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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

**FILE NUMBER: 7-576**

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February 5, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, et al;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report  
covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office  
in connection with the above entitled matter and received in  
the Division February 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: 7311610

cc-Washington  
cc-Birmingham  
cc-St. Paul  
cc-Mr. E. J. Connelley -

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# 3096

Laboratory Report  
February 5, 1935

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases et al;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-4156

Specimens: One .30 calibre Browning Automatic Rifle with serial number  
obliterated.

Examination requested by: Special Agent in Charge Hanson at Miami, Florida.

Date received: February 1, 1935

Examination requested: Ballistic - raise obliterated numbers.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Parsons *d/p*

Confirming Division telegram of February 2, 1935, the obliterated marks on  
the Browning Automatic Rifle submitted have been restored and read as follows:

"Browning Automatic Rifle  
U. S. Cal. 30 Model 1918  
Man'f'd by Winchester  
211349  
Patent Applied For"

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It is noted that the obliteration of the marks on this gun was effected in  
a manner very similar to the obliteration of the marks on the Browning Automatic  
Rifles recovered from the apartment of Russell Gibson in Chicago, also that the  
restored number is very close to the restored number on one of the Gibson guns  
which was found to be and previously reported as #211774.

A copy of this report is being forwarded to the Washington Field Office in  
order that ownership of this gun may be traced. The United States Attorney,  
Miami, Florida also requests information whether the gun was registered under  
the provisions of the National Firearms Act.

Photographs of the above rifle before and after restoration of serial number  
will be forwarded to the Jacksonville Division office within the next several  
days.

The above mentioned gun is being returned to the Jacksonville Division office  
as requested. 20 MAR 19 1935

3-Director 2-Birmingham 1-Washington 1-Jacksonville 1-St. Paul  
1-Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago

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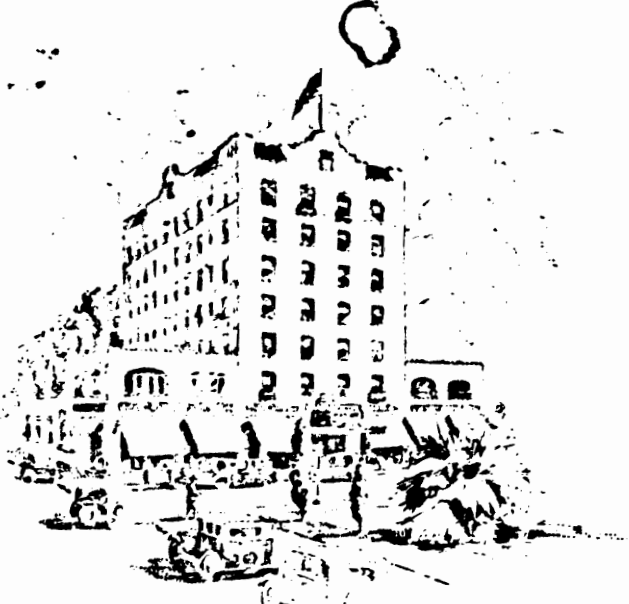
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*Edward J. Brennan*

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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Baker. REV

To expedite I am enclosing  
herewith fingerprints of Fred  
and Kate Baker, taken after  
death of each, also certified  
copy of Verdict of Cooper's  
jury re: prence death of the  
two above fugitives.

Yours very truly  
E. J. Connelley  
Special Agent in Charge

same as

State of Florida,

Marion

County,

District.

In the Matter of the Inquest on the Body of  
Fred Barker and Kate Barker

An inquisition, indented and taken for the State of Florida, in the County of Marion  
on the 15th & 16th day of January, A. D. 1935, before me, as Coroner in  
and for said County, upon the view of the body of Fred Barker and Kate Barker  
then and there lying dead, upon the oaths of W. C. Ray; J. B. Horrell; S. M. Hooper;  
Gus Smith; Johnnie McKay and W. M. Palmer

good and lawful men of said County, who, being duly sworn and charged to inquire how, and in  
what manner, and by whom the said Fred Barker and Kate Barker came to their death, do say  
upon their oaths aforesaid that Fred Barker and Kate Barker

day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, in the County aforesaid, in and upon  
the said \_\_\_\_\_, in the peace of God then  
and there being, feloniously, willfully and of malice aforethought, did make an assault, and that  
the said \_\_\_\_\_ with a certain  
which he then and there had and held, it and upon said \_\_\_\_\_

a mortal wound did inflict, of which said mortal  
wound the said \_\_\_\_\_ died, and that the said  
in the manner aforesaid, the said  
came to their death at the hands of Agents of the United States  
department of Investigation in the protection of their own lives;  
while the said Fred Barker and Kate Barker were resisting arrest.

The jury state the fact, in this, their verdict, that after being impaneled and sworn, and having  
made an examination of the body, they came to the conclusion that it was absolutely necessary to have  
a physician to assist them in their examination; and thereupon they requested the attendance of a  
physician; and that Dr. \_\_\_\_\_

In Witness Whereof, as well the said Coroner as the Jurors aforesaid have to this inqui-  
sition set their hands and seals, on the day and year aforesaid, at the place aforesaid.

L. E. Futch,  
Coroner.

W. C. Ray  
Gus Smith  
John H. McKay  
Jurors.

J. B. Horrell  
W. M. Palmer  
S. M. Hooper  
Jurors.

\*If there are accessories the following is to be added: "And the said jurors do further say upon their oaths  
aforesaid that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ were feloniously present at the time of the felony and murder aforesaid, in form  
aforesaid committed, that is to say, on the said \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_ in the County aforesaid, then and  
there comforting, abetting and aiding the said \_\_\_\_\_ to do and commit the said felony and murder aforesaid, in  
the manner aforesaid."

7-576-439

IN THE COUNTY JUDGE'S COURT, MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA.

STATE OF FLORIDA, }  
COUNTY OF MARION. } SS.

I, L. E. Futch, County Judge in and for the County of Marion, State of Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Verdict of Coroner's Jury (Murder),

as the same now appears ~~of record~~ on file in said Court.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the said County Judge's Court is a Court of Record, with an official seal, and that the Judge of said Court is the custodian of the records and the seal of said Court; that said Court has original Jurisdiction of the settlement of the estates of decedents and minors, to order the sale of real estate of decedents and minors, to take probate of wills, to grant letters, testamentary, administration and guardianship, and to discharge the duties usually pertaining to Courts of Probate; that said Court has no clerk of Record, but the duties usually performed by a clerk of Record are performed by the Judge of said Court; that the signature below subscribed is the signature of the sole and the presiding Judge of said Court; that the seal hereto affixed is the seal of said Court; and that this attestation is in due form and by proper officer according to the laws of the State of Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the County Judge's Court, at Ocala, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 193\_\_\_\_\_

*L. E. Futch*  
County Judge, Marion County  
Florida.

EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

LAH:CMF

January 24, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

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

The fingerprints of Fred <sup>0</sup>Barker, with aliases, deceased, which were transmitted to the Division with the letter attached hereto, signed by Mr. E. J. Connelley, Special Agent in Charge, were examined in the Identification Unit and found to show very serious mutilation. The finger ridges were obliterated over large portions of the fingertips. Accurate classification of these fingerprints would be impossible. Enough characteristic detail showed, however, to permit identification.

When the fingerprints were received in the Technical Section of the Identification Unit, however, they were immediately compared with the fingerprints in the special mutilated fingerprint file and were identified with a photographic copy of fingerprints of Fred Barker which had been placed in the special file as indicated in my memorandum of September 26, 1934.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

*See fingerprint copy...*

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 to Connelley  
 re: Barker  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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RECORDED 7-576-4319

February 5, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
I. O. #1218 - FUGITIVE;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with  
aliases, I. O. #1232;  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases  
I. O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS  
with aliases, I. O. #1237,  
et al; EDWARD G. BREMER &  
Victims Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith, and to each of the of-  
fices indicated below, copies of the report of the Coroner,  
covering the inquest on the bodies of Fred Barker and Kate  
Barker conducted January 15 and 16, 1935, in Marion County,  
Florida.

Copies of this report are being transmitted herewith  
in order to complete your files in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Encl. #831809

CC - St. Paul  
Jacksonville

Encls. (copies of report of Coroner  
concerning bodies of Fred Barker  
and Kate Barker to both offices)

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**U. S. Bureau of Investigation**

Department of Justice  
Post Office Box #812  
Chicago, Illinois

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

LAH:

February 5, 1935

Director  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218  
DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
I.O. 1232, ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith nine lifts of latent fingerprint impressions appropriately marked for identification purposes, which were obtained from various articles found in the house occupied by Kate and Fred Barker in Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935.

These articles had been previously dusted for latent impressions in the Jacksonville Office. However, the negatives of the photographs that were made and which were mailed to the Chicago Office for developing were found to be destroyed upon their receipt in this office due to poor packing.

The articles from which the above lifts of latent fingerprint impressions were obtained were forwarded to the Chicago Division Office from the Jacksonville Office and are being retained here for possible future use.

Kindly have a comparison made of the enclosed lifts with the fingerprint impressions on file of all persons connected with the above entitled case and notify me the earliest possible date of any identifications made.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. O'NEILL  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Special Assignment)  
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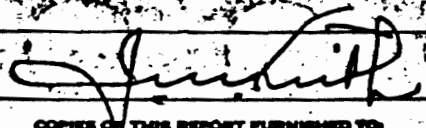


# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

FILE NO. **7-65**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Washington, D. C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>2/6/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/25/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>ARTHUR McLANEON ST</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;">No records as to the disposition of firearms kept at Barker Jennings Hardware Company, Lynchburg, Virginia prior to 1925.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="text-align: center;">Letter from Chicago Office dated January 19, 1935.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AT LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA</b></p> <p>Agent interviewed C. C. Steppe, clerk, at Barker Jennings Hardware Company, who stated that there were no records kept for the sale of firearms at that store prior to 1925. He was therefore unable to give any information concerning the party who purchased Colt Automatic .32 calibre #304899 which was sold to them on August 22, 1919.</p>			
REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: 		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <b>7-576-4321</b>	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>FEB 7 1935</b>
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

February 1, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In confirmation of telephonic advice furnished you to-day concerning the case of Joseph H. Adams, whose fingerprints were forwarded by the Division Office at Birmingham, Alabama, please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Division of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning the above individual.

Respectfully,  
*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

*Edw. L. Brennan*

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DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1935

Time - 11:37 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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

*Tracy*

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Brantley of the Oklahoma City, he stated that the Oklahoma City Office has a lead at Seminole, Oklahoma on Volney Davis; that Davis is thought to have been seen in that vicinity; that there is a man named Bell who spends most of his time in and around this vicinity who looks a great deal like Volney Davis; that it will take about three days to run the lead down, and Mr. Brantley will advise the Division of any developments.

Respectfully,

*E. A. Tamm*

E. A. TAMM

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- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Glavin.....
- Mr. Ladd.....
- Mr. Nichols.....
- Mr. Rosen.....
- Mr. Tracy.....
- Mr. Carson.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Harbo.....
- Mr. Keith.....
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- Mr. Quinn.....
- Mr. Schilder.....
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- Miss Gandy.....

January 17 1935

Mr J Edgar Hoover  
Department of Justice  
Washington D C

Dear Mr Hoover:

Here is a copy of a story of your division  
used by Lowell Thomas over our network  
January 16.

Many thanks for your Christmas card. I  
would have answered sooner but was out of  
the country.

Sincerely yours

*A A Schechter*

A A Schechter  
News Editor

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with Hoover  
Thomas  
Please look  
in mail  
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TOLSON

*Re reply  
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*P.R. Radio Broadcast*

NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Excerpt from Lowell Thomas' Broadcast

January 16, 1935 ..... NBC-WJZ Network

But before we take a look at what happened today at Oklawaha, Florida, let's answer a few questions about Fred Barker. He was born in Oklahoma; together with his brother he engaged in a series of mid-western crimes. Fred Barker was one of the prisoners who escaped from the Kansas State Penitentiary in 1931. Since then he has had a career of hold-ups and killings. The authorities identified him with the notorious Blackburn gang, the mob that for more than a year has been hunted in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, the St. Paul brewer. Federal men announced some time ago that the two Barker brothers had been identified by fingerprints as members of the Bremer kidnaping gang. So Fred Barker has been rated as one of the country's most dangerous outlaws.

And now let's see where Oklawaha is. The lake country of Florida runs down the center of that glorious state, honey-combed with lakes and towns - a region of farms, truck farms where the Florida winter vegetables are grown. Oklawaha is on Lake Weir, a small town drowsing in the mellow warmth of the South. And now what happened. Fred Barker and several others of the Blackburn gang took possession of a handsome summer cottage on the banks of the lake. With them was Barker's mother, sixty-five years old. They call her "Ma" Kate. The Federal agents got a tip, so fifteen government men of J. Edgar Hoover's staff helped by local police surrounded that cottage on Lake Weir - and

NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Excerpt from Lowell Thomas' broadcast - January 16, 1935

Page Two

the battle was on. The outlaws and "Ma" Kate barricaded themselves in the house and fought it out with machine guns. The Federal men with machine guns and tear gas bombs fought like soldiers on the outside from places of shelter, from cover. The gun fire was incessant. People from the surrounding country reported that the continuous shooting sounded like a small battle, and the fight lasted for five hours. The government agents riddled the cottage with bullets - and how did it end?

The announcement tonight is the chief outlaw, Fred Barker, shot and killed and his sixty-five year old mother, "Ma" Kate, shot dead - a machine gun at her side. The several others of the gang all accounted for, either killed or captured. It looks as if the Federal agents with one stroke down there in the lake country of Florida had wiped out the Blackburn gang. That's one gun fight story; here's another.

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February 4, 1935.

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7-576-4324

Mr. A. A. Schechter,  
News Editor,  
National Broadcasting Company, Inc.,  
80 Rockefeller Plaza,  
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Schechter:

Thank you for sending me on January 17th  
an excerpt from Lowell Thomas' broadcast of the  
previous evening. I was anxious to secure this  
and was pleased to know that you remembered me and  
made it available to me.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

BY SPECIAL DELIVERY

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Hendon
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- Miss Gandy

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February 4, 1935.

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Mr. Lowell Thomas,  
National Broadcasting Company, Inc.,  
50 Rockefeller Plaza,  
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I appreciate the references made by you  
in your broadcast of January 16th to the activities  
of this Division in connection with the apprehension  
of persons involved in the kidnaping of Mr. Edward G.  
Bremer.

You gave a very interesting description of  
the attempted capture which resulted in the death of  
Fred and Katherine (Kate) Barker.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
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 Place HAVANA CUBA

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 CUBAN AUTHORITIES BE DISPOSED BY THEM EXCEPT AUTOMOBILE SEE AMBASSADOR  
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 AUTHORITIES SHOULD HANDLE AS WITH OTHER PROPERTY FURNISH CUBAN  
 AUTHORITIES INFORMATION DEPORTATION PURPOSES~~

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 US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE      pertaining to personal property  
 412 US POST OFFICE & COURT HOUSE BLDG., ty of Karpis recovered by Cuban  
 JACKSONVILLE FLA      authorities from Nathaniel H. Heller

CC Division, Jacksonville, ST Paul, SJ Connally      JPH  
 SENDER'S ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE      SENDER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER  
 JPHanson  
 1008 Cortez Hotel

Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

February 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Washington, D.C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN, with aliases, I.O.  
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

On the night of January 8, 1935, at the time a  
raid was conducted in the apartment of Russell Gibson, 3912  
Pine Grove Avenue, a Browning automatic rifle was found in  
his apartment, the serial numbers of which had been obliterated,  
and this rifle was forwarded to the Division at Washington,  
where the numbers were restored, and found to be 211774.

It is respectfully requested that you cause  
investigation to be made through the Chief of Ordnance,  
U.S. Army at Washington, in order to ascertain to what  
organization this gun was issued.

Very truly yours,

E.J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
Special Assignment

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February 5, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
New York, N.Y.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN, with aliases, I.O.  
1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE  
CORRIER, Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that at the time of the raid on the apartment of Russell Gibson at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, on January 8, 1935, a Browning automatic rifle was found in said apartment. The serial numbers on said rifle were obliterated. The said rifle was forwarded to the Division at Washington, where the serial numbers were restored, and found to be 211774.

It is observed that Browning automatic rifles are produced by Winchester Repeating Arms Company, New Haven, Connecticut.

It is respectfully requested that you ascertain through said company, the identity of the party to whom such gun was sold.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
Special Assignment

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Miami, Florida  
February 3, 1935

Mr. J. J. Connelley  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases I.O. 1213 et.al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim  
Kidnaping

Danny McFarland, a local gambler and saloon keeper, who operates in Miami, Florida during the winter season, but who is originally from Chicago, Ill., where he at one time was a deputy in the Sheriff's Office, and an investigator of the State Attorney, Chicago, Ill., has advised Special Agents J. J. Dunne and W. H. Nichols, that he last saw Willie Harrison last summer in Chicago, Ill., and has known him for several years but has had little use for him. McFarland has advised the agents, that Harrison used to spend considerable time in McNovens saloon, 1000 East 7th Street, Chicago, Ill., and is well known in Detroit City. That he also hangs out in Benton Harbor and St. Joe, Michigan, and is well known at the Alton Hotel, St. Joe, Michigan.

McFarland has expressed a willingness to cooperate with the Division in locating Harrison, and he is of the opinion that Harrison might be located in St. Joe or Benton Harbor.

In connection with any investigation that should be deemed advisable to conduct in St. Joe, Michigan, Special Agent Nichols advised that a former college and law school class mate, named Joe M. Milligan is now practicing law in St. Joe, Michigan, and might be of possible assistance in making discreet inquiries, in that he is thoroughly reliable, but does a little drinking and gambling and is known to have had contacts with the criminal element in that city.

RECORDED Very truly yours,

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J. H. Hanson

Special Agent in Charge

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February 5, 1935

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**MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM**

During a telephonic conversation with Colonel Gates, Colonel Gates inquired whether Heller was going to be extradited from Cuba, or how the matter was to be handled.

I stated that he could either be extradited or deported; that we hadn't decided upon which method to follow as yet; that it was still under consideration by the Cuban authorities.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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February 5, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

With reference to my report of February 3, 1935, mailed to you Special Delivery - Air Mail, last night, there is enclosed herewith the rough draft map of the house occupied by Kate and Fred Barker at the time they were apprehended January 16, 1935, at Oklawaha, Florida. In this connection, reference should also be had to previous small rough draft map prepared by Special Agent in Charge Stapleton, which gives an approximate outline of the rooms, first and second floors of the house which they occupied, the numerous windows being indicated on such rough draft or floor plan.

Very truly yours,

*J. Connelley*  
J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment)

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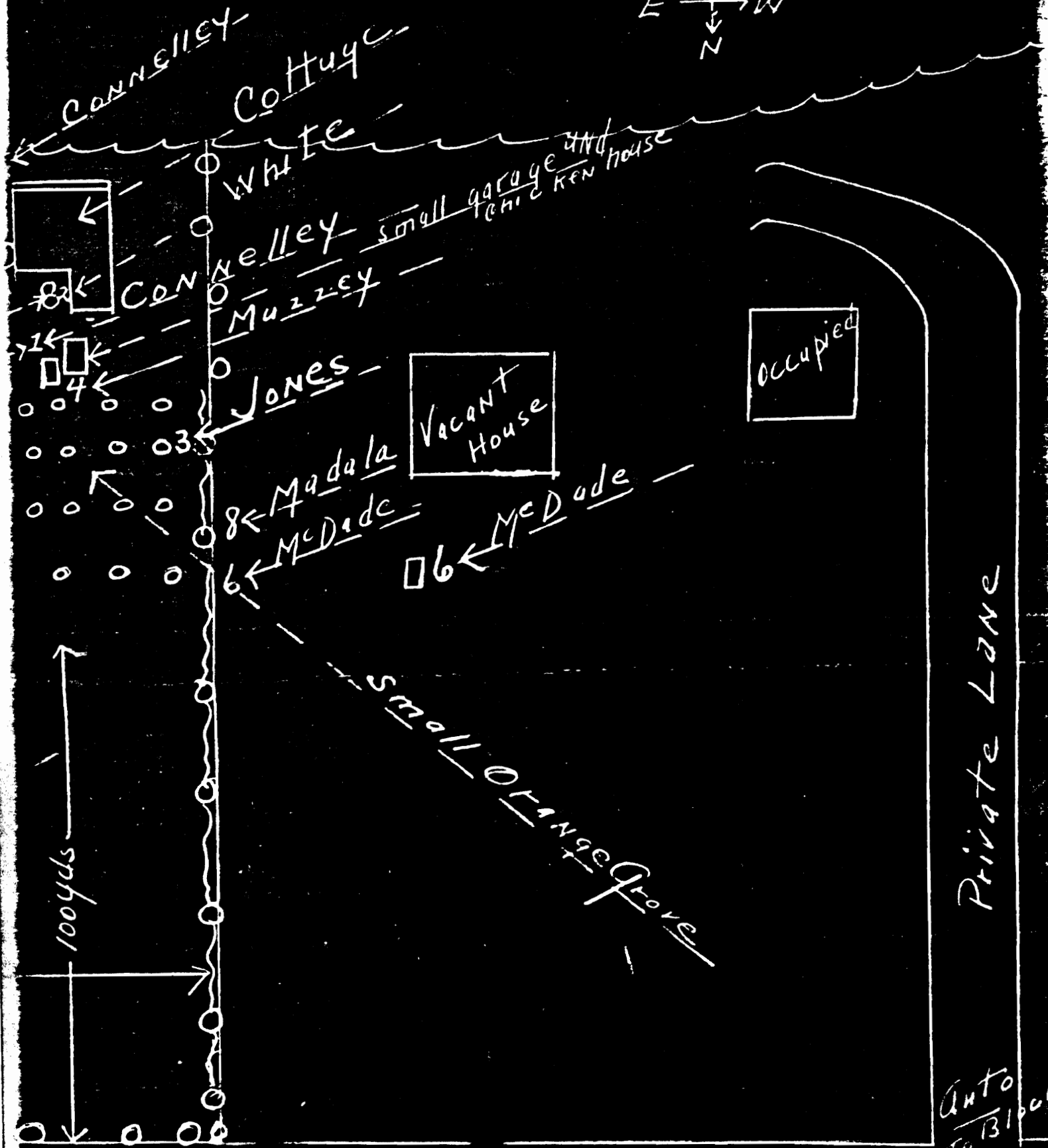
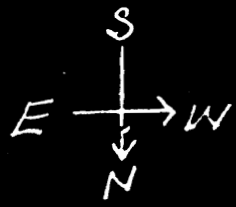
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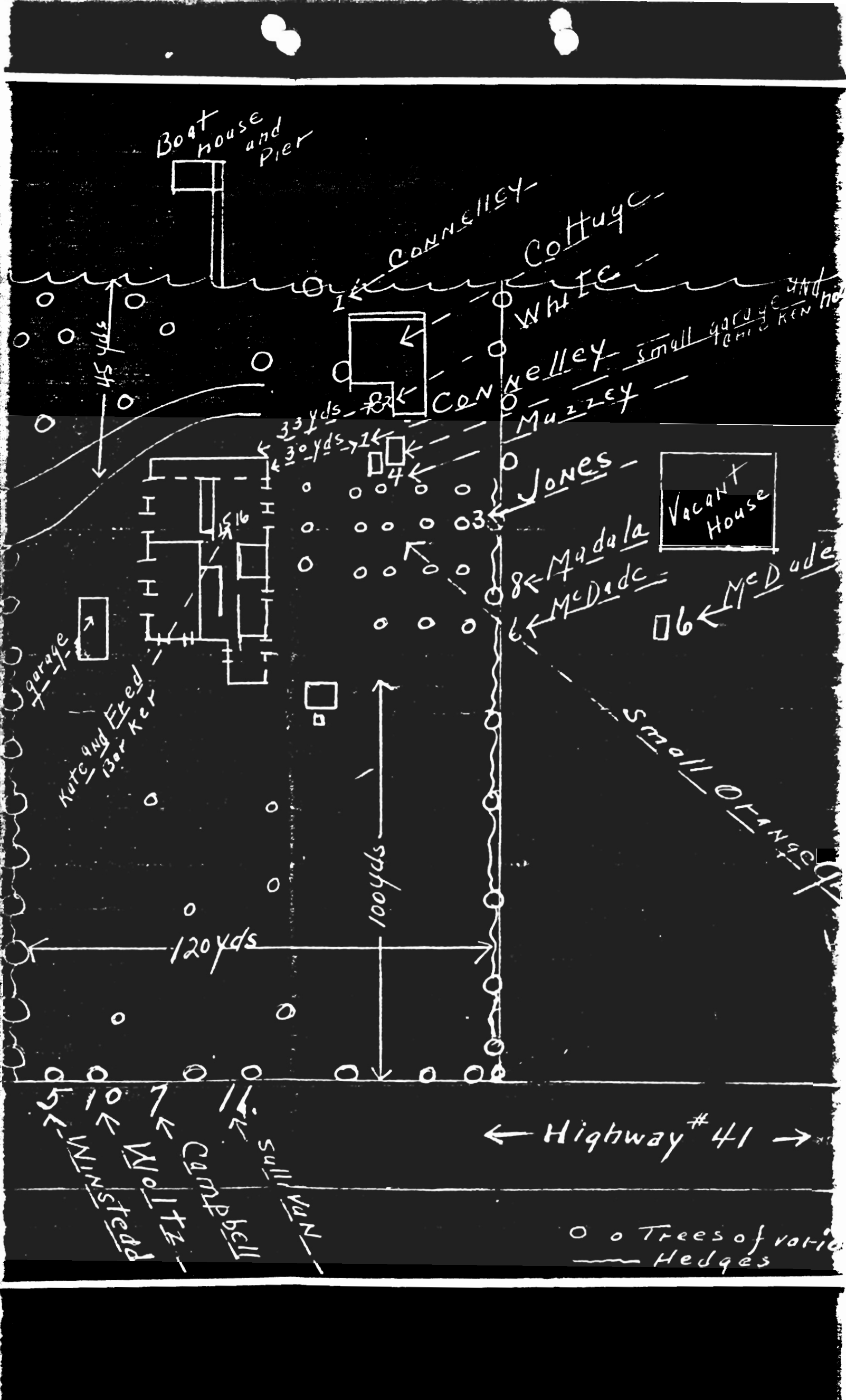
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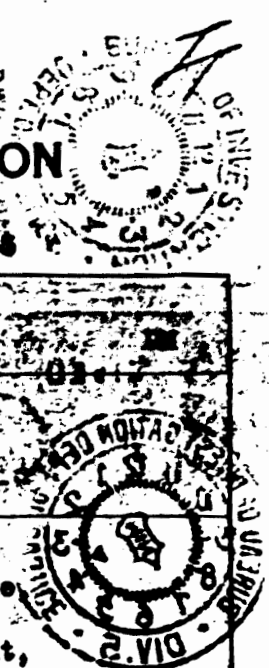
# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota.**

FILE NO. **7-576-4331**

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| REPORT MADE AT<br><b>Washington, D. C.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | DATE WHEN MADE<br><b>2/6/35</b> | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE<br><b>2/4-5/35</b>                                                                     | REPORT MADE BY<br><b>R. P. BURRUS</b>  |
| TITLE<br><b>Alvin Karpis with Aliases, I. O. #1218;<br/>Dr. Joseph P. Moran with Aliases, I. O. #1232;<br/>Harry Campbell with aliases, I. O. #1236;<br/>Volney Davis with Aliases, I. O. #1237; et al.<br/>Edward George Bremer, Victim.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                 |                                                                                                              | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>Kidnapping</b> |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:<br>No record of a .30 Cal. Browning Automatic Rifle, Model 1918, Serial #211549, with the Winchester Repeating Arms Company of New Haven, Connecticut, or with the War Department, Navy Department, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, has no registration of this gun as provided for in Section 5 - (a) of the National Firearms Act. Subpoena should issue on Commissioner of Internal Revenue, who will designate Mr. N. N. Harndon, Sales Tax Division, Internal Revenue, as one qualified to so testify. Firm of Sedgely of Philadelphia has no record of instant gun.                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                                                                                                              |                                        |
| REFERENCE:<br>Letter from Jacksonville Office dated 1/29/35.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                 |                                                                                                              |                                        |
| DETAILS:<br><b>AT WASHINGTON, D. C.</b><br>For the information and guidance of offices which have not the benefit of the data incorporated in reference letter, during the investigation of this case conducted at Miami, Florida, there was recovered a .30 Cal. Browning Automatic Rifle, Model 1918, manufactured by the Winchester Repeating Arms Company. Joseph H. Adams, Manager, El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, has identified this gun as the one left with him by subject William Harrison last September, and which gun he kept until some time in December, 1934, when he turned it over to Duke Randall, who has identified the gun as one which he obtained from Adams. The United States Attorney at Miami, Florida, intends to prosecute both Adams and Randall for having possession of this gun in violation of the National Firearms Act and will at |                                 |                                                                                                              |                                        |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:<br><i>[Signature]</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                 | RECORDED AND INDEXED:<br><b>FEB 7 1935</b>                                                                   |                                        |
| COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO:<br>3-Division<br>2-New York<br>2-St. Paul<br>2-Jacksonville<br>2-Philadelphia<br>1-E. J. Connelley, P.O. Box 810, Chicago, Ill.<br>2-Washington Field Office                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                 | 7-576-4331<br><b>FEB 7 1935 A.M.</b><br>BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION<br>ROUTED TO: FILE<br><b>ONE STAT. SECT.</b> |                                        |

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tempt to present the case to the Federal Grand Jury at Jacksonville, Florida, on or shortly after February 6, 1935.

The above-described gun was sent to the Criminal Laboratory of this Division and the obliterated number has been restored and established as No. 211349.

On February 4, 1935, Special Agent in Charge, J. M. Keith, sent a wire to the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, New Haven, Connecticut, as follows:

"Advise Government rate collect to whom you sold  
Nineteen Eighteen Model Thirty Caliber Browning  
Automatic Rifle Serial Two One One Three Four  
Nine"

On February 5, 1935, a telegraphic reply was received from the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, as follows:

"Retel Regret Have No Record of Sale of Browning  
Automatic Rifles by Serial Number"

On February 5, 1935, Mr. Keith sent another telegram to the Winchester Company, as follows:

"Retel Nineteen Eighteen Model Thirty Caliber  
Browning Automatic Rifle Number Two Eleven  
Three Four Nine Stop If No Record of Sale such  
Guns Kept by Serial Number Advise Government  
Rate Collect If Any Record Kept and If So What  
Number Used"

Replying to the above-quoted telegram, a long-distance telephone call was received by Mr. Keith February 5, 1935, from Mr. Berney, Sales Manager of the Winchester Company, who advised that in 1932 the Remington U. M. C. Co. and the Winchester Repeating Arms Company agreed to a consolidation and that during the general reorganization which followed, all records were destroyed of the .30 Caliber Browning Automatic Rifles, Model 1918. He further informed Mr. Keith that during the years 1933-34, several

.30 Caliber Browning Automatic Rifles, Model 1918, were sold to the firm of Sedgely of Philadelphia, dealers in firearms, munitions, etc.

On February 5, 1935, Special Agent Heffler of the Philadelphia Office was requested, by phone, to have an immediate check made by the firm of Sedgely at Philadelphia to ascertain if the above-described gun had been handled by that firm. Mr. Keith was subsequently advised, by phone, by the Philadelphia office, that Sedgely had no record of the instant gun.

Mr. N. N. Herndon, Sales Tax Division, Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, in charge of the registration of firearms, as provided in the "National Firearms Act" approved June 26, 1934, made a search of his records and advised that the firearm referred to above has not been registered in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 - (a) of the National Firearms Act.

In the event it should become necessary, subpoena should issue on the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, who will designate Mr. N. N. Herndon as one qualified to testify concerning the non-registration of this gun.

Inquiries were made of the following listed Service Branches of the United States as to whether one .30 Cal. Browning Automatic Rifle, Model 1918, Serial No. 211349, had ever been in their possession and if so, subsequently found to be missing or having been reported as stolen. Negative replies were received from the Service Branches listed below:

1. Mr. E. L. Kahlert,  
Ordnance Department,  
War Department;
2. Comdr. N. C. Gillette,  
Bureau of Ordnance,  
Navy Department;
3. Mr. H. G. America,  
Supply Division,  
U. S. Marine Corps;
4. Mr. S. A. Harvey,  
Ordnance Section,  
U. S. Coast Guard.

Mr. E. L. Kahlert, of the War Department, advised that the .30 Cal. Browning Automatic Rifles manufactured for the United States Army, did not have serial numbers as high as 200,000.

Mr. M. E. Herndon, Sales Tax Division, Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, advised, as a matter of possible interest to this Division, that his office had received a registration of two .30 Cal. Browning Automatic Rifles from Lieutenant L. F. Turner of the Palm Beach, Florida, Police Department. According to the report made by Lieutenant Turner, these guns had no serial numbers and that one had been taken possession of by that police department in October, 1932, and the other possessed in December, 1933. In the absence of serial numbers, it appears that there has been stamped in the middle on the right-hand side of the receiver, the following: "Property of P. D., Palm Beach". Mr. Herndon pointed out the possibility that one of these guns may have been obtained in some manner from the Palm Beach Police Department and may be the gun which is the subject of this investigation.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE NEW YORK OFFICE

It is requested that an interview be had with Mr. Berney of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company at New Haven, Connecticut, with the view of securing definite information in detail from him concerning the records which have been maintained and which have been destroyed of .30 Cal. Browning Automatic Rifles, Model 1918, and endeavor to in some manner have an immediate check made with the view of establishing, if possible, to whom instant gun was sold. As pointed out in body of this report, it is a .30 Cal. Browning Automatic Rifle, Model 1918, Serial No. 211349, manufactured by the Winchester Company.

THE PHILADELPHIA OFFICE

Two copies of this report are being forwarded to the Philadelphia Office in order that its files may be complete. Investigations made by the Philadelphia Office of the records kept by the firm of Sedgely were reported to the Washington Field Office by telephone February 5, 1935.

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CORBET

March 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I. O. #1237, et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Burruss, dated at Washington, D. C., February 6, 1935 in the above entitled case, wherein on Page 4 it is noted that the records of the Sales Tax Division, Bureau of Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, reflect the registration of two .30 Calibre Browning Automatic Rifles by Lieutenant L. F. Turner of the Palm Beach, Florida Police Department.

It appears from the report of reference that the serial numbers are not reflected on these rifles but that in the middle on the right-hand side of the receiver there is stamped the words "Property of P. B., Palm Beach". The Bureau would be interested in ascertaining the source of these guns and to that end appropriate investigation should be conducted at Palm Beach, Florida.

A copy of the report of reference is transmitted with a copy of this letter designated for the St. Louis office, to which office an undeveloped lead in connection with this matter may be later directed.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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E. J. Connelley  
St. Paul

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Miami, Florida.  
Feb. 4, 1935.

Mr. W. Sanders Gramling  
Assistant U. S. Attorney  
U. S. Post Office and Customs House Building  
Miami, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Re:

Alvin Karpis with Aliases, et al  
Kidnaping and Harboring  
Edward George Bremer- Victim

In accordance with your request, there is enclosed herewith one, one thousand dollar Federal Reserve note number F 00017095A, series of 1928, 6-G-, which was given to Special Agents R. L. Jones and J. H. Hanson on January 26, 1934, by Joe Adams.

The above note was properly marked for identification by the above Agents on the day it was received, and deposited in a safety deposit box in the Icazar Hotel, Miami, Florida, where it has remained until this day.

This note is being forwarded to you, in accordance with your request, in order that it may be used as evidence in the impending cases, being maintained in the Registry of the Court until the date of trial.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
J. H. Hanson  
Special Agent in Charge

JED:RCB

February 5, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

I have just learned that our Chicago Office has been holding approximately \$300.00 taken from "Doc" Barker when he was arrested, and that the attorney for "Doc" Barker has now addressed a letter to Mr. Nathan, asking that the money and other personal property be turned over to him, the attorney.

I want it to be distinctly understood that Section 29 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations is still in force and effect. Mr. Tamm informs me that he had not been advised of the seizure of this money by our Chicago Office and did not know of it until today. I do not know how many other instances there are of our field offices around the country holding personal property belonging to criminals. I would like to have an immediate instruction issued to all field offices and to all officials of the Division that the provisions of Section 29 are to be strictly observed.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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\*revised on 2/5/35*



P. O. DRAWER 1457,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

February 5, 1935.

E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

In re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218.  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
I. O. 1232, et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of the 4th inst. requesting detailed information concerning 1934 Illinois license tag #522451.

It has been ascertained through the automobile division of the Secretary of State's office at Springfield, Ill. that this tag was issued to C. J. Murphy, 7150 Cyril Parkway, Chicago, for a 1934 Buick club sedan, motor #2,875,177, serial #2,716,681, the tag being purchased by him at Chicago on February 1, 1934. This car was purchased new by C. J. Murphy on January 31, 1934 from the South Shore Buick Co., Inc., 6935 Stony Island Ave., Chicago.

To date, this car has not been registered in the State of Illinois for 1935. A stop order has been placed with the automobile division of the Secretary of State's office at Springfield, Ill. and if this car should be tendered for registration at any time in the future the St. Louis office will be promptly notified.

This office will also be advised if information is received at the Secretary of State's office of the registration of the said automobile in any other State. It will be well, however, to circularize all the States as there will undoubtedly be a considerable delay before information as to its registration in another State is furnished to the officials at Springfield.

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Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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Laboratory Report

February 6, 1935

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases et al;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-4157

Specimens: A - One original letter beginning "Dolores:- Do you want to place\*\*\*".  
B - One envelope in which the above letter was mailed to Dolores  
Delaney, postmarked Manhattan, Kans., Jan. 23, 1935, 5:30 PM.

Examination requested by: Philadelphia Division Office

Date received: January 31, 1935

Examination requested: Handwriting and Fingerprint

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel

There is a watermark in the letter paper "Montags American Maid", the letters being drawn around an oval in which appears the drawing of a girl. This apparently is the watermark of the Montag Brothers, Inc., Atlanta, Ga. The envelope has a linen finish similar to that of the paper but no watermark.

No identification was made in the comparison of the handwriting with all of the anonymous letters in the Bremer case and with extortion and anonymous letters in general.

A report on the fingerprints will be submitted separately.

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1-Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago  
2-Laboratory

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases et al;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

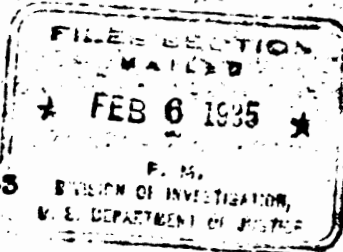
There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division January 31, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: #806422

cc-St. Paul  
cc-Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago



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*Handwritten initials and checkmarks*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

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| Miss Gandy.....   |

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February 2, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

At 4:00 P. M. this afternoon, Mr. Wilson of the Pan American Division of the State Department called this office and advised he had received a cable from the American Consul at Havana, Cuba, that one Nathaniel Heller, an American citizen presently residing at Havana, had been picked up by the Cuban police at the request of Special Agents Hanson and Brown of this Division. Mr. Wilson stated that the American Ambassador to Cuba was insistent upon securing a reply immediately, that the State Department desired to know whether Heller was picked up at the request of this Division, and the reason for his being apprehended.

This matter was referred by me to Mr. Tamm.

Respectfully,

*W. K. Glavin*  
W. K. Glavin.

*Edw. D. Pennington*

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January 26, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:40 A.M.

I called Mr. Connelley at Chicago in connection with the possibility that the Chicago-American has a tap on the Chicago Office telephone, and suggested that whenever anything of a confidential nature was to be furnished to Washington it would be well to go outside and call.

I suggested that it might be well to make some startling announcement over the telephone, such as stating that they have Karpis in custody, in order to see if the Chicago-American gets it; that, although the telephone company had informed that no taps were being maintained, information had also reached the Division to the effect that they have five or seven tapping telephones all the time. I requested advice as to the possibility of making it look, particularly in connection with the stenographers and clerks, as though Perkins was Karpis, advising that my only worry in this connection would be that if we did get Karpis we would not know how to say over the telephone that it was genuine. Mr. Connelley suggested that we could use the expression "Karpis case 7" meaning that the conversation was "phony". I advised that this would be fine, and suggested that we should talk about him over the telephone as though he were there, for the next day or so, and Connelley stated he would do this.

Connelley further advised that they also have Fish Johnson, Dillinger's contact, up there too.

I cautioned Connelley against letting the Agents on routine assignment, and the stenographers and clerical personnel, know just who they have in custody, advising that we would understand that when he says "Karpis case 7" it will be "phony".

Respectfully,  
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# Reno Spreads Net for Karpis; Havana Hotel Man Held as Aid

Reno, Nev., Feb. 2—U.P.—Members of the Federal "crime patrol" were looping their net around this area tonight in the hope of rounding up Alvin Karpis, the Nation's premier public enemy, and Harry Campbell, who is believed to be with him.

Discovery of a machine gun and four cans of ammunition under a Truckee River bridge led police and Federal men to believe Karpis and Campbell, last members of the Karpis-Barker gang that kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, wealthy St. Paul brewer, may be in this region.

The pair shot their way out of an Atlantic City, N. J., hotel two weeks ago. Arthur (Doc) Barker, co-leader of the gang, is under arrest in Chicago, and his brother, Fred Barker, and their mother, Mrs. Kate (Ma) Barker, also members of the gang, were slain in a gun-

fight with Federal men three weeks ago in Florida.

Havana, Feb. 2 (AP)—The long arm of the United States Department of Justice reached out today to seize Nathan Heller, American hotel manager here, on charges that he helped and harbored Alvin Karpis, newest "Public Enemy No. 1," last September.

Heller—tall, jovial, widely known American who has been in Havana eight years as manager of the Parkview Hotel—was questioned tonight by two Department of Justice agents and Cuban police concerning his connection with Karpis' activities in Cuba.

Although the United States agents refused to discuss the case other than to say "it is now in the

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# Reno Hunts Karpis; Hotel Head Held

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hands of Cuban authorities and we cannot talk," it was learned that they told Cuban officials they had evidence linking Heller to Karpis and his gang.

### Say He Bought Car.

They accuse the hotel manager, it was learned, of buying an automobile and house for the American gangster who, they claimed, used the alias E. N. Wagner while he was in Cuba fleeing arrest in the United States.

Heller also sent telegrams, they charge, to asserted associates of Karpis in the United States, signing his own name to them.

The hotel manager was not allowed to see newspapermen after his arrest Thursday night, but he told reporters who located and approached his cell window that the police had accused him of harboring Karpis in his hotel.

### Caffery Sees Agents.

Federal agents claimed Heller still has the automobile he bought for Karpis, for which Heller himself bought the license. Heller kept the car, they charged, when Karpis left for the United States December 5 after hiding here during September, October and November.

The house Heller is accused of buying for the gangster is at the beautiful resort place, Varadero Beach, 100 miles east of Havana. It is situated next to one once owned by former President Gerardo Machado.

United States Ambassador Jefferson Caffery conferred with the two Department of Justice agents who ignored the usual procedure in that they failed to contact the United States Embassy or the consulate before making the arrest.

The arrested man formerly was in the hotel business in Miami and Saratoga, N. Y.

What about this Reno matter?

J. C. N.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**  
**Washington, D. C.**

February 4, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Relative to the attached newspaper clipping concerning the finding of a machine gun at Reno, Nevada, which it was believed belonged to Alvin Karpis, you are advised that Mr. Dowd has advised by telegram from Salt Lake City that the location of this machine gun, hidden near Reno, was reported anonymously to the Sheriff, who in turn reported it to us. The machine gun was recovered, together with 500 rounds of ammunition. The gun has been obtained and submitted to the New York Office for tracing. That office traced it to California and further efforts are being made to trace this weapon. No information has been obtained as yet which would associate the machine gun with any Division case.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm



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Special Agent in Charge,  
Birmingham, Alabama.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

There is submitted below a list of the serial numbers of the  
fourteen \$1,000 bills taken from the possession of Fred Barker and Kate  
Barker at the time they were killed by Division Agents at Oklawaha,  
Florida, on the morning of January 16, 1935;

TEN \$1,000.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

| <u>BANK</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>SERIES</u> |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1 Atlanta   | F 00014261A   | 1928          |
| 2 "         | F 00022463A   | 1928          |
| 3 Chicago   | G 00070117A   | 1928          |
| 4 Atlanta   | F 00010128A   | 1928          |
| 5 "         | F 00019257A   | 1928          |
| 6 "         | F 00014906A   | 1928          |
| 7 "         | F 00019258A   | 1928          |
| 8 "         | F 00019531A   | 1928          |
| 9 "         | F 00022457A   | 1928          |
| 10 "        | F 00022464A   | 1928          |

FOUR \$1,000.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

| <u>BANK</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>SERIES</u> |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1 Atlanta   | F 00004887 A  | 1928          |
| 2 "         | F 00009887 A  | 1928          |
| 3 "         | F 00020337 A  | 1928          |
| 4 "         | F 00020574 A  | 1928          |

It will be noted that thirteen of the above bills were issued  
on the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank at Atlanta, Georgia. In this connec-  
tion, it is respectfully requested that your office contact the proper  
officials of the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank at Atlanta, Georgia, in an  
effort to obtain from them the date on which the above bills were received  
by that institution. Efforts should also be made, if possible, to ascertain

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the identity of the recipients of the bills in question from that Federal Reserve Bank. In the event this information is secured, appropriate leads should be set out for the purpose of further tracing this money, as it is believed that the subjects in this case gave up some of the Bremer ransom money in exchange for the \$1,000 denominations above set out.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment)

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St. Paul

Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 515,  
Chicago, Ill.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218. ARTHUR H. BARKER,  
with aliases, et al. EDWARD  
GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to my letter of January 25, 1935  
relating to the renewal of a claim for adjusted compensation  
of BYRON BOLTON, a defendant in the above entitled matter.

In the event that Special Agent Brown is not  
available, will you kindly have another agent secure the  
necessary data referred to in my letter and forward it to  
this office for delivery to BOLTON, who states that he desires  
to renew his claim at the earliest possible moment in order to  
provide for his family.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge  
St. Louis, Missouri

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 12118;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232,  
et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING - Chicago File 7-82

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a telegram from the San Francisco Division office, dated January 26, 1935, advising that investigation by that office developed that Charles J. Fitzgerald was a patient at the Vallejo General Hospital, San Francisco, California, in November, 1934, under the name of C. J. Murphy. That office further advised that at that time Fitzgerald was driving a car bearing 1934 Illinois license tags No. 522-451.

Inquiry at the Motor Vehicle Bureau of the Chicago Police Department disclosed that 1934 Illinois tags No. 522-451 were issued to C. J. Murphy, 7150 Cyril Parkway, Chicago, Illinois, on a Buick car, motor No. 2875177, serial No. 8716681.

It was ascertained that the above address is that of the Eleanor-Manor Apartments, Chicago, Illinois. Special Agent J. L. Madala of this office interviewed Mrs. Balun, the manager at this address, and she positively identified the photograph of Charles J. Fitzgerald as an individual who resided in Apartment 402 with his wife from August 27, 1933 to April 1, 1934, under the name of C. J. Murphy.

In this connection it is respectfully requested that your office immediately obtain from the office of the Secretary of State at Springfield, Illinois, all available data pertaining to 1934 Illinois license tags No. 522-451, forwarding this information to me as soon as possible in order that all Division offices may be promptly requested to ascertain through the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau in their respective districts, if the above automobile is now registered in those states, and if not, to place a stop card in their files for this car.

Very truly yours,

JIM:AB  
CC-Division ✓  
St. Paul

E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Special Assignment)

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

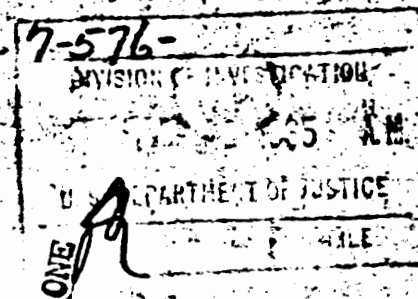
RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.# 1218;  
ARTHUR H. BARKER with aliases, I.O.# 1219;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.# 1232;  
ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Attached hereto you will find a copy of a letter addressed to this office by John C. DeCoursey, an attorney of St. Paul, Minnesota. It is my understanding that he addressed a similar letter to Special Agent in Charge Purvis recently, and in view of the fact that none of the funds or clothes which he mentioned are presently in the possession of the St. Paul Division Office, no reply is being made to his letter from this office unless the Chicago Office desires that such a reply be sent from this office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul, Minnesota,  
February 2nd, 1935.

Inspector in Charge,  
U. S. Bureau of Investigation,  
232 Federal Bldg.,  
Fifth & Market Sts.,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I have been requested by my client,  
Arthur Barker, to request from you the return  
of his personal property consisting of clothes,  
money, and contents of Safety Deposit Box in  
Chicago, inasmuch as he will require same for  
his physical welfare and as a fund to prove  
his innocence of any charge that may be asserted  
against him.

I would appreciate very much your  
informing me of your intended action in the  
matter so that I may determine what action  
I am to take for the recovery of this personal  
property which is not claimed by anyone else,  
as I understand it.

Respectfully,

JOHN C. DeCOURCY

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WILLIAM LARSON  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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907 FEDERAL BUILDING  
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CASSIUS M McDONALD ALSO PERSONAL HISTORY DATA AND PLACE DATE BIRTH

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE IDENTIFICATION UNIT,  
UNIT FIVE.

Transmitted herewith are fugitive index numbers 5971 and 5972 on Volney Davis alias V. E. Davis; and Harry Campbell alias Dave Campbell, respectively. These fugitive index cards are to be substituted for the Division wanted notices on these two subjects. The Division wanted notices bear the same numbers which now appear in your files as to these individuals.

Davis is the subject of Identification Order #1237 and Campbell is the subject of Identification Order #1238. No memoranda or criminal records are necessary in the case of these two fugitive index numbers.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**  
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
FEBRUARY 6, 1935.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Transmitted herewith for appropriate laboratory analysis are the following articles which have been removed by Agents of this office from an automobile now under surveillance as possibly connected with some of the Subjects in this case:

Envelope addressed to Mr. Geo. Lawrence Harper, Box 12, Paytown, Missouri, postmarked January 15, 1935, Denver, Colorado; return address P.O. Box 1251.

Envelope addressed to Mr. G. L. Hayser, Box 12, Paytown, Mo., postmarked Denver, Colorado, January 12 or 22, 1935, with same return address.

Repair slip of the Miller Motor Company, Joplin, Missouri, dated 11-28-34.

Envelope addressed to Box Holder, Paytown, Missouri, and postmarked Kansas City, Missouri.

Folder issued by the Raytown, Missouri Chamber of Commerce.

Repair order of the United Motors Service, Kansas City, Missouri, Number R-126417, issued to customer G. L. Harper, Raytown, Missouri.

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It is requested that the analysis of these articles be given immediate attention to determine whether any fingerprints may be developed therefrom, and that such latent prints as may be developed be compared with those of the Subjects in this case.

Please advise this office immediately concerning the results of the examination.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Chicago - Mr. Connelly  
cc - St. Paul

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 1887  
Charlotte, N. C.

February 6, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,  
with aliases, I. O. 1232, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to Division letter dated  
February 2, 1935, relative to temporary wanted notices  
for Fred Barker, which were previously distributed to  
Police Departments in this district.

Please be advised that I have personally  
requested the Charlotte Police Department to withdraw  
the wanted notice supplied, and on this date letters  
have been directed to the Chiefs of Police in the  
cities to which wanted notices were supplied, request-  
ing that the same be withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

*T. N. Stapleton*

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T. N. Stapleton,  
Special Agent in Charge

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minn.**

FILE NO. 7-9

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| REPORT MADE AT:<br><b>Indianapolis, Ind.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | DATE WHEN MADE:<br><b>2-6-35</b>                                                             | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:<br><b>1-29-35</b> | REPORT MADE BY:<br><b>BLISS MORTON</b>                                         |
| TITLE:<br><b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;<br/>ARTHUR B. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219;<br/>RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1215;<br/>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232,<br/>et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                              |                                          | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br><b>KIDNAPING</b>                                         |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Indiana 1935 license plates #17830 were issued to Harry T. Pritchard, a prominent Indianapolis and New York business man. Indiana 1934 license plates #689930 were issued to C.S. Funk, 32 Carroll St., Hammond, Ind.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                              |                                          |                                                                                |
| Reference: <b>Telegram from the Chicago office dated 1-29-35.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                              |                                          |                                                                                |
| Details: <b>AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                              |                                          |                                                                                |
| <p>On the evening of January 28, 1935, Special Agent McIntyre of the Chicago Office telephoned to the Indianapolis Office requesting available data on Indiana 1935 license plates #17830. This call came late in the evening and night typist C. R. Carson, who was on duty at that time, telephoned to the Indiana Automobile Registration Bureau at the State House, and talked with clerk John Riddle of that office who informed him that the license plates in question were issued December 20, 1934 to Harry T. Pritchard for a 1934 Pontiac business coupe, bearing motor #1029718, serial #876169. Mr. Carson did not find Mr. Pritchard's name listed in either the Indianapolis City or Telephone Directories. Mr. Carson immediately gave this information by long distance telephone to Special Agent McIntyre of the Chicago Office.</p> <p>Upon receipt of reference telegram, Special Agents Bliss Morton and H. W. Costello called at the State License Bureau where application for 1934 license #689930 was scrutinized by them. This application shows the plates were issued to C. S. Funk, age 38.</p> |                                                                                              |                                          |                                                                                |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:<br><i>H. H. Remick</i><br>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 7-576-4343<br>UNITED STATES<br>FEB 8 1935 A.M.<br>BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION<br>ROUTED TO: FILE |                                          | RECORDED AND INDEXED:<br>FEB 8 1935<br>CHECKED OFF:<br>FEB 9 1935<br>JACKETED: |
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residence 32 Carroll Street, Hammond, Indiana January 16, 1934, covering an Essex Sedan, motor #1156896, serial #1089574. The application further showed that Mr. Funk's title to this car is #1539642.

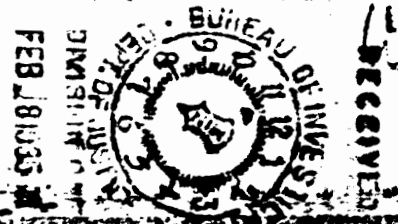
The Agents called on title clerk Crawford and inspected the title papers, which show that Mr. Funk obtained this title August 23, 1929, at which time he resided at 48 Waltham Street, Hammond, and that there was a mortgage of \$680.00 on the car, payable to Agnew Motor Company, 667 Hohman, Hammond, Indiana.

The Agents then called at the Columbia Club and interviewed Mrs. M. O. Stevens, who ascertained from the records that Harry Fritchard is a paid-up member of the club and that he gives his address as 100 Broadway, New York City. The secretary to the club, Mr. E. P. Akin, was not in his office when the Agents called. He was later contacted by telephone and informed Agent Morton that Mr. Fritchard is a very prominent Indianapolis and New York business man. He stated that Mr. Fritchard is president of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company and also one of the executive vice-presidents of the Utilities Power and Light Company.

A summary of this information was telegraphed to the Chicago office.

- P E N D I N G -

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
February 6, 1935



MEMORANDUM

The following letter has been received from the Division concerning the Bremer kidnaping matter:

"You are instructed to withdraw from the local police department in your district the temporary wanted notices prepared and issued by the Division on Fred Barker, which were furnished you with Division letter dated October 13, 1934.

You should advise the Division by letter when these wanted notices on Fred Barker have been withdrawn by you."

The wanted notices referred to in this communication were placed in each of the four cities listed below and it is desired that the Agents receiving a copy of this memorandum personally see to it that the wanted notices of Fred Barker are withdrawn from the police files and immediately thereafter so advise this office in order that we can properly reply to the Division communication. This matter should receive your careful attention in order to avoid any unnecessary delays.

W. LARSON,  
Special Agent in Charge.

W.L.A.M.  
cc-Division ✓

CLEVELAND - Special Agent W. E. Hoyten  
TOLEDO - Special Agent A. Dickstein  
DETROIT - Special Agent L. D. Sooy  
EAST LANSING - Special Agent R. B. Graham

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

February 6, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Under date of February 5, 1935, there was transmitted to the  
Division, under separate cover, via American Railway Express,  
the following firearms:

- Model 1886 - .33 calibre Winchester rifle  
#154112 A
- One Woodsman's Model .22 calibre pistol #9379.
- One O3 Automatic rifle #124138.

These were found in Atlantic City and were, no doubt, in  
the possession of Alvin Karpis, and Harry Campbell.

Very truly yours,

*R. G. Harvey*

R. G. HARVEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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*Returned from R. G. Harvey to Division  
of Alvin Karpis & Harry Campbell*

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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| REPORT MADE AT:<br><b>NEW YORK CITY</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | DATE WHEN MADE:<br><b>2/5/35</b> | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:<br><b>1/26, 30,<br/>2/3/35</b>           | REPORT MADE BY:<br><b>BRYAN FARRELL</b> |
| TITLE:<br><b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218 - FUG.<br/>ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.#1219;<br/>RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O.#1215;<br/>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232;<br/>et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                  |                                                                 | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br><b>KIDNAPING</b>  |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:<br><b>Neither of the two Buicks bearing 1934 New York license plates ZV-9337 and SU-3337 was the automobile referred to by informant in which he stated he saw Karpis and Campbell riding in Chicago. Owners of these two cars bear excellent reputations and they advised agent that these cars were not in Chicago at any time.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                  |                                                                 |                                         |
| REFERENCE:<br><b>Report of Special Agent J. D. Cunningham, Buffalo, N. Y., 1/16/35.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                  |                                                                 |                                         |
| DETAILS:<br><b>With reference to the Buick car owned by Florence Hollinshead, bearing 1934 New York license plates ZV-9337, and who resides at 911 McLean Avenue, Yonkers, New York, it was ascertained from Mr. Gabriel Block, employee in a garage owned by E. L. Huff, located at 319 East 242nd Street, that this car, a black Buick sedan with no trunk on the back thereof, was stored in this garage until the beginning of the present winter, at which time Mrs. Hollinshead removed it and it is his belief that the car is</b> |                                  |                                                                 |                                         |
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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:<br><br><i>J. X. Fray</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE          | 7-571-4346                                                      | RECORDED AND INDEXED<br>FEB 8 1935      |
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presently stored in some private garage. It was Mr. Block's opinion that Mrs. Hollinshead, whose husband Redfield Hollinshead is engaged in the radio business, is the highest type of person, and bears a splendid reputation in the neighborhood. Mr. Block further advised that Mrs. Hollinshead has stored cars in this garage for the past five or six years and that previous to her ownership of the Buick in question, she owned a Packard, which she had traded in for this Buick some time last year. Mr. Block continued, stating that to the best of his knowledge, the Buick car was never away from the garage during the period of its storage for any extended length of time. Mr. Block has been employed at this garage as a floorman for the past two years.

Miss Grace Koller, daughter of the superintendent of 911 McLean Avenue, Yonkers, New York, the address of the apartment house wherein Mr. and Mrs. Hollinshead live, stated that to the best of her knowledge, Mr. and Mrs. Hollinshead are and always have been the best type of tenants, who have always paid their rent on time, and about whom no complaints of any nature have been received. Miss Koller further advised that to the best of her knowledge, Mr. and Mrs. Hollinshead have lived in this apartment house for the past five or six years.

On a suitable pretext, agent interviewed Mrs. Florence Hollinshead in her apartment, 5 F, in the said apartment house, and was informed by her that she is the owner of a Buick sedan, black in color, bearing 1935 New York license plates 3V-4784, which car in 1934 bore New York license plates 2V-9337. She stated that her car never did have on the back thereof any sort of trunk. She further advised that she and her husband resided in this apartment house for the past six years, during which time she has owned various cars, none of which was ever taken by her to Chicago. In conclusion, Mrs. Hollinshead stated that she has never been in Chicago, even though she has always had the desire to go to the World's Fair. Mrs. Hollinshead is a woman of about 45 years of age, and of a very refined and cultured nature.

In reference to the car owned by Margaret Eager, bearing 1934 New York license plates 3U-3337, investigation at 2101 Cedar Avenue, Bronx, New York City, revealed that no one by the name of Margaret Eager presently resides at this house. This information was conveyed to agent by Albert Perriotto, who has been the elevator operator at this house for the past two years. He stated that up until the spring of 1934, a party by the name of James Eager had

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lived at this house. He described Mr. Eager as being married, the father of one child, and a New York City patrolman, who had lived at this house for a period approximating two years. Mr. Perriotto further advised that Mr. Eager had a new Buick sedan, black in color, which did not have a trunk on the back thereof. Mr. Perriotto, continuing, stated that to the best of his knowledge, the name of Mr. Eager's wife is Margaret. According to Mr. Perriotto, the Eager family has been a quiet one, of whom no complaints were ever received by the owners of the house, and they bore an excellent reputation among the tenants of the house.

At the 46th precinct police station, 181st Street and Eyer Avenue, Bronx, New York, it was ascertained from Lieutenant Charles Daly that James Eager is a plainclothesman, presently stationed at the 10th Division, Brooklyn, New York, who was formerly stationed as a patrolman at the 46th precinct, and was transferred to his present post of duty about a year ago. Lieutenant Daly further advised that Eager has a new Buick sedan which was purchased, in his opinion, by Eager in the name of Margaret Eager, his wife. Lieutenant Daly does not know Eager's present address, which is, he stated, somewhere in Brooklyn, nearby his present post of duty.

Mr. James Eager was interviewed at the office of the 10th Division, New York Police Department, Bath Avenue and Bay 22nd Street, Brooklyn, New York, where he is stationed as a plainclothesman and he advised that he has a black Buick sedan, 1934 model, which bore for the year 1934, New York license plates SU-3337, which car is registered in the name of his wife, Margaret Eager. Mr. Eager stated his present address is 351 Marine Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. He advised that his car has never been in Chicago, and that it does not bear a trunk on the back thereof.

The pretext used by agent in interviewing Mrs. Hollinshead, heretofore mentioned, was to the effect that agent stated to her upon presenting his credentials, that he was seeking to ascertain whether or not the Buick automobile owned by her was still in her possession because of the fact that a car similar to her car had been seen in Chicago and it was therefore thought that her car might have been stolen.

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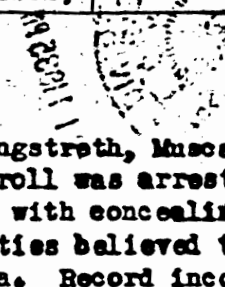
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| TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;<br/>Arthur R. Barker, with aliases, I.O. #1219;<br/>Russell Gibson, with aliases, I.O. #1213;<br/>Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I.O. #1232;<br/>et al.<br/>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                  |                                            | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br><b>KIDNAPING</b>     |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:<br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="width: 60%;"> <p>Chief of Police W. E. Longstreth, Muscatine, Iowa advises that Charles Carroll was arrested there May 24, 1934 and charged with concealing stolen property which were neckties believed to have been stolen at Davenport, Iowa. Record incomplete, and Carroll believed to be without friends or relatives in Muscatine.</p> </div> <div style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">  </div> </div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                  |                                            |                                            |
| REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, 12-21-34.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                  |                                            |                                            |
| DETAILS: <u>At Muscatine, Iowa:</u><br>Chief of Police W. E. Longstreth, after a search of the records of arrest of Charles Carroll found that he had been arrested May 24, 1934, and charged with concealing stolen property. Longstreth recalled from his own personal recollection that Carroll had in his possession a number of neckties which he was selling on the street. He was picked up on suspicion, and admitted that the neckties were stolen, but insisted that he had stolen them in Indiana, and that he should be free from prosecution. He was booked on the charge of concealment and plead guilty and was sentenced to 15 days imprisonment. After his release from jail, he immediately left town and he has not been seen in Muscatine since.<br><br>When Carroll was fingerprinted at Muscatine, he admitted that he "had done a stretch down in Kansas". He did not appear to have any friends or relatives in Muscatine, and no one visited him the entire time he was confined. |                                  |                                            |                                            |
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in jail. He did not have any attorney, and he was very reticent about giving any information as to his personal affairs. Nothing other than the information appearing on the fingerprint record was obtained by the Muscatine Police Department.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

February 5, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218 - Et Al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Under date of January 31, 1935, there was received from Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Miami, Florida, a telegram stating that Harry Sawyer was identified as being in Miami about January 15, 1935, driving a black Packard sedan, bearing New Jersey license plates. This telegram requested that the Philadelphia Office ascertain if the car was registered by him in New Jersey.

Special Agent J. R. Sharp made an examination of the motor vehicle registrations at Trenton, N.J., on the same date. It was ascertained that no license for 1934 or 1935 was issued to Harry Sawyer under his correct name or aliases. Although the records revealed several Harry Sawyers who appeared to be residents of New Jersey for the past several years, a check was made of these New Jersey drivers without any result. The descriptions of each of these Sawyers were checked against the description of Subject and none were found that might correspond or be identical.

The files of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, having yearly registrations filed by license numbers and owners' names are arranged alphabetically. All these files were searched under Harry Sawyer's correct name and aliases without ascertaining any identifying data with reference to the Packard sedan. The thought occurred that the car might be registered under Louie or Dutch Brooks and the records were searched without result. In this connection, it was

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ascertained through a perusal of the above captioned file that Sawyer usually has an alias starting with the letter "S". It is, therefore, thought that a search of all the owners and licensed drivers in New Jersey be made under the letter "S", in order to ascertain whether there is a recent registration of a black Packard sedan.

Very truly yours,

*R. G. Harvey* JH

R. G. HARVEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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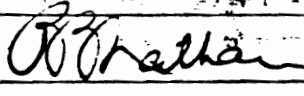
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| REPORT MADE AT:<br>Kansas City, Mo.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | DATE WHEN MADE:<br>2-4-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:<br>1-30, 31-35<br>2-1-35                                             | REPORT MADE BY:<br>W. F. TRAINOR |
| TITLE: <u>O CHANGED:</u><br>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;<br>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; ET AL<br>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                           |                                                                                             | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br>KIDNAPING  |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:<br><br><div style="text-align: center;">-P-</div> <p>Resume of information regarding contacts of Volney Davis, particularly referring to basic leads outstanding in Kansas City territory, reported upon review of file. Special efforts to locate him to be made through relatives of Edna Murray, his paramour. Earl Stuchlick, contact of Davis and Edna Murray, who is the alleged husband of Doris Connell, Edna's sister, is frequenting Kansas City and recently appeared at home of Edna Murray's brother at Pittsburg, Kansas.</p>                                                                       |                           |                                                                                             |                                  |
| DETAILS:<br><p>In view of the cancellation of Identification Orders as to Russell Gibson and Arthur R. Barker, the title as previously shown in reports from the office of origin is being changed in this report. However, it is anticipated in view of the recent indictments returned another change in title will be made by the office of origin in a report forthcoming in the near future; however, no effort is being made to give a full and complete title because of the fact that this office is not aware of the status of process now outstanding against the various individuals indicted at St. Paul, Minnesota.</p> |                           |                                                                                             |                                  |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:<br><br><div style="text-align: center;"> <br/>             SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE         </div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                           | RECORDED AND INDEXED:<br>FEB 8 1935<br>CHECKED OFF:<br>FEB 12 1935<br>JACKETED:             |                                  |
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A review of the Kansas City file in this case has been made to determine outstanding leads in this territory which have possibilities in causing the location of any of the subjects sought. Regarding these parties it is found that there are basic leads here relating principally to Subject Volney Davis and this report is devoted entirely to treatment of investigation looking toward the apprehension of Davis. Later a resume of facts in connection with investigation in this territory to locate other Subjects sought, showing their various connections, will be rendered by the Kansas City Office. The purpose of this report is to recapitulate information regarding Davis in order that all outstanding leads in this territory with possibilities may be further covered as to him.

The file reflects that Davis has evidently separated from other Subjects of this case, and that for several months he has been in more or less constant contact with persons other than the main group of Subjects.

RELATIVES OF VOLNEY DAVIS, as reflected by the file, are as follows:

PARENTS: Rodney E. and Mandy Davis, R.F.D., Neosho, Missouri.

SISTERS: Mrs. John G. (Bertha) Williams, 436 East Oklahoma Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Glenn (Ruby) Lamberson, 1616 East 8th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Luther B. (Irene) Hoffman, 416 East Oklahoma Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Charlie (Beulah) Porter, Oklahoma State Hospital, Vinita, Oklahoma. (Insane)

Mrs. John (Mildred) Harness, R.F.D., Neosho, Missouri (farm adjacent to father).

FRIENDS OF VOLNEY DAVIS, with whom he has been in contact during recent months are shown by the file as follows:

CORRY BALES and his paramour, Viola Gregg. These parties are from Aurora, Illinois, where Bales has been a gambler and "fixer". They proceeded from Aurora, Illinois, to Glasgow, Montana in the Fall of 1934, where Bales operates a gambling house at present. It was thought for some time that Davis would join Bales at Glasgow, but apparently he has not. Davis had an interest in the gambling establishment at Glasgow originally,

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but is believed to have lost his interest to Corey Bales. How-  
ever, the file shows that Davis and his paramour, Edna Murray,  
correspond with Corey Bales and Volney Davis.

Davis, together with Edna Murray, was in Aurora, Illinois,  
during March and April 1934, where they lived in close contact with Subjects  
WEAVER, ARTHUR R. BARKER and others. The file reflects that while Davis and  
Edna Murray lived at Aurora, during the period in question, there was an in-  
dividual known as WILLIAM CONNELLY with his wife, who resided close to them,  
and who apparently is a gangster. Connelly and his wife remained about a  
month after the departure of Davis and the others and the identity of Connelly  
has not been established. It will be noted, however, that through surveillance  
of the residence of HARRY C. STANLEY, at Pittsburg, Kansas, as later mentioned  
in this report, Stanley being a brother of Edna Murray, that an automobile  
registered to one E. A. CONNLEY appeared recently at the home of Harry Stanley,  
as shown in a letter from this office to the Oklahoma City Office dated  
January 26, 1935, investigation has been requested at Miami, Oklahoma, to  
determine the identity of E. A. CONNLEY.

The file indicates that Davis and Edna Murray have frequented  
Aurora, Illinois considerably for the past year and that they are known at  
Aurora as Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hanson. In Aurora, it appears that they make  
contacts with parties at TED'S TAVERN. The reports of Special Agent E. D.  
Brown dated at Chicago, Illinois, 10-6-34 and 10-27-34 show investigation at  
Aurora which resulted in the establishing of valuable sources of information  
there.

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It is also shown that Davis and Edna Murray probably spend con-  
siderable time at a tavern owned by TERRY DRUGGAN at Crystal Lake, Illinois.  
TERRY DRUGGAN is a well known gangster and it is the writer's impression that  
he is either serving at present in the United States Penitentiary at Leaven-  
worth, or that he may have been released during recent months. The file  
shows that Davis is in company with Edna Murray most of the time. She has  
numerous connections in the underworld which seem to be also those of Volney  
Davis. Concentrated effort to locate Edna Murray as a means to causing the  
apprehension of Davis, therefore, appears desirable.

The first definite data shown in the file indicating that  
Edna Murray and Volney Davis were traveling together developed upon the  
arrest of Paula Harmon, Wynona Burdette and Gladys Sawyer, at Cleveland, Ohio,  
during September 1934. Information was obtained from them that Davis was

traveling with a woman known as EDNA GRACE, an escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary. It was ascertained upon investigation that this individual is EDNA MURRAY, Register Number 28973, at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri. She was received there from Jackson County (Kansas City) Missouri, November 2, 1925, under sentence of 25 years on conviction of robbery. She escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary on December 15, 1932. Previous investigation established, according to her own statement, as shown in Kansas City file 31-106, that Edna Murray was born on May 26, 1896 at Marion, Kansas. Edna Murray has had an extensive criminal career and she is known as "The Kissing Bandit". She has been the wife or paramour of at least four other men before her present association with Volney Davis, these men being mentioned as follows:

FIRST: One Paton, father of her son Preston Paton, later to be mentioned herein. The whereabouts of the father of Preston Paton is not shown in this file.

SECOND: Walter Price, now residing at Cardin, Oklahoma, who bears a poor reputation.

THIRD: Joe Sullivan, known as "Diamond Joe", who was electrocuted at Little Rock, Arkansas, about 1923.

FOURTH: Jack Murray, now serving a 25 year term in the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, jointly convicted with Edna Murray on charge of robbery at Kansas City, Missouri in 1925.

It was found that the maiden name and the name of the family of Edna Murray is STANLEY. Investigation to determine the names and addresses of all relatives of Edna Murray has been made in an effort to locate Davis and her and the following have been found:

MOTHER MRS. N. D. (Inla) STANLEY, CARDIN, OKLAHOMA.

FATHER N. D. STANLEY, died at Cardin, Oklahoma, during Summer 1933.

SISTER DORIS (STANLEY) CONNELL, present location unknown. (Further discussion of Doris, who is closely connected with Edna will be had in this report).

BROTHERS MOTT STANLEY, Commerce, Oklahoma, a known bootlegger.

GLOYD STANLEY, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

HARRY STANLEY, Pittsburg, Kansas.

SON PRESTON PATON, alias Percy Paton, alias Perry Paton, alias Percy Price, residing with Mrs. N. D. Stanley, his grandmother, Cardin, Oklahoma.



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RALPH CRESSMAN, 9 South Congress Street, Emporia, Kansas.

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MRS. H. H. TAYLOR, Parkersville, Kansas.

Edna Murray has figured in previous investigations by this Division, as also has her sister Doris, and a review of other files in the Kansas City Office reflects the following, which may be helpful in locating the Murray woman and her sister, as a means to the apprehension of Volney Davis:

From investigation of the case entitled "EARL STUCHLICK alias Stewart; MRS. DORIS CONNELL alias Stewart; JACK MURRAY; EDNA MURRAY; JESSIE M. CRUTCHER; GUS NICHOLS; GEORGE BECKER; WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, New Orleans office of origin, Kansas City file 51-106, it would seem that those named in that investigation, except Becker, were arrested by New Orleans police in October 1924, having been recognized as remnants of the so-called "CONNELL GANG". Doris Connell, Edna Murray's sister, was the wife or woman of Emory Connell, now deceased. Doris and Earl Stuchlick were at that time found by New Orleans Police living as man and wife at the DeSota Hotel, in New Orleans, where the other Subjects of that case were also congregated. Becker evaded arrest. Doris Connell denied immoral relations with Earl Stuchlick when questioned at that time. The parties had all arrived in New Orleans from Kansas City, Missouri, by way of Memphis, Tennessee, driving two large automobiles. They proved ownership of the cars and were all released after being fingerprinted and photographed by New Orleans Police. No Federal prosecution was undertaken.

It was at that time developed that Stuchlick was a bootlegger in Kansas City, Missouri, and that Doris Connell had been running a joint in Kansas City.

Gus Nichols is now serving a long sentence in the Minnesota State Penitentiary. He is a Greek and at the time of his arrest in 1924, as here mentioned, he was the proprietor of a Cafe in Kansas City but was known as a bandit locally. Gus Nichols now has a brother, Frank Nichols, operating a cafe at 3906 Summit Street, Kansas City, Missouri, according to this file.

Jack Murray, who was arrested in New Orleans, is the same individual shown as the husband of Edna Murray heretofore in this report.

Jessie M. Crutcher, when arrested in New Orleans, gave his address as 4219 Virginia Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and said he was a stock salesman. The present whereabouts of Crutcher is not shown in this file. The New Orleans Police have photograph and fingerprints of Crutcher and it will be requested that the New Orleans Office secure a complete criminal record of him in order that he may be now located through this means, if possible.

The identity of George Becker, who was with these parties in New Orleans in 1924, has not been established.



Through the review of another file found in the Kansas City Office entitled "EARL STUHLICK alias Stewart - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT" (investigated in 1933), it was found that Earl Stuhlick, Jack Murray, Edna Murray (the same parties heretofore mentioned) and Subject Volney Davis, were arrested together by the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department on January 22, 1925, on charges of suspicion and investigation. Davis was returned at that time to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary from which he was an escape under sentence of life for murder. Stuhlick was released by the Kansas City Police without prosecution. Edna and Jack Murray were convicted of robbery and sentenced to the Missouri State Penitentiary during 1925, presumably as a result of this arrest, although the file in the Kansas City Office does not show that the details of that arrest were completely secured and same will be further investigated.

The investigation of the case of "EARL STUHLICK - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT" here mentioned, was begun on January 5, 1933, due to a request from the office of the Attorney General of Kansas at Topeka. It was shown that the Farmers & Merchants Bank at Hill City, Kansas, had been robbed on the night of December 16, 1932 by five men, who forced the cashier to open the vault, bound him, and stole a large quantity of bonds and about \$3000.00 in cash, several expensive firearms and some personal jewelry of the cashier. A large Nash Sedan which had been stolen at the point of a pistol at Kansas City, Missouri on the night of November 26, 1932 by two men, was definitely identified as having been in possession of some strange man who accompanied Earl Stuhlick in the vicinity of Hill City, Kansas on the night of the bank robbery. The car was found abandoned at Kansas City, Missouri after the bank robbery on December 29, 1932. The Kansas City Police found it at 23rd and Summit Streets here. The investigation developed quite definitely that Earl Stuhlick had participated to a large extent in the possession of the stolen automobile and in the perpetration of the bank robbery.

In that case it was also found that GEORGE FATELL alias Tony Fattella, Kansas City, Syrian racketeer, was found in possession of \$1000.00 worth of the bonds stolen from the Hill City Bank. Efforts to extradite Fatell to Hill City, Kansas failed, partially due to the support given him by Chief of Detectives Thomas H. Higgins of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department.

Stuhlick was not prosecuted on the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act charge as there was a charge of counterfeiting pending against him at Topeka, Kansas, and the United States Attorney therefore declined further prosecution. He was given a six months sentence in the County Jail at Topeka on the counterfeiting charge during April 1933.

Recently an interview was had with George Fatell in an effort to elicit information regarding his contacts with the Subjects in this case, and this interview is shown on pages 5 to 8 in the report of Special Agent M.C. Spear, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, December 19, 1934. It will be noted

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that Fatell operates a dice table at the Westport Recreation, a beer tavern operated by Harry Buchar, former Kansas City policeman, and located at 427 Westport, here. The business telephone at the Westport Recreation is Valentine 9579. Fatell resides at 3320 Jefferson, his residence phone being Logan 6525. Fatell is a Syrian and stands well with the local political machine, being particularly protected by Tom Conway, Assistant County Prosecutor, according to information given by Fatell to the writer. Fatell is known as a friend of Jimmie LaCapra, who furnished valuable information in connection with the Kansas City Massacre case. He was also a close friend of Jack Gregory and Ed Wilhite, who are mentioned in the report in the KATMO case by Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated September 5, 1934, at Kansas City, Missouri. Agent Spear's report indicates that Fatell admitted intimate acquaintance with Earl Stuchlick, Doris Connell, Edna Murray, Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis and other Subjects in this case.

Jack Murray, the husband of Edna Murray, has been interviewed by an Agent and disclaimed that he has received any communication from Edna since her escape in December 1932. However, he furnished information regarding her family and personal history which, through investigation, resulted in securing much of the data now available regarding her. It is believed that he might be a helpful source of further information.

The family of Edna Murray, Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Stanley, resided at Cardin, Oklahoma for over 25 years, originally having come from Kansas. The mother, Lula Stanley, is considered somewhat respectable but her two daughters, Doris and Edna, have led criminal careers from an early age. The father, N. D. Stanley, now deceased, made a living by renting shacks to coal miners at Cardin. There are a number of reliable residents in the vicinity of Cardin, Oklahoma, who furnished information regarding the Stanley family when approached by Agents of the Oklahoma City Office.

The son of Edna Murray, Preston Paton, is about 17 years of age, although it is indicated by parties interviewed at Aurora, Illinois, that he looks somewhat older.

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He wears fine clothes, does not work and makes periodic trips of a week or two away from Cardin to destinations unknown to informants there. He was absent for about two weeks up to October 8, 1934 on one of these trips, according to information received. It is felt by informants at Cardin that he is making contacts frequently with his mother and that she furnishes him with money. The file reflects that he was with his mother in Aurora, Illinois, during the month of April 1934.

Apparently he has contacts with this mob and would assist them "on his own" in their criminal activities. The Kansas City file does not reflect an adequate description of Preston Paton. It is shown, however, that he is tall and slender. Further comment will be made later in this report indicating the possibility that Preston Paton is now traveling with Earl Stuchlick.

Doris Connell, sister of Edna Murray, is thought to be in touch with Edna, and there is a probability that since they have always operated with the same criminals it might be possible to locate Edna through Doris. Doris Connell for most of the time since 1924 has been the paramour or wife of Earl Stuchlick and they have lived together a considerable portion of that time at Hill City, Kansas, which is the home of Stuchlick. The present location of Doris Connell, however, is unknown. It is indicated by the report of Special Agent Paul Hanson, dated at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma January 18, 1935, that Doris is believed residing somewhere near Kansas City, Missouri. The Kansas City file reflects no information to support this belief.

It is shown that Doris Connell has an eleven year old son named Mott Farrell, living with Mrs. Lula Stanley, her mother, at Cardin, Oklahoma. It was said by parties interviewed during November 1934, in the vicinity of Cardin, as shown by the report of Special Agent Paul Hanson, Oklahoma City, November 13, 1934, that Doris and her husband came to Cardin every month or two. Mr. H. D. Huddleston, Justice of the Peace, Cardin, Oklahoma, was to watch for the reappearance of Doris there and secure the license number of the car driven by her.

Inquiry at Hill City, Kansas, December 31, 1934, was made by Special Agent N. O. Scott of Sheriff Bill Jones, who is related to Earl Stuchlick, and of County Attorney J. S. Parker, but these officials advised that Doris "Stuchlick" had left her husband, Earl Stuchlick and returned to Oklahoma, place unknown to them. It appears from more recent developments later shown in this report that Earl Stuchlick called at the home of Doris Connell's brother, Harry C. Stanley, at Pittsburg, Kansas recently, and that Preston Paton, son of Edna Murray, may have been with him at that time. This might indicate that Doris and Earl Stuchlick are either together or in contact with each other now.

Doris Stanley Connell was reared at Cardin, Oklahoma, being the full sister of Edna Murray. She was the wife or paramour of Emory Connell, a notorious bandit, now deceased, who was a member of the Connell Gang that operated in Louisiana around 1920 to 1923. The file reflects that Emory Connell and Doris lived at Pearlinton, Mississippi for five months in late 1922 and early 1923, being known there to Mrs. E. L. Dean and Mrs. Louisa Summers, of Pearlinton, Mississippi, who have been recently interviewed. It is shown that during August of 1923 Doris again appeared at Pearlinton, Mississippi in company with a man known as Tom Owens and two others known as Arthur Clay

and Melvin Stofar, remaining four days on that occasion. She then had with her her infant son, Kott, who is now residing at Cardin, Oklahoma, as heretofore mentioned. The New Orleans Office made investigation of the above individuals on a charge of National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, but the Kansas City file is obscure regarding that investigation. It is shown, however, that Emory Connell had a friend named E. McVAY, who is known to attorney E. R. Hoover, of New Orleans, Mr. Hoover having been recently interviewed. McVay is thought to still be in New Orleans but has not been located to date. From interviews at Pearlinton, Mississippi the opinion was expressed by parties there that Doris Connell was very intelligent and the brains of the gang with which she traveled during 1934.

IRENE McCANN, Prison register number 38958, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, escaped in December 1932 from that prison with Edna Murray. Irene McCann voluntarily surrendered herself in Chicago, Illinois, January 17, 1934 and is now at the Missouri State Penitentiary. She was interviewed recently and refused to give any information whatever but admitted that she could readily contact Edna Murray. Her communications received and sent from the penitentiary are being shown of record pursuant to a request from this office, although the recording of such communications is not customarily done at the penitentiary. These should be reviewed in the near future and a further interview should be had with Irene McCann for any additional information which she might furnish.

It might be interesting to note that Irene McCann surrendered in Chicago on the same day that Victim Bremer was kidnaped in St. Paul. Whether this has any significance with the kidnaping is unknown.

It is shown by the file that Mrs. Sadie Elliott, 923 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, mother of Mrs. Jack (Jackie) Sutherland, might be in possession of valuable information regarding the location of Volney Davis since Jack Sutherland, who is now in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, is a close friend of Volney Davis. Mrs. Elliott has been interviewed recently and no definite information from her was secured which would be helpful. Jack Sutherland, now serving in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, should be interviewed and his correspondence record should be checked.

From the criminal record of Edna Murray, investigation disclosed that upon the arrest of Edna and Jack Murray at Joplin, Missouri, December 14, 1924, there was arrested with them one Edward G. Graham, alias Bill Barnes, alias Edward Brothey, alias Edward Sully, Joplin, Missouri Police Department Number 2709, who had served three terms in Oklahoma, and that on May 28, 1925, that individual was received at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas to serve a term of four to eight years for second degree burglary. He was then 48 years old. A further check of this party should be made to determine



his identity and present location. This investigation should be made both at Lansing, Kansas and McAlester, Oklahoma.

The Kansas City Office is requesting that his criminal record be furnished to this and the Oklahoma City Office by the Division.

The file reflects that Harry C. Stanley and wife resided at an apartment located at 210 1/2 North 12th Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma from October 1, 1934 to November 1, 1934. Volney Davis and Edna Murray, driving a new Sedan, either a Pontiac, Buick or Oldsmobile according to informants, came for a visit to the Stanleys at Muskogee and remained from October 15th to about October 24, 1934. Stanleys received a letter from [redacted] Illinois on October 23, bearing no return address. Stanleys left Muskogee in their automobile on November 1, 1934, shipping a trunk to Pittsburg, Kansas, to the home of W. H. Boice, the father of the wife of Harry C. Stanley. Harry Stanley and his wife visited the Boice family for a day or so after November 1, 1934 and then proceeded in their car to Glasgow, Montana, where, on November 7, 1934, Stanley and wife arrived at the gambling establishment of Coray Bales.

It is definitely shown that on November 8, 1934 Volney Davis was in Chicago [redacted]

Harry C. Stanley and wife returned to Pittsburg, Kansas from Glasgow, Montana, and after remaining for a short time at the residence of W.H. Boice they secured rooms at 206 East Adams Street, which is the home of John C. Lucas, at Pittsburg, Kansas.

It is shown that [redacted] a reliable informant, [redacted] and that he has been interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] and promised to inform of any unusual occurrences at the Boice residence that might aid in this investigation.

It is also shown that [redacted] a reliable informant, resides at [redacted] is watching all occurrences at the Stanley abode and reports information to Agents at Pittsburg regarding the appearance of certain automobiles driven by visitors of the Stanleys.

Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and D. A. Bryce are now at Pittsburg, Kansas, keeping in close contact with all occurrences with reference to the Stanleys and this surveillance will be continued during the period when it appears that same is profitable, which at present seems desirable.

The report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, January 4, 1935, sets out information regarding the appearance of a Pontiac 1934 model Sedan bearing 1934 Missouri license 585-264, which was observed at the Stanley residence in Pittsburg, Kansas. It is shown that upon checking

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those license tags it was found that they were issued to GRACE R. HANSEN (aliases Grace and Hansen have been used at different times by Edna Murray) Grace R. Hansen, when securing her license tag, gave her address as Box 102, Belton, Missouri. The Pontiac car bears motor number 1058715 and was purchased October 11, 1934 from Noel V. Wood Company, Pontiac Dealers, Kansas City, Missouri by the woman using the name "Grace R. Hansen". She purchased the car for cash in the amount of \$886.90, Mr. Lohmeyer of the Noel V. Wood Company having been the salesman. When she bought the car she said she was purchasing it while her "boy friend was flush". She gave no residence address. Parties at Noel V. Wood Company, who saw this woman, have failed to make any identification of the photograph of Edna Murray. However, they furnish general detailed description of that woman which might fit Edna Murray. [REDACTED] expires December [REDACTED] determined [REDACTED] closed and no further calls have been made by the [REDACTED].

A flash card for the 1935 license registration on Pontiac Sedan, motor number 1058715, has been placed in the records of automobile registration division at the State Capitol, Jefferson City, Missouri.

It is indicated by memorandum of Special Agent William B. O'Mahoney, dated January 12, 1935, that this Pontiac car, bearing the same 1934 license tags, appeared at the Stanley residence at Pittsburg two weeks before that date, but the information was not reported by the Agent's informant until the car had departed. The Agents are to secure a residence as close to the Stanley abode as possible at such time as there is one vacant, but up to date there has been no such possibility.

It will be noted that Volney Davis and Edna Murray were driving a new Sedan, thought possibly to be a Pontiac, while at Muskogee, Oklahoma from October 13 to 24, 1934. It will be noted also that they did considerable traveling between Muskogee and Chicago, Illinois, shortly after October 24th.

It was found at Belton, Missouri that Grace R. Hansen was unknown to anyone there. Post Office Box 102 was rented by a man. This man also purchased a city automobile license tag at Belton on November 11, 1934, according to investigation by Agents O'Mahoney and Shanahan. When he purchased the city tag he said his name was Grace R. Hansen, which is a peculiar circumstance. Parties at Belton, Missouri, where the city tag was issued, upon viewing the various photographs of Subjects in this case expressed an opinion that the photograph of Volney Davis might be a likeness of the man who said his name was Grace R. Hansen. The writer made inquiry at Belton, Missouri on February 1, 1935, to determine whether there has been any subsequent appearance of the Hansens at Belton, either in connection with the Post Office Box or the purchase of a new city tag since November 11, 1934, but no such appearance has been made. It was ascertained also that no specimen of signature



of Hansen could be secured at Belton since he made no written application either for the Post Office Box or the city license.

The file reflects that in previous instances Volney Davis used a Post Office Box in small towns close to Chicago, Illinois and St. Paul, Minnesota, which he rented and used only for a short period while receiving license registration papers for automobiles purchased and registered by him.

The Noel V. Wood Company's records at Kansas City, where the Pontiac car was purchased, reflect that it was serviced there on the following dates with the following mileage shown:

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| November 3, 1934  | Mileage 6503  |
| November 12, 1934 | Mileage 7011  |
| December 17, 1934 | Mileage 12240 |
| December 22, 1934 | Mileage 13464 |

Arrangements are in effect at the Noel V. Wood Company whereby this office will be immediately notified in the event the Pontiac Sedan is again brought in for service. It has not appeared there to date since December 22, 1934, as inquiry was made on February 1, 1935.

Whether this Pontiac car is in possession of Volney Davis and Edna Murray has not been definitely determined. However, the above circumstances would indicate a possibility that this is true and if within a short time the car is not registered in Missouri a circular letter will be issued in order to endeavor to locate it.

The New Orleans Office by letter of 1-8-35 advised the Chicago Office that M. J. Connell, brother of the deceased Emory Connell, had approached an attorney in New Orleans, Louisiana requesting that he be furnished a mortgage note on the farm of his father, Thomas Connell, at Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. M. J. Connell furnished his address as 6313 Cottage Grove, Chicago, Illinois. It is evident that M. J. Connell is a brother-in-law of Doris Connell. Attention of the Chicago Office is directed to this angle with the suggestion that appropriate investigation be made in an effort to locate Doris Connell through the above addresses at Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin and Chicago, Illinois.

As shown in the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, February 2, 1935, Chevrolet Coupe bearing Missouri license number 37-618, appeared recently at the abode of the Stanleys at Pittsburg, Kansas. This car was purchased at Kansas City, Missouri, and registered to P. L. Paden, 3830 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri, same being a Chevrolet Coupe, 1933 Model, Motor number 14155. Agent Shanahan's report indicates inquiries at 3830 Main, at which time no identification was made from photographs of the various Subjects shown.

Mrs. Collier, who operates the Colonial Hotel, at 3830 Main Street,

Kansas City, Missouri, informed the Kansas City Office on January 30, 1935 that the same party, Paden, had appeared at the hotel the previous night.

The writer immediately proceeded to the Colonial Hotel where Mrs. Collier informed that on the previous night Paden, together with an older man, appeared at the hotel. The older man registered under the name of "E. STEWART, TOPEKA, KANSAS". The registration card was produced by Mrs. Collier showing that the registration was on 1-29-35. The original registration card bearing the handwriting of E. Stewart is in the possession of this office and is being forwarded to the Division. She stated that Stewart remained all night, having left real early the morning of January 30th, and that the younger man went out about 2 o'clock in the morning and did not return. There is no telephone in the hotel and no conversation between the two men was overheard. She stated that when Stewart departed he informed her that he would be gone for two or three days but that he would be back. She promised that she would telephone this office immediately upon the return of this party.

In view of the use of the alias "E. Stewart" by Earl Stuchlick in the past it was believed that Earl Stuchlick might be identical with E. Stewart. The Kansas City file regarding Earl Stuchlick reflects that he was indicted for counterfeiting during April 1933 at Topeka, Kansas. Investigation at the office of the United States Secret Service, Kansas City, Missouri reflected that on January 22, 1933, Stuchlick received a six months sentence in the County Jail at Topeka, Kansas upon conviction for counterfeiting. A photograph of Earl Stuchlick as taken by the Agents of the Secret Service was secured from Mr. William Davenport, in charge of that office in Kansas City, Missouri. This photograph was taken February 25, 1933. His description is there recorded as

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| AGE    | 40            |
| HEIGHT | 5'7 1/2"      |
| WEIGHT | 150 lbs.      |
| BUILD  | Medium        |
| HAIR   | Dark Chestnut |
| EYES   | Blue          |
| F.P.C. | 9 R OI 9      |
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It is evident that this is the same individual mentioned in the instant case since his fingerprint classification is the same.

A photograph of Earl Stuchlick was displayed to Mrs. Collier at the Colonial Hotel and she identified it as a photograph of E. Stewart.

From a description of the party known as Paden who stopped at the Colonial Hotel with Stuchlick, it is evident that he may be identical with

Preston Paton, the son of Edna Murray. The description which Mrs. Collier furnished was that he is real tall, wears snappy clothes and that he is around 21 years of age, although she was not sure as to his age, and did not observe him closely.

At the date of the dictation of this report, February 2, 1935, Mrs. Collier has not notified this office that these parties have returned. Occasional inquiry has been made through her each day since January 30th to inquire if they have returned and she has stated they have not. It is believed she is sincere in her statement she will notify this office when they do return. It is intended they will be shadowed in their car when they again appear at Kansas City since it is evident they may be in touch with Edna Murray.

Descriptions of Edna Murray, Doris Connell and Earl Stuchlick are being set forth for ready reference in case of future need:

EDNA MURRAY

(According to records of the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri)

|                      |                                                                                                                     |
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| NAME                 | EDNA MURRAY, aliases: Velma Tippetts, Velma Champaign, Edna Sullivan, Doris Farrell, Edna Grace, Mrs. J. E. Hanson. |
| AGE                  | 38 (pursuant to her verbal statement)                                                                               |
| HEIGHT               | 5'11"                                                                                                               |
| WEIGHT               | 115 lbs.                                                                                                            |
| HAIR                 | Light auburn                                                                                                        |
| EYES                 | Dark blue                                                                                                           |
| COMPLEXION           | Medium fair                                                                                                         |
| BUILD                | Medium slender                                                                                                      |
| MARKS & SCARS        | Small flesh mole left upper lip near corner of mouth.                                                               |
| F.P.C.               | 1 R 5                                                                                                               |
| HANDWRITING SPECIMEN | In possession of Division and Division Offices                                                                      |
| MARITAL STATUS       | Married                                                                                                             |
| PLACE OF BIRTH       | Marion, Kansas                                                                                                      |
| PHOTOGRAPH           | In Kansas City file.                                                                                                |
| FINGERPRINTS         | In possession of Division.                                                                                          |
|                      | Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri                                                               |
|                      | Number 28973.                                                                                                       |

DORIS CONNELL

(According to the fingerprint records of the Division.)

|                |                                                                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NAME           | DORIS CONNELL, aliases - Doris O'Connor,<br>Doris Johnson, Mrs. Emory Connell. |
| AGE            | 31                                                                             |
| HEIGHT         | 5'4"                                                                           |
| WEIGHT         | 125 lbs.                                                                       |
| EYES           | Dark brown                                                                     |
| HAIR           | Dark brown                                                                     |
| COMPLEXION     | Fair                                                                           |
| BUILD          | Slender                                                                        |
| PLACE OF BIRTH | Marion, Kansas                                                                 |
| F.P.C.         | 9 A 14<br>17 E A 14                                                            |
| FINGERPRINTS   | In possession of Division                                                      |
| Police Number  | 6933, New Orleans, La. Police Department.                                      |
| PHOTOGRAPH     | In possession of Division and Division<br>Offices.                             |

EARL STUHLICK

(Description received from Secret Service Unit,  
Treasury Department, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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|---------------|-------------------------------------------|
| AGE           | 40 (February 1933)                        |
| HEIGHT        | 5'7"                                      |
| WEIGHT        | 150 lbs.                                  |
| BUILD         | Medium                                    |
| HAIR          | Dark Chestnut                             |
| EYES          | Brown                                     |
| F.P.C.        | 9 ROI 9<br>4 M                            |
| Police Number | 13403, Kansas City, Missouri Police Dept. |

All offices receiving copies of this report are requested  
to carefully review same and to pursue any possible investigation in  
those territories looking toward the location of Volney Davis.

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U. S. Department of Justice  
**Bureau of Investigation**  
 1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
 KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
 FEBRUARY 5, 1935.

Director,  
 Bureau of Investigation,  
 Department of Justice,  
 Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;  
 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,  
 I.O. #1232; ET AL  
 EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
 KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

| Name (inc. aliases)                                                                       | City, Police Arrest, or Other Number. | Approximate Date Fingerprints forwarded Bureau of Investigation. | Fingerprint Classification. |
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| <i>7</i><br>EDWARD G. GRAHAM,<br>aliases, Bill<br>Barnes, Edward Brothey,<br>Edward Sully | Joplin, Mo.<br>P.D. #2709.            |                                                                  |                             |

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*  
 R. B. NATHAN  
 Special Agent in Charge.

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February 14, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,  
with aliases, I.O. #1232; et al.  
Edward George Bremer - Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication of February 8, 1935,  
regarding EDWARD G. GRAHAM, Joplin, Missouri Police #2709,  
there is transmitted herewith the criminal record of this  
individual as reflected by the fingerprint files of the Federal  
Bureau of Investigation.

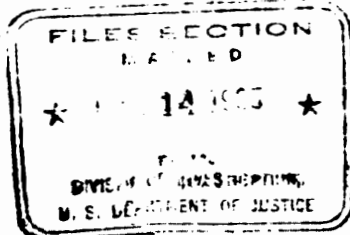
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #293862.

CC - Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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*J. E. Hoover*  
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| TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218<br/>ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219<br/>RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1215<br/>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232, ET AL<br/>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim</b> |                                  |                                              | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br><b>KIDNAPING</b>        |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

MRS. MELVIN M. (Goldie) VOSBERG, Long Beach, Calif., stated that KATE BARKER and the two Barker boys were at her place for about twenty minutes in 1933, and that KATE BARKER was in Los Angeles and Long Beach approximately two weeks the latter part of August, 1934; that she, Mrs. Vosberg, went to San Francisco with KATE BARKER and spent four days with her at the Whitcomb Hotel. MRS. VOSBERG claims that she knows practically nothing of KATE BARKER'S activities or the activities of the Barker boys, as she has seen the boys only once and Kate twice in ten years; that KATE BARKER had railroad ticket over the C.N.W. from Chicago and return, purchased 8-1-34. Unable to find any record of police special revolver No. 273652 shipped to Cline Cline & Co., Los Angeles, 12-29-32.

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**REFERENCE:**

Letter from S.A.C. E.J. Connelley, dated at Jacksonville, Fla. 1-20-35, and letter of S.A.C. M.H. Purvis, Chicago, to Washington Field Office, dated 1-19-35.

**DETAILS:**

Agent interviewed MRS. MELVIN M. (Goldie) VOSBERG, 2357 Magnolia Avenue, Long Beach, California, a sister of KATE BARKER. MRS. VOSBERG stated that her father's name is R. R. REYNOLDS, and that her mother's name is EMMA REYNOLDS.

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both of Tulsa, Oklahoma; that KATE BARKER'S name was KATE DONNIE REYNOLDS, and her husband's name was GEORGE BARKER; that she does not know GEORGE BARKER'S address.

MRS. VOSBERG stated she is forty-seven years of age, and that she did not know KATE BARKER'S correct age, but that she was approximately fifteen years older than she; MRS. VOSBERG stated that she had not seen KATE BARKER nor the BARKER boys for approximately ten years, until either April or May, 1933, the exact date of which she cannot remember; that KATE BARKER and the two boys came to her place in Long Beach, driving a large car, and to the best of her judgment, it was a Buick car. She stated they did not get out of the car, but parked in front of her place and remained in the car; that she went out and got in the car and sat there and talked to them for approximately twenty minutes; that they went away, and she did not see the boys again; that she did not know where they were staying, as they did not tell her, and they did not tell her what names they were using.

MRS. VOSBERG stated that about a week later, KATE and a young lady, approximately twenty-five years of age, small of stature and of blonde complexion, came to her place, she believes in the same Buick automobile - at least it was a large car and resembled the car which they were in when KATE and the boys were there; that the young lady was not in the car at the time KATE and the boys were there; that on this occasion, KATE and the girl stayed for approximately one hour; that neither came in the house, but that she went out and sat in the car and talked with KATE.

MRS. VOSBERG stated that she asked KATE about the boys, and that KATE said "Oh, they are getting along fine; they are very busy in Chicago, you know the World's Fair is on, and they are busy night and day", and this is all that she remembers that KATE said with respect to the boys. She stated that she did not press KATE for information about them, as she knew that the boys were both ex-convicts, and that she had no idea what they might be doing. She stated she did not know that KATE had indulged in any illegal practices of her own accord, but that she has known for many years that KATE was "crazy about the boys" and could not permit them to be out of her sight for a very great length of time.

MRS. VOSBERG stated she did not know where they stayed on that trip. Agent asked if they might have stayed with MRS. HENNEBERGH, another sister who lives in Los Angeles, and she stated she did not know, but did not believe so. She further stated that she, Mrs. Vosberg, and her sister MRS. HENNEBERGH have been on the "outs" for many years, and that she has not seen nor talked with her sister for many years.

It was Agent's impression, from what MRS. VOSBERG said, that MRS. VOSBERG probably knew that Agent was informed of the fact that KATE and the two boys had been to her place in 1933, and she immediately volunteered that KATE was in California for approximately two weeks during the latter

part of August, 1934, and stated that, so far as she knew, KATE was alone on that trip; that KATE was at the Rosslyn Hotel, and had either Room No. 405 or 504, and called her on the long distance telephone and asked her to come to Los Angeles to that room in the Rosslyn Hotel to see her; that she went to Los Angeles, to the Rosslyn Hotel, arriving shortly before luncheon time; that she and KATE had luncheon in the Rosslyn Hotel Cafe; that they walked around a few blocks, window shopping, and returned to the hotel and visited until about 4:00 o'clock, at which time she returned to her home in Long Beach. She stated that she saw no one with KATE at this time, and that KATE did not mention anyone, and so far as she knows, no one was with KATE on this trip. She stated that a few days later, KATE called her again on the telephone and asked her to come and visit with her; that she again went to the Rosslyn Hotel, and through approximately the same procedure as above mentioned, and returned to her home in Long Beach.

MRS. VOSBERG stated that some three or four days later, KATE again called her on the telephone and told her that she was leaving for Chicago within the next two or three days, and that she desired to see her again before she left. MRS. VOSBERG stated that she requested KATE to come down and visit her, and KATE promised to do so; that she promised to meet KATE at the Interurban Station near her home; that KATE came and she met her, and they spent the afternoon at her home; that at about 5:00 o'clock, KATE stated she would not stay all night, and stated she believed she would stay in Long Beach during the night; that she called a cab and left; that she does not know the hotel at which KATE stopped in Long Beach; that during the afternoon, KATE had told her that she desired to do her a little favor, and requested her to accompany her to San Francisco on the steamship YALE; that she agreed to do so, and arrangements were made.

MRS. VOSBERG stated that the next morning, KATE came to her place in a taxicab, and they went from her home to Wilmington, California, where they took the Steamship YALE for San Francisco; that she registered on board the ship in her correct name - MRS. VOSBERG; that she does not know the name which KATE used; that they occupied the same stateroom; that upon their arrival in San Francisco, they took a cab to the Whitcomb Hotel where she registered in her own name, but she does not know what name KATE registered under; that they had a large room and she believes it was on the top floor, but she does not remember the number of the room; that they stayed there four days, sight-seeing, window shopping, etc., and that they met no one of Kate's friends while there, and that Kate did not introduce her to anyone, and she did not see anyone in Kate's company.

MRS. VOSBERG stated that KATE had a return ticket to Chicago, and that KATE left the hotel to go to her train to Chicago before she took her train back to Long Beach; that KATE paid the entire expenses of this trip, and the return ticket for her to Long Beach.

It will be remembered, as is reflected from the various reports from the Los Angeles Division Office, that MEL VOSEBERG, the son of MRS. VOSEBERG, has been contacted relative to this matter on a number of occasions, and at one time he furnished some information which, it is believed, resulted in the location of the place where KATE and the BARKER boys had lived in Chicago, but they had moved before the information reached Chicago.

MRS. VOSEBERG, on several occasions while Agent was interviewing her, stated that she has three boys ranging from twenty-three to seventeen years of age, and that none of them knows anything about the fact that KATE BARKER was their aunt, and that the BARKER boys were their cousins; that she did everything in her power to keep this information from them.

MRS. VOSEBERG also stated that this was perhaps the reason why KATE did not visit her in her home, and perhaps the reason why KATE did not stay overnight at her home, although she stated she was not well prepared to take care of her if she had wanted to stay, for the reason that they are in very moderate circumstances and have a very small bungalow home.

MRS. VOSEBERG had never been personally contacted by the Los Angeles Division Office, as it was deemed inadvisable to do so, and it was at all times believed and hoped that the VOSEBERG boy would be able to obtain information of value.

Agent interviewed WILLIAM W. McKEIGHAN, assistant manager of the Rosslyn Hotel, Los Angeles, and a thorough search of the records of the hotel was made in an effort to find the name under which KATE BARKER had registered while there, and in that way, through telephone calls and otherwise, to ascertain who, if anyone, KATE BARKER contacted while here; however, no record was found of her registration under her name or aliases. A thorough check was also made of the rooms numbered 405 and 504, and it was ascertained that no one bearing her name, or her aliases, occupied either of those rooms during the month of August and first half of September, 1934.

GLEN LEMON, ticket clerk, Los Angeles Steamship Company, and Agent made a search of the passenger list on the Steamship YALE, and found that on September 3, 1934, a "MRS. VOSEBERG and MRS. F. HOWARD" were assigned to stateroom No. 5 on the trip from Wilmington to San Francisco; that MRS. VOSEBERG had a one-way ticket, Form 25, No. 22005, and "MRS. HOWARD" secured a ticket as a portion of a railway ticket, and that the steamship ticket issued thereon was Form 2505, No. 6781, and the railway ticket M.R. 12, No. 1768, sold at Chicago, Illinois on August 1, 1934. The record did not show the address of the party purchasing the railway ticket either at Los Angeles or Chicago, but MR. LEMON stated that the



round-trip railway ticket which MRS. F. HOWARD (Kate Barker) had would, no doubt, bear the signature of the party purchasing it, and that same would be in Chicago at the general offices of the Chicago Northwestern Railway Company.

It was ascertained that Ticket Agent C. M. RECTOR sold the tickets for the steamship trip from Wilmington to San Francisco. A picture of KATE BARKER was shown to him, but he was unable to recognize her or remember having sold a ticket to her.

After obtaining this information from the office of the Steamship Company, Agent returned to the Rosslyn Hotel and made a further search, in an effort to get the record of "MRS. F. HOWARD". A thorough search failed to reveal any information with respect to anyone registering in that name. The only party by the name of "HOWARD" found between August 15th and September 5th was MRS. C. A. HOWARD, Salem, Oregon, and a MRS. F. SHAW, Salem, Oregon, who had Room 401, and registered on August 29th.

With respect to the following memorandum which was found at the time of KATE BARKER'S demise

"44307 2357 Magnolia Ave  
Long Beach, Calif. Donnie"

MRS. VOSBERG stated that this memorandum, with the exception of the name "Donnie" is in her handwriting, and that she gave it to KATE BARKER when she came to visit KATE BARKER at the Rosslyn Hotel on her first visit in 1934; that all of the memorandum is in her handwriting, with the exception of the name "Donnie", which is in the handwriting of KATE BARKER, and that the first number is her, Mrs. Vosberg's, telephone number, and the other number is her street address.

Referring to the letter of reference from Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis, relative to .38 calibre police special revolver No. 273652, which was shipped to Cline, Cline & Company, Los Angeles, California, December 29, 1922, Agent interviewed MR. W. H. CLINE, JR., 1409 South Gramercy Place, Los Angeles, telephone Parkway 1426.

MR. CLINE stated that he and his associates had sold out their business in 1929 to the Dyas Sporting Goods Company, and that the Dyas Sporting Goods Company went into bankruptcy in 1931. He stated, however, that he has retained, and now has in his possession, the books containing the records of firearms purchased and sold by them, which were required to be kept by the California State Law.



A thorough search of these books failed to reveal that said company had purchased said gun on or about the date given; that is, there was no record of said gun, and he stated that the books which he had in his possession covered the entire time that they were in business in Los Angeles.

No lead is being set out for the San Francisco Division Office, but the matter of determining what investigation, if any, should be made at the Whitcomb Hotel, is left to the discretion of that office.

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

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. #1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,  
I.O. #1232; ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

There is being transmitted herewith a registration card dated 1-29-35 from the Colonial Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri, showing the registration of one "E. Stewart", which is probably an alias of one Earl Stuchlick. A photograph of Earl Stuchlick has been identified as a likeness of that party.

It is requested that a handwriting analysis be made to determine definitely whether same is identical with the signature of Earl Stuchlick, which name appears on fingerprint cards of this individual. His police number at Kansas City, Missouri is 13403.

There is also transmitted a recent photograph of Earl Stuchlick taken during February 1933 by the Secret Service Agents of Kansas City, Missouri. It is requested that several copies of this photograph be furnished to the Chicago, St. Paul, Oklahoma City and Kansas City offices.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*  
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Case: Brekid

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Specimens: One registration card dated 1-29-35 from the Colonial Hotel,  
Kansas City, Missouri, showing the registration of one "E. Stewart".  
One photograph of Earl Stuchlick #13403 Kansas City, Mo. PD.

Examination requested by: Kansas City <sup>Bureau</sup> Division Office.

Date received: 2-9-35

Examination requested: Handwriting

Result of examination:

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Examination by: Appel

FORWARD COPIES OF PHOTOGRAPH TO CHICAGO, ST. PAUL, OKLAHOMA CITY, and  
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February 6, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:-

With reference to letter from the Saint Paul Office to the Omaha Office, dated January 28, 1935, with enclosure of a letter from Alice Conrad to Mr. Ladd of the Saint Paul Office in connection with the BREMER KIDNAPING CASE, please be advised that Alice Conrad is not now located at Lakeview, Iowa.

I am informed today that she is receiving General Delivery, Peoria, Illinois, a letter being forwarded to her there by the Postmaster at Lakeview, Iowa, with a return address, "825 4th Avenue South, Minneapolis".

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
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P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois,

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232;  
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated January 30th, 1935, to the St. Paul Office, on the above captioned case, regarding Pontiac Coach, 1933 Model, motor #933153, serial #815237.

In letter from this office to you under date of January 4th, 1935, you were informed that this car had not been registered in the State of Arkansas during the year 1934. On February 4th, 1935, it was learned at the Department of Revenue, Automobile License Division, Little Rock, Arkansas, that this car has not yet been registered in Arkansas during 1935 and a Flash Card was placed in the 1935 records.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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Kansas City, Missouri, February 6, 1935.

R. E. Vetterli  
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BREKID JESS DOYLE LEFT KANSAS CITY ABOUT NOON TODAY DRIVING NINETEEN THIRTY THREE BLACK CHEVROLET COUPE MISSOURI NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE LICENSE ONE NINE THREE DASH THREE EIGHT NAUGHT MOTOR NUMBER THREE THREE SIX NINE NINE TWO NAUGHT STOP CAR HAS BLACK PATENT LEATHER TIRE COVER OF SULLIVAN CHEVROLET COMPANY KANSAS CITY MISSOURI STOP DIVISION AUTHORIZES

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326 1/2 Post Office Building,  
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February 6, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
Arthur R. Barker, with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
Russell Gibson, with aliases, I.O. 1213;  
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I.O. 1232;  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING.

I am transmitting herewith copies of a circular letter issued to law enforcement officers on the mailing list of the New Orleans Division Office, with respect to Subjects Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, in the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,

*D. W. Magee*

D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley Chicago, Ill.  
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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New Orleans, Louisiana.  
February 2, 1935

TO ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS; I. O. #1218  
HARRY CAMPBELL.  
KIDNAPING

The apprehension of the above named Subjects is desired by this office. On January 20, 1935, they engaged in gun battle with the Police at Atlantic City, N.J., and Subject Harry Campbell is said to have received a gun shot wound in the course of the encounter with the police. These men are described as follows:

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| NAME           | <u>ALVIN KARPIS</u> , aliases: A. Carter, Raymond Hadley, George Haller, A. Karpis, Alvin Karpis, George Dunn, R.E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E.L. Burns, R.L. Burns, J.J. Burns, William Lohman, E.L. Burnes. | <u>HARRY CAMPBELL</u> , aliases: Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L. Martin. |
| AGE:           | 24 years                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 30 years                                                                           |
| HEIGHT:        | 5'9"                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 5'5"                                                                               |
| WEIGHT:        | 130 pounds (1930)                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 135 pounds                                                                         |
| EYES:          | Brown                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Blue                                                                               |
| HAIR:          | Brown                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Brown                                                                              |
| BUILD:         | Slender                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Medium                                                                             |
| COMPLEXION:    | Light                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Ruddy                                                                              |
| SCARS & MARKS: | 1 Vac. cic. otr. Small pit cic. on face<br>Has unusually long manicured fingernails,<br>hands are white, fingers long, very<br>noticeable.                                                                             | Said to walk with<br>slight limp.                                                  |

These men are very dangerous criminals and will shoot to kill on the least provocation. Federal warrants are in existence for their arrest. Identification Order #1218, issued by this Division, contains photograph of ALVIN KARPIS, and if you do not have this Identification Order available, kindly advise this office and same will be furnished you.

Should you secure any information concerning the location of these men, please advise this office by telephone, collect, RAYMOND 1965, New Orleans, La., or by telegram, government rate COLLECT, addressed as follows:

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE,  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
326 1/2 POST OFFICE BUILDING,  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.

These men may frequent hospitals in your vicinity if they were seriously wounded at Atlantic City, N.J., as reports have led us to believe.

Very truly yours,

*D. W. Magee*  
D.W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Department of Justice  
POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

February 6, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232  
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter of the Philadelphia office dated January 26, 1935, indicating that the father of ALVIN KARPIS had interested himself in obtaining custody of the expected baby of DOLORES DELANEY, there being a letter enclosed from George B. Holmes, Attorney, Chicago, Illinois, to the United States Attorney at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who requested him to deliver a letter to the girl, indicating that they would take the baby and keep it permanently if the mother is not able or not allowed to keep it; that if Dolores Delaney is allowed her freedom they would also be glad to take her in and care for her and the child also.

In this connection it is believed that possibly it would facilitate the possible sentence of this woman in Court at Miami, Florida upon conviction, if the members of either her family or the Karpis family were allowed to take custody of the baby having since been born to Dolores Delaney at Philadelphia. However this is being left to the discretion of the Division as to whether or not they wish to advise the Philadelphia office in the premises, as to what further conferences, if any, they should have with the United States Attorney at Philadelphia as to the attitude to be taken in connection with the efforts of the family of either Dolores Delaney or Alvin Karpis in obtaining custody of this child. Undoubtedly if this woman appears at Miami, Florida with the child it will create a sympathetic attitude toward her on the part of the court or jury, whichever may consider the facts in her case.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.  
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Miami, Florida,  
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Mr. W. Sanders Gramling,  
Asst. United States Attorney,  
Post Office and Customs House Building,  
Miami, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
I. O. No. 1218 - et al  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
Kidnaping

In connection with the above case in which you are contemplating prosecution in Miami, Fla., against Duke Randall, Jos. H. Adams, Cassius McDonald and Nathaniel H. Heller, along with Delores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, along with other charges, I am forwarding to you herewith in accordance with your request the following:

- 4 Clips fully loaded with Peters 30-06 hollow nose cartridges
- 1 Wooden box made for purposes of shipping a gun

As you have been advised the above two items were received from Mr. Merle Rolfe of Miami who had received them from Duke Randall at the time Randall brought Rolfe the 30 cal. Browning automatic rifle. This rifle as you know has been sent to the laboratory of this Division at Washington for identification purposes.

- 1 Tan colored leather golf bag with zipper top cover and zipper pockets. This golf bag is the property of Jos. H. Adams and it is the bag in which Randall claims Adams kept the above mentioned Browning rifle which has also been admitted by Adams.

- 1 45 cal. Colts automatic pistol, government model, bearing serial number C112311 with two clips loaded and a shoulder holster. This property was recovered from Duke Randall's room and he claims it is the property of the Rolfe Armored Service for whom he was employed as a guard at the Biscayne Kennel Club which has been verified by Mr. Rolfe.

There is also inclosed the following property which was abandoned by them at 1121 NE 85th Street, Miami, Fla., and which property was given to special agents P. C. Dunne and L. J. Metcalf by Mrs. Grace Thomas who rented the house to Karpis:

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Miami, Florida  
February 4th, 1935

Hon. W. Sanders Gramling,  
Assistant United States Attorney,  
Miami, Florida

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your verbal request there is enclosed herewith a certified copy of indictment against Alvin Karpavics, alias Alvin Karpis, et al, which was filed in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, Third Division, on May 4th, 1934.

There is also enclosed a certified copy of bench warrant issued by the Hon. Matthew M. Joyce, United States District Judge at St. Paul, on May 4th, 1934, for Alvin Karpavics, alias Alvin Karpis and the return of this bench warrant made by Bernard Anderson, United States Marshal, by his Deputy, S.J. Picha on May 7th, 1934.

Yours very truly,

J. H. Hanson,  
Special Agent in Charge.  
Division of Investigation.

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**THE NEWS**  
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February 1, 1935

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- Mr. Tracy.....
- Miss Gandy.....

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for your kind  
letter of January 30th.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

*J. M. Patterson*  
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There are also inclosed in a box marked No. "3" the following articles which were also recovered at Karpis' house in Miami being given to detectives Howard and Shanahan of the Miami Police Department at the time they made their investigation there:

- 1 Set of 1934 Iowa License plates No. 99-13538, 1934.
- 1 Detective Tabloid, January 1935 issue
- 1 Scrapbook entitled "Clippings" included in which are poems, recipes, pictures of babies which is apparently a scrapbook belonging to Delores Delaney. There is also in this book an inventory of the household goods in the Karpis home which was apparently written by Delores Delaney.
- 1 gray, hard finish, 3 piece mens suit, which was apparently the property of Alvin Karpis.
- 1 pr. brown, hard finish, mens trousers, which are considerably shorter than the gray ones listed above and which belong apparently to Harry Campbell or some other member of the gang.
- 1 Box containing three boxes of Remington 22 cal. Kleanbore long rifle cartridges.

The following Miami newspapers for January 16, 1935 thru to January 19, 1935, both inclusive, which carry articles concerning the shooting of Fred Barker and his mother at Ocklawaha, Fla., are also inclosed:

Miami Beach Tribune for Jan. 17th, 18th & 19th. Your particular attention is invited to the issue for Jan. 18th where Karpis' photograph is carried on the first page.

Miami Daily News for Jan. 16th. "Sports Final" edition, as well as night edition, also the City edition; for Jan. 17th Night Edition and "Sports Final" edition; for Jan 18th the same editions as for Jan. 17th; the same editions for Jan. 19th.

Miami Herald for Jan. 16th "7PM", and "9PM" and regular editions; Jan. 17th regular, "7PM" and "9PM" editions; Jan. 18th same three issues and the same for the 19th.

All of the above property and the newspapers are being forwarded to you for safekeeping and for use as evidence. It is expected that a report will reach you shortly furnishing the complete details of the investigation in this case.

Yours very truly,

JHH  
cc Division ✓  
Jacksonville, St. Paul,  
Chicago, E. J. Connelley.

J. H. Hanson, Special  
Agent in Charge

- 2 white polo shirts
- 1 pink abdominal support
- 5 pair ladies silk stockings
- 1 pink brassier
- 1 blue rayon slip
- 1 pink lavender checked dress
- 1 pr mens white shorts
- 1 pr mens white undershirt
- 4 ladies handkerchiefs
- 2 cotton pink red and blue smocks
- 1 pr ladies white slippers
- 1 pr ladies red slippers
- 1 pr ladies blue bedroom slippers
- 1 Asepto syringes and directions for its use
- 1 Stand Oil Map of Cuba.
- 1 Jewel box marked "Jewelcraft, 106 East Flagler, Miami, Fla.
- 1 Box marked "Evening in Paris" containing bottle of medicine with label of Dade Pharmacy, Miami, prescription #164061 for Mrs. L. O. Woods issued by Dr. Nichol; bottle of Pyridium pills; 3 green buttons; one police signal whistle; 1 tooth brush; 1 red memo book; 1 black leather Hamilton watch case.
- 1 bottle medicine with label of Fossett's Pharmacy, prescription No. 49773 issued by Dr. Jno. E. Hall for E. M. Green.
- 1 Envelope containing the following:
  - 3 keys (apparently for suitcases)
  - 1 Cuban coin
  - 3 22 cal. cartridge shells
  - 1 22 cal. long cartridge
  - 1 Peters 30-06 cal. cartridge, hollow point.
  - 1 newspaper advertisement on Plastic Surgery being an advertisement of Dr. Von Borries, room 707, Butler Bldg., 162 N. State St., tel. Dearborn 0678 -- apparently Chicago, Ill., altho the city is not mentioned in the ad.
  - 1 Directions for the care and use of "Colt 'Woodsmen' Automatic pistols.
- 1 Gray colored cash book -- evidently a record made by Doris Delaney or the maid
- 1 Pflueger steel rod with reel and fish line.

All of the above listed items have been placed in boxes marked "1" and "2".

Post Office Box #812

Chicago, Illinois

February 4th, 1935

Hon. ~~Frank~~ Krueger  
Post Office  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this Office, it is respectfully requested that you institute a thirty-day mail cover on all mail received by Miss Elizabeth Tracy, also known as Betty Tracy, at the following addresses:

2718 E. Ridgway Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Able Sign Erectors Co.  
1525 West Austin Street  
Chicago, Illinois

It will be appreciated if you will refer all mail to this Office immediately upon their receipt and also please refer to File #7-82.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

FGT:LJM  
cc - Division

M. H. PURVIS  
Special Agent in Charge

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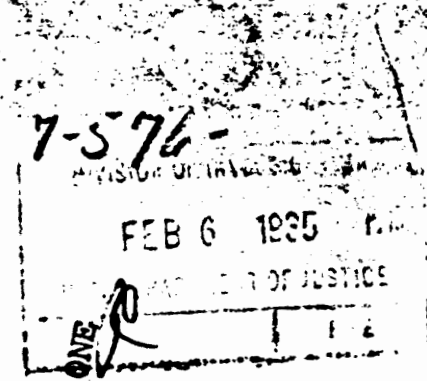
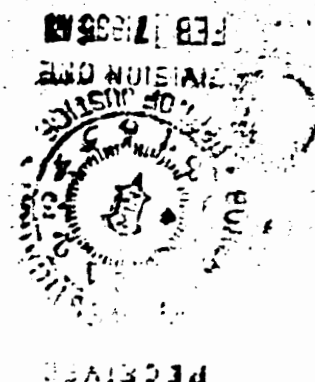
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J H HANSON  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
412 U S COURT HOUSE AND POST OFFICE BLDG  
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ALVIN KARPIS ETAL KIDNAPING YOUR LETTER JANUARY TWENTYNINTH THIRTY  
CALIBER BROWNING AUTOMATIC NINETEEN EIGHTEEN MODEL MANUFACTURED  
WINCHESTER REPEATING ARMS NEW HAVEN STOP CRIME LABORATORY DEVELOPED  
SERIAL NUMBER TWO ELEVEN THREE FOUR NINE STOP NO RECORD ARMY NAVY MARINE  
CORPS COAST GUARD STOP RECORDS WINCHESTER REPEATING ARMS DESTROYED  
NINETEEN THIRTYTWO STILL ATTEMPTING TRACE STOP GUN NOT REGISTERED  
COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE

KEITH

JMK:DSS  
cc Division  
5:10 P. M.



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# WESTERN UNION

R. B. WHITE  
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER  
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Kansas City, Missouri, February 5, 1935.

D. M. Ladd  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
232 Post Office Building  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

BROKID AIR MAIL LETTER POSTMARKED MADISON MINNESOTA JANUARY THIRTY FIRST  
7:00 PM RECEIVED BY FATHER VOLNEY DAVIS NEOSHO MISSOURI HANDWRITING  
RESEMBLES SUBJECT'S SUGGEST INQUIRIES MADISON

NATHAN

REVISION  
cc - Division



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WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS ARE APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

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*Premier*

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P. O. Box #1987  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

February 5, 1935

State Road Commission  
Charleston  
West Virginia

Gentlemen:

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,  
I.O. 1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Under date of January 2, 1935 this office requested to be advised by your office in the event an attempt was made to register Ford V-8 Coach, bearing motor # 1130843, or a Ford V-8 Victoria Coupe, Motor # 1142463.

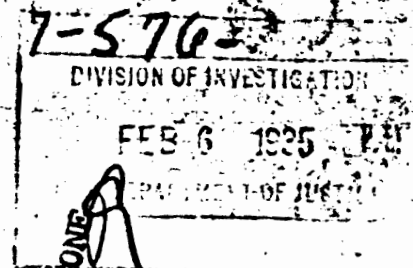
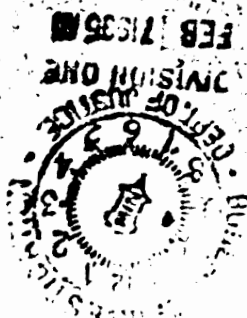
You are advised that it is unnecessary to conduct further inquiry relative to these automobiles as they have been located.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your assistance, I am,

Very truly yours,

J. J. WATERS  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Division  
St. Paul  
Chicago



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WILLIAM LARSON  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
907 FEDERAL BUILDING  
DETROIT MICHIGAN

BREKID REFERENCE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION SUGGEST ARRANGE BROADCAST PICK  
UP FORD V EIGHT SEDAN SILVER COLOR NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE ILLINOIS TAGS  
ONE NAUGHT FOUR FOURTEEN NAUGHT WITHOUT DISCLOSING IDENTITY PARTY USING  
CAR

CONNELLY



EJC:MG

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February 6, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232  
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of February 4, 1935, as to the necessary procedure for WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON to follow in connection with having his disability compensation from the United States Government reinstated, Mr. F. E. Cowles, Mail and Record Department, Veterans Administration Facility, Hines, Illinois, indicates that Bolton should address a letter to the Manager of the Veterans Administration Facility, Minneapolis, Minnesota, requesting that his compensation payments be resumed, indicating that he is disabled and suffering from Tuberculosis, if such is the case, and that he should at that time indicate his compensation number as C-1254456. His case file is at the present time located in the file room of the Veterans Administration Facility at Hines, Illinois. Mr. Cowles states that if this is followed out undoubtedly his case file will be forwarded to Minneapolis, and he will probably be called for further physical examination to determine whether he is entitled to having compensation restored.

It is believed that if Bolton will take the above indicated action he will be able to determine whether he is to have his compensation restored. It is noted from the file in this case that apparently he was referred to previously as BYRON BOLTON.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment)

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February 6, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Buffalo, New York.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232  
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to report of Special Agent J. P. ...  
dated January 16, 1935, Buffalo, New York, it is suggested that  
cover on the mail of GLADYS BODIL be discontinued, inasmuch as appar-  
ently no further information will be obtained through this source, she being  
a contact of Patricia Lonquest, who in turn was a friend of MILDRED  
MURKIN, Arthur Barker having been located through the latter.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment)

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326 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
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Mr. Eugene Kessler, District Director,  
Immigration & Naturalization Service,  
Union Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: THOMAS H. ROBINSON, JR.,  
MRS. ALICE SPEED STOLL - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copy of Identification Order  
No. 1233 on the above captioned subject, also a list of the currency  
paid as ransom in above kidnaping.

This is in connection with request received by this  
Division at Washington, D. C.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc- Division  
Enc. (2)

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722 Midland Savings Bldg.  
Denver, Colo.  
February 6, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN, I. O. 1232; ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to our telephone conversation of yesterday in which you requested that efforts be made to determine the location of the residence of George Lawrence Harper, a resident of Denver, Colorado, from just prior to the time that a person to learn, if possible, the identity of Harper it was suspected may be Subject involved.

Please be advised that inquiry at the Post Office never disclosed that Post Office Box 1251 was maintained by one R. E. Simpson who was believed to operate some kind of matrimonial agency. The box was found to still be in the name of Simpson, but no address was available for him. A check of the various residence and telephone directories for Denver and suburban towns failed to disclose the name of R. E. Simpson, and the records of the local credit agencies did not reveal his name. Efforts to locate a matrimonial agency through these sources and through the City License Bureau were also unsuccessful.

Through a check of the newspapers, it was determined that R. E. Simpson advertised several years ago as "The Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club", and that this advertising is now being carried on by Harry T. Boner under the same trade name, the address of this person being 4300 Avenue Parkway, Denver.

In an interview had by the writer and Special Agent R. T. Mann with Harry T. Boner, it was determined that shortly prior to January 12, 1935, G. L. Harper, whose surname

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was then mistaken for "Hayser", wrote in answer to an advertisement of this concern appearing in the Kansas City Journal. Mr. Boner was unable to locate this letter. Under date of January 12, 1935, a form letter was sent by Boner to Harper as "Hayser", Box 12, Raytown, Missouri, and on January 14, 1935, the latter, giving his full name as Geo. Lawrence Harper, executed an application and description blank for membership, which he returned with a letter requesting that the names and addresses of the youngest girls listed close to Kansas City be sent to him. As requested, the regular correspondence list of this concern was mailed to him at Box 12, Raytown, Missouri, this list containing the names and addresses of numerous girls living in the middle west.

This is the first correspondence this concern has had from Harper, and a check of the correspondence records failed to disclose the names or known aliases of any of the subjects in this case.

A comparison of the handwriting of Harper with that of Subject Volney Davis appearing on Identification Order #1237 disclosed considerable similarity. Harper's description, as shown on the above mentioned membership application, is as follows:

|                |                           |
|----------------|---------------------------|
| Age            | 30                        |
| Height         | 5-9 1/2                   |
| Weight         | 150                       |
| Hair           | Blonde                    |
| Eyes           | Blue                      |
| Complexion     | Fair                      |
| Nationality    | American                  |
| Occupation     | Owner of novelty machines |
| Marital status | Single                    |

This person also indicated that he had a common school education; a monthly income of \$125.00; and that he owned a 1934 Pontiac automobile, no further description given.

Upon communicating the above information to your office today, the writer was informed by Special Agent Miller that Harper, who had been identified as Volney Davis, had just been apprehended.



As of possible assistance to your office, I am forwarding herewith in addition to the executed application blank and letter of Subject Davis as Harper, a copy of the correspondence list forwarded to him by The Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club. It is requested that these papers be returned to the Denver Office when they have served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

JAY C. NEWMAN  
Special Agent in Charge

JCN:RA  
Enc.

cc Division  
St. Paul  
E. J. Connelley  
Chicago

P. O. DRAWER 1457,  
St. Louis, Missouri.



February 7, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

In re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218.  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219.  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. 1213, Deed.  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.  
1232, et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication of the 28th ult., which contained information to the effect that two persons had been seen at LaGrange Park, Ill. in a Ford V-8 sedan on January 23, 1935 who were partially identified as Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

It was ascertained by Special Agent D. E. Hostetter of the St. Louis office that LaVerne Frey, the owner of the Ford V-8 sedan, for which 1934 license plates #1-076-723 were issued, the same being the license plate observed on the said car at LaGrange Park, Ill., is a resident of Gridley, McLean County, Ill. and is well known to Sheriff E. C. Swearingen of that county. Mr. Frey is the owner of Frey's Cash and Carry Store at Gridley, Ill. and on being interviewed by Special Agent Hostetter he advised that he and Roy Cole, manager of a produce company at Gridley, drove to Chicago, Ill. on January 23, 1935 in the automobile described in your letter and enroute they stopped at a gasoline station in LaGrange Park, Illinois; they furnished information similar to that contained in your letter concerning their actions at this filling station so it is apparent that the persons referred to in your communication are identical with these gentlemen and not the subjects of this investigation.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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February 9, 1935

R E VETTERLI  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
801 TITLE GUARANTY BUILDING  
ST LOUIS MISSOURI

BREKID REFERENCE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION LAST NIGHT FORD V EIGHT SEDAN

NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE ILLINOIS LICENSE TEN FOUR ONE FOUR NAUGHT RECOVERED

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

HAA:MFS

February 7, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1228;  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to your letter of February 2, 1935,  
advising that an Attorney, Robert G. Lane, of Miami, Florida, has  
addressed a communication to the Clerk of the Court at St. Paul,  
Minnesota, requesting a certified copy of the bench warrant and a  
certified copy of the indictment returned against all the parties  
connected with the kidnaping, etc.

Please be advised that pursuant to your suggestion, Special  
Agent in Charge, J. H. Hanson, and the writer, discussed this matter  
with Assistant United States Attorney, W. Sanders Gramling, of Miami,  
Florida, who is assigned this case in this District. Mr. Gramling  
stated that he had previously been informed of Mr. Lane's intentions  
in connection with his request for the aforementioned certifications.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Division  
Connelley

Jax # 7-24

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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #2344,  
Boston, Mass.  
February 7, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, I.O. 1232; ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping

Reference is made to your letter dated February 2,  
1935, instructing this office to withdraw from the local Police  
Department temporary wanted notice prepared and issued by the  
Division on Fred Barker dated October 13, 1934.

Please be advised that the wanted notices in question  
have been withdrawn.

Very truly yours,



C. D. McKEAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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J.P.*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 7, 1935

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Time - 3:40 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Baughman..
- Chief Clerk.....
- Mr. Coffey.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Harbo.....
- Mr. Keith.....
- Mr. Lester.....
- Mr. Quinn.....
- Mr. Scudder.....
- Mr. Tamm.....
- Mr. Tracy.....
- Miss Gandy.....

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Hanson at Jacksonville, I told him to inform Mr. Alt that the \$14,000 and the diamonds which were taken from the possession of the Barkers at the time of their death at Ocala, were being returned to him from the St. Paul Office; that it would probably be a week before it arrives; that immediately upon its arrival, it should be turned over to the State authorities at Ocala, Florida, and a full receipt obtained therefor.

Mr. Hanson assured me that he would relay this information to Mr. Alt upon his return to the office.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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**Division of Investigation**  
**U. S. Department of Justice**

P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, February 6, 1935.

JAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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W.S.  
Time - 3:40

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

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, I.O. 1232; ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

2-12-35

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of, and replying to,  
Division letter dated February 2, 1935, in which instruc-  
tions were issued to withdraw from local police depart-  
ment in your district the temporary wanted notices  
prepared and issued by the Division on Fred<sup>o</sup> Barker on  
October 13, 1934, I would respectfully state that I  
have this day withdrawn all these notices from the  
police department.

Yours very truly,

*D. H. Dickason*

D. H. DICKASON  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with  
aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL  
with aliases, I. O. #1236; VOLNEY  
DAVIS with aliases, I. O. #1237; ET AL;  
Edward George Bremer - Victim;  
KIDNAPING.

Pursuant to your instructions I telephoned Mr. Hugh Fisher of the Criminal Division relative to the possible extradition of Nathan Heller from Cuba to this country on a harboring charge or a conspiracy charge. After consulting the existing extradition treaty between this country and Cuba, Mr. Fisher advised that the treaty did not cover harboring or conspiracy, but that it did cover kidnaping.

I explained to Mr. Fisher that Heller cannot be included in the kidnaping conspiracy indictment in that we do not at this time have sufficient evidence to implicate him. We discussed the continuing feature of the crime of kidnaping down to the exchanging of kidnap ransom money and in this connection Mr. Fisher advised that he had received information from the United States Attorney at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, that the Court of Appeals would probably hand down its decision on this question within the next three weeks.

Respectfully,

*J. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby.

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| TITLE:<br><b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. 1218;<br/>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, I.O. 1232; ET AL.<br/>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b> |                                  |                                                    | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br><b>KIDNAPING</b>  |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Investigation at Casper, Wyo., discloses that father of Oscar Felt, a friend of Subject Campbell, resides at 16534 Stoepel St., Detroit, Mich. Information communicated telephonically to Detroit Office. Sheriff at Casper has furnished another address for L. J. Felt as 9362 Carlin Ave.

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**REFERENCE:** Letter from the Denver Office to the Detroit Office dated 1-24-35.

**DETAILS:**

AT CASPER, WYOMING.

Special Agent N. J. L. Pieper, while at Casper on January 24, 1935, ascertained through Sheriff R. John Allen that the father of Oscar Felt, first name unknown, resides at 16534 Stoepel Street, Detroit, Michigan. As shown by the report of Special Agent J. D. Swenson dated at Denver September 21, 1934, Oscar Felt, who is Mayor of Evansville, a small town located near Casper, Wyoming, is reported to be a very good friend of Subject Campbell.

The above information was communicated by Agent Pieper to the

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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:<br><i>Jay C. Newman</i><br>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE                                                                        | 7-576-4364                              | RECORDED AND INDEXED:<br><b>FEB 9 1935</b> |
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Denver Office telephonically and was immediately telephoned to Special Agent in Charge William Larson of the Detroit Office. This information was also submitted to the Detroit Office by letter under date of January 24, 1935.

In receiving this information telephonically at the Denver Office from Agent Pieper, it was erroneously understood that Oscar Felt was then residing at 16534 Stoepel Street, Detroit, instead of his father.

Sheriff R. John Allen of Casper, Wyoming, notified the Denver Office by letter on February 5, 1935, that he had secured another address on Oscar Felt's father, whose name he gave as "L. J. Felt". This address was given as 9362 Carlin Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

While at Casper, Wyoming, Agent Pieper renewed old contacts in this matter, determining that Subject Campbell had not returned to Casper or vicinity. Agent Pieper also made proper contacts with the Sheriff's Office and the Police Department so that the Denver Office will be notified in the event Campbell puts in an appearance in or around Casper, Wyoming.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE DETROIT OFFICE: At Detroit, Michigan, if such investigative action has not already been taken, will determine whether Subject Campbell or other members of this gang are contacting L. J. Felt, 9362 Carlin Avenue.

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| TITLE<br><b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE.<br/>                 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219.<br/>                 RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213.<br/>                 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232,<br/>                 et al;</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                           |                                                        | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br><b>KIDNAPING</b>                                          |
| EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM<br>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:<br><p>Detective O'Shea, New York City Police Department, informed this office that Paul Pelouquin had information in regard to Karpis and Campbell. Paul Pelouquin interviewed and the information he conveyed to O'Shea had been obtained from a girl whom he, Pelouquin, had placed under his power of clairvoyance. Digest of the information teletyped to E. J. Connelley.</p>                                                                                                   |                                                                           |                                                        |                                                                                 |
| AT NEW YORK<br>This report is predicated upon information received over the telephone, at the New York office, from Detective O'Shea, Bureau of Criminal Information, New York City Police Department, on January 29, 1935 at 12:30 A.M. Detective O'Shea advised F. Morris, Night Clerk, New York Office, that he had been informed by Paul Pelouquin, of 1216 75th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. that Karpis and Campbell were heading for Chicago, expecting to arrive there about 12:20 A.M.<br><small>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</small> |                                                                           |                                                        |                                                                                 |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:<br><i>J. X. Fray</i><br>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO:<br>COPIES DESTROYED<br>20 JAN 19 1965 |                                                        | 7-576-4366<br>FEB 9 1935 A.M.<br>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE                          |
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Chicago time. It was reported that they were riding in a black Ford car, bearing Pennsylvania license plates, No. M9-15150, and that it was probable they might change to another car before reaching Chicago and that Karpis would be wearing a false mustache and eyeglasses.

A digest of the above information was teletyped to Chicago, to Special Agent in Charge Connelley of the Cincinnati Office, on January 29, 1935, at 12:40 A.M.

Agent contacted the above mentioned Paul Peloquin on January 29, 1935, by telephone (Bensonhurst 6-2600), and he stated that he would be available for interview on the evening of January 31, 1935. On January 31, 1935 Paul Peloquin, accompanied by Miss Sarah Mumaw, also of 1216 75th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. came to the Division office at New York, for the purpose of an interview. Mr. Peloquin requested that agent refrain from questioning him about Karpis and Campbell until he had told agent his entire story. The substance of this story as told to agent by Mr. Peloquin is to the effect that he is a practitioner of clairvoyance and that the young lady accompanying him was his subject upon whom he worked his knowledge of hypnotism and from whom he had obtained the information conveyed to Detective O'Shea which was in turn conveyed to this office. Mr. Peloquin went on to state that on the night of January 29, 1935, just before midnight he placed Miss Mumaw, his subject, in a sleep influenced by his knowledge of hypnotism and while she was so sleeping he asked her questions about Karpis and Campbell, and the resulting answers comprised the information conveyed to this office by Detective O'Shea. Also on this particular night, Mr. Peloquin stated that he had inquired of Miss Mumaw while she was still under the influence of this sleep as to the whereabouts of the gangsters who had robbed United States Mail Truck at Fall River, Mass. The answers as given by Miss Mumaw were of such importance in Mr. Peloquin's opinion that he desired to telephone the Boston Police Department but the only thing that kept him from so doing was the fact that he lacked the necessary funds. Mr. Peloquin stated that he did attempt to call the Boston Police Department and have the telephone charges reversed but the Boston Police would not accept the charges.

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Mr. Peloquin described himself as an automobile salesman, for the City Motors Sales Company, Inc., 1770 86th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. and also as an amateur clairvoyance practitioner. He stated that he has been studying this "science" known as clairvoyance for the past year, and that he expects, with a little more experience, to make it his life's profession. He described the girl accompanying him as his subject without whom it would be impossible for him to obtain any information whatever. In conclusion Mr. Peloquin stated that he will always be available should the government desire to make use of the information that he might be able to obtain, and that he would not expect any pecuniary reward unless his information was proven to be an actuality.

Agent ascertained from Mr. Peloquin that the information which he, Peloquin, had obtained in regard to Karpis and Campbell was obtained solely from Miss Sarah Mumaw while she was under the influence of his hypnotic power.

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P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota

February 7, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.1218-  
FUG.; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with  
aliases, I.O.1219; HARRY CAMPBELL,  
with aliases, I.O.1236; VOLNEY DAVIS,  
with aliases, I.O.1237; DR. JOSEPH  
P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232,  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul file No. 7-50.

In accordance with telephonic instructions from Mr. Tamm  
of the Division on February 6, 1935, please be advised that on the  
same date, the \$14,320.00 and jewelry which had been taken from the  
bodies of Fred and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, was turned over  
to the Express Company to be shipped to Mr. R. A. Alt, the Special  
Agent in Charge of the Jacksonville office. This package was, of  
course, appropriately insured.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*  
D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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Cc Jacksonville  
Cc E.J. Connelley, Chicago

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| TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases I.O. #1232, et al.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                  |                                          | CHARACTER OF CASE:<br><b>KIDNAPING</b>          |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:<br><b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b><br>Nellie Frazier, Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, sister of Phoenix Donald, advised L. G. Langston of Salem, Arkansas, that Donald was born at Little Rock, Arkansas, December 13, 1896, was never baptized. Search of official records at Little Rock failed to establish Donald's date of birth. |                                  |                                          |                                                 |
| REFERENCE:<br>Telegram from Oklahoma City office of January 24, 1935.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                  |                                          |                                                 |

**DETAILS:** Upon receipt of reference telegram that the Division desired to be immediately informed as to the date of birth and place of birth of Phoenix Donald, with aliases, Special Agent N. W. Marshall made the following investigation at Little Rock, Arkansas:

Inquiry at the Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas, revealed that there is no record of the birth of Phoenix Donald. Mrs. Deale advised that the Bureau of Vital Statistics was not created until 1914. Mrs. Haley, City Clerk's office, Little Rock, Arkansas, stated that the birth records of Little Rock were incomplete and that there was a skip in which they had no records from the years 1892 to 1898. Mrs. Haley checked the records in the Clerk's office from 1898 on and stated that there was no record of the birth of Phoenix Donald in her records. A check of the records at the County Clerk's office, Pulaski County, Little Rock, Arkansas, revealed that there was no record at that place of Phoenix Donald having been born in Pulaski County.

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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:<br><i>E. J. Connelley</i><br>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE                                             | 7-576-4369                                                         | RECORDED AND INDEXED:<br>FEB 9 1935 |
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Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy communicated with Sheriff L. G. Langston of Salem, Arkansas, by long distance telephone. The Sheriff advised that he thought he would be able to obtain the required information. On January 26, 1935, Sheriff Langston called Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, by long distance telephone from Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, and advised that he had obtained the following information from Nellie Frazier, a sister of Phoenix Donald who resides at Mammoth Springs; that Phoenix Donald was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, on December 13, 1896; that his mother's maiden name was Margaret Sylvania Gibbons and was born in Knoxville, Tennessee. The mother is a Methodist. Donald's father, W. D. Donald, was born at Aberdeen, Scotland, but the family resided at Little Rock, Arkansas, until Phoenix Donald was about two years of age after which they moved to Mammoth Springs, Arkansas. The father, W. D. Donald, is a Presbyterian. The father and mother died about eight years ago. The Sheriff also ascertained that Phoenix Donald was never baptized into any church.

The Division was immediately notified of the above by wire.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

16756

January 29, 1935

Director,  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On January 28, 1935 Harold Tuck, who has provided information to the Chicago Division Office in connection with the Dillinger case, called at this Office and was interviewed by Special Agent V. W. Peterson.

Harold Tuck stated that a relative of one CHARLES COOK, alias HARRY FLETCHER, who resides at 45 North Oakley, Chicago, Illinois, informed him that Charles Cook is wanted by the United States Government.

A search was made of the files of the Chicago Division Office and no information could be located indicating that the Charles Cook referred to by Harold Tuck is wanted by the Division of Investigation, however, this information is being forwarded to the Division in order that a further search may be made of the files in the Division for the purpose of determining whether Charles Cook is actually wanted by the Division of Investigation.

It was stated by Harold Tuck that Charles Cook, alias, Harry Fletcher, is wanted by the United States Government because of defrauding the Government in connection with transactions relating to a ranch which he operated approximately fifty miles from Los Angeles, California. It was believed by Harold Tuck that the name of the ranch in question is Taugas Ranch.

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For your information the following descriptions were provided to Agent Peterson by Harold Tuck:

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| Name:       | Charles Cook, alias Harry Fletcher |
| Height:     | 5' 7"                              |
| Weight:     | 150 to 160 pounds.                 |
| Complexion: | Ruddy                              |
| Eyes:       | Blue                               |
| Build:      | Stocky                             |
| Appearance: | Wears "cowboy style" hat.          |
| Hair:       | Gray                               |

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Name: Maimie Cook, alias Maimie Fletcher  
Age: 60  
Height: 5' 4"  
Weight: 125 pounds  
Build: Small  
Hair: Medium gray  
Complexion: Light

It was stated by Harold Tuck that Florence, age 21, who was married to a Marlow and who was also known by aliases, Florence Fletcher and Florence Cook, is a daughter of Charles Cook.

Raymond Cook, 15 year old son of Charles Cook, resides with his parents at 45 North Oakley, Chicago, Illinois, at the present time. The Cook family also has a son by the name of Alvin Cook, age 21. Alvin Cook is married to a girl called Gussey.

In the event a search of the records of the Division reflect that this individual is wanted by the Division kindly advise this Office at once inasmuch as Harold Tuck stated that he can be located at 45 North Oakley, Chicago, Illinois, at the present time, but it is believed that he contemplates moving within a short period of time.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*  
M. H. Purvis  
Special Agent in Charge

VFP:RP

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

February 6, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM *E*

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,  
I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of  
criminal record and five copies of the photograph as  
appearing in the files of the Identification Unit of  
Carl C. Cook, our file #479114.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

*L.A.H.*

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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

**Washington, D. C.**

**February 7, 1935**

Time - 2:53 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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| Mr. Nathan.....   |
| Mr. Tolson.....   |
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| Mr. Schilder..... |
| Mr. Tamm.....     |
| Mr. Tracy.....    |
| Miss Gandy.....   |

I telephoned Mr. Coulter at the St. Paul Office with reference to the diamonds and the \$14,000, which I instructed him to return to the Jacksonville Office. Mr. Coulter stated that these were turned over to the American Railway Express Agency last evening; that there has been some delay on the part of the express company on account of the value of the shipment, and they are waiting for a car with a special safe therein.

While discussing this matter, I mentioned the money which was found on the person of Doc Barker at the time of his apprehension in Chicago, stating that this money is as yet in the office at Chicago. I instructed him to confer with the United States Attorney there relative to his disposition in this matter.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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February 4, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Baughman..
- Chief Clerk.....
- Mr. Coffey.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Harbo.....
- Mr. Keith.....
- Mr. Lester.....
- Mr. Quinn.....
- Mr. Tamm.....
- Mr. Tracy.....
- Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Connelley called and advised that Jack Perkins will be arraigned tomorrow morning for a removal hearing and that prior to that time, he thought it would be well to bring to Chicago witnesses to the robbery of the Merchants National Bank of South Bend, Indiana, in order to ascertain whether they could identify Perkins. This robbery was perpetrated by Dillinger, Gillis, Van Meter, et al and a "fat boy" participated in the robbery, his identity never having been determined. It is possible that this person is Jack Perkins, and accordingly, I instructed Connelley to bring the witnesses to Chicago to see if the identification could be made.

Perkins has been questioned concerning this robbery, but has denied all knowledge of it.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm

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BREKID ASSISTANT USA MIAMI HERE TODAY GRAND JURY IS  
TELEGRAPHING HIS OFFICE MIAMI FORWARD HERE COPY COMPLAINT  
AGAINST HELLER CHARGING HIM WITH CONSPIRACY HARBOR KARPIS  
UPON ARRIVAL WILL FORWARD CERTIFIED COPY TO DEPARTMENT HE  
ADVISES HAS DRAWN INDICTMENT CHARGING HELLER WITH AIDING AND  
HARBORING KARPIS IN MIAMI EVIDENCE CONSISTING OF HELLERS  
ADMISSION TO AGENT BROWN THAT ACCOMPANIED KARPIS FROM HAVANA  
TO MIAMI AND FACT ACCOMPANIED DOLORES DELANEY FROM HAVANA T  
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INFORMATION RECEIVED HERE FROM THE SHERIFFS OFFICE SALT LAKE COUNTY  
THAT A REPORT MADE TO THAT OFFICE THAT A CONSPICUOUS CAR DESCRIPTION  
NOT GIVEN BY INFORMANT BUT CARRYING NEW JERSEY LICENSE THREE SEVEN  
J SIX ONE WITH WHICH ALVIN KARPIS BELIEVED CONNECTED SEEN HERE TODAY

STOP IF ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS COMES TO YOUR ATTENTION THROUGH  
NEWS SERVICES WISH TO INFORM CAR LOCATED

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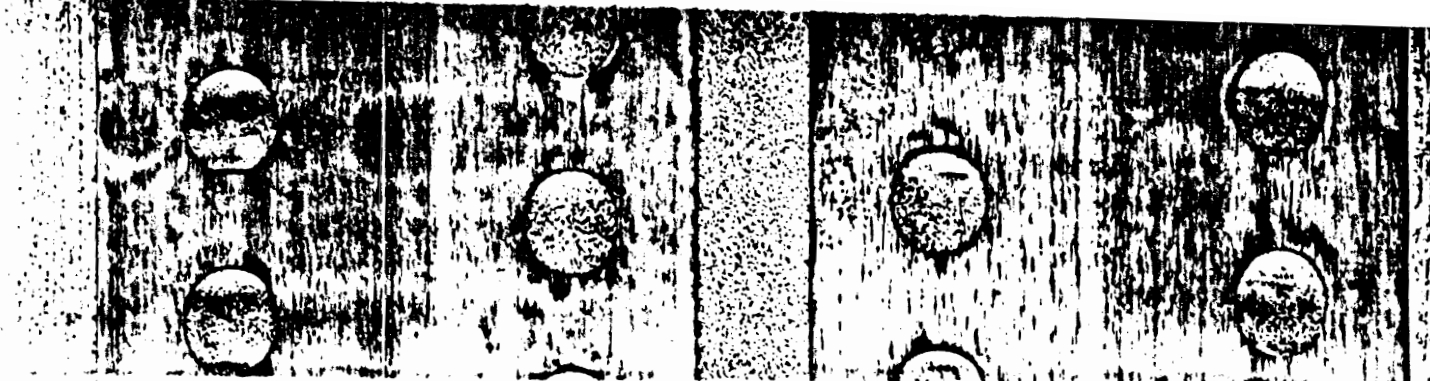
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PROVED TO BE BUICK SEDAN CARRYING ARIZONA LICENSE VF SIX ONE STOP  
THREE OCCUPANTS PROVED TO BE MINING MEN AND ALVIN KARFIS NOT  
CONNECTED

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 4, 1935

Time - 4:01 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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| Mr. Tracy.....    |
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I talked with Mr. Hanson at Miami in regard to the developments in the above, and he stated that as yet they have been unable to locate McDonald; that they have heard rumors, and otherwise received information to the effect that McDonald is in and around Miami. Mr. Hanson asked my reaction to the situation, in that he has to appear before the grand jury at Jacksonville tomorrow. I told him that it would be a good idea for him to leave two men down there to work on the leads which they now have; that he could go to Jacksonville, testify before the grand jury, and then return to Miami and press the investigation vigorously; that in the meantime the remainder of the men down there should return to their headquarters. Mr. Hanson stated that he would leave Agents Nichols and Metcalfe down there.

Mr. Hanson then mentioned the property of Karpis' which was recovered down there, which property consists of an automobile, a motor boat, a radio, etc. I told him that it was up to the Cuban authorities as to what disposition should be made of this property; that, however, it would be all right to confiscate the automobile; that in this connection the American Ambassador and the United States Attorney should be contacted to make the necessary arrangements; that we should not touch the remainder of this property.

Mr. Hanson stated that he has instructed Agent Brown to give the Cuban authorities all the information concerning Heller which they have collected so that the Cuban authorities might use the same in their deportation proceedings against Heller.

Mr. Hanson then mentioned the two automobiles down there, which automobiles formerly belonged to Karpis and Campbell. I told him to keep them there for the time being pending further consultation with the United States Attorney. He then stated that he has turned the \$1,000 bill over to the United States Attorney, who in turn turned it over to the clerk of the court to hold as evidence.

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E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

February 2, 1935

Time-10:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALK

Re: Brekid.

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Mr. Hanson called and advised as to the following facts.

A complaint was filed here today against Nathaniel H. Heller. It charged him with a violation of Section 88 of Title 18 of the United States Code, in that he unlawfully, knowingly, and wilfully conspired, combined, confederated, and agreed with John Doe and Richard Roe, whose true names are at this time unknown. (2) In violation of Section 141 U.S. Criminal Code, harboring, concealed one Alvin Karpovich, alias Alvin Karpis, the person for whom writs, search and bench warrants have then and there been issued by the District Court of the United States for the District of Minnesota, well knowing and having known it as a fact that bench warrants have been issued for the apprehension of Karpovich.

The persons referred to in the complaint as John Doe and Richard Roe are William Harrison and ~~James~~ McDonald. The United States Attorney did not think it fit at this time to mention the names of either of those two men in the complaint.

Mr. Hanson advised that he expects to leave in the morning at eight o'clock for Havana, where he will be at the Presidente Hotel. It is uncertain whether Mr. Hanson will be able to get out on that plane, as all the reservations are taken, but in the event of a last minute cancelation he will take that plane. Mr. Hanson will advise definitely by wire, when he leaves. Mr. Hanson expects to return tomorrow evening at three o'clock and will be back here at five. Special Agent R.D. Brown is also going back over there in the morning.

The U.S. Attorney here in Miami suggests that in this case it would be better for the Cuban Government to deport Heller rather than attempt to extradite him, because he does not believe this conspiracy violation comes within the treaty.

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February 7, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. #1218--  
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases--  
I. O. #1236--FUGITIVE; WYNONA BURDETT with  
aliases; DOLORES DELANEY with aliases;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;  
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases--I. O. #1237; ET AL -  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;  
KIDNAPING

Yesterday noon, United States Attorney John W. Holland requested that I call at his office for a conference. Upon my arrival at Mr. Holland's office he introduced me to Claude B. Kenney, an attorney from Joplin, Missouri, and Frank Dixon, who is the employer of George Barker, father of the Barker brothers. Messrs. Kenney and Dixon appeared sincere, responsible, ethical, and gentlemen in every respect. They presented to Mr. Holland letters of introduction from the Clerk of the United States District Court at Joplin, Missouri. They also presented letters of administration showing that by the Probate Court of Jasper County, Missouri, on January 23, 1935, George Barker and Frank Dixon were appointed administrators of the estate of Fred Barker, deceased.

These gentlemen were here for the purpose of securing for George Barker any estate left by Fred Barker.

Mr. Holland advised Messrs. Kenney and Dixon that all money found in the house occupied by Kate and Fred Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935, was being held temporarily by the Government, that he wanted to be frank in his statements, and that he wanted these gentlemen to know that he would give them no information to make their work or search for assets easier, that the connection of Kate and Fred Barker with this nationally known mob was such that any property left by Kate and Fred Barker would be handled according to law, that he did not intend to aid or cooperate with attorneys or others to the end that any one not entitled to this property would attain same; that the Government in connection with this estate intended to be fair, that he did not intend to tell these men all he knew about the gang of which Kate and Fred Barker were the leading members, that he would not cooperate in working out their problems to secure any part of the estate.

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To the Director

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Mr. Kenney stated that he believed that George Barker would be entitled under the law to the estate left by Fred Barker, that of course of the property found he could not determine which would belong to Kate and which would belong to Fred, that he did not know who had purchased the automobile that was found, but that George Barker had informed him that he had learned that Fred had purchased an automobile, that of course it might have been purchased under a fictitious name.

Frank Dixon informed Mr. Holland that he has known George Barker for seven or more years, that during the last three and one half years he has employed him and has found him to be a congenial, respectable, honest man in every respect; that George Barker since his divorce from Kate Barker has lived in fear of his life, that he has been afraid of his wife and sons and has stated that Kate Barker was responsible for the criminal lives and activities of her sons. Mr. Dixon stated that Mr. Barker would never talk of his family, that he never mentioned the boys, his sons, unless it would relate to the time when they were all children. Dixon stated that he really believes that up until a year ago George Barker was contacted at various times by his sons, that he knows that on occasions Mr. Barker would bar the doors and windows of his home at nights with 2x4 timbers, fearing that during the night his boys might come and kill him.

With reference to Fred Barker's estate, Mr. Holland called the attention of Messrs. Kenney and Dixon to the fact that possibly Fred Barker might have had a wife or two who might show up at some future time and claim his estate, which would leave his father out entirely. Mr. Holland also called the attention of these gentlemen to the fact that possibly the Government might take action against this estate in an effort to collect income tax, since it was known that Fred Barker and others, after kidnaping Mr. Bremer, had received \$200,000.00, and that of course if income tax had not been paid on this amount the Government might take action to collect and if for the payment of income taxes it would seize all of the money left-- which he did not believe would cover the tax--nothing would be left for any one setting up claims showing a legal interest in Fred or Kate Barker's estate, after which Mr. Kenney stated that at the behest of Mr. Barker they were in Florida simply on a "fishing" expedition to determine whether these persons had left an estate to which George Barker was entitled. Both of these gentlemen intimated on leaving that because of the ramifications in connection with this case they hardly thought that it would be worthwhile pursuing their investigation.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge

cc St. Paul  
E. J. Connelley, Chicago  
Kansas City  
Jax #7-24

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 5, 1935

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Time - 11:00 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

I telephoned Mr. Hanson at Miami and inquired whether a warrant has been issued for Nathaniel Heller. Mr. Hanson stated that there has been one issued charging him with conspiracy. I then inquired if this warrant has been certified so that it may be used in extradition proceedings. Mr. Hanson stated that he is informed by the United States Attorney that the offense of conspiracy is not an extraditable offense; that in this connection, the warrant has not been certified. I told Mr. Hanson to have the warrant certified in any event, so that if the occasion presents itself to use it, it will be ready; that if we are unable to serve it, we will at least have tried.

I inquired when the indictment is going to be returned. Mr. Hanson stated that the case is going to be presented to the grand jury tomorrow morning, and it is expected that the grand jury will make its return about Thursday. In this connection, Mr. Hanson stated that he has appointments with the United States Attorney both this afternoon and this evening, and the case will then be presented tomorrow.

I then mentioned that I was somewhat concerned about the attitude of the American Ambassador in Cuba. I told him that a telegram received from Agent Brown this morning indicates that the Ambassador is not satisfied that Heller knew who Karpis was, and unless the Ambassador can be convinced, there will possibly be no deportation. Mr. Hanson stated that the Ambassador had asked him what his opinion on this matter was, and Mr. Hanson told him that he, Mr. Hanson, was sure that Heller knew with whom he was dealing; that he had pointed out the many things which Heller had done for Karpis which were so unusual and irregular for a hotel manager to do for his regular guests; that, however, it appears that the Ambassador is not satisfied that Heller knew who Karpis was.

I told Mr. Hanson to have the indictment certified when it is returned, and we will then take further steps along the above lines.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Re: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan of the Kansas City Office telephoned to advise that Jess Doyle, who had engaged the Agents in a gun battle at Pittsburg, Kansas this morning, had proceeded to Girard, Kansas and surrendered to the Sheriff at that point; and that four Agents of the Kansas City Office are now proceeding to that point and will endeavor to obtain custody of Doyle and remove him to Kansas City.

Mr. Nathan inquired as to what method of transportation should be resorted to and I instructed him to return the prisoner to Kansas City by way of train; that the same procedure should be used in returning Edna Murray from Pittsburg, Kansas to Kansas City; that they should be brought to the Kansas City Office and thoroughly questioned and in the event any publicity is given to their identity arrangements can be made to take them before the United States Commissioner and hold them for removal to St. Paul, thereby relieving the Division of the responsibility for holding them.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR  
Re: Bremer case

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*T. E. Tamm*

I talked to Mr. Hanson in Miami and he stated that as a result of his conference with Caffery, the Ambassador at Havana, everything had been satisfactorily adjusted and the State Department representatives would cooperate with the Division in this matter. Mr. Hanson stated that he would probably have to go to Jacksonville tonight to testify before the Grand Jury in connection with the forthcoming indictment of Joe Adams, et al. I questioned Mr. Hanson as to the necessity for the retention of the five agents at Miami and asked him whether it would not now be possible to reduce this squad. He stated that it would be reduced tonight, by at least three agents and possibly the entire squad could be withdrawn if contacts which are to be made today do not definitely disclose the present location of Harry Sawyer, Willie Harrison and Cash McDonald, in Miami. Mr. Hanson will call me late this afternoon concerning this matter.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

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Please be advised that during the week ending February 2, 1935, Henry "Duke" Randall was arraigned before the United States Commissioner at Miami, Florida on January 25, 1935 on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis. He waived preliminary hearing and was committed to the County Jail in default of \$25,000 bond.

On January 29, 1935 Joseph H. Adams was arraigned before the United States Commissioner at Miami, Florida on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, also for violation of Sections 4-A of the Firearm Act and 3450 of the Revised Statutes - Concealing Goods with Intent to Evade Revenue Law. The latter two violations arose out of the handling of the Browning automatic rifle which Adams is alleged to have obtained from Willie Harrison. Adams was released on \$5,000 cash bond and hearing was set for February 12, 1935.

Special Agents in Cuba have located one Nathan Heller, hotel proprietor who admits harboring Alvin Karpis and otherwise assisting him. Karpis presented a card on which a notation had been placed by Adams, referred to above, indicating to Heller that Karpis was "O. K." Investigation also discloses that Cassius McDonald, together with Willie Harrison and Harry Sawyer, exchanged a considerable portion of the Bremer ransom money in Havana, Cuba during September of 1934.

Extensive investigation in the vicinity of Toledo, Ohio has failed to develop any information regarding the whereabouts of Karpis and Campbell, although the latest tangible leads on these two individuals indicated their presence in that vicinity.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby

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4:50 P.M.

February 5, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Brown called and stated they had received some very unfavorable publicity at Havana; that evidently the American Consul is not "backing us up"; that he is going to insist that Heller have a deportation hearing; that the publicity is being received through the American newspapers in Havana, the papers claiming that we are "railroading" Heller; that we caused him to be held incognito, etc. Mr. Brown stated he had talked with Ambassador Caffery this afternoon and he had suggested putting a proposition up to Heller - that he go voluntarily to the United States and face the charges there. Mr. Caffery thinks this a splendid idea; that it would satisfy the newspapers and accomplish our purpose also. He asked my opinion about the matter. I stated that to the best of my knowledge, in deportation proceedings, the Ambassador has no jurisdiction; that he can simply satisfy himself that the man is an American citizen; that the deportation is up to the Cuban authorities. I stated, however, that if Heller would agree to go to the United States voluntarily and face the charges, this would be satisfactory. I then stated that if he did not hear further from me within the next hour and a half he should follow the above procedure - the transportation costing \$35 - according to Mr. Brown. He further stated that in September of last year (September 10th), Cassius McDonald and a Cuban named Alivar negotiated at the Chase National Bank approximately \$72,000 in fives, tens and twenties, which was evidently part of the Bremer ransom money. Part of this money was sent to the National City Bank of New York. Mr. Brown stated that undoubtedly McDonald, the Cuban and Willie Harrison had brought the money to Cuba.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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BREK ID ~~HELLER~~ INTERESTED IN PROPOSITION GOING VOLUNTARILY FLORIDA TO AVOID DEPORTATION BUT RESERVES DECISION UNTIL CONFERENCE WITH HIS ATTORNEY STOP ~~CAFFEY~~ PLEASUED WITH THIS DEVELOPMENT STOP ~~RENER~~ BOLIVAR TODAY IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH ~~WILLIE~~ HARRISON AS ACCOMPANING MCDONALD WHEN THEY CHANGED EIGHTYTHREE THOUSAND RANSOM MONEY IN HAVANA ON SEPTEMBER FIFTH AND TENTH LAST STOP ELEVEN THOUSAND CHANGED BY PURCHASE AND SALE OF GOLD AND REMAINDER THROUGH CHASE NATIONAL BANK HERE BOLIVAR WILL TESTIFY WHEN NECESSARY STOP RECORDS NATIONAL HOTEL HERE SHOW MCDONALD REGISTERED ON SEPTEMBER FOURTH TO SIXTH AND AGAIN WITH HARRISON SEPTEMBER NINTH TO ELEVENTH BOTH UNDER CORRECT NAMES =

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THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 30, 1935

Time - 10:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Byron Bolton

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| Mr. Nathan.....   |
| Mr. Tolson.....   |
| Mr. Clegg.....    |
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| Chief Clerk.....  |
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| Mr. Tracy.....    |
| Miss Gandy.....   |

I telephoned Mr. Coulter at the St. Paul Office in regard to Bolton and told him that since we have confined the questioning of Bolton thus far to the Bremer case, and possibly have obtained from him all the information in his possession in regard to that case, we should now question him in regard to the Hamm kidnaping case; that in this connection, it would desirable to have him brought to the St. Paul Office for questioning. I told him further that Farmer or any other persons who are now in custody there should also be questioned about the Hamm case, or any other case in which the Division is interested.

For the information of the Division, Mr. Coulter stated that last week Mr. Nathan had permitted the County Attorney of Dakota County to bring some witnesses in and view Doc Barker in regard to the \$30,000 robbery in Dakota County in October of 1933. None of these witnesses was able to make a definite identification of Barker in this regard.

Respectfully,

*E. A. Tamm*  
E. A. TAMM

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*Why were we not advised of this?*

*Memo Director  
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*J. C. N.*

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 Mr. Nathan  
 Mr. Tolson  
 Mr. Edwards  
 Mr. Quinn  
 Mr. Tamm  
 Unit Two

Unit Four

Files Section  
 Personnel Files  
 Equipment Section  
 Chief Clerk's Office

Unit Five

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 Statistical Section  
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 Mr. Lowdon  
 Mr. Bryan  
 Mr. Newby  
 Mr. Richmond  
 Mr. Thompson  
 Mr. Chambers

Unit Three

Mr. Joseph  
 Mr. Fagan  
 Mr. Foxworth  
 Mr. Weeks

Miss Gandy  
 Mrs. Kelley  
 Washington Field Office  
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 Secretary  
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 Re-write  
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 See me  
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E. A. Tamm - Room 5107

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FOR ATTENTION OR ACTION AS INDICATED

Date

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- Director \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tamm  \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Edwards \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_
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- Chief Clerk \_\_\_\_\_
- Equipment Section \_\_\_\_\_
- Statistical Section \_\_\_\_\_
- Field Office \_\_\_\_\_
- Identification Unit \_\_\_\_\_
- Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

*Was not thought of  
 as sufficient importance.  
 They did not talk to him.  
 I just looked at him  
 they did not identify him.  
 It was not our case*

*[Handwritten signature]*

Please see me \_\_\_\_\_

HAROLD NATHAN,  
Room 5534.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 1, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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TAM

Relative to your inquiry endorsed upon a memorandum relating to a telephonic call which I had made to Mr. Coulter, at St. Paul, wherein you inquire as to why the Division was not notified that Mr. Nathan, prior to the week of January 30, 1935, had permitted the County Attorney of Dakota County to permit witnesses to a Dakota County bank robbery, occurring in October, 1933, to view Doc Berker, you are advised that Mr. Nathan states that "he did not think it of sufficient importance \* \* they (the witnesses) did not talk to him \* \* \* just looked at him \* \* \* did not identify him. It was not our case".

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

*I think we should have been advised as it would have only taken a few minutes to send a wire.*

*J. E. H.*

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P. O. Box 515  
St. Paul, Minnesota

February 7, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 512  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.C. 1218-  
FUG.; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with  
aliases, I.C. 1219; HARRY CAMPBELL,  
with aliases, I.C. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS,  
with aliases, I.C. 1237; DR. JOSEPH  
P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232,  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul file No. 7-30.

With reference to your telegram of February 7, 1935,  
advising that "Whitie", named in the indictment, had been identified  
as Bruno Putas alias Austin and had been apprehended and was being  
held by the Chicago Police on a robbery charge, please be advised  
that Special Agent J. E. Brennan of this office conferred with the  
United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, on February 7, 1935,  
and was advised by the United States Attorney that a certified copy  
of the indictment and a certified copy of the bench warrant would be  
forwarded to the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois, today.

Putas' bond has been set at \$50,000.00 and should be made  
returnable at St. Paul, Minnesota, the first Tuesday in April, 1935,  
which is April 2.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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