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when they were arrested were procured by "extortion." Randall charged he was held in a room seventy-two hours while an agent pointed a machine gun at him. The government denied the charges.

Nathan H. Heller, Havana hotel man, who was named in the original indictments, obtained a dismissal. E. G. (Cassius) McDonald was convicted on a similar charge in St. Paul, Minn., and sentenced to twenty-five years in prison.

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New Judge For Karpis Aide Called

After five continuances and two postponements, the case of Joseph H. Adams, Miami dog track and hotel proprietor charged with harboring the gangster, Alvin Karpis, has been set for trial on February 15.

In setting the date Judge John W. Holland disqualified himself from sitting in the case on the ground that inasmuch as he was U. S. district attorney when the indictment was obtained it would be irregular for him to judge the case. (Continued on Page Twenty-two)

KARPIS AIDE.

(Continued from Page Three)

He said he has invited U. S. District Judge A. V. Long to come here from Pensacola for the trial.

Besides the harboring of a fugitive from justice charge, Adams will be tried with Hendry (Duke) Randall simultaneously on the charge of violating the national firearms act. This latter charge is the outgrowth of the sale of a machine gun to Karpis while he was in Miami in January, 1935, and after he had succeeded John Dillinger to the title of "Nation's Public Enemy No. 1."

An imposing array of witnesses will be brought here for the trial. Federal agents deny that Karpis will be brought here from Alcatraz, where he is serving a life sentence. It is rumored that two women prisoners may be brought here under guard from the federal prison at Milan, Mich., for their testimony. They are Delores Delaney and Winona Burdette, now serving terms for harboring Karpis.

Many of the 25 G men who assisted in the round-up of Karpis and his band are also expected to testify during the Adams-Randall hearing.

Persistent rumors have been heard in the federal building that the trial will involve several other widely known Miamians who are said to have had first hand knowledge of Karpis' presence in this city.

Adams has been at liberty on bond since shortly after his indictment on February 8, 1935. Randall, too, is at liberty on bond.

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ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS

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**Grand Jury Meets; No
Brown Action Likely**

Ramsey county grand jurors met this afternoon with only such business to be considered as they might bring into the jury room.

Although revelations at the ouster hearing of Thomas A. Brown former police official, a few weeks ago were followed by a report the jury intended to look into the case, no action to that end had been taken prior to the session. John L. Connolly, city attorney, who directed the discharge proceedings, was not asked to appear.

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**BROWN CASE OBSERVER
TALKS WITH GRAND JURY**

The Ramsey county grand jury conferred for an hour Thursday afternoon with John A. Pearson, assistant county attorney who attended the ouster hearing of Thomas A. Brown, former St. Paul police chief, and adjourned until 2 P. M. November 19.

Michael F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney, discounted rumors the jury was considering the Brown case, and Pearson refused to comment on whether the case was discussed at the jury session.

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*Beginning the
True Story*

ALVIN KARPIS

DREADED PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER 1
WHO BOASTED HE'D NEVER BE TAKEN ALIVE
(NOW SERVING LIFE SENTENCE IN ALCATRAZ)

*and the notorious
BARKER BROTHERS*

HOW THEY KIDNAPED WM. A. HAMM, JR.,
AND EDWARD G. BREMER — AND
HOW THE G-MEN SOLVED THE CASES
THE AUTHENTIC STORY DIRECT FROM THE FILES OF THE F.B.I.



ALVIN KARPIS
ALIAS "OLD CREEPY"

PAROLED SAFE BLOWED, WANTED FOR MURDER
THE LEADER OF A NOTORIOUS GANG OF
CRIMINALS OPERATING MOSTLY IN THE
MIDWEST, A DANGEROUS KILLER.
THE "BRAIN" OF THE GANG!

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MONDAY!

A Sensational New "WAR ON CRIME" Episode



At last . . . the true, inside facts about Public Enemy No. 1. Alvin Karpis and the notorious Barker Brothers . . . the men who kidnaped William Hamm and Edward Bremer for a total of \$300,000 ransom! Read this amazing, revealing tale of how the G-men solved the cases, sent every guilty desperado to prison or, if they resisted, to the grave! True, authentic facts . . . direct from the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with whose consent and cooperation War on Crime is produced!

THE **KARPIS-BARKER** CASE

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Harwood's Bribery Trial Opens Monday

Police Captain Michael J. Harwood, indicted with seven other members of the Cleveland Police Department on charges of bribery in connection with the prohibition laws, will go to trial Monday, Common Pleas Judge Frank S. Day ruled yesterday.

It will be the first trial growing out of the personal investigation of police corruption made by Safety Director Elliot Ness last summer.

Preliminary motions filed on behalf of Harwood, Deputy Inspector Edwin C. Burns, Lieut John H. Nebe, Sergt. James E. Price and Patrolman John W. Shoemaker will be heard by Judge Day tomorrow.

The others under indictment are Lieut. Thomas J. Brady and Patrolmen Clarence H. Alberts and Gaylord Stotts.

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'PLOT' CHARGES FACE GANG AIDS

Openlander Leaves To Complete Case Against Friends of Karpis Here

Conspiracy indictments against Toledoans who sheltered the Campbell-Karpis mob before and after the Garrettsville \$50,000 mail train robbery will be sought when the Federal Grand Jury meets in Toledo, it was revealed Monday.

As Gerald Openlander, assistant United States attorney, explained, a conspiracy charge carries a two-year prison term on each specific count while a harboring charge would incur only a six-month imprisonment and a \$500 fine.

Gerald Openlander, assistant United States attorney, who leaves this afternoon for Cleveland to wind up the evidence for the Toledo grand jury, refused to say when he would return but it was indicated last week by United States Attorney Emerich Freed that the grand jury would be called as soon as he and Mr. Openlander concluded their Cleveland conference.

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ST. PAUL DISPATCH

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SAWYER'S APPEAL SET FOR ARGUMENT

District Attorney Sullivan and
Aids Go to St. Louis
to Fight Appeals.

George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney for Minnesota, and two of his assistants are in St. Louis today to argue before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals six important cases.

The cases involve appeals from convictions for various crimes, except one which is a lawsuit against the government over war risk insurance.

The appeals include those of Harry Sawyer, once a St. Paul racketeer "big shot," convicted of a part in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, and Cassius McDonald of Detroit and Cuba, convicted here of being a "money changer" in the case. Sawyer is serving a life sentence and McDonald a 20-year term.

Another appeal is that of Tommy Touhy, member of the "terrible Touhy gang" of Chicago. He is in the Ramsey county jail under sentence of 23 years in prison following conviction of a part in a mail robbery in Minneapolis three years ago. Mr. Sullivan personally will argue these appeals.

The case of Sam Taran, convicted of a liquor law violation and under sentence of a year in the Minneapolis workhouse, will be argued for the government by James J. Giblin, assistant to Mr. Sullivan. He also will argue the cases of Fred Blumenthal, Harvey Feinberg, Archie Bell, Albert Wanous, John R. Anderson, Nick Meyers and Henry Czaplewski, all convicted and sentenced at Winona, Minn., in a liquor conspiracy case.

The war risk insurance appeal was taken by Christ A. Johnson and will be argued for the government by Russel Rosenquist, assistant to Sullivan.

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TEXT OF HARWOOD TRIAL TESTIMONY

Prosecution Witness Tells of Paying Money to Police Captain.

The testimony of Casper Korce, 55, of 503 E. 152d Street, former blacksmith, saloon keeper and bootlegger, at the bribery trial of Police Captain Michael J. Harwood yesterday, follows in part:

(Direct examination by County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan.)

Q.—How long have you known Capt. Harwood?

A.—I first met him in 1928.

Q.—What were the circumstances?

A.—Harwood came to my place on E. 140th Street near the New York Central Railroad tracks after a man named James Kelly had talked to me.

Q.—Did you have any conversation with him?

A.—Yes. He asked me how long I had been running the place, and I told him about a month. Then he said: "I am the captain of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth precincts. I'll lay my cards on the table so you can read them. It will cost you \$25 a month to operate the joint."

Q.—As a result of the conversation what did you do?

Says He Paid Captain.

A.—I paid the captain the money and kept on bootlegging.

Q.—Where did you pay the money?

A.—At E. 152d and St. Clair, the northwest corner.

Q.—How much did you pay him?

A.—Sometimes \$25, sometimes \$50.

Q.—How many times did you meet the captain there?

A.—Six, seven or eight times.

Q.—What was the total amount you gave him?

A.—I can't say.

Korce testified that he told Harwood about a friend, Stanley Michalski, who operated a "brewery" on Hale Avenue N. E., and that Harwood said:

"If he's all right it'll cost him just as much as it costs you."

Q.—As a result of that conversation, what did you do?

A.—I got \$25 from Michalski and gave it to Harwood.

Q.—How many times?

A.—About three or four.

The witness said he once delivered ten cases of beer to Harwood's resi-

dence, which the captain did not pay for. He added that Stanley Michalski, another state's witness, took over Michalski's place and that he talked to Harwood about Michalski but could not recall the result of the conversation.

Cross-examined by Defense Counsel James C. Connell, Korce testified he knew John Prince, an assistant county prosecutor, who was sitting in the court room, for twenty years.

Q.—Isn't it a fact Prince's brother worked for you?

A.—He was a helper.

Q.—Do you remember the trouble in 1920 when Patrolman Dvorak was arrested?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Don't you know Dvorak was arrested by Harwood?

A.—I do not.

Q.—Weren't you arrested by Harwood for receiving a stolen automobile with liquor in it and turned over to the detective bureau?

A.—I was not.

On further cross-examination Korce testified he could not remember how many times he was arrested and convicted of bootlegging. He said, also, that his wife and several of his employees were convicted of bootlegging.

Q.—Weren't you convicted in Federal Court in February, 1929?

A.—I don't remember.

Q.—Didn't Lieut. Brady (Lieut. Thomas J. Brady, awaiting trial on charges similar to those filed against Harwood) bring you into Federal Court after you were acquitted in Police Court?

A.—I wasn't even tried in Police Court. Brady arrested my son-in-law, Sasso, then let him go and took me. I was fined \$300 in Federal Court.

Korce testified he got a liquor license after repeal.

Q.—Did you answer "No" on the application where it asks if you had ever been convicted of bootlegging?

A.—I did.

Q.—You knew you were swearing falsely?

A.—I did.

Q.—You knew you were committing perjury?

A.—I did.

Q.—You'll commit perjury to get anything you want?

The judge sustained an objection to the question by Cullitan.

Q.—Do you know Vehovec (Councilman Anton Vehovec)?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Do you know about his trouble with Harwood over the beach fence?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Wasn't it after that trouble that you first talked to anyone about your story of paying money to Harwood?

A.—No.

Korce said he first told his story to Safety Director Elliot Ness when Ness visited him at his home "some time in June."

Q.—Did Vehovec tell you he was coming?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you talk to Vehovec about it?

A.—I did not.

He said that on another occasion

Ness visited him with Clayton Fritchey, reporter for the Press. He said Ness did not promise him immunity from prosecution if he testified against Harwood, although, he said, Cullitan mentioned it to him, saying, "You are as guilty as they are, but don't perjure yourself."

Asks Court Instruction.

Chief Assistant County Prosecutor Charles J. McNamee then asked Judge Frank S. Day to advise the jury that conspirators who testify for the state in open court are immune from prosecution. The judge said he would "take care of it" in his charge.

Connell asked Korce if it was not a fact that Vehovec ate lunch every day at the restaurant of Alvin Filipic at 513 E. 152d Street. Filipic is one of the state's witnesses.

A.—I do not know.

Q.—Didn't you talk to Filipic about making trouble for Harwood?

A.—I did not.

Q.—Didn't you talk about getting rid of Harwood?

A.—I did not.

Q.—What did you talk to Vehovec about?

A.—The fence and the gambling joint on Ivanhoe Road.

Prosecutor, Judge Clash.

Heated argument occurred between the prosecution and the court when, on redirect examination, Cullitan asked Korce who ran the gambling joint he referred to and the judge sustained Connell's objection to the question. Cullitan contended Connell had opened the door to such questioning. Connell contended that part of Korce's answer was unresponsive to the question asked.

Q.—Don't you know Harwood put Vehovec out of the saloon business in 1934?

Cullitan's objection to the question was sustained.

On redirect examination, Cullitan asked Korce if Prince had not objected to his brother's working for the witness. Connell objected.

"Council was attempting to smear my office," Cullitan told the court heatedly.

Judge Day sustained Connell's objection when Korce testified Vehovec told him he was going "to clean up all the joints in the ward—especially a certain one."

Printer Testifies

Clyde M. North, 2375 W. 130th Street, printer for the Press, followed Korce on the witness stand for the state. He testified he was a partner of Korce's from the fall of 1928 until the spring of 1929.

On direct-examination by Cullitan, he testified, in part:

Q.—Under what circumstances did you meet Harwood?

A.—Through a Mr. Kelly who came to see me in the fall of 1928 about continuation in business.

He testified arrangements were made to pay Harwood at an apartment.

Q.—Did you make a payment there?

A.—No. When Korce and I went there Kelly was there, but not Harwood. Korce said he wouldn't deal with anybody but Harwood.

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Q.—Did you see Harwood at a subsequent time.

A.—Yes. Harwood and his son came to our place on E. 140th on a Sunday afternoon, the day there there was some trouble at the Palais d'Or.

Q.—Who owns the Palais d'Or?

Objection by Connell sustained.

Q.—What happened?

A.—They had a conference with Korce, the conversation of which I did not hear.

On cross-examination, North testified he bootlegged in Pittsburgh, but said he was never arrested either in Cleveland or Pittsburgh.

Q.—To whom did you first tell your story of the payments to Harwood?

A.—Ness.

Q.—When?

A.—He came to my house in June with Fritchey.

Q.—Did you talk to Seltzer (Louis B. Seltzer, editor of the Press) about testifying in this case?

A.—No.

Q.—Do you know who sent Ness to you?

Objection by Cullitan sustained.

Q.—Did you make a written statement?

A.—Yes, to Ness.

Connell questioned North at length as to whom he bought his liquor from in Pittsburgh. North said he could remember only the first names of the persons.

Matowitz on Stand.

Police Chief George J. Matowitz was the first witness called by Cullitan. He testified concerning Harwood's assignments in the periods covered in the indictment, which were chiefly in the Ninth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Precincts.

Asked to enumerate the duties of a police captain, Matowitz said the officer was in charge of the precinct. He said also that the police captain was responsible for the personnel of the liquor, vice and gambling squads in the precinct.

On cross-examination, Connell asked Matowitz if he remembered or-

dering Harwood in 1934 to investigate a place operated by Vahovac. Matowitz said he did not.

Connell asked Matowitz to bring to the court room all the records of the Fourteenth Precinct. They were delivered to the court late in the day.

The other state's witness was Harvey B. Atkins, assistant city clerk, who identified the first city liquor ordinance, which was adopted in 1924 and repealed in 1933. The federal and state prohibition laws were in effect during the period covered in the indictment and that they were later repealed was stipulated.

ST. PAUL DISPATCH
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**DOYLE ADMITS DRIVING
CAR IN NEBRASKA RAID**

Jess Doyle, acquitted of participation in the \$200,000 Edward G. Bremer kidnaping in St. Paul, admitted Wednesday to the Nebraska pardon board that he was the driver of the car used in the \$152,000 Fairbury, Neb., bank robbery in 1933.

Although he is serving a ten-year term for the crime, the Associated Press reported, the exact part he took in the robbery had not been known.

On the basis of another confession by Doyle that he and six other Barker-Karpis gangsters raided the Third Northwestern National bank in Minneapolis in 1932, the Minnesota pardon board will decide in a few days whether to release Leonard Hankins from Stillwater prison and absolve him of complicity in the crime.

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**JESS DOYLE PAROLED,
TO FACE NEW CHARGE**

Jess Doyle, 36-year-old Barker-Karpis gangster, was paroled today by the Nebraska pardon board to federal officers who want him for the Coffeyville, Kan., mail messenger holdup, an Associated Press bulletin from Lincoln reported.

Doyle avoided trial as a suspect in the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, by pleading guilty to the \$152,000 Fairbury, Neb., bank robbery. He has served two years of a ten-year term for the crime.

William H. Wright, Nebraska attorney general, said Doyle had indicated he would plead guilty to the Coffeyville robbery. The minimum sentence is 25 years. Wright said if Doyle fails to plead guilty his parole will be revoked.

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FEDERAL AGENTS GET KARPIS GANGSTER

Bremer Suspect to Be Tried
for Mail Holdup

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At that time he named Alvin Karpis, kidnaper and gangster, as a confederate in the robbery. Doyle said he drove the automobile used by the robbers. He has served two years of a ten-year sentence.

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NO PAYOFF, CITES RAID BY CAPTAIN

Ex-Bootlegger Tells Jury
Harwood Drove Him 'Out
of Business' After He
Refused \$25 Demand.

SAYS DEFENDANT TOLD
HIM, "YOU'LL BE SORRY"

Attorneys Continue Clashes
as Bribery Witnesses
Are Cross-Examined.

BY RALPH KELLY.

A bootlegger who had refused to pay money to Police Captain Michael J. Harwood was raided out of business in 1929 and was afterwards taunted by Harwood with a reminder that he had been told he "would be sorry," a state's witness testified yesterday at Harwood's bribery trial.

The witness was Joseph Birk, Jr., 32, now the proprietor of a restaurant and bar at 6220 St. Clair Avenue N. E., who testified that he had operated a candy store, in which he sold liquor, at 15805 Waterloo Road N. E. in 1928 and 1929.

Birk was the seventh state witness to testify before a jury in the court of Common Pleas Judge Frank S. Day that he had paid money directly to Harwood while the captain was in command of the Fourteenth Police Precinct.

The fourth day of the trial was marked by an increase in conflict between County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan, Chief Assistant County Prosecutor Charles J. McNamee and James C. Connell, chief counsel for Harwood, over Connell's cross-examination of witnesses.

Charge Connell Is Unfair

Cullitan and McNamee charged in objections to Judge Day that Connell was unfairly interpreting the answers of witnesses by reading in implications not originally present. McNamee was once ordered to sit down by Judge Day, and he and Cullitan were limited to one objection at a time from the prosecution side of the table.

As a part of the dispute Cullitan drew a statement from Alvin Filipic, a state's witness, that he had been visited at his cafe at Hale Avenue N. E. and E. 152d Street by James H. Murray, associate counsel with

Connell, before the beginning of the trial.

Further testimony about the Murray visit was cut off by objections from Connell, but it was said last night that Filipic had reported to a police lieutenant at the time of the visit, about two weeks ago, that Murray had asked him if he knew what it was to be a "squealer" and if he knew that he wouldn't be able to operate his business if he went on "shooting off" his mouth.

Murray last night strongly denied making any such statements and said he had gone to the Filipic cafe to see how close it was to the house of Casper Korce, another state witness. He said he didn't talk at all to Filipic. Connell also said it was the "positive duty" of an attorney in representing a client to visit every witness.

Birk, Kuncic Chief Witnesses.

Birk and Joseph Kuncic, 17202 Grovewood Avenue N. E., who testified he had paid Harwood for several months in 1928 and 1929 while he was operating a liquor joint at Waterloo Road N. E. and E. 165th Street, were the chief witnesses of the day.

Birk told the jury of seven women and five men that he had been approached by "a gentleman named Jim Kelley," who had been identified as Harwood's advance agent in negotiations with them by Korce and Clyde North, Korce's partner. Birk testified that Kelley said "I would have to pay Capt. Harwood if I wanted to stay in business."

"I asked Kelley why Harwood didn't come in himself," Birk continued. "Two days afterwards Harwood came into my store. He asked me to pay him \$25, and I paid him."

Several weeks later, Birk said, Harwood came again into the store and was paid \$20.

"Just a few days before Christmas (of 1928) Kelley came in and said I would have to pay \$25 for Christmas," Birk testified. "I told him I wouldn't pay. Between Christmas and New Year's Harwood came into the store and said I would have to pay \$25. I offered him \$25, but he wouldn't take it and went out."

Connell Didn't Stand

"I was raided several times after that. I had to go out of business because I couldn't stand it."

Birk said that he could not remember how many times the place was raided, but that he had been arrested "once or twice" and his father, Joseph Birk, Sr., "once or twice."

The last raid was in February or March of 1929, Birk testified, and was made by a squad led by Capt. Harwood. Birk related that he ran out of the back door at the approach of the raiders, but returned three hours later and was arrested. His father was also arrested, he said.

"We were taken to the Fourteenth Station and Harwood was standing by the booking window as I came in," Birk said. "He made the remark to me: 'I told you you would be sorry.' My father and myself were both convicted and fined. I went out of business soon afterwards."

Birk was subjected to a long cross-examination by Connell concerning his application to the state to sell liquor at his St. Clair Avenue place. He admitted he had been arrested and convicted several times for bootlegging.

Asks About License.

"You signed a license application stating you never had been convicted, didn't you?" Connell asked.

"Yes," Birk replied. "You knew that was untrue?" asked Connell.

"No, sir," Birk said. "The question applied to the Liquor Control Act passed in 1932, and I was never arrested or convicted under that."

Connell began a long dispute about the wording of the question, during which Birk produced one of the blanks from his pocket. He admitted he had got the blank after reading in the papers that Connell was asking the witnesses about their applications.

"So you got ready for me?" Connell said.

"Yes, sir, of course," Birk replied. Connell read the question on the blank as follows:

"Have you ever been convicted of

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violating any of the penal provisions of the Liquor Control Act or any statute relating to beer or intoxicating liquor?"

"What do you think that means?" Connell asked.

"Don't Know About Law."

"I don't know much about the law," said Birk.

Later, on redirect examination by Cullitan, Birk said he had answered the question on the application blank in conformity with advice of his attorney, State Representative J. J. Ogrin, that the question related to statutes then on the books.

Birk admitted that he knew Councilman Anton Vehovec; that he worked two days a month at the cafe of Filipic, Birk's brother-in-law. Birk was asked by Connell if he had not testified that he had not been bootlegging each time he was convicted of bootlegging.

"I don't remember what my testimony was," Birk said.

"Have you ever told anybody you had it in for Harwood because he caused you to lose \$3,000 in six weeks because he put you out of the bootlegging business?" asked Connell.

"No, sir," said Birk.

Birk denied that he had talked to Filipic concerning his testimony, that he had asked the prosecutors concerning immunity, which is provided for bribery witnesses under the statutes.

Korce Denies Perjury.

Korce returned to the stand for a few moments to deny he had committed perjury in applying for a liquor license. He testified he had told Connell Tuesday that he had committed perjury, but had looked up the matter and discovered he had not. He said his wife, Joanna, had applied for and received a permit. He never made an application, he said he had discovered.

Kuncic, slow in movement and in speech, testified he had operated speakeasies at Waterloo and E. 165th and on Neff Road N. E. He said he paid \$50 a month for three or four months to Harwood. All the payments except one were made at the Waterloo Road joint, he testified. The exception was payment made at Harwood's home, he said.

"He didn't come around, so I took it to him," he said.

On cross-examination Kuncic testified he was unable to get citizenship papers because of his convictions for bootlegging, denied that Safety Director Eliot Ness, whose investigation led to Harwood's indictment, had threatened to have him deported. He also denied that in May, 1934, he had brought a list of bootleggers to Harwood at the Fifteenth Precinct Station and had complained about their operations.

Connell submitted a slip of paper for Kuncic's examination and asked if he had written the names of bootleggers written there. Kuncic said he could not read without his glasses and, after trying glasses proffered by Juror Joseph B. Crane, Prosecutor Cullitan and Judge Day, testified the handwriting was his.

Kuncic testified he had known Councilman Vehovec, who started Ness on his investigation by complaining of conditions in the precinct, ever since Vehovec was "a little kid." He said he had boarded at the house of Vehovec's mother when he first came to this country.

He also testified two of the arrests against him were made by squads from Central Police Station under former Deputy Inspector William A. McMaster, rather than by police under Harwood. He admitted two arrests in 1929 and one in 1930.

"Didn't Director Ness tell you to tell the truth when you went before the grand jury?" Kuncic was asked by Cullitan.

"Yes, sir," Kuncic said.

Filipic Finishes Testimony.

Filipic, who gave his principal testimony on Wednesday, finished his testimony under cross-examination yesterday morning. He said that after the repeal of prohibition Capt. Harwood had brought pressure on him to do business with a bootleg liquor salesman.

Patrolman John W. Shoemaker, who is one of the eight other policemen under indictment in the Ness investigation, came to him in March, 1933 with word that "the captain wants to see you," Filipic said. He said he talked to Harwood as a result.

"What was the conversation?" Cullitan asked.

"The captain said, 'You know how to operate so you won't be arrested,'" the witness answered. "I said, 'If I want information I'll get it from the liquor board.' The captain said, 'Don't be grouchy. I'm going to send a man down for you to do business with.'"

Filipic testified that "a man" visited him with a sample bottle of liquor and said he was to get in touch with Harwood if he liked it.

Said He Wouldn't Touch It.

"I told him I wouldn't touch it because there's lots of legal liquor," Filipic testified.

Filipic testified he had spent a week before the opening of the grand jury inquiry with Korce at a hunting and fishing camp at Tubb's Lake, in northern Michigan. He also testified he had spent a week before the trial opened with Korce hunting in Pennsylvania. He said he and Korce had never discussed the case.

"What protection did you want when you said you paid protection?" Connell asked.

"None," Filipic said.

"Why pay for it when you wanted none?"

"I wanted to be protected from being arrested," Filipic said, after a long hesitation.

Filipic also said he did not know Frank Strass and Louis Gragorovic, also state payoff witnesses.

HARWOOD CASE TO GO BEFORE JURORS TODAY

Police Captain Ends His
Defense With Denial
of Bribery.

NESS AWAITS VERDICT

Closing Arguments Set for
This Morning.

BY RALPH KELLY.

Bribery charges against Police Capt. Michael J. Harwood are expected to go for final decision today to a jury of seven women and five men who have been listening to testimony for six days.

The decision will be one of the most important factors in police administration in Cleveland in at least a decade, since the Harwood case has become the spearhead of the attack by Safety Director Elliot Ness on the city's police problem. Harwood was the first of eight defendants in the police graft investigation by Ness to be brought to trial.

The veteran police captain closed his defense yesterday with his own statements, those of his wife and the testimony of seven character witnesses to counter-balance the statements of seven major state's witnesses that Harwood accepted money in 1928 and 1929 to protect the operations of bootleggers in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Police Precincts.

Only the captain's testimony concerned the alleged payoff payments, which he repeatedly denied. His wife's testimony dealt with a detail of the 1929 liquor raid on the Harwood home, which has played a prominent part in the trial. The character witnesses testified Harwood's reputation for honesty was very good.

Arguments This Morning

The captain left the witness stand yesterday afternoon after having occupied it continuously since about 2 Friday afternoon, and Defense Attorney James C. Connell closed his case swiftly. Closing arguments will occupy this morning's session, the charge by Common Pleas Judge Frank S. Day the first portion of this afternoon's session, and the case will go to the jury in mid-afternoon. Judge Day told the jury.

Capt. Harwood left the stand after a last-minute barrage of questions from County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan, who cross-examined him for more than eight hours, concerning the captain's relationship to the establishments operated by his son, Edward.

The name of former Mayor Harry L. Davis, under whose administration Harwood received all of his promotions, was brought into testimony when Harwood testified he had

made no gambling raids, particularly against the Black Hawk Inn at 1775 Ivanhoe Road N. E., "because there were written orders that Capt. Potts would take care of all gambling and slot machine complaints."

The Inn was the establishment raided last June by Director Ness after Councilman Anton Vehovec had complained that Edward Harwood operated a bookie joint there.

Referred to "Outside Chief."

The captain's reference to the orders concerning gambling was to Capt. Emmet J. Potts, who was created assistant police chief, or "outside chief," under the Davis administration.

"As soon as Davis was defeated I raided that place and took the boards over to the Fourteenth Precinct," Harwood said. "I raided the place three times, but I couldn't ever get any evidence."

Harwood said he knew there had been gambling in the back rooms of the establishment under Davis, but did not do anything because of the alleged written orders, the existence of which was denied last night by Police Chief George J. Matowitz. Matowitz was not called as a rebuttal witness.

Harwood also said that Eddie Harwood had operated a restaurant in the same building when Davis was mayor, as well as afterwards, but denied Eddie had any connection with the gambling joint. He said said Eddie rented the back room used for gambling to Joe McCarthy, who pleaded guilty to operating the joint, after the raid by Ness.

"It wasn't ever finally closed until it was closed by Ness, was it?" Cullitan demanded.

"It was always closed except under Mayor Davis," Harwood replied.

"It was always opened again after you raided it, wasn't it?" Cullitan asked.

"Opened After Transfer."

"No, it only opened after I left the precinct," Harwood said.

"Did you ever raid the place while Eddie had it?"

"Yes, I raided the place, but Eddie didn't have anything to do with the gambling. He just ran the restaurant."

"You knew the restaurant was connected with the gambling room by a buzzer system, didn't you?" Cullitan said.

"I didn't know there was a buzzer system until after the raid," Harwood answered.

"But you knew there was a buzzer system?"

"Yes."

Harwood also testified he knew some betting slips were found at the back door of Eddie's living quarters, above the restaurant, and observed that he had heard "they were a couple of days old."

He further testified that he had been notified an hour and a half in advance of Ness' raid on the Black Hawk, that Ness was going to meet Vehovec and reporters at Waterloo Road N. E. and E. 156th Street and the group was going to raid.

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Says Reporter Gave Note

Under questioning of Connell, Harwood said a Cleveland News reporter had come to his house at 2 p. m. on Saturday, June 6, with a slip of paper on which was written a notation that Ness, Vehovec and reporters were going to meet in the precinct. Under questioning of Cullitan, Harwood said the reporter was Jake Mintz.

Harwood was questioned again about the operation of a small hotel near Euclid Avenue and E. 55th Street which figured in vice raids several years ago. He testified Saturday that he believed he was one of the incorporators of a company which leased the hotel.

He denied yesterday that he had an interest in the hotel; said he did not believe he had ever given its address as his own business address; said it was "possible" when Cullitan asked him if he had not made a Guardian Trust Co. deposit giving the hotel's address; said Eddie Harwood had operated the hotel, but "turned it over to someone else" when he began to operate the Palais d'Or, night club. He had previously testified that Eddie began to operate the Palais in 1923 or 1924.

Cullitan asked if Eddie had not operated the hotel, under another name, in 1929.

"No, sir," Harwood said.

Identifies Son's Signature

Cullitan then showed Harwood a statement signed by Eddie Harwood in 1929 in which he complained of an embezzlement by a hotel clerk. The statement was signed by Edward Harwood as "proprietor," and Harwood identified the signature.

"You have said that you were your son's financial adviser, as well as his adviser on other matters, haven't you?" Cullitan asked.

"Yes," Harwood said.

"Don't you know as his adviser that the hotel was being operated for immoral purposes?" Cullitan asked.

Connell demanded a mistrial on the ground that the question was designed to create prejudice. Judge Day upheld an objection, but overruled the mistrial request.

Harwood testified that when his son was connected with the hotel in 1923 he was "about 19, but I didn't say he was running it." The 1929 statement signed by Edward Harwood gave his age as 24.

The captain also testified that he advised Eddie Harwood on operation of the Hermit Restaurant, "but no more than a father making wise investments for his children."

Counts Is Witness

Fred Counts, in charge of prohibition enforcement in Cleveland in 1920, testified as a rebuttal witness for the state concerning the raid on the Harwood grocery, behind which the family had living quarters, in 1920.

Counts testified that Mrs. Harwood ran up the stairs when he produced a warrant, that Harwood came running out of his bed room in his underwear and descended the stairs with a gun in his hand, that neither of the three agents touched Mrs. Harwood, that Counts ran out to call police and when he returned Harwood was in the basement. When police arrived, Counts testified, Harwood opened a locked door and admitted them to the basement, where the federal agents later discovered about fifteen shattered five-gallon glass bottles and spilled liquor on the floor.

Harwood on redirect examination testified that one of the agents, a colored man, "was wrassling with my wife." Mrs. Harwood also testified that the agent grabbed her and that she fainted. After Counts' testimony she went again to the stand and testified she had never seen Counts before.

The character witnesses for Har-

wood were: Carl F. Boop, 1178 Hayden Avenue N. E., salesman for the Davis Laundry Co.; Mrs. Boop, who said she had lived at the Harwood home for five years before her marriage; Miss Helen A. Mullen, 1866 Burnette Avenue, East Cleveland; Mrs. Florence Buggie, 3438 W. 130th Street, who said she had lived at the Harwood home for fourteen years "and never paid board"; Mrs. Henry Alden, 9719 Lamont Avenue N. E., who said she had been a neighbor of the Harwoods for twelve years; John A. Edelman, 1861 Avalon Road N. E.; Dr. Joseph M. Moran, family dentist.

Chief Assistant County Prosecutor Charles F. McNamee asked Boop if anyone had suggested to him that he testify "because a Davis Laundry Co. employe was on the jury."

"No," Boop said.

Detective Sergeant George Zicarelli took the stand as a defense witness. He was asked if Harwood had ever asked him to "lay off bootleggers" while Zicarelli was head of the liquor squad in the Fourteenth. State objections were upheld by Judge Day and the question was never answered.

Harwood Jury Deliberates Again Today

BRIBERY CASE PANEL STILL IN DEADLOCK

No Verdict at Midnight;
Judge Orders Retirement to Hotel.

CAPTAIN SOBS IN COURT

Loud Arguments Heard as
Testimony Is Discussed.

BY RALPH KELLY.

After seven and a half hours of deliberation the jury trying Police Captain Michael J. Harwood on bribery charges was deadlocked at midnight and was ordered locked up at Hotel Cleveland for the night.

Common Pleas Judge Frank S. Day sent word to the jurors at 11:15 last night to inquire if they had reached a verdict or if there was any immediate prospect of reaching one. The jury sent back word that it would like to remain in session until midnight, indicating there was some prospect of a verdict.

At midnight, however, the jury reported it had reached no verdict. Judge Day ordered it taken to the hotel and returned for continuance of deliberations at 9:30 this morning.

Gathering at the Criminal Court Building, where the defendant and his family and officials awaited the verdict, predicted freely that the jury would continue in deadlock and would ultimately have to be discharged.

Hear Arguments in Jury Room. Sounds from the isolated jury room occasionally filtered into corridors of the building, and spectators said they heard one of the women jurors engaged in angry altercation with other jurors.

The case went to the jury of seven women and five men at 2:37 yesterday afternoon, after Defense Attorney James C. Connell had characterized Capt. Harwood in the closing argument as the victim of a revenge plot started by Councilman Anton Vehovec, and County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan had characterized him as a "betrayal of his oath and a besmircher of his badge."

During Connell's argument Miss Helene Harwood, daughter of the captain, sobbed audibly in court. Harwood himself once bowed his head and sobbed.

At 5:45, after the jury had been out more than three hours, it sent word to Judge Day that it wanted to ask a question of the court.

The judge called Cullitan and Connell into consultation in his office for fifteen minutes. After the conference the jury was summoned into the court and propounded its question, through Theodore Kramer, 4232 Rocky River Drive S. W., foreman.

Kramer said the jury wanted to know why the state had objected to a question asked Detective Sergeant

George Zicarelli, defense witness. The objection had been upheld by the judge. The question was:

"While you were the head of the liquor squad in the Fourteenth Precinct, did Capt. Harwood ever ask you to lay off bootleggers?"

The state objected that the answer would be irrelevant and incompetent.

Reads Portion of Charge.

In reply to the jury's question, Judge Day read the portion of his charge applicable to the sustaining or overruling of objections. The charge said the court had the responsibility of confining testimony to legal limits and objections were overruled or sustained on that basis.

The jurors filed out again and about ten minutes later were taken to dinner. They dined at Hotel Cleveland and returned to their deliberations at 8.

Court hangers-on construed the question to the judge as indicating sympathy for Harwood's contention that he is innocent of the charges on the part of a member, or members, of the jury.

Harwood was indicted more than a month ago on seven counts, charging him with receiving bribes from bootleggers while he was assigned in 1928 and 1929 to the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Precincts. Indicted with him were seven other policemen, including Deputy Inspector Edwin C. Burns.

All the indictments were returned by the grand jury as the result of a four-month investigation by Safety Director Elliot Neas.

Closing arguments to the jury occupied the entire session yesterday morning.

"If Harwood stands before you today as a crooked police officer he put himself in that position," Cullitan said. "He besmirched the badge he wore. He brought disgrace on his family, as all criminals do."

"If these witnesses in this case were actuated by revenge, why didn't they come in and testify against Inspector McMaster (former Deputy Inspector William A. McMaster), who raided everywhere?"

"They didn't accuse McMaster because they couldn't. He wasn't on

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Defends Ness, Fritchey.

Cullitan defended Director Ness and Clayton Fritchey, reporter who assisted Ness, from implications of Connell that they were a part of Vehovec's revenge plot.

"Mr. Ness is of a different political faith than I am," Cullitan said. "But I want to say to you that I have nothing but admiration for the determination he has shown to rid this city of gangsters and mobsters and to clean the police department of crooks."

Connell said the seven bootleggers who were the state's major witnesses were almost all connected with each other and with Councilman Vehovec. He said Vehovec desired revenge against Harwood because the captain had attempted to prevent his cutting down a fence to a Lake Erie beach, which had been erected by the City Health Department.

Connell also charged former Lieut. Nelson J. Meeker, who resigned from the department in 1929 after Harwood had brought charges against him, was a part of the plot.

"Went Back Sixteen Years."

"They went back sixteen years to dirty up Harwood, just to make you hate him, just to make you believe what their seven sleeping beauties, silent over all these years, tell about Harwood," Connell said.

"How many enemies do you suppose a policeman has? Why, a single man in all his raids in his official duties against the thieves and bootleggers and men of that kind creates enough hatred against himself to

give anyone a motive to destroy him.

"Isn't it strange that this man, who has worked all over the city and made enemies everywhere as a result of his activities against criminals, should have been the object of that clique in Collinwood? That wasn't coincidence. His attempt to preserve city property, which Vehovec was trying to destroy, stirred up the little nest of bootleggers."

Connell said the only witnesses the prosecution could get were friends of Vehovec and of Meeker.

"All his life he has fought courageously for himself," Connell said of Harwood.

Harwood has been a member of the police department for 24 years and has been involved in many stormy quarrels with city officials in that period. He was relieved of duty in June when Director Ness raided the Black Hawk Inn at 1775 Iveshoe Road N. E., in Harwood's precinct, and discovered that the captain's son, Edward, received rent for gambling rooms on the premises.

Boston Herald
Dec. 17, 1936.

CLEVELAND POLICE CAPTAIN GUILTY

Conviction Marks Victory in
Clean-up Drive

CLEVELAND, Dec. 16 (AP)—

Police Captain Michael J. Harwood was convicted of accepting bribes from bootleggers today and Cleveland's youthful, government-trained safety director, Elliot Ness, marked up another victory in his campaign to clean up the police department.

Harwood was one of eight policemen indicted by the grand jury recently on charges of soliciting and accepting bribes from bootleggers during prohibition years. Another captain, Louis J. Cadek, previously was convicted on bribery charges.

Harwood took the verdict without a word. Ness' only statement came after a daughter of the suspended police captain passed him in a corridor and said:

"Thank you, Mr. Ness."

The 33-year-old safety director, a former federal agent, made no reply, but said later:

"I want to say one thing. There is nothing personal about this case. I am fighting for a principle, that's all."

The jury in its verdict found that Capt. Harwood accepted bribes from six bootleggers. The once influential captain faced a possible sentence of from six to 60 years.

Ness carried on his investigation of the police department in characteristically federal fashion. He was absent from his office on secret missions for days at a time. He refused to divulge to anyone what he was doing, when he had completed his investigation and carefully tabulated each piece of evidence he suddenly handed County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan a 100-page report telling an amazing story of relations between bootleggers and policemen during the prohibition period.

The grand jury called 70 witnesses in a three-week study of Ness' report and the eight indictments followed. Remaining to be tried are a deputy inspector, two lieutenants, one sergeant and three patrolmen. The grand jury is still investigating.

As a government agent, Ness hunted Al Capone and his breweries in Chicago unceasingly and cut deeply into Capone's revenue. He headed the federal alcohol tax unit here for a while and then took the appointment a safety director with the statement that the job would be a hard one, "but lots of fun."

Harwood, a veteran of nearly 25 years in the police department, was released under bond of \$5,500. He will be sentenced Saturday.

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KARPIS' IMMUNITY NOT BOUGHT HERE, DECLARES HOOVER

G-Man's Reply to Query on
Statement Made Public
by Reyer

Superintendent of Police George Reyer made public Tuesday the contents of telegrams he had sent to and received from J. Edgar Hoover, director of the federal bureau of investigation, concerning a statement attributed to the "G-Men" chief that Alvin Karpis, captured here last summer, had paid \$5000 "for protection in one city."

In a newspaper dispatch printed Monday Hoover was quoted as saying that Karpis told him he had paid protection money to police in a city which was unnamed.

Superintendent Reyer sent a wire to Mr. Hoover that read as follows: "New Orleans papers published a statement given out by you to Rex Collier stating that Alvin Karpis told you he paid \$5000 for protection in one city and as he was arrested in New Orleans if this is the city referred to I would like to get the facts to investigate same."

"If this is not the city would appreciate you having Associated Press clear this up. Of course you understand what I have in mind. We are entitled to be cleared unless you have any information to the contrary. Criminals have no place in New Orleans as your records will show. Wishing you and your men a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. George Reyer. Superintendent of Police."

Superintendent Reyer exhibited a telegram received in reply Tuesday from Mr. Hoover as follows: "Reference press dispatch quoting me as stating Alvin Karpis paid \$5000 for protection in one city you are advised that Karpis did not name New Orleans as the city in which he paid this money. Season's greetings. Sincerely, John Edgar Hoover. Director federal bureau of investigation."

Hoover has been under criticism recently from metropolitan police heads for "unfair" methods in releasing press reports of capture of criminals.

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Gang Leaders Trapped by U.S.

By Roger Hawthorne,
Associated Press Staff Writer.

In a single sweep of the American crime checkerboard in 1936 G-men took all the underworld's kings. Then Chief J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation pitted his 625 agents against 8,000 miscellaneous mysteries.

"Public Enemy No. 1," Alvin Karpis, implicated in the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings, was caught first, in New Orleans, last May 1. One week later his limping pal and lieutenant in the fast-vanishing Barker-Karpis gang, Harry Campbell, was seized in Ohio.

That same day William Mahan was picked up in San Francisco, still carrying money paid for the ransom a year previous of 9-year-old George Weyerhaeuser.

And the now historic 11-day round-up ended with the capture in a Los Angeles suburb of Thomas H. Robinson, jr., who pleaded guilty a couple days later in the kidnaping of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll, of Louisville, Ky.

Thus the challenge flung down by gangland with the Kansas City massacre in June, 1933, was answered. In June, 1936, Hoover could point to no fugitive "Public Enemy No. 1."

G-men subsequently made 80 arrests for white slavery, including ringleaders of gangs known to be operating between Connecticut, New York, District of Columbia, Maryland, Indiana and Florida.

Bank robberies declined so rapidly, as local and Federal officers co-operated, that insurance rates in 35 States dropped an average of 30 per cent.

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May Call Karpis In Adams Trial

Alvin Karpis, now serving a life sentence in Alcatraz prison for his part in the Bremer kidnaping, may be brought to Miami to testify against Joseph H. Adams and Hendry (Duke) Randall, under federal indictment for harboring Karpis in 1935 when the police of the entire country were searching frantically for the then No. 1 Public Enemy.

This was hinted yesterday when Assistant United States District Attorney Lloyd C. Hooks announced that Federal Judge Alexander Akerman would come here from Tampa either January 25 or 26 to hear three motions in behalf of Adams and Randall in connection with their indictment.

Adams and Randall originally were to have gone to trial February 15, but Hooks said yesterday that the trial probably would be postponed until April or May. He said that the two girls involved with Adams and Randall, Winona Burdette and Dolores Delaney, sentenced to two years each in the reformatory at Milan, Mich., would be called as witnesses.

Adams and Randall ask in their
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motions that the evidence which they gave at the McDonald trial in Minneapolis be suppressed because their rights were being violated. E. G. (Cassius) McDonald was indicted with Adams, Randall, the two girls and another in connection with the charge of harboring Karpis and in violating the national firearms act. McDonald was convicted and now is serving 20 years in prison. Adams, in his motion, claims he was forced to testify at the McDonald trial and he protests that this testimony cannot be used against him in his pending trial. In his second motion, he alleges that he was tricked by G men when they raided the Karpis hideout in N. E. 85th st. in 1935. At that time, Adams states in his motion, G men, after finding that Karpis was not in the alleged hideout, told Adams that if he would tell all he knew they would not prosecute him. But, Adams continues, the G men did not keep their promises.

Randall in his motion says that G-men obtained statements from him by force, and further that for several days he was chained to a bed in a downtown Miami hotel while a G-man guard stood over him with a machine gun and threatened him until, by force of fear, he talked.

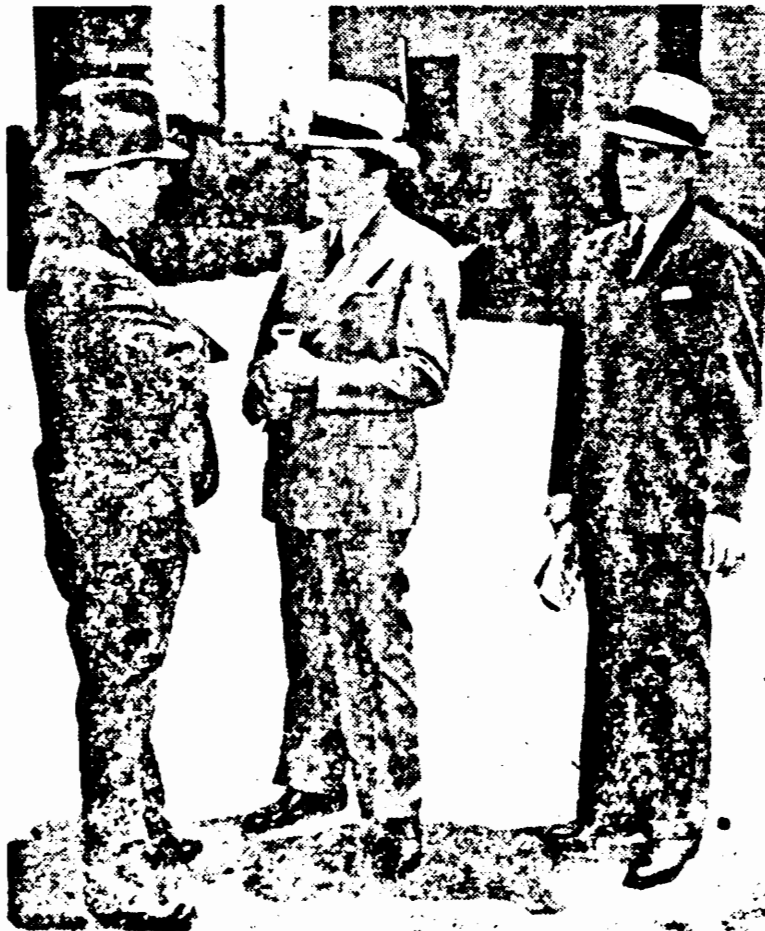
Adams and Randall were arrested after their indictment. Adams was released under \$3,500 bond which later was returned. He then was released in custody of his attorney, Bart A. Riley. Randall was under \$2,000 bond, but now is at liberty in custody of Riley.

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EXCERPT FROM THE DETROIT NEWS JANUARY 1, 1937

Big Moments of the Old Year Pass in Photographic Review



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Campbell Case to Be Discussed

Possibility of the presentation to the federal grand jury that certain Toledoans harbored Harry Campbell, former Karpis gangster while he was in Toledo, may be discussed tomorrow in a conference between Gerald Openlander, assistant U. S. district attorney here, and Emerich B. Freed, U. S. district attorney at Cleveland.

Mr. Openlander said today that Mr. Freed will come to Toledo tomorrow to discuss routine matters. He refused to say definitely whether the Campbell affair would be included in the discussion, but it was learned from authoritative sources that the matter would be taken up.

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Farley Lauds His Men For Karpis Chase Role

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J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Department of Justice's Bureau of Investigation, personally led the raid in New Orleans in which Karpis was captured. When Treasury agents unofficially investigated John Dillinger's death Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau apologized to the Department of Justice and demoted the men involved. At that time, it was said postal inspectors as well as Treasury agents felt the Justice Department had taken more than its share of publicity.

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Postal Inspectors Report They 'Tipped' G-Men About Karpis

J. E. Hoover Quoted at Time as
Saying Mail Detectives 'Ob-
structed' Work of F. B. I. Men

The Postal Inspection Service really paved the way for the capture last May of Alvin Karpis, gunman ranked at the time as Public Enemy No. 1. It was announced today in Postmaster General Farley's annual report.

Credit for rounding up Karpis has been claimed by J. Edgar Hoover's Federal Bureau of Investigation. Hoover flew from New York to New Orleans May 1 to direct personally the capture of the man alleged to have led the machine gun holdup of a mail train at Garrettsville, O., Nov. 7, 1935, and to have been involved in the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings.

It was the first front-page arrest led by Hoover, himself. It followed the revelation that Sen. McKellar (D., Tenn.) had charged that Hoover never shared the dangers faced by his men. Karpis was taken without gunfire.

* CHARGED OBSTRUCTION

Hoover was quoted then as denying that postal inspectors had helped the G-men nab Karpis. He was reported as also saying that the inspectors not only had failed to co-operate but had obstructed the work of his own men.

The postal inspectors' side of the case, presented in the annual report, is as follows:

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Postal officials, explaining this clipped statement, said their inspectors actually located Karpis and tipped off Hoover's G-men. Karpis subsequently pleaded guilty to the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer, and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

ASKS MORE PERSONNEL

The Postal Inspection Service renewed its pleas for more personnel. The report pointed out that altho each inspector had increased his work, the agency still had 25,000 cases on hand at the close of the 1936 fiscal year.

"It is entirely safe to say," the report added on the subject of postal frauds, "that every day witnesses the abstraction from the pockets of our citizens of far more money by the use of cunningly devised printed statements than is removed at the point of a gun or by threats of bodily harm."

In 97 of the 3643 mail fraud cases investigated in 1936, more than \$36,000,000 was taken from gullible victims, the inspectors reported.

Of a grand total of 4094 arrests for all postal offenses, the inspectors reported that 3477 persons had been indicted and 3459 convicted. The number of mail robberies, large and small, decreased considerably during the year, the report said.

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REPORTS DEFICIT

Despite revenues received for delivering more than 70 letters to each American, the Postoffice Department's net deficit on "normal postage service" in 1936 fiscal year was \$16,909,676.50, Farley reported.

The gross deficit for all departmental operations was \$88,316,324.29. The gross deficit for the 1935 fiscal year was \$65,807,959.73.

Farley said that new and additional costs of the 40-hour week for postal employees installed in October, 1935, and an extended program for public buildings used as postoffices had increased department costs more than \$30,000,000. He added that increased revenues had made it possible to absorb much of this added cost.

FREE MAIL COSTLY

In addition to the deficit on "normal postal service," Farley reported non-postal deficits of \$71,316,647.79 for such items as handling mail free for the Government and Congress, free distribution of newspapers in their county of publication and payment of mail contract subsidies for an American Merchant Marine and for development of aviation.

Farley reported that in the fiscal year the department handled 1,158,633,214 pieces of first class mail, and 15,271,298,071 total pieces of mail of all classes except registered mail handled by railway postal clerks.

AIR DELIVERY GAINS

Air mail poundage handled during the 1936 fiscal year was nearly half again what it was in the previous year and nearly double what it had been in 1933 when the highest record under the five cents an ounce rate was made.

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Court Starts to Review Brown Case Testimony

Judge O'Brien Faces 12,000
Pages of Record in
Appeal.

Judge R. D. O'Brien in Ramsey District court began today the job of reviewing 12,000 pages of testimony and a large pile of exhibits in the appeal of Thomas A. Brown, former St. Paul chief of police, from his dismissal from the police department.

Brown was accused of participation with members of the Barker-Karpis gang in the kidnappings of William Hamm Jr. for \$100,000 ransom in 1933 and Edward G. Bremer for \$200,000 ransom in 1934. A statutory board of appeals upheld the charges.

The record and exhibits were submitted to Judge O'Brien today by L. L. Anderson, attorney for Brown, and John L. Connolly, city attorney. After Judge O'Brien has reviewed the testimony and exhibit he will hear arguments by the attorneys and then make a decision on the appeal.

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Minneapolis Journal
JAN 18 1937

Karpis Exonerates Hankins In Holdup

Admits Part in Third N. W. Bank Robbery Here

From Alcatraz prison, where he is serving a life term for the Hamm kidnaping, Alvin Karpis, former Public Enemy Number 1, talked again.

In his first words made public since he confessed participation in the kidnaping of the St. Paul brewer last summer, he confessed participation in the holdup of the Third Northwestern National Bank, in which two policemen were slain, and exonerated Leonard Hankins, now serving a life sentence for the crime in Stillwater penitentiary.

Says He Does Not Know Hankins

His statement was obtained by Eugene A. Rerat, Hankins' counsel, in a special conference authorized by the attorney general of the United States, and will be used before the state board of pardons February 1 in a further attempt to free Hankins.

Karpis, in the presence of Rerat and several other witnesses, was shown pictures of Hankins and stated flatly he had nothing to do with the holdup. He freely discussed the holdup, Rerat said, and insisted that Hankins was not a member of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang. Karpis, Rerat said, insisted he did not know Hankins. He signed a statement to that effect, using his true name, Alvin Karpavicz.

Two Others Exonerate Him
Hankins protested his innocence of the holdup the day he was arrested but was convicted. The board of pardons granted him a hearing on his plea for pardon late in 1936 in which statements of two other former members of the Karpis-Barker gang, Jess Doyle and Lawrence DeVoe, exonerating Hankins were presented.

While at Alcatraz, Rerat also questioned Russell Keating and Thomas Holden, allegedly implicated in the Kraft State Bank robbery at Menomonie, Wis., and Harvey Wiley, Urshel kidnaper. Bailey, however, refused to talk.

The pardon board session will be the first for Governor Elmer A. Benson and Attorney General William E. Ervin. Henry Gallagher, who has been named chief justice of the Supreme Court to succeed John Devaney, also will attend Justice Devaney's resignation effective February 15.

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PITTSBURGH SUN-TELEGRAPH

January 19, 1937

TRAIN ROBBERY HOLDS FLIER

CLEVELAND, Jan. 19.—(AP).—John Zetzer, 36, aviator and garage operator at Port Clinton, O., was under arrest today after he was named in a secret federal grand jury indictment relating to the \$46,000 Wild West mail train robbery at Garrettsville, O., on November 7, 1935.

The Government has charged that the robbery was staged by the notorious Alvin Karpis gang. Zetzer said last May that he had unknowingly piloted Karpis and two companions from Port Clinton, to Hot Springs, Ark., and Tulsa, Okla., shortly after the robbery.

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Karpis Gang Pilot Held on Federal Count

CLEVELAND, Jan. 18 (AP)—Emerich B. Freed, U. S. district attorney, announced today the arrest of John Zetzer, 36, named in a secret federal grand jury indictment relating to a \$46,000 Erie mail robbery which the government claimed was staged by the Alvin Karpis gang.

Zetzer, aviator, marine mechanic and garage operator, said he unwittingly flew Karpis and two henchmen from Ohio to Hot Springs, Ark., and Tulsa, Okla., a short time after the train robbery.

He was taken into custody at Fort Clinton, O., his home. Freed refused to disclose the charges upon which Zetzer was indicted, comment on his arrest.

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AVIATOR ARRESTED IN MAIL ROBBERY

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He was taken into custody at Port Clinton, O., his home, by Deputy United States Marshal Rueben Spiess. Freed refused to comment on the arrest. He said the indictment would be opened when Zetzer is arraigned.

Karpis Named in Warrants.

United States postal inspectors obtained warrants after investigation of the robbery, naming Karpis, Harry Campbell, his closest henchman; John Brock, Fred Hunter, and one "John Doe."

Brock, an Oklahoman, has been held in jail here since last April 30. Karpis and Campbell, captured by G-men, were sentenced to life imprisonment in Federal court at St. Paul, Minn., for the William Hamm Jr. kidnaping. Hunter was sentenced to serve two years in Atlanta, Ga., Federal penitentiary for harboring Karpis.

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Karpis Arrest

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BREMERS SUE TO GET \$1,000 KIDNAP BILL

Karpis and Others to Be
Served in Action to Regain
Note Held in Miami.

Miami, Fla., Jan. 19.—(AP)—The Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co. of St. Paul brought suit today for possession of a \$1,000 banknote held in Federal registry here, claiming it represented part of \$200,000 paid in 1934 for release of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped St. Paul banker.

The brewing company obtained an order from Federal Judge Louis W. Strum directing Alvin Karpis, now serving a life sentence for the Bremer kidnaping, Dolores Delaney, one of the gangster's former friends, and Joseph Adams, Miami hotel man, to show cause within 20 days why the banknote should not be turned over to the St. Paul firm.

The petition set forth circumstances of the \$200,000 payment by Adolph Bremer, president of the brewing company and the kidnap victim's father, to secure his freedom, and declared some of the ransom money was exchanged by Cuban banks into \$1,000 banknotes.

One of these bills, the suit continued, was given by Karpis to Adams for safekeeping and the hotel man delivered it to Federal Bureau of Investigation agents when the identity of his patrons—Karpis and Miss Delaney—was revealed. The banknote now is in registry of the Federal district court here.

Adams was indicted for harboring Karpis and disposing of an unlicensed machine gun. Some of the counts in these indictments have been dismissed. Adams' motion to quash the remainder will be heard here next month.

Judge Strum's order directed Karpis should be served through Warden James A. Johnston of Alcatraz prison and Miss Delaney through Superintendent John J. Ryan of the detention farm at Milan, Mich., where she now is serving sentence for harboring Karpis.

Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, was kidnaped here January 17, 1934. He was taken to Bensenville, Ill., held prisoner and released near Rochester, Minn., on payment of \$200,000 ransom.

Nine men, including members of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang, were given sentences ranging to life terms for the crime.

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From the Miami Tribune, Miami, Florida, of January 20, 1937

Suit Links Adams to Kidnaper

Charges that Joe H. Adams, Miami dog track and hotel owner, received a \$1,000 bill from Alvin Karpis, ex-Public Enemy No. 1, a bill which had been purchased with smaller banknotes from the Edward G. Bremer kidnap ransom, are contained in a federal court action, a copy of which was received yesterday.

Charges that the bill was given to Adams for "safekeeping" were contained in a suit started by the Jacob Schmidt Brewing company, St. Paul, the company Bremer owns. That concern seeks to recover the bill, which, according to the complaint, "Adams has since turned over to agents of the Department of Justice."

Adams now is awaiting trial on a federal indictment charging him with harboring Karpis while the gangster was in this city, but no mention has previously been made of the \$1,000 banknote, which presumably is held as evidence against the Miamiian.

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Karpis Aid Suspect Held in Ohio Jail

CLEVELAND, Jan. 21 (I.N.S.). Unable to raise \$35,000 bail, John Zetzer, 34, Port Clinton, was in jail today for trial on charges of aiding and abetting the Alvin Karpis gang in the \$46,000 Garrettsville, Ohio, train robbery in November, 1936. In jail with Zetzer was John Brock, Tulsa, Okla. He was returned here April, 1936, and has been unable to raise \$50,000 bond.

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WASHINGTON TIMES
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From the Miami (Florida) Tribune of January 25, 1937

ALLEGED HARBORERS OF KARPIS CHARGE 'DURESS' BY G MEN

A sensational story of intimidation is expected to be disclosed this morning in United States court before Judge Alexander Ackerman when attorneys for Joe H. Adams and Hendry (Duke) Randall appear to argue three motions to suppress evidence given by them, as they allege, under duress, at the time that Alvin Karpis was being sought in Miami in December, 1934, and January, 1935.

Adams and Randall were arrested by G men following a raid on a hideout here where it was believed Karpis, then public enemy No. 1, was taking refuge. It was charged they had harbored Karpis who was being sought in connection with the Bremer kidnaping. Karpis escaped that trap but later was arrested, tried and convicted and now is serving a life sentence in Alcatraz prison.

Both Adams and Randall allege the evidence they gave and statements they made subsequent to Karpis' arrest, were forced by threats and intimidation.

Both Randall and Adams face trial on charges of harboring Karpis and for that reason want evidence suppressed so it may not be used against them.

Several G men who participated in the Karpis hunt are expected to be questioned during the hearing on the motions. The hearing is scheduled to end tomorrow.

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From the Miami, Florida, Herald 1-26-37

MOVES TO SUPPRESS EVIDENCE ARE DENIED

Counsel For Adams and Randall Attacks Methods Used By Federal Officials

Motions to suppress as evidence statements allegedly made by Joe H. Adams and Henry (Duke) Randall to federal agents were denied by Judge Alexander Akerman in United States District court here yesterday.

Adams and Randall each have two indictments pending against them, charging them with conspiracy to harbor and with harboring Alvin Karpis while he was a fugitive from justice.

Bart A. Riley, counsel for Adams and Randall compared tactics of federal bureau of investigation agents to Russian secret police and in his closing arguments related a purported telephone call from Baltimore, Md., to T. R. Knight, farther-in-law of Adams, in which "someone who talked like he was in the department of justice, promised to have the case dismissed for \$10,000."

Riley said he went to Halsted L. Ritter, then judge, and told him about the call. He said he also presented the charges to Congressman Mark Wilcox and sought to have it brought before the attorney-general. He said Knight went to Washington to see the department of justice officials there, but nothing was done about it.

Reading from a book describing a Soviet trial, Riley said, "In most of it you'd think it was speaking about the federal bureau of investigation." Then he read a statement from a department of justice official in which third degree methods were denounced as "stupid barbarisms," and condemned as "constituting a confession of failure."

While asserting there was "not one iota of evidence in the statements that Adams harbored Karpis," Riley declared the department of justice agents used bullying tactics, fraud and deceit and promises they had no intention of fulfilling to obtain them.

Adams, Randall, Knight and Nathaniel Heller, hotel manager of Havana, Cuba, were placed on the witness stand to testify of the actions of the federal agents.

Heller named in the same indictments in which all originally were charged, and who has had all indictments against him dismissed by the government, testified he was questioned by Agents McKee and Brown in Havana in February, 1935, and later was arrested by Cuban police and held in three different jails in Cuba for 10 days, and that at the instance of the federal agents he was about to be deported as an undesirable citizen and accused of trafficking in narcotics and smuggling aliens.

Charles H. Carr, special assistant to the attorney general, assisted by J. Waters, also a special assistant, denied the charges of Adams' attorney, and cross-examined the witnesses.

Present also at the trial, although taking no active part, were Herbert S. Phillips, United States attorney, and eight members of the federal bureau of investigation.

Knight on the witness stand said he induced Adams to make the statement because "he was told Adams

would be released immediately he signed his name to it. Knight said he told Adams: "Joe, you must sign that statement for your wife's sake."

The motions for suppression of the statements charge that after agents obtained the statements they said, "Joe, we have got to do something we said we would not do; we have got to arrest you."

Riley indicated he would file new motions today to quash the indictments and hearing was set for 2 p. m. by Judge Akerman.

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From the Miami Daily News, 1-27-37 (Miami, Florida)

ADAMS-RANDALL TO GO ON TRIAL HERE ON JUNE 7

U. S. Judge Refuses to Dismiss Karpis Har- boring Charges

Trial of Joseph H. Adams, manager of El Comodoro hotel, and Henry "Duke" Randall on indictments charging they harbored Alvin Karpis, former public enemy, was set for June 7 by U. S. Judge Alexander Akerman of Tampa yesterday.

Judge Akerman, presiding at hearings in the case Monday and yesterday, indicated he may be the trial judge since Judge John W. Holland of Miami, who was district attorney when the indictments were returned, has disqualified himself.

Motion of Bart Riley, attorney for Adams and Randall, to quash the indictments was denied by Judge Akerman yesterday. The Tampa jurist Monday also denied Riley's motion to suppress evidence.

Riley charged yesterday "there was no legal, competent evidence introduced before the grand jury which returned the indictments; no evidence whatever introduced showing that Adams and Randall knew that Alvin Karpis and his co-conspirators were fugitives from justice as alleged in the indictment, and no evidence to show that they knew the hotel guest known as Wagner was in fact Karpis."

Demurring orally, Charles H. Carr, special assistant to the attorney general, declared the motion did not "state sufficient grounds to quash. Moreover, it is too late, and, not without due respect to counsel, frivolous."

Judge Akerman said he would be setting "an awful precedent to pass on these questions at this stage of the proceedings."

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ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS

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HARDLY CRAZY

WORD that Frank Gibson, last of the 16 inmates who broke out of St. Peter insane asylum last July, has been killed in California adds another mystery to that event.

It appears that Gibson, originally sent to Stillwater for the murder of a law officer at Isanti, was working for a California railroad as a section hand. No one suspected him—least of all of insanity.

Yet this man had in some fashion convinced the authorities that he was insane enough to be sent to St. Peter where he participated in one of the worst breaks in the state's history.

Fortunately all who escaped have been accounted for—either by death or recapture. But innocent persons have lost their lives, too, since these killers got loose.

This is something of which the pardon board might well think when it considers pleas of prisoners to be transferred to the asylum. Such pleas to be the first step toward release.

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ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS
FEB 2 1937

St. Peter Fugitive Killed In California

Grim justice today had caught up with the last of the 16 convicts who escaped last July from the ward for dangerously insane at St. Peter state hospital.

A mangled body, caught in the wreckage of a Union Pacific handcar at Brandt, Calif., has been identified as that of Frank Gibson, one of the 16 men who escaped the St. Peter institution.

Was Section Hand.

He was one of eight section hands killed Jan. 13 when a light Union Pacific engine, backing from Cima to Brandt, Calif., crashed into their handcar. They were en route to Cima to clear tracks of snow.

Gibson, with Lawrence Devol, Donald Reader and 13 other criminals, escaped from the St. Peter hospital by prying loose bars and sliding down a rain trough to the ground.

Once free, Devol, former Barker-Karpis gang machine gunner, planned to organize a desperado gang of his own. But Enid (Okla.) police cornered him in a beer parlor gunfight and he was slain after killing Patrolman Cal Palmer.

His "pal," Reader, captured at Enid, told authorities how he feigned insanity with Devol to get into the St. Peter institution, from which he and Devol knew they could stage a break.

Soroko Also Slain.

Albert Soroko, another who escaped in the St. Peter break, was slain at Oklahoma City. William Lanni, another who escaped, was captured at Oshawa, Minn.

William W. Hornstein, Lawrence Gunderson, Tony Smith, Adolph Walworth, Wilbert Jorriach, Percy Kenosha, David Rhodes, George Tree-



FRANK GIBSON.

mont, Tom De Largo and Ben Drusel all were recaptured.

Only Gibson has remained at large. He was convicted in December, 1926, of the murder of Frank Dahlin, marshal at Isanti, and began a life sentence at Stillwater prison May 14, 1927. At that time he admitted he was the leader of a bandit gang.

San Bernadino (Calif.) authorities said his body was identified through fingerprints. He had been working with the Union Pacific section crew for some time.

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KARPIS FIGHTS MOVE TO SEIZE \$1,000 NOTE

Contests Right of Brewing Firm
to Bill Represented as Ran-
som Money.

By the Associated Press.

MIAMI, Fla., February 5.—Alvin Karpis contested yesterday the right of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co. of St. Paul to a \$1,000 banknote it claims represents part of the \$200,000 ransom paid for release of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped official.

The gangster, now serving a life sentence at Alcatraz for kidnaping, scrawled his true name, Alvin Karpavicz, to an affidavit relating how he received the \$1,000 from Fred Barker in payment for an automobile in September, 1934. Barker was slain in a Florida gun battle with Federal agents in December, 1934.

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ST. PAUL DISPATCH

FEB 5 1937

Arguments in Brown Ouster Case Proceed

**Attorney for Former Detective
Continues Attack on
Testimony.**

Legal arguments in the Ramsey District court appeal of Thomas A. Brown, former St. Paul police chief, from his ouster as a detective were far from completed today.

L. L. Anderson, Brown's attorney, was scheduled to resume his argument at 2 P. M. after a two-hour attack this morning on testimony introduced by the city at Brown's dismissal hearing before a statutory board of appeals. Anderson directed his attack on testimony that Brown was one of the conspirators in the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr.

Brown was dismissed by Commissioner Gus Barfus. The ouster was upheld by a statutory board of appeals which found that Brown was allied with members of the Barker-Karpis kidnap mob. Brown appealed to District court from the board's ruling.

Anderson will be followed by John L. Connolly, corporation counsel, who will present the city's side of the argument. The hearing is before Judge R. D. O'Brien.

ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS
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BROWN'S ATTORNEY ATTACKS TESTIMONY

Much of It Hearsay, He Says
at Hearing Before Board
of Appeals.

Much of the testimony admitted against Thomas A. Brown in his ouster hearing before a statutory board of appeals was hearsay, L. L. Anderson, Brown's attorney, argued Thursday afternoon before Judge R. D. O'Brien in Ramsey county District court.

Judge O'Brien is hearing the legal arguments in Brown's District court appeal from the board's ruling which sustained Brown's ouster as a detective from the St. Paul police force on the grounds he conspired with members of the Barker-Karpis mob in the Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm kidnappings.

Anderson will resume his arguments at 10:15 A. M. today. He will be followed by John L. Connolly, city corporation counsel, who will argue for the dismissal.

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FEB 5 1937

KARPIS DENIES CLAIM OF BREMER TO \$1,000

Convict Answers Brewing
Company Suit; Says Barker
Paid Him for Car.

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Federal Judge John W. Holland is expected to rule on ownership of the money soon.

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From the Miami, Florida, Tribune 2-5-37

Karpis Affidavit Implicates Adams

From his cell on Alcatraz Island, Alvin Karpis, former Public Enemy No. 1, has strengthened the government's case against Joe H. Adams by admitting a meeting with Adams in December, 1934, and the turning over to Adams of a \$1,000 bill, it was revealed here yesterday.

Karpis denied that the bill was part of the Edward G. Bremer ransom money. Adams now is under federal indictment on charges of harboring Karpis when the gangster was here two years ago.

The admission was made in an affidavit sworn to by Karpis in Alcatraz January 27 and filed in United States District court yesterday. The affidavit was made by Karpis on order of the court in answer to a suit brought by the

Jacob Schmidt Brewing company, St. Paul, Minn. The suit seeks to recover the \$1,000 bill, which the brewery officials claim was part of the money paid for Bremer's ransom. The small bills paid in ransom were exchanged for the large bill, it is alleged.

In the affidavit Karpis said that he owned the bill in question, but stated that he sold a car to Fred Barker in Chicago on September 20, 1934, and was paid with the bill. He denied that the brewing company had any claim on the money.

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From the Miami, Florida, Herald 2-5-37

ALVIN KARPIS CLAIMS \$1,000 BILL IN MIAMI

Former Desperado Declares
Money Was Received In
Sale of Car

The schoolboy scrawl of Alvin Karpavicz, also known as Alvin Karpis, erstwhile desperado, now serving a life sentence in Alcatraz, was autographed on an affidavit filed in United States District court in Miami yesterday.

It was Karpis' answer to an action instituted by Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul brewer who paid \$200,000 ransom for his release from the Karpis-Barker gang. Bremer sought recovery of a \$1,000 federal reserve note held in the custody of the clerk's office in Miami as evidence in the government's case against Joe H. Adams, Miami hotel manager, charged with harboring Karpis.

Karpis deposed in the affidavit that he is the owner and entitled to possession of a certain \$1,000 federal reserve note, serial number F-00017095. He claimed that he became owner of the bill on September 20, 1934, when he sold a coupe automobile to Fred Barker and received the note in exchange. He stated the money remained in his possession until December, 1934, when he placed it in an envelope, sealed it and handed the envelope to Adams, manager of El Comodoro Hotel, to keep it in trust for him.

Suit for recovery of the \$1,000 note, allegedly exchanged for one of the original ransom notes, was instituted by the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Company of St. Paul, Minn., of which Bremer is a principal stockholder. It charged the note was deposited with Adams by Karpis for the joint benefit of Adams and Dolores Delaney. Adams and Miss Delaney were served with notices of the suit.

Repercussions of the Karpis crime trail that crossed Miami during the winter season of 1934-35 are still live issues in the federal court in Miami, where Adams and Hendry (Duke) Randall are under indictments accusing them of harboring Karpis while a fugitive from federal justice. Their trial has been scheduled for June 7. Miss Delaney is serving a term in the women's detention farm at Milan, Mich., for harboring Karpis, while Cassius McDonald is serving a 25-year term in St. Paul on a similar charge.

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KARPIS FIGHTING FOR \$1,000; DENIES IT'S RANSOM CASH

Miami, Fla., Feb. 4.—(AP)—Alvin Karpis contested today the right of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing company of St. Paul to a \$1,000 bank note it claims represents part of the \$200,000 ransom paid for release of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped official of that concern.

The gangster, now serving a life sentence at Alcatraz for kidnaping, scrawled his true name, Alvin Karpavicz, to an affidavit relating how he received the \$1,000 from Fred Barker in payment for an automobile in September, 1934. Barker was slain in a Florida gun battle with federal agents in December, 1934.

Karpis' deposition said he placed the bank note in an envelope, sealed it and handed it to Joe H. Adams, Miami hotel manager, to hold for him when he left here soon after the Barker shooting in central Florida.

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From the Miami Tribune, Miami, Florida, 2-8-37

Karpis Gang Girl Action Due Today

Dolores Delaney, formerly companion of Alvin Karpis, and now serving a five-year term in the United States Industrial Reformatory for Women at Milan, Mich., for harboring Karpis, must file an answer today in U. S. District court to the suit brought by the Jacob Schmidt Brewing company, St. Paul, Minn., for recovery of \$1,000 of the Bremer ransom money, according to an order signed by Judge John W. Holland. Judge Holland's order gave Kar-

pis and the woman 20 days in which to show cause why the \$1,000 bill, now held by the clerk of Federal court here as evidence against Joe H. Adams, also charged with harboring the former Public Enemy No. 1, should not be turned over to the brewery headed by Edward F. Bremer.

Karpis last week admitted turning the bill over to Adams for safekeeping in December, 1934, but denied that the company owned the bill. He claimed it was given him by Fred Barker in payment for a car he sold to Barker in Chicago.

Herbert S. Phillips, U. S. district attorney for Florida, and Homer S. Cummings, attorney general, also were ordered to file answers in the case.

The suit charges that Karpis, who allegedly received the bill in exchange for smaller ransom notes, turned the money over to Adams for safekeeping for himself and the woman, and that Adams gave it to government agents when arrested for harboring the gangster.

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ST. PAUL DISPATCH
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BROWN'S OUSTER APPEAL TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

The appeal of Thomas A. Brown, former St. Paul police chief, from his ouster as a detective was taken under advisement at noon today by Judge R. D. O'Brien in Ramsey District court.

Brown was dismissed in November by Gus Barfuss, commissioner of public safety. The ouster was upheld by a board of appeals which made findings that Brown connived with Barker-Karpis mobsters and was connected with the kidnappings of William Hamm Jr. and Edward G. Bremer.

Brown appealed from the board's ruling, contending that its findings were not justified by the evidence. Arguments on the appeal began Thursday.

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ARGUMENTS IN BROWN CASE MAY END TODAY

Anderson Will Reply to Connolly Support of Ouster Evidence.

Arguments in the Ramsey county District court appeal of Thomas A. Brown, former St. Paul police chief, from his ouster as a detective, are expected to be concluded today before Judge R. D. O'Brien.

The appeal is based on the grounds that evidence introduced before a statutory board which upheld Brown's dismissal was insufficient and hearsay. In a three-hour argument Monday afternoon, John L. Connolly, city corporation counsel, contended that the evidence was ample and that a legal foundation was laid for the introduction of all testimony.

L. L. Anderson, Brown's attorney, will reply to Connolly's argument beginning at 10 A. M. today. Brown was dismissed last November by Gus Barfuss, commissioner of public safety. The board of appeals sustained the dismissal grounds that Brown participated in the abductions of Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm Jr., and conspired with the kidnapers.

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THE SENTINEL-RECORD. HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK, AR.

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WOMEN CHARGE— MONEY OFFERED FOR TESTIMONY

DETECTIVE AKERS OB- TAINS AFFIDAVITS FROM PAIR.

Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers said last night he had depositions from two women charging that a man representing himself as an investigator for the legislative committee investigating law enforcement in Hot Springs, had offered one of them a sum of money if she would testify against Akers before the committee.

The sworn statements were made yesterday before C. T. Bates, a notary public, by Mrs. Jessie Sims, Jr., 18, and her mother, Mrs. Dixie Williams, 51, both of Hot Springs.

Mrs. Sims said she was approached yesterday by the man who represented himself as an investigator for the house committee, and asked if she had ever been arrested by Akers. The woman said in her statement that she told the man she had never been arrested by Akers, but that she had been arrested one time by other officers. She said he then asked her if she had ever had any experience with Akers when she was younger and that she replied she had not.

"He seemed to doubt that I was telling him the truth," the statement said, "and when I started to walk away, he said: 'If you change your mind and want to tell something I will pay you from \$50 to \$100.'"

Mrs. Williams said three men accompanied by a Hot Springs woman, Betty Johnson, came to her home before noon yesterday and asked for her daughter who was not there. She said they left word for Mrs. Sims to meet them at the Townsend hotel at 1 o'clock and that if she did not come, they would come after her. Mrs. Williams said she was told there would be "some money" in it for her daughter. Mrs. Williams said that shortly after noon, the Johnson woman and the man representing himself as an investigator, came to the house again and conversed with her daughter.

Akers was one of the officers mentioned in the testimony of three women inmates of Jacksonville State Farm for Women, who appeared before the committee Friday night.

Akers also said yesterday that for the past week a man representing himself as an investigator out of the detective chief's office had been visiting various persons in Hot Springs.

"If anyone other than a regular member of this police department approaches anyone and represents himself as an investigator out of my office, then something is wrong and I request any person so contacted to telephone police headquarters at once," Akers said.

The statements of the two women follow:

I, Mrs. Jesse Sims, Jr., do hereby state that I am 18 years old and that I have been married for the past two years; that about 2 o'clock p. m., February 8th, 1937, a man representing himself to be an investigator for the Legislative Investigating Committee, investigating Hot Springs, talked to me and asked if I had ever been arrested by Herbert Akers. I told him I had never been arrested by Herbert Akers but that I had been arrested one time by other officers; that he then asked me if I had ever had any experience with Herbert Akers while I was younger and I told him I had not. He seemed to doubt that I was telling him the truth and when I started to walk away he said: "If you change your

mind and want to tell me I will pay you from one hundred dollars." He then who had taken me to court from the jail at the time I was arrested and I told him that Mrs. Warrington had taken me from the jail to the court.

I solemnly swear the facts set forth in this statement are true.

MRS. JESSE SIMS, JR.
State of Arkansas, County of Garland, ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 8th day of February, 1937.

C. T. BATES, Notary Public.
My commission expires March 18, 1938.

I, Mrs. Dixie Williams, do hereby state that I have lived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, for eight years, and I am 51 years old and the mother of Mrs. Jesse Sims, Jr. That on the morning of February 8th, 1937, about 11 o'clock, three men and a woman whose name is Betty Johnson came to my house looking for my daughter and I told them she was not there; they said they wanted me to tell her to meet them in the lobby of the Townsend Hotel at 1 o'clock. This woman, Betty Johnson, said that if my daughter would meet them in the lobby of the Townsend Hotel there would be some money in it, possibly thirty or forty dollars, and if my daughter did not come that they were coming after her and make her come. Later, shortly after noon, this woman, Betty Johnson, and one of the men came back and this is the one that told my daughter he was an in-

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as it will be pretty nice... Sam...
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will be denied by all other Florida fishermen...
Justice Wilson, the lawyer, often takes an after-
noon off and goes to Green Springs, over near
Premont, for the mineral baths.

The village of Neapolis is proud of its new paved
street, just completed by WPA... Did you notice
that while everybody wishes the Supreme Court
would renovate its mind and keep step with the
times, almost everybody asked by our inquiring re-
porter was against changing its structure? Is it
because we are afraid of change or is it because
we are on our way to recovery and the "caution"
light is on?

Big Night For Republicans

CLOYD FELLABAUM is chesty about the 637 he
bowled in the Chamber of Commerce League
the other night... And Art Maedel's team has
Capt. Bill Gardiner struggling for first place...
Roy Wesselmann of New York Life is Kiwanis
Club's newest member... Joe Enright is back on
his feet after an illness... Tonight is the big
night for Republicans. They dine in honor of
Abraham Lincoln and revive their interest in the
Republican Party.

Stephen Eugene Shea, who fancies himself as a
picker of fast horses, has a friend, Doc Doty, at
Hialeah Park. The other night Doc shot a few
dollars to call Steve, long-distance, to give Steve a
hot tip on a horse. Between the phone booth and
his chair Steve forgot the name of the horse...
Maybe your poor memory saved you money, Steve...
Old Ohio State boys will remember the lad
who snagged those long passes, back about 1920, as
Pete Stinchcomb. Well, Mr. Gaylord R. Stinchcomb
now is Ohio distributor for Trenton Valley whisky
and in addition is president of Franklin Warehouses,
Inc. Franklin Warehouses stores Ohio's liquor sup-
ply. Your old friend Pete was in town the other
night kibbitzing with friends.

Still Home to Charley

IF MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER and his boys are going
to indict everybody who ever visited Middle
Island, where Karpis is supposed to have hidden
out, they're going to take a big bite into the
social strata of the south shore of Lake Erie. The
place was a regular stop for many yachting parties.
Why? Because it was 100 yards on the "wet" side
of the international boundary in prohibition days.
Charley Kohne, for many years deputy sheriff,
still lives on the old home-site, on Adams Street.
No matter how many beer spots in the neighbor-
hood, it's still home to Charley... Speaking of
homes, here's news. Howard Etchen, who has built
and sold a thousand houses, is building "a home for
himself" on Cheltenham Road, so he says. Bet he

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Pardon Denied Aide of Karpis

ST. PAUL, Feb. 12. (AP)—The State Pardon Board today refused to pardon Leonard Hankins, life-term prisoner who backed his plea of innocence with a statement from Alvin Karpis, serving a life term in Alcatraz Prison for kidnaping.

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Deputies Hear Harvard Club Defendant Has Business in Rocky River

Sheriff O'Donnell last night said he was pass along his information on Hebebrand to Deputy Sheriff John Gillespie, who is responsible for serving Hebebrand and a number of other persons, including James A. (Shimmy) Patton, in connection with the suit brought by a policeman's widow seeking to recover nearly \$10,000 in gambling losses from the operators of the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights. Service on Patton was obtained at his West Side residence Saturday.

Refuses to Comment

"I can't talk about that," Smith said.

Justice of the Peace Jo C. Calhoun of Cleveland Heights, whose constable has been looking for Hebebrand to serve a John Doe warrant in connection with County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan's raid on the Harvard Club in January, 1936, last night said he did not know whether he would ask his constable to seek Hebebrand in Rocky River.

"I don't know what Prosecutor Cullitan wants to do about those warrants," Calhoun said.

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