

The Sheriff at Deer Lodge, Montana, advised that he has checked safety deposit boxes at that place and finds that none had been rented to strangers. Post Office Box 631 is rented to [REDACTED] a rancher. b7C

b7C The Sheriff at Helena, Montana, advised that Post Office Box 631 has not been rented for some time. The safety deposit boxes were checked and the only suspicious rental was that of [REDACTED] address Harvey Hotel, Helena; occupation, U. S. Secret Service; rented July 6, entered July 10.

b7C The Sheriff at Great Falls, Montana, advised that safety deposit boxes were rented over the period in question by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both of whom were unknown at the banks. These persons were later interviewed by Special Agent [REDACTED] and it was determined that they had no connection with this investigation.

b7C The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED]

b7C At Missoula, Montana:

[REDACTED] Assistant Postmaster, advised that Post Office Box 631 has not been rented for the past six years.

[REDACTED] of the Western Montana National Bank, advised that he is acquainted with all of the persons renting safety deposit boxes at that bank between the dates of July 1st and August 15, 1933.

[REDACTED] First National Bank, advised that no safety deposit boxes had been rented at that institution between the dates of July 1st and August 15th, 1933.

b7C b7D At Polson, Montana:

[REDACTED] Clerk at the Post Office. Explained that Post Office Box 631 has been rented by [REDACTED] since September, 1929.

[REDACTED] of the Security State Bank, informed Agent that no strangers had rented safety deposit boxes at that bank between the dates July 1st and August 15th, 1933.

At Ronan, Montana:

[REDACTED] of the Ronan State Bank, advised that the only safety deposit box rented to a person unknown to the bank was rented to [REDACTED] address Ronan, Montana, on August 11, 1933. At the Post Office, Agent was informed that [REDACTED] came to Ronan, Montana, last fall with his family of several children and since that time has been farming several miles out of town. It was also learned that Ronan Post Office does not have a box 631.

At Anaconda, Montana:

b7c [redacted] Postmaster, advised that Post Office Box 631 was rented by the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He stated that no mail addressed to any other party can be placed in this box.

Chief of Police [redacted] informed Agent that he had made inquiry at the Daly Bank and was informed by [redacted] that this bank does not rent safety deposit boxes to strangers.

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At the Anaconda National Bank, Agent was advised by [redacted], that safety deposit box #1210 was rented to one [redacted] on July 14, 1933. [redacted] gave his address as Los Animas, Colorado, and visited the box on just one occasion, on August 7, 1933. This person was unknown to [redacted] and he had not seen him during his visit to the bank. [redacted] rented the box to [redacted] and observed him again upon his entrance to it on August 7. She explained that at the time he rented the box she was suspicious of the man and commented to the Cashier upon this suspicion. She made the remark that she hoped that he hadn't placed a bomb in the safety deposit box. According to [redacted] appeared to be a rough-looking character. He paid a year's rent in advance. A number of identification orders, including that of George Kelly, were exhibited to [redacted] and she advised that of those shown, the photograph and description of Kelly resembled most closely [redacted]

A telegram has been forwarded to the Salt Lake City Office with the request that an investigation be conducted at Los Animas, Colorado, in order to determine the identity of [redacted]. If no information is obtained from that source, indicating that [redacted] is b7c known there, an effort will be made to examine the contents of his box.

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September 22, 1933

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

Re: GEORGE R. KELLY, with aliases,  
Fugitive - I. O. #1203;  
KATHRYN THORNE KELLY, with aliases,  
Fugitive - I. O. 1207;  
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of September 21, 1933 wherein you advised that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] business men of Sallisaw, Oklahoma, were stopped and threatened by an individual claiming to be subject George R. Kelly.

The description furnished by you in your telegram, with the exception of the color of hair and existence of a front gold tooth, appears to answer the description of subject Kelly. It has been reported that subject Kelly has dyed or bleached his hair, and to be definitely certain that this individual was not Kelly you are instructed to interview [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at Sallisaw, Oklahoma, and permit them to view photographs of Kelly, after which you should advise the Division.

Very truly yours,

[REDACTED] Director.



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DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION US



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ABOUT TWO THIRTY THIS AFTERNOON [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BUSINESSMEN SALLISAW OKLAHOMA DRIVING NEW FORD VEIGHT DELUXE SEDAN ENROUTE TO OKLAHOMACITY STOPPED THREE MILES EAST OF MEEKER OKLAHOMA CHEVROLET COACH WITH THREE MEN DROVE ALONGSIDE ONE MAN THREATENED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WITH FORTY FIVE AUTOMATIC FORCING THEM TO DRIVE FIVE MILES SOUTHEAST OF HARRAH OKLAHOMA WHERE THEY WERE TIED TO TREE STOP GUNMAN ENDEAVORED IMPRESS [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS MACHINE GUN KELLY AND SAID TWO MEN TRAILING IN CHEVROLET HAD MACHINE GUN STOP GUNMAN DESCRIBED TWENTY EIGHT TO THIRTY TWO YEARS OLD WEIGHT ONE SEVENTY FIVE HEIGHT FIVE FEET ELEVEN LIGHT HAIR LIGHT PALE COMPLEXION GREY GREEN EYES STUBBY FINGERNAILS UPPER FRONT TOOTH GOLD STOP INVESTIGATING DEPUTY SHERIFFS OKLAHOMACITY ADVISE GUNMAN NOT GEORGE KELLY STOP [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] UNAVAILABLE

FOR INTERVIEW= COLVIN.

- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. To'son.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Hughes.....
- Mr. Quinn.....
- Mr. Locke.....

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September 22, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM STANLEY,  
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

I am attaching hereto, as of possible interest to you, a copy of a memorandum which I have today directed to the Attorney General concerning recent developments in connection with the investigation which this Division has been making of the escape of Harvey Bailey from the Dallas County Jail.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Incl. #676085

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JEH: [redacted]

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September 22, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

As of possible interest to you, I wanted to advise you of the recent developments in connection with the investigation which this Division has been making of the escape of Harvey Bailey from the Dallas County Jail. You will recall that we caused the arrest of two persons, namely, Thomas L. Manion, one of the Deputy Sheriffs, and Grover Cleveland Bevill, charging them with the act of bringing about the release of a Federal prisoner.

We have just obtained a detailed statement from Grover Cleveland Bevill, admitting that he purchased a saw and delivered the saw and gun to Thomas L. Manion, the other co-defendant. He states that he and Manion made an automobile trip on August 27th, at which time Manion contacted a man and two women near Dallas. The man answers the general description of George Kelly, one of the kidnapers in the Urschel case for whom we are searching, and one of the women fits the description of Kathryn Kelly, the woman who has been in company with George Kelly.

I will advise you of any further developments.

Respectfully,

Director.

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SEPTEMBER 21, 1933.

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cc Division ✓  
Re: George R. Kelly, with aliases; Fug., et al;  
Charles F. Urschel, Victim. Kidnaping.

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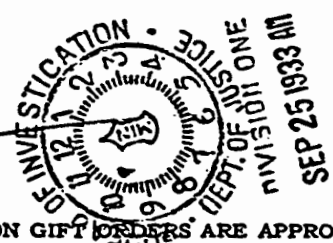
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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Huger.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Locke.....

September 22, 1933.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
Dallas, Texas.

Re: THOMAS L. MANION;  
GROVER T. BEVILL, with alias.  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.  
Release of Federal Prisoner -  
Harvey Bailey.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith copies of signed  
statements secured from the following persons, in the above  
matter:

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Grover C. Bevill

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Very truly yours,

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

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Unit One	[Signature]

[Redacted] b7C

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 7, 1933.

I, [redacted] b7c b7D hereby state the following statement voluntarily to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, in addition to my previous statement furnished aforementioned agents on Sept. 4, 1933:

On the morning of Sept. 4, 1933, Deputy Jailer Tom Manion insisted that I go up stairs with him about 6:00 A.M. in order that he might check Bailey over to me. I believe this procedure also took place a couple of mornings the latter part of August, 1933 right after the Federal guards of Bailey were withdrawn, but I can not recall any other visits accompanied by Mr. Manion to Bailey's cell after that until the morning of his escape, at which time he stated that he wanted to call my attention to some dirt on top of the death cell in which Bailey was confined, as he wanted this dirt cleaned off of that cell. However, it was not necessary for Mr. Manion to accompany me for the purpose of pointing out the dirt on the death cell.

When we arrived at Bailey's cell, he was reclining on his cot in his own cell apparently asleep. No conversation took place between either Mr. Manion or myself and Bailey. Mr. Manion only stated that he wanted some dirty rags removed and the top of the cell cleaned off. He insisted that I climb up on the death cell and look at the condition of same. As well as I can remember there was no towel hanging on Bailey's cell door at this time. I don't recall seeing Mr. Manion flash a light on Bailey or the latter's cell door at that time, nor do I remember that he had a flash-light with him at that time. However, I may state here that he has such a light which he uses for this purpose occasionally.

I may state here for information that one key and one hook remains in the office of the sixth floor. This is necessary in the event it becomes necessary to take a man out of his cell or to put one in a cell for any purpose whatever. Two sets of keys and two hooks remain on the 6th floor in the day time.

On this particular morning [redacted] b7c mother was sick in Oak Cliff, so he left about fifteen minutes to six on that morning. Captain Manion left the jail immediately after we came down from Bailey's cell, and did not stand around or sit down for awhile and read the paper as he occasionally does.

I have read the above statement, which is true [redacted] b7c b7D

WITNESSES: [redacted] b7c [redacted]

Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas, Texas,  
September 7, 1935.

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I, [redacted] make the following <sup>b7C</sup> voluntary <sup>b7C</sup> supplemental statement to special agents [redacted] and [redacted] special agents Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice in addition to the signed statement made by me to Special Agent [redacted] Sept. 4, 1935.

In the last paragraph of my signed statement dated September 4, 1935, page one, I make mention of the two men who came to the gate and were introduced to me by [redacted], one of whom I distinctly remember was [redacted]. I now recall that the time was Friday morning between ten and eleven o'clock. [redacted] brought these two men up to the sixth floor and told me that one was [redacted] from Oklahoma City. I don't recall him introducing the other man. [redacted] instructed me to take the gentlemen up to interview Bailey. When I got up to the death cell on the tenth floor and was unlocking the blind door, I asked the other gentleman if he was an attorney, and he said no I am a deputy from Forth Worth. The two men and myself entered the blind door into the death cell. We all went around to the front of the corridor. [redacted] went on down in front of Bailey's cell outside the corridor. He started to talk to Bailey. The other man went outside the death cell. [redacted] talked for a short time in front of the corridor, and then walked around the end of the corridor, next to Bailey's cell. I walked down to the end of the corridor by the window on Houston Street. I stood there, but paid no attention to the conversation. Shortly after the other man came back into the death cell with a typewritten statement which he requested me to hand to Bailey. I went back inside the corridor and handed this statement to Bailey. Bailey said I have no glasses and cannot read it. So I handed it back to the other gentleman who introduced himself as the deputy. He read it to Bailey, and as far as I recall something like this "Turn over or release all monies that the Government is hold of mine except the money that they are holding as evidence against me, which I think is about \$700." Bailey remarked that there was about \$1200. Bailey didn't sign the typewritten statement. [redacted] then took his small note book and wrote something on it. [redacted] handed me the note book and I handed it to Bailey who signed the same. Bailey handed the note book back to me and I handed it over to [redacted]. Then I came out of the corridor and walked back to where I was before at the window facing Houston. After Bailey signed the Note book statement, the other man (deputy) walked out of the ~~interior~~ room and I have never seen him since, but I positively can identify him. While I stood over at the window [redacted] continued to talk to Bailey. If I remember, the man introducing himself as the deputy had his coat off, while [redacted] did not remove his coat. During this conversation I occasionally glanced out the window for a few moments and it is possible for [redacted] to have given Bailey a gun or saws, but I do not believe it is probable. [redacted] talked about an hour to Bailey. I recall that [redacted] then left the jail on the sixth floor alone and after he went down the elevator, I started to serve dinner. The dinner is usually served about fifteen minutes to twelve o'clock.

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When [redacted] and the man known as the deputy came to the sixth floor with [redacted] they did not deposit a pass with us.

I have read this statement over <sup>b7C</sup> and <sup>b7D</sup> it is true.

Witnessed by [redacted] <sup>b7C</sup> [redacted]

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Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 11, 1933.

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b7C I, [redacted] make the following statement voluntarily to [redacted], Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

I reside at [redacted] Dallas; I am employed at the Packing House Market, 4008 Commerce Street, Dallas, as a salesman.

On the morning of September 4, 1933, I arrived at the jail at 6:35 to take orders for meat, which is customary for me to do each morning, and I was allowed into the jail by [redacted] on the main floor; and I proceeded to the elevator and was taken upstairs to the 9th floor where the kitchen of the jail is located. I interviewed [redacted] for the jail. I carried on a conversation with [redacted] for about 25 minutes and after receiving the order from him I walked to the elevator and the elevator boy - a white trusty - took me downstairs to the main floor. I then walked over to the desk where [redacted] was and talked to him for a few minutes, then [redacted] let me outside of the main jail door going out into the lobby toward Main Street. [redacted] and I talked for about three minutes, when Harvey Bailey approached from the left coming from a door leading from the elevator. This was about 7:10 AM. I knew this man to be Bailey because I happened to be in the jail the morning he was first captured. Bailey came off the elevator alone - that is all I saw. I did not see anyone else. He had a gun in his hand which was pointed toward [redacted] it looked to me to be a 6-shooter. Holding the gun toward [redacted] he said, "Come here". Still holding the gun on [redacted] Bailey marched [redacted] toward the elevator and stopped at the door leading into a hall where the elevator is located.

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Bailey and [redacted] stopped there and then walked toward the jail barred door which lead out into the alley in the street. Bailey instructed [redacted] to "Open that door". [redacted] took the key and opened the door and then walked down the steps, leaving the keys in the door, and walked into the alley in the street. In the meantime, I remained in the position outside the barred door where I had been conversing with [redacted] I then ran to Main & Houston Streets, corner of the jail, where I then saw Bailey and [redacted] walking across the street, after coming out of the alley, and go into a garage. After seeing them enter the garage I ran to the Sheriff's Office. At first I met [redacted] at the top of the stairs. I told him Bailey and [redacted] had gone out the back door and escaped, but did not tell him I saw Bailey and [redacted] go across the street into the garage. [redacted] ran up the steps into the Sheriff's Office into a little room and went to the window and I pointed out the window where I saw Bailey and [redacted] last. While [redacted] was looking out the window I ran out of the sheriff's office through the lobby, going toward the main entrance of the jail, and there I met [redacted] Deputy Sheriff, and I told him Bailey and [redacted] had escaped out the back door of the jail. He ran to the Sheriff's Office and got his coat and came out with [redacted] who was still in there.

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Before I met [redacted] I was standing looking out the window with [redacted] and the night clerk, whose name I cannot recall, and the three of us saw Bailey and [redacted] drive away in the car; we saw [redacted] driving away in a model A Tudor Ford Sedan. From that angle we did not see Bailey.

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[redacted] and I then ran out of the Sheriff's Office, through the lobby to the Main Street where we got in [redacted] V-8 Ford. We drove to Elm Street, out to Market Street; out Market Street to McKinney Avenue; out McKinney Avenue to Orange Street; out Orange Street to Cedar Springs Road then to Maple Avenue. We drove out Maple Avenue for about eight or ten miles. [redacted], ran up to the car with a gun in his hand and I did not hear him talk to the two Deputy Sheriffs before we left. As we drove off in the car [redacted] was still standing there with a gun in his hand.

The above is all I know about the matter.

I have read this statement over, consisting of 2 pages, each of which page has been initialed by me.

(signed) [redacted]

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Witnessed by:

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States  
Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 12, 1933.

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I, [redacted] hereby make the following voluntary, supplemental statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, the same being in addition to signed statement furnished said Agents on Sept. 4, 1933: b7C

In the 4th paragraph of my statement dated September 4, 1933, I stated that I made the rounds of the jail corridors and cells at 2:00 and 4:00 AM, September 4, 1933. This statement was in error as I made three rounds of the jail and corridors and cells on that date, the first round being about 12:15 AM. The second round was 2:00 AM, and the third round was about 4:00 AM. I visited Bailey's cell on each one of these trips. On my first trip the light was on and Bailey appeared to be reading as he had either a book or paper in his hand. He was also reading something on the second visit at 2:00 AM. On the third visit his light was out and he appeared to be asleep. I did not detect any irregularities or indication that anything was wrong with the cell on either of these visits.

At the time of the second visit above mentioned, I was accompanied by [redacted] and we gave Bailey some water and a light lunch at this time as was customary.

Mr. Manion also made three rounds of the jail corridors and cells, according to his statement and to the best of my memory. His first round was made about 10:30 PM the night of September 3, 1933. The second round was made between 2:30 and 3:00 PM, September 4, and his third round was at the time he checked Bailey over to [redacted] at 6: AM, September 4, 1933. Mr. Manion mentioned the fact to me that he visited the death cell on two of these rounds; I do not know which two he had in mind; neither did I notice any unusual delay during any of these three rounds made by Mr. Manion on the above dates. However, on either Thursday or Friday, (night) prior to September 3, 1933, Mr. Manion remained 15 or 20 minutes longer than usual on his first round. At this time I rang the buzzer which runs up to the trustees' quarters and hollered up to Mr. Manion when he did not answer the buzzer immediately. It was necessary for him to come down on account of the fact that I had two men to lock up and was on the 6th floor by myself at the time.

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With reference to question which was asked me regarding any knowledge which I might have which may appear significant in connection with the escape of Harvey Bailey on September 4, 1933, I may state here that Mr. Manion asked me on Thursday or Friday night what kind of car [redacted] had, and I told him a Ford Sedan. He then asked me what kind of car [redacted] had, and I told him he also had a Ford Sedan. He then remarked that Henry Ford had not signed the code and we were going to have to get after

these boys, however, he did not ask me if any of the other jailers had cars. Both of the men he asked me about came on duty at 6: AM. I also learned from [redacted] that [redacted] informed him [redacted] that Manion approached him [redacted] in the kitchen, between 1:00 and 1:30 in the morning a day or so after the jail break, at which time he told [redacted] to take this 50¢ and buy him some tobacco and to watch and to listen and see whether [redacted] or myself were engaged in conversation about him (Manion). I also learned from [redacted] that [redacted] a trusty, who is used in dispensing medicine around the jail, told him [redacted] that Mr. Manion approached him one morning between 2: and 5:00 o'clock, at which time Manion asked him [redacted] whether he had heard any of the jailers or trusties mention him in connection with the jail break.

I am unable to state whether or not Mr. Manion kept his coat on during the rounds of the jail shortly before Bailey's escape as I do not remember, but we both were in the habit of taking off our coats and sometimes our shirts on hot nights.

Also, I would like to state here that on one occasion prior to the jail break, Mr. Manion mentioned the fact that he did not like the idea of Bailey being in a corner cell; that he thought he should be moved to another cell on account of the fact that it is possible to throw a string out of Bailey's cell through the barred windows of the run-around to the street below and that this being so, some object could be attached to this string and drawn up into Bailey's cell.

I then stated that I did not think this was possible because if Bailey was successful in throwing the string through the bars of his cell and the bars of the corridor cell and through the bars to the run-around, - three sets of bars - the end of the string would fall on a 12-foot wide shed on the street below, and about 15 feet above the street. He then stated that there could be enough wind to blow the string out from over the top of this shed.

One thing further, I would like to state here - on several occasions prior to Bailey's escape and quite a few occasions subsequent to his escape, Mr. Manion has mentioned the fact that he is likely to lose his home; that same was under mortgage to a party from New York, which loan was obtained through [redacted]. He also mentioned the fact that he owed \$2600.00 and had not paid the interest in some time.

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I have read the above statement over, consisting of 3 pages, each page of which has been initialed by me, and the same is true.

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(signed) 

WITNESSED BY:

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.



Dallas, Texas  
August 7, 1933.

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I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Div. of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice.  
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I live at Kimball Apartments, Salt Lake City, Utah. I am now confined in the Dallas County Jail, awaiting removal to Sherman Texas. I was brought to the Dallas County Jail on August 25, 1933 and placed in cell 14, with [redacted]

About the 30th or 31st of August [redacted] changed from cell No. 14 to cell No. 11, and [redacted] came in the same way into cell No. 14 from cell 10. [redacted] remained in this cell until Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1933. when he was released.

I recall the morning of Labor Day, September 4, 1933. While the prisoners in corridor L One where the above cells are located were having breakfast at about 7 a.m. I was standing at the wash basin at the end of the corridor immediately in front of cell No. 10. I saw Bailey coming down the steps from the upper floor and approaching the office on the sixth floor. He had on coveralls, and if I am now mistaken wore shoes. He did not have a hat on at that time. Bailey went over to where Capt. [redacted] was bent over the wash basin in the office on the 6th floor. I distinctly recall that Bailey held his right hand down by his side. I did not hear any conversations, but saw [redacted] turn to the barred door leading to the right wing and lock it. [redacted] then went to the right door and locked it. These two doors were open. Bailey then followed [redacted] to the main screened bar door which did not seem to be locked and ordered [redacted] outside near the elevator. Bailey returned back into the office with [redacted] and snatched a panama hat that was hanging up in a lockover on the side. Bailey put the hat on and ordered [redacted] back out toward the elevator closing the door behind him. Then the elevator came up and stopped at the sixth floor and someone got out with a negro. Bailey then motioned [redacted] and the man who got off the elevator over toward the padded cell. Bailey then put the two white men in the padded cell and went back with the negro to the elevator and went down stairs. This is all I know about the matter.

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I have read this statement over and say it is true.

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Special Agents, Div. of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas,  
September 7, 1933.

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I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Div. of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice;

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I am 25 years of age, and live [redacted] Dallas. I am now in the county jail, pending removal to the Penitentiary on a sentence of 5 years for highway robbery. I was brought to the Dallas County Jail about August 6, 1933. I was placed in cell No. 14 with [redacted] and remained in that cell about two weeks when I moved to cell No. 18. The day I moved from cell No. 14, a boy named [redacted] moved into this cell No. 14 from cell No. 10, [redacted] remained in cell No. 14 until he was released.

While the prisoners in corridor L 1, where the above cells are located were eating breakfast someone said Harvey bailey is making a break. This was about 7 a.m. on Labor day, September 4, 1933.

Bailey had a jail coverall on. I did not notice whether he had shoes and socks, but I did see him leave on the elevator wearing a straw hat Panama. This is all I know about the matter.

I have read this statement over and way it is true.

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Special Agents, Div. of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas,  
September 7, 1933.

I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to  
Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice:

I am 19 years old and reside before arrested at [redacted]  
Dallas, Texas. I am now confined in the Dallas County Jail on a charge of  
carrying a pistol which was reduced to disturbing the peace. I am at present  
working out a fine of 42 days.

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I first was committed to the county jail on Saturday, August 26, 1933  
and lodged in cell No. 10 with a boy named [redacted]. The next three or four  
days [redacted] changed to cell No. 14, and remained in that cell until he got  
his release from jail. In the meantime I had removed from cell No. 10 to  
cell No. 12, where I am now confined. This is known as corridor L 1.

While the boys confined in that corridor were eating breakfast about  
7 a.m., somebody said there goes Harvey Bailey. I do not know Harvey Bailey  
personally and this is the first time I saw him that morning. He was dressed  
in a coverall and I do not know whether he wore a hat or not.

I have read the above statement over and say it is true.

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Dallas, Texas,  
September 9, 1935.

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I, [redacted], make the following voluntary statement to  
b7C Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas; I am a lieutenant in the Dallas Fire Department and have been employed with the Fire Department of the City of Dallas for 15 years.

Upon reading of Harvey Bailey's escape in the newspapers on the morning of September 4, 1933 and subsequent newspaper articles concerning the model of pistol used by him in effecting his escape, I recalled that when I was a small boy, between the ages of 4 and 10, I used to play with an old 6-shooter revolver owned by my father, which is described as a .44 calibre Pistol, top brakes, Smith & Wesson make, which gun had considerable rust. I distinctly recalled in breaking down the gun I would play with the cylinder and in turning it it would come out. Furthermore, the hammer of the revolver would not stand cocked.

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The handles of the gun were black, and on one of the handles there was a crack; and it had a sharp rib, front sight.

I am now 36 years of age and my father is 93 years of age. My father is still living, and I talked to him last night about 6: PM, September 8, 1935, at the Fire Station - No. 8 Engine Company, Dallas, Texas. After talking about the gun and describing it, etc., he thought it might be the gun that was once owned by him. In this connection, he told me about buying this gun - which was one of a pair - from a man who brought these guns into Texas. He told me that he sold the gun to a negro named George - last name unknown; that this negro killed his wife, and committed suicide about 20 years ago.

I transmitted this information to Deputy Sheriff [redacted] b7C  
Dallas County, Texas, who suggested that I appear at the office of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 420 Federal Building, Dallas, Texas for the purpose of possibly identifying the gun in question.

After the revolver was exhibited to me, which I am told was the one used by Harvey Bailey in effecting his escape, I now positively identify the revolver as the one referred to me above. I recall there were four numbers on the gun which I cannot remember, and a lot of reading on the rib on top of the barrel of the gun, which is somewhat worn.

On examining the gun now I notice that it bears No. 5728, and the reading on the top of the rib of the barrel is:

Smith & Wesson, Springfield, Mass., U.S.A. pat'd, Jan. 17 & 24 '65; July 11.65; August 24 '69; April 20 '75; February 20 & December 18, 1877, reissued July 27, 1871.

I believe that upon interviewing my father he can give you an interesting history of the gun.

I have read this statement, consisting of two pages, and the same is true.

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(Signed) [Redacted]

WITNESSED BY:

Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Texas.

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
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Dallas, Texas,  
September 9, 1933.

MEMORANDUM

b7D [redacted] 93 years of age, residing at [redacted] Dallas, Texas, came to the Dallas Division Office on Saturday MORNING, 9-9-33, and in the presence of Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted], Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas; Deputy Sheriff [redacted] and [redacted] stated substantially as follows:

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On examining Smith & Wesson .44 calibre Revolver, No. 5728, concerning which a signed statement was made by [redacted] on September 9, 1933, that the said revolver was very familiar and might have been the gun that was originally owned by him; however, he stated he could not swear to it, it being so long ago. In this connection, he stated that he originally purchased a nickel-plated .44 calibre Smith & Wesson Revolver similar to the one exhibited to him, about 30 years ago, from Huey-Philp Hardware Company, located on Elm & Griffin Streets, Dallas, Texas. Mr. Philp sold him the gun and he ordered it special from the Smith & Wesson Factory. He stated he had this gun about three or four years when he loaned this gun to Clarence Gano. Gano was employed by a real estate man to go to West Texas to make surveys. He stated he does not know what became of Gano. After Mr. Gano's trip he returned to Dallas and told [redacted] that he lost the gun or it had been stolen from him, but that he would replace it with a similar gun. Gano went to Huey-Philp and then bought a blue-steel, .44 calibre gun which he turned over to [redacted] to replace the nickel-plated gun which he had lost. [redacted] stated that he had the blue-steel .44 calibre gun for about 7 or 8 years; that during that time he used the gun and he used to store it in a bureau drawer and his young son [redacted] who was then about 6 or 7 years old, used to go to the bureau drawer and play with this gun; that he then disposed of the gun to a negro named George who worked in the J. E. Parker Furniture Store, 2013 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas. This negro man named George, worked at that furniture store for about 10 years and was pretty handy repairing furniture. According to [redacted] he sold the gun to the negro on the installment plan - the amount now he does not know. The negro made one payment and after he had the gun a month he killed his wife and then committed suicide; that he believed this gun was taken over by the authorities who conducted an inquest into the deaths of the negro and his wife.

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He stated that the gun in question was purchased by Mr. Gano about 50 years ago from Huey-Philp Hardware Company. In this connection, he stated that he shall never forget the date of his marriage - the 14th day of February, 1873, and the gun was probably purchased by Mr. Gano about 10 years later.

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Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 11, 1933 .

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I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas b7C

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas.

I was elected Sheriff the last general election - November 8, 1932, of Dallas County, Texas, and took oath of office January 1, 1933. In the primary contest - in July, 1932 - there were six candidates for the sheriff's office, viz.: [redacted] former sheriff, ran for re-election; [redacted] special investigator for the district Attorney's Office; [redacted] former Deputy Sheriff; [redacted] a former Deputy Sheriff; [redacted] a former Sheriff, having served three terms; and myself. In the primary I received over 13,000 votes. There was quite a discussion and counting before it was decided who was to be in the run-off with me. Two votes separated [redacted] and [redacted] having over 7,000 and some odd votes. In the run-off between [redacted] and myself on July 27, 1932, I succeeded in getting the nomination. At the general election held in November, 1932, my opponent was [redacted] a brother of Federal District Judge [redacted]. I was elected by the people of Dallas County, as Sheriff, by a majority of 40,000 votes.

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When I took over the sheriff's office on January 1, 1933, I retained six of the old deputies out of 52 deputy sheriffs who served under former Sheriff Hood. The six deputies retained by me were: [redacted] and [redacted] who execute court orders and seize property; [redacted] and [redacted] criminal field deputies, and [redacted] jailer. All told there were 33 deputies serving under me prior to September 4, 1933.

[redacted] is my head jailer. He served under two or three former sheriffs and because of his previous jail experience and reputation, I appointed him. His duties are to supervise everything in the jail, including the employees assigned to the jail. There are three turnkeys who work on shifts of eight hours each:

- [redacted] 6: AM to 2: PM
- [redacted] - 2: PM to 10: PM
- [redacted] - 10: PM to 6: AM.

[redacted] who is the son-in-law of [redacted] one of the outstanding citizens in the Rinehardt Community, applied to me for a job, and after I investigated him I gave him the job.

[redacted] has two brothers who I had dealt with in business for many years. They are employed by Cullum & Boren Sporting Goods Company, of Dallas. After he applied to me for a job and knowing who he was I readily gave him a job.



[redacted] made application for a position, and after investigation I appointed him as a Deputy.

[redacted] of the jail, on the main floor. After knowing his family all my life, I naturally can vouch for him and I appointed him as [redacted]. In this connection, the books were previously kept by a trusty.

On the 4th floor of the jail is the women and young girls' division. The matron going to work in the morning is named [redacted] her hours being from 6: AM to 2: PM. [redacted] matron, is on duty from 2: PM to 10: PM; and [redacted] matron, is on duty from 10: PM to 6: AM.

I have known [redacted] all of my life, and [redacted] for many years. [redacted] hired because she had been a former matron with considerable experience.

Besides the women's division on the 4th floor, the head jailer - [redacted] - has living quarters, where he and his wife stay.

On the 5th floor of the jail all male juveniles are kept. The jailers are [redacted] and [redacted] works from 6: AM to 6: PM; [redacted] from 6: PM to 6: AM.

On the 6th floor of the building, the main jail and the entrance thereto are located. However, the entrances to the right and left wings of the jail are closed and locked after 7:30 PM. Also, there is maintained on the 6th floor a desk space for the day and night deputy jailers who keep the keys to the main entrance of the jail, to the entrances of the right and left wings and other corridor doors of the jail, on hooks in the office where the deputy jailers make their headquarters. The deputy jailers on duty on this floor are:

- [redacted] whose hours are from 6: AM to 2: PM
- [redacted] whose hours are from 6: AM to 2: PM
- [redacted] whose hours are from 2: PM to 10: PM
- [redacted] whose hours are from 2: PM to 10: PM
- [redacted] whose hours are from 10: PM to 6: AM
- Thos. L. MANION, whose hours are from 10: PM to 6: AM

I have known [redacted] all my life, hired him on my knowledge of his reputation.

[redacted] was recommended to me by [redacted] a prominent citizen of Dallas.

[redacted] made application to me, and petition was furnished by persons in the neighborhood of his produce market on South Pearl Street.

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[redacted] was hired on his own reputation.

[redacted] was a jailer under the former sheriff and I retained him in that capacity on recommendation and investigation as to what I found out about him.

Thomas L. Manion applied to me for a job, and on the recommendation of [redacted] a former city attorney, and [redacted] a former police and fire commissioner, I appointed Manion.

[redacted] is purchasing agent and chef in the jail. He has indefinite hours. I did not know [redacted] until he applied to me for a job, but on the recommendation of some of his friends whom I have known all my life, I gave him the job.

[redacted] the sanitary man, I have known for 20 years, and gave him employment on his own reputation.

I recall the day Harvey Bailey, a Federal Prisoner, was first taken into the jail. I believe it was on Saturday, August 12, 1933. Bailey had been in the jail several hours and my attention was called to Bailey's confinement by [redacted] Chief Deputy, who told me he was booked as Sam Jones in order to avoid any unnecessary publicity. While making the rounds of the jail on Sunday afternoon, August 13, 1933, I first noticed Harvey Bailey, under the name of Sam Jones, in Cell 6-M, which is located on a deck above the 6th floor in the northwest corner of the jail at the right of the elevator. The first I knew of a Federal Agent being placed in the Dallas County Jail to guard Harvey Bailey, was on the afternoon, about 6:30 PM, about a week after Harvey Bailey was confined in the jail, - I should say about August 19, 1933. At this time I noticed a machine gun in the closet of the southwest corner of the jail office on the 6th floor. I saw it through an open door, and could not imagine by whom it was placed.

I immediately went downstairs and called [redacted] and [redacted] Deputy Sheriffs, who were on duty, to my office, and asked them why a man was permitted to sit on the 6th floor with a machine gun when no one else, including myself, ever as much as carried a pistol above the first floor in the jail. The reason for this is that there are never more than two jailers on duty on the 6th floor at any one time. As a rule there are from 5 to 20 trustees going in and out of this office on the 6th floor. When meals are served all of the trustees enter in and out of the jail through this office. It is the only way that they can get to the dummy elevator or to the passenger elevator or to the freight elevator. Meals are served at 7: AM, 12 noon and 5: PM.

After talking to the above named deputies, we concluded it was a dangerous arrangement to have a man on the 6th floor with a machine gun, under these circumstances. I immediately went back up to the 6th floor and

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called [redacted] who informed me at that time that he was a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, and asked him what were his instructions. He informed me that he was sent down to the Dallas County Jail by his superior officer to act as a guard over Harvey Bailey. At this time I suggested to [redacted] that in view of the fact that so many trustees had access to the quarters where he was located, that in my opinion he should be stationed on the first floor of the jail as the main jail could not be approached other than from the entrance to the jail on the first floor, which would indicate that a guard would be at a better advantage stationed at some strategic point on the first floor. At my suggestion [redacted] and I went down to the first floor and looked over the quarters, then went out and observed the jail from different points for the purpose of determining how Bailey could be best protected if anyone attempted to forcibly gain access, after which we determined that the most desirable position for a guard to occupy would be at the entrance to the corridor in which the elevator is located, which opens out into the main jail office on the first floor. At [redacted] suggestion I took the matter up with Mr. Nathan, Assistant Director, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who was at that time in the Dallas Division Office, who said that it was up to me to place him where I thought best. I hung up the receiver. At this time [redacted] informed me that it would be necessary for him to communicate with Mr. Nathan before he changed his position upstairs, which he did by telephone. We both then went upstairs and [redacted] brought his sub-machine gun down to the first floor and a seat was arranged for him on the first floor at the position previously decided upon. I may state here that [redacted] heartily agreed with me that the new arrangement was more desirable.

Up to the making of this statement I do not know who made the arrangements for placing a Federal Guard over Harvey Bailey at the Dallas County Jail.

[redacted] remained in the position above described, according to my best recollection, for a period of several nights and he then moved up the back of the 6th floor known as 6-M, outside of Harvey Bailey's Cell. [redacted] day relief also, of course, assumed the new position during period of duty. The first time I noticed [redacted] the day guard, on the floor there was a table on which the machine gun was placed. On whose instructions he was removed to 6-M I am not informed.

The Federal Guards remained in this new position until we moved Harvey Bailey up to the death cell. After talking with [redacted] we decided to move Harvey Bailey from the cell in the northwest corner of 6-M to death cell on the northwest corner of the top of the jail, inasmuch as the death cells on the northwest corner are practically inaccessible and are the only cells to which we have a solid steel door. [redacted] discussed with me the lavatory up there was used by the negro trustees. I told him to take negroes out of 4-6 and put them in the other five cells, and to leave the door of that cell block open and not to go to R-6 to the lavatory. I might mention that there were also death cells located on the northeast corner of the first floor of the building but on account of the roof of the Hall of Records

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ing being leveled with the 9th floor of the jail and more easily accessible from the outside of the jail, I deemed it safer to use the northwest death cell inasmuch as the only building on that side is directly behind the jail and is only two stories high.

[redacted] informed me about 5:30 on the afternoon of August 28, 1933, that the Federal Guards had been removed. For information, I may state here that during the time Bailey was confined in the Dallas County Jail I had two of my deputies on duty from 11: PM to 7: AM every night. These men were placed in a dark room opening off the lobby of the entrance to the jail and where a view of the lobby of the jail was had.

At the close of school [redacted] the same as she has done for a number of years, took our two boys to her summer home at Cary, Illinois, and left the boys there with her mother, [redacted]. My wife returned to Dallas and inasmuch as the children were to return to school here, my wife and I left Dallas Monday morning, August 28, 1933 at about 5: o'clock, in my car, and proceeded to Cary, Ill. The first night we stopped at Springfield, Missouri, in the Ben Milam Hotel. I left Springfield, Missouri, 9:30 AM the next morning, Tuesday, August 29, arrived at Lincoln, Illinois about 10: PM that night. We stopped at the Commercial Hotel in Lincoln. I left Lincoln the next morning - Wednesday, about 10: o'clock and arrived in Cary, Ill., about 2:30 that afternoon on August 30. I remained at Cary, Illinois, at my wife's summer home until 12 o'clock Monday, September 4, and while I was at the house at Cary I received notice that a telephone call from Dallas had come for me to the Cary Garage at Cary, Illinois, notifying me about 11: AM, Chicago time, that Bailey had escaped, carrying [redacted] with him. I immediately telephoned into Chicago with a view of ascertaining what time a train would leave there for Dallas and was informed the next train would be 6:45 PM I also called about the airplane schedule and was informed that one left at 4:45 PM from Chicago to Kansas City, and one left from Chicago at 11:30 PM for Kansas City with connections to Dallas. I was unable to secure passage on the 11:30 plane but they assured me that I could have transportation on the 4:45 which would arrive in Kansas City at 8: PM and they would have a reservation made from Kansas City to Dallas which would get into Kansas City at 2:55 AM, which I accepted. I accordingly drove the car with my wife to Chicago, left her there with the car which she drove to Dallas, and I took the plane at Chicago and arrived at Kansas City at 8: PM. Inasmuch as there was no connecting plane for Dallas until 3: AM I spent the intervening time at the Kansas City Police Station.

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In this connection, I talked to an employee at the airport who told me he was a former Kansas City Police Officer and asked me if I wanted to talk to Detective [redacted] who knew of some of the activities of Bailey. [redacted] City Detective on the Pawn Shop Detail of the Kansas City Police Department, came to the airport in his car and took me back to the Kansas City Police Headquarters. I talked with [redacted] and the Chief of Police there about Bailey's activities, and [redacted] informed me, during the course of the conversation, that when he at one time arrested Bailey, Bailey offered

to turn him loose. I went with one of the reporters to the office of - I believe - the Kansas City Star, an afternoon paper, and talked to them and informed the newspaper men that upon my return to Dallas I would immediately start an investigation into Harvey Bailey's escape and cooperate in every way possible with the Federal Authorities.

Since my return to Dallas I have tried every way humanly possible to endeavor to determine who was responsible for the escape of Harvey Bailey and, in this connection, I appeared before the Dallas County Grand Jury and asked them to conduct a Grand Jury investigation into the matter which, at my request, has been conducting such investigation. I also have been in communication with Mr. F. J. Blake and [redacted] Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas and have furnished them with what information I have secured, and intend to continue the investigation until the matter is cleared up.

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I have read this statement over consisting of 6 pages, each of which page has been initialed by me and the same is true.

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(Signed)

[redacted signature]

WITNESSED BY:

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[redacted name]

Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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[redacted name]

Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 13, 1933.

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I, [redacted] in the presence of [redacted] Sheriff of Dallas County, Texas and [redacted] Assistant District Attorney, Dallas, Texas, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] b7c [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas, and am employed as a Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Texas, and have been since the 1st of January, 1933.

On September 7, 1933, upon instructions of Sheriff [redacted] Dallas County, I proceeded to J. H. Brower's Hardware Company, located at 831 Exposition Street, Dallas, and talked to a [redacted] a clerk in the store. I asked if he remembered selling 12 .44 calibre pistol shells and three hacksaw blades to a man, and he stated he remembered selling the .44 pistol shells but did not remember selling the hacksaw blades. He described the man as about 50 years old, weighing about 200 pounds, about six feet tall, stout, rather gray at the temples, had on brown work clothes and large cream-colored hat; his clothes and hat were both dirty. He was brown-skinned, had dark brows; narrow nose. [redacted] stated it was Friday or Saturday of the last week in September, viz.: September 1 or 2, 1933.

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In regard to the bullets and hacksaws I had further investigation to make, and in accordance with instructions received from [redacted] I went to see a man named [redacted] I located [redacted] at a lumber yard at the corner of East Grand & Torney Streets. [redacted] told me he knew a customer named [redacted] who was present at the time the man purchasing the shells and blades was in the store, who lived out on East Grand about three miles, in a tent. [redacted] stated he did not want anyone to talk to [redacted] as [redacted] was working at nights and did not want to disturb his sleep during the day, and furthermore, did not want his neighbors to know that I was going to interview him.

I had been contacting [redacted] with a view of interviewing [redacted] everyday, and finally on Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1933, I saw [redacted] and he told me he would get in touch with [redacted] and have him see me and then about 12:40 PM the same day, [redacted] called me on the telephone requesting me to call and see him. I went to see [redacted] and he told me exactly where [redacted] lived. I went to see [redacted] woke him up and took him to White Rock in my car to keep his neighbors from seeing him, and he there told me about the above-described man. I then asked [redacted] if he was present when a man answering the above description, purchased 12 bullets and three hacksaws at the Brower Hardware Store. He stated the man walked into the store ahead of him, was apparently nervous, high-strung, appeared to have been drinking and he said the man wanted to buy some .44 pistol shells and that attracted his attention; that he watched the man more. He then asked for some hacksaw blades and asked for some 8 inch hacksaw blades so that they would fit his frame. He then complained about having such a small place to work in and he wanted the best hacksaws to work with. [redacted] stated he noticed the description of the man, which is

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identical with the description previously given by [REDACTED]. He told me he could identify the man if I would bring him by in a car or if he were a block away. I told [REDACTED] that I would probably arrange to get a hold of the man described above, without [REDACTED] identity being disclosed.

Sheriff [REDACTED] advised me that this man - Jack Bevill - would be at the District Attorney's Office at 11: AM, September 13, 1933. I arranged to have [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] come to the lobby of the Criminal Courts Building where they could observe Jack Bevill enter the building. Jack Bevill, at 11:00, entered the building, and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] observed him, and [REDACTED] positively identified Jack Bevill as the man who purchased the 12 .44 calibre shells and 3 hacksaw blades at Brower's Hardware Store. [REDACTED] said Jack Bevill looked like the man who came into his store and made the purchase of the shells and blades already referred to in this statement, but he did not have a hat on, otherwise he thought it was Bevill.

[REDACTED] and I then waited in the lobby until Jack Bevill came out of the District Attorney's Office and at that time we got a good view of Jack Bevill, and [REDACTED] definitely identified him. Assistant District Attorney [REDACTED] stopped a while and talked to Bevill in order that [REDACTED] could get a good view of Bevill, they walked out, stood on the sidewalk a few minutes and [REDACTED] kept looking at Mr. Bevill.

After the identification of Jack Bevill was made by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] we got into my car and I drove them home and they stated that Jack Bevill was the man who came into Brower's Hardware Store and purchased the .44 calibre shells and the three hacksaw blades.

In connection with the hacksaw blades, I might now mention that when I was at Brower's Hardware Store, [REDACTED] told me that Jack Bevill had purchased three Victor Hacksaw Blades. He told me he did not know whether it was an 18 or 24 inch pitch blade, so I purchased one of each and brought them to the Sheriff's Office so that these blades might be compared with the pieces of blade found in the commode in the death cell on the 9th floor in the south side of the building.

The blades referred to above which were purchased by me, for identification purposes, bear my identifying marks.

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I have read this statement over consisting of 3 pages, each of which has been initialed by me, and the same is true.

(signed) [redacted] b7C b7D

WITNESSED BY:

[redacted]

Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

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Assistant District Attorney, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

[redacted]

Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

[redacted]

Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.



Dallas, Texas, Sept. 13, 1933.

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I [redacted] hereby make the following statement in the presence of [redacted] Deputy Sheriff, Dallas, Texas, to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, the same being made voluntarily.

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I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas, and am engaged in the hardware business. I am employed by the firm of J. H. Brower, #831 Exposition Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

On or about Sept. 1st or 2nd, 1933, on Friday or Saturday morning, a man whose name I do not know and who I never saw before to my best memory came into the store at #831 Exposition Avenue and asked me for some shells - I do not know whether or not he specified shells or pistol cartridges - I asked him what size he wanted and I think he answered 44 calibre shells, ( or he might have volunteered the information that he wanted 44 calibre shells without being asked ) and I showed him some 44 specials. He stated that they were too long. I then showed him some 44 calibre Winchester Colts cartridges, and he said that they were the right size; that he would take a dozen of them. He then asked me about buying some hack-saws. I asked him what size blades he wanted. He stated that he just wanted ordinary blades. I then informed him that we had 8", 10" and 12" blades. I then showed him some 8" blades, which had 18 teeth to the inch. He asked me what they were worth, and I informed him that they were 5¢ apiece. He stated that he would take three. He then gave me \$1.00 in currency, and I took out 65¢ and returned him 35¢ in change.

Witness

Special Agent

The above referred to party appeared to be about 50 years of age and slightly above medium height. I am unable to give an accurate estimate of his weight, but he appeared to be of medium build. He had his hat on, but his hair appeared to be gray around the edges. I cannot say what color his eyes were, but I would state that he seemed to be a brunette type. He had on a light colored shirt and a light colored felt hat of the average shape, the exact color of which I am unable to state. I did not observe his trousers because the show case was in the way.

This morning, Sept. 13, 1933, while sitting on the steps at the entrance to the County Jail lobby, Dallas, Texas, above referred to individual, whom I have since been told is Jack Beval, came into the jail in company with some man, known to [redacted], and was identified by me as being the same individual, to my best judgment, as the one who purchased the shells and hack-saw blades above referred to. However, I can not positively identify him until I see him with the same hat on that he wore while at the store where I am employed.

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I have read above statement, and same is true.

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WITNESSES:

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Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas. 7-115-542

Dallas, Texas  
Sept 13, 1933

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I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to  
b7C Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] of the Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, without any threats or promises or  
hope of reward:

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas, and at the  
present time am employed as a service man with the U Drive It Service, Inc.,  
1502 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas. I went to work for this company  
the 15th of October, 1932.

I was born at Emit, Oklahoma [redacted] I went to the  
8th grade in the Emit, Oklahoma grade School. I was raised on a farm and  
until 1925 worked on a farm. I married [redacted] of Tishomingo, Okla.  
on October 19, 1922. I have a little girl, 8 years old and a little boy  
5 years of age. I left Oklahoma February 20, 1930 for Texas. After I  
arrived at Dallas, Texas I obtained employment as manager of a service  
station and tourist camp outside Dallas City limits, about one quarter of a  
mile north of the M&T Railroad on highway 6 and 75, leading North out of Dallas.  
I went to Arizona, and worked on a Indian Reservation at Saxitons, Arizona for  
about 5 months. I might state that I am one-eighth Chickasaw Indian. After  
that I returned to Dallas, and got employment with the U Drive It Service, Inc.

On Saturday, September 2, 1933, about 10 am, I went to the J. H. Brower  
Hardware store located at 831 Exposition Street, Dallas, Texas to purchase some  
sand-paper and a screw driver. A man walked into the store just ahead of me.  
He is described as about 48 to 49 years of age, 6 feet or 6 feet one inch tall,  
about 175 lbs, grey hair, brown eyes, with a slim narrow face, long thin nose,  
ruddy complexion, looked to be somewhat tanned from working out-doors. He had  
on a light blue and white pants which appeared dirty, a light colored cream shirt,  
a light grey or cream old dirty felt hat, with a two or two and three quarter  
inch brim, which was turned down in the front. This man walked to the counter  
and he asked the man behind the counter, who I later learned to be [redacted]  
whether he had any 44 pistol shells. [redacted] said I think so I will see, and  
opened a box about half full containing 44 colt shells made by Winchester Arms  
Co. The man looked at one of the cartridges and then asked if [redacted] had any  
Smith & Wessons. [redacted] replied that this was the only 44 shells that he  
had. [redacted] stated this this was a kind of an odd caliber and they did not  
sell very many of these. The man says these will do, and asked what they were  
worth. [redacted] replied 50 or 55 cents per dozen. The man says well give me  
a dozen. [redacted] put the shells in a paper sack and says what else. The  
man then says have you any eight inch back saws. [redacted] stated Yes I think so  
and I noticed the back saws were right near where the ammunition was kept on a  
shelf. [redacted] first got down a box of 10 inch blades. The man looked at  
them and says they wont do as he had to have eight inch blades as his frame would  
not take longer than an 8 inch blade. [redacted] got out a box containing 8  
inch back saw blades. The man looked at them and said he wanted as fine a teeth  
as he could get. [redacted] reached back and got the other box of 8 inch blades  
They were courser teeth than the first box he got down. The man looked at them  
and asked what they were worth. I dont remember what [redacted] asked for the  
blades. The man purchased 8 of these blades and gave [redacted] a one dollar  
bill from which he received some change.

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September 13, 1933.

After purchasing the 44 shells and 3 hack saw blades the man went out of the store. I dont recall which direction he went. I might state that I was standing close to this man waiting my turn to be waited on, and I could smell liquor on the mans breath. However this was not noticeable, and one could not tell unless you were close up to the man.

I made my purchase of some sandpaper and a screw driver and went out of the store, got into my model T Ford and returned to my house.

Monday morning, September 4, 1933, about 9 a.m. a boy came past the place where I worked shouting Extra Bailey escaped from the county Jail. I bought a paper. I continued to follow the newspaper accounts and the next day or two I learned that Bailey had used a 44 caliber pistol in making his escape after sawing the bars of the jail. I then recalled the man buying the hack saw blades and 44 caliber shells at Browsers Hardware store, I went back to Browsers Hardware Store Wednesday or Thursday after the escape, viz September 6th or 7th and saw [redacted] because the man who had sold the shells and blades was not in at the time. I told [redacted] to ask [redacted] if he remembered selling some 44 caliber shells and hack saws Saturday before to a man. [redacted] told me he would talk to [redacted] when he came back to the store. I went home and again returned to Browsers Hardware store on Monday September 11, 1933. While I was talking to [redacted] [redacted] came in, and he and I talked about the matter. [redacted] recalled having sold the dozen 44 caliber shells and the 3 hack saw blades to the man already described in this statement. He told me that he did not know the man's name and believed he never saw him before. I was trying to find out whether the man lived in Dallas, because I had never seen him before.

I forgot to mention above that when the man asked for 44 caliber shells [redacted] first showed him some long special shells, which he said wouldnt do the man asking for the short shells.

Besides [redacted] and [redacted] I talked about the hack saw blades and shells with [redacted] a neighbor of mine who works on East Grand and the street (unknown) on which the car line goes northeast. In talking about the Harvey Bailey escape with [redacted] he remarked dont you think it is an inside job, and I said I didnt think so because I saw a man, who did not look like an officer buy some shells 44 caliber and hack saw blades at Browsers Hardware store.

Deputy sheriff [redacted] was making inquiry about me to [redacted] and at his request [redacted] and myself went to the criminal Courts building this morning, September 13, 1933 where I positively identified the man who purchased the 12 44 caliber shells and the 3 hack saw blades, and whom I have since been told is Jack Beval. There is no question about this man's identity. When I saw him this morning he had his hat off, and his hair was greyer than it appeared when I saw him at Browsers hardware store with his hat on.

I have read this statement over consisting of two pages, each of which has been initialed by me and say it is all true.

Witnesses [redacted] b7c [redacted] b7c b7d [redacted]

Deputy Sheriff, Dallas, Texas

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Dallas, Texas, Sept. 14, 1935.

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b7C I, [redacted] hereby make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

I am at present confined in the Dallas County Jail on an aggravated assault charge. I was convicted on June 14, 1933 and sentenced to one year and cost. I have been a trustee for about one month and one half to two months.

On the same night of the day Harvey Bailey escaped, Mr. Tom Manion approached me in the kitchen and asked me if I had any money for cigarettes. I told him that I did not have any at that time. He then said, "Take this", and threw me 50 cents. Then next night he called me over to the side in the kitchen and said, "I want to talk to you!" He then asked me what [redacted] and [redacted] were saying about him; that [redacted] was trying to lay the jail break-off on him, and he, [redacted] had better watch his step, as he, Manion, would kill him. At this time I started to talking a little too loud and he, Manion, called me down, stating that the matter was between him and myself, and he did not want the others over there to hear us, at which time he motioned towards the prisoners in the laundry. He then told me to get around close and try to find out what [redacted] and [redacted] were saying about him; that, if I would help him, maybe he could help me. He called me off again on the next Wednesday night and asked me what I found out. I told him that I had not been able to find out anything, since which time he has not again approached me about the matter, except that on the Sunday night after that he mentioned to me that he did not think Bailey liked him as he would not have anything to say to Bailey, or to be more exact in the wording of Manion's statement, I think he said, "Bailey don't like me very much, as I don't talk to him much."

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I have read above statement, and same is true.

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WITNESSES:

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Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 14, 1958.

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I, [redacted] hereby make the following statement to Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, and same is being made voluntarily:

At the present time I am confined in the Dallas County Jail on a charge of forgery, awaiting trial. I was committed on July 19, 1958, and have been a trustee in said institution with the exception of a few days since my committal.

I have no personal knowledge of significance relative to the jail break of Harvey Bailey, as I was in the kitchen and it was all over when I learned about the break.

However, I may state here for what it is worth that is, Tom Linnich, who was in the habit of visiting me during the night before said break, has since made reference to the matter on his visits on several occasions. On the first visit to me since the jail break, he asked me whether I had heard his name mentioned in connection with the break. I told him no. He then said, "Are you sure that you have not heard ~~anyone~~ anyone mentioned in the jail by any of the officers or have not heard any of the inmates talking about me?" I answered - "No, Tom - I have not heard anyone talking about <sup>me</sup> at all." He then said, "What would you do, if you were in my shoes now?" I then answered that I would go to the man who hired me, if I had anything on my mind, I would lay my cards right on the table. If that didn't get me off without saying anything more. On another occasion he mentioned to me again as to whether I had heard anyone talking about him, stating that the people on the outside were mentioning his name quite freely and that he thought, or was quite certain, that people on the inside also were. He then went on to say that he was working with a man in whom he had no confidence.

On both of the above occasions he advised me that he was innocent of being connected in any way with the escape of Bailey, and that he had at all times done his duty as a jailer here.

I have read above statement, and same is true.

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WITNESSES:

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 14, 1935.

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I, [redacted] hereby make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

I now reside at Mesquite, R. F. D. #1, Dallas, Texas. I have been employed as a deputy sheriff of Dallas County, Texas since Jan. 1, 1933, acting in the capacity of jailer, and my hours of duty are from 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM, said duty being confined to the jail office where prisoners are booked.

I have no information which I regard as significant relative to the jail break of Harvey Bailey, other than the fact that about four or five days before the jail break of Bailey, Mr. Tom Manion, Deputy Jailer, approached me in the jail office, and made inquiry as to which keys opened the door with the bars to it, the main door, and the solid steel door to the alleyway at the rear of the jail, also if the same key fit the steel door that fit the main door, and how both keys were numbered. I told him that the keys had no numbers, and he suggested that I put them both together separate from the other keys so they would not be mixed up in the event I wanted to open both doors real quick. I told him that I did not think it was necessary to put them together because I knew each key, but that I would hang the key up on the ring above the other keys so as to distinguish it, the steel door key, from the others. I did this in his presence. He watched me do it, and said that that was all right.

Mr. Manion also mentioned the fact to me several times that Bailey is a dangerous man, and stated on one occasion that if he got out of this jail he would not go out on our shift. I remarked that he might be a dangerous man but that I did not figure that he had any chance to get out on any shift. He then said you can't ever tell, as some of them are mighty careless. In this connection, he suggested that [redacted] was mighty careless and that I should go up with him when he gave Bailey his lunch. He also stated that Bailey might saw out of his cell and be in the end cell of the corridor of the death cell when [redacted] came in to bring his lunch, in which event he could cover [redacted] with a gun and bring him on down, then cover him, Manion, with said gun and make him open the door to the 5th floor office. He also mentioned the idea that Bailey might throw a string down to the street below and, in this manner, obtain a gun or some other object to effect his escape.

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For information, I might also mention here that on the morning of Sept. 4, 1935, the date of Bailey's escape, I went up with [redacted] to carry Bailey some lunch about 2:00 AM. Bailey was reading at this time. We did not notice anything irregular at this time. I did not observe the bars to Bailey's cell very closely, but I did notice that they were all in place at that time.

I have read above statement, and same is true.

WITNESSES:

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 16, 1933.

b7c I, CHARLES AYERS, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, without any threats, promises or hope of reward:

My folks live in <sup>Long</sup> Palm Beach, California - that is my mother and step-father, [redacted]. Since 1922 I have been in Texas and Oklahoma. I was committed to the Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, on January 31, 1933 under the name of M. C. Norris, on a charge of burglary, on which charge I was tried and convicted and sentenced to two years in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas. Pending my removal to the penitentiary I have been acting as a Trusty since March 10, 1933. In this capacity I have been doing bookkeeping and clerical work on the 6th floor of the jail, and in this respect have charge of filing all State and Federal Passes issued to visitors. Such passes are taken by a Deputy Sheriff on the 6th floor and after examination, handed to me for filing purposes.

b7c On the morning of September 4, 1933, when Harvey Bailey escaped from the County Jail, I was at that time eating my breakfast. I do not know how he escaped and can furnish no information in regard to the escape.

On the same morning I recall that the Federal men were making an investigation of the escape. In this connection, I remember that one of the jail officials came down to my desk on the 6th floor and requested that I give him all passes issued for Harvey Bailey. I got all the Federal Passes issued during Bailey's confinement in the jail and went through them thoroughly, finding two passes issued to [redacted] an Attorney, - one dated August 26, and the other August 30. At the same time I turned over to the jail official, four other Federal Passes - three of which were issued to visitors to interview R. G. Shannon, and one marked R. G. Shannon and family. Also, a jail pass authorized by telephone and initialed [redacted] (who is [redacted], to allow [redacted], an Attorney, to see R. G. Shannon. These were all the Federal Passes that were on file. Later, [redacted] Special Agent, United States Division of Investigation, came down to the 6th floor and again requested me to make a further search to determine whether or not there was a pass issued to [redacted] on September 1, 1933. I again made a careful search and failed to find any such Pass.

I might also mention that three or four days before Bailey's escape [redacted] came to my desk and said, "Norris, do you have a Pass for [redacted] to see Bailey?" I said, "Yes, I have", and made motion as if to get the Passes. I took the Passes down and started to look through them. [redacted] Deputy Jailer, said, "I can find out what you want from some prisoner"; I don't know who it was. [redacted] went to the L-side of the jail, came back in a few minutes, at which time

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he spoke to [redacted] and I had not finished looking through the Passes. [redacted] said "That is O.K., I have found all I want to know". I then folded my Passes back up and filed them away. I later learned that [redacted] got some information from a Federal Prisoner named [redacted]

On September 16, 1933, a Federal Pass issued by the United States Marshal's Office, dated September 1, 1933, to [redacted] and [redacted] for interview with Harvey Bailey, was exhibited to me. Prior to September 14, 1933, I never saw this pass before.

A few days before September 14, 1933, [redacted] Deputy Sheriff and Bookkeeper at the Jail, came up to see me on the 6th floor and asked me where the Passes were which were issued by the Federal Government during Bailey's time in jail, and he said "For my own curiosity I want to look over the list of Passes to see if I can't find a Pass issued to [redacted] for interview with Harvey Bailey. I got all my Passes and handed them to [redacted] and he sat down in my chair and looked through the Passes. "Well, he said, so many people have been bothering me about a certain Pass issued to [redacted] for interview with Bailey, I just want to satisfy my own curiosity if such a Pass might have been overlooked." I was present all the time, and [redacted] did not find the Pass in question.

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During the afternoon of September 14, 1933, Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, were on the 6th floor of the jail, and asked me to step out of the office. I noticed Special Agent [redacted] talk to [redacted] and then [redacted] brought Federal Prisoner [redacted] and had some talk with him. At that time I was asked to see if there was a Pass issued to [redacted] to interview [redacted] a Federal Prisoner. After Agents [redacted] and [redacted] left the 6th floor of the jail and went down the elevator, at the request of [redacted] I went through the same bunch of Passes, looking for a Federal Pass issued to [redacted] to interview Federal Prisoner [redacted]. While I opened these Passes, the Federal Pass which was exhibited to me this morning, issued to [redacted] and [redacted] dated Sept. 1st for an interview with Harvey Bailey, fell out. I picked it up, unfolded it and said it looks like someone's inside work, as it really surprised me because I went through these Passes before, a couple of times; [redacted] went through them, and [redacted] advised me he carefully went over all these Passes. I said to [redacted] "I expect you had better turn that over to [redacted] because he had been questioning me a number of times about this missing Pass." [redacted] did not say anything but got on the elevator and went down. A few minutes later [redacted] came to the dining room, I picked up the pass and said "Look here what I found? Don't you think you had better turn this over to [redacted] or [redacted] At that time the elevator came up while I was standing showing the Pass to [redacted] Sheriff [redacted] Deputy Sheriff [redacted] Captain [redacted] and Deputy Sheriff [redacted] got off the elevator and came to my desk. I handed



the Pass to Sheriff [redacted]. He got on the elevator and went down. Captain [redacted] remained at my desk for a minute while I showed him where I had found the Pass. This is the last I heard of the Pass.

I do not know where this Pass came from and I have no knowledge as to who placed it in the bunch of Passes, and I definitely state that I did not file this Pass away; that when I saw it fall out of the bunch of Passes this was the first time I saw that Pass. The six jailers on the different shifts, Captain [redacted] and other employees of the jail as well as trustees, have access to the desk where the Passes are filed away, and it is possible that this Pass was slipped in among the bunch of Passes filed in during my absence.

As I stated before I do not know anything about the plans that might have been made in connection with Harvey Bailey's escape. If I had such information I would gladly give it to the Government because since Bailey's escape the Trustees have been deprived of certain privileges, and trustees (particularly myself) have been placed under suspicion, principally because I did some entertaining around the jail and I went up to Bailey's death cell on several occasions and played for him.

When Bailey was in R-6-11 Cell - the balcony cell - overlooking the office in which I worked, [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, was Government Guard on duty. [redacted] heard me entertaining in front of L-1, close to my desk one afternoon. When I came through the office with my guitar [redacted] asked me to play a number or two, which I did. I went on with my entertaining and a few days later Bailey was moved up to the death cell. One afternoon [redacted] who was guarding Bailey, came to the office on some business, stopped by my desk in the presence of Capt. [redacted] and said, "Norris, why don't you bring your guitar and play for Bailey and me sometime?" I said, "With your permission I will be glad to." He said, "Sure, come up any time."

In the past I have been permitted to go to different parts of the jail, and felt as long as he was up there there would be no harm in it so the next evening shortly after 8:00 o'clock I said to Captain [redacted] "I believe I will go upstairs and play a while for Bailey." Another inmate in the County Jail - [redacted] barber - and I went up to the death cell where [redacted] was on duty. He saw me as I came at the door. I hollered first and told him who I was and he said: "Well, that is fine, come on." [redacted] and I went in and stood at the opposite end of the corridor from the cell in which Bailey was confined, and stood next to the chair of [redacted] I played a couple of numbers; Bailey seemed to be pleased and requested me to sing 'Birmingham Jail'. While I was playing a negro trusty standing there among several other trustees who had gathered inside the outer run-around of the death cells, tried to dance a few steps. There is no lavatory or bath in the department where the negro trustees sleep, so they were allowed to come up on this death cell deck to use the lavatory or bath. While [redacted] singing several of them came in to use the shower and lavatory. I am sure, guess, about 30 minutes, and [redacted] relief came on duty - [redacted]

I was playing the guitar while the negro danced, and when [redacted] relieved [redacted] I came down from the death cell with [redacted]

A few days later Department of Justice men were moved from guard - about August 26, 1933 - and as it was my custom on various occasions to make the rounds with the night captain checking up on the men, we looked into Bailey's cell to see how he was. From the far end of the corridor Bailey said "Hello, guitar picker, why don't you come up again some time and play me a tune?" Nothing more was said then except [redacted] said, "Well, we will come up sometime and play for you, it is too late tonight." The next night - about Monday or Tuesday before Bailey's escape, as near as I can remember - [redacted] said, "Come on Morris, get your guitar, let's go up and play Bailey a few tunes." It was about 7:00 o'clock in the evening and we played about 20 minutes. At that time the inner run-around in the corridor where Bailey's cell was, was locked. I stood with my foot on the bench that Capt. [redacted] was sitting on in the outer end of the corridor directly in front of Bailey's cell. At that time he also requested 'Birmingham Jail'. That was all that he said. He asked me what I was in for and I told him.

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Friday night, before Bailey's escape, I went up again with Capt. [redacted] - about 7:00 PM, and played about 15 minutes, standing in the outer corridor of the run-around of Bailey's cell, directly in front. We then came directly downstairs.

I have no personal knowledge of any significance regarding the manner in which the saws and gun were smuggled into Harvey Bailey's cell with which he effected his escape. However my personal opinion is that it was an inside job and like many others, suspect the Deputy Jailer - Mr. Thomas L. Manion, on account of his departure from his usually strict inspection of various cell bars for indications that they had been sawed. The first two or three nights after the Federal Guard was removed, Mr. Manion was particular about having someone accompany him to check Bailey in. He was also particular that the guard who relieved him accompanied him up to Bailey's cell in the mornings to see that Bailey was there and everything was O.K. However the last three or four nights preceding Bailey's escape he was not particular about checking Bailey over to his relief, but on the morning of Bailey's escape - I understood from Captain [redacted] - Mr. Manion was unusually persistent for Captain [redacted] to accompany him to Bailey's cell and upon arrival at Bailey's cell he requested [redacted] to crawl up Bailey's cell and examine things. Capt. [redacted] said after coming down from the top of the cage, he walked around in the outer corridor of the death cell and he said he thought he saw a towel hanging on the bars but he was not sure. Also, that Captain Manion was anxious to leave the death cell and did not fool around and examine the bars as was his usual custom. Captain Manion also made a remark at the time that they removed the Federal Guards that they could run the County Jail without the assistance of the Government. His attitude indicated he was somewhat relieved. During a conversation with several trustees and myself, after Bailey's escape, Mr. Manion made the statement he respected Bailey; that he was a man to be respected.

I might also state here at variance with Mr. Manion's usual custom of taking his coat-off when he first came into the office to relieve the guards on duty a few nights before Bailey's escape and two nights prior to his escape, he kept his coat on in the office for quite a few minutes - at any rate for about 10 minutes, until I left. I did not think anything about this at the time but since Bailey's escape it has struck me as being peculiar.

I might also state here that for a period of about a week prior to Bailey's escape, Mr. Manion would arrive about an hour early and let one jailer go one night and one the next. Upon his arrival the jailer due to go off duty was generally in the office on the 6th floor and the other jailer on duty was generally making his rounds, and would find Mr. Manion in the office upon his return. I will state here for information, that my office hours are from 7:00 in the morning until 10:00 PM; that I stayed on duty as a rule until 10:00 PM to make sure that the count is correct. Count of the prisoners is usually finished between 8:30 and 9:00 PM. I did not stay around the office after Mr. Manion and his partner came on unless I was particularly requested to do so.

In addition to my sentence of two years to the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, referred to above, I have also had three prior penitentiary sentences, having served time in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas; the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, and the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas.

I have read the above statement, consisting of 5 pages, each page having been initialed by me, and the same is true.

(signed) *Chris Jones*  
*Chris Jones*

WITNESSED BY:

**[REDACTED]** b7c

Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 16, 1933.

b7C I, GROVER C. REVILL, in the presence of [redacted] Sheriff of Dallas County, Texas, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, because same is true, after first having been informed that this statement may be used as evidence in any Court of common jurisdiction:

I reside at 1008 Fletcher Street, Dallas, Texas [redacted] where I operate a grocery and meat business. I am 47 years of age; I was born at Horse Creek, Brown County, Texas, in 1884. I have resided in the City of Dallas, Texas about 21 years. When I first came to Dallas I worked for the City of Dallas, being so employed for four or five years operating a steam roller on the streets, since which time I have engaged in the butcher and cattle business practically all the time up to date.

b7C I have known Mr. Thomas L. Manion for 12 or 15 years, some of the time being associated with him in connection with his political activities, and have also assisted him while he was investigating the Nick Raspasky Murder Case. Our personal relations have always been very friendly. On numerous occasions he has requested me to drive him to certain places in my car, which I did, in view of our friendship and the fact he was unable to drive a car.

Either the Sunday before Labor Day - September 3 - or the Sunday prior to that date, Mr. Manion requested me to drive him out into the country, 15 or 20 miles from Dallas. We left Dallas somewhere between four and five PM and from Mr. Manion's house we drove out to a little town northeast of Elam, the name of which I do not recollect, where Mr. Manion stopped at the home of a [redacted]. There were three or four women there and some children present when we arrived. Immediately after we stopped Mr. Manion instructed me to go down to a shed in the house and see what was in it, which I did, and upon my return I reported to him that same contained some empty fruit jars, empty whiskey bottles, mattress and bed and something that looked like a camping outfit. At this time the man above referred to was seen by me for the first time. I talked to this man a short time and Mr. Manion talked to the women. When we left Mr. Manion shook hands with the man and called him [redacted].

We remained at this house 10 or 15 minutes. At this point I might mention that Mr. Manion previously stated he was going out to an unmentioned place in the country on official business. He directed me to the above mentioned place by referring to his small book in his pocket which he consulted once or twice. From the point above described as [redacted] house we proceeded a distance of about two or three miles and he then told me to turn around. I turned up into a driveway and Mr. Manion noticed a man and two women on the

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porch of a house setting to the right of the driveway. Manion here said, "Wait a minute, I want to see these people, I think I know that man". He walked over to the house which is best described as a box-like house with an L in the back and a side porch on the West side of the house. There was a large tank resting on a tower on the East side of the house from where I sat in the car. There was a barn located a little Northwest from the house and East of where I sat in the car. Mr. Manion went up to the house and stood there about five minutes and conversed with the man and two women for about five minutes. Mr. Manion did not mention the name of this man but stated he was a Federal Prisoner at one time in the Dallas County Jail. I never paid much attention to the man but he appeared to be a rather heavy-set man. One of the women was a rather large, light-haired woman; and the other was small and slender. I do not remember whether she was a blond or brunette. When Mr. Manion finished his conversation with these people he returned to the car and directed me to back up and to continue in the direction in which we were first headed which I did, and we proceeded about two miles to a small town, the name of which I do not know. There was a school or a gin on my left as we entered the town. We immediately turned around in front of this building and returned in the direction from which we came. I may mention here that we made the turn at the above mentioned town about 50 yards before we came to the railroad crossing. There were several other roads entering the town at this point. As we turned around Mr. Manion asked me if there was any road we could travel in order to avoid [redacted] house, and I informed him there was such a road - a cross road that we had passed on our way out which would take us back to the Kaufman Pike.

We went back the same gravel road as far as a point one and one half miles on the other side of the house where Mr. Manion talked to the man and two women, and then turned North on a cross road which took us to the Kaufman Pike from which point we proceeded direct to Col. Manion's home in Dallas.

I forgot to state above that on our way out we passed an old model car which I think was a model T Ford, right after we crossed a river bridge on the other side of Hutchins, and Mr. Manion directed me to stop the car and he went back and talked to the people in this car. I remember there were two people - one man and one woman - in this car, but there might have been more, anyhow two people got out of the car and Mr. Manion talked to them for two or three minutes. When he returned to my car he stated "That is the grandmother of the baby in the case on which I am working."

The trip above described is the last time I saw Mr. Manion prior to September 4, on which date he telephoned me at my home and requested me to come get him in my car as he wanted me to drive him in an effort to locate Bailey who had broken jail. I told him I had a butcher shop which needed my attention and that I was pretty busy. Manion then said "Jack, I will sure appreciate it if you will bring your car and come and drive me for [redacted] (referring to Sheriff [redacted] is out of town and he will appreciate it, also."

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I said, "Well, Col., if you have time to wait for me to get out my restaurant order I will be right down and pick you up." I said, "Where are you at?" And he said, "I am at home". He said "Well, hurry up Jack and I will look for you." I would say I left home about 8:00 o'clock and went by Mr. Manion's house where I picked up Mr. Manion and [redacted] known to me as [redacted]

67c [redacted] In view of the fact that I did not have a gun, Mr. Manion drove over to a house on Pine Street. He had his six-shooter. We drove back by Col. Manion's home, stopped a few minutes, returned to the car, at which time we proceeded to the jail. He got out of the car, went into the jail where he remained 10 or 12 minutes. When Mr. Manion returned to the car [redacted] walked up and spoke to him. Under Mr. Manion's instructions I proceeded out on the Commerce Street Viaduct in a Western direction. Mr. Manion then asked me if I knew the road to Grapevine, and I answered him in the affirmative, stating that we should have gone by way of Industrial Boulevard, but that we could get there in the direction in which we were traveling. We continued on out the cement road in the direction of Irving and about two or three miles this side of Irving we came to a man working with a team along side the road. Mr. Manion instructed me to stop, called the man over to the car and asked him if he had noticed a car with two men - one wearing overalls and one who looked like an officer. He said there had been a car of that description in which there were two men, which had passed about an hour or hour and a half previous, and that he had pulled his team across the highway and one of the men cursed him for having his team across the road. Then Col. Manion asked him if any officers had passed. The man stated then that a car had passed containing some men whom he would judge to be officers, and that their car had run off the pike at that point on account of his team being across the road; that he had had to pull this car out of the sand.

We proceeded on to Irving where either Mr. Manion or myself asked a man in a filling station as to where the road turned off to go to Grapevine. On the information obtained we proceeded to Grapevine where Mr. Manion again made inquiry as to whether a car containing two men, above described, had passed in that direction. From Grapevine we proceeded to Rhoms, Texas, where Mr. Manion made further inquiry regarding the car and the occupants thereof. He also asked a lady at a filling station at a cross road, where the road running North leads to, and she answered him, saying same was the Denton Road. Then Manion said "Let's go to Denton". We proceeded on to Denton where Mr. Manion and myself went to the Sheriff's Office and Mr. Manion identified himself officially, as a Deputy Sheriff of Dallas County, and informed the man in the office that he was trying to locate Harvey Bailey, who had escaped, and one of these men had informed him that they had sent deputies out and that they had worked all around Lake Dallas; also, that ever since they had received notice of Bailey's escape they had guarded all roads in that direction. He then asked Mr. Manion if he had heard anything. Mr. Manion informed him he had not heard anything except he had been informed that men in a car fitting the description of the one Bailey was supposed to have left Dallas in, had been seen East of Irving, Texas. We left the sheriff's office

and I suggested to Mr. Manion that he phone back to the jail and see if any information had been obtained relative to Bailey's whereabouts. We went over to a telephone booth located in a place which I think may have been a drug store, and Mr. Manion telephoned the sheriff's office in Dallas and he was informed that Bailey had been caught at Ardmore, Oklahoma. I remember that the telephone message amounted to 35¢, 10¢ of which I furnished as Mr. Manion only had 25¢. He then left Denton and proceeded to Dallas where we arrived about 3:30 PM, and went direct to the jail where I left Mr. Manion, and I proceeded home where I arrived between 4: and 5: PM.

I forgot to mention that before we left the jail Mr. Manion took out his watch and asked me if we could go to Sherman, Texas and return to Dallas by 6: PM. I said, "I don't know, Col., but if you want to go, we will go."

I also wish to state that before we left Dallas on the hunt for Bailey, during the telephone conversation I asked Mr. Manion where he was and he said he was at home; that he had received a message from [redacted] that Bailey had escaped; however I won't be positive it was [redacted]. He said someone had called and I think he said [redacted]. I do not recall having talked to Mr. Manion either personally or by telephone since the day of the jail break. b7c

In regard to the hacksaw blades and shells which were purchased at the Brower Hardware Store, I wish to state that I have no knowledge of any such purchase by me or anyone else. I also state positively that I did not furnish any hacksaw blades or shells to Mr. Manion or anyone else for use in effecting the escape of Harvey Bailey. I also deny that I possess a hacksaw frame. I have a small kitchen saw, the saw blade of which - according to my best memory - is riveted into the frame and cannot be adjusted into the frame. I also have two meat saws, one of which is a rib saw, the other a steak saw, the blades of both of which can be changed. I have never had any occasion to use hacksaw blades. Neither do I possess a pistol or revolver; and would have no occasion to purchase pistol bullets or cartridges. The last shells purchased by me were for a shotgun - which was something over a year ago.

On Saturday, September 2, 1933, - the date I understand three hacksaws and some pistol shells were supposed to have been purchased by myself from the Brower Hardware Store, 831 Exposition Avenue - I pursued my daily routine of business at my butcher shop located in my home at 1008 Fletcher Street. However, about 9:00 AM on that date - to the best of my memory - I went to the cooler (cold storage) to obtain a supply of meat, which occupied about 30 or 40 minutes of my time. My activities during the course of the day other than above mentioned, were as usual. I do not remember any other trips which were made away from my place of business, or any other activities on my part outside of the general course of business.

I have read the above statement, consisting of 8 pages, each page of which has been initialed by me, which was made by me of my own free will and accord, and without any promises or threats having been made to or against me, and the same is true.

*Refused to sign*  
(signed) \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSES:

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Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas



Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 20, 1933.

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b7C I, [redacted] in the presence of Deputy Sheriffs [redacted] and [redacted] Dallas County, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas; I am now engaged in the retail drug business at the above address. I have been a resident of this city for about 25 years.

I have known Mr. Thomas L. Manion about 15 years. I resided in the same community in which he lived, for about eight years, and have contacted him occasionally since that time.

I have known [redacted] for a period of about ten years. I met him through my contacts with him at the time he delivered ice cream to my place of business when he was employed by the K. B. Ice Cream Company.

b7C b7D On or about the 15th of December, 1932, a small neighborhood negro who hangs around the neighborhood in which my drug business is situated, appeared at my place of business and borrowed \$2.50, or some such sum, from me and promised to pay me back within a week. At this time I distrusted this negro and in order to guaranty the payment of the debt, he left an old-style .44 calibre Smith & Wesson Revolver, equipped with a breach-loading cylinder, rusty looking, which was either a blue steel or a nickel gun, on which the nickel had worn off. I kept this gun for a period of about two months.

On or about the 10th of February, 1933 the party above referred to - [redacted] - came to my place of business, being informed that I was in possession of the above-described gun, and wanted to know if I wanted my money back. I informed him I would be glad to get \$2.50, which he gave me and I turned the gun over to him.

The next time any question arose about the above-mentioned gun was when [redacted] Chief Deputy Sheriff, appeared at my place of business and questioned me as to the origin of same and the disposition which I had made of the gun. I advised him in substance as above.

On September 20, 1933, .44 calibre Smith & Wesson, old-style, with breach loading cylinder, serial #5728, was exhibited to me by Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake and Special Agent [redacted] at the office of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, room 420 Federal Building, Dallas, Texas, in the presence of Sheriff [redacted] Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] Deputy Sheriff [redacted] and I identified the same as being the gun which I obtained from the negro referred to above.

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I have read the above statement, and the same is true.

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Witnessed by:

[Redacted name]

Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

[Redacted name]

Chief Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

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[Redacted name]

Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Texas

[Redacted name]

Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 20, 1933.

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I, [redacted] in the presence of Sheriff [redacted] Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] Deputy Sheriff [redacted] hereby make the following statement to Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas; I am at present unemployed; however, I am a boiler maker by trade.

I have known Mr. Thomas L. Manion since about 1909 or 1910. Most of the time I have known Mr. Manion he has been a peace officer in some capacity. I have been in a position to furnish him information on several occasions about the activities of criminals which have aided him in their apprehension. My associations with him have always been agreeable and friendly.

I have known [redacted] since a little while after the War - about 13 or 14 years ago - since [redacted] My acquaintance with him has been mostly through my delivery of ice cream to his place of business.

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On or about the last part of January, 1932, while I was present at [redacted] Drug Store at 2521 Bryan Street, Dallas, a negro came into his place of business and borrowed \$2.00 from [redacted] and left an old style Smith & Wesson Revolver with him as security. I noticed that this gun appeared to have once been nickel-plated, and the nickel plate was peeling off of same, apparently. At this time I kidded [redacted] about the gun, mentioning the fact that he just had a gun on his hands. I also stated to him that if the negro did not come back Saturday night as he promised, to redeem the gun, I would give him \$2.00 for the gun. The following Saturday night I was at [redacted] store and asked him about the gun. He stated that the negro had failed to redeem the gun as promised. At this time I gave him \$2.00 for the gun which I carried with me to Sweetwater, Texas, the following day.

While at Sweetwater, in company with my brother [redacted] employed by the Fitzpatrick Nursery at Sweetwater, I endeavored to purchase some cartridges for this revolver at some drug store - name not remembered. We tried 32's, 38's, 41's and 45 calibre cartridges in the gun, but none of them would fit; of course we knew the smaller calibre would not fit, at a glance.

At the time I obtained this gun there were two cartridges in the cylinder, the calibre of which I do not remember. I shot those two cartridges in the dirt embankment alongside the railroad track at Sweetwater. A few weeks after my return to Dallas I was assisting [redacted] moving contractor, [redacted] Dallas, move an old trunk out of his garage which was nothing but junk, and was burned at the time. While handling this trunk I found six cartridges which fit the gun which I purchased from [redacted] I shot three of these cartridges and left three in the gun.

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During the early part of June, Mr. Thomas L. Manion, who was then Deputy Constable under [redacted] Precinct #7, asked me where I knew I could get hold of an old gun which he was wanting for the purpose of delivering to one negro to kill another. I said, "I have one in my car which is probably the kind of gun you want." The next morning I was driving Mr. Manion to work at the St. George Hotel and he said, "where is that gun?" I felt in the pocket of the car for the gun and realized I left it at home. I then told him I would bring it down to the St. George Hotel in about 40 minutes. I returned to the house, wrapped it up in a piece of newspaper and returned to the St. George Hotel. The lobby was full of people, in view of which Mr. Manion glanced at it and stuck it in his overcoat pocket. I owed Mr. Manion \$5.00 and prior to that time I let him have a .41 Deringer to have fixed for me. He claimed the same was lost. I told Mr. Manion that he could just let the old Smith & Wesson which I delivered to him, go on the \$5.00 that I owed him. He said he would not buy the old Smith & Wesson but just let the \$5.00 go on the Deringer he had lost.

This is the last time I saw the old Smith & Wesson Revolver until an old style .44 Smith & Wesson, top break, breach loading cylinder, serial #5728, was exhibited to me in the office of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, room 420 Federal Bldg., Dallas, Texas, in the presence of Sheriff [redacted] Special Agent in Charge Blake, Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] Deputy Sheriff [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] which gun I am reasonably sure, is the same identical gun; and [redacted] gun exhibited to me is the gun that [redacted] got from the negro above mentioned, I am positive same is the identical gun that I turned over to Mr. Thomas L. Manion.

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On September 5, 1935, while at my place of employment at the Angel Dip Ice Cream Company, 4008 Commerce Street, Dallas, some time during the afternoon - two men approached my place of business - both of whom appeared to be in the neighborhood of six feet tall - maybe a little under, and introduced themselves to me by stating that they were Agents from the Department of Justice. One of them said his name was either Drake or Blake; the other man's name was not mentioned. I never paid much attention to the appearance of these men and I am unable to describe them further, except that they both were young and appeared to be between 25 and 30 years of age. The man who was doing the talking stated to me, "You have known Col. Thomas Manion for quite a while?", and I replied "Yes". He said "About how long", and I said "About 20 or 25 years - as long as he has been in Dallas." He then said, "You know the Col. has been in quite a bit of trouble" and I said "Yes". He then said, "Did you all ever make any money together?" and I said, "What do you mean?" and he said, "Conniving around." I said, "Well, we have recovered some automobiles together and I put him in line with some fellows who robbed some interstate shipments." He then said, "Is that the only way you all have ever made any money?" and I said, "Yes." Then we had some casual conversation about the ice cream business, after which he asked me if I worked here steady all the time

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and I said no, I only work here extra, and the men then said, "Well, we will know where to get in touch with you, we might want to talk with you or question you again", after which they made their departure.

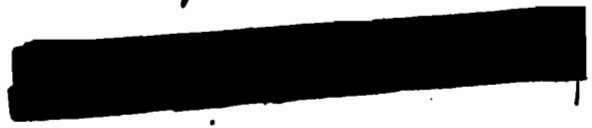
I called up Mr. Manion that evening and informed him I had something to tell him. I made an engagement to meet him that night before 8:30 PM at his home, at which time I would drive him down to the jail. During our ride to the jail I told Mr. Manion about the incident above mentioned. Several conversations transpired during the next few nights while I was driving Mr. Manion to the jail, during the course of which I informed him about the men who represented themselves as Department of Justice Agents, and also of the fact that I had run across [redacted] on the street while I was coming out of [redacted] Place located next to Lang's Restaurant on Main Street; that I spoke to [redacted] and he casually spoke to me and walked about 20 steps and then looked back, and Mr. Manion remarked that [redacted] was the one who sent the Agents out to see me. I do not remember the exact dates the above mentioned conversations occurred. However during one of those conversations I said "Tom, if you didn't do it, who did?" Then he said, "As crooked as I am I would not do anything like that as the Sheriff has been a good friend of mine." However I might mention here that also during the course of one of these conversations Mr. Manion asked me if I remember the old gun he got from me, besides the Deringer, and I said, no, and he said, "Well, it was a .38 Iva Johnson". I did not remember at the time what calibre the gun was so I did not think much of the matter. I saw the picture of the gun in the paper but I did not recognize it.

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I forgot to mention above that Mr. Manion did state also that he was of the opinion that his partner [redacted] - helped frame this escape as he was smuggling dope into the jail, and if he would do that he would certainly do the other.

Mr. Manion said to me the last time we talked about the matter, "If these men come back to see you, tell them you gave me a Deringer and a .38 Iva Johnson". I asked him how much money should a man get out of a job like that, and he said, "Well, if it was me it would be \$10,000.00 on the barrel head." I said, "I would like to have that myself", and he said "I owe \$1000 in doctor's bills and I borrowed \$400.00 off of a loan shark up here - address not mentioned."

Mr. Manion said, "Somebody is going to be picked up about this matter as there has to be a fall guy, and if I am arrested I don't want my family to come to see me, and neither do I want you to come to see me;" but he said, "I want you to go see [redacted] at the St. George Hotel and tell [redacted] the condition I am in, bills I owe and I am about to lose my place out there." I told him that I would. In accordance with Mr. Manion's arrest, I called the St. George Hotel as requested, and attempted to get in touch with [redacted] and the hotel said he was not there and I asked if he still lived there and what were his initials as I would probably find it in the phone book, and they said he did not live there and his initials were unknown.



I forgot to mention above that when I asked Mr. Kenion about who he thought pulled the job, he stated - before mentioning [redacted] that two lawyers had been up at the jail to see Bailey, one of them was [redacted] and the other man, a lawyer from Oklahoma. The lawyer from Oklahoma had left his coat down in the lobby of the jail; that no one would suspect them and this would be a good opportunity to take the gun up as no one would suspect him with a coat on. He then went on ahead and named [redacted] and then [redacted] and then stated he would not be a bit surprised if [redacted] didn't do it.

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For information, I might mention here that I loaned the S & W Revolver above referred to, to a friend of mine by the name of [redacted] sometime just before his arrest, in connection with an interstate theft at Grand Saline the middle of May, 1932, on March 29, 1933; at that time he resided at Edgewood, Texas; that I loaned him this gun for a period of two or three days. He stated he wanted to make a night drive home and needed a gun for protection. He returned the gun within two or three days thereafter. I understand that [redacted] was subsequently convicted and sentenced to the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas in connection with the violation referred to above.

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I have read the above statement, which was made by me to Special Agent [redacted] because same is true and same was made without any promise or threats having been made to or against me.

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(signed) [redacted]

Witnessed by:

[redacted] Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] Chief Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

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[redacted] Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Laboratory Report

Case: GEORGE R. KELLY, Fugitive, et al, KIDNAPING. Number: 7-115  
Specimen: Photostats of letter signed by Mrs. John R. Dayton addressed to Dear  
Midge and specimen of typewriting on Remington typewriter obtained from [redacted]  
[redacted] Oklahoma City.

X Examination requested by: Oklahoma City Office.

Date received: September 25 and 26, 1933.

Examination desired: Compare handwriting with that of Mrs. Kathryn Kelly and  
compare typewriting with the Urschel extortion letters.

Date of Report: September 26, 1933.

Result of examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

The handwriting is undoubtedly that of Mrs. Kathryn Kelly,  
providing it may be assumed that the specimen of her handwriting previously  
forwarded by the Oklahoma City Office was genuine.

The typewriter taken from [redacted] apparently is not  
the one used to write the extortion letters as the specimen does not compare  
with the photographs of the extortion letters. This typewriter of [redacted]  
has various defects which are not present in the extortion letters and which  
clearly indicate the difference.

This information was telegraphed to the Oklahoma City  
Office September 26, 1933.

It will not be necessary to forward additional specimens  
written on heavier ribbon as indicated in the letter from the Oklahoma City  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of September 21, 1933, in the case of GEORGE R. KELLY, Fugitive, et al, Kidnaping, there are transmitted herewith two copies of the laboratory report.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enc. #660293.

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**Bureau of Investigation**  
224 Federal Bldg.  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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September 21, 1933

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

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

I inclose herewith a specimen written on Remington typewriter located in this city today, and which specimen it is desired to compare with specimens of the Urschel ransom letters. Additional specimens will be forwarded tomorrow written with a heavier ribbon. Typewriter on which this enclosed specimen was written was obtained from [redacted]

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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September 30, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
370 Lexington Avenue - Room 1403,  
New York City, New York.

Dear Sir:

There is returned herewith a carbon copy of a code telegram which was sent from your office to the Oklahoma City office under date of September 25, 1933. Section 81 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations expressly provides that only translations of code telegrams exchanged between field offices shall be forwarded to the Division. Accordingly, it is desired that you furnish the Division with the translated copy of the attached telegram.

Very truly yours,

Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF PRISONS

In the case entitled THOMAS L. MANION; GROVER C. BEVILL alias JACK BEVAL - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - Release of Federal Prisoner Har J. Bailey. there are transmitted herewith copies of the following reports:

Special Agent

Office

Date

[Redacted] Dallas, Texas

9/19/33

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

[Redacted Signature]  
Director.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS, TEXAS.** FILE NO. **62-420-**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>DALLAS, TEXAS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>9-19-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>9/4-19/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: [REDACTED]
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TITLE: <b>THOMAS L. MANION; GROVER C. BEVILL, alias JACK BEVAL.</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - Release of Federal Prisoner Harvey J. Bailey.</b>
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Harvey J. Bailey, confined Dallas County Jail, on kidnaping charge, escaped September 4, 1933, by means of revolver and hack saws smuggled into his cell. Bailey captured same day at Ardmore, Oklahoma. Investigation thus far conducted at Dallas, Texas, disclosed that Bailey's escape was effected by inside assistance, made possible by administrative laxity on part of jail officials. Thomas L. Manion, night jailer, and Grover C. Bevill, an alleged accomplice, taken into Federal custody on September 15, 1933, on complaint authorized by United States Attorney at Dallas, Texas. On arraignment before U. S. Commissioner, Dallas, same date, Manion and Bevill waived hearing, and in default of \$10,000.00 bonds each, were committed to Dallas County Jail pending action Federal Grand Jury, Dallas, Texas, September 25, 1933.

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**DETAILS:**

This is a joint report of Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

As a result of information furnished to Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake, about 7:20 AM on September 4, 1933, by an official of the Dallas County Jail to the effect that Harvey Bailey had just made his escape, the writer and Special Agent [REDACTED] were instructed to proceed to the Dallas County Jail and institute an immediate investigation.

It was ascertained that Harvey Bailey escaped from the jail ab

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7:10 AM, taking with him as hostage, [redacted] turnkey on the main floor, after having locked up a colored trusty, two jail guards and the jail cook in the cells of the jail.

Harvey Bailey's cell was located in the Northwest corner, top floor, (sometimes referred to as the tenth floor), more particularly described as R Death Cell. An examination of Bailey's cell disclosed that R Death Cell comprises a room secured by a solid steel door and this room contains a group of three cells, numbered 5, 6 and 7, all of which are secured by steel barred doors operated by a box lever, entrance to which is gained through operation of a lever maintained in the lever box on the outside of the corridor. Just outside of these cells the corridor is enclosed by iron bars and a barred door. Outside of the corridor is a space referred to as the run-around, access to which is by means of the solid steel door above referred to. This steel door locks from the outside and once it is opened it cannot be locked from the inside. Cell number seven was occupied by Harvey Bailey. A thorough inspection of this cell disclosed that Bailey made his escape by removing sections of three bars between the first and second cross bars of the cell door, leaving a space of  $11\frac{1}{2}$  inches by  $15\frac{1}{2}$  inches. A towel covered this space. The three bars had been removed by means of hack saws. The top portion of the bars had been sawed through and the bottom of the bars half way through, necessitating their removal by twisting and breaking them off. Later on it was determined that the bars were broken off by the use of a stilson wrench. The bed and mattress were examined and failed to disclose any evidence of hack saw blades or the wrench, which the marks on the bars indicated had been used. The bowl of the toilet in the cell was examined by a colored trusty in the presence of the writer and Agent [redacted] but nothing was found at this time. However, the toilet was dismantled by a jail plumber at a later date and Sheriff [redacted] turned over to the Dallas Division Office two pieces of a hack saw blade which he stated were found lodged in the plumbing of the toilet. An examination of the remainder of the cell failed to be productive of results. Examination of cells 5 and 6, the corridor, run-around, top and back of the cells, barred windows, etc., was made, and nothing which could have been used in the release of Bailey was found. Photographs were taken of the inside of the death cell, Bailey's cell in particular, and these photographs will appear listed under exhibits in this report.

The writer, in company with Special Agent in Charge, F. J. Blake, and Special Agent [redacted] went over the route taken by Bailey in making his escape. Starting from the tenth floor where the R Death Cell is located, there is a stairway to the ninth floor known as the trusties' deck. The barred door on this floor was found open. There are stairways down to the sixth floor. There are no doors separating the seventh and eighth floors. On the eighth floor colored venereal prisoners are confined. On the seventh floor there are colored and white narcotic addicts. After reaching the sixth floor there is a barred steel door separating the West wing of the main jail on the sixth floor from the office space used by the Deputy Jailers on duty. There is another similar barred steel door leading from this office space to the East wing of the main jail on the sixth floor. The office space on the sixth floor is entered from the passenger elevator through a screen steel barred door. The three steel barred doors referred to giving entrance into the deputy jailers' office space, were found wide open. In this connection, officials in charge upon

interview explained that all steel barred doors including the office space on the sixth floor and the doors up to the solid steel doors of the death cells in both wings of the main jail, are left open during feeding hours, viz.: 7:00 AM, 12: noon and 5:00 PM, to allow trusties to carry food back and forth to the prisoners. However, it may be mentioned here that all these doors were found open when Agents were making this inspection. It was also ascertained that there are 32 white and colored trusties who have access to any part of the main jail and some of the colored trusties have access to all parts of the jail, from the main jail office to the tenth floor, and the colored trusties on the ninth floor of the west wing had access to the run-around, corridor and cells 5 and 6 of the B Death Cell, from about 6:00 AM to about 8:30 PM, while Agents of this division were on duty as guards of Harvey Bailey.

After Agents were removed as guards the solid steel door and barred steel door entering the corridor of the three death cells were locked. There is a corridor between the main office door of the deputy jailers on the sixth floor and the jail elevator. At the West end of this corridor is located a cell barred by a steel door, also a similar cell is located at the East end of the corridor. Just above this corridor is located a deck known as 6-M, which is entered by means of a freight elevator. This deck is separated from the room containing the office space of the deputy jailers on the sixth floor by iron bars. At the East end of this deck is a cell secured by a steel barred door, and the same kind of a cell appears on the West end of this deck. There are also doors entering the corridor above described on the sixth floor, and also entering the deck described as 6-M. These doors give entrance to the freight elevator shaft by means of a narrow corridor. This elevator may only be entered by persons on the outside of the jail through a solid steel door opening into the main office on the first floor. The main jail on the sixth floor is entered by the passenger elevator which operates between the first and tenth floors of the jail with the exception of the floor containing the death cells. For the sake of brevity no description is being furnished at this time of the quarters located on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th floors, as this investigation concerns the main jail which can only be entered by the passenger elevator from the first floor of the jail.

The passenger elevator is entered by means of a corridor on the first floor of the jail opening into the main office, which is secured by steel bars, separating it from the room opening into the jail lobby, which contains a large steel barred door. This office may also be entered by a small steel barred door opening into an alley-way back of the jail. The room separating the lobby from the main office of the jail is also secured by a small steel barred door. However, this door rarely, if ever, is found locked. The main steel barred door to the office is used as an entrance by officers, employees of the jail, prisoners and visitors. The entrance into the alley is only used occasionally by officers for receiving and removing prisoners, the same being used principally for taking supplies into the freight elevator.

Harvey Bailey was committed to the Dallas County Jail on August 12, 1933, under the name of Sam Jones, and his true identity was not known by the general public until August 14, 1933, at which time his arrest was reported in the

newspapers. When Bailey was first committed he was assigned to a cell in the North-west corner of the deck known as 6-M. Shortly after Bailey's incarceration and after a conference between Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake and [redacted] Chief Deputy Sheriff, who was in charge in the absence of Sheriff [redacted], it was deemed advisable to place a guard armed with a sub-machine gun near Bailey's cell as a precautionary measure in view of current reports that George Kelly and other dangerous criminals identified with Harvey Bailey were trying to bring about his release. These guards who were Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, were on duty day and night until August 26, 1933. The guards in question were Special Agents [redacted], [redacted], and [redacted]. More detailed information relative to the federal guards appears in statement of Sheriff [redacted], set out later in this report.

Special Agent in Charge Frank J. Blake and Special Agent in Charge Gus T. Jones impressed upon the officials of the Dallas County Jail the importance of keeping a close watch on Bailey and taking strong precautionary measures to prevent the smuggling into his cell of saws by means of which Bailey might effect his escape, at the same time cautioning them not to allow any unauthorized visitors to contact Bailey.

On August 16, 1933, Harvey Bailey was formally committed as a Federal prisoner, and United States Marshal [redacted], who was in office until midnight August 31, 1933, issued similar instructions at the same time notifying officials of the Dallas County Jail that visitors were only allowed to see Bailey upon presentation of passes issued by the office of the United States Marshal, Dallas, Texas. All of these passes were signed by [redacted] Chief Deputy Marshal. In this connection, only three passes were regularly issued and signed by Chief Deputy Marshal [redacted] information regarding which appears later in this report.

Notwithstanding the above precautionary measures, this investigation discloses that attorneys, curiosity-seeking visitors accompanied by deputy jailers and other unauthorized persons, were allowed to visit with Harvey Bailey. More detailed information concerning this matter will be found set out later in this report.

As a matter of information it may be stated here that on August 31, 1933, three letters signed by Harvey Bailey and one by [redacted] Deputy Jailer, were delivered by Deputy Jailer [redacted] to the Dallas Division Office. The letter from [redacted] requested delivery of Harvey Bailey's .45 calibre pistol and rifle. One letter from Harvey Bailey authorized the delivery of the pistol and rifle to [redacted]. The second letter from Bailey was a request for his clothes, and the third letter from Bailey was his authority to deliver Bailey's Ford Car to [redacted] Deputy Jailer.

Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake interviewed Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] in the absence of Sheriff [redacted] at the Dallas Division Office on Saturday afternoon, September 2, 1933, at which time Mr. Blake spoke to him about the visit to the jail of [redacted] at the same time exhibiting to him the three letters from Bailey and one from Jailer [redacted] and calling his attention to a .45 calibre pistol that was found in Bailey's cell when the latter was in jail at Fort Scott, Kansas, the gun having allegedly been smuggled into Bailey's cell



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by an attorney, which information was received by the Dallas Office on August 30, 1933, from the Kansas City Division Office. On receipt of said letter a copy was given to Special Agent [redacted] by Special Agent in Charge Blake, with instructions that he convey the information contained therein to the Sheriff's Office, which was done. Mr. Blake suggested to Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] that Bailey's cell be searched at least every 24 hours, and he agreed to same.

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As a matter of interest, it may be stated here that the Dallas Division Office learned that [redacted] and [redacted] visited Harvey Bailey in the Dallas County Jail, Friday morning, September 1, 1933; apparently without a pass, as they came to the Dallas Division Office that same day about noon, at which time [redacted] introduced [redacted] and [redacted] presented an order from Bailey for monies other than ransom money that had been taken from Bailey at the time he was apprehended at Paradise, Texas. As will be shown hereafter in this report, an exhaustive search failed to locate any pass for that date. On September 14, 1933, the missing pass was found in the jail under suspicious circumstances as outlined in a signed statement made by [redacted] dated September 16, 1933.

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The three sections of sawed bars which were removed from Bailey's cell upon close examination indentations apparently made by a sharp instrument were plain seen. [redacted] Mechanical Engineer, stated that in his opinion the marks on the wrench were possibly made by a Stilson Wrench and suggested that a further examination of the bars be made by Fritz W. Glitsch, a mechanical engineer of considerable experience, located at 2413-5 Caroline Street, Dallas, Texas. On interviewing Mr. Glitsch, he stated that he was master mechanic in the State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, in 1911, and master mechanic in the Rusk Texas State Penitentiary during 1912 and 1913, being employed by the State of Texas; that he has had 40 years experience as a machinist and mechanical engineer.

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On examining the bars, Mr. Glitsch stated that they were manufactured from soft mill machine steel; that the bars are 7/8th inch in diameter; that the top of the bars were sawed with a hack saw blade and he considered it a clean, skillful job, which may have been done by the use of a hack saw frame, or by a man taking his time with a hack saw blade, taking his time and using patience. However, he would not express any definite opinion until he had an opportunity to examine the cell door from which the bar had been removed. The lower cuts on the three bars, he stated, were probably made in a hurry by a hack saw blade, and that the bars had been twisted off after having been sawed half way through. In this connection, he stated that there was some kind of small wrench or tool used to twist the bars off; that the sawing was done by a right hand man on the inside of the cell judging from the slant of the cuts. [redacted] stated that if a frame was used, it would take about five minutes to saw a bar of this diameter through one time, which fact he demonstrated by sawing a bar of similar size composed of the same material. To saw it with a hack saw blade by hand, it would take about an hour for each cut. He suggested that a Stilson Wrench with a 5/8th-inch jaw might have been used to twist the bars off after being sawed as mentioned above. In making an examination of the two pieces of the hack saw blades found in the toilet in Bailey's cell, he stated that the blade of which these pieces were a part, was composed of a hard and brittle metal, at the same time pointing out that one piece of this blade had a blister, indicating carelessness in

tempering the steel. Also, that the blade never had been used; further, that this blade measured 1/2 of an inch in width and contained 18 pitches to the inch, and was an unusual off brand blade, which could probably be bought for about 8¢ each.

An examination of the desk in the office on the sixth floor of the Dallas County Jail, which is used by Deputy Jailers on duty, disclosed that there were three wrenches in the lower left hand drawer, two large wrenches, and a Stilson No. 10 Wrench with a 5/8th inch jaw. The two first teeth in the top jaw of which were broken. This wrench was exhibited to [redacted] mentioned above, who examined same and succeeded in fitting it into the tooth indentations which were found on the sawed bars. Also by use of a pair of dividers set by [redacted] the space between the tooth indentations found on the bars and the teeth in the wrench corresponded. In view of the valuable information furnished by [redacted] his technical knowledge and apparent willingness to cooperate in every way, also his further statement that he possibly could locate the source of the revolver used by Bailey in effecting his escape, which had been recovered at Ardmore, Oklahoma at the time of Bailey's recapture, authority was requested from the Division at Washington to temporarily employ [redacted] as a confidential informant, however, it was ascertained by discreet inquiry that due to [redacted] political alliance and the fact that he had been involved in a shooting array, it was not deemed advisable to use his services. Due to the facts related above, the matter of selection of an expert witness in this connection will be taken up with the United States Attorney at Dallas.

As previously noted in this report, Sheriff [redacted] turned over to the Dallas Division Office two pieces of a hack saw blade which he stated were found in the toilet of Bailey's cell. Sheriff [redacted] advised that he was having Deputy Sheriff visit hardware stores and 5 & 10¢ stores and other places where hack saw blades were sold, with a view of locating the place where similar hack saw blades were purchased. In this connection, while Special Agent [redacted] was at the Sheriff's Office, Chief Deputy Sheriff [redacted] informed him he had just received information that recently some hack saws and cartridges had been purchased at Brower's Hardware Store on Exposition Avenue in Dallas. At this time [redacted] advised he would have the matter investigated and would notify the Dallas Office the results of his investigation.

On September 18, 1933, Sheriff [redacted] came to the Dallas Division Office with Deputy Sheriff [redacted] and stated that [redacted] had ascertained that a man did make such a purchase of hack saw blades and .44 calibre Colt Cartridges at the Brower Hardware Store located at 831 Exposition Avenue, Dallas, Texas. Signed statements were then taken from [redacted] and [redacted] with respect to the purchase of the hack saw blades and cartridges, advising that one Jack Beval, whose true name is Grover C. Beville, had been identified as the man who made the aforementioned purchase. The signed statements above mentioned appear in the body of this report.

As previously stated in this report, the revolver which was used by Harvey Bailey in effecting his escape, was recovered at the time of capture of Bailey at Ardmore, Oklahoma, on September 4, 1933, about four hours after his escape, by [redacted] Chief of Police at Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Chief of Police [redacted] of Ardmore, Oklahoma, turned the revolver over to United States Marshal [redacted] containing two cartridges - one a .44 S & W, and the other a .44 calibre Colt. United States Marshal [redacted] delivered the gun to Special Agent in Charge Blake of the Dallas Office, and it is now being retained in the Dallas Division Office. It was ascertained from Chief of Police [redacted] that when he took the revolver from Bailey, it contained five cartridges.

On September 14, 1933, Chief of Police [redacted] of Ardmore, Oklahoma sent by express to the Dallas Division Office two cartridges - a .38 calibre Winchester and the other a .44 Colt.

On September 5, 1933, [redacted] turnkey, who was kidnaped by Harvey Bailey at the time of the latter's escape, turned over to the Dallas Division Office a .44 calibre Colt Cartridge, which he stated he obtained from Chief of Police [redacted] as a souvenir. The revolver used by Bailey to effect his escape is a .44 calibre Smith & Wesson, 6-shot revolver, containing a jointed frame, a six round inch barrel, fitted with brake composition rubber handles, serial No. 5728. The New York Division Office was requested by telegram to trace this revolver from the factory, which procedure developed the information that this revolver was sold by the Smith & Wesson Company on January 1, 1882, to Mexell & DeGress, New York City Purchasing Agents, for a store operated by the same concern in Mexico City, Mexico, and that the said revolver was shipped to that store in Mexico City, for sale. This store was sold a few years later to [redacted] and now conducts the business under the trade name of "Armeria Americana", and subsequent investigation by the State Department on request of the Division at Washington, developed the fact that no record of the names and addresses of purchasers of firearms were kept by the old firm of Mexell & DeGress at Mexico City.

Special Agent [redacted] in company with [redacted] of the Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, canvassed all pawn shops and gun smiths in the City of Dallas in an effort to identify the revolver in question. Also, numerous persons appeared at the Dallas Division Office who were of the opinion that the said revolver might possibly be identical with one which they had knowledge of, but none of these visits developed any information of material value to this investigation. In view of the fact that this gun is 51 years old chances of tracing same to its last owner are very slight. The substance of interview with one of the above referred to parties who had information deemed important enough to investigate, is being set out later on in this report.

Investigation at the County Jail by interviews with inmates of L-1 Corridor and particularly inmates of #10 cell on the North end of said corridor, which cell is directly opposite the office of the deputy jailers on the 6th floor and from which movements of the deputy jailers can be observed in the office, developed the fact that one of the inmates, [redacted] observed Deputy Jailer Tom L. Manion, place a revolver of the same description as the above mentioned gun, in the back of the desk after removing the lower right hand drawer, used by the deputy jailers several nights before Bailey's escape, more detailed information regarding which will be found in [redacted] statement quoted below.

Four photographs were taken of the revolver in the desk, the desk and cell #10, all of which are listed as Exhibits, with more detailed explanation.

Signed statements were secured from jail officials, inmates of the jail and other persons having knowledge deemed valuable to this investigation. Duplicate copies of said statements have been forwarded to the Division at Washington the original statements are being retained in the Dallas Division Office files. The names and addresses of such persons making these statements, numbered from 1 to 35 are quoted below:

1. [REDACTED] Chief Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
2. [REDACTED] Chief Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.
3. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
4. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
5. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
6. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
7. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
8. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
9. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer and Chef, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Tex.
10. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
11. [REDACTED] Turnkey, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
12. [REDACTED] Salesman, [REDACTED], Dallas, Texas.
13. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
14. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
15. Thomas L. Manion, Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
16. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
17. [REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
18. [REDACTED], 2406 Hickory Street, Dallas, Texas.
19. [REDACTED] Inmate, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
20. [REDACTED] Inmate, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
21. [REDACTED] Inmate, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
22. [REDACTED] Chief Deputy U. S. Marshal, Room 367 Post Office Bldg., Dallas, Texas.
23. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
24. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
25. [REDACTED], Dallas, Texas.
26. [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.
27. [REDACTED] Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.
28. [REDACTED] Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.
29. [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.
30. [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.
31. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
32. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
33. [REDACTED] Dp:Sh, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
34. [REDACTED] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.
35. Grover C. Bevill, 1008 Fletcher Street, Dallas, Texas.

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Only the statements deemed of material significance in connection with this investigation are quoted in their entirety below. The substance of other statements which were obtained, is being set out below showing the name and address from whom they were taken:

"Dallas, Texas,  
September 4, 1933.

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b7C "I, [REDACTED] make the following statement voluntarily to [REDACTED] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

"I reside at the Dallas County Jail, 505 Main Street, Dallas, Texas, where I have been employed over 6 years as Chief Jailer. My duties are to look after the entire jail and I have supervision of all employees in the County Jail.

b7C b7D [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are jail guards and go on duty at 6 AM to 2 PM. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] jail guards, are on duty from 2 PM to 10 PM. [REDACTED] and Tom Mahion, are the jail guards on duty from 10 PM to 6 AM.

"When Harvey Bailey, Federal Prisoner, first was committed to the County Jail he was assigned to Cell 6-M located on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor known as solitary confinement. Subsequently Bailey was removed to the R death cells on the 10th floor. The R death cells are comprised of 3 cells, the middle cell has a toilet and a shower and the East and West cells have a toilet. The West cell known as #7 is where Harvey Bailey was confined until he escaped this morning.

"To enter these cells (death) there is a corridor surrounded by bars, on the outside of which is a ground. In order to gain access to the run around it is necessary to go through a blind iron door which opens from the outside. After this door is opened there is no way of locking it from the inside.

"The four day watches on duty between 6 AM and 10 PM are not allowed to carry guns or revolvers. These day watches have keys and hooks; the keys are used for opening the cells and the corridors, and the hooks for opening the brex box in order to get to the cell. The two men on night watch from 10 PM to 6 AM, have access to a pistol and revolver. There is always one man on duty in the office on the 6th floor, and the pistol and revolver are within his reach. The other man makes his rounds of the jail but does not carry pistol or rifle; they remain in the office with the man on duty.

"Federal prisoners, like other prisoners, are fed at 7 AM, 12 noon and 5 PM. The custom is that a trusty carries a tray of food, with the guard, to a prisoner's cell. The food is passed into the cage door in the corridor, where the prisoner then has access to it.

"The four day jail guards who visited R-death cells where Harvey Bailey was confined carry keys and hooks and have access to the corridor in that death cell. The night jail guards do not carry a hook but carry only one

this key is used for the purpose of opening the blind door leading to the run around in the death cell where Bailey was confined, but the night jailers are not allowed to enter the corridor inside where Bailey was confined in his cell.

"Once or twice a day I usually visit every part of the jail, including the R death cell where Bailey was confined. The last time I saw Harvey Bailey in his cell was Sunday evening about 5 o'clock. I talked to Bailey from outside the corridor in the run around and from there I could see the bars of his cell. There was nothing to indicate that these bars had been tampered with.

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"About 7:10 AM this morning, 9-4-33, my attention was called to the fact that Harvey Bailey had just gone downstairs on the elevator with a gun in his hand. At the time I was on the fourth floor. I immediately went to the 2nd floor, out door on the 2nd floor, and down the stairs to the 1st floor and went to the gate and called to [redacted] who is the turn-key on the 1st floor where the main office of the jail is located; and in which there are 2 entrances to the county jail - one from the corridor of the Court Building and the other a side entrance from the alley. [redacted] was the only man on duty at the time and I found him gone. Both entrance doors were locked. One of the boys from the sheriff's office came out and told me that Bailey was gone. I did not know Bailey had taken [redacted] with him. I proceeded to the river bottoms and began a search for Bailey. After failing to find him I returned to the jail and found that Bailey had taken [redacted] with him in [redacted] Car, which was parked in a garage across the street from the jail on Houston Street. This garage is used by the jailers only.

"I then returned to the cell where Bailey had been confined and noticed that 3 bars had been sawed out between the 1st and 2nd cross bars. I conducted a preliminary investigation, interviewing employees at the jail in an effort to determine who caused the pistol and saws to be brought to Bailey's cell, but there was no one apparently knew anything about how Bailey obtained the pistol and saws and made his escape.

"To my knowledge no one has been allowed to visit Harvey Bailey without passes from the U. S. Marshal's Office; and in the event such visitors had such passes a guard always went with the visitor. The rules and regulations of the jail are that when watches are changed that one of the 2 jail guards going off duty must check the prisoners in all the cells with one of the jail guards coming on duty. Whether they strictly adhere to these regulations I do not know.

"I have read this statement, consisting of 2 pages, each of which bears my initials, and the same is true."

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(signed) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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[REDACTED] Chief Deputy Sheriff, Dallas, Texas, stated that the last time he visited Harvey Bailey's cell was on Saturday afternoon, September 4, 1933, between 4: and 5: PM, at which time he observed that everything was intact both inside and outside of Bailey's cell.

"Dallas, Texas,  
September 4, 1933.

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"I, [REDACTED] make the following statement voluntary to [REDACTED] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

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"I reside at [REDACTED], Dallas, Texas, and am employed as a Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas, in the capacity of one of the jailers at the County Jail located at 505 Main Street, Dallas, Texas.

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"About six o'clock this morning, Sept. 4, 1933, I accompanied Tom Manion to the death cells, located on the ninth floor of the North West Corner of the jail. Mr. Manion is the Night Jailer. In Cell known as number seven Harvey Bailey, a Federal Prisoner, was confined. The object of this visit was to determine whether or not Harvey Bailey was in the cell. At the time I made my usual inspection looking around the runaway on top of the cell tiers. Bailey was at this time asleep on his cot in the cell. I returned to Bailey's cell at 6:50 AM to feed Harvey Bailey. I was accompanied at this time by [REDACTED], colored trusty, who was carrying the tray of food. Before entering the death cells, one of which was occupied by Bailey, I unlocked the outer door, which remains open while I am inside, there being no way to lock this door from the inside of the room in which the death cells are located. I went to the lever box and pulled the lever to allow me to enter the runaround in order to gain access to Bailey's cell. [REDACTED] followed me with the tray of food. I had just passed cell number six which was open as well as cell number five, also open. In this run-around there are three cells, numbers five, six and seven. As I was passing cell number six, Bailey came out of this cell, where he was hiding behind the door, and grabbed me by the hair from behind, placed an object which I thought to be a gun against my back, stating "Give me those keys, Captain I don't want to kill you." He took the keys out of my hand. When I turned around I saw that he had a gun, which looked like a .45 calibre double action revolver which breaks down similar to an old Ivey Johnson. He then told me to move over to the slop sink and keep my hands up. I did as he told me. I then noticed that Bailey turned around and saw [REDACTED] with the breakfast tray. He made a job at Brown with his gun, knocked the tray out

of his hand, and ordered back to where I was. He then asked me what key would lock me in that runaround compartment. I told him number six. He then told me to keep quiet or he would kill us, and then left after first locking the outer door to the runaround compartment. While all of this was taking place Bailey appeared perfectly cool and collected. When Bailey departed and we were sure that he had gone, Brown and I walked over to the window facing Houston Street, which runs North and South of the Jail, where I immediately blew my police whistle in an effort to attract attention. Brown told me at this time that he saw [redacted] accompanied by Bailey, cross the street and go into Fishburn's Garage, which is used by the jail employees. I personally saw Bailey come out of that garage in a very few minutes driving a Model A 1928 Ford Coach, colored light green, which is owned by [redacted]. I noticed that Tresp was sitting along side Bailey on the front seat. The car went North on Houston Street and turned East on Elm Street. After about twenty minutes had elapsed, I was released from the runaround compartment by one of the trusties. I immediately came down stairs and gave the escape alarm signal which connects with [redacted] office and the main sheriff's office in front of the building on the ground floor. This alarm was given from the sixth floor, and while doing so, [redacted] jail cook, and [redacted] my partner, saw me and asked me to release them, as they had been locked in the right padded cells by Bailey. These cells are located on the sixth floor. I then released [redacted] and [redacted] was with me all the time.

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"While [redacted] and myself were still locked up in this runaround I spoke of, I wondered how Bailey got out of the locked cell number seven. I noticed a jail towel hanging at the bottom of the door entering cell number seven. I removed this towel and noticed that three bars had been sawed between the first and second cross bars of the door had been removed by first completely sawing them at the top and partially sawing them into at the bottom. Later in the day, accompanied by [redacted] and [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, I examined the opening from which three sawed portions of the bars had been removed, and ascertained that same is fifteen and one quarter inches by eleven and a quarter inches.

"My watch at the Dallas County Jail is between the hours of six AM to two PM every day, Sunday included. When Bailey was first placed in this death cell he was stripped, and his clothing taken away from him. His clothing, including his shoes were locked up in another part of the building. He was then supplied by the County Jail with a suit of striped Unionalls, pair of brogan shoes, including underwear which he wore.

"During my watch, to my knowledge, Bailey's cell has never been searched for a gun or saws. I can also state that with the exception of Special Agents [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, and one attorney by the name of [redacted] Dallas, Texas, who was accompanied by Captain [redacted] no one has been allowed to see Bailey on my watch. However, I might add here that [redacted] accompanied by one of the jailers, cut Bailey's hair on one occasion.



"I have read above statement, consisting of two pages each of which bears my signature, and same is true."

(signed) [REDACTED]

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- Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"In talking to Bailey one day I asked him about the machine gun and guns which were taken from him. He said he didn't have a machine gun but they took a new 45 super-automatic pistol and 45 high powered rifle. I told him that I would like to have the pistol and he told me that I could have them both, if I could get an order from the Federal men. I prepared the order and Bailey signed it and I sent the order by Deputy Sheriff [REDACTED] to Mr. Blake. I forgot to tell you in the above statement that when I went to feed Bailey at 6:50 AM I noticed a towel placed over the three bars that had been sawed from Bailey's cell."

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(signed) [REDACTED]

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Special Agents, Division of Investigation.

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"Dallas, Texas, Sept. 7, 1933.

"I, [REDACTED] hereby make the following statement voluntarily to Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, in addition to my previous statement furnished aforementioned Agents on Sept. 4, 1933:

"On the morning of Sept. 4, 1933, Deputy Jailer Tom Manion insisted that I go upstairs with him about 6:00 AM in order that he might check Bailey over to me. I believe this procedure also took place a couple of mornings the latter part of August, 1933, right after the Federal Guards of Bailey were withdrawn, but I can not recall any other visits accompanied by Mr. Manion to Bailey's cell after that until the morning of his escape, at which time he stated that he wanted to call my attention to some dirt on top of the death cell in which Bailey was confined, as he wanted this dirt cleaned off of that cell. However, it was not necessary for Mr. Manion to accompany me for the purpose of pointing out the dirt on the death cell.

"When we arrived at Bailey's cell, he was reclining on his cot in his own cell apparently asleep. No conversation took place between either Mr. Manion or myself and Bailey. Mr. Manion only stated that he wanted some dirty rags removed and the top of the cell cleaned off. He insisted that I climb up on the death cell and look at the condition of same. As well as I remember there was no towel hanging on Bailey's cell door at this time. I don't recall seeing Mr. Manion flash a light on Bailey or the latter's cell door at that time, nor do I remember that he had a flash-light with him at that time. However, I may state here that he has such a light which he uses for this purpose occasionally.

"I may state here for information that one bunch key and one hook remains in the office of the sixth floor. This is necessary in the event it becomes necessary to take a man out of his cell or to put one in a cell for any purpose whatever. Two sets of keys and two hooks remain on the 6th floor in the day time.

"On this particular morning Captain [redacted] mother was sick in Oak Cliff, so he left about fifteen minutes to six on that morning. Captain Manion left the jail immediately after we came down from Bailey's cell, and did not stand around or sit down for a while and read the paper as he occasionally does.

"I have read the above statement, which is true."

(signed) [redacted]

Witness:

[redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas, Sept. 4, 1933.

"I, [redacted] and [redacted] make the following statement voluntarily to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

"I reside at [redacted], Dallas, Texas. I am at the present time serving four years sentence in the Dallas County Jail on a burglary charge. I was committed on the 5th day of June, 1933. I have been a trusty at this jail about two and one half months with the exception of about one week while I was sick. With the exception of my sickness, I have been carrying meals to Bailey, accompanied by Deputy Jailers on duty, Captain [redacted] and [redacted].

About ten minutes to seven on the morning of September 4, 1933, Captain [redacted] told me to get Harvey Bailey's breakfast. Bailey's breakfast was delivered to me on the sixth floor by the cook. Captain [redacted] left the

sixth floor about ten minutes before I left, which is the custom for him to do at meal times. Later I came up with Bailey's breakfast on a tray. I entered the blind door of the death cell runaround compartment and went over to the door of the death cell corridor where I saw Bailey pointing a gun at Captain [REDACTED]. His back was turned to me. He must have heard me come in, because he turned around and knocked the meal tray out of my hand and told me to get over there with Captain [REDACTED]. He then told Captain [REDACTED] that if he did not give him the keys he would kill both of us. He asked him what key locked the blind door to the runaround compartment, Capt. [REDACTED] told him key number six, and on Bailey's request, picked the key out and indicated which one to Bailey. Bailey then warned us not to follow him or squawk or he would come back and kill us both. When he went out he locked the blind door to the death cell. We waited about five minutes after Bailey had gone, until we were sure that he was gone, and then Captain [REDACTED] started to blowing his whistle. I went over to the West window overlooking Houston Street and saw Bailey and Captain [REDACTED] cross the street and enter the garage on Houston Street where the jail employees keep their cars. CAPT. [REDACTED] later stated that he saw them come out driving Captain [REDACTED] light green model A Ford. I then went to the blind door and hollered on the instructions of Captain [REDACTED]. I called [REDACTED] and one of the trusties came up and opened the door and let us out. We both then went downstairs to the sixth floor. Immediately upon Captain [REDACTED] arrival on the sixth floor he mashed the escape alarm button. Captain [REDACTED] and Captain [REDACTED] yelled to Captain [REDACTED] from the padded cell in the North West Corner of the sixth floor and requested him to release them, which he did.

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"I might add here that when I went up to feed Bailey this morning, I noticed a towel hanging over the place where Bailey sawed out. On my previous visits I never noticed this towel hanging in that position before.

"I never saw any of the other trusties either white or colored go into the death cell row where Harvey Bailey is confined at any time, except that they used the toilet in cell number five and the shower in cell number six from about 6 AM until about 8:30 PM while the two Government men were on guard duty. Only the colored trusties used these quarters. Of course the colored boy who took my place while I was sick, name unknown, also accompanied some of the Deputy Jailers when Bailey was fed."

(signed) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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[REDACTED] Colored Trusty, at the Dallas County Jail, verified in his statement that during [REDACTED] absence he fed Bailey on several occasions in the presence of a Deputy Jailer, but was unable to furnish any information of value.

Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4, 1933.

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"I, [redacted] Jailer, make the following voluntary statement to [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

"At approximately 7 o'clock A.M. 9-4-33 I was attending the main gate on the 6th floor serving breakfast, as my regular duty. I was standing facing the L on the East side of the house and from my position behind the desk was directing the trusties in their work. My partner [redacted] had gone upstairs on the R or West side of the house to feed Harvey Bailey. Suddenly my left arm was caught by someone and a hard object shoved in my back. I looked over my shoulder and saw Bailey, and when I looked down saw the gun - a 44 or 45 calibre.

"Bailey said, "Let's go, or I'll kill you." I said "Where?" and tried to lean back to push the emergency button on the wall. He (Bailey) said "Don't do that or I'll kill you and I don't want to hurt anybody." Then he said "Lock that gate," (the L gate) "Now lock this gate" (the R gate), then "Come on with me" and walked me to the elevator. Just then the elevator came up and on it was [redacted] Deputy Sheriff and Jail Chef, and [redacted] colored elevator boy. As [redacted] walked into the office Bailey held him up also and then decided to lock [redacted] and myself in a cell at the side of the elevator, which he did. He then took the keys to the padded cell back to the desk and with the keys he got off [redacted] locked the front gate, got on the elevator and left.

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"In about 5 minutes I got a colored trusty down to me and gave him my keys, telling him which ones to use and sent him to the death cell to let [redacted] out. [redacted] came down, secured the keys to the padded cell and let [redacted] and me out. I immediately went to the first floor by way of the stairs, as the elevator was not running, and found that Bailey had taken [redacted] deputy on the first floor gate, with him. Going outside I ran to the garage across the street where we keep our cars, and found that Bailey had left in [redacted] car, a model A Ford 1928 Sedan. I believe it is a faded dark green color. I then returned to the jail, went upstairs (after I had the Deputy in the office broadcast the description of the car) and searched the cell Bailey had escaped from. I found the 3 bars he had sawed out under his bed, but nothing else.

"On Thursday or Friday, the 31st of August or 1st of September [redacted] head jailer, brought two men to the gate and introduced one as [redacted] of Oklahoma City and instructed me to take the gentleman up to the death cell to talk to Harvey Bailey. I went up with them and the man (who said he was a deputy from Fort Worth - a man about 48 or 50 years old, weighing about 180 lbs., dressed in a dark blue or brown suit) stopped at the end of the death cells and went outside. [redacted] talked to Bailey about an hour and during that time had me hand a couple of statements to Bailey to sign.

I stood where I could see [redacted] and Bailey all the time but once in a while I looked out the window and at that time it would have been possible for [redacted] to hand Bailey a gun.

"We concluded our visit and when I locked up I noticed that the man with [redacted] had disappeared.

"I let [redacted] out and continued on duty.

"I have read the foregoing statement, consisting of 2 pages - each of which I have initialed, and same is the truth."

(signed) [redacted]

Witnesses:

[redacted] and [redacted]

Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Tex.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 7, 1933.

"I, [redacted] make the following voluntary supplemental statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, in addition to the signed statement made by me to Special Agent [redacted] Sept. 4, 1933:

"In the last paragraph of my signed statement dated September 4, 1933, page one, I make mention of the two men who came to the gate and were introduced by head jailer [redacted] to me, one of whom I distinctly remember was [redacted] I now recall that the time was Friday morning between ten and eleven o'clock. [redacted] brought these two men up to the sixth floor and told me that one was [redacted] from Oklahoma City. I don't recall him introducing the other man. [redacted] instructed me to take the gentlemen up to interview Bailey. When I got up to the death cell on the tenth floor and was unlocking the blind door, I asked the other gentleman if he was an attorney, and he said no I am a deputy from Ft. Worth. The two men and myself entered the blind door into the death cell. We all went around to the front of the corridor. [redacted] went on down in front of Bailey's cell outside the corridor. He started to talk to Bailey. The other man went outside the death cell. [redacted] talked for a short time in front of the corridor, and then walked around the end of the corridor, next to Bailey's cell. I walked down to the end of the corridor by the window on Houston Street. I stood there, but paid no attention to the conversation. Shortly after the other man came back into the death cell with a typewritten statement which he requested me to hand to Bailey. I went around inside the corridor and handed this statement to Bailey. Bailey said I have no glasses and cannot read it. So I handed it back to the other gentleman who introduced himself as the deputy. He read it to Bailey, and as far as I recall

something like this "Turn over or release all monies that the Government is holding of mine except the money that they are holding as evidence against me, which I think is about \$700." Bailey remarked that there was abct \$1200. Bailey didn't sign the typewritten statement. [redacted] then took his [redacted] note book and wrote something in it. [redacted] handed me the note book and I handed it to Bailey who signed the same. Bailey handed the note book back to me and I handed it over to [redacted]. Then I came out of the corridor and walked back to where I was before at the window facing Houston. After Bailey signed the note book statement, the other man (Deputy) walked out of the room and I have never seen him since, but I positively can identify him. While I stood over at the window [redacted] continued to talk to Bailey. If I remember, the man introducing himself as the deputy had his coat off, while [redacted] did not remove his coat. During this conversation I occasionally glanced out the window for a few moments and it is possible for [redacted] to have given Bailey a gun or saws, but I do not believe it is probable. In all [redacted] talked about an hour to Bailey. I recall that [redacted] then left the jail on the sixth floor alone and after he went down the elevator, I started to serve dinner. The dinner is usually served about fifteen minutes to twelve o'clock.

"When [redacted] and the man known as the deputy came to the sixth floor with head jailer [redacted] they did not deposit a pass with me."

"I have read this statement over and say it is true."

(signed) [redacted]

Witnessed by: [redacted] and [redacted]

Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4, 1933.

"I [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"I reside on the 8th floor of the County Jail, Dallas, Texas, where I have quarters. I have been employed as a Deputy Sheriff, acting as jail chef for the past eight months, - since January 1, 1933. While feeding the trustees at about 7 AM on Sept. 4, 1933, I, in accordance with my usual custom, rang the elevator bell on the 8th floor with a view of going down to the 6th floor to see if everything was all right in line with my duties in feeding the prisoners and personnel of the jail. The elevator boy opened the door and I stepped out into the corridor in front of the elevator. I immediately raised my eyes and the first persons I saw were Bailey and Capt. [redacted]. Bailey was threatening [redacted] with a pistol. They were standing about four feet from

me where I stepped off the elevator. Bailey said to me "Come on and go with me, both of you", and indicated with his gun that we were to get into the elevator. Then after we got into the elevator Bailey said "Wait, come with me." He then took us to the right padded cell where there was a negro prisoner. He said "Open the door", to Capt. [redacted] and Capt. [redacted] said "I haven't got the keys." He then said, "Go get the keys". He marched us back to the desk situated on the inside of the office, the main barred door to which was at that time unlocked and open on account of feeding the prisoners. [redacted] got the keys off the desk, and we all returned to the R.P.C. where the cell door was unlocked by either Bailey or [redacted] and [redacted] and I were told to get into this cell and Bailey locked us in and Bailey departed by elevator. While Bailey was ordering Capt. [redacted] and myself around he kept the negro boy right with us all the time; he made this negro take him down on the elevator.

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"The above facts are all I know about this matter up to the present time with the exception of hearsay among the jail officials, prisoners and trustees regarding Bailey's actions before and since I saw him, the details of which I understand have been obtained by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation during their investigation of this matter.

"I have no knowledge regarding the manner in which Bailey obtained the pistol and saws by means of which he effected his escape, neither have I heard any theory relative to same. It is not my duty to conduct any examination of the quarters in which Bailey was incarcerated, nor examine or escort any persons who may obtain passes to his quarters.

"I have read the above statement and the same is true."

(signed) [redacted]

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Witnessed by:

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Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas, Sept. 4, 1933.

"I, [redacted] and [redacted] make the following statement voluntarily to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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"I reside at Vonton in the Taylor Subdivision, near Dallas, Texas. I am at present serving a two year sentence in the Dallas County Jail on a burglary and theft over \$50.00 charge. I was committed to jail on April 9, 1933, and have been a trusty since that time.

"About 7:10 AM, Sept. 4, 1933, the date of Bailey's escape, I was on the first floor of the jail, when the elevator bell rang on the ninth floor. I proceeded up to that floor, where Captain [redacted] entered the elevator, and requested me to take him down to the sixth floor. When I went by the sixth floor on the way up, I did not see anyone but Captain [redacted] who was eating breakfast at his desk. When I opened the door of the elevator upon arrival at the sixth floor, Captain [redacted] stepped off, I first noticed Captain [redacted] standing just outside of the main jail door to the jailer's office and Bailey was standing just behind him. Bailey immediately ordered Capt. [redacted] to go on over to the padded cell in the North West corner of the sixth floor, ordering Capt. [redacted] to do likewise. Bailey then ordered me off of the elevator. I got off and leaned back against the elevator, and Bailey told me to move over away from the elevator towards Captain [redacted] and Capt. [redacted]. Bailey then locked Captain [redacted] and [redacted] up in the padded cell after he first went back to Captain [redacted] desk with the latter to get the keys which were hanging on the desk. He then made me get on the elevator and instructed me to take him down. He caught me in the collar at the back of the neck, putting his arm against my back, and when I stopped the elevator on the fourth floor, he told me to carry him on down to the main floor, which I did. When we got to the main floor, he caught me in the collar and shoved me on out of the elevator in front of him to the door and the main office of the jail. He pointed his finger at Captain [redacted] who was talking to an unknown man, at the jail door, and said, "Come here". Captain [redacted] did not hear him at first and continued talking to the unknown man. Then Bailey said, "You come here". Captain [redacted] then came on over and walked to Bailey clean on into the elevator, and started to shut the door, upon which Bailey rushed over and put the pistol on him and cocked it, stating that Captain [redacted] was to get off of the elevator with those keys. Captain [redacted] then got off of the elevator, and Bailey shoved me on the elevator, telling me to go on up to the top floor. I took the elevator on up to the fourth floor and stopped. I then reported to Captain [redacted] that Bailey was out, and that he had locked Captain [redacted] and Captain [redacted] up on the second floor and was down stairs with Captain [redacted] held up. Captain [redacted] got a nickel plated pistol and went on out of the second floor into the court yard from where he went on out to the street. I had taken him down to the second floor on the elevator. On Captain [redacted] orders, I remained on the second floor until he notified me.

"The above facts are all I know about this matter, and I have read the above statement, which is true."

(signed) [redacted]

Witnesses:

and [redacted]

[redacted] Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.



Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 5, 1933.

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"I, [REDACTED] make the following voluntary statement to [REDACTED] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"I reside at Reinhardt, Texas, and since the 1st of the year have been employed as a Deputy Sheriff of Dallas County, in the capacity of turnkey in the County Jail, from 6: AM to 2: PM everyday, including Sunday.

"My duties are to admit people to the County Jail on the main floor. I have been on duty constantly during the above period while HARVEY BAILEY was incarcerated in the County Jail until the morning of his escape on September 4, 1933.

"Inasmuch as Harvey Bailey was a Federal Prisoner any visitors that came to the jail for the purpose of seeing Bailey or interviewing him, the visitors would first have to show me a pass from the United States Marshal. This pass would be handed to me through the bars on the main floor. After inspecting the pass I would open the door and admit him and show him the elevator on the main floor and tell him to proceed to the 6th floor of the building and exhibit the pass.

"If my recollection does not fail me, I believe that on Friday morning, September 1, 1933, between 10: and 11: o'clock, a man came to the main entrance gate and presented a pass to me, telling me he was an attorney and wanted to see Harvey Bailey. I recall that the man who presented this pass was issued to a man whose name began with an "S". At the time the man carried a black brief bag. He is described as about: 5 feet: 7 or 8 inches tall; heavy set; round face; weighing 195 or 200 pounds. He wore a gray suit and sailor hat. I feel confident that I could identify this man if I saw him again. During the period I was on duty, viz.: 6 AM to 2: PM, do not believe this man ever came to the jail during that time before.

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"While I was on duty on the morning of September 4, 1933, and engaged in a conversation with one [REDACTED] a salesman for a packing house market, our conversation taking place through the bars on the main floor, I heard the door of the passenger elevator which goes from the main floor up to the kitchen on the 9th floor, open. Shortly thereafter I observed [REDACTED] colored (trusty) come from the directio. of the elevator and behind him was BAILEY. Bailey walked behind the colored boy to a short distance where I was carrying on the conversation as above referred to. Bailey had a gun in his right hand. It was an old rusty-looking gun; it looked like a large gun, and to me appeared like a .45 calibre. Bailey did not raise this gun but carried it down by his leg. He told me, "Do as I say to do", telling me to "back in here", indicating a hall that lead into the elevator and back to the hold-over. The colored trusty and myself stepped on the elevator, Bailey closely behind us. Bailey then said to me

"You come on and go with me". He told the colored trusty to take the elevator up. Following Bailey's instructions I stepped off the elevator, came back on into the lobby with Bailey following me with the gun in his right hand, as described above. He told me to open the rear jail door leading into the alley. I opened it and left the keys on the door and went down six or eight flights of stairs into the alley. At this time I might mention that Bailey wore a Panama Hat, a pair of coveralls, low black shoes and black socks. After getting into the alley Bailey said "Go with me", asking me at the time if I had a car. I said "Yes, sir." He said "Where is it", and I told him it was across the street in the parking place. Bailey was on my right side with his gun in his right hand. He said "Go over there". When we got to the place where my car was parked, which is parked in an old building where the county jail employees store their cars during the day and night, Bailey instructed me to unlock the door. I did so and both of us entered the building. He then said "Which is your car?" I said, pointing to my car, "This car over here". He said "Get in". I got in and got under the wheel, Bailey said "Get over" and I did so. Bailey then got in behind the wheel. Before Bailey drove the car out of the building he took the gun and placed it under his left leg. He then drove out of the building on Houston Street, North, and then East on Elm Street, then turning South on Jefferson Street. He turned back West on Main Street, then turned left on Houston Street to Commerce Street. He then drove out Commerce Street until he came to the old Eagle Ford Road. He followed this road to this side of Irving, Texas. He remarked there, "I want to go North." There was a little gasoline station and Bailey remarked he wanted to go North and did so. He continued North on the dirt road in the general direction North,

"We continued up to the valley North until he reached Denton, Texas, and then went around the town of Denton and continued North to Gainesville, Texas, circling the town. From there he drove to Highway 77 across the State Line into Oklahoma. While on this trip Bailey told me he was going to make 135 miles from Dallas. After crossing the bridge into Oklahoma Bailey straightened up at the wheel and said "We are all right now - you need not be uneasy." Bailey then drove on highway 77 to about a mile or two out of Marietta, Oklahoma. He crossed the railroad. We continued North on the dirt road East of Ardmore. He then came off this dirt road on to highway 77 and when we hit 77 at a filling station he stopped to get some gas. As the lady was putting the gasoline in the car a car passed on the highway - I think it was a V-8 Tudor Sedan, in which there were three men. Bailey evidently saw the car and remarked "There goes some bulls", meaning officers. Bailey said to the lady putting the gas in the car, "Take the hose out", and he reversed the car and started back to Ardmore. The V-8 Ford Tudor Sedan which passed Bailey at the filling station I noticed was following us. Bailey drove the car under an under-pass to the first or second street, then turned and went into town. After the car reached town Bailey attempted to make a sharp turn to the left. The officers followed in this V-8 Tudor Sedan, fired five shots. I crouched over into the car, Bailey continuing on, and while endeavoring to circle through the streets of Ardmore, Oklahoma, in making a sharp left turn he jammed on the brakes, the two right wheels on the car broke down and Bailey was captured by the officers.

"When Bailey took me from the County Jail at Dallas he said "I am going to take you with me to make this trip". He said "I give you my word as my bond that I won't kill you."

"While on the trip Bailey indicated to me, after he reached the other side of Ardmore he intended going to some farm house where there would be some car in the yard or in the garage, and if it was not there he did not intend to stop but would continue on to about 60 miles of Oklahoma City.

"At the time Bailey was captured with the officers I also was apparently taken into custody, because the officers hand-cuffed me to Bailey and took me to the jail and after I established my identity they released me, had my car repaired and continued back to Dallas, Texas.

"I have read this statement over, consisting of three pages, each of which has been initialed by me, and I say it is true."

(signed) [REDACTED]

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Witnessed by:

[REDACTED] Sheriff Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.  
[REDACTED] Chief Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.  
[REDACTED] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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[REDACTED] Dallas, Texas, verifies the statement of [REDACTED] that he [REDACTED] was present at the time Bailey kidnaped [REDACTED] and that he notified Deputy Sheriff [REDACTED] and Deputy [REDACTED], who apparently had ample opportunity to cause Bailey's apprehension but failed to do so.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4, 1933.

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"I, [REDACTED] make the following statement voluntarily to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

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"I reside at [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas and have been employed as a Deputy Sheriff in the Dallas County Jail since 1-1-33; ever since that date I have worked in the capacity of jailer from 2 PM until 10 PM each day, except every other Sunday when I exchange days with Captain [REDACTED]

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"The last time I saw Harvey Bailey, a Federal Prisoner in the Dallas County Jail, was about 10:30 Sunday Morning 9-3-33, at which time I went up to the death cell for the purpose of giving Harvey Bailey some water and cigars. In this connection: after reaching the death cell I opened the door to the corridor and went to Bailey's cell #7; on entering same I got his

buckst through the door of the said cell and filled it with water. On that visit, as well as all other visits prior thereto, when I called at Bailey's cell I made it my business to inspect the bars; and the last time I made such examination there was no indication that the bars of Bailey's cell had been tampered with (which was about 10:30 AM 9-3-33).

"During my visits with Bailey I talked to him, asking him if he was getting enough to eat and enough to smoke, etc. On one occasion, when [redacted] an attorney of Ft. Worth, Texas, visited and talked with Bailey, [redacted] told me that Harvey Bailey had an automobile and he had talked to Bailey about the automobile. After I talked to [redacted] I read in the newspapers about Bailey having an automobile in his possession when he was arrested at Paradise, Texas by Federal Officers. I was in need of an automobile so I talked to Bailey about him selling me his Ford V-8 <sup>1933</sup> Model Coach. I told Bailey I wanted the first shot at buying the car and Bailey told me "You might as well have it as anyone else."

"A few days later I came to see Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, at 420 Post Office Building, Dallas, Texas. After talking to Mr. Blake he told me it was all right to buy the car. I went back to the jail and again went up to see Bailey and told him Mr. Blake said it would be all right for me to buy the car. I tried to bargain with Bailey for the car. He wanted \$500.00 and I told him that was more than I could pay for the car; and he then stated to try and sell the car for him. I told him that I would see about it. I then returned to Mr. Blake's office and told Mr. Blake I could not buy the car; that Bailey was asking too much money for it; that Bailey wanted \$500.00. Upon this visit to Mr. Blake I brought a letter from Bailey releasing the car to me. Mr. Blake told me that since Bailey was not selling the car to me he would have to take the matter up with the U. S. Attorney. I then again returned and saw Bailey and told him Mr. Blake said that before disposing of the car it would be necessary for him to get authority from the U. S. Attorney for me to sell the car for account of Harvey Bailey.

"I waited 2 or 3 days, then called Mr. Blake by telephone and he at that time told me it was all right to sell the car for Bailey, but before doing so it would be necessary to have an official of the County Jail or Sheriff's office to witness Bailey's signature.

"I got [redacted] former Deputy U. S. Marshal at Dallas, to witness the signature of Bailey. I finally bargained with Harvey Bailey to purchase the car at \$350.00.

"On Friday morning while looking for a notary public in the sheriff's office with a view of obtaining a bill of sale signed by Bailey and duly notarized, I came across [redacted] an attorney, who was in the lobby of the building. He agreed to make out the proper bill of sale for me and notarize same. After the bill of sale was made out, I, accompanied by [redacted] went to the corridor

outside Harvey Bailey's cell #7, where Harvey Bailey in the presence of myself and lawyer [redacted] signed the bill of sale. I told Bailey that as soon as I got title to the car I would pay him \$350.00 in cash.

"I learned from Mr. Blake that the registration and title papers for the car in the name of McDonal, were in Oklahoma City. Mr. Blake wrote me a release on the car and I took it over from a garage in Dallas and it is now in my possession.

"As soon as I get title to the car I will pay Harvey Bailey the \$350.00.

"At the time attorney [redacted] visited Bailey he had not received a pass from the U. S. Marshal's office, which I did not think was necessary because he was going with me merely to take Harvey Bailey's acknowledgement as a notary public to the bill of sale.

"Several times I bought Harvey Bailey cigars, the sum not exceeding 25 cents, and bought him several newspapers, as well as supplied him with old magazines. I knew Harvey Bailey did not have any money; he told me he did not have any money and I paid for these out of my own pocket.

"I have read this statement over, consisting of 2 pages, each of which bears my signature; and same is the truth."

(signed) [redacted]

Witnesses: [redacted] and [redacted] Special Agent, United States Division of Investigation, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4. 1933.

"I, Capt. [redacted] make the following statement to Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, voluntarily:

"I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas. I have been employed as a Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County, since January 1, 1933, and am at present performing the duties of Deputy Jailer at the Dallas County Jail.

"On September 3, 1933, about 10: PM, Capt. [redacted] and I were relieved by Capt. Tom Manion and Capt. [redacted] who remained on duty until 7 AM this morning - Sept. 4, 1933. They were relieved by [redacted] and [redacted] at 7: AM. The two officers last mentioned were on duty when Harvey Bailey escaped.

"I have no knowledge whatever of the details of Harvey Bailey's escape. My first knowledge of the escape was obtained at No. 1 Fire Station where I dropped by to speak to a friend. At this time the report of Harvey Bailey's escape was coming in over the radio.

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"I immediately drove straight to the jail where I was assigned by Deputy Sheriff [redacted] in company with Deputy Sheriff [redacted] to proceed out Maple Avenue with a view of locating Bailey. While on Maple Avenue the report came in that Bailey in company with Deputy Jailer [redacted] as reported headed towards Rhome, Texas, on the Northwest Highway, in a green Ford Tudor Sedan. We continued our search for Bailey in the direction of Rhome. Upon arrival at a drug store about 30 or 40 miles out of Dallas in the direction of Rhome my partner and I called in to the sheriff's office for instructions in view of the fact that our radio had gone bad, and were instructed to proceed further in the direction of Rhome and the Oklahoma State Line. We later stopped at a filling station some 25 or 30 miles West of the town of Denton, Texas where we received the report that Bailey had been captured in the downtown district of Ardmore, Oklahoma. On receipt of this information we returned to the sheriff's office where the above information was confirmed.

"The above facts consist of all of my knowledge relative to this matter. I have read this statement and the same is true."

(signed) [redacted] b7C  
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Witnessed by:

[redacted] and [redacted] Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4, 1933.

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"I [redacted] make the following supplemental statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, in addition to the signed statement I already made on this date to Special Agent [redacted] b7C

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"On the evening of September 3rd, somewhere around 4: o'clock, Capt. [redacted] and myself, accompanied by a man and woman, friends of Capt. [redacted] I believe the man is sheriff of some other county, went up to the death cell where Bailey was confined and I opened the corridor door, went in and got Bailey's water pail while the other folk remained on the outside - in the run-around of the death cell. I closely observed the bars on the cell and I believe they were intact at the time I went up there. At that time I did not see any towel hanging anywhere on the bars of Bailey's cell. Capt. [redacted] and the man and woman with him walked around and before I came at the corridor I kicked the bars on Bailey's cell, and they appeared to be secure.

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"Later, around 8:30 PM the same day I again visited Bailey's cell and I opened the corridor door at which time I gave Bailey some water. I again inspected the bars to the cell and there was no indication they had been tampered with. I forgot to mention - about 5: PM the same day - I went to the corridor of Bailey's cell and furnished Bailey with the usual meal, accompanied by [redacted] colored boy, he carrying the tray containing the food. On this visit Bailey gave me some magazines, telling me to take them along with me as he did not want them, having already read them. Almost every evening that I visited Bailey I brought him the evening newspaper, which I got from a boy. Bailey paid for the newspapers.

"As I stated before, the bars to Bailey's cell #7, which I inspected at about 8:30 PM had not shown any indication of having been tampered with. The three bars that had been sawed from Bailey's cell must have been sawed between 8:30 PM, September 3, 1933, and 7: A<sup>m</sup>, September 4, 1933.

"I have read the above statement which is true."

(signed) [redacted] b7C  
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Witnessed by:

[redacted] and [redacted] b7C

Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4, 1933.

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"I, [redacted] b7D b7C  
and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice at Dallas, Texas.

"I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas. I have been employed as a [redacted] since the 1st of January, 1933, at the Dallas County Jail in the capacity of jail guard, my hours since Harvey Bailey's incarceration have been between 10: PM and 6: AM.

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"The last time I saw Harvey Bailey was in the death cell #7, - by this I mean the last cell in the West side of the R death cell. At that time I checked Harvey Bailey in the cell over to Jailer [redacted] This check was made from the outside the corridor because the night watch is not allowed to enter the corridor on a tour of inspection. In checking Bailey in the cell I used a flashlight and threw a light from the corridor into his cell. At the time I did not notice anything unusual. The check referred to was made by me at 6: o'clock Monday morning, September 4. On Sunday morning September 3, 1933, I did not check Bailey in his cell but waited in the office on the 6th floor until [redacted] reported that Bailey was in his cell. Sometimes we - [redacted] and myself - check the prisoners in the death cell together, and other times I wait on the 6th floor until [redacted] goes back and reports that Bailey is still there. The reason that I made it my business this morning - September 4, 1933 - to check Bailey in the cell with [redacted] - was that I wanted to call [redacted] at-





(signed) [REDACTED] b7D

Witnessed by: b7C

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4, 1933.

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"I, [REDACTED] (not [REDACTED] as previously stated in statement of [REDACTED], make the following voluntary statement to Special Agent [REDACTED] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"I reside at [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas. I am a Deputy Sheriff of Dallas County, and have been employed in this capacity for eight years. All of my official work has been that of Deputy Jailer.

"On September 3, 1933, I relieved Deputy Jailers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at 10: PM. Capt. Tom Manion is also on the same watch with me. Captain Manion and myself remained on watch until 6 AM, September 4, 1933. I might state here that I left at 5:45 AM on September 4 in view of the fact that my relief arrived a little early; I do not know the exact time Capt. Manion left the jail.

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"I made the rounds of the jail corridors and cells at 2 and 4 AM, September 4, 1933, with the exception of two other rounds which were made by me between that time and 6 AM. However, I only visited the death cell twice at 2 and 4 AM. At 2 AM Bailey appeared to be reading, his light was burning and he had a book in his hands. I talked to him four or five minutes. At this time I noticed nothing irregular. When I visited him at 4 AM he appeared to be asleep - the light was out. At the time of each visit the blind door of the run-around compartment of the death cell, was locked. The entrance to the corridor was locked. The death cell doors of numbers 5 and 6 were unlocked. These cells are used ordinarily for the convenience of the trustees on the 10th floor, - that is, I think this floor, called the deck floor, is the 10th floor, however, it may be the 9th. Bailey's cell door is #7, and, as I said before, appeared to be secure. At 2 AM we carried Bailey a light lunch on instructions of the sheriff, at which time I was accompanied by [REDACTED]. And this was the only time we entered the corridor to Bailey's cell. The meals were passed in to him through the bars of his cell door which always remained locked.

"No one has ever visited Bailey in my company other than an official of the jail, as indicated above.

"As stated above, upon my visits Bailey's quarters always appeared to be secure, and I have no idea how he could have obtained a gun and hack saw. As above mentioned, I went off duty at 5:45 AM, on the morning of Bailey's escape and have no personal knowledge of the details of same.

"I have read the above statement and it is true."

(signed) [REDACTED] b7C b7D

Witnessed by: [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 12, 1933.

"I, [REDACTED] b7C b7D hereby make the following voluntary b7C supplemental statement to Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] b7C Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, the same being in addition to signed statement furnished said Agents on Sept. 4, 1933:

"In the 4th paragraph of my statement dated September 4, 1933, I stated that I made the rounds of the jail corridors and cells at 2: and 4: AM, September 4, 1933. This statement was in error as I made three rounds of the jail and corridors and cells on that date, the first round being about 2:15 AM. The second round was 2 AM, and the third round was about 4 AM. I visited Bailey's cell on each one of these trips. On my first trip the light was on and Bailey appeared to be reading as he had either a book or paper in his hand. He was also reading something on the second visit at 2: AM. On the third visit his light was out and he appeared to be asleep. I did not detect any irregularities or indication that anything was wrong with the cell on either of these visits.

"At the time of the second visit above mentioned, I was accompanied by [REDACTED] and we gave Bailey some water and a light lunch at this time as was customary.

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"Mr. Manion also made three rounds of the jail corridors and cells, according to his statement and to the best of my memory. His first round was made about 10:30 PM the night of September 3, 1933. The second round was made between 2:30 and 3: PM, September 4, and his third round was at the time he checked Bailey over to Capt. [REDACTED] at 4:00 AM, September 4, 1933. Mr. Manion mentioned the fact to me that he visited the death cell on two of these rounds; I do not know which two he had in mind; neither did I notice any unusual delay during any of these three rounds made by Mr. Manion on the above dates. However, on either Thursday or Friday, (night) prior to September 3, 1933, Mr. Manion remained 15 or 20 minutes longer than usual on his first round. At this time I rang the buzzer which runs up to the trusties' quarters and hollered up to Mr. Manion when he did not answer the buzzer immediately. It was necessary for him to come down on account of the

fact that I had two men to lock up and was on the 6th floor by myself at the time.

"With reference to question which was asked me regarding any knowledge which I might have which may appear significant in connection with the escape of Harvey Bailey on September 4, 1933, I may state here that Mr. Manion asked me on Thursday or Friday night what kind of car [redacted] had, and I told him a Ford Sedan. He then asked me what kind of car [redacted] had, and I told him he also had a Ford Sedan. He then remarked that Henry Ford had not signed the code and we were going to have to get after these boys, however, he did not ask me if any of the other jailers had cars. Both of the men he asked me about came on duty at 6: AM. I also learned from [redacted] that [redacted] informed him [redacted] that Mr. Manion approached him [redacted] in the kitchen, between 1: and 1:30 in the morning a day or so after the jail break, at which time he told [redacted] to take this 50¢ and buy him some tobacco and to watch and to listen and see whether [redacted] and myself were engaged in conversation about him (Manion). I also learned from [redacted] that [redacted] a trusty, who is used in dispensing medicine around the jail, told him [redacted] that Mr. Manion approached him one morning between 2 and 5 o'clock, at which time Manion asked him [redacted] whether he had heard any of the jailers or trusties mention him in connection with the jail break.

"I am unable to state whether or not Mr. Manion kept his coat on during the rounds of the jail shortly before Bailey's escape as I do not remember, but we both were in the habit of taking our coats and sometimes our shirts off on hot nights.

"Also, I would like to state here that on one occasion prior to the jail break, Mr. Manion mentioned the fact that he did not like the idea of Bailey being in a corner cell; that he thought he should be moved to another cell on account of the fact that it is possible to throw a string out of Bailey's cell through the barred windows of the run-around to the street below and that this being so, some object could be attached to this string and drawn up into Bailey's cell.

"I then stated that I did not think this was possible because if Bailey was successful in throwing the string through the bars of his cell and the bars of the corridor cell and through the bars to the run-around, - three sets of bars - the end of the string would fall on a 12-foot wide shed on the street below, and about 15 feet above the street. He then stated that there could be enough wind to blow the string out from over the top of this shed.

"One thing further, I would like to state here - on several occasions prior to Bailey's escape and quite a few occasions subsequent to his escape, Mr. Manion has mentioned the fact that he is likely to lose his home; that same was under mortgage to a party from New York, which loan was obtained through [redacted]. He also mentioned the fact that he owed \$2600.00 and had not paid the interest in some time.

"I have read the above statement over, consisting of 3 pages, each page of which has been initialed by me, and the same is true."

(signed) [REDACTED] b7C b7D

Witnessed by: [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 6, 1933. b7C b7D

"In the presence of [REDACTED] I, [REDACTED] make the following statement voluntarily, to Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, without any threats, promises or hope of reward:

"I am 25 years of age, and reside with [REDACTED] and baby [REDACTED] 2 years old at [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.

"I was born at Memphis, Tenn., on [REDACTED] My father, [REDACTED] Memphis, Tenn., and my mother who has been separated from my father 22 or 23 years and remarried, now lives at Halls, Tenn.

"I attended Maury Grade School at Memphis, Tenn., and graduated therefrom at the age of 15. I then went to work for about two years with the Success Laundry, Memphis. I then left my home in Memphis, Tenn., and went to St. Louis, Missouri, where I was employed as a day elevator man for about a year, at the corner of 9th & Washington Streets in St. Louis. I quit this job and after locating my mother and step-father at McArthur, Texas, I journeyed there. At this place I worked for my step-father, F. G. Brown, a tank builder. I worked there about a year and a half. I had some difficulties about my pay and I quit and returned to Memphis, Tenn., to live with my father at which place I again returned to the laundry and got a job as a salesman driving an automobile truck over a route. I worked at the laundry about five or six months and after I was with them three weeks I married [REDACTED] and by her have two children - [REDACTED] 4 years old and [REDACTED] nearly 5 years old. I quit the laundry to get more money, and went to work for B. Lowenstein Department Store, for whom I worked as a clerk for about three years. I was then out of employment for about a year on account of sickness. I then went to work for [REDACTED] in one of his stores in Memphis, as a clerk, where I worked six or seven months.

"While working for [REDACTED] I had domestic troubles and separated from my wife. Later she divorced me. I left Memphis and went back to St. Louis, Missouri, and was out of employment about a month. From there I went to Kansas City, Missouri, seeking employment, but was unsuccessful. From Kansas City I went to Rosedale, Miss., where I obtained employment with the

Orleans Dredging Company, as a laborer. I was with this company about four months when the company finished the levee and closed down. About a month after I went to work for this dredging company I married [REDACTED]. This was about 1930. After being out of employment about a month in Mississippi I came to Dallas, Texas where I have been practically ever since. While at Dallas, and being unable to support my wife and child, I went to Memphis, seeking employment. In the meantime my wife filed charges in Dallas County for non-support and child desertion; an indictment was returned against me in June, 1933, at Dallas, Texas. On August 8, 1933, I was brought-back on this indictment to Dallas, Texas and lodged in the Dallas County jail where I have been so confined until September 5, 1933.

"During the time I was in the County Jail I was confined the first night in Cell 13 in the left hand corridor, known as L-1. I was then moved to cell 10, same corridor. I remained there about 17 days, more or less, when I was moved to cell 14 in the same corridor where I remained until released on September 5, 1933.

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"While I was in cell 10 I distinctly recall the day Harvey Bailey was taken from the jail by officers to go to hearing at Ft. Worth, Texas. Since that time I moved from cell 10 to cell 14, to escape the noise. I cannot definitely say the exact day that I moved into cell 14; [REDACTED] was my cell mate in cell 10 and he might know the date I changed cells. Also, [REDACTED] who was in 13 on a charge of hi-jacking, moved that same day to my cell - #10, and was paired with [REDACTED]. Prisoner [REDACTED] moved out of cell 14 at the time I moved into that cell.

"The night before I moved from cell 10 to cell 14, which was several days before Harvey Bailey escaped from jail, I observed between 8:30 and 10: PM from cell 10, that Captain Tom Manion came off the elevator and was admitted by one of the jailers whom he relieved, walk through the main screened, barred door between the corridor surrounding the elevator and the main office on the 6th floor. The jailer who admitted Manion immediately went out through the east barred door, separating the East side of the jail which is occupied by white prisoners, from the office. After Captain Manion got into the office he took his hat off and without removing his coat, walked over and closed the door through which the other jailer had made his departure. He then walked over to the desk and assumed a position at the corner of the desk closest to the elevator, with his back to me, which placed him in a position facing West. He then withdrew a large, old-style gun which appeared to be about a .44 or .45 calibre. This gun was a dark color; it was not nickel-colored. It appeared to be old and rusty. From where I was it appeared to have an unusually long barrell. I was convinced by the appearance of the gun from where I saw it, that it was an old fashioned gun of an unusual style. He stood there with the gun in his hand hanging down beside his right leg. He looked around for a moment or two, - apparently to see if anyone was observing him at this time. He then moved over in front of the desk with his back to the window, stooped down and removed the lower right hand drawer from the desk, after which he placed the above-described gun inside of the opening from which the drawer was removed and then replaced the drawer.

"After Manion had replaced the drawer he got up and took his coat off and walked over and looked out of the entrance gate to the white prison section and looked out to see if everything was all right. He then walked between the desk and the elevator to a closet in the Southwest corner of the office and hung his coat up in this closet. He then returned to the desk and with his back to the window, apparently placed an object on the table which I assumed was another gun, since I had seen him with another late-model gun on other nights. From the motions he made with his hand to his hip I assumed he was placing this late-model gun in one of the top drawers of the desk. He apparently got this new model gun from his left side or left hip. The first mentioned, old-fashioned gun was apparently removed from his right hip.

"He then walked from the desk and opened the lavatory door which is in a closet in the Southeast corner of the office, which is customary. From this time I discontinued observing Mr. Manion as after the lavatory door was opened I was unable to observe much of the portion of the office occupied by the desk from cell 10.

"On the morning of September 4, 1933, about 7 AM, I was standing at the water sink at the end of the corridor - L-1 - in front of the door separating the office from the white prison section for the purpose of getting a drink of water. I looked across the office and noticed a large figure coming down the steps leading from the 6th floor up to the first deck above the office floor - 6th floor. I started to walk away but my attention was in some manner again attracted to this figure who, on closer observation, turned out to be Harvey Bailey. Harvey Bailey had at this time walked into the office and, approaching [redacted] who was standing between the Northwest corner of the desk with his back to Bailey, aimed the gun - which appeared to be identical in every way with the gun which I had previously seen Capt. Manion place in the lower portion of the office desk - at [redacted] and in a low, slow voice to him directed him not to get excited or ~~say~~ such words.

[redacted] put out his right hand in the direction of the emergency alarm bell and started edging over towards him. Bailey then made some remark to [redacted] after which he dropped his hand. He then ordered [redacted] to lock the doors to the office which separated the white and black prison sections, which [redacted] did, and Bailey then ordered him out of the door to the elevator. At this time the elevator came down to the 6th floor and the chief cook - [redacted] stepped out and said some words to the effect, "What's going on here?" Bailey then gave him some instructions and he came out to the corridor beside [redacted]. Bailey then made a move as if he was going to take them both down on the elevator but changed his mind and motioned them both to the right padded cell. Bailey locked [redacted] and [redacted] in this cell. I then noticed for the first time a negro boy walk to the elevator and Bailey got into the elevator with him, after which the elevator went down below. This is all of the personal knowledge I have of Bailey's jail-break.

"I did not mention anything about the above incidents to anyone at the time or prior to my release from the jail as my mind was on my own troubles and did not think anything about the matter anymore up until the time I heard some discussion about the matter since my release, also after reading some of the newspaper theories which stimulated my recollection and brought this matter back to my mind - especially at the time of my conversation regarding the matter, with [redacted] at which time I mentioned the substance of the facts above set forth to [redacted] after which the matter dropped out of my mind until I received a telephone call from [redacted] to meet him at the Post Office Building in Dallas, Room 420.

"I have read the above statement consisting of four pages and the same is true, each page of which bears my signature."

(signed) [redacted]

Witnessed by:

[redacted] Dallas, Texas.  
[redacted] and [redacted] Special Agents, Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

fact that [redacted] inmate, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, verifies the [redacted] occupied cells 10 and 14.

that [redacted] inmate, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, verifies [redacted] occupied cells 10 and 14.

fact that [redacted] inmate, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, verifies the [redacted] occupied cells 10 and 14.

"Dallas, Texas.  
Sept. 6, 1933.

"I, [redacted] Chief Deputy United States Marshal, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agent [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice:

"During the time of Harvey Bailey's incarceration as a Federal Prisoner in the Dallas County Jail, I have been Chief Deputy United States Marshal under [redacted] former United States Marshal, and at the present time am Chief Deputy United States Marshal under [redacted] United States Marshal, who went into office September 1, 1933 at the expiration of the tenure of [redacted]

The only passes that have been issued by the United States Marshal's office for visitors to see Harvey Bailey at the Dallas County Jail were signed by me and are as follows:

August 26, 1933 - to [redacted]

August 30, 1933 - to [redacted]

these two passes having been exhibited to me by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted]. Also a third pass on September 1, 1933 to Attorneys [redacted] and [redacted] the latter from Oklahoma City. [redacted] is the law partner of [redacted] of Ft. Worth, Texas.

"In connection with the issuance of the pass on September 1, 1933, which Agents [redacted] and [redacted] inform me has not been found at the County Jail, I will say that the pass in question was issued by me as far as I can recall about noon time on Sept. 1, 1933. [redacted] came to my office, room 367, and I walked with him to room 363 and while [redacted] walked out the railing in said room, I got the pass book and in the mean time [redacted] walked into room 363 and [redacted] introduced me to [redacted] stating that [redacted] was going to represent Bailey and that the pass should be written out in the name of [redacted]. As I began to write out the pass, [redacted] suggested to me that I might as well put his name on the pass along with [redacted]. I issued the pass accordingly, in the names of [redacted] and [redacted] and gave it to [redacted]. While I was writing out the pass, [redacted] and [redacted] were talking to United States Marshal [redacted] on the opposite side of the counter, in room 363.

"To my knowledge, no other pass to interview or visit Harvey Bailey was issued to [redacted] or [redacted]."

"The pass which I issued to [redacted] and [redacted] on Sept. 1, 1933, about noon, was written out by me in the presence of [redacted] Deputy United States Marshal.

"I have read this statement over and say it is true."

(signed) [redacted]

September 6, 1933.

"I, [redacted] Deputy United States Marshal, was present when [redacted] made the above statement which was read by me and I now say that I was present about noon Sept. 1, 1933 when [redacted] issued and signed a pass permitting attorneys [redacted] and [redacted] to visit and interview Harvey Bailey a Federal Prisoner, confined in the Dallas County Jail at Dallas, Texas. At the time, I noticed that attorneys [redacted] and [redacted] were carrying on a conversation with United States Marshal [redacted] outside the counter in room 363."

[redacted] Deputy U.S. Marshal.

Witnesses:

[redacted] and [redacted] Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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[redacted] colored, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, verifies the fact that a man supposed to be Bailey's lawyer, accompanied by another man, visited the jail on Friday morning, September 1, 1933, and he saw them go in the direction of Bailey's cell.

"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 4, 1933.

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"I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

"I reside at [redacted] Houston, Texas. I was committed to the Dallas County Jail on June 28, 1933, on a Federal charge of violating the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. My case is now awaiting disposition at Dallas. I have been a trusty for the past month.

"On Friday morning, September 1, 1933, while I was on the first floor of the Dallas County Jail, I noticed [redacted] accompanied by a man he introduced to me as [redacted], who he stated was an attorney from Ft. Worth, Texas, enter the jail. I have known [redacted] since the year 1920. I knew him at Ardmore, Okla. I told [redacted] that an old friend of his upstairs would like to see him. He then said, "Well, I haven't got time, I am going upstairs to see Harvey Bailey now". He then asked me if there was a toilet on that floor, and I told him that was one behind the elevator. I then showed him to the toilet behind the elevator. He went into the toilet behind the elevator and when he came out [redacted] went into the same toilet by himself. When [redacted] came out they both went upstairs on the elevator. Neither one of these men were wearing coats, but had their coats on their arms. They went up about 11: AM and did not return until around 11:30 AM. I waited for them because I wanted to see [redacted]. When he came down I told him that I would like to have a talk with him, but he stated that he did not have time.

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"I was at breakfast and do not know anything about the jail break of Bailey on September 4, 1933.

"I have read above statement and same is true."

(signed)

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Witnesses:

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[redacted] and [redacted] Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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[redacted] Dallas, Texas, made a statement positively identifying the revolver used by Bailey as similar to one that he played with as a child, between the ages of 4 and 10 - about 30 years previous, which gun was owned by his father.

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b7D [redacted] 93 years of age, father of [redacted], above referred to, [redacted] Dallas, Texas was unable to definitely identify this gun as one which he had previously owned, but stated that to his best recollection same was similar to a gun which was purchased for him new by Clarence Gano from Huey-Philp Hardware Company, Elm & Griffin Streets, Dallas, Texas, about 1883.

It was ascertained from Huey-Philp Hardware Company in Dallas that they never handled revolvers or guns, but that it was possible that such a gun might have been bought as an accommodation to a customer, direct from Smith & Wesson Arms Company; however, they stated that they had no records of any revolver or gun so purchased and never handled any second-hand guns; furthermore, Clarence Gano, who is alleged to have made the purchase of the gun is now deceased. The fact has been ascertained that this gun was sold in Mexico, which indicates that the identification of [redacted] is groundless.

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"Dallas, Texas,  
Sept. 11, 1933.

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b7C "I [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Special Agent [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas

"I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas.

"I was elected Sheriff the last general election - November 6, 1932, of Dallas County, Texas, and took oath of office January 1, 1933. In the primary contest - in July, 1932 - there were six candidates for the sheriff's office, viz.: [redacted] former sheriff, ran for re-election; [redacted] a special investigator for the district attorney's office; [redacted] a former Deputy Sheriff, having served three terms; and myself. In the primary I received over 13,000 votes. There was quite a discussion and counting before it was decided who was to be in the run-off with me. Two votes separated [redacted] and [redacted] having over 7,000 and some odd votes. In the run-off between [redacted] and myself on July 27, 1932, I succeeded in getting the nomination. At the general election held in November, 1932, my opponent was [redacted] a brother of Federal District Judge, [redacted]. I was elected by the people of Dallas County, as Sheriff, by a majority of 40,000 votes.

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"When I took over the sheriff's office on January 1, 1933, I retained six of the old deputies out of 52 deputy sheriffs who served under former Sheriff [redacted]. The six deputies retained by me were: [redacted] who execute court orders and seize property; [redacted] criminal field deputies, and [redacted] jailer. All told there were 58 deputies serving under me prior to September 4, 1933.

[redacted] is my head jailer. He served under two or three former sheriffs and because of his previous jail experience and reputation, I appointed him. His duties were to supervise everything in the jail, including the employees assigned to the jail. There are three turnkeys who work on shifts of eight hours each:

6: AM to 2: PM

2: PM to 10: PM

10: PM to 6: AM

[redacted] who is the son-in-law of [redacted] one of the outstanding citizens in the Reinhardt Community, applied to me for a job, and after I investigated him I gave him the job.

[redacted] has two brothers whom I had dealt with in business for many years. They are employed by Cullum & Boren Sporting Goods Company of Dallas. After he applied to me for a job and knowing who he was I readily gave him a job.

[redacted] made application for a position, and after investigation, I appointed him as a Deputy.

[redacted] is the bookkeeper of the jail, on the main floor. After knowing his family all my life, I naturally can vouch for him and I appointed him as a bookkeeper. In this connection, the books were previously kept by a Trusty.

"On the 4th floor of the jail is the woman's and girls' division. The matron going to work in the morning is named [redacted] her hours being from 6 AM to 2 PM. [redacted] matron, is on duty from 2 PM to 10 PM; and [redacted] matron, is on duty from 10 PM to 6 AM.

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"I have known [redacted] all of my life, and [redacted] for many years. [redacted] I hired because she had been a former matron with considerable experience.

"Besides the woman's division on the 4th floor, the head jailer - [redacted] has living quarters, where he and his wife stay.

"On the 5th floor of the jail all male juveniles are kept. The jailers are [redacted] and [redacted] works from 6 AM to 6 P., [redacted] from 6 PM to 6 AM.

"On the 6th floor of the building, the main jail and the entrance thereto are located. However, the entrances to the right and left wings of the jail are closed and locked after 7:30 PM. Also, there is maintained on the 6th floor a desk space for the day and night deputy jailers who keep the keys to the main entrance of the jail, to the entrances of the right and left wings and other corridor doors of the jail, on hooks in the office where the deputy jailers make their headquarters. The deputy jailers on duty on this floor are:

[redacted] whose hours are from 6 AM to 2 PM  
[redacted] whose hours are from 6 AM to 2 PM  
[redacted] whose hours are from 2 PM to 10 PM  
[redacted] whose hours are from 2 PM to 10 PM  
[redacted] whose hours are from 10 PM to 6 AM  
Thomas L. Manion, whose hours are from 10 PM to 6 AM

"I have known [redacted] all my life, hired him on my knowledge of his reputation.

[redacted] was recommended to me by [redacted] a prominent citizen of Dallas.

[redacted] made application to me, and petition was furnished me by persons in the neighborhood of his produce market on South Pearl Street,

[redacted] was hired on his own reputation.

[redacted] was a jailer under the former sheriff and I retained him in that capacity on recommendation and investigation as to what I found out about him.

"Thomas L. Manion applied to me for a job, and on the recommendation of [redacted] a former city attorney, and [redacted] a former police and fire commissioner, I appointed Manion.

[redacted] is purchasing agent and chef in the jail. He has indefinite hours. I did not know [redacted] until he applied to me for a job, but on the recommendation of some of his friends whom I have known all my life, I gave him the job.

[redacted] the sanitary man, I have known for 20 years, and gave him employment on his own reputation.

"I recall the day Harvey Bailey, a Federal Prisoner, was first taken into the jail. I believe it was on Saturday, August 12, 1933. Bailey had been in the jail several hours and my attention was called to Bailey's confinement by [redacted] Chief Deputy, who told me he was booked as Sam Jones in order to avoid any unnecessary publicity. While making the rounds of the jail on Sunday afternoon, August 13, 1933, I first noticed Harvey Bailey, under the name of Sam Jones, in Cell 6-M, which is located on a deck above the 6th floor in the Northwest corner of the jail at the right of the elevator. The first I knew of a Federal Agent being placed in the Dallas County Jail to guard Harvey Bailey, was on the afternoon, about 6:30 PM, about a week after Harvey Bailey was confined in the jail, - I should say about August 19, 1933. At this time I noticed a machine gun in the closet of the southwest corner of the jail office on the 6th floor. I saw it through an open door, and could not imagine by whom it was placed.