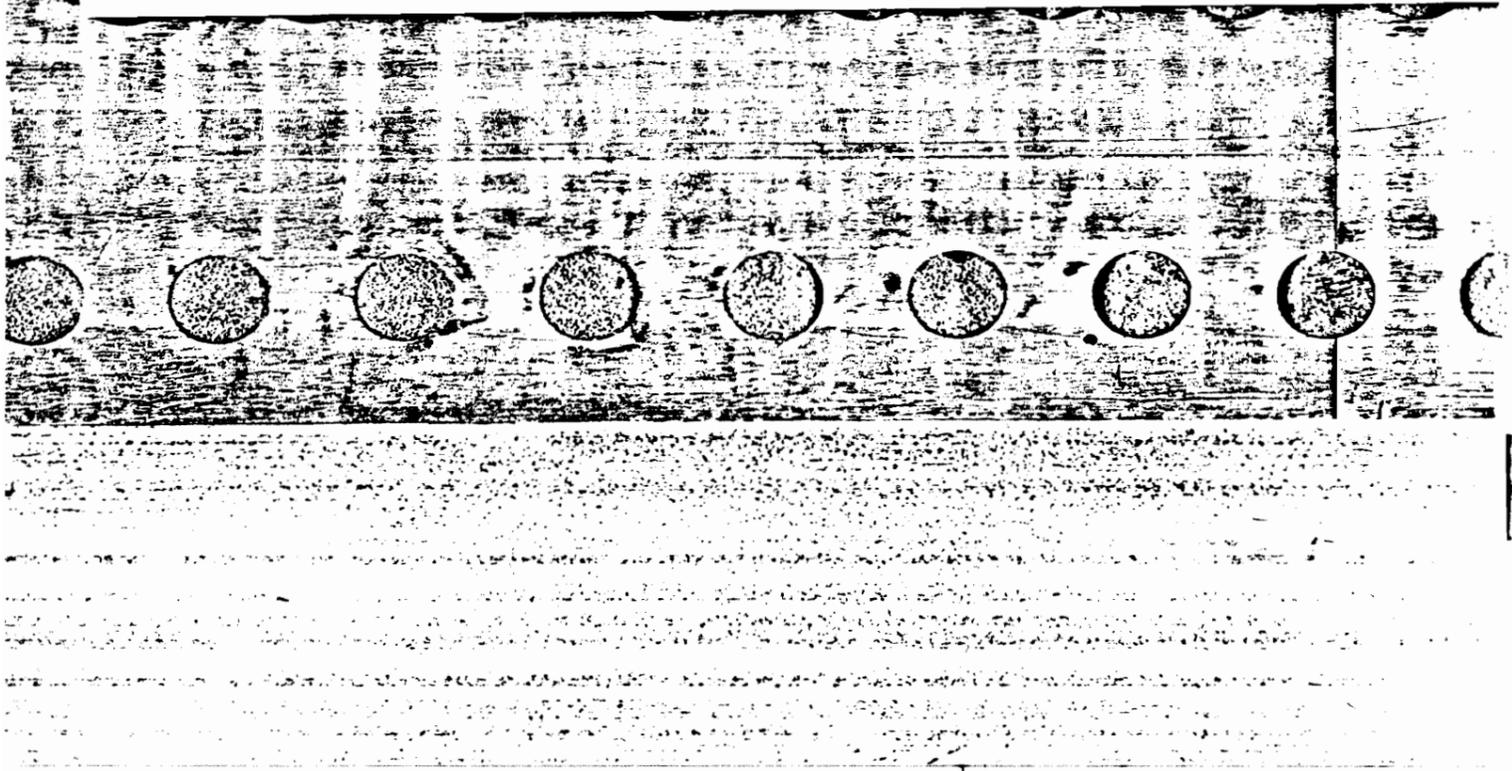
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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

SAC LITTLEROCK.

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BREKID. RE OSCAR POPE MUSE, WITNESS NEEDED LITTLEROCK SEVENTEENTH INSTANT.  
HIS BROTHER, P. J. MUSE, NOT FOUND BY LONG DISTANCE OPERATOR AT LAS CRUCES,  
NEW MEXICO. SHERIFF THERE LOOKING FOR BOTH OSCAR POPE MUSE AND P. J.  
MUSE. IF NO RESULTS BY AFTERNOON WILL PERSONALLY GO TO LAS CRUCES TO  
LOCATE WITNESS. IF INFORMATION CONCERNING DESCRIPTION AND LICENSE NUMBER  
OF AUTOMOBILE AVAILABLE, PLEASE FURNISH IMMEDIATELY.

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- Mr. Lester
- Mr. McIntire
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
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Name E. J. Connelley, tele from  
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Was advised that Mr. Hoover was not in. He asked that the call be transferred to Mr. Tamm which was done.

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Mr. Tamm's Office advises that Mr. Tamm was out of his office but will call Mr. Connelley back as soon as he returns.

Mr. Tamm advises that he called Mr. Connelley who advised that in the Akers harboring case at Hot Springs, one of the prospective jurors admitted when he was up for selection that he had been approached by the defendants and that Mr. Connelley wanted authority to conduct an investigation of this prospective juror. This authority was granted since the Department had previously given us authority to investigate this jury.

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*Edw. D. Brennan*



General Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Little Rock, Arkansas

October 15, 1938

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: B. M. SUTTLER -  
Special Agent.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Special Agent B. M. SUTTLER arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 10:15 P. M., October 14, 1938, as a witness in the BREKID case.

Agent SUTTLER is stopping at the Ben McGehee Hotel, Telephone # 5141.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
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0 BREKID THROUGH BUREAU OF NAVIGATION NAVY DEPARTMENT VERIFY PRESENT LOCATION OF  
 JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON JUNIOR REPORTED TO BE ABOARD USS TENNESSEE STATIONED  
 AT SAN PEDRO CALIFORNIA EXPEDITE TELEGRAPHIC REPLY

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

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4:25 P.M., 10-10-38

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. A. TAMM

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Mr. T. W. Dawsey, Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Washington Field Office, called and related that Mrs. Phillip David had received a subpoena in connection with the BREKID HARBORING at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and desired to obtain the necessary funds in order that she might be present at the trial at Little Rock on October 17, 1938, at 10:00 A.M.

Mr. Dawsey advised that before referring Mrs. David to the United States Marshal, he desired advice as to whether it is contemplated that this case will go to trial on or about the date mentioned by Mrs. David. I advised Mr. Dawsey that it was believed this case would go to trial on October 17, 1938; as the Washington Field Office has previously interviewed Mrs. David he was conversant with the fact that she was a necessary witness in connection with this case.

It is recalled that Mrs. Phillip David is the individual who advised Bureau Agents at Hot Springs that she observed "Dutch" Akers, together with another individual, bringing an incinerator and placing it in the yard of the house in which Grace Goldstein and Alvin Karpis were residing during the time they were alleged to have been harbored at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Respectfully,

*J. E. Lawler*  
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- Mr. E. A. Tamm ✓
- Mr. Clegg
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OBREKID. MOTIONS FOR SEVERANCES BY DEFENDANTS DYER, LOFTIS, WAKELIN  
AND STOVER DENIED. PETITION OF WAKELIN FOR CONTINUANCE BASED ON  
PHYSICAL CONDITION DENIED AFTER GOVERNMENT DOCTORS EXAMINED  
EXAMINED HIM. PLEA OF DEFENSE ATTORNEYS FOR JUDGE TO DIRECT THE  
USA TO FURNISH A LIST OF GOVERNMENT WITNESSES DENIED. ALL MATERIAL  
WITNESSES HAVE BEEN LOCATED AND IN CHECK YESTERDAY, OF MANY, SHOW  
THEY WILL TESTIFY AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. TRIAL WILL START AT  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Little Rock, Arkansas

October 17, 1938

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

Re: R. C. COULTER, Special  
Agent In Charge.

Dear Sirs:

The Bureau is advised that Special Agent In Charge R. C. COULTER arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 10:00 P.M., October 16, 1938, under subpoena in the BREKID Case.

Mr. COULTER is stopping at the Marion Hotel, telephone number, 8241.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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

Re: L. N. CHIPMAN, Special Agent.

Dear Sir:

You are advised that Agent CHIPMAN arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 7:55 A. M., October 17, 1938, under subpoena in the BREKID Case.

Agent CHIPMAN is stopping at the McGehee Hotel, telephone number, 5141.

Very truly yours,  
*H. E. Andersen*  
H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Little Rock, Arkansas

October 17, 1938

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

Re: F. S. SMITH, Special Agent.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Agent SMITH arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 3:40 A. M., October 17, 1938, under subpoena in the BREKID Case.

Agent SMITH is stopping at the McGehee Hotel, telephone number, 5141.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent In Charge.

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

Re: H. A. SNOW, Special Agent.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Agent SNOW  
arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 10:15 P. M.,  
October 16, 1938, under subpoena in the BREKID Case.

Agent SNOW is stopping at the  
McGehee Hotel, telephone number 5141.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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

Re: B. L. DAMRON, Special Agent.

Dear Sir:

You are advised that Agent DAMRON  
arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 7:55 A. M.,  
October 17, 1938, under subpoena in the BREKID Case.

Agent DAMRON is stopping at the  
Marion Hotel, telephone number, 8241.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent In Charge.

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- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

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BREKID. JURY SELECTED AND OPENING STATEMENTS OF GOVERNMENT AND DEFENSE COMPLETED AT CLOSE COURT YESTERDAY. DEFENSE ATTORNEYS INDICATE DEFENSE OF SUBJECTS DYER, LOFTUS AND GOLDSTEIN WILL BE FEAR OF KARPIS THAT STOVER DID NOT KNOW THEM AND ACTED ONLY AS A COMMON CARRIER THAT WAKELIN, MAKERS AND BROCK DID NOT KNOW KARPIS WAS IN HOT SPRINGS THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD JUST AS GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO APPREHEND HIM. DYER AND LOFTUS WILL PROBABLY CLAIM THEY WERE FORCED BY AGENTS TO MAKE A STATEMENT WHICH IS UNTRUE. AS DISCUSSED WITH MR. TAMM YESTERDAY, JUROR WALTER R HUGHES, BENTON, ARKANSAS, WHEN CALLED ADVISED A PARTY HAD APPROACHED HIM SOMETIME AGO AND SAID HE WAS A FRIEND OF STOVER AND IF HE, HUGHES, WHEN CALLED AS JUROR COULD DO ANYTHING FOR STOVER IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED. HUGHES SAYS PARTY WAS A METHODIST MINISTER AT HOT SPRINGS WHO KNOWS HIS BROTHER, JOHN L HUGHES, BENTON. JOHN L HUGHES HAS BEEN UNABLE TO IDENTIFY PARTY OR REMEMBER NAME AS YET AND FURTHER INQUIRY IS BEING MADE. PRESENTATION OF EVIDENCE WILL START TODAY.

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*Alvin Karpis*

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BREKID. VARIOUS WITNESSES CALLED TODAY. CONSIDERABLE TIME TAKEN IN READING VARIOUS STORIES TO JURY AS APPEARING IN BOTH HOT SPRINGS PAPERS AS TO ACTIVITIES OF ALVIN KARPIS FROM NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR TO MARCH ONE, THIRTY SIX, TO SHOW GENERAL KNOWLEDGE KARPIS WAS WANTED. PAUL M. CLANTON, MINISTER, PULLMAN HEIGHTS METHODIST CHURCH, HOT SPRINGS, IN SWORN STATEMENT ADMITS HE IS A FRIEND AND ASSOCIATE OF JOHN STOVER, DEFENDANT ON TRIAL. CLANTON AND STOVER ARE MEMBERS OF LIONS CLUB AND CLANTON RECENTLY PERFORMED MARRIAGE CEREMONY FOR STOVER. CLANTON SAYS HE KNEW JOHN L. HUGHES, BENTON, ARKANSAS, SLIGHTLY FOR PAST MONTH, LATTER IS BROTHER OF JUROR CALLED THIS TERM OF COURT, WALTER R. HUGHES, BENTON. CLANTON CLAIMS HE WENT TO BENTON OCTOBER FOURTEENTH TO LOOK AT SOME FURNITURE AND CASUALLY THOUGHT OF CALLING ON JOHN R. HUGHES HIS RECENT ACQUAINTANCE. HE HAD PREVIOUSLY SEEN A WALTER HUGHES, BENTON, HAD BEEN CALLED AS JUROR WHO MIGHT TRY THIS CASE OF HIS FRIEND STOVER. HE DID NOT KNOW IF THIS WAS HIS ACQUAINTANCE OR HIS BROTHER. HE CALLED ON WALTER HUGHES AND INTRODUCED HIMSELF AND SAID HE WAS A FRIEND OF STOVER. THAT HE HAD SEEN IN PAPER HE, HUGHES, WAS TO BE A JUROR THAT HE THOUGHT ALL WOULD BE TRIED TOGETHER AND BECAUSE OF THAT THE JURY MIGHT NOT NOTICE

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STOVERS PART CLOSELY AND HE DESIRED HUGHES TO WEIGH AND ~~LOOK~~ LOOK  
AT THE EVIDENCE AS TO STOVER. CLANTON CLAIMS NO ACTION AS TO ANY  
OTHER JURORS OR ACQUAINTANCE WITH ANY OTHER JURORS OR DEFENDANTS.  
WALTER R HUGHES, THE JUROR SAYS THT CLANTON STATED AND REQUESTED  
IF HE, HUGHES, GOT ON ~~TEXT~~ THE JURY TRYING STOVER HE WOULD APPRECIATE  
ANY FAVORS HE, HUGHES, MIGHT DO FOR HIM.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.**

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REPORT MADE AT <b>LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-17-38</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-17-38</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>HAYNE A. THOMPSON</b> <b>JHB</b>
TITLE <b>JURY PANEL, October 17, 1938, Term of Court, Little Rock, Arkansas.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>QUALIFICATIONS OF JURORS.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Ten additional prospective jurors for October, 1938, Term of Court investigated at request of U. S. Attorney **FRED A. ISGRIG.**

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent **J. R. CALHOUN**, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated **10-12-38.**

**DETAILS:** This investigation was jointly conducted by Special Agents **W. F. WHITELY**, **RALPH V. HARMAN**, **L. R. WEBER**, **J. R. CALHOUN**, **JOSEPH J. PIEPER**, and **HAYNE A. THOMPSON.**

United States Attorney **FRED A. ISGRIG**, at Little Rock, Arkansas, telephonically communicated with Special Agent in Charge **H. E. ANDERSEN** on the morning of October 17, 1938, and requested that investigation be conducted of ten additional prospective jurors for the October, 1938, Term of Court

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\* FOREMAN, ROBERT L.  
1520 West 19th Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

The current City Directory lists FOREMAN  
as manager of the Home Furniture Company, 400 West 7th Street.

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ROBERT L. FOREMAN is President and Manager of the Home Furniture  
Company; is married and has one dependent child; his net worth  
[REDACTED] being approximately  
\$15,000.00, and his annual income is about \$4,000.00. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FOREMAN was a "home type of man  
and active in outside affairs". [REDACTED]

C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little  
Rock Police Department, advised that there is no criminal  
record on ROBERT L. FOREMAN.

Deputy Circuit Court Clerk V. S. O'NEAL  
advised that he had no record of any damage suits involving  
Mr. ROBERT L. FOREMAN, and that he did not know of any litigation  
in which Mr. FOREMAN has been a party in this County.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of  
W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he has known  
FOREMAN personally for two or three years; that he is approximately  
forty-five years old and is presently owner of the Home Furniture  
Company. FOREMAN has been a customer of the bank for a number  
of years, and owes the bank a small loan on his furniture  
business, which loan has been reduced in a very satisfactory  
manner. Mr. WORTHEN stated that FOREMAN'S general reputation  
and character are very excellent; that he was above taking a  
bribe and in his opinion would make an excellent juror.

The following individuals were contacted  
with negative results:

CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street,  
ZACK WOOD, Union National Bank,  
Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN,  
and Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK,  
of the Little Rock Police Department,  
L. M. HAWKINS, 210 Pyramid Building.

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GARGES, W. LAWRENCE  
1600 Skyline Drive  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

The current City Directory, revealed that W. LAWRENCE GARGES and wife, MYRTIE, reside at 1500 Skyline Drive, is employed as Manager of the W. T. Grant Company, 604 Main Street.

It was telephonically ascertained from the W. T. Grant Company that Mr. GARGES has been transferred to Corpus Christi, Texas, where he is manager of the W. T. Grant Store, consequently no further investigation was conducted on this man.

X HARRIS, CLYDE D.  
R. F. D. No. 2,  
North Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

Examination of the current city directory revealed the listing of CLYDE D. HARRIS and wife, REITHA, as residing at R. F. D. No. 2, North Little Rock, Arkansas. His occupation is listed as General Manager of the Home Appliance Company, located at 217 Main Street, Little Rock.

 She stated, however, that he is a man of good character, morals, and habits,  enjoys a favorable reputation. b7d

A search of the identification files by Lieutenant C. O. FINK, of the Little Rock Police Department, reveals no record on CLYDE D. HARRIS.

Mr. L. Y. COHEN, Manager, Shoemaker-Nash, Inc., advised that he is not acquainted with Mr. HARRIS, but that he has associated with a man, GUY E. CALDWELL, who presently operates the Home Appliance Company, that CALDWELL was formerly Manager of the Marion Garage, and that he handled liquor at that place, and is not a high type of individual. Mr. COHEN stated that he would recommend that HARRIS' character be looked into further because of his associations with CALDWELL.

Inasmuch as CLYDE D. HARRIS lives on R. F. D. No. 2, North Little Rock, Arkansas, the route served by Rural Mail Carrier JOSEPH WANAMAKER, a personal friend of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN, Mr. WANAMAKER was telephoned by Agent CALHOUN, at which time he stated that during the time he has served this route, the past three and one-half years, he had talked to Mr. HARRIS on only one occasion, although he had delivered him mail during that entire period. Mr. WANAMAKER stated that Mr. HARRIS lives in a nice country home about three and one-half miles from Little Rock, near the Amboy Service Station, and that he appears

to be a clean-cut man and his reputation appears to be good.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he does not know Mr. HARRIS. Mr. WORTHEN made inquiry of various employees in the bank, and then informed that two tellers stated that they knew HARRIS, and that they considered him a high-class man; that he was formerly employed by the Little Rock Tent and Awning Company. No financial information was obtained from Mr. WORTHEN.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of the Union National Bank, informed that he knows HARRIS, but not personally, and has known of him for the past three or four years. To the best of his knowledge, HARRIS, a number of years ago, had the Little Rock Agency for the Maytag Washing Machine Company. He stated that at the present time HARRIS has an account with the Union National Bank, which account is rather small, but that he understood that HARRIS is supposed to have quite a bit of money. Mr. WOOD stated that HARRIS' character and the reputation of his firm are good and that he is well thought of among business men.

Mr. J. D. SIMPSON, SR., Secretary-Treasurer of the Little Rock Tent and Awning Company, advised that he had known HARRIS for about twelve to fifteen years; that HARRIS is about forty years of age, and married, although he has no children; that several years ago HARRIS worked for him as a bookkeeper and also as a salesman for the company on the road. Mr. SIMPSON considered HARRIS' general reputation, honesty, and character good. He also recalled that HARRIS was formerly Manager of the Arkansas Maytag Washing Machine Agency in Little Rock. HARRIS, advised SIMPSON, has a good law enforcement attitude. He had no information concerning any trouble in which HARRIS had been involved, nor could he advise of any damage suits, or of the financial condition of HARRIS.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK and Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN, of the Little Rock Police Department, informed that they do not know Mr. HARRIS.

X HEINZE, BERNARD T.  
2315 Isard Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

The current City Directory listed BERNARD T. HEINZE, wife - TOFELIA M., residing at 2315 Isard Street, Assistant Treasurer, Rightsell-Pearson-Collins-Barry-Donham, Inc., Real Estate, Insurance and Investment Business, 218 Louisiana Street.



C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised there is no criminal record in his files on BERNARD T. HEINZE.

Mr. L. Y. COHEN, Manager, Shoemaker - Nash, Inc., advised he has been acquainted with HEINZE for approximately twenty years, and that he would recommend him for jury service. He advised that he has found HEINZE to be as "straight as a string, a severe type of individual who can render an unbiased opinion, and that he believes that he is a type of character who would be very strict against law violators. Mr. COHEN further advised that he believes that HEINZE holds the position of Captain in some military unit and that he is an individual who will put up with no type of foolishness and is of a rather sour disposition.

He advised that in spite of the fact that HEINZE may be affiliated with a relative of one of the defense attorneys that he does not believe that this would influence him in any way.

Mr. JACK COATES of the firm of Donham, and Mehaffy, Rector Building, Little Rock, Arkansas, advised that Mr. RAY DONHAM is manager of the firm which employs Mr. HEINZE as

Assistant Treasurer, and that Mr. RAY DONHAM is a first cousin to Mr. HENRY DONHAM who is one of the defense attorneys in the instant case.

Mr. B. T. HOFF, County Clerk, Pulaski County, advised that he is personally acquainted with Mr. HEINZE and considered him a very high type of individual and well qualified to act as a juror and stated that Mr. HEINZE bore an unimpeachable reputation in Little Rock.

Mr. V. S. O'NEAL, Deputy Circuit Court Clerk of Pulaski County, stated that Mr. HEINZE is not presently involved in any litigation in this County; that he does not recall of any case in which Mr. HEINZE was a party in Pulaski county.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, advised that he knows HEINZE by sight; that he is a man thirty or thirty-five years old; that he comes from a very good family who have lived in Little Rock for a great many years; HEINZE is an officer in the National Guards; that to the best of his knowledge, HEINZE has a very excellent reputation and character.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed he does not know HEINZE personally, but that he is acquainted with practically every member of the concern with which HEINZE is affiliated, and because of the high type men in that concern he assumed that HEINZE would have to have an excellent character and reputation.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, informed he has known HEINZE for a great many years; that he has an excellent character and reputation; comes from a good family, has never been arrested or been in any trouble of any kind and is financially stable. He would never accept a bribe and would make an excellent juror.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN and Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK of the Little Rock Police Department, advised that they are not acquainted with HEINZE.

JONES, E. RODDY  
401 Ridgeway  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

The current City Directory listed H. RODDY JONES and wife, GLADYS H., residing at 401 Ridgeway, employment listed as Vice President and Treasurer of Taylor - Jones Company, Inc., Bonds, Investment Securities, 517 Boyle Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.



C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised that there is no criminal record on JONES.

L. Y. COHEN, Manager, Shoemaker - Nash, Inc., advised that JONES is one of their customers and that personally he is an excellent fellow, however, he is very easy going type of individual, who is out for a good time, likes his drinks, and is inclined to be lenient. COHEN advised that JONES, however, is of good character and there is nothing to fear as far as him accepting a bribe. He advised that they had a little difficulty in getting his credit paper passed upon as it seemed as though JONES had been in some financial trouble, the exact nature of which COHEN was not acquainted.

Mr. B. T. HOFF, County Clerk, Pulaski County, and Mr. D. HEDSON LEWIS, Secretary of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, both advised that they were personally acquainted with Mr. JONES and that they considered him a very high type of individual and one who would make a good juror. They stated that JONES bore a good reputation in the City of Little Rock, and that he had never been in any trouble as to their knowledge.

Mr. V. S. O'NEAL, Deputy Circuit Court Clerk, of Pulaski County, advised that he knew of no litigation in which H. RODDY JONES had been involved during the past sixteen years in Pulaski County.

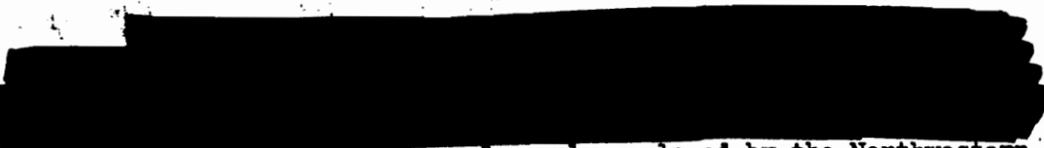
Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of Union National Bank, informed that although he has known JONES personally for three or four years, he does not know very much about his personal or business dealings; that JONES is approximately forty-two or forty-three years old; that his reputation is apparently satisfactory, inasmuch as he has never heard anything detrimental pertaining to him; that he does not think JONES is well off financially.

Chief of Detectives O. H. MARTIN and Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK, Little Rock Police Department, advised that they were not acquainted with JONES.

CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, and GEORGE WORTEEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, advised that they were not acquainted with H. RODDY JONES.

**KETCHESIDE, KENNETH C.**  
314 South Cedar Street  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

Examination of the current city directory revealed the listing of KENNETH C. KETCHESIDE and wife, MARCEL C., residing at 314 South Cedar Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. His occupation is listed as Superintendent of the State Warehouse, Foot of Main Street Bridge, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

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He was formerly employed by the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company in Little Rock, and is presently employed as Superintendent of the State Warehouse in Little Rock, with a salary of \$150.00 per month.

A search of the identification files by Lieutenant C. O. FINK, of the Little Rock Police Department, revealed no criminal record on KENNETH C. KETCHESIDE.

F. S. O'NEAL, Deputy Circuit Court Clerk, Pulaski County, advised that KETCHESIDE did not have any civil suit now pending in that court.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W.B. WORTHEN Company, Bankers, informed that he does not know Mr. KETCHESIDE personally. An examination of the records of the bank revealed that he has an account at this bank, which account is very low. Mr. WORTHEN stated that KETCHESIDE had drawn a number of checks on this bank, which checks were for amounts in excess of his deposits. Mr. WORTHEN stated that the bank records indicated that KETCHESIDE was formerly with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company in 1934.

Inquiry through MAC BABCOCK, 335 Hall Building, disclosed that KETCHESIDE was not known to him or the agents of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company in that building. However, it was ascertained that KETCHESIDE was formerly employed by the Northwestern National Life Insurance Company.

At this latter company, ROLLIN H. CARTER, Manager, advised that he has known KETCHESIDE for the past five years; that KETCHESIDE is married, about 35 years old, and resides with his family. CARTER informed that KETCHESIDE'S honesty, character, and reputation were "perfect." During the time that KETCHESIDE was with his company, over a three-year period from about 1933 to 1936, he was an insurance salesman. He advised that he had learned through rumor only that KETCHESIDE was Store Manager of the American Grocery Company, at Texarkana, Arkansas, about seven or eight years ago; that he apparently lost his job as the result of a burglary which was committed at this grocery store during the noon hour, and for which, rumor had it, he was responsible. However, CARTER had no further information concerning this rumor. CARTER also advised that about three years ago, KETCHESIDE, following an appendicitis operation, had boarded a street car in Little Rock, and that shortly thereafter, as he left the car, it apparently stopped short, jerking him about in some manner, which caused him great pain from his operation; that as a result of this incident he had sued the street car company, and his case was tried in a court at Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Mr. CARTER advised that he had heard that KETCHESIDE had collected \$1,200.00 as a result of this damage suit. CARTER believed that JONATHAN LOOKADOO, Attorney, had possibly represented KETCHESIDE at this damage trial. CARTER also advised that KETCHESIDE is a social friend of MARTIN FULK, Little Rock Attorney, located in the Boyle Building. CARTER claims that KETCHESIDE'S financial condition is "not so good," as he has a small earning power; that he believes that he is worth about \$1,000.00 at the present time; that since he was employed by his company his only obligation was a car which he had purchased at the time. CARTER considered his attitude towards law enforcement very good.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of the Union National Bank, informs that he does not know KETCHESIDE personally, and an examination of the bank records revealed that KETCHESIDE has a small loan with the bank at this time.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN, Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK, and Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, inform that they do not know Mr. KETCHESIDE.

LOEB, MILTON,  
1200 Kavanaugh Boulevard,  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

The current city directory reveals that MILTON LOEB and his wife, EDITH, reside at 1200 Kavanaugh Boulevard, his occupation being listed as President Manager of Franks Laundry Company, 1000 Spring Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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MILTON LOEB was Manager of Franks Laundry; that he had an approximate worth of \$10,000.00 and an annual estimated income of \$3600.00. [REDACTED] he was generally slow in making payments, and that on two occasions he had been sued, once by W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, and on a second occasion by the Union National Bank. Both suits were predicated upon promissory notes, one in the amount of about \$500.00 and the other in the approximate amount of about \$700.00. Both suits resulted in judgements which are at present unsatisfied.

A search of the Identification files by Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Little Rock Police Department, revealed no criminal record for MILTON LOEB.

L. Y. COHEN, Manager of Shoemaker-Nash, Inc., advised that he did not know whether MILTON LOEB was the older gentleman or the son, but that if it was the old man he knew that he was morally and financially above reproach and that he believed that he would see that justice would be done in any criminal proceeding, but that if LOEB were the son he would not be so sure to recommend him, as it is the practice of the younger Jewish set to spend considerable time at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and take part in the races and other social events which go on at that place.

Mr. B. T. HUFF, County Clerk, and Mr. D. HODSON LEWIS, Secretary of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, both advised they knew Mr. MILTON LOEB personally and that they both recommended him as being a high type of individual who was well thought of in the City of Little Rock, and that his reputation was above reproach.

Mr. V. S. O'NEAL, Deputy Circuit Clerk of Pulaski County, after checking his records, advised that in case #29267, styled Franks Laundry versus DORA WILLIAMS, the Franks Laundry had sued the defendant WILLIAMS for \$77.57 in connection with an automobile accident. Judgement was awarded to the Franks Laundry in the amount of \$63.76 and this case was appealed by the defendant WILLIAMS as she did not receive any damages and a cross complaint was filed in connection with instant suit.

Mr. E. C. EICHENBAUM was the Attorney representing Franks Laundry, and Mr. O. D. LONGSTRETH was the Attorney representing the defendant. It was also ascertained through the Office of the Referee in Bankruptcy that Franks Laundry recently went through a reorganization proceeding under the Bankruptcy Act, and through the Office of the United States District Clerk it was ascertained that Franks Laundry filed a petition under Section 77B of the National Bankruptcy Act on March 21, 1938, to reorganize, and that Mr. E. C. EICHENBAUM was the Attorney representing the Laundry.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he has known MILTON LOEB as long as he can remember; that LOEB is a prominent Jewish citizen of Little Rock, having resided in Little Rock all of his life, and he is somewhere between 60 and 65 years of age; that at the present time he is not very well off financially. However, he possesses good character and reputation and in his opinion would make a good juror.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of the Union National Bank, informed he has known LOEB for ten years. He advised that

his character and general reputation are good and that he is a leading Jewish citizen of the City of Little Rock. At the present time he is hard pressed financially due to poor business at the Laundry, but he would not accept a bribe and would make a fair juror.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, informed he has known LOEB for a number of years; that LOEB was formerly in the cigar business, and that to the best of his recollection LOEB became involved in some way with the law because of gambling in the cigar store; however, this information was very faint in his memory and Mr. OMERING could not give the details of same. Mr. OMERING stated that the general reputation and character of Mr. LOEB at the present time is very good; that he is a member of a prominent Jewish family in Little Rock. He does not know anything about LOEB'S financial condition at the present time. He did not think LOEB would accept a bribe and thinks he would make a good juror.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN and Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK, Little Rock, Arkansas, advised that they had no information concerning MILTON LOEB.

X SHERROD, FLOYD,  
4514 South Lookout Avenue,  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

An examination of the current city directory listed FLOYD SHERROD and wife, EVADEENE, as residing at 4514 South Lookout Avenue, his occupation being listed as Manager of the International Harvester Company, 818 East Second Street.

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[REDACTED] FLOYD SHERROD had an income of approximately \$6,000.00 a year and a net worth of around \$30,000.00. [REDACTED] he is married, approximately 48 years of age, has had thirty years of service with the International Harvester Company [REDACTED]

A search of the records of the Identification Division by Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Little Rock Police Department, revealed that there is no record on FLOYD SHERROD.

L. Y. COHEN, Manager of Shoemaker-Nash, Inc., advised that FLOYD SHERROD was President of the Rotary Club last year and that he is a very high type individual and is a leader in the community; that he would give an impartial opinion were he a member of the jury. He advised that SHERROD is above reproach morally and that his character is the best. He further advised that in his opinion SHERROD would make an excellent jurymen and that were he selected he would undoubtedly be elected foreman.

Mr. D. HODSON LEWIS, Secretary of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. V. S. O'NEAL, Deputy Circuit Clerk of Pulaski County, both advised that they knew FLOYD SHERROD personally and stated that he was a very high type of individual and bore an excellent reputation in Little Rock.

Mr. LEWIS stated that he has been more or less intimately acquainted with Mr. SHERROD for nine years and SHERROD was prominent in the Rotary Club, a member of the Church and was very active in all civic enterprises; that he is one of Little Rock's leading citizens. Both of the above gentlemen were of the opinion that Mr. SHERROD would make an excellent juror.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he has known SHERROD personally for six or eight years; that SHERROD was approximately 50 years old; that he was a very high type individual and held a very responsible position with the International Harvester Company; that his general character and reputation are excellent; that he is financially stable. Mr. WORTHEN stated in his opinion SHERROD would make an excellent juror.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of the Union National Bank, informed that he knew SHERROD when he saw him but did not know him very intimately; that SHERROD was one of the cities outstanding business men. He advised that his salary is somewhere between \$7,000.00 to \$10,000.00 a year; that he is past President of the Rotary Club, very well regarded in Little Rock and has an excellent reputation and character; that in his opinion SHERROD would not accept a bribe and would make an excellent juror.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, informed that he has known SHERROD personally for the past five or six years; that his general character and reputation are excellent; that he is highly regarded by business men of Little Rock, is very reliable and trustworthy. Mr. OMERING stated in his opinion he would not accept a bribe and would make an excellent juror.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN and Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK advised they are not acquainted with FLOYD SHERROD.

SMOOT, RALPH G.,  
5123 "T" Street,  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

An examination of the current city directory revealed RALPH G. SMOOT and wife, RUTH, residing at 5123 "T" Street, his occupation being listed as Branch Manager of the General Motors Acceptance Corporation, Rector Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

SMOOT is married, approximately 44 years of age and employed as Manager of the General Motors Acceptance Corporation. His character and reputation are excellent. His associates are also of excellent character. His income is approximately \$3,000.00 a year. The file further showed that SMOOT formerly resided in Memphis, Tennessee, and that during his period of residence there Mr. SMOOT was employed as a salesman by Lowensteins Department Store.

A search of the Identification files by C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, revealed there is no criminal record on RALPH G. SMOOT.

L. Y. COHEN, Manager of Shoemaker-Nash, Inc., advised that SMOOT is a man approximately 39 years of age; that he originally came to Little Rock in 1925 from Memphis, Tennessee, prior to which time he had been employed with the same company at Kansas City; that after being in Little Rock he was transferred to Philadelphia and returned to Little Rock in 1934 or 1935. He advised that SMOOT is a clean cut individual with good character; that he has good common sense and that because of SMOOT'S business he does not believe that he would be persuaded by any pleas of

sympathy. He also advised that he believes that SMOOT had some family trouble years ago [REDACTED] b7c

Mr. D. HODSON LEWIS, Secretary of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, stated that he was only casually acquainted with Mr. SMOOT and he did not believe that Mr. SMOOT had resided in Little Rock for a great length of time. However, from what he heard of Mr. SMOOT it was the understanding of Mr. LEWIS that Mr. SMOOT was a high type of individual and held a responsible position.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of the Union National Bank, informed that he has known SMOOT personally since about 1934; that he was connected with the General Motors Acceptance Corporation prior to the depression in the Little Rock Office, which was closed for sometime during the depression, and that he returned as Manager in 1934 and has held that position ever since. He estimated his salary at approximately \$400 or \$500 a month; that his general reputation and character are good and he is the type of individual who would never accept a bribe and would make an excellent juror.

Mr. V. S. O'NEAL, Deputy Circuit Clerk, advised that he did not recall a Mr. SMOOT ever having any litigation in Circuit Court in Pulaski County.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers; Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street; Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN and Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK, Little Rock, Arkansas, advised they were not acquainted with SMOOT.

X STALKER, RALPH J.,  
5400 "U" Street,  
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

An examination of the current city directory listed RALPH J. STALKER and wife, TERSIA, as residing at 5400 "U" Street, his occupation being listed as Manager of S. H. Kress Company, 612 Main Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. It was telephonically ascertained from the S. H. Kress Company that Mr. STALKER had been transferred to Salt Lake City in February, 1938, where he is presently Manager of the S. H. Kress Company.

C L O S E D

Little Rock, Arkansas

October 19, 1938

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Special Agent in Charge  
Seattle, Washington

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

On October 18, 1938, the United States Marshal at Little Rock, Arkansas, air mailed a subpoena to the United States Marshal at Seattle, Washington, calling for the presence of JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON, JR., as a witness in this case instanter.

For your information Mr. WILLIAMSON is a seaman, second class, on the U.S.S. Tennessee which is now enroute to Puget Sound, Bremerton, Washington, being due to arrive there on October 23, 1938.

Inspector CONNELLEY has requested that your office confer with the United States Marshal to expedite the serving of the subpoena, and that this office be advised by telegram when service has been made.

Very truly yours,

E. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
MR. JOSEPH B. KEPMAN**

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I want to call your attention to the facts relative to an alleged attempt to approach one of the individuals selected to serve on the jury in connection with the trial at Little Rock, Arkansas, in regard to the harboring investigations conducted as to Alvin Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it being recalled that the trial in connection with this matter commenced at Little Rock, Arkansas on October 18, 1938.

It appears that Walter R. Hughes, who was selected as one of the jurors, related on October 18, 1938 that his brother had recently been contacted by a Methodist minister of Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the purpose of having this brother influence Walter R. Hughes to acquit John Stover, one of the defendants in connection with this trial. It might be stated that Walter R. Hughes maintains that he does not know the name of this Methodist minister, but intimates that he, the minister, is a good friend of his brother.

Walter R. Hughes has been excused because of this fact, and an investigation is being conducted relative to this matter.

It is recalled that upon specific Departmental authorization an investigation was conducted as to the jury panel concerning this case.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover  
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October 7, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Contemplated harboring prosecution at Little Rock, Arkansas, October 18, 1938, of seven individuals who harbored ALVIN KARPIS at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

This memorandum is submitted for the purpose of more fully advising you of the harboring situation in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and inasmuch as I thought you would be interested to know that on October 18, 1938, it is contemplated that seven of the eight individuals indicted on May 18, 1938, at Little Rock, Arkansas, charging them with conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis, the notorious leader of the Barker-Karpis mob and one of the participants in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., on June 15, 1933, and of Edward George Bremer on January 17, 1934, both at St. Paul, Minnesota, \$100,000 and \$200,000 ransom, respectively, being paid for the safe return of these victims. It is recalled that Alvin Karpis is presently serving a life sentence in connection with the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr.

Grace Goldstein is likewise to be tried for the indictment returned against her for the violation of the WSTA and Herbert "Dutch" Akers is also to be tried for the indictment returned against him for the harboring of Thomas Nathan Morris. Connie Morris, who was one of the eight individuals indicted, has pleaded guilty and the seven individuals who are to be tried are as follows:

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Dawsey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Fogworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. McInyre
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, former Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Joseph Wakelin, then Chief of Police, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and presently connected with that Department in an unknown capacity.

Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant in charge of Identification, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

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Grace Goldstein

John Stover, operator of the Municipal Airport at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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Morris Loftis, caretaker at Dyers Landing

Mrs. Al C. Dyer, proprietor of Dyers Landing

It is recalled that the eight individuals who were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock on May 18, 1938, charging them with conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis, were simultaneously arrested by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Connie Morris being apprehended at St. Louis, Missouri, and Grace Goldstein being apprehended at Los Angeles, California. The other individuals were taken into custody at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Each of them, with the exception of Connie Morris, has been released on bond pending the trial which is set as related above on October 18, 1938, at Little Rock, Arkansas. Connie Morris upon being returned from St. Louis, Missouri, to Little Rock, Arkansas, entered a plea of guilty before the United States District Court on June 23, 1938, to the indictment returned against her for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and on this same date she was sentenced to one year and one day in a Federal penitentiary to be designated by the Attorney General. In view of this fact, there remains only seven of the eight individuals who were originally indicted by the Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas, on May 18, 1938, for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis, to be tried.

#### KARPIS MOVED INTO HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

With reference to the harboring in the Bremer case, it appears that in June, 1935, Alvin Karpis, together with Fred Hunter, moved into Hot Springs, Arkansas, residing in cottages on the various lakes, and daily frequented houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. Grace Goldstein became a constant companion of Alvin Karpis, and one of her prostitutes, Connie Morris, associated herself with Fred Hunter. They were visited in their rendezvous at Hot Springs, Arkansas, by Harry Campbell and other members of the gang and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs, Arkansas, without any apparent fear of arrest. It is recalled that Harry Campbell is presently serving life imprisonment for his participation in the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer. The association of Karpis and Hunter with Grace Goldstein continued almost uninterrupted until Karpis' apprehension in New Orleans, Louisiana, by you and other Bureau officials on May 1, 1936, at which time Fred Hunter and Connie Morris accompanied Alvin Karpis.

#### FRED HUNTER

Fred Hunter was the individual who participated with Karpis and

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others in the mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935. On May 7, 1936, Fred Hunter received a sentence of two years for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis, to be served in a Federal penitentiary. He subsequently received 25 years in connection with the Garrettsville mail robbery.

PROTECTION OF HOT SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, Joseph Wakelin and Cecil Brock, all then of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department, were aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis, and were visitors at the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS

With reference to Herbert "Dutch" Akers, it is noted that from August 12 to August 21, 1935, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter are believed to have lived in a cottage at Wilam's Landing on Lake Hamilton. On the latter date they rented a cottage at Dyers Landing on Lake Hamilton, which resort was operated by Mrs. Al C. Dyer. Karpis and Hunter lived at this cottage until October 4, 1935, when they vacated same. Karpis at this time was using the name of Ed Parker and Hunter was using the name Harold King.

On June 28, 1935, Grace Goldstein moved her house of prostitution to the Hatterie Hotel. Thereafter during the summer and fall of 1935, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter were almost daily visitors at the Hatterie Hotel, where they sometimes remained overnight. Karpis and Hunter were then using a 1935 Hudson coupe bearing Ohio license plates M 372 M, which they purchased on August 1, 1935, at Youngstown, Ohio.

It is interesting to note that on October 3, 1935, Alvin Karpis left Dyers Landing. Hunter vacated the cottage at Dyers Landing on the night of October 4 or the early morning of October 5, 1935. Immediately after the departure of Alvin Karpis, on October 4, 1935, Cecil Brock, at the request of Akers, sent a telegram to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, requesting information regarding the registered owner of 1935 Ohio license plates number M 372 M, which plates were on the Hudson coupe being used by Karpis, and Hunter. That same day, Akers got an answer from the Ohio State Bureau of Motor Vehicles that the above plates were issued to E. F. Parker, 323 North Phelps Street, Youngstown, Ohio.

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On October 4, 1935, the day on which Akers wired the Ohio State Bureau of Motor Vehicles concerning the license plates M 372 W, which later proved to be the license plates on Karpis' Hudson coupe, Special Agent R. C. Coulter interviewed Akers at Hot Springs in connection with another matter, but Akers did not inform him of any suspicions he may have had that Karpis was using a car carrying the above plates.

On October 5, 1935, the day after the cottage occupied by Karpis and Hunter had been vacated, Akers wired the Youngstown, Ohio, Police Department for information regarding E. F. Parker, 323 North Phelps Street in that city, and also regarding the Hudson coupe which was purchased at Youngstown, Ohio. It is recalled that this is the name and address furnished Akers on October 4, 1935, by the Ohio State Bureau of Motor Vehicles for the registrant of the Hudson coupe used by Karpis and his associates as mentioned above. That same day the Youngstown Police advised the Hot Springs Police Department that E. F. Parker was unknown both at 323 North Phelps Street, and at the automobile agency where the Hudson coupe was purchased.

It was not until the late afternoon of October 5, 1935, that Herbert Akers telephoned R. L. Shivers, then Special Agent in Charge of the Little Rock Office of the Bureau, and advised that he had some information concerning some suspicious men who had been staying on Lake Hamilton, one of whom he thought might possibly be Alvin Karpis. That night and the following day, Bureau Agents made an investigation at Dyers Landing and learned that Karpis and some companion had lived at Dyers Landing, but had left prior to the time that Akers had telephoned Mr. Shivers, as related.

Further, it is alleged by witnesses for the Government that Herbert Akers was advised by Della May Jeffries, alias "Ginger" Morgan, on or about December 3, 1935, that Alvin Karpis, whose photograph she identified for Akers, had been keeping company with Grace Goldstein for several months, and that Karpis had been frequenting the latter's Hotel. Akers was also kept advised by the Jeffries woman from day to day thereafter until the latter part of March, 1936, of the activities and movements of Alvin Karpis. Herbert Akers, together with A. T. Davies, City Attorney of Hot Springs, Arkansas, took an incinerator to 124 Clubb Street during the latter part of January or the first part of February, 1936.

Particular attention is here invited to the fact that Herbert Akers first advised the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the

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association of Alvin Karpis with Grace Goldstein and the association of Fred Hunter with Connie Morris, on March 28, 1936, almost four months after Della May Jeffries alleges she apprised "Dutch" Akers of this fact.

It is recalled that on February 10, 1936, Karpis and another man rented the home of E. E. Woodcock on Walvern Road, near Lake Catherine, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Karpis using the name of Wood. Karpis made several trips out of the state in the next month or so. While in Hot Springs, however, Karpis lived at the Woodcock home with Grace Goldstein. This couple was joined by Fred Hunter and Connie Morris on March 12, 1936.

Then, on or about March 17, 1936, U. S. Post Office Inspectors arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, seeking to locate Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis and they sought the assistance of Herbert Akers and Cecil Brock in the succeeding two weeks.

On March 30, 1936, Bureau Agents and U. S. Post Office Inspectors raided the Woodcock home on Walvern Road and found that the place had been vacated.

#### JOSEPH WAKELIN

With reference to Joseph Wakelin, it is to be noted that on October 13, 1935, Hot Springs newspapers carried a story that Federal Agents were seeking Alvin Karpis at a cottage on Lake Hamilton, but had found he had left. Joseph Wakelin issued a statement to the Hot Springs newspapers on October 14, 1935, that the man living on Lake Hamilton who was thought to have been Karpis, was not Karpis, but a doctor from the East. Wakelin, who was then Chief of Police of Hot Springs, Arkansas, during 1935 and 1936 knew that Grace Goldstein operated a house of prostitution. Wakelin kept company with Grace Goldstein from the summer of 1935 and thereafter until Karpis was captured on May 1, 1936. Wakelin telephoned Grace Goldstein practically every night, and would go out with her as often as three or four times a week during the latter part of 1935 and the first part of 1936, while the Goldstein woman was the constant companion of Alvin Karpis. Joseph Wakelin lent to Grace Goldstein a set of his license plates, knowing that she was to place them on her Buick coupe which was to be used in making the trip to Texas, and probably knowing that Karpis would

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accompany her.

CECIL BROCK

With reference to Cecil Brock, he knew that Joseph Wakelin had lent his license plates to Grace Goldstein and knowing that she was associating with Alvin Karpis, he obtained the license plates of Joseph Wakelin from Grace Goldstein's car after she had finished making use of same, and returned them to Wakelin at Wakelin's request.

Cecil Brock was also advised by Della May Jeffries alias "Ginger" Morgan, of the above, on or about December 3, 1935. She also advised him that Alvin Karpis, whose photograph she identified for him, had been keeping company with Grace Goldstein for several months and that Karpis had been frequenting the Matherie Hotel.

JOHN STOVER

With reference to John Stover, the operator of the Municipal Airport, Hot Springs, Arkansas, it appears that on December 10, 1935, knowing the true identity of Alvin Karpis and that Karpis was wanted by the Federal Government, he drove Karpis and Hunter from the Municipal Airport to downtown Hot Springs on the above date. John Stover flew Fred Hunter and Connie Morris to San Antonio, Texas, on November 12, 1935. Stover made several trips between Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Youngstown, Ohio, and Canton, Ohio, with Karpis and Grace Goldstein as passengers during January, 1936. As early as June 28, 1935, John Stover flew Fred Hunter to Tulsa, Oklahoma. On January 21, 1936, John Stover after flying Karpis and Grace Goldstein from Canton, Ohio, to the vicinity of Benton, Arkansas, where Stover had a forced landing, accompanied Karpis and Grace Goldstein to the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, and then drove Karpis to 124 Clubb Street, the house that Karpis and Grace Goldstein were then occupying.

MORRIS LOFTIS - MRS. AL C. DYER

With reference to Morris Loftis, the caretaker, and Mrs. Al C. Dyer, the proprietor, of Dyers Landing, it is noted that these two individuals informed Karpis and Hunter of the details of the investigation being conducted by Agents of the Bureau from time to time, which investigation was looking to the location and apprehension of Alvin Karpis. Loftis and Mrs. Dyer were aware of the identity of Karpis, and

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of the fact that he was wanted by the Federal Government when they were informing Karpis or Hunter of our investigation.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN

With reference to Grace Goldstein, when interviewed on January 4 and 7, 1938, stated that Karpis had a letter of introduction to "Dutch" Akers from some unknown person, which she destroyed; that she talked Karpis out of contacting Akers upon her assurance that she would be advised by the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department in case any inquiry was to be made relating to her or to her house of prostitution. Grace Goldstein admits borrowing Joseph Wakelin's license plates in December, 1935, but states she began to keep company with Wakelin after Karpis was captured. She admits that she and Connie Morris lived with Karpis and Hunter at Milan's Landing in the summer of 1935, but denies the knowledge that Akers or Wakelin knew these men were in Hot Springs prior to March, 1936.

Grace Goldstein states that John Stover undoubtedly knew that Alvin Karpis was "hot", and she denies that she ever asked Stover to refrain from mentioning her name in the event he was questioned.

With regard to the White Slave Traffic Act violation for which an indictment was returned on May 18, 1938, by a Federal Grand Jury sitting at Little Rock, Arkansas, against Grace Goldstein, it may be stated that Margaret Thompson, nee Margaret Jones, the niece of Grace Goldstein, in a signed statement alleged that on October 16, 1935, Grace Goldstein transported her from her home near Blossom, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where the Goldstein woman ostensibly was to obtain a job for her as a beauty operator at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Grace Goldstein took the victim to the Mattered Hotel, a house of prostitution, where they resided and the victim thereafter engaged in prostitution upon the suggestion of Grace Goldstein until December 10, 1935, when the victim returned to Blossom, Texas. The transportation of the victim was verified by the parents and sister of Margaret Thompson, the housekeeper and prostitutes at the Mattered Hotel corroborating the facts of the victim's presence there during October, 1935. They also stated Grace Goldstein stated she desired the victim to engage in prostitution. Grace Goldstein in an unsigned statement admits the transportation of Margaret Thompson, but states she intended to take her to school at Little Rock, but the victim "hung around" Hot Springs instead until she returned home in December, 1935, and denies knowledge that the victim practiced prostitution in Hot Springs.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN THREATENS LIFE OF VICTIM

In this connection, it is desired to point out that Grace Goldstein was quite bitter toward Margaret Thompson, and stated to Agent Madala, "This case (referring to the transportation of her niece, Margaret Thompson) is the only thing that you have against me, but Margaret will never testify against me. I will kill her first." When Agent Madala asked her if she would really kill Margaret in the event she testified, Grace Goldstein stated "I won't kill her, but I know some people who will kill her."

HARBORING OF THOMAS NATHAN NORRIS

With reference to the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris, an additional indictment was returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers in connection with this situation at Little Rock, Arkansas, on May 18, 1938.

It is recalled that Thomas Nathan Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank, Lake City, South Carolina, which was robbed on September 4, 1934, of \$114,000. The robbery of this bank did not come under the investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau, but on May 8, 1936, a complaint was issued at Charleston, South Carolina, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. On November 13, 1936, complaints were filed at Fort Worth, Texas, charging T. N. Norris and others with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for three armed robberies perpetrated at Fort Worth, Texas, during October, 1936. It was also definitely determined that Norris and others attempted to rob the Bank of Lake, Lake, Mississippi, just prior to the robbery of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, South Carolina, and in connection with this unsuccessful attempt another complaint charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution was filed at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

AKERS ADMITS HARBORING THOMAS NATHAN NORRIS

The investigation conducted by Agents of the Bureau in connection with the harboring of Norris by Akers has developed that Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb, and Goldie H. Hairston, were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, from March 15, 1937, to August 10, 1937. Akers has admitted to Agents of the Bureau his guilt in connection with this violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES, NORRIS GANG

Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb composed a gang which committed numerous crimes of violence in the southwest while being protected by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, including armed robberies and a murder. On August 15, 1937, Haynes proceeded to the home of his wife at Benton, Arkansas, where he was arrested by the Arkansas State Police. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred "Sonny" Lamb as he was resisting arrest in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Norris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, Arkansas, on August 16, 1937, in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs, while resisting arrest.

Goldie Mariston, wanted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, Louisiana, after he and companions fired upon two officers of the Gulfport, Mississippi, Police Department on September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers.

Thomas Nathan Norris is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary on one 99 year sentence for murder, two 99 year sentences for armed robbery and a sentence of 5 to 40 years for armed robbery. Sam Stegal Haynes is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he is serving a sentence of from 5 to 12 years and is awaiting trial on an indictment returned November 9, 1937, in the State District Court at Richmond, Texas, charging him with the murder of Robert Rutledge at Stafford, Texas. This is the murder charge for which Norris received a 99 year sentence.

Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Goldie Mariston and Alfred "Sonny" Lamb are being named as co-conspirators in the indictment returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers for his participation in the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris.

On September 7, 1938, Mr. Fred A. Isgrig, United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas, requested an investigation of the jury paneling to be drawn in connection with this trial and upon authorization of the Department such an investigation is presently being conducted by the Little Rock Office. The United States Attorney has further requested that Inspector E. J. Connelley and Special Agents John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan be present at his office at 10:00 A.M. on October 10, 1938, for a conference. It may also be stated that the United States Attorney has, in addition to these three individuals, subpoenaed the following

10-7-38

Agents to be present in his office at 10:00 A.M. on October 17, 1938:

L. Chipman  
Rufus Coulter  
B. L. Darnon  
Chapman Fletcher  
R. L. Shivers  
Frank S. Smith  
Henry A. Snow  
E. J. Wynn  
B. W. Suttle  
K. R. McIntire

These Agents have been instructed to comply with the wishes of the United States Attorney and be present at his office at Little Rock as requested.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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TO:

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 Mr. Nathan  
 Mr. Clegg  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm  
 Mr. Foxworth  
 Mr. Egan  
 Mr. Glavin  
 Miss Gandy  
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Mr. Coffey  
 Mr. Crowl  
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 Mr. Naughten  
 Mr. Renneberger  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm  
 Mr. Tracy  
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<sup>0</sup> BREKID. DURING PAST THREE DAYS GOVERNMENT HAS CALLED FORTY FIVE WITNESSES. ALL WITNESSES HAVE TESTIFIED SUBSTANTIALLY AS EXPECTED. THE JURY HAS BEEN SEQUESTERED AND COURT WILL HOLD SESSION TODAY, ~~FRIDAY~~ SATURDAY. THERE ARE SIX DEFENSE ATTORNEYS WHICH CAUSES SOME DELAY IN CROSS EXAMINATION. THE GOVERNMENTS CASE TO DATE HAS BEEN EFFECTIVE.

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 BREKID. WITNESSES CALLED YESTERDAY STUART FACE, MR. AND MRS. H. G. WHITE, FRANK EARLY SPENCER, OSCAR POPE MUSE, ROY FRANKLIN ARMENIA AND MRS. ~~ARMENIA~~ SIRFEAN ARMENIA PLACE SUBJECTS AKERS AND OWAKELIN IN ASSOCIATION WITH <sup>above</sup> KARPIS AT ONE TWENTYTHREE PALM STREET IN NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE AND OTHER PLACES. TESTIMONY YESTERDAY VERY EFFECTIVE. TRIAL WILL CONTINUE TODAY. GOVERNMENT HAS CALLED TWENTYSEVEN WITNESSES IN TWO DAYS.

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Little Rock, Arkansas  
October 22, 1938

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Mr. Fred A. Magrig  
United States Attorney  
Federal Building  
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH  
P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING - HARBORING.

Dear Sirs:

During the course of this trial I have been informed by the various agents who have been attending the trial that GRACE GOLDSTEIN has been making various remarks to witnesses that have been subpoenaed by the Government to testify against her and other defendants in the case now on trial in connection with the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

I have been informed by Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN that on October 20, 1938, he was standing in the corridor outside the Court Room of the Federal Building casually speaking with Mr. ELMER WHEATLEY who operates the Hatterie Hat Shop in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and who has been subpoenaed by the Government to testify in this case. While Agent SULLIVAN and Mr. WHEATLEY were talking, the defendant GRACE GOLDSTEIN broke into the conversation, and without any provocation began telling WHEATLEY in a half jeering and half pugnacious tone, emphasized by jabbing her finger at WHEATLEY'S chest, that he had never seen KARPIS purchase any hats at the Hatterie Hat Shop, as she was the one that purchased the hats for KARPIS. WHEATLEY turned to her and told her at that time that he had sold hats to KARPIS on two or three different occasions during the time KARPIS was frequenting the Hatterie Hotel. Inasmuch as neither Mr. WHEATLEY nor Mr. SULLIVAN had previously addressed GRACE GOLDSTEIN, it appears that she was either trying to intimidate or to cause Mr. WHEATLEY discomfiture.

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Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN has also advised me that JEWEL GRETA GILSTRAP, GERTRUDE THERESA NICHOLS and DELLA MAY WEAVER, former prostitutes employed by GRACE GOLDSTEIN, who are under subpoena as Government witnesses in the above trial, have received various telephone calls from unknown persons who refused to disclose their identities. JEWEL GRETA GILSTRAP received such a call on the evening of October 17, 1938, from some man who desired to meet her. When she indicated that she was not interested, he stated, "I will fix you".

I have been advised by Agent SULLIVAN that the remarks and conduct of GRACE GOLDSTEIN appears to be of such an order as to worry and aggravate Government witnesses, and to make it rather uncomfortable for them to be around the Court Room in the presence of the GOLDSTEIN woman.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

October 18, 1938

Time - 3:55 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: BREKID

Inspector Connelley called from Little Rock reporting that the jury selection had been completed today. Mr. Connelley stated that one juror had been excused due to the fact that someone had attempted to "fix" him; that this juror's name is Walter R. Hughes, of Benton, Arkansas; that his story was to the effect that his, Hughes', brother was contacted by a Methodist Minister, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the purpose of having the brother influence Hughes to acquit John Silver, one of the defendants.

When Hughes was asked today whether he had been approached in any way he replied that he had been approached by a friend of one of the defendants and requested to vote for acquittal of that particular defendant "as a matter of friendship." Hughes maintains that he does not know the name of this Methodist Minister, but intimates that he, the Minister, is a good friend of his brother.

Mr. Connelley stated further that the Judge and the United States Attorney desire an investigation into the circumstances of this matter.

You will probably recall that we investigated the jury panel at the inception of this case upon specific Departmental authorization. In view of this fact, and in view of the fact that this does not involve a jury that has been sworn or a juror presently serving, I authorized Inspector Connelley to proceed with the investigation of this matter by securing a statement from Hughes, contacting his brother, and determining who the Minister is. Mr. Connelley stated that he feels confident some of the other jurors were contacted also because of some of the developments today.

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Respectfully,

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BREKID. GOVERNMENT IN TRIAL HERBERT WAKERS, ETAL, TO DATE HAS PRESENTED SIXTY THREE WITNESSES. GOVERNMENTS CASE HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY STATED AND VERIFIED IN COURT. IT SHOULD TAKE ABOUT TWO DAYS FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO COMPLETE ITS CASE. ALL DEFENDANTS ON TRIAL, IT IS BELIEVED, HAVE BEEN CONNECTED WITH KARPIS AND EACH OTHER.

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SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA  
OCTOBER 25, 1938

Inspector E. J. Connelley  
Little Rock, Arkansas

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype of October 24, 1938, requesting copies of the jury instructions given in the Arthur "Doc" Barker and Cassius McDonald trials at Saint Paul.

Copies of these instructions not being available in the Saint Paul file, I made arrangements with Judge Matthew M. Joyce to borrow from him the original of the instructions given by him in the trial of Arthur "Doc" Barker, et al. Similar arrangements were made with Judge Gunnar Nordbye to borrow the original of his instructions in the trial of Cassius McDonald, et al.

Thinking that it might be of possible assistance, I have also borrowed from Judge Nordbye the original of his instructions to the jury in the case of Clayton E. Kay, et al, for harboring John Dillinger, this trial being held in May, 1934.

It is requested that extreme care be taken in preserving all of these copies, and that they be returned to me immediately after they have served their purpose so I may deliver them to Judges Joyce and Nordbye. Because of a stenographic situation resulting from appendectomies undergone by the two stenographers in this office, it has been impossible for me to have copies made, and accordingly it is thus necessary to send the originals.

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Very truly yours,  
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ROBERT C. HENDON,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

JEL:TD - 10:10 AM      October 25, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. A. TAMM

Re: BREKID

In order to obtain the more recent address of Mrs. Phillip David in the City of Washington, who, you will recall, is a witness in connection with the harboring trial presently being had at Little Rock, Arkansas, I called Mr. Dawsey in the Washington Field Office, who after a search of his files related that her present address was not contained therein. He, at the request of the writer, called the Marshal's Office and ascertained that Mrs. Phillip David, alias Toby Fincel, was residing at the time the subpoena was issued for her the first of this week at 1449 Oak Street, N. W., Apartment 4, and her telephone number was Columbia 5474.

Respectfully,

*J. E. Lawler*  
J. E. Lawler

*Mrs. Tamm already notified*  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
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United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

EAT:JHR

October 25, 1938.

Time-10:35 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Miss Ottenberg, of the Washington Star, at the request of Rex Collier. I told Miss Ottenberg that Rex Collier wanted information about a woman named Mrs. David, whose name was formerly Toby Fintel.

I told Miss Ottenberg that Mrs. David's Washington address is 1449 Oak Street, North West, Apartment 4, telephone Columbia 5474. I stated that she is testifying out in Hot Springs that she rented a house to Alvin Karpis and Grace Goldstein at the time the fugitives were hiding there. I told Miss Ottenberg that the Bureau does not possess any information regarding the occupation of her present husband, Mr. Phillip David. I advised that I did not believe Mrs. David was employed in Washington, inasmuch as she was broke and had to be advanced money to go to Hot Springs. Miss Ottenberg asked when she was expected back and I pointed out that the Bureau did not know when she would be finished with her testimony.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-22-38</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-5,6,7-38</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>HAYNE A. THOMPSON IN</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 - HARBORING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

CARL FORSHEE last known to be in Los Angeles, California, OSCAR POPE MUSE reported in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent Hayne A. Thompson, Little Rock, Arkansas, October 5, 1938.

**DETAILS:**

AT HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

An examination of the City Directory, current telephone book and investigation at the Post Office failed to reveal any address for OSCAR POPE MUSE.

The current City Directory listed a CARL M. (VERA) FORSHEE, radio repairman, home 801 Russell. There is no record of FORSHEE in the telephone book, and inquiry at the Post Office failed to reveal any different address for FORSHEE.

Mr. WILLIAM KAUFMAN, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department Identification Officer, informed that he had no record of the arrest of CARL FORSHEE or OSCAR POPE MUSE at any time.

JOHN FORSHEE, father of CARL FORSHEE, was located at the Shell Filling Station located on Crystle Springs Road, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>A. E. Anderson</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Mr. FORSHEE stated that he did not have any idea where his son, CARL, was at the present time; that he had left home over a year ago, and that he had not heard from him or received any information about him since his departure. Mr. FORSHEE informed that CARL FORSHEE'S wife was the former VERA MESSER, however, he did not know where she lived; further that ODIS B. FORSHEE was a brother of CARL FORSHEE. Mr. FORSHEE stated that CARL FORSHEE had left his wife and six children and apparently was not supplying them with any money at the present time.

While searching for the home of ODIS FORSHEE at approximately 9:30 P. M. on October 6, 1938, Agent inquired of a man sitting in an automobile with a young lady if he was aware of the location of ODIS FORSHEE. This man turned out to be GARNETT MOORE, an officer of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department. MOORE stated that he did not know ODIS FORSHEE, but he did know CARL FORSHEE, but that CARL FORSHEE had left the city and that the last he heard of him was that he was supposed to be in Phoenix, Arizona. Reporting Agent did not inform MOORE of the purpose of this investigation.

ODIS FORSHEE was located at 930 Saint Louis Avenue, where he and his wife informed that CARL FORSHEE left Hot Springs in the Spring about a year ago because of family trouble; that a week after he left he wrote from some place in Texas requesting ODIS FORSHEE to forward him ten dollars, which money was to be forwarded to Dallas, Texas. ODIS FORSHEE stated he did not forward this money. About a month after receipt of this request, ODIS FORSHEE received another letter from CARL, sent from some place in Arizona. In this letter CARL FORSHEE stated he was going to California.

It was ascertained that in addition to ODIS FORSHEE there are the following brothers and sisters: COLUMBUS FORSHEE, Dayline, Louisiana; HARRY FORSHEE, 67 Wall Street, New York City, New York; DOLLY RHINE, Fryeburg, Louisiana. It was ascertained from the ODIS FORSHEES that subject's wife and children reside near subject's mother-in-law, Mrs. EDNA MESSER, who resides at 139 Palm Street.

Mrs. EDNA MESSER, 139 Palm Street, informed she did not have any information pertaining to CARL FORSHEE, and that her daughter resided at 16 Sorrell Street.

Mrs. VERA FORSHEE, wife of CARL FORSHEE, was located at 16 Sorrell Street, at which time she stated the last time she saw CARL FORSHEE was in March, 1938, in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that he left in March and has not been seen since that. She received a letter from him sent from Los Angeles, California, which letter was sent quite some time after he left Hot Springs. In this letter CARL stated that he would write and send her money which he has not done. He also said that he was working, but did not say what kind of work he was doing. Mrs. FORSHEE stated that inasmuch as he took his radio tools with him she assumes he was doing his regular radio repair work. Mrs. FORSHEE stated that there was a picture of the Gates Hotel, Los Angeles, on the letterhead on which was written CARL FORSHEE'S letter. Mrs. FORSHEE stated that she was very desirous of locating her husband inasmuch as he is not contributing to the support of herself and her six children; that there is a warrant presently outstanding for his apprehension for nonsupport; furthermore that she does not think that FORSHEE is located in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mrs. MARGARET SMITH, proprietor of the Pacific Rooms, 115 Market Street, informed that OSCAR POPE MUSE and his wife had resided there in a house trailer for approximately one year, leaving there on September 10, 1937; that shortly prior to leaving Hot Springs, subject had cashed a number of checks on an account in which he did not have any funds; that she did not have any idea where he could have gone; that she did not know anything about OSCAR POPE MUSE and his wife other than that MUSE had a brother by the name of T. J. MUSE who lived some place in the State of New Mexico; that the only thing she knew about MUSE was that he allegedly had some property some place in Missouri.

Mr. L. R. RAMSEY, another roomer residing at 115 Market Street, informed that MUSE had worked for the Chevrolet Company on Ouachita Avenue in Hot Springs; that he had a 1934 or 1935 Four Door Chevrolet Sedan when he left Hot Springs, Arkansas. His wife's name is MABEL *Muse*

Mr. A. F. MILLER, Used Car Manager of the Chitwood Chevrolet Company, 530 Ouachita Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, informed that MUSE had worked at this concern for about nine years as a used car salesman; that he had left about the middle of 1937 and the only thing they had heard from him was two post cards, one of which was sent from Washington, D. C.,

and the other from El Paso, Texas. These cards were sent five or six months after he had left Hot Springs. MILLER stated that MUSE had a brother living in Las Cruces, New Mexico, where he had a ranch; this property may be known as the MUSE estate, as it was his understanding that part of this property belonged to OSCAR POPE MUSE. Mr. MILLER informed after checking his records that at the time MUSE left Hot Springs he was driving a 1934 Chevrolet, Four Door Sedan, color green, Motor # 4424540, Serial # 21DA06-32712.

Mrs. MILLER stated that Mrs. MUSE first name was MABEL; that she apparently came from some place in Missouri; that she always has a long haired white Spitz dog with her wherever she goes. As to MUSE, Mr. MILLER stated he was a very big liar; that sometimes he stated he was drawing compensation and other times he denied this; that MUSE came to Hot Springs some time in 1930 for the purpose of receiving treatment at the free clinic for syphilis from which he was suffering; that MUSE received treatment at the free clinic for several years. MILLER stated that he understood MUSE to have come to Hot Springs from some place near Atlanta, Georgia, where he had been employed as a used car salesman for possibly the Packard Agency; that he had frequently mentioned the name of JOHN YARBROUGH (phonetic spelling) as being the owner of the automobile agency in Georgia with whom he had been connected. MILLER stated that possibly RAY ARMENIA who is employed at the Ford Company in Hot Springs, might possibly know MUSE'S location.

Captain R. L. GAFFNEY, Superintendent, United States Public Health Service Free Bath Clinic produced his records which showed that OSCAR POPE MUSE, home address - General Delivery, Tampa, Georgia, was admitted to the free bath clinic June 18, 1930, Case # 23640; that his birth place was listed as Carrolton, Georgia, born May 15, 1889. His description was as follows:

Color:	White
Religion:	Baptist
Height:	6 feet, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch
Weight:	186 pounds
Build:	Heavy
Complexion:	Medium fair
Hair:	Medium brown
Eyes:	Blue
Scars and Marks:	Three left fingers amputated first joint.
Afflictions:	Syphilis
Relatives:	Father, HENRY POPE MUSE, General Delivery, Villa Rica, Georgia;

mother, deceased, Mrs.  
-MARTEA SHOT MUSE; wife,  
separated, DUCILLA MUSE,  
# 9 Florence Place,  
Atlanta, Georgia; children,  
six girls, living with wife;  
brother, G. R. MUSE, Altoona,  
Alabama, care of Police as he  
is a Deputy Sheriff.

Last Employment: Packard Motor Company, Miami,  
Florida.  
Military Service: None

On October 12, 1938, a teletype was  
dispatched to the El Paso Field Division requesting investigation  
be made to locate OSCAR POPE MUSE. The El Paso Office reported  
that MUSE was reported to be living with EARL SPENCER, one  
mile from Brashear, Missouri, and that the Saint Louis Office  
had been advised to locate MUSE.

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Cleveland, Ohio,  
October 26, 1938.

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<sup>D</sup>BREKID. JOHN BROCK TAKEN INTO CUSTODY ON MARCH TENTH, THIRTY SIX, AT  
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BREKID. GOVERNMENTS CASE COMPLETED, SEVENTY EIGHT  
WITNESSES CALLED. UPON CLOSE GOVERNMENTS CASE JUDGE  
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DEFENDANTS STOVER, DYER AND LOFTIS. MOTION FOR  
DIRECTED VERDICT AS TO WAKELIN, AKERS, BROCK AND GRACE  
GOLDSTEIN WAS DENIED AND TRIAL WILL PROCEED.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: **LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

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9 SAC LITTLE ROCK

0 BREKID. U. S. MARSHAL SEATTLE ADVISED THAT CAPTAIN OF U.S.S.  
 TENNESSEE REFUSED SUBPOENA FOR JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON JR.  
 ON OCTOBER TWENTY THIRD, NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT UNLESS HIS RETURN  
 WAS GUARANTEED. FACTS FORWARDED TO U. S. MARSHAL LITTLE ROCK ON  
 SAME DATE AND ON OCTOBER TWENTY FOURTH, NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT,  
 U. S. ATTORNEY ISGRIG, LITTLE ROCK, ADVISED THAT WILLIAMSON'S  
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HOTEL BRIGHTON

Atlantic City

October 21st, 1938

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, The Director  
The Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Beloved Edgars:

I am so deeply touched by your letter that I scarcely know how to begin. You are very, very kind to me, and of course I am showing this dear letter of yours with utmost pride to several of my intimate friends, including my brother Livingston, to whom I am especially devoted and after whom my youngest son is named.

It is most kind of you to leave to me the naming of the time in November when I shall come to you. May I come to you the week beginning November 14th, to the 19th, inclusive?

I shall bring one or more members of my family to the Carlton Hotel, where I hope we may be privileged to entertain you and Mr. Tolson.

Thanking you again with all my heart, I have the honor to be,

Yours with deep affection,

(S) Tony

We saw in the papers of the trial of the big officials who spirited Karpis away from Hot Springs, Ark. It was marvelous to catch them all including Karpis, as you so persistently and courageously did. You are the bravest man indeed & fact.

(S) Tony

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Colonel A. J. Drexel Biddle  
Hotel Brighton  
Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Dear Tony:

Permit me to express my deep appreciation for your letter of October 21, 1938, indicating that you will be available to give your course of instruction before a training school of the FBI from November 14 to November 19, 1938. This will be a most convenient time for your appearance before the training school of Special Agents of this Bureau and we shall be glad to have you with us on these dates. Both Mr. Tolson and I shall look forward with pleasure to seeing you and any of the members of your family or friends who have occasion to be in Washington with you at that time.

I believe that you have selected a very fortunate time for your appearance because the graduation exercises for the Ninth Session of the FBI National Police Academy will take place on the morning of November 19th in the Great Hall of the Department of Justice building and I would like very much for you to be present and seated on the platform with the other distinguished guests who will be present on this occasion. We shall also arrange to have special reserved seats provided for the members of your family who will be present and I desire to extend to them a cordial invitation to attend these exercises.

Again I desire to express to you my sincere appreciation for your statements of commendation with reference to the work of this Bureau and I am particularly pleased because they come from you who are so well acquainted with the problems which confront the Federal Bureau of Investigation in its warfare against crime and criminals.

With assurances of best wishes and kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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# Alleging Intimidation

**Intimidation Charge  
Barred in U. S. Court**



MRS. GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

Judge Trimble this afternoon instructed deputies in the United States marshal's office to take custody of Mrs. Grace Goldstein and keep her in jail during the remainder of the Karpis conspiracy trial in which she is one of the seven defendants accused of having protected the gangster when he was a visitor at Hot Springs and a fugitive from justice. The order was based on an alleged attempt to intimidate government witnesses in the case.

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**U. S. Attorney  
Alleging Karpis Conspiracy  
Defendants Say Was  
by Carred Witnesses**

## Girls Bare Incident

**Court Act Following  
Conference in Chambers  
With Principals Al-  
legedly Involved.**

Federal Judge Trimble this afternoon revoked the \$25,000 bond of Mrs. Grace Goldstein, one of the seven defendants on trial in federal court on charges of having conspired to harbor Alvin Karpis and other gangsters in Hot Springs in 1934 and 1935, and order deputies in the United States Marshal's office to keep her in custody during the remainder of the trial, which began here Tuesday.

It was arrested by Fred A. Isgrig, United States district attorney, that Mrs. Goldstein had secured three women witnesses for the government at their room at the Friedlander hotel. "The women," Mr. Isgrig said, "reported the incident to him this morning."

Mr. Isgrig in reporting to Judge Trimble branded the incident as an attempt to intimidate government witnesses.

The first report of the alleged intimidation effort was followed by a conference this morning between attorneys in the case, Mrs. Goldstein and the three witnesses in the judge's chambers. Following the conference Judge Trimble issued the order which will send Mrs. Goldstein to jail except while she is in actual attendance at the trial, which may not be concluded until late next week.

A second alleged attempt at intimidation was hinted by Mr. Isgrig in connection with the testimony today of Robert E. Howe, Hot Springs tax truck driver.

This development came after Howe testified that he had seen a picture of Alvin Karpis in Liberty magazine and suspected that it was the man he had seen at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton. He said, however, that he did not show the picture to Morris Loftis, caretaker at Dyer's landing, as he previously had stated to federal agents, and to Isgrig.

"Did you show Loftis this picture of Karpis?" Isgrig asked.

"No."

"Didn't you tell me you showed it yesterday that you showed it to him?"

"No."

"Did you talk with him about the picture?"

"Yes. I told him I thought one of the men in the cottage was Karpis, but he said he didn't think so."

"But you did not show him the picture?"

"No."

"Who has been talking to you about this case?"

"Nobody."

"You have been threatened or intimidated, haven't you?"

"No."

"You are under oath to tell the truth in this court, aren't you?"

"Yes, I am."

"The witness testimony."

"Answer the question."

Trimble told him, and demanded that he witness.

"Yes, I showed it to the news said."

"And you haven't been threatened by anybody?"

"No."

"Then why did you refuse to answer the question?"

"I just wanted to tell you."

Howe previously testified frequently that he had seen the camp where Karpis and Mrs. Alvin Karpis were among the witnesses.

"Did you see any of the place?"

"Yes."

"Where was it?"

"It was parked in the Dyer's house."

"Did you see any of the place?"

"Yes. They came and...

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# AKERS PICTURE AS ADMIRER OF KARPIS AND PAL

## Quoted as Calling Them 'Swell.'

A woman witness for the government, parrying with defense lawyers a charge that she lifted \$2,900 from an Alvin Karpis mobster during a Hot Springs hotel party, retorted in United States District Court yesterday "the reason you are bringing it up is just because I happened to beat the Hot Springs laws to it."

The bit of repartee came while Grover T. Owens, defense lawyer, was cross examining Gertrude Therese ("Jackie") Nichols, 24 and red-headed, who had testified she had lived in several houses of prostitution operated at Hot Springs by Mrs. Grace Goldstein, Karpis' common law wife. Mrs. Goldstein is one of seven Hot Springs residents charged with having conspired to harbor the former Public Enemy No. 1 in the resort city in 1935 and 1936.

The Nichols girl had just testified that several places operated by Mrs. Goldstein had been frequented by Karpis, who as that time was wanted in the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, and his lieutenants, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter and Sam Coker. The latter now is serving a 30-year sentence in the Oklahoma penitentiary.

### Defense Contends \$2,900 Disappeared at Party.

"I will ask you," said Mr. Owens, "if you did not attend a party at the Howe hotel, now the DeSoto hotel in the summer of 1935 . . ."

Before the question was completed the witness interrupted to say she knew nothing about the party.

"Don't you recall the Hunter-Coker party at that hotel?"

"I don't know anything about it," she replied.

"Didn't Coker take you there?"

"He did not."

"You do go to such parties, don't you?"

"Yes, it is a part of my business."

"Well, I will ask you if you did not attend a party at the Howe hotel, now the DeSoto, at which time Sam Coker was present and a number of other girls and if on that night you didn't steal \$2,900 from Sam Coker and leave the same night?"

"The man isn't complaining, is he?" the witness snapped back.

"But you did get that money?"

"Well, if I did do it, and being as you are bringing it up, now the reason you are bringing it up is just because I happened to beat the Hot Springs laws to it."

"When you admit you did it—"

"I said if I did," she replied.

### Not Said to Have Commended Gangsters.

questioned by United States Attorney Fred A. Isgrig as to whether she made inquiries of Mrs. Goldstein as to who the Karpis gangsters were, the Nichols girl said:

"Well, we girls were wondering who the strangers were, so we asked Grace."

"Oh, they are pretty good boys," she told us. "Dutch [Herbert Akers, former Hot Springs chief of detectives] met them and he thinks they are pretty swell boys."

Previously she had testified to having seen Akers come to the Goldstein place late one afternoon and to have overheard Akers remark that "they would have to go to the dog races before they were over."

The Nichols girl was the eighth of 16 witnesses which the government called to the stand during the fourth day of the trial in an effort to prove harboring conspiracy charges against:

Joseph Wakelin, former police chief; Cecil Brock, former police lieutenant; John Stover, manager of the Hot Springs airport.

Mrs. Al C. Dyer, operator of a boat landing near Hot Springs.

Morris Loftis, caretaker of the boat landing.

Mrs. Goldstein and Akers.

### Akers' Telegrams To Ohio Police Shown.

The government wound up the day's testimony by introducing telegrams exchanged between Akers and the chief of police of Youngstown, O., following departure of Karpis and his gang from Hot Springs early in October, 1935, in which Akers made inquiries regarding ownership of an automobile belonging to Karpis which has been seen at Mrs. Dyer's boat landing.

In answer to a telegram sent by Akers October 4, 1935, inquiring about police records on the car, Frank West, registrar of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, replied the same day that records on file with his bureau showed that the license to the car had been issued to "E. F. Parker, Youngstown, O." Government witnesses who identified pictures of Karpis said he went under the name of Ed Parker during his stay in Hot Springs.

Another telegram from W. W. Reed,

chief of detectives at Youngstown, O., October 5, advised that PARKER was not known at the address given when the license was purchased. Mr. Reed was introduced as a witness to testify to the telegram.

### F. B. I. Agent Questioned Caretaker at Resort.

Rufus C. Coulter, former Little Rock policeman now serving as agent in charge of the Des Moines (Ia.) office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, took the stand late in the day to testify to conversations with caretaker Loftis October 6 and 7, after being informed by Akers that he suspected Karpis of having stayed at one of Mrs. Dyer's cottages. Mr. Coulter was stationed at that time in the Little Rock F. B. I. office.

He said he obtained from Loftis a description of four men October 6 and that on October 7 Loftis positively identified pictures of Karpis as one of the men he had seen at Mrs. Dyer's place. Loftis failed to identify pictures of Campbell.

Mr. Coulter said Loftis had told him that two women had visited the men but he did not know who they were. The F. B. I. agent said Loftis told him the gangsters left October 2, 1935.

Recalled to the stand for cross-

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### No Fingerprints Found at Cottage.

The F. B. I. agent said he had attempted to take fingerprints about the cottage occupied by Karpis and Hunter at Mrs. Dyer's boat landing but that he found but "one little smudge that would not photograph."

In answer to a question put to him by the district attorney, Mr. Coulter replied that fingerprints could be removed by washing.

### Two Girls Tell Story Of Police Protection.

Two other girls who told the jury they live at houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein—Blonde Jewell Greta Gilstrap and Dark Haired Della May ("Ginger") Jefferies—testified that Karpis and his gangsters were frequent visitors at Mrs. Goldstein's establishments.

The Jefferies girl said she overheard several telephone conversations between Mrs. Goldstein and another party in which she heard Mrs. Goldstein remark:

"Same place the same time."

"Then she would go out," the witness added. "When she returned she would be nervous and upset, saying she had been out with the old man."

Asked by Mr. Isgrig who she meant by "the old man," the Jefferies girl replied, "it was Mr. Joe Wakelin."

"She [Grace Goldstein] introduced me to 'Sonny' Davies and told me if I ever got into any trouble to come see him because he was the best defense lawyer in Hot Springs and was the city attorney."

The Jefferies girl said that on one occasion she saw Akers and Mrs. Goldstein walk into the latter's bedroom and remain for several minutes and that on another Grace received a telephone call, informing her that neighbors were objecting to the noise and that she would have to move.

### Airport Pilot Said Known to Defendant.

Recalling that Mrs. Goldstein and Karpis had planned an airplane trip, the witness recalled hearing Grace say "Johnny was going to drive."

"Did Grace know Johnny Stover," Mr. Isgrig asked.

"By the conversation she must have," was the reply.

She said that Karpis, Hunter, Coker and Campbell left Hot Springs hurriedly just before daylight October 4, 1935, but that Karpis and Hunter returned about November 1 of that year.

After Karpis left, the witness recalled, Grace received a letter from the gangster informing that Sam Coker was sick and that he "blamed his trouble on someone in the house."

### Gangsters' Photographs Again Identified.

Earlier the Gilstrap girl testified that "somebody at the Tisdale bar" had first sent Karpis and Hunter up to the Goldstein establishment. She readily identified pictures of Karpis, Hunter, Campbell, Coker and Connie Morris.

She said Karpis had gone by the name of Ed King; Fred Hunter by the name of Harold King; Harry Camp-

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bell by the name of George and Sam Coker by the name of Tommy.

The Gilstrap girl said that on one occasion when complaints were registered against the noise made at the Goldstein place, she overheard Grace remark that "she was going to get Dutch to help her get a place."

"After talking with Dutch she said she was going to see someone higher up about keeping the place on Palm street."

She recalled that while they were located at the Hatterie hotel on Central avenue, Grace's niece, Margaret, 25, moved in.

In answer to a question put her by the district attorney, the witness replied:

"She pursued the same course of life as the rest of the girls.

This same question later was put to the Jefferies girl.

#### Defense Attacks Witnesses' Character.

Taking the stand at the beginning of the day's session, Mrs. Joseph Armenia who testified for the government late Thursday, was cross questioned by the defense. She denied emphatically questions put her by defense attorneys regarding reports as to her character.

The defense then recalled Oscar Pope Muse of Las Cruces, N. M., who testified yesterday of having seen Akers and Karpis and Mrs. Goldstein and Karpis in company frequently.

They brought from him the admission that he had pleaded guilty in United States District Court here March 30, 1931, to a charge of transporting a stolen car to Arkansas and had served a 60-day sentence in the Pukas county jail.

He said he had been arrested by Hot Springs officers and had pleaded guilty after he had been kept in the Hot Springs jail 14 days.

"And do you want to know why I was arrested," he said, turning to Judge Trimble. "I was going with the Watson girl. She was Dutch's girl."

He volunteered to offer other information which he said had bearing on his case but Judge Trimble said he had fully answered the question put him by the defense lawyer.

#### Karpis Left \$9.20 Tip for Waitress.

Mrs. Irma May Floyd of Arkadelphia, formerly a waitress at Wilson's tavern on Lake Hamilton, said that Karpis and Mrs. Goldstein had purchased beer at the tavern the latter part of July, 1935, and had left her \$9.20 in tips.

"I knew something was wrong," she said, "so I left it on the table."

Richard J. Welch of Florence, Ala., formerly of Pine Bluff, testified to having occupied a cabin next to Karpis and Hunter at Mrs. Dyer's landing for two weeks the summer of 1935 and to having seen Grace Goldstein visit them. He said he noted nothing about their actions to indicate they were fugitives.

William T. Kinnell, Hot Springs laundry driver, told the jury he delivered laundry to Karpis at the Dyer landing and that on one occasion he saw Mrs. Goldstein there. He said he told Mrs. Dyer after the gangsters' departure that Mrs. Goldstein operated a "sporting place at the Hatterie hotel."

"She said if she had known they were that kind of people she would not have permitted it," the laundry driver recalled hearing Mrs. Dyer say.

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#### Karpis Seen Frequently By Several Witnesses.

Cetholia Atkinson Smith, Rosalie Sewell, Rosa Scott and Mina Thomas Wilder, Negro women, testified to having seen Karpis and Hunter together with Mrs. Goldstein either at her place or at their cottage at Mrs. Dyer's landing.

Thomas Ezekiel Reed, laundry wagon driver who delivered laundry to Mrs. Goldstein's place, recalled that Grace had told him that Karpis had bought her a green Buick coupe for a Christmas present and Mrs. Frank Parker, a seamstress who did work for Grace and her girls, said Mrs. Goldstein had told her that Karpis had "helped her financially" and had given her a wrist watch.

Walter L. Funk, formerly employed in a Hot Springs furniture store, testified to having seen Cecil Brock come out of Grace's place at 123 Palm street during June.

The trial will be resumed at 10 this morning.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK.--THREE FORMER HOT SPRINGS POLICE OFFICIALS AND THE COMMON-LAW WIFE OF ALVIN KARPIS WERE SENTENCED TO TWO YEARS EACH IN PRISON TODAY ON CHARGES OF HARBORING KARPIS AND MEMBERS OF HIS GANG. THOSE CONVICTED WERE: JOSEPH WAKELIN, FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE; HERBERT AMES, FORMER CHIEF OF DETECTIVES; FORMER LIEUT. CECIL BRON, AND MRS. GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK.--FOUR PERSONS CONVICTED AND SENTENCED TO TWO YEARS EACH IN PRISON ON CHARGES OF HARBORING KIDNAPER ALVIN KARPIS AT HOT SPRINGS WERE TO APPEAR IN FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT TODAY TO ASK PERMISSION TO BAIL PENDING AN APPEAL TO A CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS.

THE CONVICTED DEFENDANTS WERE JOSEPH WAKELIN, FORMER POLICE CHIEF AT HOT SPRINGS; FORMER CHIEF OF DETECTIVES HERBERT AKERS, FORMER DETECTIVE LIEUT. CECIL BRICK, AND MRS. GRACE GOLDSTEIN. JUDGE THOMAS C. TRIMBLE DENIED THEM A NEW TRIAL.

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- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

### A CITY ON TRIAL

IN THE trial of six people charged with harboring the KARPIS gang in 1935, the city of Hot Springs is unavoidably on trial. The charge is that two police officers, now defendants, and other officials aided the gang, and that the civic set-up was such as to protect them from government agents. KARPIS and lieutenants and their inevitable women lived about Hot Springs for months and trips were made from there to Minnesota and Ohio for bandit jobs.

A community, in the long run, reaps what it sows. The LUCIANO case centered in that same town of Hot Springs, having many of the features marking this harboring case. The activity of the federal government in breaking up the refuges of gangsters has resulted in great good. Making it hard for gangsters to find safe, protected retreats is a big step forward.

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## COURT SPEEDS UP KARPIS AIDE TRIAL

Session Opened Half Hour Earlier  
to Rush Case of Four to Jury  
in Little Rock.

By the Associated Press.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 28.—Defense testimony neared conclusion today in the Federal District Court trial of four Hot Springs, Ark., residents on charges of conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis, former public enemy, while he was being sought in 1935-6 for the kidnaping of Edward Bremer at St. Paul, Minn.

Judge T. C. Trimble ordered sessions opened at 9 a.m., 30 minutes earlier than usual, to speed the presentation of evidence from a dwindling list of defense witnesses.

Mrs. Grace Goldstein, 32, common-law wife of the gangster and one of the defendants, occupied the witness chair all day yesterday testifying in her own behalf and for her co-defendants—former Police Chief Joe Wakelin, former Chief of Detectives Herbert (Dutch) Akers and former Police Lt. Cecil Brock.

Three others jointly indicted with them—Mrs. Al C. Dyer, boat-landing operator; Morris Loftis, landing caretaker, and Airport Manager John Stover—won directed verdicts of acquittal Wednesday at the close of Government evidence.

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**4 JAILED IN KARPIS PLOT**  
**Hot Springs, Ark., Residents**  
**Get Maximum U. S. Term**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 29 (AP). —A Federal district court jury today convicted four Hot Springs residents of conspiring to harbor Alvin Karpis, the outlaw, in 1935 and 1936 and fixed their sentences at two years in the penitentiary, the maximum provided by law. The four are Grace Goldstein, Karpis's common law wife; former Chief of Police Joseph Wakelis, former Chief of Detectives Herbert (Dutch) Akers and former Police Lieutenant Cecil Brock. The jury deliberated the case slightly longer than two hours.

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

October 29, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. A. TAMM *if*

Re: BREKID

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SAC Andersen called from Little Rock and advised that, in connection with the developments of the trial at Hot Springs, Wakelin, Brock, Akers, and Grace Goldstein were convicted today for harboring and sentenced to each serve two years for the offense.

Respectfully,

*P. E. Foxworth*  
P. E. FOXWORTH

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BEREKID. DEFENSE RESTED CASE AT ~~THE~~ OPENING OF COURT TODAY AFTER  
 TESTIMONY OF GRACE GOLDSTEIN. THE DEFENSE OTHERWISE ONLY  
 PRESENTED TWO WITNESSES MRS. E. L. WHITE AND MISS ADA E.  
 SMITH TO IMPEACH GOVERNMENT WITNESS VADA NYBERG. THEIR  
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*Alvin Karpis*

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BREKID. NEITHER AKERS, WAKELIN, BROCK OR GOLDSTEIN MADE MOTION TODAY FOR NEW TRIAL AND THERE IS INDICATION BY AKERS HE WILL NOT APPEAL AND THAT OTHER THREE WILL NOT APPEAL CONVICTION. ALL HAVE BEEN COMMITTED TO JAIL AND BOND DENIED. USA INDICATES TRIAL OF GRACE GOLDSTEIN FOR VIOLATION WSTA AND HERBERT AKERS FOR HARBORING FUGITIVE T N NORRIS WILL BE TRIED IN FEBRUARY NEXT.

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Little Rock, Arkansas,  
October 31, 1938.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of October 25, 1938, there is returned herewith to you the instructions of Judge JOYCE given at the trial of ARTHUR "DOC" BARKER, et al, also the instructions of Judge MORDBYE given at the trial of CASSIUS McDONALD, et al, and the copy of the charge of Judge MORDBYE given at the trial of CLAYTON E. FAY, et al, which were previously forwarded by you, inasmuch as they have served their purpose.

Yours very truly,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Inspector.

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RE: LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS  
IN ARKANSAS

Dear Sir:

Since assuming charge of the Little Rock Office I have come in contact with a number of peace officers throughout the district. Some of them, I know, are not strictly honest, while others have exhibited a rather "stand-offish" attitude toward the Bureau. Of course, in many instances I have met law enforcement officials in this district who are honest and enthusiastic in their desire to cooperate with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The recent trial of the three former police officials of Hot Springs has created much comment, and I believe it will help us in our contacts with police officials in the Little Rock district. In this connection I feel that you will be pleased to know that I have received word from various sources indicating their pleasure that the trial terminated in convictions of the defendants. Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY and the Agents who worked on the case have been highly praised.

About the middle of this month, as the Bureau has been advised, I contemplate assisting the State Police with a school for a period of a week, which ought to afford me an opportunity to become personally acquainted with many additional officers of the State. It is felt that such a contact will be valuable in fostering better relations in this district than exists at the present time.

*Little Rock*

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November 1, 1938.

As the Bureau knows, Hot Springs has always been a bad spot insofar as law enforcement is concerned, and it is my understanding that El Dorado and Texarkana do not have the law enforcement setup that is desirable.

As soon as the number one man arrives in this office I shall attempt to make arrangements to contact a majority of the peace officers in the state personally with the view of establishing closer relationship between all law enforcement agencies and our organization.

The Bureau will be kept advised of developments.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-5-38</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-10-31-38</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>D. P. SULLIVAN fw</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 - HARBORING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Defendants in this case went on trial in United States District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas, on October 18, 1938; charge, conspiracy to harbor. Bond of GRACE GOLDSTEIN revoked and she was remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal for intimidation of witnesses during the course of the trial on October 23, 1938. On October 26, 1938, upon conclusion of Government's case, Judge THOMAS C. TRIMBLE directed verdicts of not guilty for Mrs. AL C. DYER, MORRIS LOFTIS, and JOHN STOVER. Verdicts of guilty returned against JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, and GRACE GOLDSTEIN on October 29, 1938. Each of defendants sentenced on same date to two years in United States Penitentiary. Bond denied and defendants remanded to Pulaski County Jail. Parole reports and disposition sheets submitted.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent HAYNE A. THOMPSON, Little Rock, Arkansas, 10-22-38.

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DETAILS:

On October 14, 1938, attorneys for JOSEPH WAKELIN filed a petition in United States District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas, requesting a continuance of the trial of WAKELIN set for October 17, 1938, for a period of five or six months on the grounds that his physical condition was such that he could not stand trial at this time. Along with this petition was filed an affidavit of the result of the physical examination by Dr. FOSTER JANELL and Dr. GEORGE D. FLETCHER, which indicated that WAKELIN was in such poor physical condition that he could not stand trial.

The United States Attorney arranged for an examination of JOE WAKELIN on that date by unprejudiced physicians who reported that WAKELIN was in good physical condition and could stand trial at this time. The hearing on this petition was had in United States District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas, on October 17, 1938, and Judge THOMAS C. TRIMBLE held that WAKELIN would stand trial at this time.

A petit jury was selected on October 18, 1938, and defendants WAKELIN, AKERS, BROCK, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, MORRIS LOFTIS, Mrs. AL C. DYER, and JOHN STOVER went on trial on the same date.

Upon the termination of the Government's case on October 26, 1938, the United States District Judge, THOMAS C. TRIMBLE, directed the jury to return verdicts of not guilty to Mrs. AL C. DYER, MORRIS LOFTIS, and JOHN STOVER, on the ground that there was not sufficient corroborating evidence apart from their admissions of guilt to sustain a conviction in this case. Motions for directed verdicts on behalf of the other defendants were denied by Judge TRIMBLE at this time. The Government called seventy-eight witnesses to testify in this case.

The trial in this case was completed on October 29, 1938, and on the same date the jury, after little deliberation, returned verdicts of guilty against JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, and GRACE

GOLDSTEIN. Judge TRIMBLE immediately sentenced each of these defendants to serve two years in a United States Penitentiary. The attorneys for the defendants indicated that they would possibly file motions for a new trial and would appeal the convictions in this case. However, subsequent information reveals that the defendants do not intend to appeal.

(During this trial WALTER BAXTER was seen frequently in the company of GRACE GOLDSTEIN. This man admitted that he had been living at the Hatterie Hotel and he has all the appearances of a pimp and it is possible that this man may operate GRACE'S house of prostitution in her absence.)

During the course of this trial GRACE GOLDSTEIN was seen talking to various witnesses who had been subpoenaed by the Government to testify in this case, and on October 20, 1938, while the writer was standing in the corridor outside of the court room in the Federal Building, casually speaking to Mr. ELMER WHEATLEY, who operates the Hatterie Hat Shop in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and who had been subpoenaed by the Government to testify, GRACE GOLDSTEIN broke into the conversation and with provocation began telling WHEATLEY in a half jeering and half pugnacious tone, emphasized by jabbing her finger at WHEATLEY'S chest, that he had never seen KARPIS purchase any hats at the Hatterie Hat Shop as she was the woman who had purchased hats for KARPIS. This action on the part of GRACE GOLDSTEIN was done by her for the purpose of intimidating WHEATLEY.

JEWELL GRETA GILSTRAP, CERTRUDE THERESA NICHOLS, and DELLA MAE JEFFERIES, former prostitutes employed by GRACE GOLDSTEIN, who also were under subpoena as Government witnesses had received numerous telephone calls and had been threatened on several occasions during this trial by GRACE GOLDSTEIN who attempted to have them change their testimony. These witnesses became afraid that some harm might come to them as a result of the action of GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

On October 22, 1938, while the trial was still going on, a hearing was had in the chambers of Judge THOMAS C. TRIMBLE, and the above information was provided as to the activities of GRACE GOLDSTEIN in connection with her attempted intimidation of Government witnesses. Judge TRIMBLE at that time immediately revoked the bond of GRACE GOLDSTEIN and remanded her to the custody of the United States Marshal for the remainder of the trial.

One of the most effective witnesses for the Government in this case was Mrs. SIRFEAN JOSEPH ARMENIA, 125 Palm Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas. Information was received that on the night of October 19, 1938, a day after the trial began, and while Mrs. ARMENIA was absent from Hot Springs, Arkansas, some Hot Springs police officer had come to her rooming house at 125 Palm Street, Hot Springs, and had arrested two of her roomers, this being done for the purpose of intimidating Mrs. ARMENIA who was to testify on the following day. At the direction of Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY, Special Agent HAYNE A. THOMPSON, was instructed to proceed to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and make a general inquiry to ascertain the details of the offense for which the two girls were arrested in order that the Bureau may be advised of any efforts such as these being made by the Hot Springs Police Department to intimidate witnesses in this case.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent HAYNE A. THOMPSON:

Upon the suggestion of Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY, reporting agent proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the purpose of ascertaining the facts and details pertaining to the arrest of two girls in the home of Mrs. SIRFEAN JOSEPH ARMENIA, which information had been brought out in the cross examination of Mrs. ARMENIA in the harboring case then in progress at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Police Officer GARNETT MOORE of the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department informed Agent that he had conducted an investigation in an effort to ascertain the identity of an unknown girl who had "rolled" a man for \$170.00 in the Great Northern Hotel on the night of October 17, 1938. Officer MOORE stated that he had ascertained from the description furnished by the victim, one JOE SMITH, that the girl answered the description of one of two girls who had been walking the streets of Hot Springs for some time. It was ascertained that these girls lived at 125 Palm Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and upon instructions from Chief of Police RASBERRY, he, Officer MOORE, had arrested FAYE DUNN, age nineteen, on October 18, 1938, and had taken her to the City Jail; that some time later on the same day DORTHA DUNN, age eighteen, came to the Police Station and gave herself up inasmuch as he had left word at the house that he wanted to see her. Officer MOORE stated that the victim, JOE SMITH, was unable to identify either FAYE DUNN or DORTHA DUNN, consequently, the girls had been charged with loitering and on October 19, 1938, the Justice of the Peace dismissed these charges against these girls at which time they were released. Officer MOORE stated that he understood that FAYE DUNN and DORTHA DUNN were prostitutes, however, he was unable to definitely establish this statement; further that he did not know whether or not the home of Mrs. ARMENIA at 125 Palm Street was a house of prostitution. (A)

Chief of Police WELDON RASBERRY upon interview supplied substantially the same information as supplied by Officer MOORE. In addition, Chief RASBERRY

stated that JOE SMITH is the owner of the New Dayton Hotel located on Market Street; that he was apparently staying at the Great Northern Hotel for the purpose of having a good time and had been "rolled" for \$170.00. Chief RASBERRY stated that this is the first time that FAYE DUNN or DORTHA DUNN had been arrested; further that to the best of his knowledge Mrs. ARMENIA is not running a house of prostitution.

On October 21, 1938, while at the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department on other official business, Chief of Police WELDON RASBERRY and Chief of Detectives JERRY WATKINS inquired whether or not Agent was acquainted with a NYBERG woman, who resides in Room 507, Marquette Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas. These officers informed that it was their understanding that Mrs. NYBERG is a witness for the Government in the present harboring case being tried at Little Rock, Arkansas, however, this information was unverified at the present time; further that Mrs. NYBERG was holding herself out as a Government Agent for the United States Department of Justice. The officers furnished information that Mrs. NYBERG is supposed to be a "shake down artist", and in all probability a professional prostitute. Chief of Detectives WATKINS stated that Mrs. NYBERG called up Arkansas State Patrol Officer BILL ARMSTRONG at Hot Springs on one occasion and informed him that there were two G-Men and Chief of Detectives WATKINS in her room at that time and that they were going to come out and get ARMSTRONG. WATKINS stated that ARMSTRONG had asked him about this statement and inasmuch as he had never been in the NYBERG woman's room, he immediately contacted her and inquired as to why she made this remark; that the NYBERG woman stated that she had never made a statement that WATKINS was in the room but at the time she made the call, two G-Men were in her room and she could produce these G-Men if necessary.

On another occasion Officer ARMSTRONG had talked to reporting agent and had informed that on one occasion he was in Blytheville, Arkansas, and this NYBERG woman had called him by long distance telephone and told him that she understood ARMSTRONG to have made remarks

that he was going to kill her or disfigure her for life but that there were two G-Men who were going to get ARMSTRONG before the night was over. Officer ARMSTRONG also reported that two or three officers from the Texas Highway Patrol had visited Hot Springs and had gone on a party, a member of which party was Mrs. NYBERG; that Mrs. NYBERG had fallen down on the dance floor, broken her leg, and that the Texas officers had taken her to the hospital, after which they returned to their home in Texas; that some time thereafter one of the Texas officers had received a letter from an attorney informing that Mrs. NYBERG expected an immediate settlement for the loss suffered by this broken leg. Officer ARMSTRONG informed that Mrs. NYBERG had asked him to inform her in the event the Texas officers appeared in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Inasmuch as Mrs. NYBERG is a Government witness, no further investigation was conducted by reporting agent.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents HAYNE A. THOMPSON and L. R. WEBER:

On October 24, 1938, Agents WEBER and THOMPSON were having dinner at the Mayflower Grill, which is operated by JIM POLIS, Hot Springs, Arkansas. POLIS informed that C. FLOYD HUFF, 107 South Street, former United States Commissioner, had expressed a desire to see an Agent when next an Agent was in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. HUFF was interviewed at his home at 107 South Street, Hot Springs, at approximately 9:30 P. M., October 24, 1938, at which time Mr. HUFF stated that from "sidewalk information" he understood that there was one bad juror on the petit jury which was hearing the harboring case then in progress in Little Rock, Arkansas, namely, the juror from Thornberg, Perry County, Arkansas. Mr. HUFF stated that he did not know the man's name but knew he was from Thornberg, Arkansas. When the name of CHARLES A. EZELL was furnished, Mr. HUFF stated that his memory having been refreshed he was sure that CHARLES A. EZELL was a juror who was supposed to be favorable toward the defense. Mr. HUFF stated that he understood that EZELL had been up for murder; also that his store had been

robbed or burglarized, and that former Chief of Detectives AKERS and Detective BROCK had conducted the investigation pertaining to this robbery or burglary for EZELL. HUFF stated that although THORNBERG was over twenty-five miles from Hot Springs, Arkansas, it was quite possible that AKERS and BROCK had conducted this investigation, inasmuch as they had gone all over the State in making investigations and did not confine themselves to the City of Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. HUFF was unable to supply any additional information as to EZELL nor was he able to state who had supplied him with this information stating he had merely heard it from various individuals and described same as coming from "sidewalk conversation".

On October 25, 1938, Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN received the following letter from ROY ARMENIA, a witness in instant case:

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

"If I am not called back to Little Rock this week I would like to see you if you should happen to come to Hot Springs.

"The officers have been running to our house to beat the bond. One officer set up all night and watched the house - one came and talked to my Mother, asking her what she knew and told her if she went back to Little Rock to keep her mouth shut.

"I was also told by a reliable source to watch a certain party who was going to put me on the spot. This does not scare me because I will never turn my back to him.

/s/ Roy Armenia"

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents HAYNE A. THOMPSON and L. R. WEBER:

On October 25, 1938, Special Agents HAYNE A. THOMPSON and L. R. WEBER proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and contacted ROY ARMENIA at the Burch Motor Company, 500 Ouachita Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas. ROY ARMENIA stated that the purpose of writing the above mentioned letter was to advise the Agents of what was going on in Hot Springs, and to provide suitable protection for his sister and mother. With regard to the alleged threat against his life, ROY ARMENIA stated that he had an uncle by marriage named WILL LOWE who was a deputy sheriff, Garland County, Arkansas; that LOWE had informed him that he should be careful inasmuch as BUDDY WAKELIN was threatening to kill him. ARMENIA stated that to the best of his recollection LOWE gave him this information on Saturday, October 22, 1938. ROY ARMENIA stated that he did not particularly fear BUDDY WAKELIN but that he was apprehensive of the danger which might involve his mother or sister. ROY ARMENIA informed that the officers from the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department had been bothering his mother, however, he was unable to give exact details and suggested an interview with her. ROY ARMENIA informed that he would promptly notify the Little Rock Field Office in the event he or any of his family were definitely threatened or any injury occurred to any of them.

Mrs. SIRFEAN JOSEPH ARMENIA informed that she had testified as a witness for the Government in the harboring case then pending in Little Rock, Arkansas; that she had returned to Hot Springs from Little Rock, on Friday afternoon, October 21, 1938; that she had gone to work, had attended the circus then playing Hot Springs, and had not arrived at her home until almost midnight Friday; that shortly after arriving home she had noticed a Hot Springs, Arkansas police car containing three men drive by her home. She was sure that this was a police car inasmuch as the police insignia was on the side of the car. She stated further that at least one or possibly two of the men wore Hot Springs police uniforms. These men searched around the house, flashed their flashlights, apparently looked underneath the house, and created a slight disturbance by their activities, however, none of

them entered the house nor none of them talked to her. Mrs. ARMENIA stated that this had frightened her very much and she had been unable to sleep all night. Mrs. ARMENIA stated that on Saturday night, October 22, 1938, at approximately 10:00 P. M., just as she was ready to retire, a knock came to the door and she went to the door and inquired who it was and a man replied it was someone who wanted to talk to her. Mrs. ARMENIA advised she slipped on a bathrobe and went out on the porch and asked the man who he was. He replied he was from the city and showed her a police badge of the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department. The man asked her to sit on the swing with him, however, she refused. The man started a conversation by asking if she had any rooms to rent and she replied she did rent rooms but since all this trouble had come up she had decided to quit renting rooms; however, she stated she informed this man that inasmuch as he was an officer of the police department and since the police department had been bothering her and making false accusations as to her character and activities, intimating she was either using or selling dope, she would rent him a room so that he could have access to the house and definitely ascertain that these remarks were false and report to the police department. She stated that she informed this man that she understood her life was being threatened by the police officers and this man replied in a friendly tone of voice that she was wrong. She asked this man his name and he replied LITTLE. This man asked her about the GOLDSTEIN place, whether it was close to her home, and she replied yes. He asked what she knew about the place and she replied nothing. He asked what she knew about the "law", and she replied "not a thing". The man asked her then if she had read the evening paper and when she said she had not, he said she should get one and read it. He asked if she knew anything more on the city and she replied that she didn't. He asked whether or not she was going to return to Little Rock to testify in the harboring case and she replied that to the best of her knowledge she was not, and the man replied "as a friend not to know anything if they call you back to Little Rock". Mrs. ARMENIA stated that this was the only

intimation of a threat during the entire conversation which lasted from fifteen minutes to thirty minutes. She stated that the man had been very friendly, not boisterous in his language or actions, and did not threaten her in any way; that the statement, she should not know anything if she was called back to Little Rock had frightened her and she had been worried about same ever since. She stated that her daughter, EDITH, age sixteen, had heard the conversation.

EDITH ARMENIA was interviewed at which time she stated practically the same story as given by her mother. She also stated that there was a girl in the high school by the name of TITTLE, probably BILLIE, who was in the tenth or eleventh grade. In this connection Mrs. ARMENIA stated that the man had stated he was on the police department at the present time but that he was going to Little Rock to get on the police department there, and that he had two daughters in the local schools at Hot Springs.

Mrs. ARMENIA described TITTLE as follows:

Age	45
Height	5'7" or 5'8"
Weight	175
Hair	Blond
Complexion	Light
Dress	Was wearing a light hat and suit, police badge pinned on his vest.

Mrs. ARMENIA stated that she had been in great fear since her return to Hot Springs, Arkansas; that her fear was not because of what might happen to herself but of what might happen to her son and daughter. It was quite apparent during the conversation that there was actual fear on the part of Mrs. ARMENIA inasmuch as her eyes intimated that she was in real terror of what might happen as the result of her testifying for the Government.

For the protection of certain witnesses whose testimony was rather effective in obtaining the convictions against defendants in this case, United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG authorized the issuance of subpoenas for these persons for the February, 1939, Term of Court, in order that these persons could be protected in the event any harm comes to them as a result of the testimony which they gave in this case. Subpoenas thereafter were issued for the following persons:

MRS. SIRFEAN, JOSEPH ARMENIA  
MRS. JENNIE LOWE  
FRANK EARL SPENCER  
O. P. MUSE.

Parole reports and disposition sheets are being submitted to the Bureau.

There being no further investigation to be conducted in this case in the Little Rock Field Division this case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin.

ENCLOSURES: TO THE BUREAU:

Parole reports and disposition sheets.

TO CINCINNATI: Parole Reports.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN

500 Rector Building,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
November 1, 1938.

Mr. Milton Nobles,  
Secretary of Rotary Club,  
Hot Springs, Arkansas.

RE: RESEARCH

Dear Mr. Nobles:

I want to thank you for your telegram of October 29 and your letter of October 30, 1938, complimenting this Bureau on the successful outcome of the trial of the former police officers of Hot Springs, who were recently convicted of harboring ALVIN KARPIS.

Due to prior engagements it will not be possible for me to speak before your club at its luncheon on November 2, 1938. However, in the event you have an opening the following week it will be a pleasure for me to visit your organization and make an address on the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Sincerely,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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NAME OF CONVICT: <b>JEWELL LeVERNE GRAYSON, with aliases: Grace Goldstein, Mrs. Ed Woods, Helen Woods.</b>		TITLE OF CASE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. # 1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING - HARBORING.</b>	

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#### AGGRAVATING AND MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

During June, 1935, GRACE GOLDSTEIN was operating a house of prostitution at 123 Palm Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas. This woman was the paramour of former Chief of Police JOE WAKELIN. She and WAKELIN, former Chief of Detectives AKERS, and former Lieutenant of Police BROCK, conspired together to harbor ALVIN KARPIS. KARPIS spent most of his time in the company of GRACE GOLDSTEIN and continuously resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas, with GRACE GOLDSTEIN in various places of residence until March 26, 1936. During this time GRACE GOLDSTEIN was the constant companion of ALVIN KARPIS. She knew his true identity but refused to provide any information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to the whereabouts of KARPIS who was at that time the most badly wanted criminal and generally

considered as "Public Enemy # 1". This woman allegedly conspired with former Chief of Police WAKELIN, former Chief of Detectives AKERS, and former Lieutenant CECIL BROCK, and was instrumental in arranging for ALVIN KARPIS that he should receive police protection during the time he resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas. This woman admitted that she rented various place of residence for ALVIN KARPIS and she was acquainted with the fact that during the time KARPIS resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas, that he was engaged in various criminal enterprises. She arranged for a hideout for KARPIS where he might come immediately after KARPIS and FRED HUNTER robbed a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, November 7, 1935, at which robbery KARPIS and HUNTER obtained \$34,000.

Since the apprehension of ALVIN KARPIS there is some indication that GRACE GOLDSTEIN obtained some \$10,000 worth of bonds from ALVIN KARPIS which were a part of the loot obtained in the GARRETTSVILLE, OHIO mail robbery. This woman has consistently refused to advise the location of these bonds. Since the apprehension of ALVIN KARPIS she has refused to provide any information concerning JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, and CECIL BROCK as to their knowledge and activities in harboring ALVIN KARPIS during the time that KARPIS resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

This woman has operated a house of prostitution since she was seventeen years of age. She first operated in New Orleans, Louisiana, where she married one PAUL GAZEN. She moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, about the year 1930 and has since that time operated houses of prostitution in various places in Hot Springs.

This woman is a vicious type of criminal who has no fear of the law or of any punishment which she might receive. During the fall of 1935, she persuaded and induced her own niece, MARGARET THOMPSON, to leave her home in Blossom, Texas, and GRACE GOLDSTEIN thereafter transported this girl to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where she persuaded and induced this girl to engage in

*Another violation*

prostitution in a house of prostitution then operated by GRACE GOLDSTEIN. This woman brags about the fact *certains* that she is closely connected with the Hot Springs Police Department and has stated that she would be advised of any investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or any other outside law enforcement agency which might be made about her, stating she would obtain this information from the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department.

During her trial in United States District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas, which began on October 18, 1938, GRACE GOLDSTEIN attempted to intimidate the various witnesses who had been subpoenaed to testify in behalf of the Government. As a result of this intimidation United States District Judge THOMAS C. TRIMBLE revoked the bond of GRACE GOLDSTEIN for the remainder of her trial and she was placed in the custody of the United States Marshal. *Inf*

This woman is proud of her association with outstanding criminals and gloats over any newspaper publicity which connects her with ALVIN KARPIS. *Inf*

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

GRACE GOLDSTEIN was born in Texas and was raised in the vicinity of Blossom, Texas. She is an American citizen and is approximately thirty-two years of age. She has been previously married but is now divorced. She is not known to have had any children. For several years she has operated a house of prostitution at Hot Springs, Arkansas, where she makes her home. This woman has a mother who resides in Blossom, Texas, and she has three sisters and three brothers, all of whom reside on farms in the vicinity of Blossom, Texas. All of the relatives of GRACE GOLDSTEIN are poor and have a difficult time to make a living. The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fail to reflect any criminal record for GRACE GOLDSTEIN. This woman has admitted however, that she has been arrested on numerous occasions at New Orleans, Louisiana, for various offenses connected with her engaging in prostitution in that city. She apparently was not fingerprinted on the occasion of these arrests. *Engage*

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7-576-494

November 23, 1938

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Special Agent in Charge  
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the parole report submitted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, November 3, 1938, relative to convict Jewell LaVerne Grayson, who is better known as Grace Goldstein.

Particular attention is invited to page three of this report, setting forth information relative to the fact this woman is a vicious type of criminal who has no fear of the law or any punishment which she might receive.

In the absence of a criminal record for this individual, it is believed that this statement should be omitted in the corrected parole report, three copies of which should be submitted to the Bureau. It is believed that the name of the former husband of Grace Goldstein, Paul Casen, and the fact that Alvin Karpis was Public Enemy #1, as well as other conclusions, should be omitted. This parole report should be submitted to the Bureau without delay.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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#### AGGRAVATING AND MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

JOSEPH WAKELIN as Chief of Police of the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department must be considered as the person most directly responsible for this national unsavory reputation of Hot Springs as a place where criminals could be free from discovery and arrest. After ALVIN KARPIS arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, he apparently contacted Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN; Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS; and Lieutenant of Police CECIL BROCK, and arranged for protection from arrest by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He thereafter remained in Hot Springs, Arkansas, until March 26, 1936. During that time JOSEPH WAKELIN was intimate with and the constant companion of GRACE GOLDSTEIN, operator of a house of prostitution in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The GOLDSTEIN woman also became the constant associate and paramour of ALVIN KARPIS. Through the illicit association of GRACE GOLDSTEIN with JOSEPH WAKELIN, KARPIS was able to evade arrest for a period of nine months, although he was at that time the most badly wanted criminal in the United States and carried the title in practically every newspaper in the United States as "Public Enemy # 1".

During the various investigations conducted in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in the past ten years, frequent mention has been made of the fact that JOSEPH WAKELIN and Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS, have been involved in the operations of a car theft gang who have made it a practice to use Hot Springs as their headquarters of operation. During the time that JOE WAKELIN was Chief of Police at Hot Springs, Hot Springs obtained a national reputation as a meeting place for nationally confidence men, gangsters, racketeers, and badly wanted criminals. It was generally known that Hot Springs was a safe place for a confidence man to swindle prospective victims if the proper contact was had with the Hot Springs Police Department. Undoubtedly, such a contact with the Hot Springs Police Department would have to be arranged through JOE WAKELIN, or his partner, Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS.

Throughout the investigation of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in connection with the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS at Hot Springs, Arkansas, JOE WAKELIN failed to provide any information in connection with the harboring of this man. During the time that KARPIS was in Hot Springs, Chief of Police WAKELIN was contacted on various occasions but failed to provide any information concerning KARPIS' whereabouts although evidence developed by the investigation reflected that WAKELIN knew that KARPIS was living in Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the years 1935 and 1936.

As a result of the conspiracy of Chief of Police WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, and GRACE GOLDSTEIN,

the Government was forced to expend several thousand dollars in various investigations looking for the apprehension of ALVIN KARPIS in other sections of the United States. Shortly before KARPIS was apprehended and thereafter, JOSEPH WAKELIN was interviewed by Bureau Agents but he denied having any information concerning the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and the Government was forced to place him on trial and bear the expense of a long trial to obtain his conviction.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

JOSEPH WAKELIN was born at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on May 21, 1876, where he attended school, completing the seventh or eighth grade. He is an American citizen, married, and has one son, JOSEPH RAYMOND WAKELIN, age about thirty years; his wife is still living. He has stated that he has been engaged in law enforcement work practically all his adult life with experience in private detective work in Hot Springs, Arkansas, as well as being connected with the Sheriff's Office and the Police Department. He was appointed Chief of Police, Hot Springs, Arkansas, in April, 1927, and that he held this job continuously until January 1, 1937.

As a result of the investigation conducted in connection with the killing of one JOHN DICKSON by Hot Springs police officers while DICKSON was incarcerated in the Hot Springs City Jail, on December 24, 1938, WAKELIN was not connected with the police department from January 1, 1937, until May or June, 1937, when he again returned as Chief of Police and served until April, 1938, when he was released from that position. This man has his own home in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fail to reflect any previous criminal record for JOSEPH WAKELIN.

JEL:VTM  
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November 22, 1938

7-576-3-415  
Special Agent in Charge  
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the parole report submitted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, November 3, 1938, relative to convict Joseph Wakelin.

Particular attention is invited to paragraph two on page four, which reads as follows: "As a result of the investigation conducted in connection with the killing of one John Dickson by Hot Springs police officers while Dickson was incarcerated in the Hot Springs City Jail, on December 24, 1938, Wakelin was not connected with the Police Department from January 1, 1937 until May or June, 1937, when he again returned as Chief of Police".

The Bureau believes that we should avoid making the statement that "As a result of the investigation conducted in connection with the killing of one John Dickson by Hot Springs police officers", inasmuch as no one has been convicted in connection with the killing of this individual. However, the Bureau has no objection to this statement being included in the parole report if it can be predicated upon any public records. Of course, the complete disposition of this case should be set forth in the parole report, and obviously we should avoid making the statement that this information is predicated as a result of our investigative effort. It is likewise believed the other conclusions which are set forth in this report should be omitted, and any facts which are set forth in order to apprise the appropriate authorities of the type individual this convict is should be a factual revelation of the investigation developed as to him.

Your office should submit three copies of the corrected parole report to the Bureau without delay.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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HERBERT AKERS who was the Chief of Detectives at Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the years 1935 and 1936, and from some years prior to that time, was apparently contacted by ALVIN KARPIS during the early part of June, 1936, or upon his arrival in Hot Springs, and KARPIS thereafter remained in Hot Springs, Arkansas, until March 26, 1936. During this period of time KARPIS made various trips outside of the state and on November 7, 1935, KARPIS and his constant associate, FRED HUNTER, with other men robbed a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, obtaining \$34,000 in loot. Immediately after the mail train robbery, KARPIS proceeded by airplane with his companion, FRED HUNTER, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he remained unmolested until he left there on March 26, 1936.

Throughout this period of time the Federal Bureau of Investigation was conducting investigations throughout the United States in an effort to ascertain the whereabouts of KARPIS who was at that time the most badly wanted criminal in the United States and generally bore the reputation of being "Public Enemy # 1".

Through the contact which KARPIS developed with Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN, Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS, and Lieutenant of Police CECIL BROCK whereby he was guaranteed protection and assurance from arrest as long as he remained in Hot Springs, Arkansas, the Federal Bureau of Investigation was unable to learn of KARPIS' whereabouts, and the Hot Springs Police Department, particularly HERBERT AKERS, willfully misled Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to the whereabouts of KARPIS although AKERS and the other Hot Springs officers above mentioned knew at all times that KARPIS was living in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and was associating with GRACE GOLDSTEIN, operator of a house of prostitution in that city. GRACE GOLDSTEIN throughout that period was the paramour of JOE WAKELIN the Hot Springs Chief of Police.

Shortly before the arrest of ALVIN KARPIS in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, and after KARPIS was arrested, HERBERT AKERS was interviewed at various times by Bureau Agents but he refused to provide any information concerning the whereabouts of KARPIS. AKERS also was interviewed in connection with the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS but he refused to provide any information as to the activities of HARBORING KARPIS or as to the activities of JOSEPH WAKELIN and CECIL BROCK in harboring this badly wanted fugitive.

During the past ten years Hot Springs, Arkansas, has obtained a national reputation as a place where gangsters, racketeers, and badly wanted criminals could stay if police protection was bought from the Hot Springs Police Department. Hot Springs during that period of time has become generally known as a meeting

place for confidence men. HERBERT AKERS as the Chief of Detectives in Hot Springs, Arkansas, has become nationally known to outstanding criminals as a police officer who could be bought and as one who would be entirely willing to harbor and protect any criminal upon the payment of money. Nationally known confidence men speak of HERBERT AKERS as a man through whom protection can be arranged and HERBERT AKERS himself admits he knows hundreds of outstanding confidence men. He has admitted that he has protected various criminals in the past; that he has accepted a percentage of the money obtained by confidence men from victims through the operation of confidence games in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

During the various investigations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it has been learned that former Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS and former Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN were engaged in the wholesale stealing and subsequent disposal of automobiles with various criminals. In addition, AKERS has admitted a practice to deal in various items of stolen property which allegedly came into his possession either in the way of bribes or through illegal confiscation of the property of criminals who may reside in Hot Springs, Arkansas. HERBERT AKERS is considered as one of the most notoriously dishonest law enforcement officer in the United States.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

HERBERT AKERS is married. It has been reported that he has an illegitimate son named HERBERT AKERS, JR., age about fifteen years. AKERS has resided with his wife up until the time of his conviction. This man bears a very unsavory reputation both in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and throughout the United States.

The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fail to reflect any previous criminal record for AKERS.

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November 28, 1938

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Special Agent in Charge  
Little Rock, Arkansas

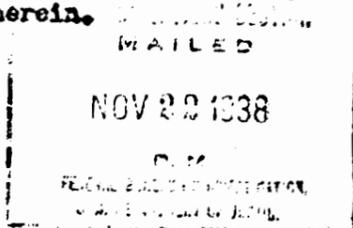
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P. MORAN, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O.  
1232; et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim;  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the parole report submitted by  
Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas,  
November 3, 1938, pertaining to Convict Herbert Akers.

Your attention is particularly invited to page four  
of this parole report wherein the personal history of Herbert  
Akers is set forth. The Bureau believes the personal history  
of Herbert Akers is altogether inadequate and should be more  
fully set forth. In this connection, the age of the convict  
as well as the citizenship of the convict is omitted and should  
be set forth as is required in accordance with existing Bureau  
instructions. It is likewise believed if this report would set  
forth the factual picture rather than the numerous conclusions  
that are indicated therein, it would give a better picture of  
the convict to the appropriate authorities.

It is noted in reference parole report, "Herbert Akers  
is considered as one of the most notoriously dishonest law  
enforcement officers in the United States." The facts as set  
forth in this report do not substantiate this conclusion. It  
is further believed a statement such as the following should be  
omitted, "During the past ten years, Hot Springs, Arkansas, has  
obtained a national reputation as a place where gangsters, rackets-  
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Special Agent in Charge  
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the parole report prepared by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, November 3, 1938, relative to convict Cecil G. Brock.

This report makes reference to the killing of John Dickson by police officers of the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department. The Bureau has no objection to the placing of this statement in the corrected parole report which should be prepared by your office, but it is believed that this statement should be predicated upon some public records, and the complete disposition of the case should be included in the parole report.

The corrected parole report, three copies of which should be submitted to the Bureau, should be a factual revelation of the developments of the investigation conducted as to this individual. The conclusions as set forth in this report should be omitted.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
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W. C. CROCK, during the past few years has been a Lieutenant in the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department, and was in charge of the Identification Bureau of the Department. In addition to taking care of the records of the Hot Springs Police Department, he also conducted investigations in regard to the various matters coming to the attention of the police Department.

Around the first of June, 1935, ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER came to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Information indicates that these men came to Hot Springs because they desired to find a place where they would remain unmolested by any law enforcement officers. These two men, had within a month previously, participated in the robbery of a mail truck at Warren, Ohio, on April 25, 1935, in which robbery they obtained \$72,000. ALVIN KARPIS at that time was nationally known as "Public Enemy #1", and FRED HUNTER was KARPIS' constant companion, until both were arrested at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936.

ALVIN KARPIS was indicted with various other persons by the United States Grand Jury at Saint Paul, Minnesota, on May 4, 1934, for conspiracy to kidnap and transport in interstate commerce for ransom, EDWARD GEORGE BREMER. By virtue of a warrant issued on the above indictment KARPIS was a fugitive from justice and wanted by the Federal Government. KARPIS and his associates fled from the State of Minnesota after the release of EDWARD GEORGE BREMER on February 7, 1935, upon payment of \$200,000 ransom. Various members of the gang fled to different parts of the United States.

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criminals were associated together in criminal activities from 1932 until the kidnaping of EDWARD GEORGE BREMER at Saint Paul, Minnesota, January 17, 1934. These men participated in numerous bank robberies in which police officers and citizens were killed and they were also responsible for the kidnaping of WILLIAM A. HAMM, JR. Saint Paul, Minnesota, June 15, 1933.

After the kidnaping of EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, members of the gang separated and fled to various sections of the country. Thereafter, members of the gang were either apprehended by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, or were killed while resisting arrest, or were killed by gangster associates.

On April 25, 1935, ALVIN KARPIS, FRED HUNTER, HARRY CAMPBELL, and another unknown person, robbed a mail truck at Warren, Ohio, obtaining \$72,000 in loot. Within the following month KARPIS and HUNTER proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the purpose of obtaining a place where they could "cool off". For many years prior to that time Hot Springs had obtained a national reputation as a place of refuge and retreat for badly wanted criminals who desired seclusion from arrest or discovery.

#### AGGRAVATING AND MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

HERBERT AKERS who was the Chief of Detectives at Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the years 1935 and 1936, and from some years prior to that time, was apparently contacted by ALVIN KARPIS during the early part of June, 1936, or upon his arrival in Hot Springs, and KARPIS thereafter remained in Hot Springs, Arkansas, until March 26, 1936. During this period of time KARPIS made various trips outside of the state and on November 7, 1935, KARPIS and his constant associate, FRED HUNTER, with other men robbed a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, obtaining \$34,000 in loot. Immediately after the mail train robbery, KARPIS proceeded by airplane with his companion, FRED HUNTER, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he remained unmolested until he left there on March 26, 1936.

Throughout this period of time the Federal Bureau of Investigation was conducting investigations throughout the United States in an effort to ascertain the whereabouts of KARPIS who was at that time the most badly wanted criminal in the United States and generally bore the reputation of being "Public Enemy # 1".

Through the contact which KARPIS developed with Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN, Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS, and Lieutenant of Police CECIL BROCK whereby he was guaranteed protection and assurance from arrest as long as he remained in Hot Springs, Arkansas, the Federal Bureau of Investigation was unable to learn of KARPIS' whereabouts, and the Hot Springs Police Department, particularly HERBERT AKERS, willfully misled Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to the whereabouts of KARPIS although AKERS and the other Hot Springs officers above mentioned knew at all times that KARPIS was living in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and was associating with GRACE GOLDSTEIN, operator of a house of prostitution in that city. GRACE GOLDSTEIN throughout that period was the paramour of JOE WAKELIN the Hot Springs Chief of Police.

Shortly before the arrest of ALVIN KARPIS in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, and after KARPIS was arrested, HERBERT AKERS was interviewed at various times by Bureau Agents but he refused to provide any information concerning the whereabouts of KARPIS. AKERS also was interviewed in connection with the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS but he refused to provide any information as to the activities of HARBORING KARPIS or as to the activities of JOSEPH WAKELIN and CECIL BROCK in harboring this badly wanted fugitive.

During the past ten years Hot Springs, Arkansas, has obtained a national reputation as a place where gangsters, racketeers, and badly wanted criminals could stay if police protection was bought from the Hot Springs Police Department. Hot Springs during that period of time has become generally known as a meeting

place for confidence men. HERBERT AKERS as the Chief of Detectives in Hot Springs, Arkansas, has become nationally known to outstanding criminals as a police officer who could be bought and as one who would be entirely willing to harbor and protect any criminal upon the payment of money. Nationally known confidence men speak of HERBERT AKERS as a man through whom protection can be arranged and HERBERT AKERS himself admits he knows hundreds of outstanding confidence men. He has admitted that he has protected various criminals in the past; that he has accepted a percentage of the money obtained by confidence men from victims through the operation of confidence games in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

During the various investigations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it has been learned that former Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS and former Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN were engaged in the wholesale stealing and subsequent disposal of automobiles with various criminals. In addition, AKERS has admitted a practice to deal in various items of stolen property which allegedly came into his possession either in the way of bribes or through illegal confiscation of the property of criminals who may reside in Hot Springs, Arkansas. HERBERT AKERS is considered as one of the most notoriously dishonest law enforcement officer in the United States.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

HERBERT AKERS is married. It has been reported that he has an illegitimate son named HERBERT AKERS, JR., age about fifteen years. AKERS has resided with his wife up until the time of his conviction. This man bears a very unsavory reputation both in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and throughout the United States.

The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fail to reflect any previous criminal record for AKERS.

Little Rock, Arkansas

November 4, 1938

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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

While conversing with  
Inspector NICHOLS of the Bureau by telephone  
on other matters yesterday, he informed me  
that the index maintained on the BREKID case  
in the Little Rock Office would be useful in  
the Research Division in connection with  
bringing the case up to date.

Therefore I am forwarding  
the index to the Bureau under separate cover,  
with the request that it be returned when it  
has served its purpose.

Very truly yours,

R. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

RE: BREKID

cc Cincinnati  
Inspector E. J. Connelley

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ROTARY CLUB

Hot Springs National Park

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Hot Springs, Ark. Nov. 3, 1938

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Many Hot Springs citizens are grateful for the F.B.I. and for the recent victory in the United States Federal court at Little Rock in the Karpis conspiracy case.

When the Little Rock and Hot Springs papers printed Mr. Visgrig statement about our telegram, Municipal Judge Ledgerwood of this city, brotherinlaw to Joe Wakelin, one of the convicted officers, called me on telephone and said he knew that the Rotary club did not send the message, that I had done it personally and unless I corrected the article he was going to do something about it.

At our Rotary lunch yesterday every member of our club who was present voted and thanked me for sending the message.

All of Arkansas had their eyes on the Karpis case because some of our Hot Springs officials have gotten out of several close places.

Wont you accept our invitation to be our speaker either on May 15 or 16. There are so many things you could tell us which would enable us to win in an effort to have honest officials. Our only hope here is that our U.S. government can find income tax violations or former Chief of Detective Akers will return here after serving his sentence and help us get rid of Mayor McLaughlin. Before Akers left here he told me that he had been with Wakelin when Karpis gave Wakelin money.

Communities in Arkansas would profit greatly by a good talk by you during our Rotary convention in May. Please come if at all possible.

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Gratefully yours,

Milton Nichols, Secretary

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No doubt Little Rock FBI sent you the newspaper clippings

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November 12, 1938

Mr. Milton Nobles  
Secretary  
Rotary Club  
Hot Springs, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Nobles:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 3, 1938, together with enclosures, and I did want to write you this personal letter expressing appreciation for your commendation of this Bureau's recent activity in the Karpis conspiracy case at Hot Springs.

With regard to the cordial invitation extended to me to address the Rotary Club District Conference at the Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs National Park, on either May 15 or 16, 1939, if it were at all possible to do so I would be only too glad to appear on your program. I have re-checked my commitments, however, and find it just impossible to indicate an acceptance.

May I assure you that I would be glad to designate a personal representative to appear on your program at the Rotary Convention next May.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director  
F. B. I.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-In last Sunday's papers of Little Rock, Ark., I notice with pride the fine work you and the F B I boys had done in cleaning up the Karpis gang and since all crime never does pay and the payd day sooner or later is to be met. Mr. Hoover we have a state department in this state that is deliberately licensing men to do business the state that are criminals of a little different type than Karpis, yet the licensed men are a smaller type criminal than the Karpis, yet do far more damaging business than the others.

I have had some very unsatisfactory dealings with one of the state departments and I have letters here in my possession that are worthy of looking into as a real racket is being operated and helped cover up by one of the state boards as well as some of the local officers. In this state there is no justice in the courts as it is the men with the most pull and money and often times the laws are not even considered nor reckoned with in the least bit. I was formerly an enforcement officer myself and until moving to this state in '35 had the very highest respect for law enforcement officers of the cities and county but three years and short ones at that has brought about a vast change in many, many ways.

I just wonder if you would like to have a complete state ment of my case against one state board or is politics to be taken into consideration before rendering justice, so far I have not received no justice and have been blocked on all efforts to get my case into court and at the suggestion of Copper's National Protective Service Assn., Topeka, Kys. and writing you this letter., in hopes that maybe after all justice can be obtained,

Respt.  
Harvey Norman,  
Route 4 % Box 32  
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November 15, 1938

Mr. Harvey Norman  
Route 4, Box 32  
Russellville, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Norman:

Upon my return to Washington, I received your letter of November 2, 1938, advising me of your interest in the recent convictions obtained in the conspiracy case at Little Rock, Arkansas, as a result of an investigation conducted by this Bureau. Your interest in the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is indeed appreciated.

It was thoughtful of you to advise me of the conditions existing in various departments of your State Government, but as there is no indication in your letter of a violation of a Federal Statute, this Bureau has no jurisdiction in the matters mentioned by you. It is suggested, however, that if you feel a Federal law has been violated you communicate with Mr. H. E. Andersen, Special Agent in Charge of this Bureau's Little Rock Field Division, 500 Rector Building, Little Rock, Arkansas, informing him of the alleged violation, and if a Federal Statute has been violated Mr. Andersen will designate an Agent from his office to interview you personally for detailed information.

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November 4, 1938

Honorable Gunnar H. Nordbye  
United States District Judge  
111 U. S. Court House  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I am returning, herewith, by registered mail, the original instructions given by you in the trial of CASSIUS M. DONALD, et al; also instructions in the trial of CLAYTON E. RAY for Harboring John Dillinger.

Please accept my thanks for loaning these instructions to us.

Very truly yours,

Robert C. Henden  
Special Agent in Charge

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404 New York Building  
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Honorable Matthew N. Joyce  
United States District Judge  
411 U. S. Court House  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I am returning, herewith, by registered mail, the original instructions to the jury given by you in the trial of ARTHUR "DOC" BARKER, et al.

Please accept my thanks for loaning these instructions to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Very truly yours,

Robert C. Hendon  
Special Agent in Charge

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