FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
AND
PRIVACY ACTS

SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
BREMER KIDNAPPING

FILE NUMBER: 7-576
SECTION: 39

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NATIONAL BANK, SAINT MARYS, OHIO
REPORTED STOLEN TREASURY NOTE

DUPLICATE INQUARE SEPTEMBER FIRST MERCHANT MARY FERRY

ORDER EDWARD E. SHORE, 672 TWO AND MARY STREET, SAINT MARYS, OHIO

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OCT 11, 1934

OCT 9, 1934 P.M.
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue and 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:


Edward George Briner - Victim
KIDNAPPING

Kindly refer to letter from this office to the St. Paul office under date of September 13, 1934, in the above captioned case, relative to Carilce Siler-Dial, now allegedly married to Mark Siler, this woman being an alleged accomplice of Subject Alvin Karpis. Reference is also made to Division letter dated October 6, 1934, to the Kansas City office.

From recent reports submitted by this office in this case, particularly the report of Special Agent M. C. Spear dated at Kansas City, Missouri, September 27, 1934, it will be noted that further investigation is being made in an endeavor to again locate this woman for further interview relative to Karpis and members of his mob, her location being unknown since she was last interviewed by the Kansas City office. There is being transmitted herewith a photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Carilce Siler Dial which were obtained from the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, she having been arrested by that department on August 5, 1933, on a charge of larceny and released on August 6, 1933, as reflected on page two of the above described letter from this office to St. Paul. There is also transmitted a photostatic copy of the fingerprints of George N. Dial, who was arrested and released with this woman under the same circumstances as herself.

It is respectfully requested that this office be advised if there is a criminal record on file for Carilce Siler Dial at the Identification Unit and, if so, whether a photograph of her is available. In the event a photograph is available, it is desired that several copies thereof be transmitted to the Kansas City office in order that investigation may be requested of the Pittsburgh office.

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office at Shepherdstown, West Virginia, based upon information appearing in

the last paragraph of page seven of the memorandum of Special Agent W. B.

Miller, which was attached to copies of the report of.Agent Miller dated at

Kansas City, Missouri, June 25, 1934. In view of this woman's denial of any

acquaintance with members of the Karpis-Barker gang, it is proposed, in the

event a photograph of her is available, to have the same exhibited at

Shepherdstown to see if she can be identified as having been with Subject

Karpis at that point during December, 1934. If it appears that as a matter of

fact she was there with him at that time, efforts are to be continued by this

office to again locate her in order that she may be further rigorously questioned

relative to any information about the Karpis-Barker gang and the present

location of its members.

In the event a photograph of this woman is not available, it is

suggested that a wanted notice be placed against her attached prints in order

that in the event of her subsequent arrest she may then be further questioned

along the lines suggested above.

Pursuant to Division letter of October 3, 1934, there is also trans-

mitted herewith a photograph of Peggy Weller standing beside the Chevrolet Sedan

of George R. Barker, Subjects Barker & Father.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

1223:B

cc - Chicago
St. Paul

7-37
October 13, 1974.

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
Kansas City, Missouri

ALVIN KAINZ, with aliasies, L.C. AKA, etc.

Dear Mr.

SAND DUNN BROWN, Violin, Kansas City.

In reply to your letter of October 8, 1974, relative to the above entitled case, please be informed that a search of the identification files fails to reveal any previous record concerning Carlos Winter Dial and George N. Hals.

As requested in your letter cited, a notation has been placed in the file to the effect that Carlos Winter Dial is wanted by your office for questioning in connection with the above case.

Copies of this letter are being transmitted to the Chicago and St. Paul offices.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

John Nigar Alcons, Director.
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

From  IDENTIFICATION UNIT

10/17/1934.

To: Director
   Mr. Nathan
   Mr. Tolson
   Mr. Clegg
   Miss Gandy
   Chief, Unit
   Chief Clerk
   Printing Section

Mr. Newby

Any other
action here?

Yes

I. C. Schilder.
Dear Sirs,

Reference is made to your letter dated October 8, 1934 in the above entitled case with which was transmitted a photograph of Percy Jackson, standing beside the Chevrolet sedan of George E. Burton, father of subject Burton.

The Division has prepared enlargements taken from this snapshot which are transmitted herewith and in each of the offices indicated below.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Enclosure #310729

cc - Oklahoma City
    St. Louis
    St. Paul
    Chicago
Post Office Inspector in Charge
St. Louis
Missouri

Dear Sir:

Received for investigation of a case of the death of John Hourigan, on August 10, 1934, and the identity of the body being established in accordance with the act of John Hourigan and family, of St. Louis, Missouri, this being

Letter dated August 8, 1934, to you.


Again thanking you for your splendid cooperation, and assuring you that the same has been of benefit to us in the instant investigation.

Very truly yours,

R. H. RITTHAAR
Special Agent in Charge
September 24, 1936

P. O. Box 1854,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

We, ALLEN RAPID, with aliases:
I. C. FALCO; ALLEN R. RAPID,
with aliasess, I. C. FALCO
MR. JOSUH F. ROBINS, with
aliasess, I. C. FALCO; ET AL.

NORMAN GROVE RAFFER - Victim

KIDNAPPING

St. Paul File Y-36.

In connection with the get-away chart which
was found in the apartment occupied by MISS RAPID at
Cleveland, Ohio, and which has been ascertainad by this
office to begin at the Stockyards National Bank, South
St. Paul, Minnesota, and which probably relates to the
the robbery of this bank on October 10, 1936,
the following descriptions were obtained from the Chief
of Police of South St. Paul, of persons alleged to have
been involved in this robbery.

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At the time of this robbery, the bandits took two .38 caliber Police Positive Revolvers, S64333, and S64334, and one .38 caliber Police Positive Special, S61140, both being the property of the North St. Paul Police Department. The bandits also took a Thompson sub-machine gun, S7079.

Chief of Police Halpin of the North St. Paul Police Department advised that photographs of suspects in the BRIER and GILDER cases had previously been shown to witnesses of this robbery, but no identifications having been made.

Further investigation with reference to the determination of the get-away chart at Davenport, Iowa, in an effort to locate the exact spot at which this chart terminates, will be conducted within the next few days and your office advised of the result.

Very truly yours,

B. M. LGB
Special Agent in Charge

[Signature]

Division of Investigation
801 11th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C.

[Seal]

OCT 1, 1934

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[Signature]
Mr. A. F. Cooke,  
Division of Investigation,  
G. E. Department of Justice,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Mr. ALVIN RAY, with alias, A. O. B. Y.,  
ANNE R. K., with alias, A. O.  
(Signed) by all: RAYMOND GEORGE MYERS - Signature

I am transmitting herewith a fingerprint record of Mrs. Mary, with alias, the woman companion of subject Nebby Darby. This fingerprint record was obtained from Mr. H. S. Sellers of Sapulpa, Oklahoma, taken by him when he was connected with the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway. He is now a constable in Sapulpa and has informed me that he knows this woman well and believes that he can ascertain some of her connections and probably some relatives. He is being contacted frequently.

It will be noted that this card bears the micrographic signature of this woman. Please have it photographed and return it to this office, furnishing me two copies of the photographs of both sides thereof.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

United States of America  
Division of Kansas City  
10-25-36  

U.S. Department of Justice  
Office of Investigation  
OCT 1, 1936  
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[Stamp]
October 4, 1954

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bureau Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

REFERENCE]

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J.A. [illegible], St Paul, Minnesota, dated August 22, 1954, in the case entitled [illegible]. In the report of Nicholas, an interview is set out with CLARENCE "DOUG" [illegible], who is presently residing at 240 Jefferson Street, Burlington, Wisconsin, under the name of CLARENCE [illegible].

In view of the partial statement of PAUL HANSEN that CLARENCE [illegible] and a girl known as "BETTY" visited RICH [illegible] and MAY [illegible], near Sandusky, Ohio, and that RICH [illegible] traveled to Burlington, Wisconsin, and returned with these girls, it is requested that you [illegible] re-interviewed at Burlington, Wisconsin, in an effort to identify BETTY, the girl friend of CLARENCE [illegible]. Also, to ascertain whether or not RICH [illegible] drove these girls from Burlington, Wisconsin, to Sandusky, Ohio.

This office will make appropriate investigation at Sandusky, Wisconsin, in an effort to locate the school which these girls are then at to have attended.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

D.A. [illegible],
Special Agent in Charge.

[Address]

U.S. Department of Justice.
Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
170 Lexington Ave., Room 1030
New York City

Dear Sirs,

Re: Alvin Karpis, with alias, L. G. Flint;
Arthur J. Barker, with alias, L. F. Flint;
Russell Gibson, with alias, L. P. Flint;
Dr. Joseph F. Korn, with alias, L. A. Flint;
J. C. Edward George - Victor;

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. V. Kirby, dated at New York City, October 5, 1934, in the above captioned case.

The suggestions in the leads set out in that report for the Kansas City office were discussed with Inspector J. F. Cawley, while he was at Kansas City and Inspector Cawley advised that the New York office should endeavor to ascertain if Mrs. Mary Jenkins could possibly be used as an informant in behalf of this Division that is, if she could be prevailed upon to endeavor to obtain information from the Fisher family at Kansas City, with whom she is well acquainted, as to the present whereabouts of Clara Fisher Gibson, or her husband, Subject Russell Gibson. Inspector Cawley instructed that the Kansas City office was to make no attempt to interview Mrs. Rose M. Kins at Kansas City, Missouri, until the New York office has ascertained whether Miss Mary Jenkins would really act as an informant in behalf of this Division in an endeavor to bring about the location and apprehension of Subject Gibson.

Accordingly, it is requested that your office take appropriate action to ascertain if Miss Mary Jenkins will work with this Division as an informant in an endeavor to obtain information

[Signature]

OCT 11 1934

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
through the Fisher family at Kansas City on an incident arising at
Whereabouts. In the event she will agree to as 'at, the details
as to whether she should proceed to Kansas City, etc., should then
be further discussed with the Division and Inspector Cudney of
Chicago.

Very truly yours,

H. L. NUTT
Special Agent in Charge

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ex-Division:
Chicago
St. Paul
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Division Serials
which you loaned

to the Washington
Field Office, being

returned 11-7-34"
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DIRECTOR

BREEDS REFER TO DIVISION TELETYPE OCTOBER 1 CONCERNING OWEN NUMBER 6055 RECEIVED MINNESOTA STATE REFORMATORY CLOUD, MINNESOTA, SEPTEMBER 28, 1923. COMPARE FINGERPRINTS CARTER WITH FINGERPRINTS Bшая/Берто, BELIEVED TO BE SUBJECT CARTER, WHO ENLISTED IN NAVY AS APPRENTICE SEAMAN AT PEORIA, ILLINOIS, JUNE 14, 1917 AND DISCHARGED AUGUST 14, 1919, AT GREAT LAKES, ILLINOIS, WHOSE VETERAN ADMINISTRATION CLAIM NUMBER IS 617302.

MIN PLS
OK RICE
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 6524,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed, herewith, is the sworn, signed statement of James J. Wilson, furnished to Special Agent J. L. Medals, dated September 20, 1934, with reference to fingerprint operations performed on subjects of this case by Dr. Joseph F. Murphy.

Very truly yours,

S. Y. Cohen
Inspector

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BARZAN DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

OCT 1 1934
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Denver, Colo.
Oct. 6, 1934
12:52 P.M.

S P Section
IV OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
1900 BANANA IREO
CHICAGO, ILL.

RE: BREED AGENCY PROCEEDING BOWMAR, COLORADO TODAY UNABLE TO HANDLE.
EARLIER ADDR TO COURT WARM.

WHITMORE

Gov't Rate Prepaid
John H. Bannister
Deputy

RE: ALVIN CARPIS WITH ALIASES ET AL.

DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
W. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
San Francisco, California,
September 26, 1934,

R. L. Calvin,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
1331 First National Bank Building,
El Paso, Texas.

REGISTERED CALIFORNIA LICENSE NOVEMBER THIRTY-NINE OF JULY FORTY-FOUR, NO. 000092.

MOTOR NO. SEVEN SEVEN NUN GHET FOURS THIRTY SIX.

Attaching: Gov. State,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Dept. of Justice,
405 P.O. Bldg., S.F., Calif.

Divisions

Oct 1, 1934, 4:00 PM

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J P MacFarland
INVESTIGATOR OF INVESTIGATION
IN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
618 MAKER'S TWIST BLDG.
BUFFALO NEW YORK 407-31-00

CANNOT FINISH NOVEMBER 12. PREVIOUSLY REMOVED BANKNOTE BST.

CANNOT PERFORM TWO X SIX X SIX X FIVE A IN DEPOSIT 10.00 GEORGE ABLE BOND.

BY W. Furey's BARGES.

Division of Investigation
OCT 9 1934 A.M.
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Send the following message, subject to the terms we here above. Which are hereby agreed to

ELS PAO TEL 999 1934

M K TOWER DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEP OF JUSTICE 1900 RANKING RD CHICAGO ILL.

SPEED REFERENCE YOUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION YESTERDAY OVER P OPPER NOT RECEIVED.
MAIL HERE UNCHECKED NOT REGISTERED IN ANY SCHOOL UNDER NAMES GIVER SHIP 2199 ANY
INFORMATION AVAILABLE AS TO MAKE AND LICENSES OF AUTOMOBILES Used PLEASE FURNISH
COLEWIN

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ELS PAO TEL 999

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OCT 1, 1934

UST 2 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
October 6, 1934

Mr. Cowley telephoned and advised that they are planning on sending the latest report to the Kansas City Massacre case to all officials, inclu ding these statements, indicating that the information is confidential, that he had not yet received a letter from the Kansas City office to the effect that we should hold confidential the fact that Michelli is implicated in this case. I asked that we be advised as we talked before about the desirability of issuing an identification order on Michelli indicating that he has been wanted in this case and that is what it was referring to. I advised Mr. Cowley that a wire was sent to Vetterl and the Attorney General with regard to Shinnagel and that, of course, the wire is only operative in the district in which it is served and consequently it is served on Vetterl. I told Mr. Cowley that there will be a hearing on Tuesday and Vetterl will be required to report that he is not in his custody and, as a matter of fact, Vetterl does not know where he is.

I had Mr. Cowley confirm the fact that Anderson, Jones, Darcy and Vetterl himself picked up Shinnagel in the station at St. Louis, Mo., that he was in the company of other Italians who also identified themselves as Revenue agents in order to pick him up. I asked if there was anything else of interest in this connection and Mr. Cowley advised that Solvare also was there. Mr. Cowley stated that was a mistake but it was done without thinking and, if they were to do anything like this over again, they would not notify the St. Louis office or even let them know that they are in town as that would have been more desirable.

I asked Mr. Cowley if he was getting anything from Shinnagel and he stated they were not as yet but they will as it takes a little time. Mr. Cowley stated that if they get by with the wire on Tuesday, they will be sitting pretty that we should do this as it will be a victory for us and that they know that we can't be stopped. With regard to the apartment house where Mrs. Foster lives, Mr. Cowley advised that publicity was given out on the 19th and on the same day she wrote the people and said she was vacating her apartment and she moved two or three days later.

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OCT 1934

K. J. Y.ams

2 copies.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Conner of the Chicago News telephoned and asked whether the Director had told me about letting him have access to the record on the Nelson and Buer case; that is, he wants to get a few dates straight and have the background ready when the press breaks. I stated that I would be glad to do this although the Director had not told me about it. Mr. Conner stated that the Director told him he would make a note and I stated, in that event, there was probably something about it on my desk this morning. Mr. Conner stated he will come in on Monday and I told him we would give him this information at any time.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tann

2 copies.

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October 9, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated at Chicago, Illinois, on September 14, 1934, transmitting a Thompson sub-machine gun, Model 1921, a 100-round fully loaded machine gun drum, a .32 caliber Colt automatic revolver with extra loaded clip, and two .45 caliber Colt automatic revolvers with four extra loaded clips, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliasess, et al; Edward George Ewers - Victim; etc. mapping.

Numerous very fragmentary latent fingerprints were developed on the above guns and bullets. However, the only latent fingerprints of value appeared on two of the cartridge clips for the .45 caliber revolver. These two latent impressions have been compared with the fingerprints of the following members of the Dillinger-Karpis gang, with negative results:

Alvin Karpis, our 8199217
Fred Barker, our 6995165
Volney Davis, our 4004421
Harry Sawyer, our 8431396
Bernard Phillips, our 7390905
George Nelson, our 8427462
Marion Merr, our 798267
Myrtle Eaton, our 7397674

Arthur Barker, our 8286428
Harry Campbell, our 4108554
William Weaver, our 712920
Clyde Himrick, our 779014
John Halton, our 710229
Rose Andor, our 782285
Paula Harmon, our 710668

In addition, one of the latent fingerprints has been searched through the single fingerprint file, but no identification was effected. It is now being placed in the unidentified section of this file with a view to identification at a subsequent time as additional fingerprints are absorbed therein.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director.
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 1125,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

October 6, 1934.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPS, with aliases,
I.O. #1068; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases, I.O. #1068;
DR. JOSEPH MURPHY, with aliases,
I.O. #2532; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BRENNER - Victim.

There is transmitted herewith a confidential memorandum, two copies, submitted by Special Agent J. E. Brennan under date of September 25, 1934, covering an interview had by Agent Brennan with Victim Edward George Brenner. Copies of this confidential memorandum are also being furnished to the Chicago Division Office with their copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

D. M. I. (S),
Special Agent in Charge.
CONFIDENTIAL

To: Special Agent in Charge

From: Special Agent in Charge

Edward G. Bremser, victim in this case, requested an interview with the undersigned on this date, and stated that he had received information from a confidential source to the effect that Harry Sawyer is somewhere in Northern Wisconsin. In the course of the conversation with Bremser, upon being assured that the source of his information would not be made known to other persons, he stated that his friend, Harry Miller, who operates a recreation parlor in the Hess building in St. Paul, had informed him that, he, Miller, had received a long distance telephone call from Harry Sawyer on the evening of September 25, 1934, wherein Sawyer requested Miller to ask Bremser to use his political influence to secure the release of Gladis Sawyer, wife of Harry Sawyer; that in this telephone conversation Miller asked Sawyer where he was calling from, and Sawyer stated that he was in Northern Wisconsin. Bremser stated that Miller did not believe this, and he, Bremser, did not wish to press Miller for further information as to where the call was received, etc., as he did not wish Miller to conclude that he was particularly interested in the whereabouts of Sawyer.

Bremser has, since the time he was released by the Minnepolis police, expressed great confidence in Harry Miller, and stated that Miller expected Harry Sawyer of being in some manner involved in the kidnapping from the time Bremser was kidnapped, and he appeared to desire to have it understood that Miller was in no way involved, although Miller has, by reason of his associations with persons frequenting his recreation parlor, apparently procured the confidence of a number of thieves, and, would not furnish any information to any law enforcement authorities for fear of revenge on the part of associates or those concerning whom he might be able to furnish information. Bremser stated that he is going on a hunting trip over the weekend with Miller and others, and any further information he may procure relative to Sawyer he will furnish the undersigned, with the understanding that should Sawyer or his associates be located that Miller's name will not be mentioned.

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9-576-2108
BREDL furnishes a list of delinquent safe deposit box holders in the Commercial Bank, of which he is president, and
in which were found the names of MRS. MARY CANTER, whose box rent has been delinquent since May 20, 1934; THOMAS L. CANTER, a defendant in the
DILLINGER case, whose box rent has been delinquent since May 20, 1934, and
CLARENCE VON DIES, whose box rent has been delinquent since January 10, 1934, W.H. SMITH is the husband of the woman who is now living with
ANGELINE TAYLOR, SANTON having formerly lived with WHEATON.
BREDL stated that he would institute legal proceedings to open these boxes and would notify the St. Paul office when the boxes are to be opened.

BREDL stated that his information was to the effect that it appeared to be more desirable to have SANTON in custody than MRS. CANTER, as it is believed that when she gets drunk she talks too much and might divulge information detrimental to SANTON and his associates, and after some verbal fusing he stated that the information that SANTON sought was as to whether or not some deal might be made whereby MRS. CANTER would be released.

In the course of the conversation, as it appeared possible that SANTON himself was of the opinion that MRS. CANTER has or might furnish the location of the place where he was held, it was left to his conclusion that the hideout has been, or shortly would be, found, and the remark was made that he might be surprised to find that the place was somewhat different than he had imagined. It was also observed that the sounds previously described, such as the sirens, church bells, etc., were exactly as he had always said they were, that the only thing he was not sure of was the distance the house was from the railroad.

Yours truly,

J. H. TREDWELL
Special agent.
October 9, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Birmingham, Alabama.

Dear Sir:

It has been brought to my attention, in connection with the Bremer and Kansas City Massacre cases, that undeveloped leads are being set out by various offices for the obtaining of evidence which is already contained in the file of the office requesting such investigation. Obviously such requests can only emanate from a field office when the Special Agent in Charge of that field office is not familiar with the contents of the investigatory file contained in his office. This situation is a serious reflection not only upon the administrative ability of the Special Agents in Charge of the various field offices but also upon their interest in the Division's welfare and the successful conclusion of these cases.

The Division can not minutely supervise the development of each and every lead in each field office throughout the country but must depend to a large measure upon the discretion and intelligence of its Special Agents in Charge. The Bremer and Kansas City Massacre cases are among the most important cases now pending in the Division and I have previously indicated my desire that these cases should receive very close attention and supervision in all Division offices.

I desire that you immediately review the files on these cases in your office and arrange hereafter to personally supervise all investigatory activity on these cases.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

John Edgar Hoover
Director.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FILE

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[Stamp: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE]
Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Glavis

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
October 5, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Edwards

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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October 9, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Egan.

Dear Sir:

It has been brought to my attention, in connection with the Brewer and Kansas City Massacre cases, that undeveloped leads are being set out by various offices for the obtaining of evidence which is already contained in the file of the office requesting such investigation. Obviously such requests can only emanate from a field office when the Special Agent in Charge of that field office is not familiar with the contents of the investigative file contained in his office. This situation is a serious reflection not only upon the administrative ability of the Special Agents in Charge of the various field offices but also upon their interest in the Division's welfare and the successful conclusion of these cases.

The Division cannot minutely supervise the development of each and every lead in each field office throughout the country but must depend in a large measure upon the discretion and intelligence of its Special Agents in Charge. The Brewer and Kansas City Massacre cases are among the most important cases now pending in the Division and I have previously indicated my desire that these cases should receive very close attention and supervision in all Division offices.

I desire that you immediately review the files on these cases in your office and arrange hereafter to personally supervise all investigative activity on these cases.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

FILE SECTION MAILED

3/50 11/934
October 4, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tomm

Dear Sir:

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J. E. Hoover
Director.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
October 9, 1924

Special Agent in Charge,
Attention: Mr. Colm.

Dear Sir:

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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FILE SECTION N. A. E. O.
OCT 9, 1924

P.E.
REVIEW OF INVESTIGATION.
U.S. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.
October 9, 1934

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sirs:

There are transmitted herewith two photostatic copies of the fingerprints of each of the following individuals:

Phoenix Donald alias William Dovery
Jess Doyle
E. G. Hard alias Fred Barker
Harry Campbell
Valley Davis.

Similar copies are being forwarded to the St. Paul Office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure (NIL)

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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DAY: 10

OCT 10 1934

FILE SECTION MAILED

OCT 9 1934

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, OCTOBER 6, 1934.

TO J. H. STEIN
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASH., D. C.

READ CHECK THROUGH TREASURY DEPARTMENT FOR AND THE QUANTITY SIZED BELOW REQUISITE OF
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DENOMINATION NUMBER THREE SIX SEVEN P'r'T'S AND ADVISE IMMEDIATELY HAVING STOLEN.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OCT 10 1934
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 818
St. Paul, Minnesota

September 28, 1934

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KAPPIC with aliases, I.O. 12916;
ARTHUR R. CARTER with aliases, I.O. 12919,
et al.
EDWARD WEREMWRSKY - MIVIN

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the photograph
of E.M. Murray alias GILES TIPPETT, alias VALEMA CAMPBELL,
alias EDNA GILMOUR alias DORIS FARROW alias EVA GRECO,
Missouri State Penitentiary No. 39769, with descriptive data
appearing on the reverse side. E.M. Murray is the person
of subject William Davis and has been residing with him, as
disclosed in the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, dated.
September 25, 1934, a copy of which is attached pertaining
to each field office.

E.M. Murray was received at the Missouri State Peniten-
tiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on December 1, 1922, from
Jackson County, Missouri, to serve twenty-five years for the
crime of robbery. She escaped from that institution on Decem-
ber 12, 1922. Very little is known at the present time concern-
ing her place of birth and names and addresses of her relatives.
However, some will be obtained by the Kansas City office from
the records of the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson
City, as should appear in an early report.

Very truly yours,

C. P. COWLEY
Inspector

[Signature]

All field offices (Enc.)

[Division of Investigation]

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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AGENTS WOOLMAN AND NULLIN PRESENTLY AT KARCHER HOTEL, WAUKESHA, ILLINOIS, WORKING ON ELEVATOR IN BROKEN CASE.
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7-576
September 20, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 616,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KAHNIS with aliases, I.O. KERN
ARTHUR R. KAHNIS with aliases, I.O. KERN
et al - EDWARD GEORGE REED - Victim

CHICAGO FIELD NO. 7-32

It is requested that this office be furnished
with a tracing or copy of the handwriting of Wm.
Kahnis alias Phoenix Donald alias Bill Spots.

It will be noted a photograph of Kahnis taken
by the St. Paul Police Department, their number E3455,
dated August 3, 1932, indicates that if a specimen of
Kahnis's handwriting is not in the possession of your of-
1fice, the same can be obtained from the St. Paul Police
Department. It is requested that this be forwarded to
the Chicago Division office at the earliest possible
date.

Very truly yours,

G. P. COWLEY
Inspector.
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington Field Office, Room 5745
Washington, D. C.

October 10, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KAUFMAN with aliasess, I. O. No. 1218;
ARTHUR ROGERS with aliases, I. O. No. 1219;
RUSSELL SHARP with aliasess, I. O. No. 1215;
DR. JOSEPH F. McMANUS, I. O. No. 1250; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BRENNER — VICTIM.

Kidnapping.

Dear Sir:

Under date of October 9, 1934, the fingerprints of one Bryan Bolton, age 36, who enlisted in the United States Navy as an apprentice seaman, June 14, 1917, at Peoria, Illinois, and received an honorable discharge on August 14, 1919, at Great Lakes, Illinois, were obtained from the Navy Department and placed with the Identification Unit of the Division.

Kindly place a "wanted notice" against this individual, and in the event any record is received of Bryan Bolton, notify the Chicago and St. Paul Offices, which desire the location of Bolton in connection with the above captioned case.

Very truly yours,

L. R. PENNINGTON
L. R. PENNINGTON, Assistant
Special Agent in Charge.
TO: Director
    Mr. Nathan
    Mr. Tolson
    Mr. Edwards
    Mr. Tamm
    Unit Two

Unit Four
    Files Section
    Personnel Files
    Equipment Section
    Chief Clerk's Office

SUPERVISORS
    Mr. Deaderick
    Mr. Joseph
    Mr. Listerman
    Mr. Lowdon
    Mr. McKe
    Miss Candy
    Mrs. Kelley
    Washington Field Office
    Stenographic Pool
    Secretary
    Correct
    Re-write
    Re-date
    See me
    Send file

The name on this print should have been Byron Bennett. I suggest a cross reference card.

Supervisor - Unit One
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

The fingerprints of Owen Carter alias Lee Wilson, State Reformatory No. 6056, St. Cloud, Minnesota, are not identical with fingerprints of Bryan Bolton, who enlisted in the United States Naval Service at Peoria, Illinois, June 14, 1917, and was honorably discharged August 14, 1919. No record found in the Identification Unit of the Division on Bryan Bolton. A photostatic copy of his Navy fingerprints is now in the Division's files. A "hold notice" has been requested.

DETAILS:

The instant investigation was requested by Mr. Newby of the Division, relative to ascertaining if the fingerprints of Owen Carter alias Lee Wilson, State Reformatory No. 6056, St. Cloud, Minnesota, taken September 28, 1923, are the same as those of Bryan Bolton, who enlisted in the Navy as an apprentice seaman at Peoria, Illinois, June 14, 1917, and was honorably discharged August 14, 1919, at Great Lakes, Illinois.

Upon receipt of the fingerprints of Owen Carter, in the Division, and comparing them with the prints of Bryan Bolton, they were found not to be the same.

Two photostatic copies were obtained of Bryan Bolton's fingerprints from the Navy Department, and one was placed with the Identification Unit of the Division, with notice that Bryan Bolton was wanted by the Chicago and St. Paul Offices in connection with instant case.

Assistant

P. R. Prince

3 Division
3 St. Paul
3 Chicago
1 Detroit
2 Washington Field

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A search at the Identification Unit did not disclose a previous criminal record on Harry Bolton.

The additional photostatic copy of Bolton's fingerprints is being retained in the Washington Field Office file in the instant case, as well as a photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Owen Carter, No. 8055, taken at the Minnesota State Reformatory, as mentioned herein before.
October 15, 1932.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

To: ALTER LIEFELD with alias, L. G.
On: 0, p.1210; MICHEL GLIEB with
alias, L. G. 0, p.1210; DR. JOSEPH P.
BAIS with alias, L. G. 0, p.1210, et al.
ARNOH GLIEB; BORIS - Italian Alien.

Dear SIR:

There are transmitted herewith and to each of the offices indicated below photostatic copies of the fingerprints of ARTHUR BOLTON, who enlisted in the United States Naval Service at Plymouth, Illinois, June 24, 1917, and who may possibly be identical with Jose Carter, alias "Jesty" Carter, a former associate of Fred Leight, deceased.

The fingerprints of Bolton should be submitted to the Identification Bureau at Chicago, Illinois, St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Missouri, Kansas City, Kansas City and Kansas City, Missouri, for the purpose of obtaining further information regarding this individual.

Very truly yours,

Excl. #796102

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: For these offices - photostatic copies of fingerprints of Bryan Bolton.

Copies made: 1 yellow
NEW ORLEANS, October 9, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SPECIAL AGENTS:

To: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I. O. ALKS
    & Arthur H. Barker, with aliases, I. O.
    ALKS; et al.; Edwin George Brown-Victim;
    Kidnapping,

The Division, by letter September 30, 1934, transmitted to this office copies of the investigative summary report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated August 16, 1934, which contains the names and descriptions of associates of the subjects, and recent developments of investigations with reference to the kidnapping of Edwin George Brown, Victim.

Agent Nicholson's report, as well as the following enumerated reports should be read by you that you may familiarize yourself with the description, identity, and contacts with subjects of this case. It is noted in these reports that the names of the confidential informants, as well as the subject matter of their information, is to be kept strictly confidential.

Special Agent R. D. Brom, Chicago, Illinois, 9-19-34, and 10-1-34.
Special Agent D. M. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, 9-25-34.
Special Agent in Charge E. Larson, Detroit, Michigan, 9-23-34.

R. M. Hale
Special Agent in Charge.
Special Agent in Charge, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your communication of October 6, 1934, in which you mentioned the receipt of a postcard from one Arthur Crawford of Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

Please be advised that this individual is under surveillance for a considerable period a prolific correspondent with the Department, and various letters and notes have been received throughout the country in recent times to this effect. Crawford is a World War veteran, is mentally deficient, and it appears that he is the most efficient detective. In light of the information stated, Mr. Crawford will not be interviewed, etc. You may, therefore, disregard any further communications received from him. It is possible that he may correspond with you in the future under a different name but you should at least be able to recognize the handwriting.

The postcard received by you from Crawford has been returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

Division
Kansas City
Chicago
St. Paul
Jacksonville

Enc.
W. H. ROBERTS

DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

MENTIONED IN MY LETTER SEPTEMBER FIRST BILL CASE ADVISED

DON'T CALL LAST NIGHT SE MITT DOG BARDER AND ALVIN YAMPIE

NOW I'LL TELL DRIVING FOR M Y RIGHT SIDE YELLOW WIRE KANSAS TALK

ISSUED WYANDOTTE COUNTY REPORTED HEADING EITHER TULSA OR KANSAS CITY MAIL. THEY

ROBERTS REPORTED SOUTH COFFETVILLE SATURDAY MORNING AGENT BILL ADVISED

ADVICE BY McCULLY HEAD CRAP DEALER FOR TODAY BILL THAT JESSE BOYIE BAG AND

ALVIN CASE IN TULSA SATURDAY NIGHT OBTAINED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS IN 50 DOLLAR

DOLLAR BILLS FROM MR BEATTY OF ARREST INDEPENDENCE KANSAS BUSINESS MAN IN

CONFIDENCE GAME LEAVING IN KANSAS CITY PLYMOUTH IRVING KANSAS ADVISED BY TELEPHONE

CONTACTS BEING CLOSELY COVERED TULSA

BAILEY

received and decoded 9/25/34 − SEP

RECORDED & INDEXED

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OCT 1 1934

U.S. POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
October 19, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 18, 1934, with which
was transmitted a notebook containing a gateway chart found at 6419 East
71st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, in connection with the case entitled Alvin
O'Keeffe, with affianced, et al; Edward George Krasar - Victim; Kidnaping.

Confirming the Division telegram of October 6, 1934, you are advised
that three of the latent fingerprints developed on the notebook have been
identified as those of Charles F. Fitzgerald, our file #57630. It will
be noted that two of the same gateway chart on which two additional latent
finger impressions were identified with the right and left thumbs of Fred
Markley, our file #50163, as reported in the Division letter of October 2,
1934.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director.

John Edgar Hoover
Director.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

cc - C. I. N. 1
Detroit
Kansas City

4 copies c-4
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 9120
Detroit, Michigan
October 4, 1936

Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN EARLY with aliases, I.O., GLENN;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O., GLENN;
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE JENSEN—Victim;
KIDNAPPING

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of October 2, 1934, please be advised
that with reference to the report of Special Agent D. E. Bell dated at
Detroit, Michigan September 25, 1934, the delay between the end of the
period covered by the investigation reported therein, September 14, 1934,
and the date of submission, September 25, 1934 was incurred due to the fact
that Special Agent W. E. Peters, who conducted a very considerable portion
of the investigation reported therein, was delayed in the preparation of his
memorandum covering said investigation at the end of the period of investiga-
tion in said report due to the fact that emergency matters were arising
in connection with this case at Cleveland, Ohio which required immediate
attention and, in view of the familiarity of this Agent with these angles,
it was deemed advisable that he handle the same personally. He therefore
was unable to submit his memorandum covering that portion of the investiga-
tion conducted by him immediately and accordingly, the delay was incurred.

It should also be noted that it is set forth in letter to the
Division dated September 29, 1934, that as on date all offices of the
Division which had not already received copies of this report were furnished
with same.

With reference to the second paragraph of your letter, please
be advised that the roll of undeveloped film obtained from the premises at
2072 W. 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio was forwarded to the Chicago office for
development. Under date of September 27, 1934 the Chicago Office advised this
office by letter that there had been only one exposure on said film which was
developed, being a picture of a rocky section with no indication whatsoever
of the locality. It is noted in the letter of transmittal from the Chicago
office that a copy of said photograph was transmitted with the Division copy
of said letter to the Division.

With reference to the third paragraph of your letter wherein it
is noted that on page 27 of the report of Special Agent D. E. Bell of this

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office dated 9/25/34 that photograph had been found of a 12-cylinder Auburn Sedan with a lady sitting behind the steering wheel, please be advised that this photograph was forwarded under date of October 3, 1934 to the St. Paul Office. The face of the woman appearing in the picture is obscured by her arm so that it will possibly be impossible to obtain a good likeness of her face. However, the St. Paul Office is being requested herewith to transmit the same to the Division.

With reference to page 22 of the report of Agent Hall dated 9/25/34 wherein it is noted that Underwood Portable Typewriter No. 60804 was forwarded directly to the Division under date of September 10, 1934 for examination, it is hereby requested that said typewriter be examined to determine whether the same was used in the preparation of any extortion notes either in the instant case or in connection with the kidnapping of William Hamm, Jr. at St. Paul, Minnesota on June 15, 1935.

Please be advised that with reference to the manner in which this typewriter was submitted to the Division, I am forcefully calling the attention of the various Agents assigned to this office to the fact that Division instructions must be followed in submitting evidence to the Division for examination is the Scientific Laboratory in order that there will be no recurrence of an instance similar to that which just happened in connection with instant typewriter.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Mr. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

DER: FEB

St. Paul
Chicago
Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The following information is being submitted in accordance with your personal and confidential letter dated July 20, 1934, concerning telephone taps.

In connection with the case entitled

A tap was maintained on the telephone of

for a period of five days, and was continued until September 25 on authority of Division telegram dated September 22, 1934.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Hatton
Special Agent in Charge

RECORDED & INDEXED
MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER

TO: INSPECTOR R. F. CONLEY

RE: OFFICE OF OCTOBER 30, 1934

REQUEST: NO LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER SEVENTEENTH RECEIVED YESTERDAY.

TRANSMITTING STATEMENT OF PAUL ANDERSON DATED SEPTEMBER FIFTEEN.

INSPECTOR THURSFORD HAS BEEN LOCATED. DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO trace.

SLOVER.

7-576-3119

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CCT 11 1934 A.M.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

APPROVED FOR TRANSMISSION:

Sent 5:23 by R.C.
I called Mr. Cowley and advised him that I sent a memorandum to the Director on our talk about Kansas which contained my comments about the raid that Nathan was going to make on his house out there for the last month; that the Director was, in a situation, that I found out from Mr. Cowley whether the place should be raided. I asked Mr. Cowley that he thought of raiding the place and stated that my first thought would be that we do not have any thing to substantiate Nezke's statements, that while we have Kansas in custody, we can pretty well determine whether we should or should not raid it. Mr. Cowley stated that he talked to Mr. Nathan a short while ago and told him to go up there with Nezke and Nezke had previously received the same information that Nathan got and had requested that he be allowed to go along; that he, Cowley, told Nathan he was not going to raid last night but Nezke was out of town; therefore, in view of this, it will be conducted when Nezke gets back and Nezke will be back this afternoon. Mr. Cowley stated that this will not be a raid but just a search and they will search the place thoroughly today. I stated it should be done as soon as possible because if there is anything there that these people are hiding, they will probably remove it after he is picked up. Mr. Cowley stated that they will do it today and he told them not to wait until tonight as he could see no point in doing it at night and it would probably attract less attention if it was done at day. I asked Mr. Cowley whether he was getting anything from Kansas and he stated that they were getting nothing that he has, states frankly that he has been paying less attention to any gambling joint very openly run there, that they gave him a good vigorous talking to last night and they will hold him for a couple of days.

I told Mr. Cowley that I was anxious to get the squad in Chicago organized and when he gets a chance, he should make up a list of the personnel that he is using and the men that are available for general assignment in other words, a regular list. Mr. Cowley stated that he had a list and I asked him to give me the names of the men that he is using. Mr. Cowley advised that the Brewer squad consists of Campbell, Wirt, Jones, McDonald, McIlroy, Marshall, Ryan, Schmes. Mr. Cowley stated that he understands John has submitted his resignation since he left town. The Dillinger squad consists of Barber, Chaffee, Gillespie, Wells, and (sic) working with the informants, one of the Dillinger case and one of the Brewer case right now he is in Yellock on the Brewer case but works on both cases. Lefevere, McKea, McKea's, Peterson, Wells. The Kansas City Massacre squad consists of Conner, McFate, McKea, Murphy, Sullivan, Burton, Wells and Winstead. Mr. Cowley stated that he was talking to Mr. Purvis the other day and Murphy has been traded.
Memo for the Director

October 5, 1934

For one of the new men although he does not know which one it is as yet.

In the Kansas City case, Mr. Cowley advised that four of the men are tied up doing guard duty. Mr. Cowley stated that they have the Lagerherg case but there is nothing much on it. I stated there were just a few scattered interviews. I asked Mr. Cowley if he had a list of Mr. Purvis' personnel and he stated that he did. I asked Mr. Purvis had assigned today and Mr. Cowley advised that he has announced, Boardman, Bevereaux.

(Bevereaux is resident agent at South Bend.) Mr. Cowley stated that Mr. Purvis' name Bevereaux is his best man and he, Cowley, feels that if Bevereaux will be such a good man, Purvis can probably utilize another man at South Bend. Mr. Purvis also has McLean, Glynis, (Glynis is in Fort Wayne today remaining judicial offices), Mrs. Jahnke, Leitay, Lacey, McNally, Wechsler, Bullis, Myer, Johnson (in Milwaukee - probably resident agent), South, Van Wagner (who is in Washington), Williams, White (Roc White), others. Mr. Cowley asked if I was interested in the accounting and I stated that I was not concerned about it because they are all on accounting work. Mr. Cowley stated that they have two men indicated as coming to Chicago, namely, Ghislain and Mahalaigu.

I told Mr. Cowley that Ghislain is dead. Mr. Cowley stated that Mahalaigu will go to Purvis. Mr. Cowley stated that there are two men in San Francisco and I stated they were personnel contacts at the present time, so far as he, Cowley, was concerned. I stated that some of the leads they had out in San Francisco on Blaine looked very good and I did not know what the trouble in, Mr. Cowley stated that there are undoubtedly a lot of people out there who know Blaine and they certainly should be worked on as Blaine has contacts there just the same as he has in Chicago and these contacts should be worked on. Mr. Cowley asked if the Washington files were sent entirely and I stated that it died of its own volition.

Mr. Cowley asked if it would be all right for Mr. Kowly to arrive in Washington on Monday morning and I stated this would be all right. I told Mr. Cowley that all of the men there would be put on subpoenaes next week from Vermont to Tennessee and I would like to have somebody here. Mr. Cowley stated he would leave Sunday afternoon on the Capital Limited. I told Mr. Cowley that I did not want to be arbitrary about it and he stated that they will be able to get along O.K. I asked him how was going and Mr. Cowley stated that he is doing fine; also Brown. I asked Mr. Cowley whether he was breaking Brown in to take his place for a day or two at the time and Mr. Cowley stated that he can do this. I told Mr. Cowley to keep this in mind all the time because if this thing spreads out, he, Cowley, will be out of there more and more and with this California thing in the offing it would be a good idea to have a number one man that can be depended upon. Mr. Cowley stated that Peterson can handle anything that comes up on the Gillinger case, Brown on the Brown case and Brown on the Kansas City case; but during the last couple of days when he was away, they handled matters satisfactorily except when it came to a matter of deciding policy which they are not so familiar with as they have not had the benefits he, Cowley, has had.
Memo for the Director

October 5, 1936

Mr. Conley asked if the California matter would be this week or next and I stated that it will probably be several days before it comes down. I stated that this was Friday and it could not very well be this week any more.

Respectfully,

E. A. Some

2 copies
October 20, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 1876,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sirs:

In reply to your letter dated October 6, 1934, in which you submitted a copy of the fingerprint card of Alvin Caneve, a native of Illinois, we are forwarding the fingerprint cards of Alvin Caneve, A. L. Caneve, A. L. Caneve, H. A. Caneve, and E. R. Caneve, et al., all of whom are on file in the Alien Registration Division, Kansas City.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

S. R. Corley
Inspector

Division of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
Division of Investigation
A. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 216,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

October 10, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KAPIT, with aliases, I.O.O.F. LES;
AMBER I. KAPIT, with aliases, I.O.O.F. LES;
ET AL.; EDWARD GEORGE KAPIT - Victim.
KIDNAPPING.
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Pursuant to the request contained in the report of Special
Agent J. R. Green, dated at Omaha, Nebraska, September 24, 1934, in the
above entitled case, there is transmitted, herewith, a photographic copy
of the fingerprint impressions of JOHN G. FINN, alias J. E. Hall, alias
"OKEE" FINN, alias "OKEE" FINN, alias "OKEE" FINN, which was furnish-
ed to this office by the Minneapolis Police Department.

The description of JOHN FINN, as it appears in the records of
the Minneapolis Police Department, is as follows:

[Redacted]

RECORD
OCT 13 1934

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7-576-3122

COPPER DESTROYED
188 MAR 20 1935

RECORD
OCT 18 1935

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Very truly yours,

[Signature]

D. M. LEDD,
Special Agent in Charge.

DLN:ACF
Encl.

CC St. Louis
Chicago
Omaha
Department of Justice
Division of Investigation
1900 Bankers Building
Chicago, Illinois

October 6, 1934
1:30 P.M.

D. E. Dickason,
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice,
301 Federal Building,
Butte, Montana.

Telegram

Brenda, Agent B. L. Jones arriving Glasgow for A.B. tomorrow.
Undercover capacity.

Copy to Division
cc: Division

EDMG 7-52
Post Office Box 4967.
Jacksonville, Florida.

R.M. HEBB
Postmaster

October 9, 1944

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
25 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sirs:

RE: ALVIN KIRKE with alias, J.O. 1018;
AMHERK H. BAKER with alias, J.O. 1029;
RUSSELL VERRON with alias, J.O. 1125;
ERNEST F. MORAN, J.O. 1283; etc;
EDWARD GORDON BRIDGER — VICTIM.

With reference to the Undeveloped Lead in the report of Special Agent William Larson, of the Detroit Division Office, dated September 30, 1944, please be advised that the Motor Vehicle Commissioner for Florida at Tallahassee, has informed the Jacksonville Office that his records do not show that application for title or tag has ever been made to his office for 1934 Ford V-8 coupe, motor No. 1001460.

A "skip" card has been placed against this car and the Jacksonville Office will be advised if application is made to register same.

Very truly yours,

R. L. AILS
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. R. A. Maddox
Consulting Criminologist
Tulsa Police Department
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 1, 1934, with reference to the progress being made by this office with an informant recently brought in by the Kansas City Police in conjunction with an investigation.

You are advised that since our last letter of October 1, 1934, no further information has been received by the Tulsa Police Department.

Should I obtain any further information concerning the alleged crime, I shall be pleased to advise you.

With kindest regards,

Very truly yours,

R. O. Mathew
Special Agent in Charge

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Dear Sir:

Please refer to my letter of October 7, 1924, in which mention was made of the fact that Special Agent G. O. Hall has contacted Wymona Burdette.

Agent Hall has again contacted Wymona Burdette and she has written him a short note, dated October 9 at Muskogee, Oklahoma, in which she stated that she has heard nothing further from any of the "boys," and that when she does, she will refer the same to Agent Hall. She promised to report to him in any event.

With reference to Kate Barker, Wymona told Agent Hall that she thinks she is somewhere in Chicago and doubts very seriously that she has ever left the country. She would not or could not elaborate on this belief.

Several days ago, Wymona spent the night at Muskogee, Oklahoma, with her aunt, Mrs. Mark Honeycutt, and a green colored car is supposed to have appeared in the vicinity and some man there was asked for Wymona. No further description of the car or of the man was obtained. Nothing further has been seen or heard of this man.

Agent Hall discussed with Wymona the matter of her furnishing information that might lead to the apprehension of this gang. She stated, of course, that she does not want Harry caught, but that if she could do anything concerning the others, it will not be for the money but to save her own neck, as she put it.

She stated that she expects to go to Ponca City, Oklahoma, shortly to visit her sisters who are radio entertainers. She said that she is almost broke and that she wants to get a job as a waitress. She stated that she
1900 BAVARIAN BUILDING
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE,
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
330 N. WELLES, CHICAGO.

DEAR MR. CARTER,

I AM A PERSON WITNESSING THE REQUEST OF MR. ALVIN BARTLETT, WITH ALLEIES, T.O. HESDALL;
NYDER W. BAINES WITH ALLEIES, T.O. HESDALL;
MR. MILLS WITH ALLEIES, T.O. HESDALL;
MR. HESDALL WITH ALLEIES, T.O. HESDALL;
MR. W. J. P. WARD WITH ALLEIES, T.O. HESDALL;
ET AL. - EDWARD GEORGE WINTER - VICTIM

ATTACHMENTS - CHICAGO FEL NO. 7-32.

There is attached hereunto a copy of the signature of Mr. Alvin Bartlett and the signatures of all persons named in the above.

For the use of your office in conducting an investigation now being conducted at Phoenix, Arizona.

A copy of the signature of Mr. Bartlett is also being furnished the division and all offices receiving copies of this letter.

Very truly yours,

E. F. CULLEY,
INSPECTOR,

CO-DIVISION (Emes.)
St. Paul
St. Louis

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Yours very truly

B Bolton

Copy of the signature of Subject Byron Bolton, alias "Monkey" Carter, alias Owen D. Carter.

Chicago file: 7-62, BREXID.
March 9, 1934.

Mr. Hoover,

Do I understand that the attached telegram from Mr. Cooley that the fingerprints of the Barker gang were not supplied to the Chicago office as requested by our other field offices? If this is a fact, it is a very serious oversight upon the part of Washington headquarters. Please advise me at once as to whether it is a fact that the fingerprints of members of the gang have not been sent to the field offices. Please see also that they be sent at once as requested.

Very truly yours,

John Edger Hoover,
Director.
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

REPORT MADE AT: "CINCINNATI, OHIO"
DATE MADE: 10/11/34
PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 10/8-10/31/34
RECEIVED BY: W. H. FLYNN, CINCINNATI, OHIO

CASE NO.: 7-33
FILE NO.: V-69

ALVIN KARDIS with alias, I. O. F. D.;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with alias, I. O. F. D.;
ROBERT P. BARKER with alias, I. O. F. D.;
WILLIAM P. MCNAMARA with alias, I. O. F. D.

EDWARD GEORGE KUMER - Tioga, O.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Stop placed with Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State Highway Department, Columbus, Ohio, against 1934 Ford Y-C coupe, motor 12-1037480.

Thomas Shry Co., Columbus, Ohio, 11/11/34, shipped to Bronson 52 shits G.O.B. express, 511 Harvard Ave., Cleveland, Ohio; open to be sold by C. H. Rembold, Sr., at Cleveland, Ohio, 11/19/34. Shirt made for Bronson and three other parties known to Rembold as gamblers whom he met at Harvard Club in Cleveland.

REFERENCE:

DETAILS:
AT COLLIERS, OHIO

W. L. McKenzie, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State Highway Department, Columbus, Ohio, after a search of his records advised Agent that title to Ford Y-C coupe, motor 12-1037480, still stood in the name of Charles M. Bronson. Agent arranged with Mr. McKenzie to place a notation in the file pertaining to this car, that in the event of either transfer of the license or repossession, the same shall be indicated in the file.

SIGNED AND DATED:
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As the result of action by the Cincinnati Office, the long-distance telephone was immediately notified of the order, and Mr. Holmes was advised of its receipt.

Agent was advised by Lieutenant Thomas Brady, Assistant United States Attorney, that the order was addressed to Mr. S. S. French, Manager of the Thomas Shirt Company, located in Columbus, Ohio. Mr. French had been in business in Columbus for many years and was considered a reputable firm.

Efforts were made to interview Mr. French, but the address was not known. Agent then interviewed his son, C. S. French, Jr., Manager of the Thomas Shirt Company. Mr. French advised that his father was traveling in Europe at the time of the visit and that his father was in Virginia at the time of his trip. He advised that his father was not known to the address in Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. French, Jr., advised that he had ordered a large quantity of shirts from the following companies:

- Eagle, 131 S. Main St., Columbus, Ohio.
- H. Bronson, 111 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio.
- J. H. B. Co., 121 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio.
- C. S. French, 140 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio.
- S. S. French, 150 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio.
- J. J. Harlow, 160 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio.
- W. J. Green, 170 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio.
- J. H. B. Co., 180 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio.

All efforts to locate Mr. French, Sr., were unsuccessful. It is believed that he may be in Europe or in Virginia, but further information is not available.

DEVELOPED LEAD:

The Cincinnati Office, after further investigation, will make efforts to locate and interview Mr. French, Sr., at 240 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio (Thomas Shirt Company), to secure any information he may have regarding the subjects of this case.
Division of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth St., N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

September 17, 1934

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KAMPS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARLTON R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1119; et al; EDWARD GEORGE WESTER - Victim
KIDNAPPING - CHICAGO File No. 7-88

There are transmitted herewith two copies of the statement obtained from Paula Harmon, in the above captioned matter. Upon reading the statement on Saturday, September 15, 1934, Paula Harmon declined to sign the same unless her release immediately after signing were guaranteed.

It will be noted from the statement that much of the information furnished by her has been corroborated by previous investigation, and it should also be noted that she must have more, and more specific, information to offer with reference to both the Ham and Bramer kidnappings. Questioning of Paula Harmon will continue.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

S.P. Cowley
Inspector
I, PAULINE HALL, do hereby make and deliver this sworn, signed statement to H. C. Green, Agent in Charge, U. S. Department of Justice, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, District of Texas, prohibiting any person or persons from employing any person of any sex or race, or permitting any person of any sex or race to be employed by any person, for the purpose of engaging in the manufacture, transport, sale, or distribution of any article of drinking beer or ale in any manner or form, for sale, barter, or exchange, in the County of Jefferson, State of Texas, on or after the date hereof.

I was born in Demopolis, Alabama, a town of 2,000 population, February 19, 1896. My father's name was Parley Ellis and my mother's name, Miss Ellen. At the age of ten we moved to Fort Worth, Texas. I attended Fort Worth schools until graduation in 1913 and Washington University, Atlanta, Georgia, a girls' finishing school for three months in 1918.

In 1914 I was married to Leon M. Hall of Fort Worth, Texas, who was a mate on a ship. I divorced him in 1962 and obtained a position as a comptometer operator in Houston, Texas, where I worked until 1965. My employer was the Southern Pacific Railroad and the United Texas Electric Company. I left in 1965 and married Charles Harmon, shortly after his release from the penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he was incarcerated on a robbery charge. We were married in Austin, Texas, and lived together from time to time until he was killed on November 10, 1961, when he took part in the robbery of the First State Bank at Hammonds, Wisconsin. Charles Harmon was released from the United States Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, on January 7, 1961, and I went down to meet him. Previous to that time I had been residing in Chicago, Illinois.

We went to Kansas City, Missouri, and on a street in Kansas City I was introduced to a man by the name of Solly, whom I have since learned in Park City. He appeared to be a friend of Charles Harmon. From Kansas City, Missouri, Frank Muns, Charles Harmon and myself, together with Solly and Arthur Harmon, whom we also met in Kansas City, went to Joplin, Missouri, where I spent approximately two weeks in the Harmon home. From there, the Harmon, Charles Harmon and myself, proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where we spent a couple of days approximately six months or so weeks. I did not meet anyone in Hot Springs on this occasion by the name of Richard (like) Williams, but I have heard of him. I may have met his wife. While taking the baths at Hot Springs, Arkansas, I met several of the wives of the confidence men who frequent Hot Springs. Charles Harmon and I had a “time” and I left Hot Springs by rail and proceeded to Chicago, Illinois, where I continued to operate a “mail house” on the North side.

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A month later Charles Harmon came to Minneopolis, where he stayed at the same hotel, and we went to St. Paul, Minnesota, where we stayed at the same hotel. During his visit to St. Paul, Minnesota, I met James Williams, Charles S. Milk, and Frank B. Miller. Charlie Sawyer, through Charles Harmon, Barry and Clancy Loughnane had a teahouse in St. Paul and Barry Sawyer operated saloons and there was a big bootlegging. Frank B. Miller operated the National Wine Club. Leon Chickum operated a marina.

I wish to state that when Charles Harmon left the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, we never seemed to be able to get along and after something in St. Paul, Minnesota, for three or four weeks at this occasion, I left him and visited my Poplin, Minn. house, staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loughnane. The weather was very cold during the last part of April and the first part of May, 1931. While at the house, when I first met Frank B. Miller, who called to visit the Farmers. I believe he had been released from the State Penitentiary at Tahlequah, Oklahoma, a short time. It is my understanding that he was one of the men who lived with Herbert Loughnane's mother, and was more or less raised by her. On this occasion Frank B. Miller also visited the Farmers.

While visiting the Farmers on this occasion, Frank B. Miller and I, his girl friend, Dr. Leona Peck visited the Farmers home, and it was the first time I had ever met them. Dr. Peck continued his visit until about a month after my arrival, when Frank B. Miller and I left the Farmers home and went directly to St. Paul, Minnesota, to Frank B. Miller's hotel. I wish to state that I saw Frank B. Miller only once or twice while at the Farmers home during this time.

Upon arrival in St. Paul, Minnesota, I again met Charles Harmon and we lived together until six weeks before his death, when we met again in St. Paul, Minnesota. I learned about his death through the newspapers. I was surprised that he had come to the city after the war, to go into the business of the Farmers. He spent the greater part of his time in St. Paul, Minnesota, Frank B. Miller, Mr. Brewer (Miller) and myself were around together and visited his right alone, including Frank B. Miller's place. We also spent a great deal of time at Barry Sawyer's saloons on Western Avenue.

Immediately after Charles Harmon's death, I proceeded to my home in Fort Arthur, Texas, for Christmas, shortly after.
Christmas, 1942, I proceeded to Kansas City, Missouri, where I operated a lunch stand for approximately two months. I was injured in an automobile accident which occasioned my being hospitalised for approximately two months, after which I returned to New York, New York. I continued to live in New York until April 8, 1943, when I received either a telephone call or a telegram from William Mathews (Vi Miller) from Kansas City, asking to visit him.

Upon my arrival at Kansas City, Missouri, I proceeded to the bunco house, address not known, where Vi Miller and Vi Miller were residing, and met Fred Marker. During my visit of two weeks with Vi Miller and Vi Miller, I saw Fred in several locations. I also met Arthur B. Barker, brother of Fred Marker, who had just been released from some penitentiary. While visiting at Miller's I learned that Fred Marker had already gone to St. Paul. Vi Miller and I then drove from Kansas City to St. Paul, Minnesota, where Vi Miller and I visited the place where people at St. Paul, Minnesota, for two or three weeks. We then returned to St. Paul, Minnesota, where we met Vi Miller and Fred Marker. I visited at the home of Gladys and Harry Draper at this time.

In this connection, I wish to state that the only connection between Fred Marker and Vi Miller was the friendship between myself and Vi Miller. Fred Marker and Vi Miller used to be friendly towards each other.

After visiting Gladys and Harry Draper for a day or two, Vi Miller and I drove to Kansas City, Missouri. We remained in Kansas City for approximately two weeks and returned to St. Paul, Minnesota, where I obtained an apartment at the Capital Apartments Annex. I am unable to recall the name I used in renting this apartment. This was sometime during the latter part of May, 1943. For the next few days I often saw Fred Marker and it was during this time that he informed me it was necessary for him to go to the hospital to have his appendix removed. He also agreed that I should rent a house and that he and Arthur B. Barker were to come and live with me as soon as Fred Marker was released from the hospital. He said Fred Marker was taken to the hospital. I met his mother, who was living at the Commodore Apartments in St. Paul, under the name of Mrs. Gordon. Evidently, I did not make a favorable impression upon
her, as I have never seen her since. Fred Barker must have stayed in the hospital some time about June 20th. He was released from the hospital in approximately ten days and during the period of his absence, I visited him on two occasions, and had visited with Arthur R. Barker at 204 Vernon Avenue, St. Paul. He moved into this house with Arthur R. Barker and myself upon his release. I am unable to recall the exact date I visited this house, but I remember that as soon as released Fred Barker and Arthur R. Barker moved into this house.

I am unable to recall when I first met Alvin Earp but it was either at the home of Herb and Arthur Earp or at lawyer’s salon in St. Paul, Minnesota. I believe I first met Olive Davis, who was called “Curly” at the home of St. Matthews (Miller) in Kansas City, Missouri. I often met Arthur R. Barker and Alvin Earp at lawyer’s salon in St. Paul, previous to going to 204 Vernon Avenue.

After moving to 204 Vernon Avenue, and while living with Arthur and Fred Barker, I first met a man known to me as “Ellis” Gray. I first met for the first time George Taigler, whom I have also identified from a photograph shown to me, at this house. I also met again Young Davis. I also met for the first time William Weaver.

I remember reading the paper on June 15, 1920, concerning the kidnapping of William Beer, a St. Paul brewer. At the time I did not suspect that any of the “boys” were responsible for this kidnapping. However, I noticed the Arthur R. (Doc) Barker was missing from 204 Vernon Avenue on the day of the kidnapping. We did not remain in that house after that. We moved away from 204 Vernon Avenue during the period from June 15th until I moved out of the house. However, Fred Barker remained with me up until the morning of June 16, 1920, when he left the house in the morning.

That night about midnight, Jack Pfeiffer called at the house and told me I had better move. Jack Pfeiffer and I moved my belongings out of 204 Vernon Avenue, and he took me to a cottage on White Bear Lake, where I spent the night alone.

On the following morning Jack Pfeiffer and his wife came by to visit me, and it was suggested that I attend a show with
Mrs. Pfiffner. Before leaving this setting, or Eliza Earle’s house, the address of which I am unable to give, Jack Pfiffner and some of the trunkers met, the trunkers including a woman who had moved out of the band room, which I should not stay in the setting where the trunkers had occupied. This is positively the first time that I noticed that the trunkers met, Arlin Earle, Welsie Earle and others might have been responsible for the band trimming, because Jack Pfiffner was referring to the newspaper article regarding the band trimming, which he had read.

After going in a dance with Mrs. Pfiffner, we went to the Poffner’s Inn operated by Jack Pfiffner and had dinner. I am unable to recall the exact date of this happening, but I believe it was the day the band was released. Fred Barker and Arlin Earle mailed at the Poffner’s Inn shortly after dinner that evening and we drove directly to Chicago, Illinois, to Arlin Earle’s house.

Upon arriving in Chicago, Illinois, we drove to an apartment in Oak Park, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. Arlin Earle’s apartment had an apartment. It was on this occasion that I first met Arlin Earle’s girl friend named Dolores. Her correct name is Dolores Peabody. Fred Barker and Arlin Earle were gone the following day, but returned that night. We stayed in Oak Park a day or two, during which time Fred Barker, Arthur H. (Doc) Barker and Arlin Earle visited Dolores and me. Arthur H. (Doc) Barker then drove me to St. Paul, Minnesota, where I secured my clothes from the cottage on Lake. Lake., and we returned to Chicago. What night I stayed in an apartment with a man named Chuck and his wife. I do not know his correct name. The apartment was on the south side of Chicago. Chuck is about forty-five years of age, about six feet in height, and about 160 pounds. I had never seen Chuck before.

The next morning Fred Barker came by Chuck’s apartment and we drove to the Oak Park apartment of Arlin Earle. Fred Barker was driving a 1928 model Buick sedan, which he had while living at 304 Vernon Avenue. Upon arriving at Arlin Earle’s apartment, I was informed that we were to take a cottage on the lakes.

Arlin Earle and Dolores packed their things into Earle’s Graham-Wick sedan, and we drove to some lake about sixty or seventy miles from Chicago, the name of which I am unable to recall, where Arlin Earle had rented a five room summer cottage, which I understand belonged to a Chicago politician who is of Polish descent. The house
was located on a farm and directly overlooked this lake. I entered the house at Dolores, Louisiana and stayed approximately fifteen months, where Fred Barker and I lived and owned a house in Dolores, where a cottage had previously been rented for two or three months and which was rented this cottng for us. We believe Fred Barker and previously rented it. It was a black and white one story house on the north side of Long Lake, and was rented by Mr. Long, who operates a general store on Long Lake.

Upon arrival at this cottage we found Volney Davis and a girl by the name of Horace. I later learned her name was Mine Grace. This is the first time I had met Mine. The apartment was rented at the rate of $2.00 per week. In the months of July and August, Mine and I remained at this cottage until about the middle of August. During this time, Fred Barker and Volney Davis spent considerable time with us, as they were on a vacation. While at this cottage I met a man by the name of Monte, who visited us. His last name I do not know to me, George Meager, Alvin Smith, Arthur R. Barker and the dishes which I have previously referred to at the time of the death which also visited this cottage. I never visited Alvin Smith and Dolores at their lake home which was now distance from Long Lake.

About the middle of August, 1933, Fred Barker, Volney Davis, Mine and myself drove to St. Paul, Minneapolis, at which time Fred Barker and I located a house in Minneapolis, the address of which I am unable to recall. I do not know the house number. This house was rented. Mine and Volney Davis remained with us for approximately a week, then they moved into an apartment, the address of which I am unable to recall.

Shortly after arrival at this house, Fred Barker left Minneapolis and went to Chicago, Illinois, to visit his mother. He did not return until some time during the latter part of September. Two or three days before his return I had moved into the President Hotel in Minneapolis. Upon Fred's return to Minneapolis, he had with him a man by the name of Horace Campbell, and a girl who accompanied Campbell by the names of Anna Merle and Elsie, who lived in the hotel that night, and the next morning or the morning after Fred Barker, Arthur R. Ross, Barker and I left Minneapolis, Minnesota, in Fred Barker's new 1933 model Buick sedan, which he had purchased shortly before coming to Minneapolis. It was a blank day as
a truck on the road way and sundae clinics. Fred and Dolores lived on the
highest left at the same time in Fred Barker's Ford and drove to Reno, Nevada, arriving there on February 15, 1932.

We rented two apartments at 261 First Liberty Street, Reno, one being occupied by Fred and myself and the other by Harry Campbell and Nyma. Fred Barker and I lived under the name of John
Blackburne and Nyma and Harry Campbell lived under the name of George
Lyman. Alvin Karpis and Dolores had already arrived in Reno then we reached there and were residing in an apartment located near 261 First Liberty Street, the exact address of which I do not recall.

Fred Barker and I resided at 321 S. First Liberty Street for approximately two weeks, then we moved to the Belmont Apartments, where we remained until we left Nevada. Some time after our arrival in Reno, Nyma and Dolores arrived in Reno and resided in an apartment five or six
blocks from where we were residing.

While in Reno, Nevada, Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker, Arthur E. (Doc) Barker, Harry Campbell, Nyma Davis and Dolores all made a
trip to California, but I do not know the purpose of this trip. All
the men in the party after being back fishing and hunting. On our return, they were gone a week or two days and when they returned said something about having been in Mexico. Some time during our visit in
Reno, Nevada, I recall that Harry Campbell accidentally shot himself with his .32 automatic revolver and was laid up in bed for approximately ten days. Alvin Karpis treated him the greatest part of the
time, although a doctor was called on two or three occasions. While in Reno, Nevada, Alvin Karpis purchased a new twelve cylinder automobile, blue in color, with a tax top.

On December 2, 1932, we all left Reno, Nevada and drove to St. Paul, Minnesota. Arthur E. Barker, Alvin Karpis and Dolores
 drove from Reno to Chicago, Illinois. Fred Barker and I returned to
St. Paul, Minnesota. In his new Buick sedan and Harry Campbell and
Nyma returned to St. Paul in Fred Barker's Ford V-8 sedan. Dolores
Davis and I drove 400 miles to St. Paul in a Ford coupe. He stopped at

Immediately upon arriving in St. Paul, Minnesota, we drove to Harry Layser's Farm, which is located a short distance from
St. Paul. That night we all went celebrating at Jack Steffers' Hollybuck's Inn, and we all stayed at Jack Steffers' place that night. The
next day Fred Barker and I rented an apartment on the corner of Oak

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I stayed in this apartment approximately a week. For three days after my arrival in this apartment, a new apart-
mant for us, which I did not like. Then we moved under the name of Henderson.

Two weeks after my arrival, while residing at this apartment I was approached by Mr. Velrey Davis, called me into his room and we had a talk about the relationship between the associations which were then existing in the city of Washington, D.C. and our departure from Washington to Chicago.

A week after my arrival in Chicago, I moved into the apartment at 873 South and Twenty Four Hundred West. My first tenant was a man named Fred Berry, who was well dressed and well groomed. He stayed a week with me, but left the next day. He told me at this time that William Nurse might come to stay with me. Two or three days later, William Nurse, who was dressed in leather boots and rough clothes, arrived at my apartment and stayed with William Nurse and myself. Fred Berry was in and out of the apartment nearly every day. Alvin Sanders, who was not in the apartment on several occasions. None of the members of the group visited us after arriving in Chicago, gave any explanation or indication as to why they were dressed in the manner in which they were, or explained that they were alone.

Fred Baker returned to my apartment on or about February 1, 1934. Fred Baker returned to my apartment, after being gone for several days, and told me that he had moved to Toledo, Ohio. The following day, Delaware County, Ohio, Fred Baker, the man I had purchased the car from, brought a formal complaint against Fred Baker, the man I had purchased the car from, the name of which I cannot recall. That day we purchased furniture at the Leather and furniture store, under the name of Henderson, we stayed at this hotel for two nights and then moved to the apartment at 700 Summit Avenue.
For years Mr. Franklin and Mrs. Franklin lived at 397 South Avis Street. I do not know who rented this apartment from the owner, but it was not the apartment I lived in. The apartment was at 397 South Avis Street, rented to the name of Franklin.

During this time, Alvin Kirk was living at 397 South Avis Street, and he was a tenant of mine. I had a room on the first floor, and Alvin had a room on the second floor. Alvin was a carpenter, and he was always working on different projects.

Some time in April, 1934, Alvin Kirk brought a young woman to the apartment. He said her name was Jeannette Wilson, and she was a friend of his. Jeannette was a nurse, and she was staying there for a short time.

When Jeannette Wilson left, she left behind a large black suitcase. I can still remember the smell of the suitcase, even though it was over 50 years ago.

After the conversation between Mr. Franklin and Mrs. Franklin, Alvin Kirk, like many others, decided to leave the apartment. He left behind many belongings, including his family photos and a large collection of books.

The apartment was then rented to a new tenant, who was a family of six. They lived there for several years before moving out.
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with Fred Harper and me.

Clancy Harper was told me the name Larry was
right in the Harper kidnapping case, and Harry Harper was
the differences over some alcohol, and, although Clancy Harper has never
seen me that Harry Harper was the person who was pointed
by the woman as the person to be kidnapped. I have no aginism and
he did.

I wish to state that I have never heard any member of
the gang make any reference to either the Harper or the Brown cases,
and I have never been any of the Harper or Brown families, although
it may have been in the large black bag, as described before, at my
apartment in Toledo, Ohio.

I have read the foregoing affidavit consisting of seven pages, and I swear the same is true in every detail and respect to
the best of my knowledge.

R. G. Burns, Special Agent,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.
1905 Federal Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

R. E. Brown, Special Agent,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.
1905 Federal Building,
Chicago, Illinois.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

On Monday, August 27, 1934, at the conference of Special Agents, I discussed the present status of the Brummer case. I discussed with Special Agents in Charge Ladd, Batterli, Hami, Brantley, Bruce, Nathan and Mr. Cofey all leads outstanding at the present time in the various districts together with leads pointing to the apprehension of some 23 individuals being sought in connection with this case. Various suggestions for additional investigation were offered and appropriate memoranda prepared so that the Division may follow up the various offices in connection with these investigations.

In the event the Barkers, Earps or Volney Davis are apprehended, it is suggested that Mr. Newby of the Division, Mr. D. L. Nicholson of St. Paul and Mr. R.D. Brown of Chicago be dispatched to the point of apprehension immediately in order to question these individuals.

Some apprehension was expressed over possible inability of the Division to obtain telephone taps because the W.R.A. code prohibits such taps. No specific difficulty has as yet been encountered in this regard and accordingly no action will be taken toward taking the matter up with the W.R.A. code authorities until a situation actually arises where we are unable to place a tap.

A suggestion was offered that the Division prepare for issuance to all Special Agents in the service a bulletin listing the names, descriptions, criminal records and other identifying data of all individuals being sought in connection with the Brummer case. I believe this is a meritorious idea and a proposed bulletin will be prepared and submitted to you for your approval.

The Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office advises that Dr. Hall of St. Paul is a known contact for hoodlums in that vicinity; that the doctor's daughter recently disappeared and is reported to be operating with a gang of shoplifters someplace outside of St. Paul; that Dr. Hall is very anxious to ascertain the location of his daughter and in the event this bulletin can assist in her location, Dr. Hall will upon his own initiative and at his own personal undertaking, through his underworld contacts, to ascertain the location of the Barker, Earps, Volney Davis, et al. Mr. Ladd was instructed to initiate immediate contacts looking toward the location of Dr. Hall's daughter.

It was suggested that copies of all investigative reports and of all letters containing important information be submitted to all of those offices who were represented at the conference. Appropriate instructions in this regard will be issued.

Copies destroyed that all of the matters be promptly disposed of.

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Memo for the Director
August 30, 1924

record is being made of these contacts, it may be noted that Special Agent in Charge Randi advised that he had no personal contacts but that Special Agent Dewey had one reliable informant in Des Moines, Ia., that Special Agents in Charge were emphatically informed that additional contacts must be made, particularly in underworld circles. Mr. Vetterli indicated that he had received some fair leads while he was assigned some fair leads while he was assigned to San Francisco through a Secret Service operative named [redacted] in Salt Lake City. Appropriate instructions will be issued to the Special Agent in Charge of the Salt Lake City Office to contact and attempt to obtain from him information or sources of information which may be of assistance in this case.

upon returning to Chicago from Louis Gunckel's 7

place, will be sent to contact the father of the Barker boys at Joplin, Missouri. In the event she does not obtain any information of value, Special Agent in Charge Nathan of the Kansas City Office will attempt to arrange for the employment of a Special Agent in an undercover capacity by the Tri-City Oil Company of Joplin, Missouri. This agent will be assigned to the same gasoline station and tourist camp as is the father of the Barker boys in an effort to establish information concerning the point at which old man Barker is contacting his sons.

Special Agent C. C. Dewey is presently engaged upon an examination of the office of the United States Marshal, Clerk of Court, etc., it being noted that he is the only agent in the Omaha district qualified in this work. Because of Dewey's connections at Des Moines, I believe it would be desirable to have him suspend his examination of the court records about twice a month for a period of 24 to 36 hours to enable him to contact his informant in Des Moines for information concerning the location of Myrtle Eaton. If you approve of this suggestion, appropriate instructions will be issued.

A suggestion was made and was considered practical and desirable by all of the Special Agents in Charge that an undercover agent be placed in Kansas City to live at the Majestic Hotel for a period of several weeks for the purpose of ascertaining whether the Barkers, Earps, Pretty Boy Floyd or other Division fugitives ever come to that place. This is a "hot spot" frequented by gamblers, racketeers and criminals of all types and calibers. The undercover agent who takes this assignment should be able to gamble, particularly to play black jack and shoot craps as well as play poker. The individual assigned to this place should not be conspicuous in appearance, build or otherwise, and, of course, could not be any agent who has ever worked in the Kansas City, Oklahoma City or St. Louis districts. I am endeavoring to locate some agent who appears desirable for this assignment and will recommend his dispatch to Kansas City as soon as a satisfactory man can be found. Consideration is being given among others to the following agents named by the Special Agents in Charge who were present-
Specific instructions were issued by me to the various Special Agents in Charge on the approaches to be made to various alleged informants in their districts, which instructions are not being set out in this memorandum.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

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Re: ALVIN CARTER with Alligator, et al.

601, GEORGE PENN, S. H. LINDBERG

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF J.
No definite information obtained in Okla. City district that any of the members of this mob have been in Oklahoma. Several rumors, however, indicate there is a possibility that they have been, or may come to Oklahoma. Numerous contacts made, who have promised to advise as to any news in that state. Howard Kilmer, Oklahoma escaped convict, is alleged to be in communication with Doc Barker and this information, if true, will be of value in advising the agent in charge of the case to make a direct contact.

The division is being advised as to the location of members of this mob. Zyanne Vardette now living near Okemah, Oklahoma is promised to advise as to the whereabouts of Clarence Dowell and Albert Shaw, alias Libby Dowell.

REFERENCE: Letter from Kansas City office, 9-10-34; report of Agent Paul Hamburger, Okla. City, Okla., 9-10-34; Division telegram, 9-10-34; and report of SAU, W. Larson, Detroit, Michigan, 9-10-34.

DETAILS:
The office of the State Highway Commission at Oklahoma City was requested to make further search and check in an effort to determine if any of the automobiles known to have been in the possession of these suspects had been registered in Oklahoma and further to have a stop order placed for each of these automobiles. Mr. W. P. Harper, in charge of this Division, and the writer made this check. None of the automobiles were found.
which are thought to have been in the possession or any of these suspects, none of whom has recently been in their possession, have been registered in Oklahoma during 1934. In spite of a previous check of the lead stories were not placed in these files as to four of these automobiles, but those above were made by Mr. Hopper.

In accordance with the undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent in Charge William Larson, Detroit, Michigan, September 28, 1934, a letter was directed to the Stolen Car Department of the Oklahoma State Highway Commission for the attention of Mr. R. A. Hopper, by the Oklahoma City office, October 9, 1934, asking that this office be furnished with any record which might be in a file regarding 1934 Ford V-8 Coupe, Motor No. 18-1209140. Mr. Hopper was further requested to place the usual notation in his records and to notify the Oklahoma City office should an automobile of this description be registered in Oklahoma.

With reference to the letter from the Kansas City office dated July 13, 1934, Sheriff Dee Metters, Kiowa, Oklahoma, advised the writer that Jesse Howard was killed June 11, 1934 near Miami, Oklahoma. Metters said that Howard had been positively identified by his fingerprints and also positively identified by his uncle and aunt who live at Enid, Oklahoma, but whose names he did not obtain. This uncle also made this identification by identifying a suit of clothes worn by Howard and which the uncle said he purchased for his nephew. Jesse Howard, Laboy Dem onAnimation and a Policeman were killed June 11, 1934 and a criminal by the name of Frank Shain was taken prisoner. Shain has refused to talk but has indicated to Sheriff Metters that Jesse Howard was one of the persons killed when he was arrested. There seems therefore to be no doubt as to what Jesse Howard was in fact killed on June 11, 1934.

A further check along this line will be made at Frederick, Oklahoma. In accordance with the suggestion made in the letter from the Kansas City office.

With further reference to the letter from the Los Angeles office dated June 5, 1934 and subsequent correspondences on this angle, Deputy Sheriff Grover Bishop, Tahlequah, Oklahoma, advised that he has kept a close watch on the home of Flite but has been unable to obtain any information of any criminals frequenting his place during the last several months. Bishop arrested Charlie Hobson and Trolley Dobson and is extremely anxious to obtain some information against Trolley which would send him to the Penitentiary. He said that he has no definite information, however, that Trolley and her deceased husband, Charlie, had been associated with members of the Barker-Karpis mob.

Sheriff Jim Sanderson, Tahlequah, has recently resigned and it is believed that Grover Bishop, who is presently running for sheriff at Tahlequah, is the most reliable contest there.
Former Deputy U. S. Marshal Austin Park of Muskogee, Oklahoma, accompanied by the writer and Agent Franklin, called at the home of Robert Looney near Muskogee, Oklahoma, in the famous Cookson Hills. Looney is the father of Tricia, the girl who is in bed with tuberculosis. He is waiting for an opening to go to the Oklahoma Tubercular Hospital at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Looney said that he had never heard of the prospect in the initial case. When that came to light, he was satisfied that if Fred Barker or any of the other subjects in this case had association with his son-in-law, Charlie Potts, as described, then he would have surely known something of it. That if he had some information about these people, he would be perfectly willing to impart it to his relative and good friend, Austin Park. Looney said that he could not say whether his daughter Tricia knows any of the subjects of this case, but he is of the opinion that she does not.

Park is of the opinion that Looney is telling the truth and that he would tell him anything he knows, especially in view of the fact that it would not affect him of his daughter in this particular case. Park is of the opinion that information furnished by Tricia would not be entirely reliable and as it is apparent that the information furnished by Ed Davis through Tricia is unreliable, it is not thought necessary to make any further inquiries along this line in the Cookson Hills area.

who has been in Hot Springs, Arkansas for treatments during the last few months, reported at the Oklahoma City office and offered her services. She said that she would go any limit to assist this Division in apprehending any of the subjects in this case. She has no money and of course would have to have her expenses advanced. She is presently residing at

was advised that all indications appear to point to the fact that the Barker brothers are positive that she was the ‘fugitive man’ when they were arrested the last time in Tulsa, Oklahoma and that they have both made several threats since then that they would kill her if they ever saw her again. She said one life left to live, she is not particularly afraid of being killed, but that if this is a fact, her services would be of little value to this Division. In view of the fact, however, that she knows positively of the good contacts of this mob in Oklahoma, she has promised to keep the Oklahoma City office advised of any information she might receive which would be of value in locating any of the members of this gang. She had read in the papers about the three women alleged associates of this mob being arrested at Cleveland and agreed to go to Cleveland and be thrown in jail with them, and said that she would do this or any other undercover mission that the Oklahoma City office might suggest. She says that she is willing to prove that she is through with gangster methods and it is one hundred per cent for law and order.

With reference to letter to the Division dated September 26, 1934, letter to the Kansas City office dated October 5, 1934 and Division telegram dated September 25, 1934, the following memorandum dated September 27, 1934 has been submitted by Special Agent O. G. Hollis.
On September 34, 1934, I received a phone call from Coffeyville, Kansas, from an informant to the effect that on Friday, September 31, 1934, he had seen Jass Doyle in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma.

"Jass Doyle is a bank robber and brother of Earl Doyle who is not in Kansas, Mich., as a result of being caught in the Grand Bank, Mich., bank job. Jass Doyle, reporting contact for the removal of the Dilinger mob, is his wife. Jass has a joint in South Coffeyville, temporarily closed. The Doyle family has been with the Barker and Tarpin, as well as with Hasting and Holman, Frazee, Butch and the Sometimes of St. Paul. Hazel and Earl lived in St. Paul in 1931, as I recall, with Son, Kelly and Bailey and the Hasting and Tarpin are at the Admiral Hotel (Minneapolis) and an apartment house on Grand Ave., I believe in St. Paul. At any rate they met together with Barker and the Hasting. At present time we have some information that $10,000 of gold is going to come out of St. Paul to get Earl Doyle out of Jackson and there is no letter in the file regarding this."

The informant knows Jass Doyle well, having been raised with him in some town near Coffeyville. He states positively that it was Jass Doyle he said Saturday night a small truck was robbed at South Coffeyville but the loot was negligible as far as I can learn. No one seems to know who pulled that job, as far as I have heard.

Monday Sept. 24th, the informant was told by Tommy Hill that Fred Barker and Alvin Karpel had been with Jass Doyle in St. Coffeyville Friday and Saturday and had left after midnight Saturday, stating they were going to Texas, but Tommy Hill had stated that he thought they actually were going to Kansas City, but as they had more reason to go there and had a Ford car they would go there, with Kansas Wyandotte County tags.

"The only reason that I can think of for Tommy Hill telling the informant is either to mislead him as to the true identity of the small truck robbers or because he is mad at Fred Barker. I have heard that several years ago Alvin Karpel sold Tommy Hill a quantity of stolen cigarettes, Tommy then sold them to someone else, which he did, the buyer opening the carton and finding no cigarettes, Tommy had to make this good. This came to me from some source a long time ago and I can't now remember who told me about it, but even that is now a matter of some time ago.

A few minutes later I got a telephone call from Felix Robinson, Frazee, Okla., saying that a man had been robbed probably by a man same as I told Tommy to the police, and that the man identified as Jass Doyle. There were two men with his no good descriptions. This seems to be a shop with what Jass Doyle would do."

"At any rate that evening I and George Stewart drove to Clarence Smith's place, Bad Springs (reputed banker of Barker), and woke them up. At first Clarence and his wife denied they had ever kept the Barker. Finally..."
Mrs. Smith stated they had gone months ago taken side of Fred Barker and that Fred Barker and his mother live had lived there at different times in the past couple of years and that "they treated us right and will treat us right." Smith then said all that happened before the Barker and the others. We may have reasoned him that if they ever have another appearance the proper persons should be notified, although I doubt it. Smith and his wife will do anything, according to all I hear, for money.

We then drove by the Blue Jay camp where it has been rumored the Barkers have stopped. Nothing was seen there resembling the car in question. The place was dark.

We then went by Louis Jacobs' joint and there saw nothing. Jacobs is supposed to have been in a fight out there about last Ruma.

We then went to the Rocke, another joint operated by the Nortones, same robbers. Nothing was seen there.

"Early in the day I asked Alafier, Field Supt. for necessary police assistance and he later told me nothing had come of the information.

"My personal opinion is that Cook Hill was trying to throw the informants off as to the true identity of the mail truck robbers. Hill would probably know the job was going to be pulled."

Post office Inspector George Hill, Tulsa, Oklahoma, who made the investigation of the mail truck robbery at Coffeyville, Kansas and South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, said that he had displayed photographs of Fred and Dick Barker, Llivia, Karle, Harry Campbell, Velba Davis and Russ Boyle to the driver of the mail truck and he had been unable to identify any of these persons as the participants in this robbery; in fact, Mr. Hill says that this postal employee is positive that none of these suspects is implicated in that robbery, which conclusion he reached after viewing the photographs shown him. Mr. Hill was given more recent photographs of members of this job and he Hill exhibit them to the witness and return them to the writer, together with what information he has obtained.

It was suggested to Mr. Hill that the No. 3 man mentioned in the letter from the Kansas City office dated October 8, 1934 fairly well fitted the description of "Baby Face" Nelson, who is probably out of money and may resort to a small robbery job as that pulled in Coffeyville. Mr. Hill was given a photograph of Nelson and will display this to the driver of this mail truck and then return it to the writer with what information he is able to obtain in doing so. Mr. Hill said that
he is quite sure that none of the members of the Barker gang was implicated in this robbery, although he had heard from three different sources that Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis and another man had been in Coffeyville and were the men who had performed this robbery. This information he says was obtained from "sign" and he does not think the information is reliable, although he says there is a mere possibility that it is the right information.

George Hill said that he had received confidential information that at least two different sources had at other times had some knowledge of the Barker mob upon different occasions. It is suggested that the Kansas City office make some inquiries along this line.

On September 24, 1934 George O gek, a brother of Dan O gek, a recent robber, told George Stewart, former captain of detectives at Tulsa, Oklahoma, that he knew a man who had a contact with Fred Barker and that Alvin Karpis was in Tulsa at that time. He agreed to tell George Stewart any information he obtained regarding the location of Karpis or his associates.

F. J. Potteroff, 222 East 16th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, told Agent Birch that he had an informant previously mentioned in this case at Tulsa, Oklahoma, who told him that Alvin Karpis was in Tulsa and that he was trying to get Q. P. McNeely, paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, to represent to Potteroff that he was a contact for Karpis and he wanted Potteroff to try to get McNeely paroled. Potteroff advised the reason he had contacted him is because he, Potteroff, assured a parole for McNeely, who is an associate of the Barker mob. Potteroff agreed, according to his story, to assist to obtain McNeely's parole for Karpis. This information furnished by Potteroff is not thought to be reliable. He has endeavored to furnish information before to the writer and to Special Agent in Charge Colvin, while he was at the Oklahoma City office, but has never given any information of value. This story told by Potteroff also does not seem consistent with the opinion expressed by Q. P. McNeely to the writer wherein he said that he is satisfied that he could be paroled for $200.00 and that he is sure that he could obtain this $200.00 from either of the Barker brothers or from Tom Hill of South Coffeyville, Kansas, for the mere asking, but that as he is through with representing criminals and does not wish to have any more contact with them, he does not want to become obligated to them and therefore will not ask for their money to secure his parole and, in fact, will not take it. Potteroff, however, has agreed to supply any information that he receives along this line to George Stewart at the Inter-State Hotel in Tulsa, to Agent Birch or to the writer.

On September 24, 1934 Special Agent O. S. Hall submitted the following memorandum:
With reference to your request that I interview Jim Patton, ex-policeman and officer, Tulsa, presently employed as guard at the Nat'l. Bank of Tulsa, please be advised that on 9-24-34 I talked to him and he stated that his friend, Al Ervin, Efficient in District court, Tulsa, told him on a prior interview of Puller, had some information concerning the case, particularly as to the location of Fred Barker. He gave me a note to Ervin on the basis of which I attempted to see Mr. Ervin on 9-25-34 and I interviewed Ervin. He stated that when a Puller officer shot and apprehended Fred Barker, Puller, in the hand he chased him, catching him in a rooming house under a bed. Barker has since, according to Ervin, sent word to him a few times that he was going to kill him, etc. Sometimes ago he did a favor for a woman and about two weeks ago someone came to him and stated that Fred Barker had been in town, Tulsa, to see his girl; that his girl lived in an apartment house, location not given. The reason this woman came to him with this story is that Fred Barker had made some threat to kill Ervin. The name of the woman was not disclosed. Ervin got the impression that Fred had been in Tulsa on the 15th of September. This is what I remember is in conflict with the information from Chicago. Ervin will attempt to arrange an interview with the woman and will let me know. He has my telephone number and address. At the present time I look like an attempt on the part of Ervin's informer to get the information of Ervin by being concerned about his welfare. I will let you know of any further developments.

On October 7, 1934, Special Agent H. Hill received information to the effect that a day or so previous G. H. Campbell, the father of Harry Campbell, purchased a ticket by bus for E lectra, Texas. It will be recalled that Harry Campbell has previously been reported to have resided there with Wymon Burris at 311 North 11th Avenue, E lectra. In view of this information, having in mind the possibility that G. H. Campbell may have proceeded to E lectra to contact his son, the Dallas office was advised by telephone and requested to cover that point in an effort to apprehend Harry Campbell.

As much as the inquiry was requested of the Dallas office by telephone, no further leads are being set out for that office in this report and only one copy of same is being furnished the Dallas office.

G. H. Campbell is described as:

Age: 45
Height: 6 ft.
Hair: Thinning, partly gray
Teeth: False, very noticeable
Thin features
Hatchet-faced
With reference to Division telegram dated September 26, 1924, the description of the automobiles furnished in this wire was immediately given to some of the reliable Tulsa Police officers and contacts in Tulsa, Oklahoma, with a request that a close lookout be kept for those automobiles, and several of the old contacts and hangouts of this mob were visited and checked but no information was obtained indicating that these persons came through Oklahoma as they were supposed to according to information.

On the night of September 25, 1924, Mark Story, a wanted man, was at Tulsa, Oklahoma, called George Stewart, previously mentioned in this case as a close contact between the Oklahoma City office and contacts that have been made in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and advised that Harry Campbell and a woman companion were at that time sitting in a booth in the Midway Cafe, a joint in Tulsa. This place was immediately covered and Harry Campbell was not there. Story claims that he is personally acquainted with Harry Campbell and that he left before the attempt was made to arrest him. The manager of the cafe was asked if Mark Story had been in there to determine if Story had come in for having this joint raided and the manager said he did not know Mark Story and also said that there had been no trouble at his place that day. Mark Story has agreed to furnish any other information he might receive about Campbell or his associates to George Stewart, who will in turn advise the writer of it.

As there seemed to be a possibility that Harry Campbell was in Tulsa, several of the night clubs in Tulsa were visited personally since by the writer, George Stewart, Bill Wood, Burns representative in Tulsa, and Agent S. G. Hall and Tyler Birtch, but no further information was obtained and Harry Campbell or any of his associates were not observed. The following places were contacted: The Midway Cafe; Bushman Inn, which is operated by two notorious brothers, Willis and Tom Newton, former bootleggers; a filling station and bootlegging joint operated by Bob Parker on East 11th Street; a club about four miles east of Tulsa, the Old Hickory, operated by Bob Young, which is frequented by gangsters more than any other night club in Tulsa; and the Osaka Country Club, located in Osage County near Tulsa.

With further reference to the letter from the Oklahoma City office to Inspector H. F. Cowley at Chicago, dated October 6, 1924, it may be stated that several days ago Mark Whinyery called George Stewart, former Captain of Detectives at Tulsa, and said that he had some information which might lead to the apprehension of Harry Campbell and asked about the reward for him. He also inquired if one of the girls who were arrested at Cleveland, Ohio and reported in the press as an associate of the Barker gang was Eunice Burdette, his sister-in-law. George Stewart communicated this information to the Oklahoma City office and Mr. Bradley advised him that he had no information as to the identity of the persons arrested in Cleveland, but to obtain all information possible from Whinyery. Stewart later advised the writer that he had done this and that Whinyery had been unable to furnish him any information of value. He has promised, however, to give any information he receives to Stewart, who will in turn communicate it to the writer or to the Oklahoma City Division office.
The letter from the Oklahoma City office to Inspector Underwood dated October 6th sets out the fact that Eunice Burdette is presently residing with her sister, Mrs. Richard Wilson near Enid, Oklahoma. However, as of the date of this letter, no further information is available to the writer, and no further action is taken at this time.

Mr. J.J. Reynolds, stepfather of Kate Barker, was again interviewed, but said he had been unable to obtain any information concerning the relative of this letter since his last interview with the writer. He will continue to keep a sharp lookout for anything of value and will report it to the writer at the Oklahoma City Division office.

It is noted in letter from the Division to the Oklahoma City office dated September 13, 1934, that it is stated that it does not appear that any attempt is being made to develop information regarding the relatives of Kate Barker. The attention of the Division is respectfully called to the report of Special Agent Paul Hansen dated at Oklahoma City August 4, 1934. The fourth paragraph of page three of this report sets out an interview with J.J. Reynolds mentioned above, who is married to Kate Barker's mother. As set out in that report, Reynolds said that Kate Barker has one sister, Mrs. Elmer R. Hayes, who resides at 706 North Ewing Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. A further effort, however, will be made to obtain all of the immediate and distant relatives of Kate Barker at Tulsa, Oklahoma by an open interview with her mother, Mrs. J.J. Reynolds.

Chief of Police James Edwards and officers Claude Johnson, Sarpole, Oklahoma, were interviewed regarding Emma Murray, alleged woman companion of J. Volney Davis, but they could furnish no information along these lines.

Mr. J.B. Sellers, Constable at Sapulpa, Oklahoma, advised that he arrested Volney Davis the last time he was arrested in Oklahoma, when he was sent to the State Penitentiary. He said that he is personally acquainted with the woman who usually lives with Davis and who is known as Emma Murray and Bessie Stanley. He advised that she has a sister by the name of Davis who lives near Wichita, Kansas, and is alleged to be married to a respectable farmer. She has one brother, Floyd Stanley, in Sapulpa and one brother in Miami, Oklahoma. He will obtain the name of the second brother and furnish it to an Agent of the Division.

Mr. Sellers later appeared at the Oklahoma City Division office and furnished a fingerprint card which had been made by E. Thompson, present Chief of the Identification Division of the Oklahoma City Police Department, when he was Special Officer for the Frisco Railway Company at Sapulpa, Oklahoma. While the card describes the woman, she gives her name as Emma Murray, alias Bessie Stanley, as follows:

Age: 31 years (but apparently 25) - in 1929
Height: 5' 1
Weight: 110 lbs
Eyes: Blue-grey
Hair: Light Chestnut
This is apparently the same person who escaped from the Marion State Penitentiary under the name of Edna Murray, their number 55696. A photocopy of this fingerprint card is being made for the future use of the division, especially in view of the fact that it contains a specimen of this woman's handwriting as Edna Prine.

With reference to the report of Special Agent W. G. Spear, Kansas City, Missouri, dated September 25, 1934, Special Agent in Charge Dwight Bramley instructed Agent G. W. Phinney to proceed to Cordia, Oklahoma, and make an investigation with respect to the parents of Edna Murray. On October 5th, Agent Phinney called the Oklahoma City office and advised that Edna Murray's mother is under suspicion and that she resides at Cordia, Oklahoma.

This information was obtained by Agent Phinney from C. M. Brumley, a former inmate of the Penitentiary at Cordia. No information was obtained regarding the whereabouts of Edna Murray and Agent Phinney was instructed to make inquiries and make arrangements with the telegraph office and with the news media in Cordia that the Oklahoma City office be notified immediately should any information be obtained regarding the location of this woman. The information was transmitted to the Kansas City office on that same date. A further and more detailed inquiry will be made at Cordia and Sapulpa, Oklahoma, regarding Edna Murray and her relatives in an effort to locate her and police Davies.

Felix Alteffer, Police Sergeant at Tulsa, Oklahoma, who was furnished with the information contained in wire from the Division dated September 25, 1934, advised that the Chief of Police at Muskogee, Oklahoma, had furnished the Tulsa Police Department with the information that "Blackie" Thompson, a notorious Oklahoma outlaw, was living with Ophelia Andrews, wife of Cordia Gillen, a bank robber, in a house near Sapulpa, Oklahoma. Alteffer thought that there might be a possible connection with this information and was furnished by wire from El Paso by the woman companion of Thompson using the name of Andrews. He asked that the investigation continue and that information be obtained regarding the fact that she, the Andrews woman, and Charlie Staley were said to be in the company of Thompson at the time he was alleged to have been connected with this Barker robbers. Inquiries were made of Sapulpa and Chief James Edwards and Police Officer Claude Johnson advised that this information had reached them and that they would make inquiries at Muskogee County. Oklahoma, had checked a house north and east of Sapulpa about two miles but had obtained no information regarding the fact that "Blackie" Thompson or any other outlaws had been staying there. This same matter was discussed with County
M. A. Sellers and he talked a little freer about this information and said he had talked to his informant, who had been previously mentioned as an informant in this case, was interviewed by the writer and advised that he had received no further definite information regarding the operations of this mob. One bit of information, however, which he thinks may be worth something is the escape of Howard Kilmer, Mr. EDWARDS from the sub-prison on August 20, 1924. Kilmer, he said, has never been implicated with any gang but has been in jail practically all of his life, being now 65 years old. While Arthur E. Barker was in the Oklahoma State Prison he and Kilmer became very friendly and this is especially true to the fact that Kilmer had a reputation of being absolutely solid and would give no officer any information whatsoever. He gained this reputation by having been tortured by prison officials upon two or three occasions in order to obtain some information, but he would never talk. Kilmer told the writer according to the latter, that he had communicated with him and told Kilmer to meet him in a certain town in Minnesota, the name of which he could not remember. Kilmer was advised against appointing a and the writer observed that he was determined to leave, he advised him of the fact that he is extremely anxious to get in touch with one of the Barker gang and Kilmer told him he would communicate with him after he had made some contact with Barker. Two weeks after his escape he said that he had heard nothing from Kilmer but says that in the event he does, he will immediately communicate it to the writer. He said that he had written the name of the town in Minnesota where Kilmer was supposed to meet Lee Barker and that this was in the office and he did not have the opportunity to go back to the office to make a record of the town and Kilmer had observed him talking to the writer, but he agreed to send the name of this town to the Oklahoma City Division office. It has been several days since this interview and he has not yet sent the name of the town. But

Two photographs and a wanted notice on Kilmer were obtained at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, Waller, and are being placed in the Oklahoma City Division office for future reference. He is described as follows:

- Age: 55
- Height: 6'10"
- Weight: 215 lbs
- Build: Medium
- Hair: Light brown
- Eyes: Blue
- Complexion: Fair
- Teeth: Good
- Residence: Ebinotherd, Okla.
- Occupation: Laborer
October 22, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

To: ALFRED KAPITZ with alliante, I.O. #1229;
ARTHUR H. HARRIS with alliante, I.O. #1229;
RUSSELL GIBSON with alliante, I.O. #1229;
Dr. JOSEPH P. MURPHY with alliante, I.O. #1229;
et al. -- ENID GEORGE HEMER -- Victim

Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Paul Hanson dated at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, October 9, 1934 in the above entitled case, wherein on page 9 mention is made of the letter from the Division to the Chicago Office dated September 25, 1934 containing the comment that it does not appear that any attempt is being made to develop information regarding the relatives of Kate Barker. The report of reference directs the attention of the Division to the report of Special Agent Hanson dated at Oklahoma City August 6, 1934 and points out that no interview with J. J. Reynolds disclosed that Kate Barker has one sister, Mrs. Elmer J. Ryan who resided at 726 North Spaulding Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. It is noted in the report of reference that a further effort will be made to obtain all of the immediate and distant relatives of Kate Barker through an open interview with her mother, Mrs. J. J. Reynolds.

You should refer to the letter of the Los Angeles Office addressed to the St. Paul Office under date of May 25, 1934, referring the result of an interview had with J. J. Reynolds on May 24, 1934, at which time it was ascertained that Kate Barker has four full sisters and one half sister, as well as one half brother, all living in Oklahoma with the exception of Mrs. Reynolds who lives at Long Beach, California. It would appear that considerable time has elapsed since this information was first received by the Division; therefore the Division directed a letter to the Chicago Office under date of September 18, 1934, indicating a copy for your office, requesting the information regarding the relatives of Kate Barker be further developed.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

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The identity of the relatives of Nate Barker is very important at this time in view of the fact that she has recently given up her apartment in Chicago and placed her furniture in storage. Therefore, the Division desires that the investigation reported in its letter be conducted without further delay.

A copy of the report of Special Agent Paul Sisson dated at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, October 9, 1975, is transmitted herewith with a copy of this letter to the Los Angeles Office for its information.

It is also noted on page 3 of the report of reference that Mr. E. A. Sellers, a gambler at Ennis, Oklahoma, has advised that the sister of Edna Burrus named Doris O'Conner, now lives near Wichita, Kansas and is believed to be married to a respectable farmer. Copies of a photograph and fingerprints of Doris O'Conner (4079) taken by the Police Department, New Orleans, Louisiana, August 3, 1943, are transmitted herewith and are such as the officers indicated below to be searched through the identification bureau of local police departments. The photograph should also be exhibited to persons acquainted with Doris, sister of Edna Burrus, in order to establish her true identity.

There is some indication in the files that Doris O'Conner is now traveling with Jesse Taylor, a known associate of the Barker-Kellogg gang.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director

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7-576-3129 9101503
Div. of Investigation
U.S. Dept. of Justice
435 Midland Bldgs. Denver, Colo.

To: ALVIN KARINER et al.

RE: KEVIN GEORGE BURKE - Victim.

SIGNED: C.L. File 9-47

Dear Sir:

A.M. Clark, Secretary of State of the State of Wyoming, has advised this office that as a result of a request to his department to locate a record of a "Harry Campbell" who registered a 1928 Ford Tudor automobile, Engine No. 1127460, 1928 license No. 5-8469, a record has been located. This record includes the following data:

1. Name: Harry Campbell
2. Address: 344 North Main, Cheyenne, Wyoming
3. Registration: 1928 Ford Tudor
4. License Number: 5-8469
5. Registration Date: October 12, 1928

It is requested that the Denver office advise the Secretary of the State of Wyoming of the re-allocation of the vehicle by whatever means are deemed advisable. This information was obtained directly from the Secretary of State's Office in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Very Truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD
Special Agent in Charge.

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AGENTS WINSTED AND RYAN PROCEED TO GLASGOW, MONTANA ON IMPORTANT
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KNOWN ASSOCIATE OF DAVIS IS LOCATED AT GLASGOW AND IS OPENING A GAMBLING
PLACE. DAVIS HAS BEEN THERE AND IS EXPECTED TO RETURN. KINDLY FORWARD
FINGERPRINTS OF MEMBERS OF BARKER GANG TO CHICAGO OFFICE

RECORDED 7-5-34 3:30
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COWLEY

OK CJKV  OCT 15 1934  OCT 12 1934
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to your memorandum of October 9, 1934, pertaining to the teletype message from Mr. Cowley concerning the furnishing of fingerprints of the Barker-Harpia gang to the Chicago office, you are advised that the fingerprints of members of this gang have not been sent to the field offices. An appropriate number of the fingerprints of all members of this gang will be sent to all Division field offices today.

Respectfully,

E. A. Yenn.

[Signature]

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A very bad murder.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Cowley telephoned and advised that he had just talked to Mr. Guinnas and Mr. Guinnas advised him that the woman they have out there will protect Chase in any way possible but she does not feel this way about Nelson; that Guinnas believes she might be utilized to some advantage by letting her go and see if she will put Nelson on the spot, which the woman she says she will do. Mr. Cowley stated that he told Mr. Guinnas to proceed with this plan. I stated that I thought this was all right. Mr. Cowley stated that if they had heard anything from Butter on the Nelson lead and Mr. Cowley stated that Butter appears to be on the trail of the trail and the Sheriff's office advised him that Chase left there on Tuesday that Butter is en route to Bakersfield but Mr. Cowley told Guinnas to send another man there from San Francisco. Mr. Cowley told Butter that if this was a good lead, Mr. Butter gave it to the Sheriff's office. I told Mr. Cowley that, if possible, we would like to establish the fact that he left there and if a man goes up from San Francisco, it will take a couple of days and the lead will be cold. Mr. Cowley stated that the reports are that he is going back and still be back within a week and in addition to that, it was not known yesterday whether he had received that package but if he left Sunday, the chances are that he probably has not received it. I stated that it was mailed on Saturday and would take several days.

I told Mr. Cowley that although this woman might be willing to put the finger on Nelson for us, it is not likely that Chase would do this. Mr. Cowley stated that she was not that Chase would never do that. I stated that if we find Chase and hold him for a few days and then turn him loose, he will probably be more antagonistic towards us although this would not affect any information she might get. Mr. Cowley stated that this woman stated she could not dare confide in Chase but she feels it would be to Chase's interests to have false evidence by the way. Mr. Cowley stated that he felt we might do some good by letting her go and nothing would be gained by holding her. I told Mr. Cowley that I felt he was right about this. Mr. Cowley stated that he told Mr. Guinnas to turn her loose and Mr. Guinnas seemed quite enthused about her sincerity and felt that she would cooperate.

Mr. Cowley advised that he is leaving at 4:00 o'clock this afternoon for Los Angeles. I told Mr. Cowley that I was there when the Director talked to his last night and the Director was quite interested in the Montana angle. Mr. Cowley stated that when he gets to Los Angeles, if this looks good, he will go up to Chicago and then to San Francisco; otherwise he will go to San Francisco first and then to Chicago. Mr. Cowley stated that he thought that this contract was there and he has indicated that he would be there for

OCT 3 1934
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

October 10, 1934

The opening date of the gambling house which is the 11th. Mr. Cowley stated that the crowd is evidently up there. Mr. Cowley stated that if they can get Holley Davis, this will be very good as he will talk and he, Cowley, is banking on his pointing out the hideout.

Mr. Cowley asked about Vivian Rotha and stated that she has given us all she has. I told Mr. Cowley to remove her if we have everything we can get from her, that they should file on her.

Mr. Cowley asked if the release had been made and I told him that it was made at 12:00 o'clock and is on the front pages of the paper here and was given out at New Orleans at 12:10.

I told Mr. Cowley that I saw a letter from Mr. Law to the effect that the United States Attorney at St. Paul is going to make press of the McNabbe indictment and Mr. Law suggests that they be indicted in Chicago. Mr. Cowley stated that he has not taken this up but if they can get a continuation on it and we can locate the hideout, it will be very encouraging and will bolster up the case as a whole and if we can get a bunch of the subjects by then, they will probably be able to complete the whole bunch together. I told Mr. Cowley that we did not have any prayer to get into court on this case. Mr. Cowley stated that if we can find the hideout or get one or two of the subjects, we will have. I stated that a continuance would not make much difference, that we will get these things eventually and then we can go ahead and indict them. Mr. Cowley stated that he did not think they could be indicted in Chicago and I stated that I did not think the continuation or hearing alive this indictment is particularly important now as we have a couple of years before the statute runs and they can always be reindicted.

Mr. Cowley stated that he will leave at 1:00 unless he advises to the contrary and he is sending a teletype message to this effect.

Respectfully,

E. A. Yamm.

2 copies.

C-2
MEMORANDUM TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS:

With reference to Division Bulletin #1, Fiscal Year 1935, First Series dated September 29, 1934, in which reference is made to investigation conducted in connection with the kidnapping of EDWARD G. HUBBINS at St. Paul, Minn., on January 14, 1934, and particularly to the report of Agent E. L. Nicholson, St. Paul, dated August 16, 1934, mimeographed copies of which have been furnished to this office, you should comply with the suggestion contained therein and in this connection immediately you have completed an examination of the report in question, you should indicate on the fly leaf thereof your initials and the date, to show that you have done this.

See File #142.

Very truly yours,

R. J. CORDWELL,
Special Agent in Charge

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RED RINGS 1-5-96, 3-3-32
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
OCT 12 1934 P.A.
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
ONE FILL
Dear Sir:

Under date of October 2, 1934, the Kansas City Office advised it had discussed with Inspector Ovelay the possibility of whether Miss Mary Atkins could be used as an informer in behalf of this Division to endeavor to obtain information from Mrs. Fisher, a Negro, at Kansas City, with whom she is well acquainted, the present whereabouts of Clara Fisher Gibson or her husband, subject Russell Gibson, T.O. 1033. The New York Office was requested to ascertain whether Miss Mary Atkins would be willing to undertake the trip to Kansas City to ascertain this information for this Division.

On October 12, 1934, Miss Mary Atkins was interviewed by special agent in charge F. Z. Payne of the New York City Office, at which time the matter was discussed with her and she stated that she would be willing to go to Kansas City and do her best to obtain the desired information from the Fisher family. She stated that when she was in the Fisher home at Kansas City about the middle of September, 1934, Mrs. Fisher, the mother of Clara Fisher Gibson, stated that she had not heard from Clara Fisher Gibson for three years, but that she had heard indirectly that she had visited in Chicago. Miss Atkins would give no further information at this time with regard to Clara Fisher Gibson.

In the Kansas City letter mentioned, it was stated that after the New York City Office had contacted Miss Mary Atkins to ascertain whether she would agree to act as an informant of this Division, she was to be further discussed with the Division and Inspector Ovelay of Chicago. In accordance with the understanding the New York City Office will submit instructions from the Division and Inspector Ovelay as to whether she is desired to have Miss Atkins proceed to Kansas City.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Division of Investigation

Special Agent in Charge
DIVISION OF CYSTIGATION
FROM: UNIT #1

10-15-1934

To: Director
   Mr. Nathan
   Mr. Tolson
   Mr. Edwards
   Mr. Tom
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   Mr. Nelson

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   Technicians
   Mr. Meade
   Mr. Richmond
   Mr. Smith
   Mr. Thompson

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In my opinion, the informant will not be able to produce the desired results— the location of Russell Gibson. Latest information is that Russell and Clara have separated. Denver office recently made a good contact with brother of Russell. TM, Supervisor - Unit One.
DIVISION OF IDENTIFICATION
FROM: UNIT #1 & UNIT #2

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   Mr. Tolson
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E. A. TARRE - Room 6107

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October 20, 1924

Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

Mr. Albert Einstein with Alliance, I.O. O.F.
Mr. Nathan H. Lehr with Alliance, I.O. O.F.
Mr. Solomon Glikson with Alliance, I.O. O.F.
Mr. Joseph J. Gold with Alliance, I.O. O.F.
et al. - Hon. George Manik - Visiting Elks Club.

Dear Sirs,

Reference is made to your letter dated October 13, 1924 addressed to Inspector E. F. Orley at the Chicago Office, with reference to the possibility of obtaining information from the family of Clare Fisher Gibson through Miss Mary Atkins whose services are available as an informant.

The Division desires that arrangements to use the services of Miss Atkins be held in abeyance until other leads relative to the whereabouts of subject Gibson have been exhausted.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Co-Chicago
St. Paul
Kansas City

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Today Agent was called to the El Paso Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank and interviewed Ralph J. Coats, a guard, who had just received a letter from his mother at Trinidad, Colorado, in which she stated that Agent here in the Denver office had been to interview her concerning the Brewer and Knox kidnapping case and, particularly, with respect to one O. H. Carter and two companions who were alleged to have been with him in El Paso, Texas, in April or May, 1933. It appears that O. H. Carter is well known to the Coats family. The letter stated that Agent here was particularly anxious to learn the identity of the persons who were with Carter at that time.

Agent checked the hotels at El Paso, Texas, with the following results at the Hassmann Hotel: On May 16, 1835 at 8:30 P.M., O. H. Carter of 60 Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill., E. Shellenberger of Chicago and J. S. Zeigler of Elkton, Park, Ill., checked into Room 630. They checked out on May 17.

O. H. Carter and E. Shellenberger again registered into Room 630 at the Hassmann at 8:30 P.M., May 18, their registration cards being No. 8335 and 8345, respectively. They checked out on the morning of the 19th at 9:00. There were no long distance calls charged to their rooms. Clerks at the hotel of course had no recollection of the individuals who had registered there on the above occasions more than sixteen months ago.

Mr. Coats also informed the writer that he believed the persons who were with Carter at that time to have been one William Beaver and George T. Zeigler, although he did not see them and he was vague as to why he thought these were the parties. He remarked that Agent Carter had told Coats's mother they had the case all sewed up with the exception of William Beaver and George T. Zeigler.
For your information, the handwriting of Carter, Meilberg and Zeigler is to be found on the registration cards of the Hamman Hotel under the names above given, should they be desired for comparative or other purposes.

I do not know the object of Agent Oto's inquiry, but am forwarding you the information at once in the event it is urgent, inasmuch as Oto's mother had requested his to get the information and forward it to her so that she might in turn transmit it to Agent Oto.

I understand that these three individuals were travelling in a private airplane when they were here and should the Denver office desire, further investigation will be made at the airport with a view to ascertain the facts and circumstances surrounding their arrival and departure, description and registration number of the plane, pilot, etc. In the meantime this additional investigation will not be undertaken except by request.

Very truly yours,

R. K. Colvin
Special Agent in Charge.

[Handwritten note:]

Copy to:
Division
Chicago
St. Paul.
October 17, 1934

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. J. C. Levine,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
422 Wycliff Savings Building,
Denver, Colorado.

Mr. ALFRED KAPITZ, with alliance, I.O. SW13;
ARTHUR E. BARKER, with alliance, I.O. SW13;
RUSSELL GIBSON, with alliance, I.O. SW13;
DR. JOSEPH P. HOBBS, with alliance, I.O. SW13
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BARKER - Victim
Kidnapping.

Dear Mr. Levine,

Reference is made to the letter of the El Paso office addressed to your office, dated October 10, 1934 in the above entitled case, wherein it is noted that Special Agent in Charge E. B. Colvin was advised by Ralph J. Cashay, a guard at the El Paso Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank that Special Agent Gage had told Mr. Cashay's mother at Trinidad, Colorado that the Division had the case all sewed up with the exception of William Beaver and George Liptrot.

You are instructed to immediately obtain from Special Agent Gage a detailed explanation of the circumstances under which he disclosed extremely confidential information respecting the status of this investigation to Mrs. Cashay.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Report
October 11, 1934.

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliasess, et al., Edward G.
0. Bremer, Victim - Kidnapping.

Specimens: One original typewritten letter addressed to J. L. Hess
& Co., dated September 18, 1934, and signed Mrs. J. E.
Anderson. Parts of a newspaper dated Tuesday, September
25, 1934.

Examination requested by: Chicago Office.

Date received: October 10, 1934.

Examination requested: Typewriting and Fingerprint.

Result of examination: Examination by S. F. Pickering.

The handwriting of the signature on the typewritten letter addressed
to J. L. Hess & Company is identical with that of the letter addressed to the
Harden, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and dated August 8, 1932, and signed Mrs. G. E. Barker. This letter contains the statement that the writer is "Freddie's mother." The letter was written with an Underwood typewriter equipped with Pica type, the letters being spaced ten to the inch. Machines were equipped with this type as far back as 1922. This typing has been compared with that of all of the typewritten letters in the Bremer Case and with the extortion letters in the Karpis Kidnapping case and with that of the Underwood Portable typewriter No. 390064 which was found in Cleveland, Ohio, at an address which is thought to have been occupied by Alvin Karpis, but no identification has been made. In this connection attention is called to the fact that the extortion notes in both the Bremer and Karpis Cases were written with a Corona typewriter.

In the letter to the Harden, signed by Mrs. G. E. Barker the word
"writing" was spelled "writing" in two instances, whereas, in the typewritten
letter to J. L. Hess & Company this word is spelled correctly. This suggests
the possibility that the letter to J. L. Hess & Company was typed for Mrs.
Barker by some other person.

A report on the fingerprints will be submitted separately.

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THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN
THE LABORATORY FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED. SHOULD
YOUR OFFICE DESIRE THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEED-
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3 - Director (Copy for Henn. Kidnaping file)
2 - Chicago.
1 - St. Paul.
3 - Laboratory (Copy for Henn. Kidnaping file).
October 12, 1934.

7-576-3135
Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

To: Alvin Karpis with allies, et al.,
Edward G. Bresser, Victim in
Kidnapping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report
covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office
in connection with the above-mentioned matter and received in
the Division October 10, 1934.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: Analysis.

cc - St. Paul.

2 copies - c 2.
October 13, 1934

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of October 6, 1934, transmitting one original typewritten letter addressed to J. D. Bass & Company dated September 18, 1934, and signed by the F. L. Anderson together with a torn page of a newspaper dated Tuesday, September 25, 1934, for examination in the Division Laboratory in connection with the case until of Alvin Karpis with alliance, et al; Henry G. Armer - Viola - Kidnapping.

The newspaper page has been examined for latent fingerprints, but no such impressions could be developed thereon.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

[Postmark: Oct 12, 1934]
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Harry L. Hall is a well known Legislator, a Sanitary Commission man, and attends their national conventions. During past winter he has been

employed by Veterans Administration as alternate member of a special board of review until January 8, 1934, when he received another appointment as Central Officer until May 1, 1934. While connected with Veterans Administration, Hall left several bills giving in Puerto Rico. Hall now residing at Medina Athletic Club in Chicago, and believed to have several connections at the World Fair. He is considered affable, a good mixer and is a leading politician.

REFERENCE: Division letter dated September 8, 1934, and report of Special Agent Roger L. Hall, Jacksonville, Florida, 5/27/34.

DETAILS:

Inquiry at 1608 E Street, N. W., elicited the information that this address is the headquarters for the National Rehabilitation Committee of the American Legion. Interview there was made with Mr. Tolema, assistant to the Chairman of this committee, who stated that Harry L. Hall is personally known to him that Hall is an outstanding Legislator; that he is Department Commander of the Legion at Puerto Rico, and sort of man that branch of the Legion when he is not in the United States that Hall has been an alternate member of the National Executive Committee of the

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American Legion for the past 10 years; that he is a member of their committee at the present time, having been elected to same last year; that he has officially represented the National Department for several years; however, he has never received any salary in connection therewith; that Hall was in Washington, D.C., about a year ago and stated at that time that he had two or three concessions at the World Fair in Chicago; however, Mr. Tolson did not learn the nature of these concessions.

Mr. Tolson further advised that Hall has attended the convention for the past several years wherein he has assisted in the election of the National Commander of the American Legion; that he has a forceful personality and is a very good mixer; that he is considered a politician of no mean ability; that Hall has many potent contacts in political circles and has the ability to gain an audience with most anyone he desires at any time; that he is in line for a political appointment in Puerto Rico; that he is at the present time stopping at the Mediterranean Athletic Club in Chicago, Illinois; that Hall also has a local address of 115 Bond Building, which is the National Headquarters of the American Legion.

Mr. Tolson stated that he believes that Hall can be trusted in connection with a confidential contact in the event the information desired from him would not involve himself in any respect.

Agent contacted the Veterans Administration, Pension Division, and there reviewed the file on Harry L. Hall. Hall was recommended by Department Commander Maria of the Puerto Rico American Legion and the Governor of Puerto Rico for a position on the continental United States.

In an interview had with Veterans Administration officials, Hall gave his age as 55 years in July of 1935. He stated that he graduated from Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana; that...
he is a Railroad executive, real estate operator and a member of Congress Fort #2, American Legion, Puerto Rico, and gave his address at that time as Landover (Cheverly), Maryland. Hall was also recommended by Lewis Johnson, National Commander of the American Legion.

On August 24, 1940, Hall was given an appointment as alternate member of a special board review of a salary of $13,000 per annum while in active duty, and $6,000 additional per diem while in travel status. He was discharged November 22, 1939 without prejudice and on January 5, 1934 was appointed as Control Officer and Junior Investigator in Grade GC-11 for a salary of $2500 per annum for a period not to exceed 180 days. In connection with this application, Hall advised that he finished high school at Falltown, Indiana in 1918; that he attended the Valparaiso University from 1918 to 1919 taking a general business course; that in 1918 he began as a telegraph operator and agent for the Alto Railroad, and later chief dispatcher with the Seaborn Airline Railway until 1922, with the exception of the year 1918 when he was a Sergeant Major with the 11th Field Signal Battalion during the World War. Hall entered the real estate and building business in 1925 and during 1924 and 1925 was engaged in that business at Puerto Rico; that he has been married 18 years with no children.

Hall further stated that he was Chairman of the American Legion and that he has been in their service for the past six or eight years that he has special knowledge of insular and foreign departments, and has made a complete study of the American Legion in connection with foreign matters. Hall was given an appointment on January 6, 1934 as Control Officer and sent to Puerto Rico for a survey and investigation of the conditions there for a period of two months for the Veterans Administration and was given a discharge without prejudice May 7, 1934.

In May or June of 1934, William Stern of the American Legion Headquarters at Indianapolis, Indiana wired General Rines requesting that Hall be given a new appointment with the Veterans Administration as Control Officer. Mr. Stern was advised, however, that there was no opening.
In June of 1954, Senator David A. West of Kansas wrote a letter to the General urging the reappointment of Hall as Control Officer. He was likewise advised that there was no opening.

On August 20, 1954 Representative James J. Lannon of New York City wrote in behalf of Hall for reappointment as Control Officer. He was also advised that there was no opening.

On July 15, 1954 while Hall was staying at the Hotel Morrison, Edward Hurst, supervisor of collections for that hotel, wrote the Veterans Administration desiring information as to whether Hall was still connected with the Veterans Administration or if he was on leave of absence at that time; that Hall had made several statements to him to the effect that he was expecting a check each month from the Veterans Administration.

On July 9, 1954, Raymond A. Cohen, Box 3696, San Juan, Puerto Rico addressed a letter to the Veterans Administration advising that Hall hired a car from him while Control Officer for the Administration on January 30, 1954 for a period of three weeks at $25.00 per week, and that he had failed to pay the bill.

On August 15, 1954, the West-Indies Mail Company, San Juan, Puerto Rico billed the Veterans Administration for gasoline and oil used by Hall in February of 1954 in the sum of $19.68.

It is being left to the discretion of the office of Origin as to what action should be taken in view of the above.
TO: Director
   - Mr. Nathan
   - Mr. Woolson
   - Mr. Edwards
   - Mr. Team

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   - Miss Gandy
   - Mrs. Kelley
   - Washington Field Office
   - Stenographic Pool
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For your information: this is the attorney we were seeking in Berks.

Sirs,

[Signature]

Supervisor - Unit One
RES: ALVIN REEDER, with alias, J.R. (ADAMS)
ARNOLD R. BAKES, with alias, J.R. (ADAMS)
E. JOSEPH W. ORRICK, with alias, J.R. (ADAMS)
EDWARD GEORGE BECKER - DEATH
EXHIBITED.

Dear Sirs:

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Washington Field

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