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**SUBJECT: GEORGE BARNES
(AKA "MACHINE GUN KELLY")**

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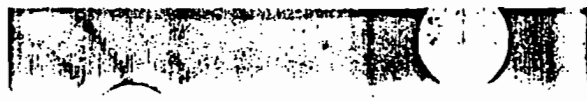
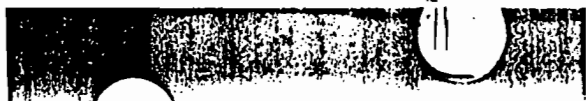
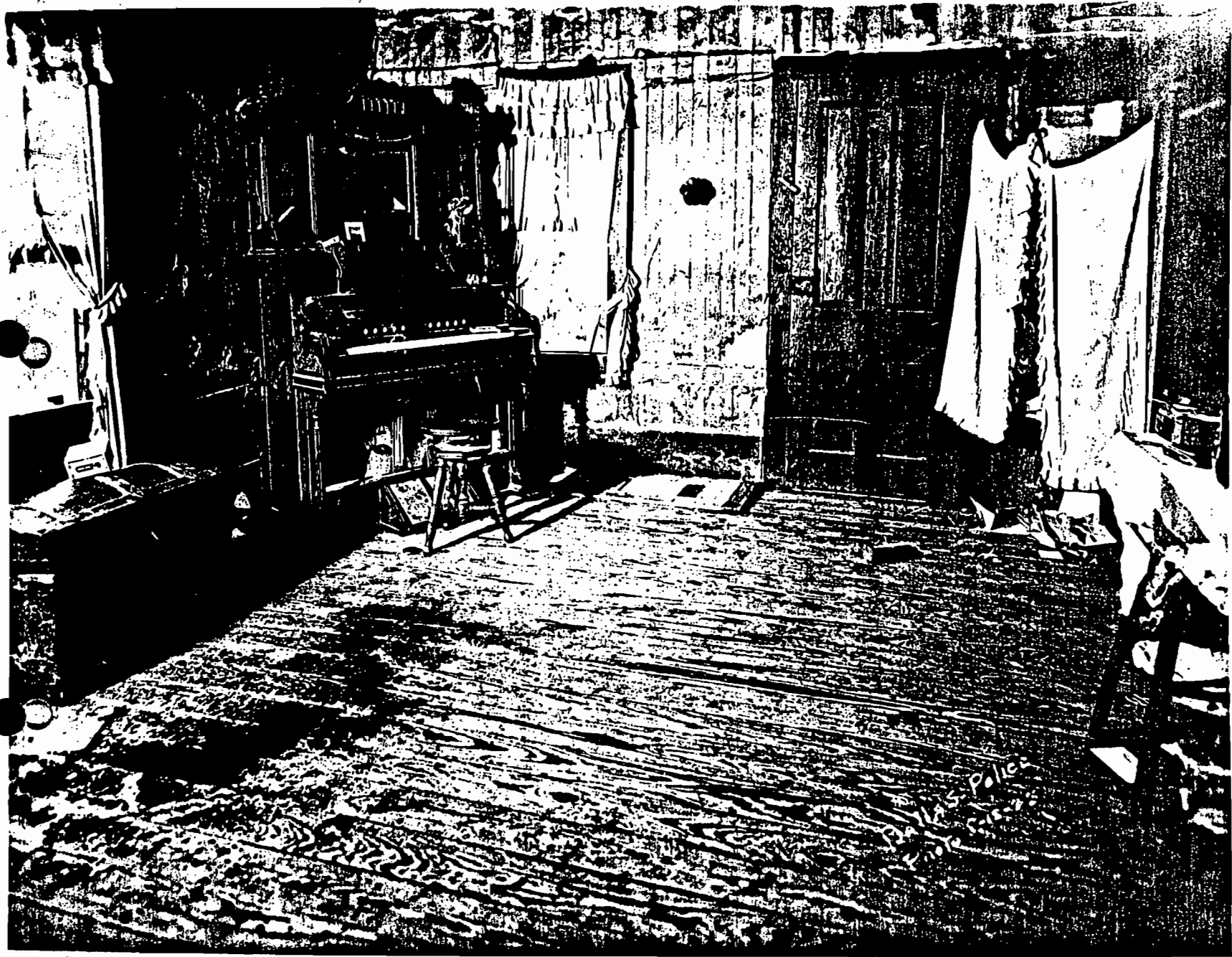
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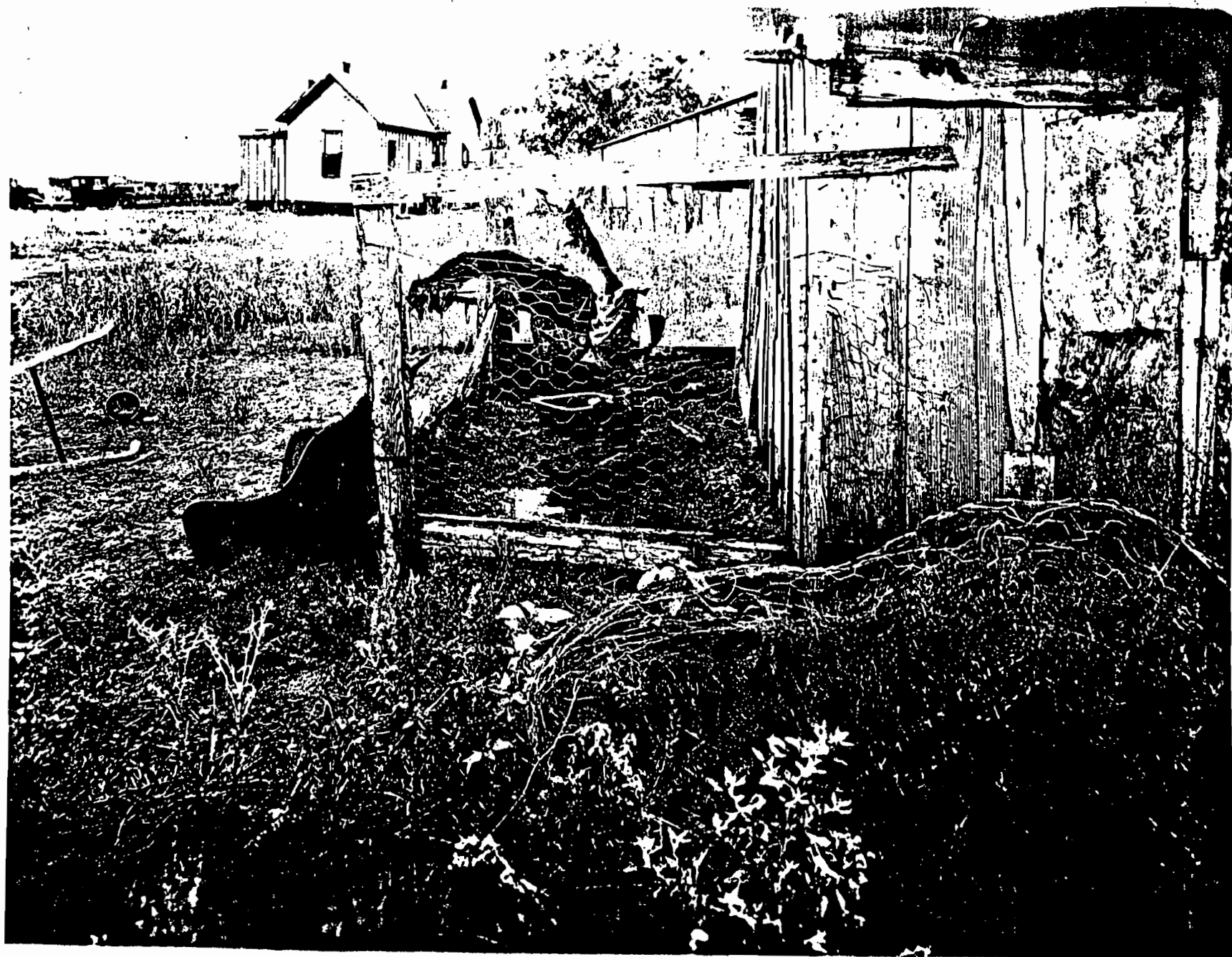
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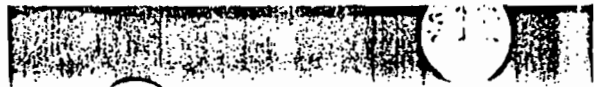
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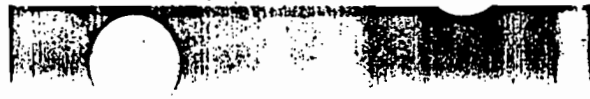
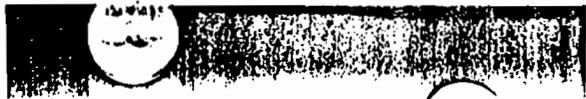
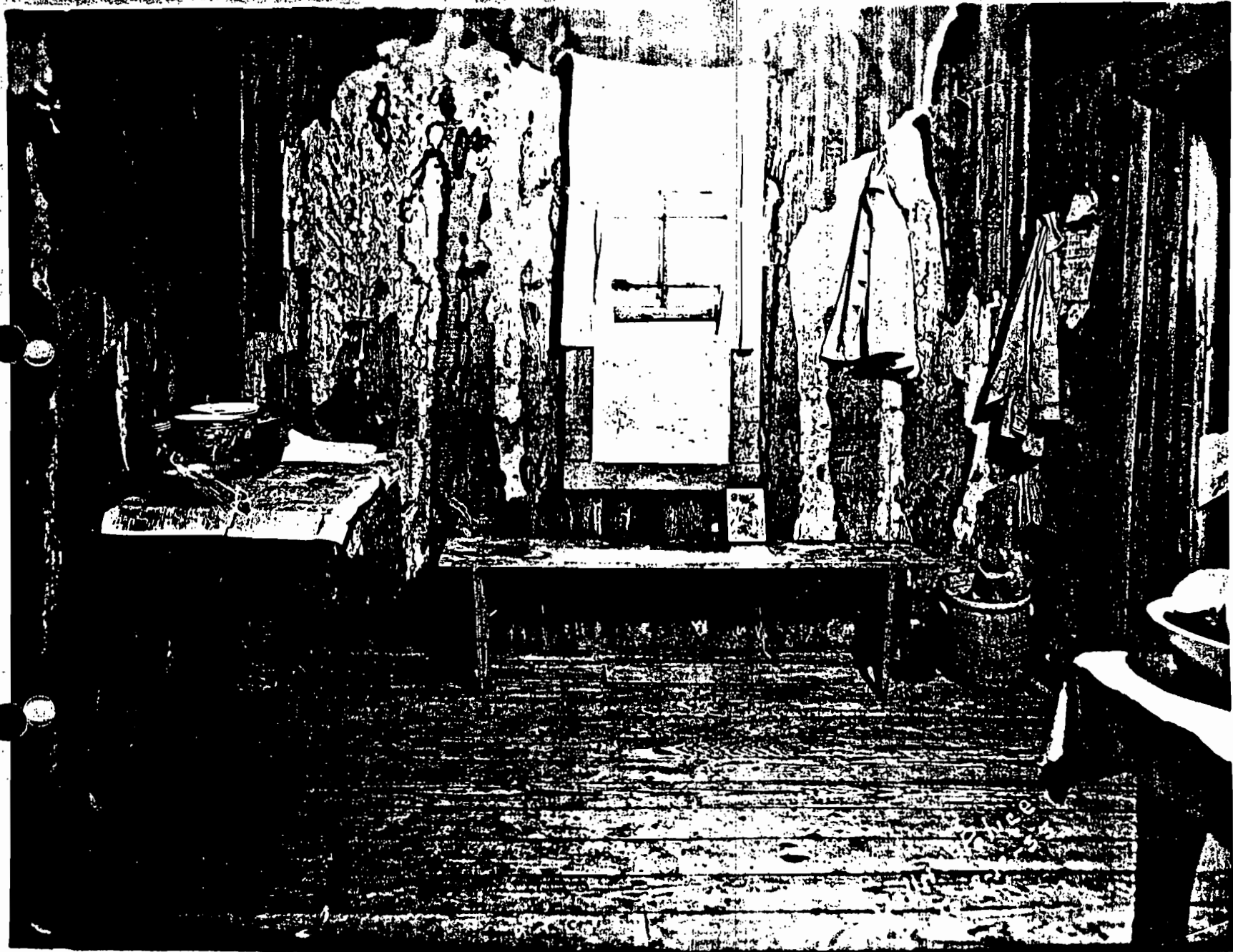














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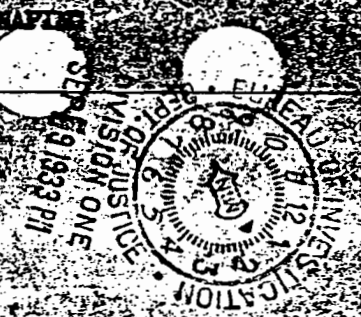
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CHARGES: **GEORGE W. KELLY**, with aliases; **GEORGE KELLY**, with aliases; **ALBERT H. CHATES** with aliases; **GEORGE BATES**, **JAMES O'KING**, **GEORGE DAVIS**, **GEORGE L. DAVIS**, **FRANK HARRIS**, **ROY HARRIS**, **BERNARD McLAUGHLIN**, **BERNARD HUGHES**, **R. G. SHANNON**, **ORA SHANNON**, **ARMON G. SHANNON**, **OLITA SHANNON**, **KATHRYN KELLY**, **KATHRYN THORNE KELLY**, **CATHERINE THORNE KELLY**, **CATHERINE THORNE**, **DOLORES CANNON**, **DOLORES WEITNEY**, **MRS. ORA W. SHANNON**, **MRS. R. G. SHANNON**, **I. O. #1207**; **HARVEY J. BAILEY** with aliases; **J. J. BERENMAN**, **JOHN BROWN**, **I. O. #1189**; **SAM KRONICK** - FUGITIVE; **SAM KOZBERG** - FUGITIVE; **CHARLES WOLK**, FUGITIVE; **CLIFFORD SKELLY** - FUGITIVE; **EDWARD BARNEY BERMAN** with aliases; **BARNEY BERMAN**, **EDWARD BERMAN** - FUGITIVE; **PETER VALDER** with aliases; **PETER VALDER**, **PETER NELSON**, **SHACKETT** - FUGITIVE; **ISADORE BLUMENFELD** with aliases; **ISADORE BLUMENFELD**, **HARRY FREEMAN**, **HARRY BLOOM**, **KID CAN** - FUGITIVE; **CHARLES F. MURSCHEL**, Victim.



Synopsis of Facts:

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WOLK, VALDER, KRONICK, KOZBERG, BLUMENFELD, SKELLY, and BERMAN, arraigned on fugitive complaint, 8-25-33, at St. Paul, Minnesota, and later provided bail bond in the amount of \$25,000.00, each, returnable at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, September 1, 1933. Further inquiry indicates presence of **BATES** in Minneapolis as late as August 8, 1933. Further inquiry failed to disclose any information regarding **KELLY**. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] partially identify photograph of **BERNARD PHILLIPS**, I. O. #1196, as person from whom ransom money was received. Further inquiry being made in St. Paul District.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-115-436	RECORDED AND INDEXED SEP 9 1933
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [redacted] St. Paul, Minnesota, dated August 19, 1933; letter of Special Agent in Charge E.J. Blaks, Dallas, Texas, August 18, 1933; telegram from Oklahoma City Division Office, dated August 23, 1933; letter of Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley, Cincinnati, Ohio, August 25, 1933; report of Special Agent in Charge R.H. Colvin, Oklahoma City Division Office, August 28, 1933.

DETAILS:

At St. Paul, Minnesota.

On receipt of reference wire to the effect that the seven men in the St. Paul District had been indicted, SAM KRONICK and SAM KOZBERG were arrested at St. Paul, Minnesota, August 23, 1933, and committed to the St. Paul City Jail. They were arraigned before United States Commissioner W.T. Goddard on August 25, 1933, and waived hearing and bail bonds were set at \$50,000.00, each, in default of which they were committed to the Ramsey County Jail. On August 26, 1933, Federal Judge R.C. Bell set bail bond at \$25,000.00, each, for the above mentioned, returnable at Oklahoma City, September 1, 1933, and they provided property bonds and were released on the same date.

On August 25, 1933, Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni, and this Agent, called on Chief of Police [redacted] Minneapolis, Minnesota, and through him, EDWARD BARNEY BERMAN and ISADOR BLUMENFELD, PETE VALDER, and CHARLES WOLK, came to his office. They voluntarily accompanied Agents to the St. Paul Office, where they were taken into custody by Deputy United States Marshal [redacted] and others. Chief [redacted] also caused CLIFFORD SKELLY to report to the St. Paul Division Officer later the same day and he was, likewise, taken into custody. They were arraigned before United States Commissioner W.T. Goddard, on August 25, 1933, and committed to the Ramsey County Jail in default of bail bond. On August 28, 1933, SKELLY and BERMAN were released under \$25,000.00 bail bond, on authority from the United States Attorney, Oklahoma City, and the United States Attorney, St. Paul, Minnesota, and on the 29th of August, 1933, WOLK and BLUMENFELD and VALDER were released on \$25,000.00 bonds all returnable at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, September 1, 1933. In noting the bonds filed with the Clerk of Court, as to KOZBERG and KRONICK, it was found that [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] St. Paul, Minnesota, signed property bonds for the above mentioned, listing property valued at \$154,000.00, with encumbrances of approximately \$15,000.00. With reference to the bonds filed for SKELLY, BERMAN, WOLK, BLUMENFELD, and VALDER, it was noted that [redacted] one of the signers, listed property at \$75,000.00; [redacted] property at \$7,000.00; [redacted] property at \$6,000.00; and [redacted] property at \$5,000.00,

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making a total of \$93,000.00, whereas, it appears that the property should total \$123,000.00. United States Commissioner Goddard advised Agent that two actions were now pending to declare the property void as to the property of [redacted] and that [redacted] only has a life interest in the property, which she pledged. This is being noted at present, for information only and the advisability of taking action in this case will be considered at a later date.

On August 23, 1933, [redacted] and [redacted] were interviewed by Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni, and this Agent, at which time, they, individually, examined a number of photographs and each one of them indicated that BERNARD PHILLIPS, I.O.#1196, looked like the person from whom they received the ransom money. However, none of them would say definitely that it was the individual or that it was not.

[redacted] stated that, as he recalled, not all of the \$5600.00 was in \$20.00 bills, some being larger and some smaller. He advised that [redacted] not [redacted] received \$1400.00 of the money. [redacted] stated with reference to the Cashier's check for \$1800.00 that same was to be used in the purchase of a carload of alcohol from [redacted] telephone, [redacted] Alamac Hotel, probably Room 402, New York, New York. He stated that one, or more, calls had been made from their business telephone, Bridgeport 4929, or Bridgeport 4917, to the above mentioned telephone number; just prior to the date the check was purchased and that it would be possible to reach [redacted] by calling the above mentioned number and asking for [redacted] after which, ask for [redacted]. He stated that he believed [redacted] would verify the fact that they were negotiating and had made arrangements to purchase a carload of alcohol. With reference to the transaction involving the \$5500.00, he stated that they sold approximately 125 cases of Bourbon and Scotch, and paid \$40.00 and \$50.00 per case. On this occasion, he stated that they were trying to get out of the liquor business. It will be noted that these statements do not coincide. [redacted] claimed they were innocent of any wrongdoing in connection with this case and denied absolutely that they had any idea the money was part of the URSCHEL ransom. They, further, admitted that, on the afternoon of August 7, 1933, they conferred with their attorney, [redacted] of Minneapolis, Minnesota, at one of the golf courses on the West Side of Minneapolis, and later at Medicine Lake, where [redacted] admitted renting a cottage from one, [redacted] previously identified. They stated that the reason they hid out was on account of the fact that they heard they would be arrested and immediately returned to Oklahoma City without opportunity of counsel. In this connection, it is significant to note that [redacted] and [redacted] as well as [redacted] left their places of business and homes 15 minutes, or 20 minutes, after the arrest of VALDER and before it was known to the police, or others, why VALDER was arrested.

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With reference to the letter of Special Agent in Charge F. J. BLAKE, Dallas, Texas, dated August 18, 1933, regarding the draft drawn at Madison, Wisconsin, through the First National Bank, Special Agent [redacted] of the St. Paul Division Office, made the following investigation:

I contacted [redacted] The First National Bank, Madison, Wisconsin, who produced the original of the draft in question. A photostatic copy was obtained and is attached to this memorandum. It will be noted that the draft bears signature of [redacted] and the belief that [redacted] might be GEORGE R. KELLY is out of the question. Photograph of GEORGE R. KELLY was exhibited to [redacted] but he was unable to identify same as being that of any person known to him. [redacted] explained that he merely signed the draft in the usual course of business and that he did not see the purchaser of same; that the purchaser transacts all business at the Draft Department and one of the bank employees then brings the draft to him, [redacted] for signature. I was referred to the Draft Department by [redacted]

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[redacted] and [redacted] Draft Department, were questioned concerning the draft and [redacted] stated that, as he recalled, the draft was purchased by a young woman between 30 and 33 years of age, quite tanned, wore a light tan dress, and he believed was accompanied by a small girl about 7 or 8 years of age. He could not recall whether she was a blond, or a brunette, and could give no further descriptive data. He, further, stated that the woman told him she was driving to Texas, did not want to carry so much money on her person, and was sending the money to her father; that he could not definitely recall the denominations of the money which she used in purchasing the draft but believed it was mostly fifties, several hundreds, and about 400 in twenties and tens; that the woman furnished him the name of [redacted] and he, [redacted] prepared the draft requisition for her and took the draft to [redacted] for signature; that this woman did not sign the requisition and that he, [redacted] signed it for her, using the name, [redacted] purchaser.

Photographs of GEORGE R. KELLY, EDWARD BENTZ and [redacted] were exhibited to [redacted] but he was unable to identify same as being those of any persons known to him. He stated, however, that the woman who purchased the draft resembled [redacted] very much, in build.

I was unable to trace any of the money used in the purchase of the draft, since the money had been turned over to the Federal Reserve by the bank.

I made a canvass of all banks in Madison, Wisconsin, but none could furnish any information whatever concerning GEORGE R. KELLY, or KATHRYN C. KELLY, and none, to their knowledge, had had any business dealings whatever with either of these persons. None of the banks had, to their knowledge, handled any of the ransom money.

I made a check of all the leading hotels and garages but could obtain no information which would indicate that GEORGE KELLY was a guest at any of the hotels on or about August 7, 1933, or that a Chevrolet Sport Coupe, bearing Iowa 1933 License 82-17210, or 16 Cylinder Cadillac, 9 passenger, bearing either Ohio 1933 License 691-965 or Texas 1933 License F 24-752, had been placed in garage on or about this time for storage.

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Sheriff [redacted] Madison, Wisconsin, and Chief of Police [redacted] were furnished with the above license numbers and, in turn, gave same to all of their officers with instructions to bring in the cars and occupants, if seen in Madison, or vicinity.

Information regarding Chevrolet Sport Coupe, Motor #3740186, bearing 1933 Iowa license 82-17210 was transmitted to the Twin City Police Departments, on August 21, 1933, together with information that KELLY was probably driving the car and accompanied by his wife and another woman. With reference to the telegram sent to R.G.SHANNON, c/o Manager, Cadillac Factory Sales Branch, Cleveland, Ohio, under date of August 8, 1933, reading:

" DEAL HAS FELL THROUGH JACK AND TOM HAVE LEFT COMMUNICATE WITH ME AT BOX SIX THREE ONE .

SIGNED: GEORGE

A copy of this telegram was requested and received from the Detroit Division Office, and Special Agent [redacted] conducted the following investigation:

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[redacted] Western Union Telegraph Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was interviewed at a later date by this agent and urged to make another search for the telegram in question. At that time I suggested that a communication be addressed to the Cleveland office of the Western Union Telegraph Company for a copy of the message in question. A telegram was sent to the Detroit office with a request that the telegram addressed to R.G.Shannon, care of the Cadillac Motor Company, Cleveland, on August 8, 1933, be copied, said copy showing all of the Telegraph Company's numerals and marks. On the 21st of August, a telegram was received from Special Agent [redacted] at Cleveland. Agent then interviewed [redacted] and he was able to locate the telegram. He did not permit agent to copy the entire wire, but a copy was made of the signature on the telegram, which is [redacted] Sheridan Hotel, Minneapolis". This tracing is placed in an envelope and attached to this memorandum. [redacted] advised that [redacted] took the message. [redacted] works from 4:00 to 12:00 in the afternoon and was interviewed by this agent. He advised that the word "hold", which is written in pencil on the message, the remainder of the message having been written by the sender in ink, was written by himself. He examined the telegram

and the photograph of GEORGE BATES, with aliases, but stated he was unable to state whether the person who presented the telegram was BATES or was not BATES. He is inclined to believe that should he see the individual in person he will be able to identify him.

The Western Union Company was requested to segregate this telegram and keep it available for the Division should same be needed.

At the Sheridan Hotel, [redacted] was interviewed. After a prolonged search lasting several days, the registration card and folio card of one [redacted] who registered at 9:59 a.m., on the 29th of July, 1933, and whose room was considered vacated by the hotel on July 31, 1933, was found. This record had been misplaced because of the fact that the occupant, [redacted] had skipped his room rent. [redacted] examined the photograph of BATES and stated that he remembered that BATES was the person [redacted]

The photographs were shown to [redacted] and she recalled seeing the individual about the hotel.

Bellboy [redacted] roomed [redacted] in room 328 and made the following record in the bellboys' book: "9:40 a.m., Room 328, cold turkey", indicating that [redacted] had given him no tip. Bellboy [redacted] also took a coat to be pressed from the occupant of room 328. The folio number is 5934. The registration card is [redacted] Chicago, Room 328. The total bill, which he failed to pay, is \$4.25, of which \$4 comprised room rent for two nights and .25 for coat press. Agent took a tracing of the registration card and the handwriting thereof bears a marked resemblance to the handwriting traced from the telegram. Both these tracings are placed in the same envelope which is attached to this memorandum. There is no record of telephone calls or telegram charges.

Bellboy [redacted] will be interviewed by me at the earliest possible date. The picture of BATES will be exhibited to him for the statement whether he recalls rooming this person in Room 328 at the Sheridan Hotel.

On a subsequent date, Bellboy [redacted] of the Sheridan Hotel was interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] and various photographs exhibited to him, among which were the photographs of BATES, and he was unable to identify any of them, although he admitted that BATES photograph looked familiar. The tracings from the Western Union, and from the Sheridan Hotel, regarding [redacted] and [redacted]

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are attached to the copies of this report for the Oklahoma City Division Office.

Referring to the letter of reference from the Cincinnati Office, regarding a call from Room 818, Antlers Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana, under date of July 15, 1933, it was determined through of the St. Paul Police Department, that telephone was listed to River Boulevard Apartments. The name of does not appear in the St. Paul City Directory, nor does the number 234 Mississippi River Boulevard North, at which address the River Boulevard Apartments are located. During the afternoon of September 3, 1933, discreet inquiry was made who advised that and that a who resides in the same apartment with her, is employed in St. Paul, occupation unknown. On that evening, and were contacted at their apartment and, on interview, stated that she had resided

stated that she is now employed in the and has been so employed for some time past. Discreet inquiry disclosed that had resided with them from July 7, to July 16, 1933, and that they now reside at claimed to have no relatives, or friends, in Indianapolis, Indiana, and to have been in communication with no one at that place.

was contacted, and advised that he had resided at 234 Mississippi River Boulevard, from, on or about and, while he had formerly been

, and knows no one in Cincinnati, or Indianapolis, who might have attempted to communicate with him. He stated that he recalled that has a boy friend by the name of who is with the he thinks, and who, he recalls, was in Louisville, and Indianapolis, during the middle of July, 1933, and he recalls, on one occasion, she received a telephone call from this gentleman. Inasmuch as this appears to explain the telephone call and for the reason that and the girls in question, appear to be above reproach and have no underworld connections, it was deemed inadvisable to pursue this investigation further.

Minneapolis, Minnesota, (telephone, advised Agent that, during the campaign of Mayor BAINBRIDGE, he was active in the Fifth Ward and had been promised patronage by the Mayor, for his efforts. He stated that it was also a fact that former Attorney from the State of Illinois, was promised the position of Chief of Police. When it became apparent that was being double-crossed, he went

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to [redacted] and told him he understood that he was getting \$25,000.00 for naming a Chief of Police, and [redacted] replied that he would name anybody Chief of Police for \$25,000.00, neither denying nor confirming the report. [redacted] states that the general discussion on the streets in Minneapolis is that the URSCHEL ransom money was brought to Minneapolis to pay the political debt of [redacted] for naming [redacted] Chief of Police. He says, further, that it is a known fact that [redacted] has considerable money since taking office and that he was broke, financially, prior to that time and that he appears very worried, at present, over something which he has not made known. Further, that [redacted] holds a "stick" over [redacted] which was illustrated, recently, when [redacted] attempted to re-instate four suspended police officers and, after [redacted] told [redacted] that their names would have to be stricken from the list or he would blow the lid off things in Minneapolis, [redacted] immediately caused the names to be removed from the list for re-appointment. [redacted] is a man of middle age and appears to be rather level headed. Later, he reported to Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni that he had heard, through a postal employee, name not known, that he knew something regarding some of the ransom money. [redacted] will be contacted at an early date and this matter followed up. While the foregoing information has little bearing on the case, it is being stated for the information of the United States Attorney, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. In this connection, it might be stated, also, that Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] while engaged in another matter within the past two months, overheard certain conversations wherein it appeared that [redacted] was supposed to have received \$30,000.00 campaign fund from [redacted] and other underworld characters, and was to receive an additional \$5,000.00 to appoint [redacted] Chief of Police. Also, that on advice of [redacted] gambling and other vices would not open up in Minneapolis until six weeks after that date and it appears that the recent activities in Minneapolis may not have any bearing in connection with this matter.

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On September 1, 1933, [redacted] Minneapolis, Minnesota, called at the St. Paul Division Office and advised Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni that he overheard [redacted] for the GROSSMAN CHEVROLET COMPANY, state that he was asked to pass \$2,000.00 in \$20.00 bills, and that [redacted] knew the name of the person who made the proposition to him.

[redacted], who resides at [redacted], Minneapolis, Minnesota;

[redacted] on the night of September 1, 1933, was interviewed by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] at which time he was reluctant to give any information. Finally, after an extended interview, he stated that he was down at the market around the AMERICAN FRUIT COMPANY, and a man known to him as [redacted] wanted to know if he didn't want \$2,000.00 for \$1,000.00, which he openly declined. He stated this was about the date of the arrest of the men in Minneapolis, in connection with the URSCHEL KIDNAPING case. He, also, advised

that he had heard that [redacted] for the FOXHEAD BREWING COMPANY, Minneapolis, Minnesota, had been approached to buy some of the money.

[redacted] Minneapolis, Minnesota, who is [redacted] of the American Fruit Company, 414-3rd Avenue North, and who is known as [redacted], was contacted and advised that he knew nothing whatever about the URSCHEL kidnaping money and that he had never, jokingly, or otherwise, asked anyone if they desired to purchase any of the money. He stated that he has been [redacted] of the American Fruit Company for [redacted] and is out of all rackets. [redacted] was interviewed for a considerable period of time, however, no further information could be secured from him.

[redacted] of the FOXHEAD BREWING COMPANY, down town garage, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was contacted and advised that some young man, about 25 years of age, slender build, dark complexioned, had approached him a month or so ago and asked if he wanted to buy some money; however, he did not specify the size of the bills, amount, or why the money was for sale, and that he flatly refused to purchase any and was not contacted regarding same, thereafter. He stated he did not know this individual, but that he leafed with a party by the name of [redacted] or some similar name, who was, recently, sent to the St. Cloud Reformatory from Buffalo, Minnesota, on a robbery, or burglary charge, and if the Division were interested, they could probably find out this individual's name from [redacted]

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Before the re-interview was had with [redacted] was called to the St. Paul Division Office, on August 21, 1933, and re-interviewed. He flatly denied that he had received \$1400.00, or any other amount from [redacted] and advised that he had, previously, informed this office of all facts known to him and that he would not protect anyone and that, if he knew who received the money, he would advise his identity. On September 1, 1933, efforts were made to locate [redacted] at the Ryan Hotel, and it was determined that he had checked out on the previous date, leaving as his forwarding address, telephone, [redacted] which is a Minneapolis number and which address has never been ascertained. However, a call was placed there and on September 5, 1933, [redacted] appeared at the St. Paul Division Office, in company with his attorney, [redacted] St. Paul, Minnesota. On interview, [redacted] stated that he is 30 years old, single, and that he is no longer in the liquor business. He states that he resides at [redacted] St. Paul, Minnesota, and while he does not remember the date, he had "a transaction" with [redacted] whom he has known for a number of years, in which [redacted] paid him \$1440.00. He stated he had no way of knowing the date, except by [redacted] statement; but it seemed to him that it was approximately one and one-half months ago that he received this money; that he did not deposit it in the bank; that he does not, in fact, have a bank account and was unable to account for just what he did with the money. He stated that he may have spent as much as \$200.00 of it to pay his expenses at the Ryan Hotel.

exhibited approximately \$400.00 to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] there being only one \$20.00 bill which, however, was of the Minneapolis Federal Reserve District. He stated that, as he recalled, not all of the money paid to him by SKELLY was in \$20.00 bills, some being fives and others tens. He stated, further, that he gave his father, [redacted] a \$50.00 bill and he is unable to account for what became of the rest. At this time, [redacted] was called into the conference and he suggested that [redacted] make a full statement as to the disposition made of the money. However, [redacted] still maintained that he was unable to account for approximately \$1200.00 of the money received from SKELLY. [redacted] was contacted, again, on September 6, 1933, and was requested to obtain a detailed statement from [redacted] as to the disposition made of the money, which he agreed to do and, further, agreed to supply same to Agent when, and if, he secured same.

One of the employees of the Intelligence Unit informed Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni that he was informed that an officer by the name [redacted] of the Minneapolis Police Department, had received some information regarding some of the ransom money, and that CLIFFORD SKELLY carried an account at the Fourth Northwestern National Bank, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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[redacted] of the Minneapolis Police Department, who resides at [redacted] was contacted and advised that he received information from a woman, with underworld connections, to the effect that [redacted] had a lot of URSCHEL money and had intended to leave St. Paul, and Minneapolis, but it got so "hot", that he had to remain here. He advised that his informant was, at that time, attending the World's Fair at Chicago, but as soon as she returned he would attempt to contact her and secure additional information from her. This officer claimed not to know [redacted] and was, recently, demoted for arresting a brother of [redacted] on a charge of immorality. He promised his full cooperation to the Division.

Inquiry of [redacted] of the Fourth Northwestern National Bank, 401 Cedar Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, disclosed that CLIFFORD SKELLY had an account there under the name of O'NEILL, but that same had been closed more than a year ago, and indicated that SKELLY had closed the account, at his request.

While attending the Grand Jury, at Oklahoma City, on August 23, 1933, [redacted] of the Fort Worth Police Department, advised Agent that he was well acquainted with KATHRYN KELLY and, from time to time, she had indicated to him that she resided in Minneapolis, Minnesota, much of the time and, further, that she lived in a good sized apartment house, where the woman, who operates same, sells Pekingese pups; also, that [redacted] had one of these dogs, and that they had three, or more, of them; that the KELLYS were married at Minneapolis, or St. Paul, and, in his opinion, KELLY would have a safety deposit box in one of the cities, under the name of R.G. SHANNON.

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With this information in mind, a complete check was made of all Twin City Banks to determine if KELLY, under his correct name, or known aliases, or any strangers, had, under suspicious circumstances, secured a safety deposit box, which investigation was without results.

The matter of KELLY'S residence has been taken up, confidentially, with [redacted] of the St. Paul Police Department, and [redacted] and [redacted] of the Minneapolis Police Department, and all promised their cooperation with a view to locating this place. The interview with the latter officers was made by Special Agent [redacted] who was working with them in connection with other cases in this office.

Through the Kennels, Directories, and Adds, all addresses in Minneapolis have been checked, where PEKINGESE dogs are advertised for sale. This resulted in finding that these dogs are for sale at but one apartment house in the City of Minneapolis, which is located at [redacted]. The person, who has these dogs for sale, is [redacted]. She was contacted, under pretext, by Agent and during the conversation regarding her dogs, she stated that she had, formerly, [redacted] and came to Minneapolis,

[redacted] It was determined that she has nothing to do with the management of that apartment building, which is the Lagoon, and that she has the only entrance on Mall Street, and lives apart from the other tenants. As the various adds appear in papers, this matter will be further checked. In an effort to determine whether a marriage license had been issued to GEORGE R. KELLY, and KATHRYN KELLY, the indexes were checked in the Hennepin County Office of the Clerk of the Court, and the Ramsey County Office of the Clerk of the Court, from January 1, 1920, to date; however, these names, or other known aliases of these individuals do not appear therein.

Under date of September 6, 1933, photographs of WOLK, VALDER, KRONICK, KOZBERG, BLUMENFELD, SKELLY, and BERMAN, were forwarded by letter to the Oklahoma City Division Office. Since submission of reference report of this Agent, two or three ransom bills have appeared at the banks in St. Paul, Minnesota, however careful efforts to determine the origin of same have been without results, and the details regarding same are not recorded herein. The lead at Grand Forks, North Dakota, is being covered by the St. Paul Division Office, at this time.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

New York Division Office:

b7C [redacted] At New York City, is respectfully requested to communicate with [redacted] at the ALAMAC HOTEL, as detailed in the body of this report, and to question him as to whether he had contracted to sell a carload of alcohol to TOM HANKE, BARNEY BERMAN, ISADOR BLUMENFELD, or CLIFFORD SKELLY, or Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dallas Division Office:

Will, if possible, secure more definite information as to the time and probable names used by KELLY and KATHERYN KELLY when they were married and in the event any information in this connection is received, same should be forwarded immediately to the St. Paul Division Office, as it is believed that with this information at hand, some very valuable information can be secured as to KELLY'S hangouts when in the Twin Cities.

St. Paul Division Office.

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b7D [redacted] At Minneapolis, Minnesota, will keep in touch with [redacted] and [redacted] for any additional information they may be able to furnish, and conduct such other information as facts and circumstances warrant.

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- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Hughes.....
- Mr. Locke.....

U. S. Department of Justice
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
 905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
 Kansas City, Missouri
 September 6, 1933.



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

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D. VISION [redacted] b7C

SEP 29 1933 A.M.

DIRECTOR NATHAN [redacted] b7C

Unit One Ident.

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Dear Sir:

DIVISION ONE
 SEP 27 1933 PM

The noon edition of the Kansas City Journal Post for September 5, 1933, carried an article indicating that an individual had been arrested at Meade, Kansas, who was thought possibly to be George Kelly, Subject of our I. O. Number 1203.

Special Agent [redacted] b7C of this office, immediately communicated by telephone with the Sheriff's office at Meade, Kansas, and talked to [redacted] b7C b7D is [redacted] b7C b7D Kansas, but was at Meade, Kansas, in connection with the instant matter at the time.

[redacted] b7C stated that the man in custody gave his name as [redacted] b7C advising that it had been positively established that [redacted] b7C was not one of the individuals being sought by this Division in connection with the Union Station Massacre and the Urschel kidnaping. [redacted] b7C advised that the Sheriff at Meade intended holding [redacted] b7C on a charge of attempted theft of an automobile and attempted robbery. As [redacted] b7C true identity was not definitely known, Agent [redacted] b7C suggested that [redacted] b7C fingerprints be submitted immediately by air mail to the Division at Washington, with a notation thereon to notify the Sheriff by wire if [redacted] b7C was wanted.

Immediately after the telephone conversation with [redacted] b7C b7D [redacted] b7C Special Agent in Charge R. H. Colvin, Oklahoma City, telephoned the Kansas City office and advised Special Agent [redacted] b7C that [redacted] b7C subsequent to Harvey Bailey's capture at Ardmore, Oklahoma, peace officers had engaged in a gun battle with certain individuals at Enid, Oklahoma; Mr. Colvin further stating that two of the individuals in the gun battle had now been definitely identified from photographs as Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd (I.O. 1194) and George R. Kelly. Mr. Colvin stated he had heard of the gun battle at Meade, Kansas, and thought possibly Kelly and Floyd were among the individuals there.

[redacted] b7C b7D As during the time of Agent [redacted] b7C first conversation with [redacted] b7C the phone was quite noisy due to the activity in the Sheriff's office at Meade, Kansas, Agent [redacted] b7C again communicated

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with [redacted] at which time [redacted] advised that photographs of the various individuals involved in the Union Station Massacre and Urschel kidnaping cases had been exhibited to witnesses who had assisted the desperadoes at Meade, Kansas in removing their car from the mud, and these witnesses had all positively stated that none of the desperadoes were any of the men desired by this Division.

[redacted] stated that the gun fight with these men at Meade, Kansas, had been on September 4, 1933, at which time [redacted] had been taken into custody. He further stated that about 9 or 9:30 P.M. that evening these individuals had called at a rooming house in Liberal, Kansas, and had requested the manager to call a doctor for one of them who was wounded, which the manager refused to do, and the individuals departed. [redacted] was unable to give further details concerning this angle at Liberal, stating that the Sheriff at Liberal was making further investigation of the same.

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The following descriptions of the four individuals involved, including that of [redacted] in custody, were furnished by [redacted]

- #1 - [redacted]
 - Age 26
 - Height 6' 2"
 - Weight - 140 lbs.
 - Eyes - Blue
 - In custody of Sheriff, Meade, Ks.
- #2 - Sex - Male
 - Color - White
 - Age - 25 years
 - Height - 5' 6"
 - Weight - 130 lbs.
 - Slender build - thin face
 - Small and dark complexion
 - Mouth badly bruised & swollen.
- #3 - Sex - Male
 - Color - White
 - Age - 45 years
 - Weight - 140 lbs.
 - Height - 5' 8 or 9"
 - Build - Medium
 - Right shoulder dislocated
- #4 - Sex - Female
 - Color - White
 - Age - 20 years
 - Weight - 115 lbs.
 - Height - 5' 5"
 - Hair - Blond
 - Eyes - Blue
 - Hatchet face - Deep cut in forehead.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Vetterli
R. E. VETTERLI
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

[redacted] b7c
CC - 2 Division
2 Oklahoma City

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**

N.Y. FILE NO. **7-19**

REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE: 9/8/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8/25-9/6/33	REPORT MADE BY: [REDACTED]
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**GEORGE W. KELLY with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1203, et al.
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM** **KIDNAPING**

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Federal Reserve notes J03792019-A and J02473555-A received at Federal Reserve Bank, New York City. Investigation thus far fails to locate parties who may have passed the same. Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in all states, this district, requested to notify New York office should either of Kelly's cars be registered therein. The American Express Company Traveler's Check #38004621 issued at the Aurora National Bank, Aurora, Ill.



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RECEIVED DIVISION ONE
SEP 11 1933

REFERENCE: Wire from the New Orleans Office dated August 29, 1933.

DETAILS:

The wire of reference advised that an American Express Company Traveler's Check #38004621 issued by one [REDACTED] had been cashed at New Orleans on August 28th by a party thought to be Kelly and the district office of the Express Company in Atlanta, Ga. advised that the check had not been issued in that district, and that district where it had been issued could be ascertained

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-115-438	RECORDED AND INDEXED SEP 9 1933
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from [redacted] the Travelers Check Accountant of the American Express Company, New York City.

The writer contacted [redacted] by telephone, and after an examination of his records, he advised that traveler's check #3004621 had been issued by the Aurora National Bank of Aurora, Ill.

Upon receipt of this information, a wire was immediately directed to the Chicago office, advising them of the above facts and requesting that appropriate investigation be immediately conducted in an effort to determine if [redacted] were Kelly, and determine any valuable information the bank might have. The New Orleans office was also advised concerning the inquiry made of [redacted].

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On August 25, 1933, [redacted] of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, telephoned Assistant SAC, F. X. Fay, advising the bank had received one of the notes paid as ransom in the Urschel kidnaping case. This note was obtained by Special Agent [redacted] and is now being retained in the New York City office safe. It is #J03792019-A.

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Agent [redacted] ascertained at the Federal Reserve Bank that this note had been received by the Federal Reserve Bank on August 23, 1933 from the Livingston Manor National Bank, Livingston Manor, N. Y., in a shipment containing the following currency:

Five Dollar Bills	-	\$1,000.
Ten Dollar Bills	-	\$2,500.
Twenty Dollar Bills	-	\$2,000.
Fifty and One Hundred Dollar Bills	-	\$ 400.

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Agent [redacted] immediately contacted [redacted] of the Livingston Manor National Bank by telephone, and requested that he use every possible effort to determine from what source this particular note was received.

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Agent [redacted] on the following day contacted [redacted], and he rendered all possible cooperation. [redacted] advised

that he was unable to pass any opinion as to the source of the note in question; that his records, upon examination, disclosed that approximately 45 persons or companies had made deposits on Monday and Tuesday, August 21 and 22, 1935, which included amounts of \$20.00 or more in currency; that the population of Livingston Manor usually was about 1,000, but on account of being in a resort section, it may contain up to 3,000 during the summer months. [redacted] stated that he would be more on the alert for subsequent \$20.00 Federal Reserve items, and will carefully check the same against the list previously furnished his bank.

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Photographs and identification orders of interest were exhibited to [redacted] and his assistants, but none was identified.

[redacted] volunteered the information that [redacted] had recently come to Livingston Manor from Texas. [redacted] when later identified in the presence of [redacted] advised Agent [redacted] he had arrived at Livingston Manor on August 22, 1935 about 6:45 P.M. after the bank had closed, and that he had spent or disposed of no money since he arrived at Livingston Manor. He also advised he had come from Cameron, Texas, which is not far from Dallas.

Agent [redacted] observed at the bank that the Postmaster had made the heaviest deposits. Postmaster [redacted] examined all the outgoing postal money orders back to August 16th, but nothing of interest was learned.

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The following postal clerks also examined various photographs and identification orders of interest: General Delivery; [redacted] General Delivery; Clerk; [redacted] Clerk; [redacted] Carrier; [redacted] Carrier. Postmaster [redacted] was the only one who claimed to have seen the person represented by the picture of [redacted] (wife of [redacted]). He stated he believed he saw her in shorts and she appeared to be considerably heavier than the likeness in the photograph. Agent [redacted] stated he was not in the least impressed by the identification by Postmaster [redacted].

[redacted] General Delivery, and [redacted] claimed also to have seen a party who strongly resembled the glazed photograph of [redacted]. They were of the opinion, however, that the party seen by them was younger and a trifle stouter. Agent [redacted] states they could

only guess they had seen the party they had in mind in the lobby of the Post-Office on a day not recalled.

██████████ advised that he would keep the photographs in ██████████ believe him, and that any information obtained concerning him or the other parties of interest could be promptly furnished the New York City office by telephone.

Agent ██████████ called at the telegraph office located in the O. & W. RR. Station. Station Agent ██████████ was unable to furnish any information and could not identify any of the photographs exhibited to him. Telegraph Operator ██████████ likewise was unable to identify the photographs exhibited to him or furnish any helpful information. ██████████ advised his office did not commence to deliver telegraph money orders until August 21, 1933, and thus far only three had been received, none being of interest to this case. ██████████ claimed to have frequently listened on the telegraph wire for messages going to Liberty, N. Y., about eight miles near New York City, and where money orders would be handled, but recalls nothing for ██████████ or ██████████ and ██████████ both promised to advise the New York office anything of interest which they might learn.

Agent ██████████ on August 30th, in company with ██████████ interviewed all of the individuals known to have deposited more than \$20.00 in cash at the Livingston Manor National Bank on August 21 and 22, 1933, with a view of establishing the identity of the party who formerly possessed Federal Reserve note #J03792019-A. The inquiries were not limited to the depositors in this instance, and included interviews at all gasoline service stations in the vicinity together with local merchants and garages. None of the parties contacted was able to recall having had possession of the specific note, nor were they able to identify the photographs of any of the individuals exhibited to them. The photographs which were displayed on each occasion were of the following: ██████████ Theodore Bentz, George R. Kelly, ██████████ Chas. A. Floyd, ██████████ Edward Phillips, Robert G. Brady, ██████████ and ██████████

Several of the circulars, listing the serial numbers of the Federal Reserve notes in this matter, were left with depositors whom ██████████ believed handle sufficient currency to warrant their

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having such a list. Additional lists were likewise given to [redacted] for future disposition in cases where he believes they will be of value.

Displays will likewise be left at banks located at Liberty, Monticello, Woodridge, So. Fallsburgh, Marrowsburg, all in Sullivan County.

At the Telephone Company office, Livingston Manor, Agent [redacted] ascertained that all long distance slips are now on file at Albany, N. Y. This is likewise the case with reference to long distance calls out of So. Fallsburgh. A check will be made of all long distance calls out of the territory covering So. Fallsburgh and Livingston Manor, N. Y., at Albany by Agent [redacted].

The license numbers of the cars thought to be utilized by the individuals in the case have been furnished to the reputable service stations and garages at Livingston Manor, Parkville and Liberty, N. Y., and will be furnished to law enforcement officers, and State Troopers in this and in all other districts where believed practical.

At about 4:15 P.M. on August 28, 1933, the Federal Reserve Bank telephoned the New York Office to advise that they had received another twenty dollar note, of interest to this case.

Agent [redacted] obtained twenty dollar Federal Reserve note JD2473555-A from [redacted] Protection Department, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, leaving \$20.00 in exchange for same. (The \$20.00 given to obtain this note had been furnished by Special Agent [redacted].)

[redacted] advised that this note had been received from the branch of the Corn Exchange Bank located at Jerome Avenue and East 170th Street, Bronx, under date of August 24, 1933. He emphasized that the note had been received by the Federal Reserve Bank through the main office of the Corn Exchange Bank. He also advised that [redacted] was assigned to the duty of comparing all \$20.00 Federal Reserve Bank notes against the list furnished his bank.

On August 29, 1933 Agent [redacted] interviewed [redacted] of the branch of the Corn Exchange Bank at 170th Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx, N. Y., [redacted]

He rendered all possible cooperation. By his examination of the wrapper which had been received at the Federal Reserve Bank, it was determined that this particular \$20.00 note had been handled by teller [redacted] having been sent to the main office on Monday, August 21, 1933.

[redacted] at this branch bank, advised Agent [redacted] that it might have been on Monday, August 21, 1933, when a stranger, who claimed to be from Texas, requested to have a \$20.00 note exchanged for small denominations. They jointly described the stranger approximately as follows:

Age:	55-60 years
Height:	5 Ft. 11 In.
Weight:	190-200 lbs.
Hair:	Athletic, chest carriage
Complexion:	Sandy and possibly grey
	Light
	Has Southern drawl.
	Probably dressed in dark suit.

This stranger was inclined to be talkative, and several times during the general conversation claimed to have recently come from Texas. Agent [redacted] was also advised that he had never been seen previously. b7c

With the aid of [redacted] Agent [redacted] made a pencil list of 83 individuals or firms who had deposited currency in the amount of \$20.00 or more during the business day of August 21, 1933. The names and addresses were also obtained of five persons who had made deposits in savings accounts; also the names of those who had made deposits for the account of other branch banks, (addresses on these will have to be obtained from the branches where the main account is kept), and also of one individual who obtained a certificate of deposit. The list, as compiled by Agent [redacted] is set out in memorandum form and is retained in the New York City file for whatever purpose it might serve in the future. b7c

According to [redacted], it is impossible for him to pass any opinion as to the source of the \$20.00 note in question. However, he claims that the band with which the note had been received in the Federal Reserve Bank reflects that it had been handled by him.

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Letters have been addressed to all Commissioners of Motor Vehicles in all states in this district, requesting them to notify the New York office should either of Kelly's cars be registered in their State.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK OFFICE

AT ALBANY, ALBANY COUNTY, N. Y., will report the results of the inquiry into the long distance telephone calls which is at present being made by Agent [redacted] for the territories covering South Fallsburgh and Livingston Manor.

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This is a full rate Telegram, Cablegram or Radiogram unless otherwise indicated by signal in the check or in the address.

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- Mr. Tolson.....
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- Mr. Edwards...
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Hughes...✓
- Mr. Locke.....

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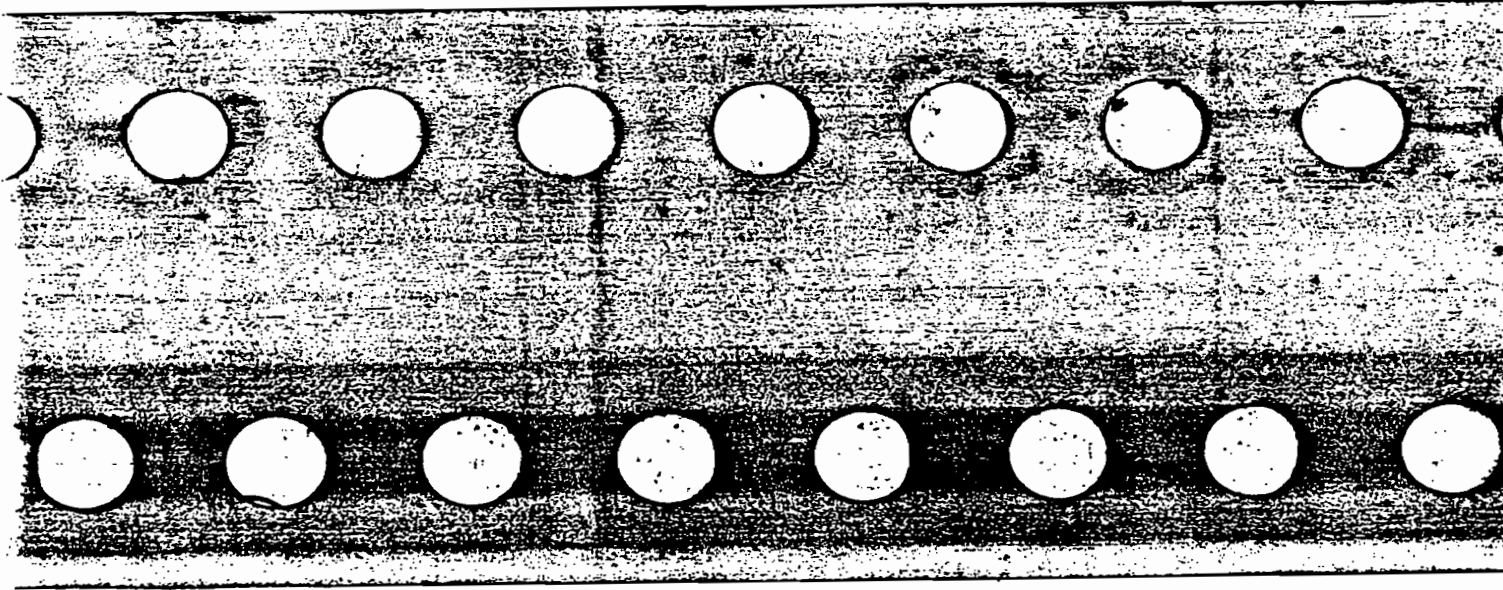
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September 8, 1933

[REDACTED]
The Clarksburg Telegram,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your request of September 2,
1933 there is transmitted herewith Identification Order
No. 1189 entitled Harvey J. Bailey, with aliases, issued by
the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Incl. #214743

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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22222 DIVISION 111 MESSAGE
Date _____

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MR. TOLSON _____
MR. APPEL _____
MR. BAUGHMAN _____
MR. EGAN _____
MR. HUGHES _____
INSPECTOR CLEGG _____
MISS GANDY _____
MRS. SKILLMAN _____

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Wm. Cowley

*I think you may be
sent home this J.C*

PLEASE SEE ME _____

HAROLD NATHAN
ROOM 318

THE CLARKSBURG TELEGRAM

EVERY AFTERNOON

PUBLISHED BY CLARKSBURG PUBLISHING CO.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA.

Sept. 2, 1933

Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Edwards...
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Hughes...
Mr. Nathan...
Mr. Tolson.....
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EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT
WILLIAM L. GEPPERT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

J. Edgar Hoover
Director Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

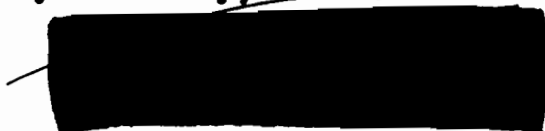
Will you please forward federal identification card of Harvey Bailey, kidnaped, who is held in Dallas, Texas, jail ?

Also will appreciate information concerning his birthplace, the date of same and the name of his parents.

Although no definite information is available here, it is believed that he is former resident of this section who met with Albert Bates, also held, while working on a road construction project in this section several years ago.

Yours truly,

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September 8, 1933

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Atlantic National Bank Building Annex,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: GEORGE H. KELLY with aliases, Fugitive;
KATHERINE THORNE KELLY alias DELORES WHITNEY,
Fugitive; Charles F. Urschel, Victim.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith three copies of a reproduction
of a recent photograph of subject Katherine Thorne Kelly for assist-
ance in identification purposes on investigation at Miami, Florida.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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AIR MAIL

Incl. #214754

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September 6, 1933

Mr. Gus T. Jones,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 1, 1933, recommending that Harvey J. Bailey be transferred from Dallas to Oklahoma City and advising that certain deputy sheriffs were becoming entirely too familiar with Bailey and indicating that it would be safer to remove him from Dallas to Oklahoma City.

It is requested that a report be submitted by you at the earliest possible moment advising of any information you may have concerning Bailey's escape. The Dallas Office is also being requested to submit a report concerning his escape.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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U.S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation

Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson

Dallas, Texas

September 1st, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:-

This to advise that I arrived in Dallas, Texas at 7:30 am this date on the Urschel Kidnaping Case. My address is care Division office here and the Baker Hotel.

I will leave shortly for Oklahoma City and will wire you my departure for that place.

Due to recent occurrences at the county jail here, wherein I believe that certain Deputy Sheriffs are becoming entirely too familiar with Harvey Bailey, I have suggested that he be immediately removed to Oklahoma City.

Due to the extra precautions now being taken at the Oklahoma county jail, where the other defendants are now confined, I believe that Bailey will be safer there than in the Dallas county jail.

We will wire you when a decision has been reached relative to moving Bailey.

Very Truly Yours
Gus T. Jones
Special Agent in Charge.

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I want to know details of this from Jones & Blake for we must find out who was responsible for the escape. D. G. W.

Letter 9-6-33
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September 8, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Re: GEORGE E. KELLY, with aliases,
Identification Order #1203, et al.,
Charles F. Urschel, Victim, - Kidnaping.

I am forwarding under separate cover the photograph of Kathryn Thorne Kelly, subject of Identification Order #1207, forwarded by you to the Division.

I am transmitting herewith three copies of the reproduction of this photograph. Three copies of the reproduction are being forwarded to all the field offices of the Division.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Encl. 660939.

*Enclosures to be placed
in file by separate means*

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September 8, 1933

[redacted]
Miami, Florida.

Re: GEORGE E. KELLY with aliases, Fugitive;
KATHERINE THORNE KELLY alias DELORES
O WHITNEY, Fugitive; Charles F. Urschel,
Victim.

Dear [redacted]

I am transmitting herewith two copies
of a reproduction of a recent photograph of subject
Katherine Thorne Kelly for assistance in identification
purposes.

Sincerely yours,

Director. [redacted]

Incl. #214755
AIR MAIL

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U. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

September 9, 1933

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Locke

GTJ: [redacted]
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Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: Re: George R. Kelly, et al
Kidnaping

I am attaching hereto a copy of an application for writ of habeas corpus filed on September 8 by James H. Mathers, attorney for Harvey Bailey.

I am attaching hereto also the answer made by the United States Attorney Herbert Hyde.

The application for writ of habeas corpus was heard by Federal Judge Vaught this morning and same was denied. The Judge in denying the writ remarked that the desire of the Court was that Bailey be safely held and produced in court for trial in answer to the indictment pending in court against him, and that from the facts set out in the petition it would appear that he was being safely held.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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In the United States District Court, Western District
of the State of Oklahoma.

United States, Plaintiff,

Vs.

No. _____

Harvey Bailey, Defendant.

Application for writ of Habeas Corpus.

To the Honorable Edgar S. Vaught, Judge:

Your petitioner alleges, that he is charged by indictment in this Court with the crime of "kid-napping," that is with the abduction, for ransom, one Charles F. Urschel, and is being held, as a Federal prisoner, to await trial on said charge in the County Jail of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma.

Second: Your petitioner alleges, that the sole and only authority, by virtue of which the Hon. Rube Geers, United States Marshal of said above named Court, restrains and detains your petitioner is by virtue of a certain paper which purports to be a "bench warrant", or "commitment" upon said indictment.

Third: Your petitioner alleges, that he is not even charged with a capital offense; that the proof of his guilt is not evident neither is the presumption great; but, to the contrary said petitioner is innocent of said charge and is not guilty thereof, and that his restraint is unlawful, illegal and without authority of law.

Fourth: Your petitioner alleges that under section 8, of the Constitution of the United States, it is provided, "that excessive bail shall not be required, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted".

Fifth: Petitioner alleges, that he is sick, just recovering from a gun shot wound; that he is confined in a dark cell, in solitary confinement, that he is shackled, hand-cuffed, both hands and feet are chained; that large hand-cuffs are around each wrist, and his hands separated by a long iron or steel bar, approximately 18 inches long;

he is fixed to each hand cuff, that petitioner can not even touch his feet to the other that he cannot even eat only with great inconvenience and delay; that his legs are chained to the floor; person is chained by large heavy and painful shackles in his cells that he has no chair or

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which to sit; he is required to go and appear in a nude state, except for a pair of N. K. S.'s, both by day and by night; he is denied his clothing; he is not permitted to read any newspapers and magazines; is not permitted to have any writing materials; cannot get or have any physical exercise; is required to sit and lie in a cramped position and stationary, and is chained, handcuffed, manacled, both feet, legs and hands, with heavy and painful irons, chains and steel

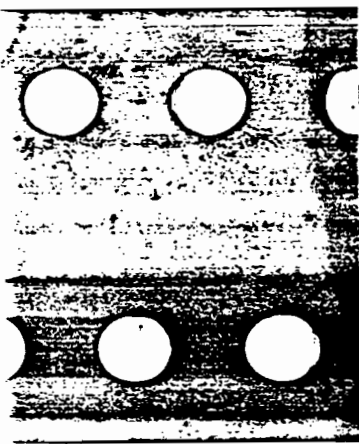
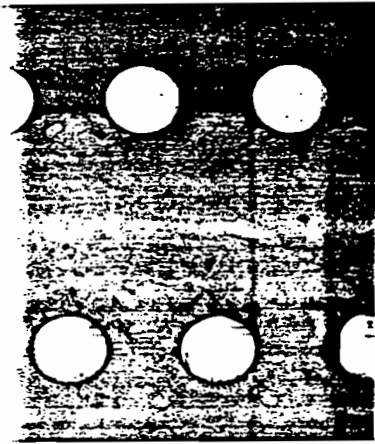
Petitioner alleges and so charges, that at least seven machine guns are trained upon him and his place of confinement, that heavily armed officers are stationed in and around said jail, in the streets and alleys across the street in the court house and other vantage places, ready to instantly shoot and kill.

Petitioner alleges that he is treated like a brute, like a wild and ferocious and untamed animal, and that such treatment of him is ^{tortuous} cruel, unusual, inhuman, ~~inhuman~~, barbarous, painful, illegal and unwarranted in law or good conscience, and against the spirit, the letter and substance of the Constitution of the United States.

Your petitioner alleges that such brutal and savage tying and chaining of him, by such heavy chains, irons, rods, and steel, upon his naked body, legs, and wrists, and such close and constant confinement, is materially affecting his health; endangering his life, and causing said petitioner to be and remain in such a faintful and mental and physical condition, that petitioner cannot sleep, cannot intelligently confer and discuss his defense with his attorneys, and cannot remember anything and cannot possibly prepare his defense to said charge of which he is innocent, and if continued will result in the permanent impairment of his health and probably destroy his mind, and may result fatally to said petitioner.

WHEREFORE, your petitioner prays:

That the Court order the personal presence of said petitioner before this Court, in the same condition and manner said petitioner held in said solitary cell, so that the Court may observe for itself and that the Court hear the evidence of said petitioner upon and matters stated herein; that upon a hearing the Court grant a Habeas Corpus directing the discharge of this petitioner from his unlawful and illegal imprisonment, or else the Court issue a just appearance bond for said petitioner; and that the Court direct and immediate release of the petitioner.



such bonds, irons, handcuffs, shackles, manacles, leg irons, and
that the Court order a medical examination to be immediately made
of said petitioner by some competent physician.

Attorneys for Petitioner.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN
DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

No. 10478 Criminal.

George Kelly, Harvey Bailey, et al

Defendants.

ANSWER

Come now the United States of America, Plaintiff represented

by Herbert K. Hyde, United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, in the above entitled case and for response to the writ of habeas corpus heretofore filed states:

1. That Harvey Bailey is incarcerated in the Oklahoma County Jail and is in the custody of the Marshal for the Western District of Oklahoma by virtue of warrant issued and by virtue of indictment returned by a Federal Grand Jury on August 23, 1933 charging him with violation of Section 600a, Title 18, U. S. C. A. which provides for a penalty for one or more persons who conspire to abduct, transport, kidnaped or carried away and held for ransom; that his bond has been heretofore set at One-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00).

2. Plaintiff further alleges and states that defendant Harvey Bailey's criminal record is as follows: Arrested police department, Omaha, Nebraska, March 23, 1920; charge investigation, kidnaping and burglary; arrested sheriff's office, Fort Scott, Kansas July 12, 1922, charge bank robbery; received State Prison, Lansing, Kansas, August 17, 1922; crime bank robbery; sentence, 15 to 50 years. Escaped May 20, 1933, as will appear by Exhibit A hereto attached.

3. Plaintiff further states that Harvey Bailey was the principal leader in the escape of eleven convicts, some of whom were serving life terms in the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas on Memorial Day, May 30, 1933 wherein fire arms which had been smuggled into the institution were used in effecting the release of some of the most desperate criminals in the southwest and some of whom are still at liberty; that Harvey Bailey at the time was serving from ten to fifty years in the said institution for the crime of bank robbery with fire arms at Ft. Scott, Kansas; that thereafter seventeen days following his escape a wholesale massacre occurred at

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Kansas City at the Union Station at which time four State and Federal officers were assassinated and that for the crime so committed a Federal Grand Jury sitting in Kansas City thereafter returned an indictment against Harvey Bailey including two of the life terms whose escape he effected on May 20, 1935, all being indicted for obstructing justice in connection with their participation in said massacre; that thereafter on or about the 22nd day of July, 1935 a citizen of Oklahoma City was kidnaped by force of arms and transported to the state of Texas where he was held for a ransom of \$200,000.00 and for that offense Harvey Bailey was indicted with others and was arrested at the place where Chas. F. Urechel, the kidnaped man was held for a period of nine days by force of arms; that the said Harvey Bailey had in his possession, unlawfully at the time of his arrest, a Thompson machine gun, an automatic rifle, an automatic pistol, all of which could destroy the lives of scores of people, that thereafter the said Harvey Bailey was incarcerated in one of the best jails in the southwest, nine floors above ground, in the death cell, in solitary confinement and he effected his escape from the custody of the Sheriff of Dallas County, who has immediate charge of said jail, where the defendant had been placed by the Federal Government for safe confinement, all of which occurred by the use of fire arms that had been smuggled into him through lack of precaution of the local officers who were charged with safe keeping; that thereafter he threatened the lives of officers with the enforcement of the law and with fire arms terrorized of Northern Texas and Oklahoma and caused to be kidnaped had him in custody and unlawfully caused him to State of Texas to the State of Oklahoma, all of the laws of the Federal Government:

That thereafter --

4. Plaintiff further alleges and states by way of answer that the officers and agents of the United States of America are using every precaution essential to insure the safe keeping of the said Harvey Bailey in order that a trial may be had on the 15th day of September, 1938 as heretofore ordered by this Court and to preserve the peace and dignity of the United States of America.

United States Attorney

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **OKLAHOMA CITY**

FILE NO. **7-10**

REPORT MADE AT: Salt Lake City, Ut.	DATE WHEN MADE: 9-7-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8-28 & 31 and 9-1 & 8-33	REPORT MADE BY: JOHN A. DOWD
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TITLE: GEORGE R. KELLY with aliases I.O. #1203; ALBERT L. BATES with aliases; ORA L. SHANNON; ARMON C. SHANNON; KATHERYN KELLY with aliases; HARVEY J. BAILEY with aliases I.O. #1189; SAM	CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
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**OKRONICK; SAM KOZBERG; CHARLES WOLK; CLIFFORD SKELLY;
EDWARD BARNETT BERMAN with alias; PETER VALDER with
aliases; ISADOR BLUMENFELD; CHARLES F. URSCHEL -
VICTIM**

Synopsis of Facts: 1932 Cadillac Sedan, motor No. 1400263, and Chevrolet Coupe, motor No. 3740186, not registered in Colorado, Utah, Nevada, or Wyoming; all banks in Salt Lake City Division Office territory communicated with to learn if any safety deposit box or boxes rented to any persons worthy of suspicion in this case, returns to date indicate no such box rented. Report that woman said to be Mrs. Albert L. Bates registered at Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City, proved unfounded. Subject Albert L. Bates removed from Denver, Colorado, to Oklahoma City, on August 31, 1933.

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Dworn 1*

REFERENCE: Report of Agent John A. Dowd, Salt Lake City, Utah Division Office, 8-24-33.

DETAILS: **AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH**

DETAILS:

Upon request of the Dallas Division Office inquiry was made in the states of Utah, Nevada, Colorado and Wyoming for the purpose of learning if 1932 Cadillac Sedan, motor No. 1400263, or Chevrolet Coupe, motor No. 3740186, were registered in said states. Information has been received that these cars have not thus far been registered in these states.

Upon request of the Dallas Bureau Office communications were

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directed to all banks in the territory of the Salt Lake City Division Office for the purpose of learning if any safety deposit box or boxes had been rented to any person or persons considered worthy of suspicion in this case and returns to date indicate that no box or boxes have been rented by any person or persons

AT DENVER, COLO.

On August 31, 1933, Albert L. Bates was received from the Denver County Jail, Denver, Colo., at 4:00 AM and taken into custody by United States Marshal [redacted] and Deputy Marshals [redacted] and [redacted]. He was immediately driven in an automobile to the municipal airport at Denver, Colo., under the protection of Agent [redacted] and this agent, who followed in another automobile adequately armed. At the municipal airport the United States Marshal, and his deputies, together with Bates, and accompanied by Agent [redacted] and this agent boarded the plane of [redacted] of Denver, Colo., and proceeded to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, departing from Denver, Colo., at 4:45 AM. The party arrived at the municipal airport, Oklahoma City, Okla., at 9:00 AM August 31, 1933, whereupon subject Albert L. Bates was delivered to the County Jail at Oklahoma City, Okla. United States Marshal and his deputies and Agent [redacted] and this Agent departed from Oklahoma City, Okla. in the same plane at 2:00 PM and arrived at Denver, Colo. at 5:50 PM on the same date.

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

On September 1, 1933, a telegram was received from Agent [redacted] then at Denver, Colo., to the effect that a salesman had identified Mrs. Albert L. Bates as being a person who was at the Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, on August 27, with a yellow Cadillac car.

Agent [redacted] immediately instituted an investigation at the Newhouse Hotel but could not find the name of Mrs. Albert L. Bates or Mrs. George L. Davis registered there or as having been registered into the hotel on any occasion during the last two weeks; it was noted that one, [redacted] registered into the hotel on August 27, 1933, from [redacted] Logan, Utah. She registered in at 2:00 AM, paid \$2.00 in advance and was assigned to Room 418. She did not have baggage and checked out on the same day, leaving no forwarding address. It is not believed that she is the woman wanted.

Photograph of Mrs. Albert L. Bates was exhibited to [redacted] and to the [redacted] of the Newhouse Hotel but not any of them recognized the photograph of Mrs. Albert L. Bates as a guest who had stopped there.

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At the Newhouse Hotel Garage photograph of Mrs. Albert L. Bates was shown to [redacted] and to his employes but not any of them recognized it as any person who appeared there with any car and there is no record of a yellow Cadillac having been at the garage there within the past two weeks.

On September 8, 1933, telephone communication was received from the Oklahoma City Office making known that [redacted] Attorney representing subject Bates, left Oklahoma City on that date at 1:15 p.m. for Denver via the Santa Fe and that he is supposedly going to North Dakota presumably to contact subject George Kelly. The Oklahoma City Office requested that [redacted] be contacted and kept under surveillance no matter where he went.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE AT DENVER, COLO.: Will keep in touch with any effort made to examine goods stored by Albert L. Bates under the name of George L. Davis at the Weicker Transportation Co.

AT DENVER, COLO.: Will exhibit the photograph of Mrs. Albert L. Bates to [redacted] Denver, Colo., for the purpose of learning if it is any woman known to her and particularly if it is [redacted] If so, will secure such information as [redacted] may have concerning any antecedents of [redacted] in the hope of locating her.

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AT DENVER, COLO.: Will try to locate [redacted] the name of [redacted] appears in the Denver directory and she may be the person. If located, all information she may have as to Albert L. Bates or George L. Davis should be secured and any information she may have which would be helpful in locating Mrs. Albert L. Bates or [redacted] should be secured.

PENDING

411 U. S. Court House
Portland, Oregon

September 5, 1933



Postmaster
Tacoma, Washington

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
CHARLES F. MURSCHEL - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

To assist this Division in an official investigation, will you kindly inform me by return mail whether there is a letter waiting at your General Delivery Division, addressed to [redacted]. If there is such a letter, I should appreciate your including also information as to the postmark and any return address which may possibly be shown on the letter.

I shall appreciate your cooperation.

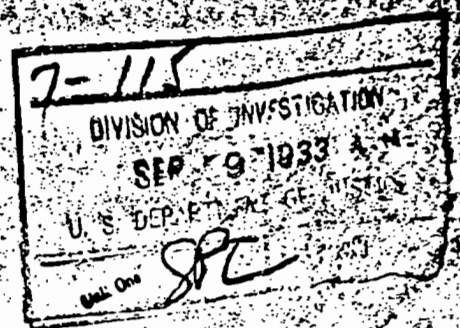
Very truly yours,

C. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

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September 8, 1933.



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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Bldg.,
Oklahoma City.

RE: Unknown Subjects.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
[Escape of Fedl. Prisoner
Harvey J. Bailey.]

Dear Sir:-

[Redacted] of Dallas
County has furnished me the following information, which
he says comes from an informant in position to know
whereof he speaks.

According to the informant, the original proposition
to free Bailey was made to [Redacted] of Oklahoma
City, who declined to be directly connected therewith but
told the parties how the arrangements could be perfected.
is [Redacted] information that a man named [Redacted] and
his wife, will be in Oklahoma City either Saturday or Sunday
where they propose to contact [Redacted] [Redacted] told the
informant of [Redacted] about the proposition being made to him
which he refused, and also told the informant that the man
who furnished the gun for Bailey was first furnished a new
.45 Colt's automatic, which was refused due to the fact that
it could be too easily traced; after which the old model,
which was used, was procured and furnished to Bailey.

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[Redacted] is of the opinion that it will be
advisable to endeavor to ascertain the identity of this man
[Redacted] and his wife when they contact [Redacted] at
Oklahoma City Saturday or Sunday.

Very truly yours,
F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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411 U. S. Court House
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Postmaster
Portland, Oregon

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
CHARLES F. OURSCHEL - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

In connection with a matter under official investigation with this Division, will you kindly arrange for a cover to be placed for a period of thirty days on all first class mail addressed to persons [Redacted] and have tracings thereof forwarded to this Division. It will be of further assistance if you will arrange to have these tracings marked with the file number 7-7.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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C. C. SPRAES,
Special Agent in Charge.

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224 Federal Bldg.,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
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[REDACTED]
Provost Marshal,
Ft. Sill, Okla.

Dear [REDACTED]

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 7, 1933, concerning the eight gas masks loaned to this Division, and at the same time acknowledge receipt by express this morning of the masks.

I want to thank you for your splendid cooperation and will see that the masks are safely returned to you upon the termination of the emergency for which they were borrowed.

I am signing and returning herewith the formal receipt for the masks for your records.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes. ✓
Mr. Locke
.....
.....

September 8, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my telephone call to Mr. Hughes of the Division a few days ago regarding taking witnesses to Oklahoma City to look at Bailey to see if they could identify him, so that the case might be presented to the State Grand Jury. I discussed this matter by telephone with S.A.C. Gus Jones at Oklahoma City, who advised that Bailey's hair was still short and was still dyed and was just beginning to grow out a little bit and that his appearance, accordingly, had been changed somewhat. In view of this fact, it was decided to delay the trip of the witnesses to Oklahoma City until such time as Bailey's appearance is normal, because it would be folly to take these witnesses there now and find that they could not identify Bailey, owing to his changed appearance and thus frustrate our case.

[redacted] the local prosecutor (Kansas City) has assured me that the minute Bailey is normal in appearance, and the witnesses identify him, the case will proceed before the local grand jury here.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Vetterli

R. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Gandy	

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MEMORANDUM

- Solicitor General Biggs
- Assistant to the Attorney General Stanley
- Assistant Attorney General Malloy
- Assistant Attorney General Stephens
- Assistant Attorney General Sweeney
- Assistant Attorney General Wideman
- Assistant Attorney General
- Mr. Hoover, Director Bureau of Investigation
- Mr. Bates, Director Bureau of Prisons
- Mr. Dabrymple, Director Bureau of Prohibition
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- Mr. Finch, Pardon Attorney
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- { Chief Clerk
- Mr. Robb, Division of Mails and Files
- Mr. Sornborger, Appointment Clerk
- Mr. Gates
- Mr. Carusi
- Mr. Glendon
- Miss Watkins
- Miss O'Brien

Noted by AG

[Signature]

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Mr. Nathan ✓
 Mr. Tolson
 Mr. Clegg
 Mr. Edwards
 Mr. Egan
 Mr. Hughes ✓
 Mr. Locke

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MEMORANDUM

I think it important that every effort possible be made to fix responsibility and punish the offenders. Please follow up vigorously.

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- Solicitor General Biggs
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation
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Washington, D. C.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Upon receipt of the telegram from Chief of Detectives [redacted] at Miami, Florida, relative to the Identification Order on Dolores Whitney, who, in fact, is Catherine Kelly, I called the local office and directed that two Agents be immediately instructed to proceed to Roanoke and ascertain if a message has yet been received for "Stanley" and to discreetly cover the hotel until further word is received from Jacksonville as it is believed that it is entirely likely that this may be George Kelly. I also called the Jacksonville office and directed that they immediately contact Chief of Detectives [redacted] and cooperate with him to the fullest extent. A telegram was dispatched to Chief of Detectives [redacted] advising that photographs were being sent to him by air mail tonight.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
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WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS FILED LATE LAST NIGHT ATTORNEY FOR BAILEY

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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY PREPARING ANSWER TODAY=

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Mr. Nathan
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=WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS CHARGING CRUEL AND INHUMANE TREATMENT OF
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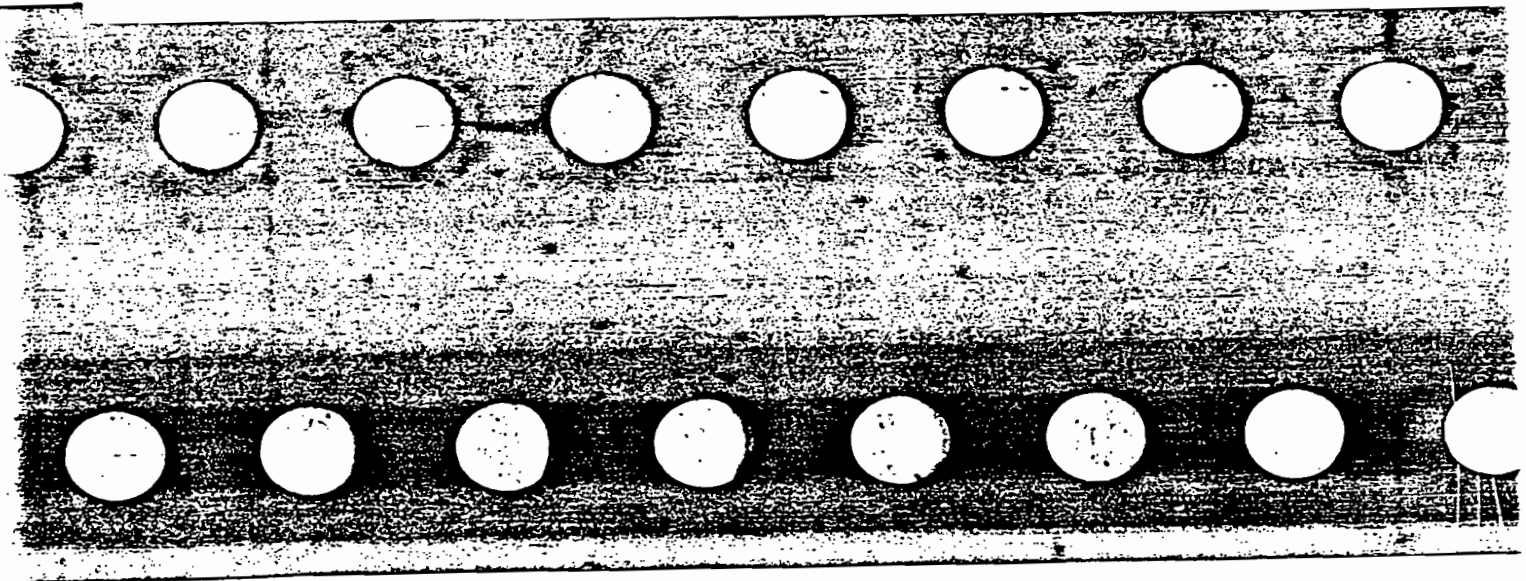
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CURRENT CASE WILL RETURN HERE SOMETIME TOMORROW CAN BE REACHED
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WASHINGTON, D.C.

BAILEY ESCAPE BARS SHOW CONCLUSIVELY IMPRINT OF STILLSON WRENCH WHICH
WAS ALSO FURNISHED BAILEY TO USE IN TWISTING BARS LOOSE AFTER PARTIALLY
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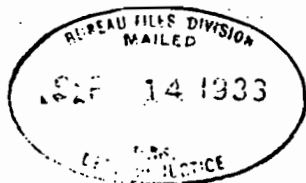
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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have been advised by Special Agent in Charge Jones that on September 1 you exhibited to him a letter signed by Harvey J. Bailey instructing that his Ford V-8 car, taken from him at the time of his arrest at the Shannon farm, be delivered to Deputy Sheriff E. H. Miller, who had purchased the same from him, and that you advised Mr. Jones at that time that after telephoning the Oklahoma City office the car was delivered to Deputy Miller; also, at that time that you showed to Mr. Jones a letter signed by Bailey instructing that his automatic rifle and automatic pistol, taken from him at the time of his arrest, be delivered to [redacted] Deputy Sheriff, and one of the jailors. This letter advised that the guns had been given to [redacted] on account of kindnesses shown him in the Dallas County Jail. Mr. Jones states that at that time he told you that this did not look good to him as the Deputy Sheriff was becoming entirely too familiar with the prisoners, and that thereupon you called Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] to your office and went over the entire matter with him, at which time you advised him in no uncertain terms that the actions of his deputies were displeasing to the Government.

In a news clipping from the Daily Times Herald at Dallas, which you apparently sent to this office, the statement of Arthur Miller, jailor, with reference to the purchase of the automobile from Bailey is quoted apparently in full. In this statement it appears that Miller claimed to have approached you and that you stated it was all right for him to buy the car; that he later talked to you and it appears he was unable to pay the price asked and advised you that Bailey wanted him to try to sell the car for him; that you advised him that under those conditions he ought to obtain permission from the United States District Attorney at Fort Worth, which he did; that subsequently the price was reduced and he agreed to purchase the car;



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that on August 31 he presented the release order to authorities at the Federal Building and the car was turned over to him and Mr. Blake told me the papers on the car were in Oklahoma City and he would have to write for them. Anyway they gave me Bailey's car August 31 and I have been driving it ever since. Blake had told me the papers would arrive last Monday or Tuesday. I could not arrange to finance the deal until I got the papers and as a result I had not paid Bailey the \$350 when he escaped last Monday.

The Division is of the opinion that it was most undesirable for you to have had anything at all to do with these transactions and it is highly unfortunate that you took part in them, particularly in view of the developments which have necessitated the investigation of the officers in question because of the escape of Bailey. The Division desires that you submit a complete statement with reference to this matter.

Special Agent in Charge Jones states that at the time he talked with you concerning these matters he advised that in his opinion Bailey should be immediately removed from the Dallas County Jail to Oklahoma City. This was on September 1, and the Division is curious to know what steps you took subsequent to that advice, or whether you, in fact, contemplated taking any steps with reference to the possible transfer of Bailey from the Dallas County Jail.

Please give these matters your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

Director.

U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
224 Federal Bldg.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Glavin
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Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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September 9, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

Re: George R. Kelly, et al
Kidnaping

Reference is made to your letter of September 6, 1933.

On Friday, September 1, 1933 upon my return to Dallas, Texas, S.A.C. Blake exhibited to me a letter signed by Harvey J. Bailey, instructing that his Ford V-8 car, taken from him at the time of his arrest at the Shannon farm, be delivered to Deputy Sheriff B. H. Miller, who had purchased same from him. Blake advised that after telephoning the Oklahoma City Office the car was delivered to Deputy Miller.

On this occasion I was also shown a letter to the Dallas Office, signed by Harvey J. Bailey, instructing that his automatic rifle and automatic pistol, taken from him at the time of his arrest, be delivered to [redacted] deputy/sheriff, and one of the jailors. This letter advised that the guns had been given to [redacted] on account of kindnesses shown him in the Dallas County Jail.

I told Agent Blake at the time that this did not look good to me; that I thought that these deputy sheriffs were becoming entirely too familiar with the prisoner Bailey, and at my suggestion Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] who was acting sheriff in the absence of Sheriff [redacted] was called to the Division Office at Dallas, Texas on Saturday, September 2nd, and this entire matter gone over with him. He was shown the letters in question and was told in no uncertain terms that actions of his deputies such as this were not at all pleasing to the government. [redacted] promised that he would severely censure these deputies and would cause renewed vigilance to be immediately instituted at the jail. At that time I advised Blake that in my opinion Bailey should be immediately removed from the Dallas County Jail to Oklahoma City. In this, of course, I was only playing a "hunch", as I did not deem it at all advisable or appropriate for any Dallas County officer to be on such friendly terms with the prisoner Bailey.

On the morning of Bailey's escape I was advised of the fact at 7:20 A.M. at my room in the Baker Hotel. I immediately caught a taxicab for

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Get a statement from Blake upon this & find out why he didn't act at once. 9/12/33

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the jail and after making a preliminary survey at the jail, briefly interviewing the officials who witnessed the escape, obtaining a minute description of the car, license plates, and a description of the jailor whom he had taken as hostage, I immediately contacted Lieutenant of Detectives ██████████ of the Dallas Police Department, and with three cars we immediately managed to ascertain the direction which Bailey had gone and definitely placed him as passing a point 9 miles west of Grape Vine, Texas, this indicating that he would be compelled to take Highway 77 which goes into Oklahoma. b7x

Due to the condition of the by-roads, Bailey was compelled to remain on this highway. We had a radio equipped car and were in constant touch with the Dallas Police Radio Station. We had also obtained the services of a radio equipped airplane, with which we were also in constant touch.

At the time of Bailey's apprehension at Ardmore we were only about 40 minutes behind him and traveling in the direction in which he was going, and I am confident that if he had not been apprehended at Ardmore we would have overtaken him in an hour or so. We proceeded on to Ardmore and I assisted in bringing Bailey into Oklahoma City, consequently, I have not been back to Dallas and know nothing concerning the results of the investigation being conducted there relative to the escape.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones
Gus T. Jones.
Special Agent in Charge.

JAILER BOUGHT BAILEY'S AUTO BEFORE ESCAPE

DEAL APPROVED BY FEDERAL
AUTHORITIES AND COUN-
TY OFFICIALS

NO MONEY PAID YET

Jail Employe Explains Details of
Purchase to Clear Up Rumors
About Sale

One of the day jailers in the Dal- las county jail from which Harvey Bailey escaped last Monday, has been driving the desperado's new V-8 Ford two-door sedan to and from work at the jail since Aug. 31, The Times Herald learned Thurs- day.

When asked about the report that he had the outlaw's car, Arthur Mil- ler, the jailer, readily admitted it, explaining, however, his every act connected with the car purchase was open and aboveboard and with permission of federal authorities.

Miller works as jailer on the sixth floor on the shift from 2 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock at night.

Due to the fact that Miller has possession of Bailey's car and had not paid for it at the time the noto- rious gunman escaped, some talk has been circulated and for that reason Miller asked that he be per- mitted to explain every detail con- nected with the transaction. His statement follows:

Car Nearly New.

"One day when I went to Bailey's cell on a regular inspection tour he told me that he had asked Sam Say- ers a Fort Worth attorney, to try to sell his car. He told me it was a practically new car, having been driven only 1,478 miles. (This is the car seized by officers when they captured Bailey on the Shannon farm near Paradise Aug. 12.)

"I asked Bailey how about giving me first chance to buy it. He said he would just as soon I got it as anybody. I went to Frank J. Blake, chief of the department of justice office here and he said it was all right for me to buy it. Later I asked Bailey how much he wanted

for the car and he told me \$300. I told him that was more money than I could pay. He then asked me to try to sell it to somebody else for him. I told him I would and he wrote me out an order for release of the car and the papers on it. I wanted to have it washed up before I showed it to anybody for sale.

"I went back and talked to Blake again and told him Bailey asked more for the car than I could pay but that he wanted me to try to sell it for him. Blake told me that under those conditions I had better obtain permission from the United States district attorney at Fort Worth. Later I saw Attorney Say- ers and he told me he had talked to Alex Mood, an assistant federal district attorney at Fort Worth, as well as Mr. Hyde, the government prosecutor at Oklahoma City, and they said it would be all right for Bailey to dispose of his car. Sayers had Mr. Mood write Bailey a letter confirming the reported O. K. to sell the car. The letter to Bailey stated that a copy of it had been mailed to Mr. Blake here.

"In the meantime I had talked to Bailey and he had agreed to come down on the price to a point where I was again personally in- terested in buying it. He agreed to take \$350 for the car. Then on August 31 I presented the release order to authorities at the Federal building and the car was turned over to me. Mr. Blake told me the papers on the car were in Okla- homa City and he would have to write for them. Anyway, they gave me Bailey's car August 31 and I have been driving it ever since.

"Blake had told me the papers would arrive last Monday or Tues- day. I could not arrange to finance the deal until I got the papers and as a result I had not paid Bailey the \$350 when he escaped last Monday. Those are the correct de- tails of the deal relating to Bailey's automobile."

Sheriff Smoot Schmid and Jailer Murray Fisher both have implicit faith in the integrity of Miller and believe that the transaction con- cerning Bailey's car was regular in every way.

- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Hughes.....
- Mr. Locke.....

*The Daily Times Herald
Dallas, Texas Dallas
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*I think Blake should
have had nothing to do
with this. Write for full
explanation. 9/13/33 J.C.*

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Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Hughes.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
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September 4, 1933.

MEMORANDUM OF A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN MR. HOOVER AND MR. COLVIN.

Mr. Hoover told Mr. Colvin that he thought he should take [redacted] into custody, Mr. Colvin stating that [redacted] reputation was very bad. Mr. Hoover then told Mr. Colvin that [redacted] he did not believe the fact. Mr. Colvin then stated that Agt. [redacted] had been present during the interview that Bailey had [redacted] Mr. Hoover then talked to Agt. [redacted] and during the course of conversation it developed that Agent [redacted] had not been present during the interview between Bailey and [redacted] on the preceding Friday, but that it had been a week before, and that he, [redacted] had not seen anyone come up to see Bailey while he had been on duty guarding him, however he had been pulled off guard about a week ago.

Mr. Hoover then talked with Mr. Colvin again and said that he had been informed by SAC Blake that [redacted] had been down to see Bailey the preceding Friday and that Agt. [redacted] informed him that [redacted] had seen Bailey a week previously, that he desired that Mr. Colvin get in touch with Mr. Blake and get the details straight concerning [redacted] because Mr. Hoover believed that they had sufficient grounds to arrest [redacted] on a charge of investigation in as much as the jail authorities reported that no one else had been permitted to see Bailey, although he thought the latter statement to be untrue. Mr. Hoover gave Mr. Colvin instructions not to let anyone in to see the Shannons or Bates, and that he desired to have Mr. Colvin personally inspect the cells of the above parties each morning to prevent any attempt to break jail on their part. Mr. Hoover said that he was afraid they would try to kill the Shannons because they had signed confessions, and that he desired to have the Shannons placed in separate cells and have their meals served inside the cell. Mr. Hoover said that if the lawyers went to court and obtained permission to see Bates or the Shannons, that they should be thoroughly searched before going in, and an agent of the Division should be there during the interview, and that he wanted every precaution taken to prevent their escape.

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Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Hendon
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September 7, 1933

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent Blake called from Dallas at 5:40 and stated he had received information which lead him to believe that the Kellys are at Waco, Texas. An informant had received a telephone call from Mrs. Kelly today at Waco. This informant was to meet Mrs. Kelly at the Hilton Hotel at Waco. However, when the informant proceeded there apparently Mrs. Kelly had waited for him on the road and having used the car of a friend rather than his own she failed to recognize him. Blake has the telephone number at Waco and he is proceeding tonight and will place a tap on the telephone at Waco. He states he is badly in need of an additional Agent and I advised him I would inform the Director. I also informed him to call the Director from Waco in the event developments were favorable.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Locke
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September 9, 1933.

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

RE: Unknown Subjects.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Escape of Fedl. Prisoner
Harvey J. Bailey.)

Dear Sir:-

I am transmitting herewith clipping
from the Dallas Dispatch of 9/8/33 relative to
Special Agent [redacted] of the Birmingham office.

I have this date written the Birming-
ham office, suggesting that a statement be secured
from Agent [redacted] and copy forwarded to this office,
as well as to the Division.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Blake
F. J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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GUITAR FOR

BAILEY

OKAY

DALLAS, TEXAS, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1933.

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BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL GUARDS ENTERTAINED HIM

Despite the fact Harvey Bailey was considered one of the most dangerous killers ever held in the Dallas-co jail, he was feted and entertained with an attitude that bordered almost on hero worship. This was disclosed Friday when Nelson Norris, a trusty, said he had made trips to Bailey's cell and played tunes on his guitar while negro trusties danced jigs in the runaround of the death cell.

Norris, Thursday, gave federal officers a full statement of his activities while Bailey was held here. A former radio crooner, Norris has served about eight months of six-year sentence for burglary. He has done other stretches at the McAlester and Huntsville prisons. He served three years at McAlester for burglary and four years, three months of seven-year sentence at Huntsville on a similar charge.

Norris, bookkeeper on the sixth floor of the Dallas-co jail, told in detail of his trips to Bailey's cell.

"Play Me a Tune."

"While Federal Guard Hanson was on guard at the desk on the sixth floor, I came by with my guitar after having played for other prisoners on the sixth floor. Bailey was then in R-6-M. Hanson was on guard at the left of my desk with a machine gun. When I came in he said, 'Play me a couple of tunes.'"

"I stoppe and played a couple of numbers there at the desk. A few days later Bailey was moved to the death cell. I don't remember the dates for at the time I don't think there was any thing wrong with my playing for the prisoners. I had been doing it for some time and it was all right, so far as I knew, with the jailers. When Bailey was moved to the death cell, Guard Hanson went up there.

Hanson Asked for Tunes.

"A few days later, Mr. Hanson came thru the office and asked me: 'Norris, why don't you come up some time and play us a tune?'"

"I don't mind. If it's permissible, I'd be glad to," I replied.

"Why, sure, come on up any time," Hanson said.

"That evening, I took my guitar and went up to the death cell. I stood at the end of the corridor right beside the federal guard and played and sang several numbers. While I was playing, a negro from the deck stand was there and he danced a couple of jigs. I was up there about 30 minutes and left when Mr. Hanson's relief came on and returned to the office with him.

Always Thanked Him.

"I never did carry on a conversation with Bailey other than he asked me to play several tunes and after each one thanked me.

"Bailey asked me to play 'Birmingham Jail' and 'Silver Haired Daddy of Mine.' After I had played those two he said 'Thanks very much. That's fine. Come back again.'"

"I saw Bailey on two other occasions. These were after the federal guard had been removed. In the past, it has been my custom to make the rounds with Capt. Miller after supper and check up. I do it, not as a duty, but just to get some exercise. Capt. Miller and I went to check up on Bailey. Capt. Miller looked in the cell and Bailey saw me. He hollered out, 'Hello, there, guitar picker. Why don't you come up and sing for me some time?'"

"I said I would be glad to if it was permissible with the captain."

"I played again for him about two weeks later. I was saying there on the sixth floor and Capt. Miller started up to check on Bailey. He asked, 'Would you like to come up with me, Norris? I'd be glad to.' I said, 'I'd be glad to.' We went on up to the death cell and Capt. Miller sat down on the bench about 15 feet from Bailey's cell. I stood with my foot on the bench and played five or six numbers. I guess we were up there 30 or 25 minutes."

"The next time I went up there was the Friday night before Bailey's escape. It was practically the same that night as the others. I just went up there with Capt. Miller and sang and played for Bailey."

Could Have Reached Bailey.

Asked if there were any negroes there the last time Norris said there were none. He said anybody in the corridor could have reached Bailey but that he did not think this was done as a guard's mistake when the corridor door

was unlocked and after the that had had this door was almost legendary goes could pass dozen defendants kidnaping to trial to a cell City.

Kelly, in his bravado and scorn the law, failed to observe the simple precaution of posting sentries.

TIP FROM TEXAS

Department of Justice agents from Birmingham, acting on a telegraphic tip from Texas, said to have come from a gangland pal who double-crossed the desperado, crept upon the gangster in his sleep.

Reinforced by local police, heavily armed with machine guns, sawed-off shotguns and tear gas bombs, the federal operatives surprised Kelly, his wife, Kathryn, and two men companions in a ramshackle residence here shortly before dawn.

Kelly, his mane of black hair bleached a brilliant yellow, for one tense moment showed a flash of the foolhardy bravado that had made him America's most desperate criminal, and then, sawed-off shotguns in his midriff, surrendered placidly.

Eyes heavy with sleep he struggled from his bed with a .45 caliber pistol in his hand to stare down the gaping barrels of the officers' shotguns.

"Stick 'em up, Kelly," the officers barked.

Kelly grinned sheepishly, hesitated a moment, and then the gun slipped from his hand to the floor.

"Okay, boys, I've been waiting for you all night," Kelly told the officers. The desperado, officers said, readily admitted his identity.

"Sure, I, Kelly," he boasted. He stumbled into the room after officers had forced their way quietly into the residence and discovered J. R. Tichenor, owner of the home, and his brother-in-law, S. E. Travis, asleep in the front room. Quickly the officers manacled the men before they awoke.

900 Ezra Thompson Bldg.,
Salt Lake City, Utah,
September 7, 1933



Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Re: George R. Kelley with aliases
et al
Charles Urschel - Victim
S.L. File 7-10

Dear Sir:

The following are the names and addresses of persons and the testimony they can give in this matter, which is being submitted for your consideration and for the selection of such of these persons as is considered warranted:

[Redacted]
Department of Police,
Denver, Colo.

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[Redacted]
Department of Police,
Denver, Colo.

These persons can testify that they arrested Albert L. Bates at a parking lot at 1028 1/2 19th Street, Denver, Colorado, on August 12, 1933, at which time he was in possession of a Buick Victoria Coupe, Motor No. 2823917, Colorado 1933 license No. 1-65485, which was registered in the name of Mrs. George L. Davis, Auditorium Hotel, Denver, Colo.; that they took Bates to police headquarters and saw officer [Redacted] of the Denver Police Department take a wallet from the person of Bates and hand the wallet to [Redacted] of the Denver Police Department and that they saw [Redacted] count the money which was in the wallet, which amounted to \$777.00; that they saw [Redacted] place \$775.00 of the sum in a sack and tie the sack and Bates was given \$2.00 for cigarettes and the remainder of the money retained by the police; that Bates wanted to give an order to have the money found on his person turned over to [Redacted] that on August 17, 1933, they took \$650.00 of the money taken from Bates to the Forest Service, U. S. Department of

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Agriculture, Denver, Colorado, where the bills were photostated in their presence, they handling the money, and after it had been photostated they returned it to police headquarters.

[REDACTED]
Department of Police,
Denver, Colo.

This witness to testify that on August 12, 1933, he was at the Denver, Colo. Police Department when Albert L. Bates was brought there; that he took a wallet from the person of Bates and handed it to officer [REDACTED] Denver Police Department, who was the desk clerk at the city jail; that he saw [REDACTED] take a sum of money from the wallet and count it twice and that it amounted to \$775.00; that \$775.00 of the sum was put in a sack and retained by the police department.

[REDACTED]
Department of Police,
Denver, Colo.

To testify that he was at police headquarters, Denver, Colo. on August 12, 1933, when Albert L. Bates was brought there; that officer [REDACTED] took a wallet from Bates' person and handed it to him, [REDACTED] that he took a sum of money from the wallet, counted it twice and found it amounted to \$775.00; that he placed \$775.00 of the sum in a sack, tied the sack and retained it in the police property room; that he gave Bates \$2.00 for cigarettes.

[REDACTED]
Denver, Colo.

These persons to testify that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that Albert L. Bates and a woman [REDACTED]

that Bates and the woman represented themselves to be Mr. and Mrs. George L. Davis; that they were accompanied by a young man; that Bates represented himself as connected with a carnival; that Bates had a Buick coupe, which carried an Illinois license and a Chevrolet Coach, which carried an Indiana license; [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Denver, Colo.

To testify that he knew Albert L. Bates as G.L. Davis; that

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Bates had a Buick Coupe and a Chevrolet Coach and that both of these cars were washed and serviced at the Pomarine Oil Station; that Bates told him he was part owner of a circus; that when Bates first came to the station he was in a Buick coupe and it was very dirty; that the Buick carried an Illinois plate and the Chevrolet an Indiana plate; that shortly before Bates and his wife left Denver in July 1933 [redacted] serviced the cars, at which time Bates had him go over the Chevrolet thoroughly and that he gassed the car, oiled it and greased it and tightened the bolts.

[redacted]
[redacted]
Denver, Colo.

To testify that he knew Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Bates under the name of Mr. and Mrs. U.L. Davis; that Bates kept a Buick Coupe in the Temple Garage, managed by [redacted] from about June 1 to July 27, 1933; that Bates purchased a set of seat covers for the Buick, which carried Illinois license 787-918, but later carried Colorado plates; that on a few occasions a Chevrolet standard coach with Indiana License was bought to the garage by Bates.

[redacted]
Denver, Colo.

To testify that [redacted]

that [redacted]

[redacted] that on August 13, 1933, he, [redacted] was [redacted] Bates called to him and gave him a written message addressed to the police at Fort Worth, Texas, which informed the police that he, Bates, (as Davis), was in jail at Denver and to come for him; that Bates told him, [redacted] to see Mrs. Davis in apartment 19, 1273 Pearl Street, and she would pay him for the service; that he went to the apartment on Sunday, August 13, but finding no-one at home left a note under the door of the apartment; that on the way out he stopped at the front apartment and asked if there was anyone there that knew Bates; that a woman in that apartment told him that she was Bates' wife, whereupon [redacted] gave her the information that Bates was in jail; that he informed Mrs. Davis concerning the message, which Bates had given him; that a telegram was prepared and Mrs. Davis told him to send it and that he sent it to the police at Fort Worth, Texas, collect and Mrs. Davis gave him \$200.00, which was

in \$20.00 bills for this service.

[REDACTED]
Denver, Colo.

To testify that Mrs. George L. Davis rented an apartment at that address on August 7, 1933; that he, [REDACTED] found a copy of the Chicago Daily Tribune dated August 10, 1933, copy of the Daily Oklahoman published at Oklahoma City under date of August 10, 1933, a copy of the Seattle Times of the date of August 6, 1933, Section 2 of the Dallas Morning News, Dallas, Texas, of the date of August 10, 1933 in the apartment; that all these papers bore a stamp indicating that they had been purchased at Denver, Colo.; that he also found an August 1933 issue of a Cosmopolitan magazine in the apartment and this magazine bore the stamp of "Berry's Arcade Store, Henryetta, Okla.;" [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that Mrs. Davis and an alleged son had a dark colored Chevrolet sedan during the time they were there and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Department of Police,
Denver, Colo.

To testify that he had charge of the jail shift at the City Jail, Denver, Colo., and in that capacity had custody of \$775.00 taken from the person of Albert L. Bates and that he turned this money over to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Department of Police,
Denver, Colo.

To testify that he received \$775.00 in currency, which was in a sack, and which carried a notice that it was taken from Albert L. Bates, from [REDACTED] of the Denver, Colo. Police Department.

[REDACTED]
Clerk of the District Court for the
City and County of Denver, Colo.

To testify that he received \$775.00 in currency from [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of the Police Department at Denver, Colo.

(This is the money taken from the person of Bates).

(This witness should be called upon to produce this money).

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
900 Ezra Thompson Bldg.,
Salt Lake City, Utah

To testify that on August 14, 1933, he went to police headquarters, Denver, Colo., and examined the money taken from the person of Albert L. Bates on the occasion of his arrest and found that thirty-three \$20.00 bills bore serial numbers identical with serial numbers appearing on \$20.00 bills paid by Urschel as ransom for his release; that he was present at Denver, Colo., on the occasion that Albert L. Bates was interviewed by John A. Dowd on August 18, 1933, and that he heard the responses made by Bates to questions.

John A. Dowd
Division of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
900 Ezra Thompson Bldg.
Salt Lake City, Utah

To testify that he interviewed Albert L. Bates at Denver, Colorado on August 19, 1933, in the presence of Agent [redacted] and Deputy U.S. Marshals [redacted] and [redacted] Denver, Colo., and that in substance Bates stated that he had not been in the states of Texas and Oklahoma for approximately a year; that he did not know Urschel, Harvey Bailey or George Kelly; that he had not at any time been in Paradise, Texas, and that he took no part in the kidnaping of Urschel and did not aid or abet any person in that respect; that he spent the entire month of July 1933 in Denver, residing at 1801 Grant Street, from April 1933 to July 17, 1933, when he surrendered his apartment; that he spent the remainder of the month in Colorado on a lake where he engaged in fishing but that he would not disclose the name or location of the lake; that the woman who lived with him at 1801 Grant Street was his lawful wife and that no other man lived with them at that address; that neither he nor his wife, to his knowledge, at any time during July 1933 while in Denver, had a Chevrolet coach which carried an Indiana or any other state license; that the only Chevrolet he ever had was one in August 1932 when he visited his wife's folks in Seattle, during which time he wrecked the car and was arrested under the name of Bernard McLaughlin; that the only car he had while in Denver was a Buick Coupe, which carried Illinois plates; that he did not drive up to the Robert F. Shannon Farm in Paradise, Texas with George Kelly, accompanied by Urschel, on or about July 22 or 23, 1933;

that neither he nor Kelly later took Urschel from the Robert G. Shannon farm to the farm of Armon Crawford Shannon; that he did not bring any chain down to the farm which was used in tying Urschel. Bates admitted renting a Post Office Box at Denver, Colo. during the spring or summer of 1935 but stated that he gave the name of [redacted] as a reference when renting the box. He admitted knowing [redacted] and [redacted] but stated that at the time of renting the box he gave a clergyman as a reference.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD
Special Agent in Charge

JAD [redacted]

cc: Division ✓

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

801 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama,
September 7, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1804 First National Bank Bldg.,
Charlotte 30, N. C.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
SEP 9 1933
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

RE: GEORGE R. KELLY, with aliases,
K. O. #1203 - FUGITIVE, et al.
Charles F. Urschel - Victim.
Kidnaping - Birmingham File V-19.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above case, the Cincinnati Office has ascertained that on August 7, 1933 Kathryn C. Kelly mailed a letter postmarked 4.30 P.M., Madison, Wisconsin, with return address "Kathryn C. Kelly, General Delivery, Indianapolis, Indiana", which letter was addressed to [redacted] Biloxi, Miss.

The contents of this letter indicate that Kathryn Kelly communicated with a person whom she addressed as "Dear friend [redacted]", also indicating that they had to leave there rather suddenly because of the illness of her mother, therefore not being able to say goodbye to [redacted] but indicating that she wished his wife and baby were in the best of health; further that she had not forgotten the diamond she wanted, and requesting [redacted] to see the fellow who had it and ascertain if he would sell it for the amount against it, indicating that she would send \$100.00 for himself, and that the ring could be sent C.O.D. to a bank here, evidently Madison, subject to inspection; further that she desired to have this information forwarded to her by airmail at General Delivery, Indianapolis, Indiana. This letter also indicates that both Kathryn and George Kelly were at Madison, Wisconsin; also that the stone that she was referring to was the big stone which [redacted] had told her about.

The New Orleans office at Biloxi, Miss, has ascertained that a [redacted] had left a forwarding address in the Post Office at Biloxi on May 9, 1933; [redacted] New Orleans, La.; further that from the Postoffice officials, the above mentioned letter which subject Kathryn Kelly had addressed to [redacted] had been returned to the writer thereof, inasmuch as the letter was addressed to [redacted]

That office also learned that the [redacted] who is known

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in Biloxi is a former bootlegger, and was sentenced for violating the National Prohibition Act on February 28, 1933 at Biloxi, Miss. to serve one year and one day in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia.

Inquiry by the New Orleans office of [redacted] resulted in learning that she is [redacted] but that she denies any knowledge of subjects Kelly, or that her husband had a diamond ring to sell.

Inquiry by this office in Atlanta, Ga. indicates that [redacted] had been transferred from the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, to Ft. Bragg, N.C. on June 15, 1933.

It is requested that the Charlotte Office endeavor to ascertain if the [redacted] at the Federal Prison Camp at Ft. Bragg, N.C. is the party to whom subject Kathryn Kelly addressed her letter mentioned above. It is suggested also that it be ascertained from [redacted] correspondence record whether he has been in communication with the Kellys.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

JHH: [redacted]

Via Airmail

CC: Oklahoma City
CC: Dallas
CC: Cincinnati
CC: New Orleans
CC: Division ✓

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900 Ezra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
September 7, 1933.

SEP 11 1933
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: GEORGE R. KELLY with aliases et al.
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim.
KIDNAPING. - S.L. File 7-30.

Dear Sir:

I telephoned you today and made known what [redacted] of Denver, Colorado, Attorney for Albert L. Bates, stated to Agent [redacted] of this office, upon the arrival of [redacted] from Oklahoma City, and in confirmation of that I wish to state that Agent [redacted] informed us that [redacted] came across Agent [redacted] on the streets of Denver, and invited him to his office, where he told him about his trip to Oklahoma City, and told Agent [redacted] that if the Government would give him assurance that Bates would not be pardoned by the President of the United States, and then turned over by the Government to the State of Oklahoma for trial on charges of robbery while armed, he, [redacted] would plead Bates guilty in the Urschel kidnaping case.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DODD,
Special Agent in Charge.

JAD:W
cc - Division.

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900 Ezra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
September 6, 1933.

DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
SEP 11 1933

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
411 United States Court House,
Portland, Oregon.

RE: GEORGE R. KELLY with aliases et al.
CHARLES F. DUSCHEL - Victim
KIDNAPING - S.I. File 7-12.

Dear Sir:

In connection with your report in this matter dated
8-20-33, I would appreciate receiving a photograph of
[redacted] mentioned therein on page 2, in order to
ascertain if he could possibly be the young man who is known
to have been living with Albert Bates and the woman claiming
to be the wife of Bates, at Denver, Colorado. In this connection,
a woman and a young man, believed to be those people, were
at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on or about August 17th, 1933, and as
that occurred the woman gave the name of [redacted] or [redacted]
at the rooming house where she stopped.

In connection with your report of the above date,
it is my belief that the person who had the Buick Victoria
Coupe washed at the 15th Street Laundry, your city, was this
woman, and it is possible that the young man I am referring
to, as well as a dark red colored Pekingese dog, may have been
with her.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

JAD: [redacted]
cc - Division

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900 EZRA THOMPSON BUILDING
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RE KELLY COMMUNICATE OKLAHOMA CITY RELATIVE DESIRABILITY CONTINUED

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- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Edwards...
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Hughes.....
- Mr. Locke.....

=GEORGE KELLY KIDNAPING REFER MY TELEGRAM YOU SEPTEMBER SIXTH
 YOUR REPLY SAME DATE STOP [REDACTED] STILL AT DENVER NO
 INDICATION HE IS TO LEAVE STOP ADVISE IF HIS SURVEILLANCE SHOU
 BE CONTINUED BEYOND SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH STOP ADVISE SHOULD HE G
 FROM DENVER TO OKLAHOMACITY SHALL SURVEILLANCE BE MAINTAINED
 TO THAT CITY:

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J. Edgar Hoover
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Building
Dallas Texas

UNKNOWN PERSONS OBSTRUCTION JUSTICE RELEASE HARVEY BAILEY

NO RECORDS KEPT BY FIRM MEXICO CITY OF PURCHASERS OF FIREARMS

IMPOSSIBLE TRACE SMITH AND WESSON REVOLVER

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Mr. Herschel V. Johnson,
Chief, Division of Mexican Affairs,
The Department of State,
Washington, D. C.

SERIAL NO.

Dear Sir:

In the investigation of the escape of Harvey J. Bailey from the Dallas County Jail this Division is extremely anxious to trace Smith and Wesson revolver, 44 calibre, No. 5728. Bailey is a very important and desperate criminal and was implicated in the murder of four law enforcement officials and a prisoner at Kansas City in June of this year. When he escaped from the Dallas County Jail he had in his possession a Smith and Wesson 44 calibre revolver, the number of which is given above.

Confirming telephonic request to your office on September 7th, it will be appreciated if you will request representatives of the State Department stationed in Mexico City to promptly endeavor to trace this revolver through the dealer to whom it was shipped by the manufacturers on January 1st, 1882. The revolver was shipped to Maxell and Degress at Mexico City, who sold their entire business to Emil A. Combaluzier in 1885. [redacted] is reported to be conducting the same business at 68 Madero Avenue, Mexico City, under the name Armeria Americana.

It will be appreciated if your representatives in Mexico City can ascertain to whom the above described revolver was sold by the dealer and trace the revolver as far as it is possible to do so.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Handwritten notes:
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M...
[redacted]

Handwritten initials: SPZ

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Hughes.....
Mr. Locke.....

September 7, 1933

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

A telegram was received dated September 6, 1933, from Special Agent in Charge Blake requesting that an effort be made to trace Smith and Wesson 44 calibre revolver, No. 5728, through the dealer in Mexico City, Mexico.

Accordingly, this morning I telephoned the Mexican Affairs Division of the Department of State. [redacted] of that Division was given the necessary data and she called me back later, stating that a telegram was going out this afternoon to Mexico City requested the State Department representatives there to endeavor to trace this gun, the gun being the one which was in the possession of Harvey Bailey at the time of his escape from the Dallas County Jail.

Respectfully,

[redacted signature]

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DIVN OF INVESTIGATION US DEPT OF JUSTICE =

UNKNOWN PERSONS OBSTRUCTION JUSTICE RELEASE HARVEY BAILEY SMIT
AND WESSON FORTY FOUR CALIBRE SIX SHOT REVOLVER NUMBER FIVE
SEVEN TWO EIGHT ROUND SIX INCH BARRELL ROUND BUTT BLACK RUBBE
HANDLES BREAK DOWN TOP SHIPPED BY MANUFACTURERS JANUARY FIRST
EIGHT TWO TO MEXELL AND DEGRESS MEXICOCITY WHO SOLD ENTIRE
BUSINESS TO EMIL A COMBALUZIER IN EIGHTY FIVE

CONDUCTS SAME BUSINESS AT SIXTY EIGHT MADERO AVENUE
MEXICOCITY UNDER NAME ARMERIA AMERICANA PLEASE ASCERTAIN WHETHER
COMBALUZIER CAN FURNISH DISPOSITION =

BLAKE.

- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Hughes.....✓
- Mr. Looke.....

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Letter to Dir of Mex Affairs

State Dept 9-8-33

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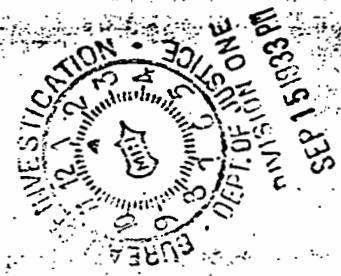
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R H COLVIN
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 224 FEDERAL BLDG.
 OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA.

RE URSCHEL CASE SUBPOENA [REDACTED] SERVED CONSIDERED BEST WITNESS

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MWM: [REDACTED]
 cc Division. ✓



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R H COLVIN
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
224 FEDERAL BLDG
OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA

URSCHEL KIDNAPING HOME ADDRESS ██████████ COLTS FIREARM SALESMAN IS
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THERE BY PHONE OR TELEGRAM

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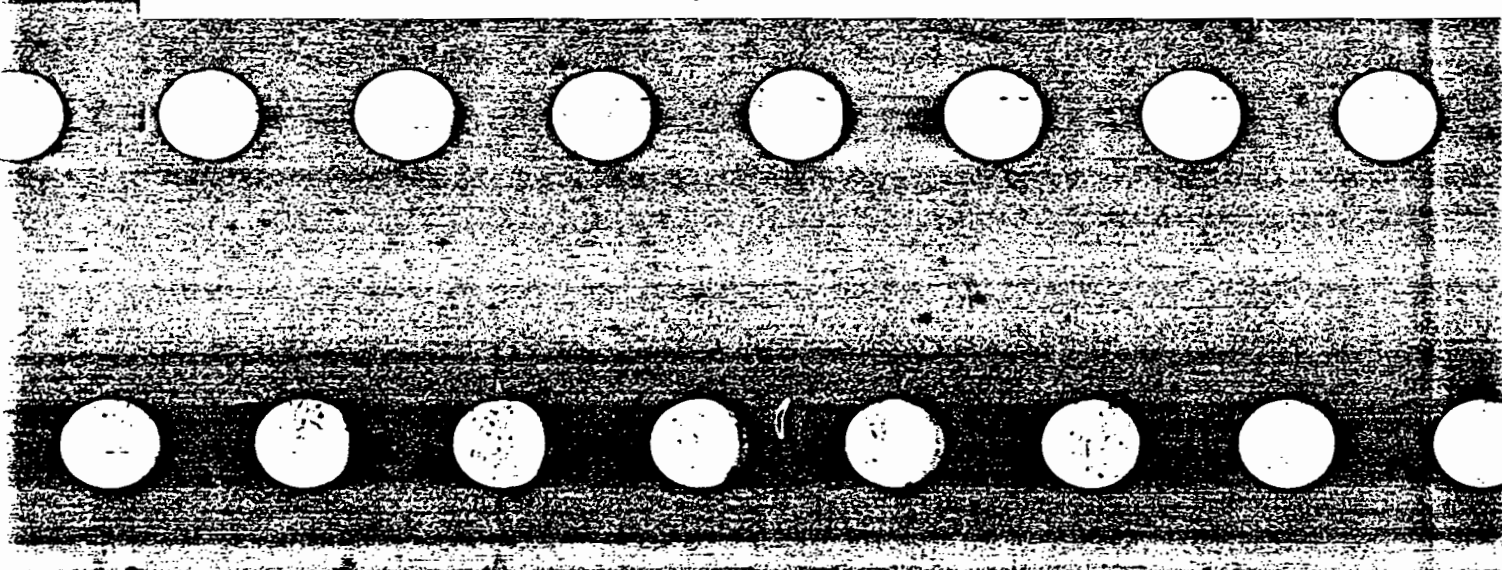


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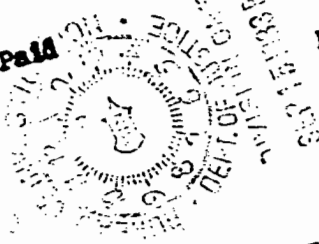
OUR LETTER SEPTEMBER SEVENTH WIRE SUMMARY RESULTS CHECK
 COPY OF MEMORANDUM AGENT [redacted] THIS OFFICE ESPECIALLY MESSAGES NUMBERS
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RE: Geo. R. Kelly, et al
 Chas. F. Murschel, Victim
 Kidnaping

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900 Ezra Thompson Bldg.
Salt Lake City, Utah.

September 10, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Bldg.,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear sir:

In re: George Kelley et al.
Kidnapping.

For such value as it may have in breaking down any alibi Albert L. Bates may offer concerning his whereabouts during July 1933 subsequent to the seventeenth of that month I have to advise that he, while under arrest at Denver, Colorado, told officers [redacted] and [redacted] of the Denver, Colorado police department and agent [redacted] of this office that he spent that part of July 1933, subsequent to leaving Denver, Colorado on July 17th., in a gangsters hospital. Contrary to that, he told me and agent [redacted] that he spent that part of July 1933 subsequent to his departure from Denver on the 17th. at a lake in Colorado engaged in fishing. It also appears, as you have been informed, that he and [redacted] of Denver, an ex-convict who served in the Colorado State penitentiary with Bates, had a date to go fishing in July at Monarch Lake, Colorado, but they didnt go because Bates found that he couldnt.

Very truly yours

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

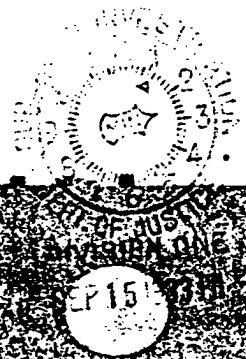
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John A. Dowd.
Special Agent in Charge.

* At Chicago, Ill.

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900 Ezra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
September 11th, 1933.



Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
411 United States Court House,
Portland, Oregon.

RE: GEORGE B. KELLY with aliases et al.
CHARLES J. UNSCHL - Victim.
KIDNAPING - S.L. file 7-30.

Dear Sir:

Please be kind enough to let me have a copy of
the photograph of [redacted] secured by Agent [redacted]
of your office, as reflected in his report dated
9-7-33, and please expedite.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Division.

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Salt Lake City, Utah,
September 10, 1933

V. J. Blake
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Post Office
Dallas, Texas

George Kelley etal kidnapping on July sixteenth this year Bates received
a telegram from Dallas via Western Union reading quote George L. Davis
eighteen naught one Grant Street Denver Colorado message wire me Bridgeport
when where meet you in Oklahoma City and signed George stop endeavor locate
message try identify sender as Kelley or his wife stop secure message
photostatic copy or tracing handwriting signature stop if located inform
Oklahoma City office name person having custody message to subpoena

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cc Division
Oklahoma City



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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
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J. C. WELLS, VICE-PRESIDENT

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OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA SEPTEMBER 13 1933



F J BLAKE
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
 US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 POST OFFICE BUILDING
 DALLAS TEXAS

RE URSCHEL CASE SUBPOENAS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING

WITNESSES YOUR DISTRICT [redacted] AND [redacted] ALL OF
 PARADISE TEXAS [redacted] AND CASHIER OR CUSTODIAN SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES FORT
 WORTH NATIONAL BANK [redacted]
 [redacted] ALL OF FORT WORTH TEXAS [redacted] ALL
 OF COLEMAN TEXAS [redacted]
 [redacted] WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY ALL OF DALLAS [redacted]
 WESTERN UNION COMPANY DECATUR TEXAS [redacted] WESTERN UNION COMPANY BRIDGEPORT
 TEXAS AGENTS [redacted] b7C DOWD AND BLAKE ALSO UNDER SUBPOENA PLEASE CONTACT
 US MARSHAL AND RENDER ASSISTANCE IN SERVING OF THESE SUBPOENAS WIRING THIS
 OFFICE ANY WITNESS THAT IS NOT SERVED OR ANY WITNESS WHO INDICATIONS ARE
 WILL NOT BE PRESENT AT TRIAL OF THIS CASE ON EIGHTEENTH INSTANT

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Official Business
 Gov't. Rate Paid
 Charge Div. of Investigation
 U.S. Dept. of Justice

cc: Division ✓

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
DOMESTIC	ADDITIONAL CHARGE
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
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WESTERN UNION

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT WELLESLEY, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

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

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OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA SEPTEMBER 12 1933

WILLIAM LARSON
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
 US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 625 LAFAYETTE BUILDING
 DETROIT MICHIGAN

RE URSCHEL CASE SUBPOENA ISSUED FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CADILLAC MOTOR SALES COMPANY CLEVELAND OHIO PLEASE CONTACT US
 MARSHAL AND ASSIST SERVICE THIS SUBPOENA AND IF [REDACTED] NOT SERVED WITH
 THIS OFFICE ALSO YOUR OPINION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT [REDACTED] BEST WITNESS
 TESTIFY AND IDENTIFY GEORGE AND KATHRYN KELLY

COLVIN

Official Business
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 Charge Div. of Investigation
 U.S. Dept. of Justice

cc: Division ✓

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

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OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA SEPTEMBER 14 1933

WERNER HANBY
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
 US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 803 POST OFFICE BUILDING
 ST. PAUL MINNESOTA

RE URSCHEL CASE FOLLOWING SUBPOENAS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR

WITNESSES LOCATED IN YOUR DISTRICT TO APPEAR HERE TRIAL THIS CASE EIGHTEENTH

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INSTANT [REDACTED] WESTERN

UNION COMPANY ALL OF MINNEAPOLIS MINNESOTA - PLEASE CONTACT US MARSHAL AND

RENDER ALL ASSISTANCE IN SERVICE OF THESE SUBPOENAS WIRING THIS OFFICE ANY

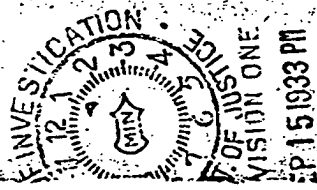
WITNESS NOT SERVED OR ANY WITNESS INDICATIONS ARE WILL NOT BE PRESENT TRIAL

THIS CASE.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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Unit One [Signature]

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DOMESTIC	ADAM
TELEGRAM	FULL-RATE
DAY LETTER	DEFERRED
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT LETTER
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at [redacted] b7c

OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA SEPTEMBER 12 1933

J A DOWD
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
 US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 900 EZRA THOMPSON BUILDING
 SALT LAKE CITY UTAH

RE URSCHEL CASE SUBPOENAS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING

WITNESSES DENVER [redacted]

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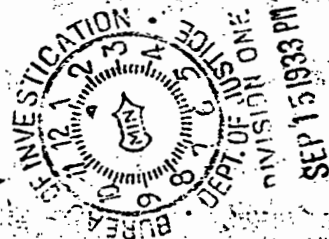
[redacted] POLICE OFFICER [redacted]

[redacted] PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CONTACT US MARSHAL RENDER ALL ASSISTANCE IN SEEKING THAT THESE WITNESSES ARE SERVED TELEGRAPHING THIS OFFICE IMMEDIATELY ANY WITNESS NOT LOCATED OR WHO INDICATIONS ARE WILL NOT BE PRESENT AT TRIAL SUBPOENAS HAVE ALSO BEEN ISSUED FOR SAC DOWD AND AGENT [redacted] b7c

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DOMESTIC	CABLE
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
NIGHT LETTER	DEFERRED
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT LETTER
NIGHT LETTER	WEEK END LETTER

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R E VETTERLI
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 U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 905 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BLDG.
 KANSAS CITY MISSOURI



Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
 September 12, 1933

RE URSCHEL MATTER REFERENCE OUR LETTER SEVENTH YOUR LETTER TENTH NOTE TELEGRAMS
 QUOTED MEMORANDUM MENTIONED PO BOX FOUR SEVEN EIGHT THREE STATION E
 KANSASCITY AS ADDRESS GEORGE L DAVIS PLEASE ENDEAVOR IDENTIFY THERE AND WIRE

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All b7c