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# **EX-CHIEF URGES** BREMER KIDNAP POLICE INQUIRY

## Testifies for U.S. at Hamm **Abduction Trial.**

St. Paul, Minn., June 20.-[Special.] -An investigation of police activity cago seven years ago. in the \$200,000 Edward G. Bremer hidnaping was urged today by Judge Joyce upheld the govern-ment's contention that cross-examinad St. Paul.

Dahill made the suggestion after he testified as a government witness in the trial of Jack Peifer, St. Paul nigh club operator, for conspiracy in th William Hamm kidnaping. Dahill was placed on the stand to tell of Detective Thomas A. Brown's part in the Hamm abduction investigation.

Brown was accused last Friday by Byron Bolton, confessed member of the kidnap gang and the government's ace witness, of being the "tip-off" man for the kidnapers and of having received \$25,000 of the \$100,000 Hamm ransom.

## Tells Brown's Activities.

"I had my suspicions in the Bremer case before Attorney General Cummings made his remark," Dahill declared. "After I went to Washington my suspicions were strengthened." [He referred to Cummings' charge that the Twin Cities were "poison spots of crime."] Bremer, St. Paul banker, was held prisoner twenty-two

Dahill, now in the café business, was chief at the time of the Hamm abduction. He testified that he had sent Brown to investigate a report of suspicious characters at a St. Paul

ment. These men, our first line of even further decreases.

"The major part of the credit, or
course, belongs to the police depart are aghting crime. This should bring

Ransom Plan Changed.

Prior to Dahill's testimony Charles Tierney, inspector of detectives and in charge of the kidnap detail of which Brown was a member, told how he, W. W. Dunn, contact man, and Brown had gone to the Hamm brewery the night of the kidnaping to select a truck in which to deliver the ransom.

The plan was for Tierney to hide it the truck and fire on the kidnaper when they picked up the ransom. Bu he said, the next day Dunn was not fied by the kidnapers that they had hanged their plans and the money ras to be delivered in a coupe in-

Rulings by Judge M. M. Joyce upset plans of A. M. Cary, Peifer's chief attorney, to question Bolton about the St. Valentine's day massacre in Chi-

## Court Upholds Prosecutor.

tion of Bolton on the massacre and on his activities subsequent to the Hamm abduction was irrelevant and too remote

Waiting in the courtroom to corroborate parts of Bolton's testimony was Mrs. Gladys Sawyer, whose husband, Harry, now is in Alcatraz per entiary for the Bremer kidnaping. was Mrs. Sawyer who first broug Frown's name into the trial last we

with testimony, later ruled out by the court, that she had heard Peifer sty he had \$36,000 to split with Brown.

The government scored again when it prevailed upon the court to rein state that portion of Mrs. Sawyer's testimony in which she said she overheard Peifer tell her husband, while drunk in Sawyer's saloon: "Me and Tom Brown just cut \$36,000." This was stricken last week.

Another waiting to testify was Mrs. Georgette Winkler, widow of Gus Winkler, slain Capone lieutenant. Accompanied by a federal agent, she was brought into the courtroom t

7-576-A CHICAGO DAILY TRIBUNE



## O'Reilly's Dogs Again Break Into News in Shooting Here

One Found When Police Investigate Wounding of Man In Adams St. Apartment; Assailant Sought.

Sheriff James O'Reilly's dogs popped into the limelight again to day as police investigated the mysterious shooting of a man in specific control of the cont apartment above 1016 Adams st.

Detectives who took Peggy Snyder, occupant of the apartment, into custody as a material witness, were told by the woman that she had been given a valuable pit bull-dog by O'Reilly about two years ago.

She said that O'Reilly, as he was about to take office as sheriff, saw her old dog in the street and in-quired who was the owner. He appeared distressed, she said, about the dog's appearance.

A short time later, the sheriff

gave a female bulldog to a Detroit man. The man later wrote to her that she could have one of the

pupples and O'Reilly told her, she said, that she could have the pup.

The sheriff said he had known the woman's husband for a long time. He said that he gave a female dog to Fred Schroder, Details the said that he said that h troit, two years ago and that the woman's husband had been given one of the puppies, he understood. At that time O'Reilly was county detective.

It was while investigating the spectacular capture of Harry Campbell, chief lieutenant of the Barker-Karpis kidnap gang in a Monroe st enertment May 7, that the men discovered that Campbell the recipient of a Scottle from O'Reilly.

Two of the sheriff's dogs were found playing with Campbell's pet in a yard in the rear of the spartment by the G-men after the raid.
O'Reilly explained that he had sold
the dog to Campbell whom he knew

as Bob Miller, a contractor.

The G-men, it was learned recently, have information that members of the Karpis-Barker gang made the vicinity of the Adams st. apartment one of its hideouts.

Detectives said Miss Snyder told them about the bulldog while they were investigating the shooting of a man giving the name of Robert Roscoe, Toledo, who is in County hospital under police guard with a bullet hole in his leg while police search for another man who is be-lieved to have shot him shortly

after 8 a. m. in the apartment.
Police were summoned to the Ollie Hutchinson restaurant, below the apartment, when a man, wearing shorts, his body dripping blood, walked into a rear entrance, took a pair of overalls from a hook, said he had been stabbed, summoned a

taxicab and went to the hospital.

A trail of blood to an upstairs apartment was followed by detectives who took two young women there into custody. Neither girl would talk about the shooting.

Mr. Tolson. Mr. Baughman . Mr. Clegg ..... Mr. Edwards ... Mr. Egan ..... Mr. Forworth ..... Mr. Glavin . . Mr. Harbo Mr. Joseph

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# DAMAGE SUIT\_ FILED AGAINST JOE H. ADAMS

Joseph H. Adams, now under indictment in U. S. District court for harboring Alvin Karpis when the former No. 1 public enemy was in Miami in January, 1935, was named defendant in a \$10,000 damage suit filed in Federal court westerday.

damage suit filed in Federal court yesterday.

Adams, Miami dog track and hotel owner, is being sued for payment of a quantity of pari-mutuel tickets Adams bought from the Arcus Ticket Company, Inc., Chicago, in October, 1933. Adams, then operator of the Century Kennel club of Chicago, refused to pay for the tickets, the company states. Purchase price for the tickets, 4,000,000 quinella and 5,000,000 mutuel, was \$4,500.

The ticket company is represented by Henry K. Gibson and the firm of Williamson, Cain defaugher, all Miami attorneys.

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# Costello Admits Three Sons Have McGinty Jobs

Ness Orders Deputy Inspector to "Stay Away" From Eighth Precinct Until Bookie

Okerda Brobe Ends Deputy Inspector Timothy J. Costello admitted to Safety Director Eliot Ness today that his three sons worked for Tommy McGinty at the Bainbridge Race Track during vaca-tion for \$4 a day.

The inspector was questioned for the Eighth Precinct, in which the an hour by Director Ness concerning his knowledge of the operation tor's investigation is completed. Inof McGinty's bookmaking joint at W. 25th street and Lorain avenue which the director personally raided

resterday. After the conference, Director Ness announced he had instructed the inspector to "stay away" from

spector Costello is on vacation until Aug. 1.

He also called upon the inspector for a complete report concerning any complaints made about the

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place, what action the precinct took against them, and whatever other information he had about its oper-

Asked whether he was going to suspend Inspector Costello, the director replied: "Not today."

Pleads Ignorance

Following the conference, Inspector Costello said he was unaware of any law violations at "McGinty's place."

"I visited the place myself about two months ago," Inspector Costello said, "and found nothing that would warrant making an arrest. I was not aware of any violation of law at McGinty's place.

"On my orders, plain clothesmen have visited McGinty's place daily. just as they have six others in my district. Their report did, not re-veal any violation of law."

Director Ness called for detailed reports of the activities of the plainclothesmen mentioned by the in-spector and what their reports showed concerning the bookmaking

Meanwhile, the director today asked the assistance of the Intelligence Division of the U.S. Treasury Department in an effort to trace the half million yearly "take" of the total and whether traceme tax had joint, and whether income tax had been paid on it.

Records which the safety director seized in his surprise raid yesterday disclosed that the place took in as high as \$10,000 in a single day in 1929, and that the income on other days ran around \$6000 a day, Mr.

Ness said. Operating expenses, on the other hand, as disclosed by the records which Director Ness was studying minutely today, showed the over-head to be little more than \$60 a

day for payroll and rent.

Capt. Adolph Lenehan, in direct command of the precinct, will appear within five days before Mr.

Ness to answer charges of being intoxicated on duty at the very time the safety director was raiding the McGinty faint. McGinty joint.

The captain was suspended late yesterday by Police Chief George J.
Matowitz when he reported to the
chief in an intoxicated condition.
The seven men arrested in the

McGinty gambling spot entered guilty pleas before Police Judge Jacob Stacel today.

Operator Sentind

Nick Shelby, 45, of 2087 W, 25th street, who told the director, and reiterated in court, that he was the sole owner and operator of the joint, was fined \$250 and costs and sentenced to 30 days in the Workhouse. Judge Stacel suspended \$100 of the fine and the 30 days and placed him on probation for one year.

Under questioning of William Mc-Carthy, assistant police prosecutor, Shelby said that he has been operating for the past two months.

He said he made only a "fair liv-

ing" out of the place; that he had four regular employees and one re-lief man; that customers varied from 25 on a regular day to 100 on Saturdays.

Judge Stacel ordered that the \$613 seized by the raiding party and all equipment be confiscated. He also placed the other defendants on probation directly under supervision of Chief Probation Officer Edward J. Crawley with the stipulation that if any is found in a gambling resort within the year, the original sentence will be ordered into execution.

Days Are Suspended

The others who pleaded guilty

Thomas Keegan, 7150 W. 95th street, and Edward Novak alias Hogan, 4512 Clinton avenue, both of whom admitted they operated the blackjack game. Each was fined \$100 and costs and sentenced to 30 days in the Workhouse; \$50 of the fine and the days were suspended and each placed on probation for one year.

The following four defendants, each of whom was charged with recording wagers, were fined \$100 and costs; \$75 of the fine was \$15pended and each placed on proba-tion for one year: John Mitchell, 3131 W. 50th street;

Harry Richman, 5703 Franklin ave-

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nue; Robert Warner, 4502 Storer avenue; Charles Wilson, 4156 Rocky River drive.

Because of the obvious connection between the "Clib Cafe" on the ground floor of the building and the bookmaking establishment, Director Ness has asked the State Liquor Control Board to investigate the

license of the cafe.

John R. Flynn, the director's assistant, traced the operation of the buzzer system used to warn the bookmaking joint of the approach of the raiders from the cafe.

As has happened on the occasion of previous raids on the place, when the director's raiding party arrived yesterday, the buzzer was sounded from a table in the case by a lookout.

Warning lights immediately flashed upstairs in the joint, but the director's five "rookies" immediately went into action while the raiders ascended the stairs. They seized the employees of the place and prevented them from disposing of either records or the cash.

## Establish McGinty Link

The records, studied by Director Ness today, disclosed much information concerning the place and established the connection between it and McGinty, Mr. Ness said. There were numerous bills made out to Tom L. Ward, known for years as one of McGinty's employees.

Director Ness also called for the appearance of the police vandal aquad in his office today to try to link a series of cafe stench bombings with a dice game syndicate reportedly headed by the notorious Solly Hart.

Director Ness made two com-plaints Monday, telling precinct policemen that he was a citizen and had lost money. On one of the calls, the answering patrolman said: "Oh, yeah, that's the bookie

joint up there,"
Miss Irene Worley, crime research statistician in the director's office, made a call yesterday, complaining to the precinct that "her husband" had been there and lost his pay check. No action was taken by the

This precipitated the raid before the director had previously planned to make it. He wanted his observ-ers to find out if there was paid police protection,

Ness Leads Raiders

Director Ness indicated wholesale use of the rule for sus-pension of police officers for "gross neglect of duty" will be used where they fail to clean up open gambling and other law violations in their districts.

"Capt. Lenahan was pretty drunk when he came into my office yes-terday," Chief Matowitz said today. "I called him on the phone to talk to him about something else. During my conversation with him I became

certain he was drunk and ordered him to report to my office immediately. When he came in, I knew at once that my suspicions were justified."

The chief said three charges had

been preferred against the captain and had been forwarded to Director Ness. Capt. Lenahan will be given a hearing before the director with-in five days on the charges, which are: Intoxication while on duty; excessive use of intoxicants and conduct subversive of the discipline of

the department.
Capt. Lenahan is the third high officer of the Police Department to become involved in departmental difficulties within the administration of Director Ness.

The first was Capt. Louis J. Cadek, convicted on indictments charg-

ing him with bribery and now under sentence to Ohio Penitentiary.

Fight. Michael Harwood, commanding the Nottingham Precinct, was supposed from duty by Director News following revelations that a garabling joint was operating in a building owned by his son, Edward-Harwood, proprietor of a night club. Harwood, proprietor of a night chib.



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Inspector Faces Quiz After Gambling Raid

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Timothy J. Costello, veteran deputy process of the called back from his vacation to explain why a wide open gambling joint at 2077 Value process of to operate. Inspector Costello is the superior of the process of the called a large process of the gambling place being questioned following the Ness-lear skid at 5:20 p. m. yesterday.

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25th street.

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# NESS ARRESTS

Safety Director Leads Police to West Side Bookie Joint

Dissatisfied because at 2077 Wi 25th tree Friday, reopened the ety Director led a raid on noon. netted only director's

in the party section great to the Direction with the place of the newly-appearing policement in plain clothes, to make the place earlier in the district was accompanied on the raid by his assistant, John Flynn, and Detectives Walter Walker, Francis McCune and Fire Lieutenant Charles Bringman.

Among the customers were several women. Besides those arrested, the director seized \$700 in cash in the cashier's booths. Those arrested will be arraigned in Police Court to-morrow.

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The place is in the precinct commanded by Capt. Adolph Lenehan.
There have been numerous complaints but police heretofore were
unable to get results in their raids.
The place is reputed to be operated
by Tommy McGinty.

The raid today followed several
anonymous complaints made by
telephone to the Eighth Precinct, W.
28th and Detroit, by Director Ness.
Nothing ever was done about the
director's anonymous talephone
calls.

Capt. Lenehan was suspended late
today by Chief George J. Matowitz
on orders of Director Ness.

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# DICE GAME RACKET **EXPOSED; ARREST 3**

Chief Matowitz Orders Devices Confiscated by Police

Exposure of a dice game racket, with Solly Hart, one-time gang gunman, suspected as its head, today brought an order from Police Chief George Matowitz to confiscate all

such particular fice devices.

Chief Matowitz instructed police to attempt to astain evidence of to attempt to aptain evidence of operation of the machines, but to confiscate them wherever found. The order followed the arrest of Harry Feldman, 32, of 2902 W. 25th street on a charge of exhibiting a gaming device.

Detective Sergeant Harry Hugo also arrested to their held for investigation as the values is appraint of the machine at Feldman's West Side Cale. Affither man, suspected as contact fetween Hart and cafe operators, also was arrested for quasitioning.

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Squad Leader Other Downtown Gambling

Places Hit

In a series of eight raids late today, police arrested 32 men in bookmaking joints as the aftermath of the personally-conducted raid staged by Safety Director Eliot Ness earlier in the week on the establishment of

Tommy McGinty.

Raiding squads, headed by Capt.

Eugene Aufmuth and Sergt. William

Bammerlin took into custody 20
men in the often-raided Argonns
Club at 722 Superior avenue, the most notorious downtown joint.

Capt. Aufmuth said, however, he was satisfied there was a tip-off because when the raiders entered the place, the 20 men were watching a

mappy boxing exhibition.
In an adjoining room, the railers found racing forms, wall charta betting alips and complete bookmaking paraphernalia as well as ear phones.
The 20 men were taken to Central tation where than were released

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Eleven place, a card rigar store at

with the annulations as Ryan.

In six other places, the raiders found traces of bookmaking but no

customers. The raids were the second of-fensive against racehorse gambling taken today. The first was when Police Judge Jacob Stacel charged the Ohio Bell Telephone Co. was an accessory before the fact in rac-

ing."
This was because of telephones found in bookmaking establishments

found in bookmaking establishments over which operators received information of the results of races in different parts of the country.

Detective Nats O'Brisky, who testified against Louis Vellotta, 29, of 2402 Menteside read, was ordered by Judge Bucer to to the Ohio Bell offices and check installation of phones are backle joints. Wellotta's case whose stilled in Prefit.

Morris Talkier, 2335 Superior avenue, another accused bookie, was fined \$50 and sentenced to 20 days by Judge Stagel. Later the fine was

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made more than are million in a sew years, it in a few years, it has moveded today as "T"-men from the intelligence, unit of the Treasury Department today joined forces with Director fless in his drive applies gampling places, gampling options and high police officers suspected of failing to enforce the law."

The astounding priors accruing to gampling here came to light as the "T"-men began examination of the books, records and racing data seized by Mr. Ness on Tuesday when he raided the notorious McGinty gampling joint.

gambling joint.

Reveals "T"-Men Report

Preliminary examination of the books, showing daily figures of from \$2000 to \$5000, had led police to believe that they represented the total volume of business for the place

each day.
Shortly after starting work today in the private office of Mr. Ness, the Government men announced that the figures actually represented the daily net profits, which in such rears as 1929 exceeded one million 500 thousand dollars.

as 1929 exceeded one million 500 thousand dollars.

Meanwhile, on a special order issued by Police Order George Matowitz, squads haded by Deputy Inspector Martin Herrigan and Capt.

Kurt Gloecker counted up and sent to Central Station was an order of pin ball and morse race also machines.

Twenty of the horse machines were seized and 10 of the pin ball

ere seised and 10 of the pin ball variety. No arrests were made but the machines were confiscated. Chief Matowitz directed that all h machines he confiscated

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# **Costello Banned From** Pending Gambling Report "Stat, out the eighth precinct!" This order from Safety Director Ness rang in the Jars of Deputy Police Inspector Timothy J. Costello today as he started

the task of writing full reports for the safety director on gambling activities and his knowledge of them, as demanded by Ness in an

hour-long questioning of Costello late yesterday. Ness asked particularly for a detailed report by Costello on what he knew of the wide open operation of gambling rooms at 2077. W. 25th st. until raided by Ness Tuesday, and of jobs given Costello's three sons at Bainbridge race track.

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Ness said Costello admitted his sons had been given jobs at the track by Tommy McGinty, Bainbridge's general manager and reputed backer of the W. 25th st. gambling place.

Orders Report on Sons' Pay

One Costello son had held his job under McGinty for 10 years, one for five and one for two, Ness said he was told by the deputy inspector.

Ness ordered Costello to make written report "as soon as possible" on how much each of his sons had been paid by McGinty and over

how long a period.

Costello also was asked to report on all raids and visits made by police to the W. 25th st. gambling place, where Ness seized records showing highly profitable daily operations as far back as 1929.

Operation of the race track and employment there both are legal in themselves, it was pointed out, and Costello said he thought it was "highly unfair and unjust" to ques-tion his police conduct because of his sons' jobs. He said they were paid \$4 a day and "got the jobs themselves." Captain's Trial Due

Captain Adolph Lenehan, in charge of the eighth precinct, in which the gambling raid was made, is under suspension on charges of intoxication, lodged by Police Chief Matowitz. Ha is due to have a trial on the charges because the charge t fore Ness within the next three

days. At Lenehan's home, 1474 W. 107th st., the captain was reported sick in bed today and unable to see visi-tors. A member of the household who answered the telephone said she did not know what Lenchan's ailment was.

He was quoted, however, in a denial of the charge that he was drunk.

"I came down in a taxi when the chief called me," his statement read. "When I got in the office they had a resignation written out they wanted me to sign. I said I wouldn't. So Matowitz told me I was drunk. "I offered to have a doctor exam-

ine me or go to a hospital, but they wouldn't do that."

He indicated he would not resign,

but would fight the charges against

Matowitz said today he thought Lenahan ought to resign, pointing out that he could draw more pension than if he were ousted.

Police anti-gambling activity was renewed yesterday with a raid on an alleged bookie shop at 1855 E. 17th st. in which William Bell of 2705 Prospect ave. was arrested.

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THE BOISE CAPITAL NEWS Boise, Idaho.

Saxton E. Bradford, Editor.

July 23, 1936.

EDITORIAL

The War Against Crime

GANGSTER-KILLER Karpis, last of the notorious Barker-Karpis gang leaders to face court, changed a not-guilty plea to charges of kidnaping St. Paul Banker William Hamm, jr., to guilty as he was going to trial. So to prison goes another "public enemy No. 1"—probably for life.

In making a guilty plea, Karpis himself adds another link to the sensational record of J. Edgar Hoover's federal policemen. The G-men captured Karpis in New Orleans May 1.

The success of the federal criminal hunters and the notorious crime life of Karpis only emphasize more glaringly the weakness in our law-enforcement system that make much of the Hoover police work futile.

We refer particularly to our medieval reformatories and prisons where young men are schooled in crime, to the misuse of the "unwalled prisons" of probation and parole, and to the social sinkholes where lawlessness spawns.

A brief glimpse at Karpis' record is proof itself of our contention.

Karpis was an alumnus of both a high school and college of crime. At 16 he was sentenced to 10 years in a reformatory for stealing auto tires. There he learned safe cracking and other arts of his craft. In Kansas state penitentiary he was tutored by one of the criminal sons of "Ma" Kate Barker, robbery, kidnaping and murder specialist.

After Karpis was paroled, however, he made his reputation.

Facing a four-year sentence in 1981 for burglary, he was paroled by an Oklahoma judge. A month later he had committed a murder and was well along on his career as bank robber, kidnaper and killer.

True, Karpis was not a child of the American city slums, but most of his fraternity are—and with them he fraternized, and with them he plotted crime.

And it is this spawning ground for criminals that must be dealt with if the crime suppression program of Hoover's federal police is to succeed.

Malnourishment, illiteracy, child neglect, the hovels and tenements that millions of families must call somes are among the things that must go in the war against crime.

The glaring criminal records of Karpis and others who have at various times been dubbed "public enemy No. 1"

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# **FOUR SUSPECTS** QUIZZED IN BIG **LOCAL STICKUPS**

Strouss-Hirshberg, Garrettsville Jobs May Be Involved

FIND STOLEN CAR AT BOY'S HOME

Search of House Yields Sawed-Off Shotgun; U. S. Enters Probe

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Hoping to find clues to several large robberies, including the \$20,000 Strouss-Hirshberg holdup about a year ago and a bank robbery in Sa-lem last year, and seeking further information about the Karpis gang's Garrettsville train holdup last Nov. 7, city detectives today were to grill three men and a boy, arrested for investigation after a small "arsenal," including a Thompson sub-machine gun, was seized.

The federal government also is taking a hand in the case. Find Stolen Car

Detectives Lee Tyrrell and Henry Rochford, in charge of the case, late yesterday afternoon found a stolen auto in a garage at the boy's home on Jacobs Road.

The auto, traffic detectives said today, had been stolen after its own-

ar, Elmer P. Schroeder, 236 Flum St., had parked it in a driveway at 229 Arlington St. April 29.

The auto is a 1936 black Ford coupe. The bey's mother told the detectives that her son told her someone had stored it in their garage, paying the boy storage money,

Find Articles in Home The detectives also searched the boy's home, finding and confiscating a pair of high-powered field glasses, a camera, a 32 caliber revolver, three flaishlights, a spotlight, and nine quarts of motor oil, all believed to have been stolen.

have been stolen.

Meanwhile, J. F. Durkin Jr., special agent of The Federal Bureau of Investigation, this morning conferred with Detective Chief T. W. Thomas. He is here to make a report of the

finding of the machine gun at the home of one suspect on George Monday night.

When police raided the George Mt. home they also found two hand grenades, which had been emptied of their original powder and reloaded with dynamite.

Jack Baxter, of Federal Laboratories, manufacturers of police equip-ment, removed home-made wicks from the grenades, which ere being kept in a safe in the police identification bureau.

A short-wave radio, capable of re ceiving police broadcasts, also has, been confiscated at the home of one of the suspects. Questioned about the ownership of the radio, the man in whose home it was found said the 16-year-old boy suspect gave it to him. The boy denied this,

Durkin said he will not question any of the four arrested persons, all of whom are charged with suspicion. It is recalled that handits who robbed the Southern Hills Country Club of \$1,000 recently used sawedoff shotguns. A sawed-off shotgun was one of several weapons found in the George St. home.

One of five men indicted by the federal grand jury in connection with the Garrettsville train robbery is free. He is known only as "John Doe alias Sam," and at various times has been said to be a Youngstown man.

Four other participants in the train robbery-Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, John Brock, and Fred Hunterhave been arrested.

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# KARPIS AIDE CONVICTED

Peifer Found Guilty of Participation in Brewer Hamm Kidnaping

ST. PAUL, July 25. (2P)-A Pederal Court jury tonight convicted John P. (Jack) Peifer, night club owner, on a charge of conspiracy in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., St. Paul brewer, after deliberating nearly twenty-five hours. hours.

Federal Judge Joyce deferred sen-tence until next Wednesday. CALLED FINGERMAN

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Peifer, named as the fingerman in the abduction, had been indicted as one of seven conspirators. He was the only one who stood trial, after four had pleaded guilty. They are Alvin Karpis, one-time America's Public Enemy No. 1; Charles (Big Fitz) Fitzgerald, Los Angeles, who pretended to shake hands with Hamm as he seized him on June 15, 1933; Edmund C. Bartholmey, in whose home the brewer was imprisoned for four days at Bensenville, Ill., and Byron Bolton, reputed machine gunner for the Barker-Karpis mob.

TWO IN ALCATRAZ
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Two others, Arthur (Doc) Barker and Elmer Farmer, are serving terms in Alcatraz Prison for the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edmund G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, and were not brought to trial.

Mr. Tolson Mr. Baughman ... Mr. Forwarth Mr. Nichols

LOS ANGELES TIMES

Mr. Nathan ...! Mr. Toloon .... Mr. Beughman Mr. Clegg .. Mr. Coffey ..

Karpis Is Given Ultimatum by U.S.

St. Paul. Minn., July 28 (F).—The Federal Government, fresh from another victory in the William Hamm, jr., kidnaping case, tonight gave Alvin Karpis, last "public enemy No. 1," the choice of pleading guilty or facing trial for the abduction of Edward G. Bremer. U. S. District Attorney George F. Sullivan issued the ultimatum.

The gangster already faced a possible life sentence in the Hamm kidnap conspiracy, which a jury wiped off the books last night by convicting John (Jack) Peifer, St. Paul night club operator.

Peifer was found guilty on charses of helping Karpis and five others plot the "snatching" Hamm. wealthy St. Paul brewelfor \$100,000 ransom.

Washington Post

July 27, 1936

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HAMM KIDNAPING

Charles Fitzgerald Gets Same Penalty — Gangster Tells Court John Peifer Took No Part.

NIGHT CLUB MAN CONVICTED SATURDAY

Karpis Also Accused of Bremer Abduction and of Murdering , Sheriff in Missouri.

By the Associated Press.

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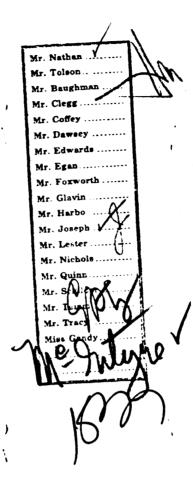
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Judge on Kidnaping. Before imposing, sentence, Judge Joyce labeled kidnaping as "one of the most heinous crimes known

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(From St. Louis Bureau Office)



Judge Joyce then addressed Mar-pid first and said: at is the judgment of the Court

that you, Alvin Karpavicz, or Har-pis be confined in the Federal pun-itentiary at Leavenworth or at unch penal institution as the Attorney-General may designated for the remaining period of your natural

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on Fitzgerald.

Fitzgerald also asserted Peifer never was present at Twin City kidnaping gang hideouts, as Byron Bolton, confessed kidnaping plotter, had testified.

Another Awaiting Sentence. Still awaiting sentence, along with Bolton, is Edmund C. Bartholmey, former Bensenville (Ill.) postmaster, whose home, Hamm, St. Paul brewing company head, identified as the place where he was imprisoned four days. The abduction occurred June 15, 1933.

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Meanwhile, the Government pre ared to close the books on its antikidnaping campaign here. Nine men wer econvicted, seven pleaded guilty, five were killed and rive were freed. In addition to Peifer, those convicted were Arthur (Doc) Barker, Harold Alderton, Oliver Berg, James J. Wilson, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, Cassius guilty, five were killed and five Weaver, Harry Sawyer, Cassius McDonald and John J. McLaughlin (now dead). Those pleading guilty included—besides Karpis, Fitzgerald, Bartholmey and Bolton—Elmer Farmer, Harry Campbell and Vol-

Those killed by gangster or Government bullets included Fred Barker, Kate (Ma) Barker, Russell Gibson, Willie Harrison and Fred Goetz. Those freed included Philip Delaney, William Vidler, Jess Doyle, Brund Austin and Edna Murray.
However, the Murray woman, Iloyle and Austin are serving prison terms for other crimes.

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BARTHOLMEY, FITZGERALD

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SHERIFF KILLER
It was learned Karpis wishes to throw all legal obstacles in the path of his possible removal to Missouri to stand trial for the Missouri to stand trial for the whose home Hamm was imprisoned, and Charles (Big Fitz) Fitzgerald of West Plains in December, 1931.

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charge of participation in the Hamm and the following the \$200,000 abduction of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, the Associated Press learned Sunday night from unimpeachable sources.

Fear of death by hanging, according to a copyrighted story," is the reason for the decision of the ringleader of the Barker - Karpis gang, the barker is the sentenced will be sentenced. tougher for them to get me in Mis-

who already has pleaded clining to discuss any phases of the Karpis case, admitted the kidhidnaping of William Hamm Bremer charge at a one-day special term of court today. Karpis is exhamm paid \$100,000 for his time for the Hamm conspiracy charge.

Federal authorities were undecided as to when Byron Bolton, Chicago machine-gunner frequently linked with the infamous St. Valentine's day massacre in Chicago in 1929, will be sentenced. He has confessed complicity in both the Hamm and Bremer kidnapings and was the government's ace witness in three trials which resulted in conviction of Arthur (Doc) Barker, coleader with Karpis of the notorious outlaw band, and a group of others, including Peifer.

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Karpis and his associates are subject to maximum terms of life imprisonment under the Lindbergin act. Already confined in Alcatraz prison for life terms for connection with the Hamm or Bremer cases are William Weaver, Volney Davis, Harry Sawyer, Harry Campbell and Doc Barker.

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George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney, previously had announced Karpis would be tried, probably at the fall term of court, if he did not plead guilty to the Bremer charge.

Meanwhile, the status of Thomas. A. Brown, detective implicated in the Hamm kidnaping by testimony of Bolton last week, is the subject of an intensive investigation headed by John L. Connolly, city corporation counsel, Gus Barfuss, commissioner of public safety, said Sunday night. Brown now is under suspension "without prejudice".

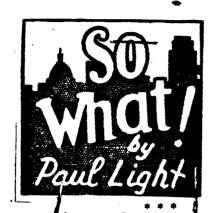
The commissioner declined to discuss the direction of the investigation or its probable outcome.

## MISSOURI COUNTY

MISSOURI COUNTY
TO ASK FOR KARPIS.

West Plains, Mo. July 26.—(F)—
Howell county wants Alvin Karpis
to die and will attempt to get custody of him for trial on the charge
of murdering Sheriff C. R. Kelly
in 1931 unless he is given the death
penalty elsewhere, Sheriff Ed
Threlkeld said tonight.

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Sympathy
J. W. writes that his sympathy
goes out to nine members of the
Jack Peiffer case jury when he
realizes what they must have
had to endure during their two
weeks of confinement during the

trial.

"Why do I sympathize with only nine of the 12 jurors?" he asks.

"Because the three others were insurance salesmen!"

k. P. Joseph

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## PERFECT SCORE

ment in the Hamm kidnaping case are now either dead, awaiting sentence or serving time in federal

Conviction of John Peiffer Saturday as the "finger man" in the case disposes of the last of the defendants.

The G-men have made a record which stamps them as the greatest police organization in the world. All credit to J. Edgar Hoover and his able

The score would be perfect if further evidence could be gathered to bring about the indictment and conviction of any member of the St. Paul police department who aided the gangsters. Sufficient testimony was given in the Peiffer case to indicate that a police tip-off system was devised and carried out.

The Daily News hopes the government will not let that angle of the case drop.

While the long list of convictions in the Hamm case is a tribute to the efficiency of the government investigating and prosecuting forces, it is also apparent that federal court prpcedure is far more efficient and businesslike than that of the lower courts. This is partly due, we believe, to the

fact that the court rather than the attorneys conducts the examination of jurors.

A layman attending a lower court hearing gets a distinct impression that the lawyers are trying to eliminate all those men and women who could render an intelligent verdict. The reverse

is true in federal court.

The latter court, particularly under able Judge M. M. Joyce, eliminates a lot of sentimental nonsense and maud-Inism that is apparent in lower tribmnals.

When state courts in Minnesota adopt federal court methods, fewer criminals will go free.

ALL persons indicted by the governprison for their crime.

assistants.

ST, PAUL DAILY NEWS

## G-Men Hunt Scores For-Kidnap Aid

WASHINGTON, July 27. — (UP)
—Although the nation's four most recent notorious kidnapers, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, William Mahan, Thomas H. Robinson, all behind bars, their cases are not closed, J. Edgar Hoover said today.

The director of the justice department's bureau of investigation revealed his G-men are seeking several score persons suspected to having harbored or given aid to the four desperadoes.

"It's hard to convict a person of harboring or aiding a criminal," Hoover said, "because you have to prove the defendant knew he was aiding a fugitive. That's why this particular job requires so much detailed work and tiresome tracking down of all possible angles in each

Hoover said although only about six actually were members of the Barker-Karpis gang, more than 30 have been convicted and sent to penitentiaries because they aided the gang in outlawry.

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"And that's only one of the detailed chores the bureau has to do," he said. "The public, which has become used to thinking of our men as romantic figures who run around the country chasing kidnapers, forgets that a major portion of our time is taken in tracking down thousands of minor crimes which never make the headlines but which are in integral part of our effort to keep down crime."

Hoover pointed out that the bureau is confronted with the problem of enforcing more than a score of statutes.

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# BOTH ASSERT INNOCENCE OF JACK PEIFER

Case; Alvin May Face Bremer Trial Later.

## SULLIVAN UNMOVED BY TALK ABOUT INN KEEPER

Declining to speak for themselves but asserting the innocence of John P. (Jack) Peifer, Alvin Karpis, erstwhile Public Enemy No. 1, and Charles J. (Big Fitz) Fitzgerald, old-time convict, heard themselves sentenced today by Federal Judge M. M. Joyce to life imprisonment for the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr.

Peifer, St. Paul night club proprietor, was convicted Saturday of conspiracy in the Hamm abduction. Karpis, a 26-year-old youth, and Fitzgerald, a grizzled veteran with

## TO CONFER OVER BROWN

Testimony implicating Detective Thomas A. Brown, former chief of police, in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., was to be reviewed this afternoon by two city officials pre-paratory to filing a formal dis-missal notice against him.

Gus Barfus, public safety commissioner, was to confer with John L. Connolly, city corporation counsel, on the statement by Byron Bolton, convicted kidnaper, that Brown was paid \$25.000 to warn the abductors of police activities, Brown is under suspension.

a 40-year record of crime, stood side by side and heard the sentences imposed, with no display of amotion.

HANDCUFFED TOGETHER.

The pair were taken to the Federal courtroom handcuffed to each other. Karpis wore a well-pressed gray suit and sailor straw hat. While awaiting the appearance of Judge Joyce in the courtroom, Karpis talked interestedly with Fitzgerald in the courtroom and laughed and joked with federal agents.

Fitzgerald was garbed in a dark brown suit. He replied to Karpis Sentences Based on Hamm briefly, but showed no other sign of emotion or interest in the proceedings.

The statements by the two regarding Peifer came as a surprise in the crowded courtroom. Fitzgerald spoke after Judge Joyce asked him if he knew of any reason why sentence should not be im-

posed.
"I want to say, your honor," Fitz-gerald replied, "that Bolton testified here last week that Peifer drove me to the cottage at the lake—that was false testimony. Peifer never was at 204 Vernon avenue while I was there."

Judge Joyce asked if Fitzgerald had anything to say in regard to his own case and he replied that he had not.
Next, Judge Joyce turned to Kar-

pis and inquired if he had anything to say as to why judgment should not be passed.

"Not for myself," Karpis answered. "I would like to say that Peifer is not guilty. He had absolutely nothing to do with it. He didn't get any of the money."

## SULIIVAN NOT IMPRESSED.

After sentences were imposed, George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney, who prosecuted Peifer, was asked for comment on the statements of the pair regarding

the statements of the pair regarding the former night club proprietor.

"That's not unusual, is it?" he replied. "It's not uncommon for a fellow who is into something up to his neck to try to save his pal."

At the conclusion of the special term of court at which the sentences were imposed. Sullivan an-

tences were imposed, Sullivan announced that Karpis will be taken to Leavenworth penitentiary immediately and that he will not be mediately and that he will not be arraigned at present on indictments charging him with participation in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Sullivan said Karpis may be returned here at the regular term of

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Federal court in November for ar raignment and possible trial on the Bremer charges HEARTBREAKS RECALLED.

In passing sentence, Judge Joyce said to Karpis and Fitzgerald:

"By your pleas, both you men have admitted your guilt of one of the most heinous crimes known to the law, a crime whose motive was money and whose incidence inmoney and whose incidence in-cluded heartbreaking sorrow inflict-ed on the victim, his relatives and friends, and a crime committed without emotion.

"Its consequences are explained by your presence here today. Kidnaping is one crime the American people will not tolerate. It is largely as a result of the crystallization of this sentiment which caused Con-

gress to create the statute and it is the unprofitable consequence of the unrelenting diligence of those charged with running down kid-

napers that brought you here.
"In the case just finished, I learned the part exactly played by you ed the part exactly played by you men. Karpis drove the car in which Mr. Hamm was taken away. You Fitzgerald, took Mr. Hamm's hand in what apparently was a friendly greeting, but which was the grip of a Judas.

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"It is the judgment of the court that you, Charles Fitzgerald, be confined in the Federal penitentiary in Leavenworth or such other penal institution as the attorney general may designate for the remaining period of your natural life."

## HEAVY GUARD PROVIDED.

Karpis and Fitzgerald were taken immediately to the bullpen adjoin-ing the courtroom, from which they were removed a half hour later to the Ramsey county jail. A heavy guard of Federal agents and deputy marshals surrounded them on the trip to and from the jail and also in the courtroom. At one time, just before imposing sentence, Judge Joyce directed Karpis and Fitzgerald to stand back further from the bench. They previously were within less than five feet of the judge.

Federal authorities would give no indication of the time the pair will be taken to Leavenworth. They indicated the time of departure will be kept secret, if possible, until the men are on the way or actually in prison.

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Thomas Newman, counsel for Karpis, said his client expressed a desire, a few minutes before he was sentenced, to plead guilty to the conspiracy charge in the Bremer case, providing the two remaining actual kidnaping counts against him are polled.

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"I will plead guilty to the Bremer kidnaping, too, but I don't want those other two charges pending against me," Newman quoted Karpis as sayiag.

Sullivan said he would confer with Washington authorities concerning disposition of the three remaining kidnap counts against Karpis. Sullivan said he had been informed by Newman that Karpis would plead guilty if the other charges were dropped, but that he first must receive consent of Washington officials before making any such promises.

Edmund C. Bartholmey, in whose home at Bensenville, Ill., the brewer was held prisoner, will be sentenced as soon as an investigation of his past record is completed by federal authorities, District Attorney Sullivan said. The district attorney is awaiting a report and expects it "very soon."

Sullivan said Bolton will be sentenced after disposition of, the Peifer case. Archie M. Cary, counsel for Peifer, today filed a motion for a new trial and it has been set on the calendar for 2 P. M. Tuesday before Judge Joyce.

"I'm communicating with Washington officials concerning disposition of the remaining charges against Karpis," Sullivan said. "If he demands to be arraigned, we will bring him in at once. Karpis wants us to drop the actual kidnaping charges if he pleads guilty to the Bremer case, but I must first receive such authority from Washington."

Arguments for a new trial for Peifer will be heard by Judge Joyce at 2 P. M. Tuesday. When the former night club owner was convicted last week of participation in the Hamm kidnaping, the judge announced he would sentence him Wednesday.

# Brown Will Be Ousted, Says Safety Chief



JACK PEIFFER

**New Trial For Con**victed Cafe Man To Be Asked Tuesday

A bombshell was tossed into the Jack Peiffer case today when Alvin Karpis, coleader of the mob that snatched William Hamm, Jr., declared in open court, 38 hours after Peiffer's conviction, that the former nightclub operator played no part in the crime. .

A similar statement came from Charles J. Fitzgerald.

Government attorneys saw in the assertions by the gangsters a concerted effort to ease the way for a new trial or for an ultimate parole of Peiffer.

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CHARLES J. FITZGERALD

. . Substantiated Karpis' story and avowed Byron Bolton lied on the stand. "Big Fitz," also sentenced to life, said, "Peiffer had nothing to do with it."

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The defense, we use conclusion of he government case, served a denand that Karpis and Fitzgerald be salled. The prosecution refused and then a motion was made that the court itself call the two and question them, that also was denied by Judge Joyce.

Peiffer throughout maintained inocence in the Hamm kidnaping. eserted that he knew members of the Barker-Karpis mob but declared is occupation as a night club opand occupation as a night course the oquaintance.

## Jury Against Him.

But a jury of 11 men and one woman believed the evidence that the government submitted which was that of:

' Byron Bolton, confessed Hamm and Edward G. Bremer, kidnaper and suspect in the notorious St. Valentine's day massacre in Chicago, Feb. 14, 1929, accused by the defense of testifying against Peiffer merely to escape a murder rap and death sendence in Illinois.

Mrs. Harry Sawyer, wife of the convicted fingerman in the Bremer case. The defense charged that she was testifying in an effort to obtain leniency for her husband.

The widow of Gus Winkler, slain Chicago gunman, whose teestimony was that Winkler had a dictaphone set up in his house. The testimony she gave was what she said she heard ever the alleged dictaphone.

Judge Joyce's face showed no on of amazement or emotion as statements of Karpis and Fitzrald were made.

## k New Trial.

At 2 p. m. Tuesday attorneys for eiffer will file a motion for a new tial.

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After the case and the guilty pleas had been reviewed for the judge by District Attorney George F. Sullivan, Judge Joyce asked Fitzgerald, 59-year-old ex-bank robber, if he had anything to say. In a low voice he declared:

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## Barfuss To Oust **Brown From Force**

Due To Charges

Public Safety Commissioner G. H. Barfuss indicated today that, as result of the outcome of 'the Jack Peiffer case, he will remove Thomas A. Brown from the force.

Brown, detective, was suspended as, result of developments in the trial of Peiffer for conspiracy in the Hamm kidnaping. Byron Bolton, confessed Hamm and Bremer kidnaper, testified that the Barker-Karpis mob earmarked \$25,000 of the ransom for Brown for "tipping us off on police activities."

John L. Connolly, city attorney, is studying the record in the trial to determine charges to be filed against Brown. He said he would take no action until Mayor Gehan returns,

later this week.

ST, PAUL DISPATCH

# KIDNAPERS HEAR LIFE TERM SENTENCES



Two admitted kidnapers of Willington William Hamm, millionaire St. Paul life sentences for their participawer, are pictured here, chained ton in the crime. At the left, his together, as they entered the Fed-face covered, is Charles (Big Fitz) previously had pleaded guilty to eral Courts building with a deputy Fitzgerald and on the right is Alvin conspiracy in the abduction.

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# Peiffer Is elange Innocent

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# KARPIS GETS LIFE TERM

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ST. PAUL, July 27 (By International News Service).—Alvin Karpis, whose reign as Public Enemy No. 1 was cut short by Gmen, and Charles J. (Bg Fitz) Fitzgerald, of Los Angeles, Ca., today were sentenced to life imprisonment for the \$100,000 ransom kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., multi-millionaire brewer, 3

years ago.

The two confessed abductors will spend the rest of their lives in a Federal prison to be designated by the U. S. Attorney General probably the dreaded Alcatraz.

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ST. PAUL, July 27.—(UP)—Alvin Karpis, former terrorist gang leader, was sentenced to life imprisonment today for the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr. Charles Fitzgerald, a minor Barker-Karpis gangster, was sentenced to life imprisonment for the same crime. Both had pleaded guilty.

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The Washington Daily News July 28, 1936

Mr. Clegg

# G-Men Seek Aides of Four Kidnapers

Persons Who Harbored and **Abetted Notorious Abductors** Are Hunted, Hoover Reveals

By United Press

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Amplifying his assertions, Hoover said that altho only about six persons actually were members of the nctorious Barker-Karpis gang, more than 30 persons had been convicted and sent to penitentiaries because they aided the gang in its daring outlawry.

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M. M. Harris - Editor



#### G-Men Concentrate on New Type of Kidnaper Who Seizes Victim Only as Shield in His Flight

By WILLIAM H. PINKERTON | to Hoover, and has served terms Associated Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON, July 29.—Federal agents quietly pursued

of "public enemy number one," pair were arrested, and Harpin was abandoned by Karpis when he was sentenced to 25 years, but Hanley escaped from the Sioux City jail on Aug. 5, 1935. on for the abduction of William on for the abduction of William

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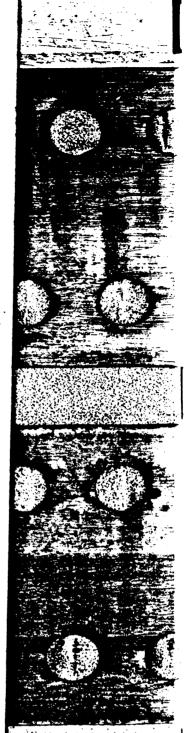
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### KARPIS GETS LIFE TERM

# Fitzgerald Given Same Penalty

Pair Who Pleaded Guilty to Hamm Kidnap Case Absolve Peifer

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Penalty Meted Out to Public Enemies



Alvin Karpis, at the right, involuntarily shot his hand in the air as Charles Fitzgerald, at left, handcuffed to him, tried to hide his face from the camera yesterday after they were sentenced to life imprisonment at St. Paul, Minn., for the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, wealthy brewer.

law."

"Kidnaping is one crime the American people will not tolerate," said Judge Joyce.

Fitzgerald also asserted Peifer never was present at Twin City kidnaping gang hideouts, as Byron Bolton, confessed kidnap plotter, had testified.

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# Karpis - Sentence Life Term in Hamm Case

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Charles Fitzgerald, minor member of the gang and the alleged

ber of the gang and the alleged "greeter" in the Hamm kidnaping, also drew a life sentence. Both men, pleaded guilty to the crime. Karpis showed no emotion when Judge M. M. Joyce pronounced sentence. Asked if he had anything to say, he declared that John (Jack) Peifer, convicted Saturday as a conspirator in the abduction, was not involved in the Hamm case. "Jack Peifer is absolutely not guilty because I know the circumstances," Karpis said. "He had nothing to do with the kidnaping." Meanwhile, attorneys for Peifer.

Meanwhile, attorneys for Peifer, whose date of sentencing was set for Wednesday, said they would ask for a new trial tomorrow.

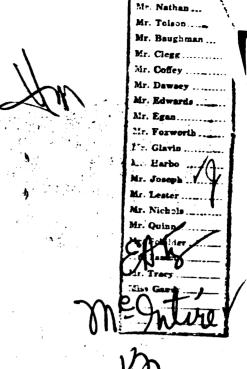
#### Karpis Will Be Sent To Alcatraz Prison

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indicated today that Alvin Karpis, given a life sentence for participation in the Hamm kidnaping, will be sent to Alcatraz Prison eventually because of his long record as a gunman and outlaw.

Sanford Bates, Federal Prisons Bureau Director, said both Karpis and Charles Fitzgerald, convicted with Karpis, will be sent to Leavenworth Penitentiary, first. Whether Fitzgerald would stay in Leavenworth was unsecided, but it

is now planned to move Karpis Leavenworth to Alcatraz within a short time.



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## Three-Week Limit O'Shea Sentencing Set on Bank Plea Again Is Deferred

Until Aug. 17

Federal Judge Arthur J. Tuttie Monday granted Guy K. Bard, special assistant United States attorney general, until Aug. 17 to study the bill of exceptions filed in the case of Herbert R. Wilkin, Flint banker who has filed an appeal from his conviction on a charge of falsifying bank reports.

Wilkin's attorney Edward N.

Wilkin's attorney, Edward N. Barnard, filed the bill charging that the trial had contained 51 errors.

The time extension granted to Bard will keep the case within the district court's jurisdiction. Later the case will go before the court of appeals at Cincinnati. Bard was given three weeks to study the exceptions after he and William G. Comb, chief assistant district attorney conferred Monday with Ludge. ney, conferred Monday with Judge Tuttle.

Wilkin was convicted May 22 on a charge of falsifying reports of the Union Industrial Trust and Savings Bank, of Flint, and fined \$5,000. He was granted the right to appeal and the bill pointing out errors in the trial was filed 80 days after the appeal was granted. peal was granted.

Bard May Study Brief Prisoner Insists That He Has Told All

For the fourth time the sentencing of James J. O'Shea, former vice president of the National Bank of Detroit convicted of misapplying \$241,950 in bank funds, was deferred Monday by Federal Judge Arthur J. Tuttle. He gave no reason for postponing the sentence.

O'Shea was brought to Detroit from the Federal Detention Farm at Milan and after the case was deferred, this time indefinitely, was

deferred, this time indefinitely, was returned there.

Glenn Coulter, attorney for Mrs. O'Shea, said that he had been unable to learn why sentence was postponed.

"It's almost inhumane," he said.
"This bringing him in and taking him back. I believe they are trying to learn more of the Tyler case (Harry M. Tyler committed suicide during the investigation of the shortage of City funds) but it all has been told."

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Mrs. O'Shea visited with her hus-band for half an hour before he was returned to Milan. O'Shea said he had told every-

Tim willing to help in every way I can," he said. Tim not trying to make a hero of myself and shield anybody." He did not criticise the fourth postponement of his sentence.

### U. S. Will Press Karpis for Plea

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#### Bremer Case Will Be Tried If Necessary

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 26—(A.P.)
—The Federal Government, fresh from another victory in the William Hamm, Jr., kidnaping case, to-night gave Alvin Karpis, last "public enemy No. 1," the choice of pleading guilty or facing trial for the abduction of Edward G. Bremer.

United States District Attorney George F. Sullivan was ready to pressible case although the gang-ster arready faced a possible life sentence in the Hamm kidnap con-spiracy, for which a jury last night convicted John (Jack) Pefer, St. Paul night club operator.

Peifer was sound guilty on charges of helping Karpis and five others plot the abduction of Hamm, wealthy St. Paul brewer, for \$100,-

#### G-Men Halt Extortion Plot Against 11 Business Men

EVERETT, Wash., July 26—(A. P.)—Department of Justice agents, working with Everett police, announced that they had uncovered an extortion plot in which the lives and homes of at least 11 Everett business men were threatened.

Agents said that the 11 had received letters threatening to blow up their homes, injure them phsyically and "expose" them unless \$1,000 were paid.

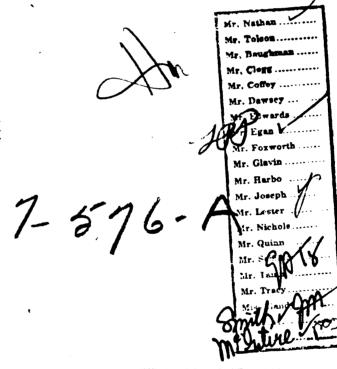
Police arrested Earl Christensen, twenty-eight-year-old paper-mill worker who was formally charged with attempted extortion and re-leased on \$1,500 bail.

wealthy St. Paul brewer, for \$100,000 ransom.

Reliable sources said tonight that
because Karpis feared death by
hanging, he would plead guilty to
the \$200,000 Bremer abduction. It
was said that Karpis had decided
to throw all legal obstacles in the
path of his possible removal to
Missouri for trial on a charge of
slaying She
C. R. Kelley, of
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the only one of seven indicted men
to go to trial in the case. Two
others are serving terms in Alcatraz Prison for the Bremer kidnaping. Karpis and three others—
Byron Bolton, of Chicago; Charles
(Big Fitz) Fitzgerald, of Los Angeles, and Edmund C. Bartholmey,
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The Cleveland, Ohio, Plain Dealer July 28, 1936.

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## KARPIS AND AID GIVEN LIFE FOR HAMM KIDNAPING

#### Peifer Innocent, Fitzgerald Tells Judge.

St. Paul, Minn., July 27.—[Special.] -Federal Judge M. M. Joyce today imposed life sentences on Alvin Karpis, former public enemy No. 1, and Charles J. Fitzgerald, said to have a forty year record of crime, for conspiracy in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer.

Neither defendant displayed any emotion as the judge in sentencing them termed kidnaping "one of the most heinous crimes known to the law and a crime that will not be tolerated by the American people." Both had pleaded guilty.

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Calls Testimony False. The 59 year old Fitzgerald told the court the testimony of Byron Bolton, former member of the Karpis gails who turned government witness after admitting his part in the abduction,

was absolutely false. Bolton will not be sentenced until Peifer's case is disposed of, United States District Attorney George F. Sullivan announced. Peifer's counsel today filed a motion for a new trial and it has been set for argument Tuesday afternoon.

Peifer, a night club operator who was accused of being the contact man between the kidnapers and the police department, will be sentenced Fri-

Bartholmey Wins Delay.

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Before Karpis acknowledges guilt in the Bremer case he wants assurances that the two remaining kidnapping counts against him will be nolled, his counsel, Thomas Newman, said. These involve the actual abductions in both the Hamm And Bremer cases.

United States Attorney George F. Sullivan said that he would have to receive authority from Washington to consider Karpis's bargain

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"It's unpopularity as a vocation is largely due to the crystallization of this sentiment which caused the Congress of the United States to create the statute and it is the unprofitable consequence of the unrelenting diligence of those charged with running down kidnappers that brought you here," said the judge. He first addressed Karpis, saying:
"It is the judgment of the court that you, Alvin Karpavicz, or Karpis, be confined in the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth or at such penal institution as the Attorney General may designate for the remaining period of your natural life."

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# GAMBLERS GET NOTICES THEY MUST VACATE

Property Owners Clamp Down on "Kingpins" as Result of Chief's Decree

The two Bennys—Aronoff and Harris—kingpins of the Toledo numbers racket, were looking for new quarters today.

Aronoff was handed a three-day notice to vecte his slabouate horse.

Aronoff was handed a three-day notice to vacate his elaborate horse race betting, dice and numbers establishment at 229 Superior Street. Harris' landlords told him to clear out of his place at 120 Superior Street.

The Reuben Realty Co., which gave Aronoff a 30-day notice early last month, today told the smaller of the two Bennys that he would have to vacate his "Buckeye" joint in three days.

The Toledo Garage, Inc., owners of the Harris property, served notice on Gambler Harris a week

ago, it was learned.

The Aronoff eviction has been placed in the hands of the law firm of Marshall, Melhorn & Marlar, while the firm of Doyle & Lewis is charged with the job of kicking out Harris.

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The eviction orders result from the ultimatum announced March 3 by Police Chief Ray Allen, who threatened to invoke the state law under which charges may be brought against owners of buildings housing gambling establishments.

Beneficiaries of the estate which includes the Buckeye property were instrumental in forcing the eviction against Aronoff in order to avoid legal entanglements.

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Concerted action of property
owners in this direction also would
affect the following:
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Edward Warnke's dice and roulette joint at 631 N. St. Clair Harry Levine's elaborate dice rooms at 513% Jefferson Avenue. Jacob Romanoff's horse betting place at 428% Superior Street. Ralph Dugan's minor dice joint at 625 St. Clair Street. Mr. Tolson
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# larris, Aronoff Ordered To Vacate Gaming Places

Benny Harris, who has been conducting a gambling establishment in the 100 block in Superior st., has been given a written notice to vacate the premises at once and Benny Aronoff, who operates a gambling place at 229; Superior st., has been ordered to leave within three days, it was learned today. three days, it was learned today.

The notice to Harris was given a week ago by the Toledo Garage, Inc., which owns the building, although Harris today denied he had

received the order to vacate.

The case against Aronoff has been turned over to the law firm

ty grand jury and told to kick out the gambling places at once or suf-fer the consequences.

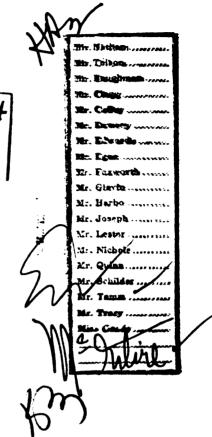
Aronoff was first given his or-der to vacate a month ago, but ap-parently has made no move indi-cating his intention to comply. The peremptory three-day notics to va-cate followed this week.

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ALVIN KARPIS, murderer of the Howell county sheriff, has been given a life sentence in Minnesota for kidnaping and probably will not be brought back to west Piains and hanged. It is doubted if the fellow could be hanged in Howell county as no one was ever hanged there and Missouri was never very strong for capital punishment by law. Hence it would probably be a needless expense to bring Karpis back to the Ozarks. Probably he will serve a few years in the Minnesota prison and be pardoned. Then he may return of his own free will and look over some of the banks in this section.



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### Karpis and Fitzgerald Taken to Leavenworth

May Be First Leg of Trip to Alcatraz; Peifer Sentence Delayed to Friday.

Manacled to guards, Alvin Karpis and Charles J. Fitzgerald, convicted kidnapers, were taken from Ramsey county jail at 3 P. M. Tuesday to a train bound for Leavenworth penitentiary.

Karpis, 26-year-old erstwhile Public Enemy No. 1, and Fitzgerald, Public Enemy No. 1, and Fitzgerald, grizzled veteran in crime. were sentenced Monday to life in prison for participation in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., St. Pail brewer.

The trip to Leavenworth may be the first leg of a ride to Alcatraz island penitentiary, where kidnapers previously sentenced in St. Paul are confined.

are confined.
While Karpis and Fitzgerald were being taken away, the sentencing of John P. (Jack) Peifer and the hearing on his motion for a new trial were being postponed by Judge M. M. Joyce in United States District court to 10 A. M. Friday.

M. H. Boutelle, attorney for the former night club proprietor, who was convicted last week of conspiracy in the Hamm abduction, asked for a continuance of two weeks to give him time to prepare another motion for a new trial besed on freshly discovered evidence.

The hearing on the original motion for a new trial was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon and sentence was to have been imposed at 2 P. M. today.

George A. Heisey, assistant United States district attorney, who prosecuted the case, objected stren-

prosecuted the case, objected strenuously to any delay, but Judge Joyce granted a postponement to Friday.

"So far as the newly discovered evidence is concerned," Heisey contended, "we can produce affidavits of agents that will substantially dispute the statements of Alvin Karpis and Charles Fitzgerald.

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Leaving for the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth where they will start serving life sentences for their confessed participation in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., Charles J. (Big Fitz) Fitzgerald and Alvin Karpis are shown manacled to each other as they walked from the Ramsey county jail Tuesday afternoon. Fitzgerald is on the left, and Karpis at the right. They are followed by two deputy United States marshals, part of the guard which escorted the pair to the train.

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#### Karpis, Fitz Enter Prison For Life Term

Alvin Karpis, former public enemy No. 1 was received at the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth Kan, today to begin serving his life sentence for the kidnaping of William Hamm of St. Paul, said a press dispatch.

Manacled to Charles Fitzgerald, who also pleaded guilty to the kidnaping and was given a life sentence, Karpis arrived under heavy guard by train.

Met By Armed Guards.

About a dozen machine-gun armed G-men and six perison guards met the prisoners and drove them immediately in automobiles into the prison yard.

The gangster was booked by his right name, "Alvin Karpavicz," dressed in and placed in quarantine where he will remain 30 days.

Karpis thumbed his nose and Fitzgerald waved goodby and Sheriff Tom Gibbons sighed with relief as the first two left St. Paul Tuesday.

Leavenworth federal prison was scheduled as the first stop. From there they are certain to be transferred to Alcatraz, there to spend the remainder of their natural life.

Hijacker Also Prisoner.

Accompanying them were 10 heavily armed federal guards. Russell Arend, who was sentenced to five years for the kidnaping of two liquor truck drivers during the course of a hijacking job last April, was also a prisoner.

Karpis and Fitzgerald were removed a short time after Federal Judge M. M. Joyce had denied Jack Peiffer, convicted last Saturday in federal court of conspiracy in the kidnaping, a plea for a continuance of arguments for a new trial for two weeks. The court, however, did grant Peiffer's counsel until 10 a. m. Friday to prepare for the argument. Pelffer, who was to be sentenced today, will be sentenced then.

Two admitted conspirators in the Hamm kidnaping remain in Ramsey county jail, awaiting sentence. One is Byron Bolton and the other Edward Bartholmey,

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# AT LEAVENWORTH

#### Hamm Kidnapers to Federal Prison Under Heavy Guard.

LEAVENWORTH, KAS., July 29. -(Special)-Alvin Karpis Wednesday began serving his life sentence for his part in the William Hamm kidnaping in St. Paul. He was recrived at the United States penitentiary at 7:10 a. m. Wednesday and was escorted from the Chicago Great Western station to the prison in an armored car.

An escort of four other cars carrying federal agents and officers from the penitentiary moved briskly to the prison. The motor cara-van entered the prison through the west gate, where prison guards took

charge of the prisoner.

Charles J. Fitzgerald, who also confessed to part in the Hamm kidnapping, was manacled to the former public enemy No. 1, and also began his life sentence for the same of-

his life sentence for the same offense.

Karpis and Fitzgerald were dressed in, given numbers and will be held in quarantine for several days before being assigned to duty. The 27-year-old desperado, whose real name is Karpavicz, was uncommunicative.

The federal prison here now holds three notorious kidnapers—Karpis, T. H. Robinson, jr., who kidnaped Mrs. Berry V. Stoll in Kentucky, and William Mahan, participant in the George Weyer-haeuser kidnapping in Washington. Warden Fred G. Zerbst said he did not know whether the three criminals later would be transferred to the Alcatraz island prison, but asserted such a move was not imserted such a move was not improbable. Indictments in the kidnaping of

bdward G. Bremer, St. Paul bank bresident, still are pending against Karpis who had indicated his willingness to plead guilty to the conpiracy if the actual kidnaping harges were dropped.

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#### KARPIS GOES TO PRISON

TRIP TO LEAVENWORTH STARTED UNDER A HEAVY GUARD.

The Hamm Kidnaper Later Probably Will Be Transferred to
Alcatraz—Sentenced to
Life Term.

(By the Associated Press.)

ST. PAUL, July 28.—Doomed to a life in prison, Alvin Karpis, 27-yearold notorious outlaw whose criminal career is dotted with killings, kidnapings and robberies, began his trip to Leavenworth prison late today under

heavy guard of federal agents.

Manacled to Charles J. (Big Fitz)

Fitzgerald, who likewise admitted
guilt in the \$100,000 William Hamm
kidnap conspiracy, the erstwhile No. 1
public enemy boarded a train as nearly a dozen guards carrying submachine guns in cases surrounded him. He departed at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Because of his criminal record dat-

Because of his criminal record dating back ten years, federal officials said Karpis, in all probability, would be moved later to Alcatraz prison.

The \$200,000 Edward G. Bremer abduction in St. Paul in 1934 also is charged by federal authorities to Karpis and his mob.

The indictments in the kidnaping

The indictments in the kidnaping of Bremer, St. Paul bank president, still hang over him. Karpis indicated willingness to plead guilty to the conspiracy charge if the actual kidnaping charges in both the Bremer and Hamm cases are nolled. Govern-ment officials have this offer under consideration.

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Meanwhile, sentencing of John P
(Jack) Peifer, St. Paul night club operator convicted by a jury last Saturday, was delayed from Wednesday to
Friday over vigorous objection of government attorneys. Preceding pronouncement of sentence, Peifer's attorneys will argue a motion for a new

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# KARPIS ENTERS LEAVENWORTH

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LEAVENWORTH, Kas., July 29.—(P)—Alvin Karpis entered Leavenworth penitentiary today to start his life term for the \$100,000 William Hamm kidnap conspiracy. Federal operatives placed themselves in strategic positions about the station as the train bearing Karpis arrived. Manacled to Karpis was Charles J. Fitzgerald, also sentenced after pleading guilty in the Hamm case,

THE CHICAGO AMERICAN

# That's—That

By BRUCE GUSTIN

TO OUR discredit as a nation, the New Deal
Administration has set an example of debt
repudiation. The Federal Government not only
repudiated part of their private debts. Soon after
the New Deal was launched, President Roosevelt
forced through Congress a bill repealing the gold
payment clause in public and private contracts.
This, together with the devaluation of the dollar, forced creditors to accept debt payments at
59 cents on the dollar.

DEBT repudiation is a two-edged sword. It injures the debtor it helps. It may get a man out of one financial difficulty and put him into another. It may relieve him of one debt burden, and then it may ruin him by destroying his credit. There is no more necessary asset in any line of business than credit. To maintain credit, an individual must pay his bills.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR., back from a European trip, says England impressed him because "I never saw as much prosperity as I saw in England. Hotels are crowded. I never saw as much activity since before the depression." It is important to understand that the restoration of prosperity in England is not the result of political magic or governmental regimentation of business. The English policy is to protect home industries, encourage business expansion, and give private initiative a chance to solve economic problems in a normal way.

A LVIN KARPIS and Charles Fitzerald, who a pleaded guilty to kidnaping William Hamm, jr., for \$100,000 ransom, have been sentenced in the Federal Court at St. Paul, Minn., to life terms. That is light punishment for such a heinous crime. Such criminal rats should be exterminated instead of being fed and clothed and sheltered and taken care of for the rest of their lives at the expense of American taxpayers.

payers.

If it takes six Democratic Governors to answer
Governor Landon of Kansas then the chief
executive of that "Typical Prairie State" must
have made a crackerjack speech in accepting the
Republican presidential nomination. Landon can
no longer be rated as a "little man," either, when
the Democrats so frankly admit it takes six of
their best Governors to equal him.

THE United States army is enlisting men at the rate of 1,500 a month. By next July, it is scheduled to have a total of 165,000 enlisted men and 14,000 officers. That is none too large an army for a nation of this size. Giving able-bodied young men who otherwise might be unemployed and on relief an opportunity to enlist in the Army is better for them and for the nation.

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# HAKEUP OF POLI

Shakeup of several squads of the Toledo police department by Police Chief Ray Allen is in progress, two detectives having been switched from one squad to another, a patrolman promoted to detailed detective and another patrolman removed from a beat he had patroled for 13 years.

Detective Carl Hartung, who has been assigned to the homicide squad, will replace Detective George Eckerman on the special investigation squad, with Eckerman taking.

Hartung's place with the former was notified Thursday to vacate

group.

Patrolman Adam Dlugiewicz has been promoted to a detailed detective, carrying with it an increase in pay, following his single-handed battle with three youths Sunday in the 3200 block of Lagrange st. Before the policeman's attackers could be subdued, the services of 13 policemen were necessary.

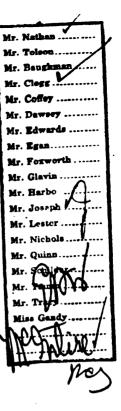
Patrolman John Kraiewski subdued to a detailed that if, in case of eviction, his department is called upon it will display to assist.

has been patroling St. Clair st. for 13 years, now will rotate with other policemen.

Capt. Clarence Fauble, head of the vice and gambling squad, denied this afternoon that he had requested to be removed from that post. He said that previously he had told Chief Allen that the latter could remove him any time his work was unsertification. work was unsatisfactory. Chief Allen said he had no intention to removing Captain Fauble.

The city is awaiting developments in issuance of orders to Benny Harris and Benny Aronoff by owners of properties where they have their gambling establishments to vacate at once.

Harris, it is said, has been ordered to leave immediately. Aronoff



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U. S. Sleuths Now More Efficient Than Scotland Ya

#### Justice Department Handicapped By Poor Start

By Charles P. Stewart. WASHINGTON, July 29.-To describe the justice department's investigation bureau as an "American Scotland Yard" exceedingly annoys the G-men.

It is much more efficient than Scotland Yard, they argue.

If a comparison is necessary, they say, they are more like the Canadian Mounted Police.

The bureau got away, to be sure, to a bad start.

Created in 1908, its first advertising was in connection with Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty; William J. Burns, as its director, and Gaston Means, now in the penitentiary.

It has a reputation to live down, certainly.

J. Edgar Hoover's administration, however, has been highly commend-

able.

able.
Yet it's an innovation.
Previously all Federal policing agencies have concerned themselves solely with such offenses as counterfeiting, violations of the excise laws and acts of violence against executives.

Today the citizen whose child is kidnaped; whose automobile is stolen; who loses \$5,000 or more by thaft; hundreds of other offenses—has only to reach a telephone and call the regional office of the bureau of investigation. of investigation.

If he doesn't know the number, he can call National 5303, Washington, D. C.



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Losing Glamor

The G-men, however, are losing something of their picturesqueness.

Warfare with the gangsters' flaming guns attracted attention.

And the gangsters are about wiped out. The G-men have consumed the publicity food that they fed on.

Crookedness in bankruptcy proceedings hasn't the element to make them page one material in the newspapers.

Since the advent of Joseph B. Keenan, Cleveland attorney, as the bureau's prosecuting authority, its authority has been greatly expanded.

During the Seventy-third Congress 23 laws were enacted to this end.

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The general trend is toward a legal network which
will make it virtually impossible for a person suspected of a serious crime to cross a state line without becoming entangled.

No better summary of the Federal bureau of investigation's growth is available than that afforded by
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Public law No. 16, providing for stenographers in grand jury rooms to make transcripts of evidence available.

Public law No. 74, enabling an effices to arrest a probationer. Public law No. 217, extending the statute of limitations, where indictments are found defective.

Public law No. 230, killing or assaulting a Federal officer. Public law No. 231, interstate

extortion threats. Public law No. 232, kidnaping legislation strengthened.

Public law No. 233, fugitive felons. Public law No. 235, bank rob-

bery. Public law No. 246, national

stolen property act.

Public law No. 295, rewards for capture of criminals or informa-

tion leading to their arrest.

Public law No. 437, stay of habeas proceedings pending appeal,

It's rather technical, but it shows the drift toward a national police force.

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# **NEARLY DOZEN** INDICTMENTS TO BE SOUGHT

Evidence to Be Placed Before Federal Grand Jury Soon.

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Fake Shake-Up Story
Can't Throw Allen



—Staff Photo by Clarence Balley. Pelice Chief Allen: Any story about a shake-up is false.

Police Work Goes on as Usual Despite False Tale Of Sweeping Changes

By CARL ADAMSHICK

A. Garage Fr The Toledo Police Department today continued to function as it did yesterday on the same sensible, even keel that has characterized it since the City Manager government moved into City Hall.

This despite the fake story which appeared in the Toledo

This despite the fake story which appeared in the Toledo Blade yesterday predicting a shakeup in the Police Department and charging members of the department are not co-operating with Capt. Clarence Fauble, head of the vice and gambling squads.

Police Chief Ray Allen, who has been trying, ever since his appointment by Manager John N. Edy, to improve the morale of his department; and increase its efficiency, continued today his efforts in mass investion.

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liberately of stupidly played into the hands of interests who profited from dissension and turmoil in the Police Department

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Some pretty disastrous things were done in the name of "shakeups," and the scars of those phoney shifts in personnel and command

are just beginning to heal.

That day has passed, however, under the "new deal" at City Hall. Chief Allen, in the short time since his appointment, has done much to restore shattered morale.

"I am at a loss to understand why any reporter would publish a story which is so completely without foundation," Chief Allen said.

The story predicted "a thorough shake-up in the vice, gambling, shake-up and a story in the vice, gambling the story and a story predicted "a story predicted "a story predicted "a story predicted to the story pre

liquor and special investigation squads."

It predicted the promotion of

Patroiman Adam Diugiewicz to the rank of detectiva.

It predicted Capt. Clarence Fauble will request in writing that he be relieved of his command as

head of the special squads.

It predicted these changes will be made Friday, effective Saturday.

Chief Denies Shake-up.

As a matter of fact none of these things is going to happen. Ray Allen says they are not going to happen. Capt. Fauble says they are not going to happen. So does Inspector Joseph Fruchey of the detective bureau.

Chief Allen has asked two members of the detective bureau to exchange their squad assignments. The change is of a minor character. Through it Detective Cari Hartung of the homicide squad will exchange places with Detective George Eckerman of the special investigation squad. No other

changes are in prospect.

Keeping the Police Department in hot water is an old game in Toledo. Stirring up dissension and uncertainty among the department members increases the difficulty of running the department.

Tale Injuries Department.

Obviously the story in The Blade yesterday will have the effect, at least temporarily, of making the department members uncertain of their immediate future. It will make Ray Allen's job more diffi-

But Chief Allen, who has been complimented often by City Manager Edy for the kind of job he is doing, will not be forced by a fake story to relent in his efforts.

The false predictions in The Blade and the facts as determined

by a careful check are presented here in review: ed in its afternoon editions

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No Promotions Near. Both Chief Alien and Inspector Fruchey denied Dlugiewicz has been promoted. Both said no promotions in the Detective Bureau are in prospect for the immediate

"The story is obviously unfair to Dlugiewicz," Chief Allen said. "Such false reports have a serious effect on the morale of the department."

Said The Blade: \*Capt. Clarence L Fauble will request Police Chief Ray Allen to be relieved of his position as head of the vice and gambling squad. . . .

"A thorough shake-up of the vice and gambling and liquor and special investigation squads will

"All of these changes will be made tomorrow, effective Satur-

No one was more surprised than Captain Fauble when he read this announcement.

'Printed Story Anyway.'

"A Blade reporter called me this morning," Captain Fauble said, "and asked me about rumors he said he had heard. I said there was nothing to them and he went ahead and printed the story any-

way. It's strictly a fake."

Captain Fauble said he had no intention of resigning his place as head of the squads and Chief Allen insisted he had no changes in mind for the vice and gambling and liquor squads.

Said the Blade: "Captain Fauble, it is said, has been dissatisfied with his post for some time, feeling he has not been getting proper co-operation from some other members of the Police Department . . . "

Captain Fauble said he is not dissatisfied. He also insisted there has been no lack of co-operation on the part of other members of the department.

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The story enade much of the fact that Patrolman John Krajewski, who has been on the 3 p. m. to 11 p. m. shift on St. Clair Street will take the 7 a. m. to 3 p. m. shift starting Saturday. Inspector Clarence Mead said this was the most routine kind. of a change and hardly merited nore than passing comment. City Manager John N. Edy has sked Chief Allen for a complete report on the false story.