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

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J. EDGAR HOOVER, CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Newport, Rhode Island.

Dear [redacted] b7C

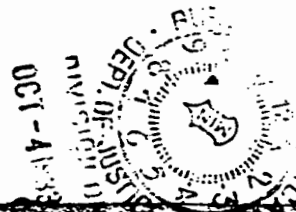
I appreciate very much the congratulations contained in your telegram of September 28, 1933, to the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, upon the Division's activities in the Urschel kidnaping case, and I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you for your interest in the Division.

Sincerely yours,

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234 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
September 29, 1933



Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: Thomas L. [redacted]
Grover C. [redacted] with alias;
Obstruction of Justice - [redacted]
[redacted] of Federal Prisoner
[redacted] [redacted]

There are transmitted herewith two copies of
a letter which was referred to this office by the Secret
Service at Oklahoma City, the letter in question having
originated at the office of [redacted]
[redacted] under date of September 23, 1933.

[redacted] has been advised of this reference.
Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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[REDACTED]
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September 23, 1935.

Agent in Charge,
U. S. Secret Service,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sir:-

Our banker was just telling me this morning that he had noticed some newspaper description of the gun which was smuggled to Harvey Bailey and used in his escape and thought that there might be a possibility that it was the gun stolen from the Bank of Hermitage when it was burglarized on the night of April 18-19, 1935.

The gun taken here was an old Smith & Wesson revolver, 44 Caliber, black rubber handles, nickel plated with a gold band on the front sight, or at least it was some yellow metal which the bankers say they think was gold or gold plate as it was not tarnished. The plating was off the gun in many spots.

If this should happen to be the gun, I might be able to furnish information regarding connections of this gang in Kansas City as I have made quite a little investigation of the burglary here, and any assistance that I can give will be gladly given.

To explain my interest and connection, wish to advise the

[REDACTED]

If I can be of any assistance in this or other way not hesitate to call on me.

Wishing you all good luck in your work, I am,

Yours very truly,

[REDACTED]

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 27, 1933.

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

VWH:

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Agent in Charge Connelley called and stated that coincident with the arrival of [REDACTED] he had received a telephonic request from the United States Attorney to have [REDACTED] appear as a witness in about five cases going on tomorrow morning. I asked Connelley if he had another man available. He stated he could order [REDACTED] into Memphis instead of [REDACTED]. I told him to do so. [REDACTED] will arrive tomorrow morning. [REDACTED] could not have arrived earlier.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes

V. W. Hughes.

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Oklahoma City, Okla.

REPORT MADE AT: <u>Portland, Oregon</u>	DATE WHEN MADE: <u>9-28-33</u>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <u>9-27-33</u>	REPORT MADE BY: <u>C. C. Spears</u>
TITLE: <u>GEORGE R. KELLY, with aliases, I.O.#1203 - FUGITIVE</u> <u>MATHEW THORNE KELLY, with aliases, I.O.#1207 -</u> <u>FUGITIVE, et al</u> <u>CHARLES F. URSCHER - Victim</u>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <u>Kidnaping</u>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

In view of the apprehension of subjects at Memphis, Tennessee, further investigation in this district is being discontinued.

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DETAILS:

In view of the apprehension of subjects at Memphis, Tennessee, further investigation in this district is being discontinued.

In the event any information is obtained as a result of circularization of all banks in this district pertaining to ransom money involved in this case, this matter will be reopened for the purpose of conducting

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>C. C. Spears</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-115-642	RECORDED AND INDEXED OCT 8 - 1933
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such investigation as may become necessary.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DALLAS, TEXAS.

DIVISION ONE FILE NO.

62-420-

REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS.	DATE WHEN MADE: 9-30-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 9-29-33	REPORT MADE BY: [REDACTED] b7C
TITLE: HARVEY J. BAILEY, alias J. J. BRENNAN, alias JOHNBROWN; THOMAS L. MANION; GROVER C. BEVILL, alias JACK BEVAL.			CHARACTER OF CASE: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - Release of Federal Prisoner Harvey J. Bailey.

SUMMARY REPORT

Harvey J. Bailey was arrested on August 12, 1933, during a raid on the Shannon Farm at Paradise, Texas, on suspicion of having been involved in the abduction of Charles F. Urschel of Oklahoma City. He was placed in the Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, the same day, and booked under the name of Sam Jones. On August 16, 1933, Harvey J. Bailey was formally committed to the Dallas County Jail under his true name, as a Federal Prisoner, by United States Commissioner Lee R. Smith, Dallas, Texas, on a kidnaping charge, in default of \$100,000.00 bond. At a hearing before Federal Judge James C. Wilson, Ft. Worth, Texas, on September 25, 1933, the court ordered Bailey removed to Oklahoma City for trial and fixed the same bond of \$100,000.00, in default of which the court remanded Bailey to the Dallas County Jail pending removal.

On September 4, 1933, Harvey J. Bailey escaped from the Dallas County Jail and was captured four hours later at Ardmore, Oklahoma, by Chief of Police Dunn.

Investigation disclosed that Thomas L. Manion smuggled a revolver, hack saw blades and a Stilson Wrench into Bailey's cell by means of which he effected his escape. The revolver and hack saw blades were obtained for Manion by Grover C. Bevill.

Indictment was returned at Dallas, Texas, on September 25, 1933, against Harvey J. Bailey, Thomas L. Manion and Grover C. Bevill, containing two counts; charging these defendants in count 1 with conspiracy, and count 2 with voluntarily allowing Harvey J. Bailey, a Federal Prisoner, to escape. At the present time Harvey J. Bailey is incarcerated in the County Jail at Oklahoma City, charged with complicity in the kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel, and has not been arraigned on this indictment.

Thomas L. Manion and Grover C. Bevill were arraigned in Federal Court, Dallas, Texas, on September 25, 1933, at which time Manion entered a plea of

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>F. J. [Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-115-643 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION OCT 3 1933 A.M. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO: <i>[Signature]</i>	RECORDED AND INDEXED: OCT 3 - 1933 CHECKED OFF: OCT 4 - 1933 JACKETED:
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not guilty and Bevill plead guilty. In default of bonds in the amount of \$10,000.00 each, they were committed to the Dallas County Jail pending trial in this case on September 2, 1933, which has been set by the court at Dallas, Texas.

WITNESSES

LEE E. GARY, United States Commissioner, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he committed Harvey J. Bailey, Federal Prisoner, to the Dallas County Jail on August 18, 1933.

[REDACTED] Chief Deputy United States Marshal, Federal Building, Dallas, Texas, will testify that Harvey J. Bailey was taken into custody by the United States Marshal's Office and duly committed to the Dallas County Jail on September 16, 1933. He will also testify that there were only three passes issued by the United States Marshal's Office for persons to visit Harvey J. Bailey during the time he was confined in that jail.

[REDACTED] Deputy Sheriff and Bookkeeper, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that Harvey J. Bailey was received and booked at the Dallas County Jail on August 12, 1933, as Sam Jones, by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Detectives, Dallas Police Department, and that on August 16, 1933, Harvey J. Bailey was recorded as a Federal Prisoner upon commitment received from the United States Marshal, Dallas, Texas.

[REDACTED] Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he placed Harvey J. Bailey in the Dallas County Jail under the name of Sam Jones, on August 12, 1933, as an escaped prisoner; fugitive from justice.

[REDACTED] Detective, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he accompanied [REDACTED] at the time Bailey was placed in the Dallas County Jail on August 12, 1933.

GEORGE W. PARKER, Clerk of the United States District Court, Northern District of Texas, Ft. Worth, Texas, will produce records indicating order of removal, dated August 25, 1933, signed by Federal Judge James C. Wilson, ordering Bailey removed to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for trial, and pending such removal re-banded him to the Dallas County Jail in default of bond in the amount of \$100,000.

[REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that about 7:10 AM, September 4, 1933, Harvey J. Bailey confronted him with a revolver, obtained his keys and locked him in the R-death cell with a trusty.

_____ have obtained account of the matter is contained in signed statement of _____ dated September 4 and 7, 1933.

_____ at the Identification Bureau, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, will testify that on the morning of September 4, 1933, he took 7 photographs of the inside of the B death cell, including run-around, corridor surrounding death cells 5, 6, & 7, all three of the last mentioned cells and cell 7 in particular, the cell in which Bailey was incarcerated.

_____ Colored, Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that on the morning of September 4, 1933, he accompanied Deputy Jailer _____ up to the cell of Harvey J. Bailey for the purpose of delivering breakfast to the latter, at which time Bailey confronted _____ and himself with a revolver, and locked them in the death cell after Bailey took _____ keys away from him. More details will be found in signed statement of _____ dated September 4, 1933.

_____ Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that at about 7: AM, September 4, 1933, Harvey J. Bailey approached him on the 6th floor and threatened him with a revolver, and after taking the keys away, locked _____ chef, and himself in a cell on the northwest corner of the 6th floor. Complete details will be found in _____ signed statements of September 4 and 7, 1933.

_____ Chef, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that about 8: AM, September 4, 1933, he was confronted by Harvey J. Bailey with a revolver in his hand when he stepped off the elevator on the 6th floor, and in company with Deputy Jailer _____ he was locked in the Northwest cell on the 6th floor near the elevator, by Bailey. Full details will be found in _____ signed statement dated September 4, 1933.

_____ Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that about 7:10 AM, September 4, 1933, he brought _____ from the 5th floor to the 6th floor in the Dallas County Jail elevator, at which time when Harvey J. Bailey locked in a cell on the 6th floor _____ and _____ after threatening them with a revolver. Bailey then at the point of said revolver forced him _____ to take him down on the elevator to the 1st floor of the jail where Bailey using him _____ as a shield, appeared at the entrance to the jail office on the main floor and forced _____ Turnkey, to come over to the elevator where he was standing with Bailey, after which Bailey ordered him to take the elevator upstairs. Detailed signed statement regarding the matter was made by _____ on September 4, 1933.

██████████ 2227 Bennett Street, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he arrived at the Dallas County Jail at 8:35 a.m. in the morning of September 4, and while carrying on a conversation with ██████████ Deputy Jailor on the main floor, he noticed Harvey J. Bailey come out of the elevator with a gun in his hand and order ██████████ to open the alley jail door leading into the street; that he also noticed Bailey and ██████████ across the street into a garage and get into an automobile subsequent to which he gave an alarm to two Deputy Sheriffs. Complete details regarding the above will be found in his statement dated September 11, 1933.

██████████ Turn Key, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that about 7:10 A.M., September 4, 1933, while carrying on a conversation with one ██████████ on the main floor of the County Jail, he noticed Harvey Bailey come from the direction of the elevator with a revolver in his hand, at which time he ordered him to open the jail door leading into the alley way on the street and commanded him to go across the street to a garage in which his ██████████ car was stored, and after starting the car Bailey got in under the wheel and drove same to Ardmore, Oklahoma, where he was apprehended by Chief of Police Dunn, four hours later. Complete details relative to the above will be found in ██████████ statement dated September 5, 1933.

D. H. DUNN, Chief of Police, Ardmore, Oklahoma, will testify that he with two other officers apprehended Harvey J. Bailey at Ardmore, Oklahoma, 11:15 A.M. September 4, 1933; that he took a 44 Calibre, S. & W. Revolver from Bailey, which he turned over to United States Marshal, ██████████ of Dallas, Texas, on the same day.

██████████ United States Marshal, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he went from Dallas, Texas, to Ardmore, Oklahoma, on September 4, 1933, where he took Harvey J. Bailey into custody and removed him to Oklahoma City; that while at Ardmore, Oklahoma, Chief of Police Dunn turned over to him a 44 calibre, S & W Revolver, which had been taken from Bailey, containing two cartridges that this revolver was later turned over by him to Special Agent in Charge, F. J. Blake, of the Dallas Division Office.

F. J. BLAKE, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he received from ██████████ United States Marshal, Dallas, Texas, 44 calibre, S & W Revolver, which ██████████ told him was received from Chief of Police Dunn of Ardmore, Oklahoma, the latter having taken the same from Harvey J. Bailey; and the gun at the time of its delivery had two cartridges in it. Mr. Blake will further testify that subsequent thereto he received three additional cartridges, two from Chief of Police Dunn of Ardmore, and one from ██████████ Turn Key in the Dallas County Jail. The 5 cartridges which originally were in the gun are: two Smith & Wesson, 44 calibre; 1 Winchester, 38 calibre; and 2 .44 calibre Colt.

[redacted] Sheriff, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas, will identify the three sections of sawed bars taken from Bailey's Cell #7, and will testify that upon his return from Chicago, Illinois, he caused an investigation to be made by his office into Harvey Bailey's escape.

[redacted] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that on September 4, 1933, he made two rounds of the jail corridors and cells at 12:15, 2:00 and 4:00 AM, at which time he failed to detect any irregularities or indication anything was wrong. Also, that Mr. Manion made two rounds of the jail corridors and cells, the first being 10:30 PM, September 3, 1933, and the second between 8:30 and 9:00 AM, on September 4, 1933; also, that Mr. Manion checked Bailey over to [redacted] at 8:00 AM on September 4, 1933. Further that Mr. Manion asked him on Thursday or Friday night prior to the escape of Harvey J. Bailey, what kind of cars [redacted] and [redacted] owned, and he informed Mr. Manion they both owned Ford Cars; and that Mr. Manion failed to ask him what kind of cars were owned by any of the other jailers. More detailed information is contained in [redacted] signed statement, dated September 12, 1933.

[redacted] Deputy Sheriff and Turnkey, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that on or about four or five days before the jail break of Harvey J. Bailey, Mr. Thomas L. Manion, Deputy Jailer, asked him which keys opened the main barred door to the jail office, and which keys opened the barred door to the alley way; that when shown the keys referred to, both of which were unnumbered, suggested to him [redacted] to put them both together where he could find them easily; that he complied with Manion's suggestion at the time, but placed the keys in the same position they were before, upon Manion's departure. Also, [redacted] will testify that Manion outlined the manner in which Bailey could make his escape, and his theory was followed in practically every particular by Bailey at the time of his escape. More detailed information concerning this matter may be found in [redacted] statement dated September 14, 1933.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify that he was confined in the Dallas County Jail in L-1 Corridor, 6th floor, from August 5, 1933 to September 5, 1933; that several days prior to the escape of Harvey J. Bailey he observed from about 8:30 to about 10: PM, that Thomas L. Manion came off the elevator, walked through the main screen barred door between the elevator surrounding the elevator and the main office on the 6th floor; that after 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 made his departure. Manion then walked over to the desk and assumed a position at the corner of the desk closest to the elevator with his back to [redacted] which placed him in a position facing West. Manion then withdrew a large, old-style gun which appeared to be a .45 calibre. This gun was dark in color and not nickel colored, and appeared old and rusty. The gun appeared to be an unusually long barrel and was an old-fashion gun of an unusual style. Manion stood with the gun in his hand hanging down beside his right leg, looked around to see if anyone was observing him at this time. This saw gun was seen in possession of Bailey by [redacted] at time Bailey was making his escape.

Manion then moved over to the front of the desk with his back to the window, stooped down, removed the lower right hand drawer from the desk and placed the above described gun inside of the opening from which the drawer was removed and then replaced the drawer. After Manion replaced the drawer he got up, took his seat off, walked over, looked at the entrance gate to the white prison section to see if everything was all right. More details relative to this matter is contained in statement of [redacted] dated September 11, 1933.

[redacted] Trusty, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he is in charge of the records concerning the entries and release of prisoners in the main jail of the 6th floor of the Dallas County Jail. He will further testify that [redacted] was received and assigned to L-1 Corridor, East Wing of the 6th floor, Dallas County Jail, on August 5, 1933, and released on September 5, 1933. More details regarding the above will be found in [redacted] statement, dated September 16, 1933.

[redacted] of Identification Bureau, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, will testify that on September 6, 1933, he took four photographs of the 6th floor, viz.:

- (1) Photograph of cell #10 as viewed from Deputy Jailer's office.
- (2) Photograph of Revolver taken in position in compartment in the desk occupied by lower right hand drawer.
- (3) Photograph of desk in Deputy Jailer's Office as viewed from cell #10 of L-1 Corridor.
- (4) Photograph of desk in Deputy Jailer's Office as viewed from L-1 Corridor in front of cell #10.

[redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he took signed statement from Tom Manion on September 4, 1933, and unsigned statement from Grover C. Bevill on September 16, 1933, both of which statements deny their guilt. Special Agent [redacted] will also testify that he was present September 6, 1933, with Special Agent [redacted] and Deputy Jailer [redacted] at the time the Stillson Wrench was found in the lower left hand drawer of the Deputy Jailer's desk on the 6th floor, and that he was present and examined the said desk when photographs of same were taken by [redacted] of the Dallas Identification Bureau. Further that he took a signed statement from Grover C. Bevill under date of September 21, 1933, in which Bevill admitted that he furnished Thomas L. Manion with the revolver and back saw blades used in the escape of Harvey J. Bailey. Also, further conversations between Manion and Bevill which implicate them both in the escape of Harvey J. Bailey. Also subsequent investigation which corroborates in part the statement of Bevill above referred to, and an oral conversation with Thomas L. Manion during which admissions were made by the latter in corroboration of Bevill's statement.

[redacted] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he was present on September 6, 1933, when the No. 10 Stilson Wrench was taken from the lower left hand drawer from the Desk on the 5th floor of the jail, and that he has seen this wrench in the desk since the 1st of January, 1933.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify as outlined in his signed statement, dated September 13, 1933, that on September 1st or 2nd, 1933, he sold three hack saw blades (Victor brand), and 12 44-calibre Colt Cartridges to Grover C. Bevill.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify that he was present in Brower's Hardware Store, 831 Exposition Street, Dallas, Texas, when [redacted] sold Grover C. Bevill hack saw blades and cartridges above referred to, more details concerning which will be found in his signed statement, dated September 13, 1933.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify as an expert witness that he examined three sections of the sawed bars taken from Bailey's cell after the latter's escape, and he detected that indentation marks on said bars were made by a small Stilson Wrench, the jaws of which measured 5/8ths of an inch, in diameter.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify as an expert witness regarding his examination of Harvey Bailey's cell door, from which the three sections of bars were removed by the use of hack saws, with the aid of a Stilson No. 10 Wrench. He will further testify that in his opinion, this wrench found in the lower left hand drawer of the Deputy Jailer's Desk on the 5th floor, is the same wrench that was used. A complete report in the matter has been prepared by [redacted] under date of September 28, 1933, and has been submitted to the United States Attorney at Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] and [redacted] Trustees, Dallas County Jail, will both testify as to conversations had with Thomas L. Manion subsequent to the jail break, which information is contained in their signed statements, dated September 14, 1933, and indicates Manion's complicity in Harvey J. Bailey's escape.

GROVER C. BEVILL, 1008 Fletcher Street, Dallas, Texas, will testify that he secured 44-calibre Smith & Wesson Revolver and three hack saw blades for Thomas L. Manion on the latter's request and turned same over to Manion on or about September 2, 1933. Also conversations with Thomas L. Manion before and after that date indicating Manion's complicity in Harvey J. Bailey's escape and his (Bevill's) connection therewith. More details concerning the matter will be found in signed statement obtained from Bevill under date of September 21, 1933.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify that 44-calibre Smith & Wesson Revolver was exhibited to her and that same is the revolver which was turned over to Thomas L. Manion [redacted] as reflected in signed statement obtained from her under date of September 23, 1933.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify that about 8 or 7 years ago he traded Beville 44-calibre Smith & Wesson Revolver for a Smith & Wesson's Revolver, and that the 44-calibre Smith & Wesson Revolver was exhibited to him and he identified it as being identical with the revolver traded to Beville. More details will be found in his signed statement dated September 29, 1933.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas (Now at [redacted] Edgewood, Texas), will testify that 44-Calibre Smith & Wesson Revolver used in the release of Harvey J. Bailey was loaned to him by Grover C. Beville on one or more occasions, exact dates unknown.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, will testify that about 8: AM on September 4, 1933, Thomas L. Manion borrowed a Remington Hammerless Pump Shot Gun from him which he loaded with 6 Peter's High Velocity #4 Shot Shells (bird shot), which is used for hunting ducks, and that he had to demonstrate the use of said gun to Mr. Manion, telling Mr. Manion that if he was hunting Harvey Bailey he should use buck shot instead of the bird shot, but Manion said bird shot would be all right. For complete details see [redacted] signed statement, dated September 29, 1933.

EXHIBITS

EXH. A Smith & Wesson 44-calibre, 6 shot, Revolver, #6728, round 6 inch barrel, round butt, black rubber handles, breach-loading cylinder, used by Harvey Bailey in effecting his escape.

NOTE: Witnesses:

[redacted] Dallas, Texas.
B. H. Dunn, Chief of Police, Ardmore, Oklahoma.
[redacted] U. S. Marshal, Dallas, Texas.
F. J. Blake, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.
Grover C. Beville, 1008 Fletcher Street, Dallas, Texas.
[redacted] Dallas, Texas.
[redacted] Dallas, Texas.
[redacted] Dallas, Texas.

KKH, B. (1) 1, 44-calibre Colt Cartridge
1, 44-calibre Smith & Wesson Cartridge, taken from the
revolver at the time of Bailey's arrest at Ardmore, Oklahoma.

NOTE: Witnesses:

Grover C. Bevill, 1008 Fletcher St., Dallas, Texas

D. H. Dunn, Chief of Police, Ardmore, Oklahoma

W. S. Marshall, Dallas, Texas.

F. J. Blake, Special Agent in Charge, Dallas Division Office,

420 4th Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

(2) 1, 44-calibre Colt Cartridge taken from same gun by
Chief of Police Dunn at Ardmore, Oklahoma, and turned over to Deputy Jailer [redacted]
who in turn delivered this cartridge to Special Agent in Charge Blake at Dallas, Tex

(3) 1, 38-calibre Winchester Cartridge and 1, 44-calibre
Colt Cartridge obtained by D. H. Dunn from the revolver and sent by express to
the Dallas Division Office on September 14, 1933.

NOTE: Witnesses:

D. H. Dunn, Chief of Police, Ardmore, Oklahoma,

F. J. Blake, Special Agent in Charge, Dallas Division Office.

Grover C. Bevill, 1008 Fletcher Street, Dallas, Texas.

REMARKS: The five cartridges referred to above were in the revolver
when it was handed to Manion by Grover C. Bevill.

KKH, C. (1) Photographs of pistol taken from Harvey Bailey which
was used in effecting his escape, the photograph being made by [redacted]
[redacted] Dallas, Texas.

(2) Photograph of outside door and lever box to R-Death Cell
(3) Photograph of inside corridor of death cell.
(4) Photograph of outside R-Death Cell, taken from East Cor-
ner of the run-around.

(5) Photograph of Bailey's cell and towel hanging over
sawed bars.

(6) Photographs of Bailey's cell from outside taken from
the run-around with towel over sawed bars.

(7) Bailey's cell showing three bars sawed out.

(8) Bailey's cell from outside taken from run-around.

(9) Photograph of revolver taken in position in the rear of
the compartment of the desk occupied by the lower right hand drawer.

(10) Photograph of desk in Deputy Jailer's Office as viewed
from Cell #10 from L-1 Corridor.

(11) Photograph of Cell #10 as viewed from Deputy Jailer's
Office.

(12) Photograph of desk in Deputy Jailer's Office as viewed
from L-1 Corridor in front of Cell #10.

NOTE: Witness: [redacted] Dallas I. Bureau, Dallas P.D.

K.H. D. Stilson Wrench No. 10, found in the lower left hand drawer of the Deputy Jailer's desk, 6th floor, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.

NOTE: WITNESSES:

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

[REDACTED] Deputy Jailer, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.

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

[REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.

[REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.

K.H. E. Three sections of sawed bars taken from Bailey's Cell, Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas.

Note: Witnesses:

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

[REDACTED] Special Agent, Dallas Division Office.

[REDACTED] Special Agent, Dallas Division Office.

[REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.

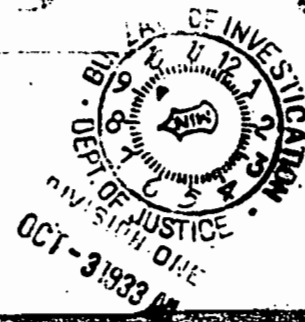
The records in the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., fail to reflect a criminal record for either Thomas L. Manion or Grover C. Beville.

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318 Hayes Building
San Francisco, California.



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

Dear Sir:

GEORGE R. KELLY, with aliases,
I.O. #1205, et al.
Charles F. Grimes - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Will you forward to the writer at San Francisco a photograph of "Machine Gun" Kelly, apprehended at Memphis, Tennessee?

If possible, I should like a photograph of Kelly, without a coat or vest, and, if possible, with a turned down hat. I desire a new, complete picture of Kelly, not just his head.

Not knowing whether Kelly has as yet been returned to Oklahoma City, I am forwarding a copy of this letter to the Birmingham office.

Very truly yours,

J. E. VERRILL,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc. Birmingham
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SEPTEMBER 27, 1933

R.E. COLVIN
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OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA.

URSACHEL MATTER ANY INVESTIGATION NECESSARY DENVER BASED ON BATES' TESTIMONY
SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO ZIMMER DURING BUSINESS HOURS CARE OF USA DENVER AFTER
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815 Bowes Building
San Francisco, California.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: **GEORGE R. KELLY**, with aliases - **FUGITIVE**.
et al
KIDNAPING.

A letter received from the Dallas Division Office, dated
Sept. 29, 1933, advises that the following twenty five \$10.00 Federal
Reserve notes, of the 12th San Francisco Federal Reserve District,
were found in the safety deposit box at Fort Worth, Texas, in the
name of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Shannon, Paradise, Texas:

- L 01966101 A
- L 01966102 A
- L 01966103 A
- L 01966104 A
- L 01966151 A
- L 01966152 A
- L 01966153 A
- L 01966154 A
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- L 01966190 A
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- L 01966195 A
- L 01966196 A
- L 01966197 A
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- L 01966199 A
- L 01966200 A

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This is new money, which apparently has never been in circulation before. It is not known whether or not the money was ever in circulation in the past, but it is not known whether or not it was ever in circulation in the past.

Three \$1,000.00 Federal Reserve notes, San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank:

- L 00012993 A
- L 00012973 A
- L 00000700 A

One \$500.00 Federal Reserve note on the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minn.

L 00001324 A

Inasmuch as the Federal Reserve notes found in the safety deposit box at Ft. Worth bear the same prefix and suffix letters as the three \$1,000.00 Federal Reserve notes paid to defendants' attorneys as legal fee, it is suspected that all of this money might be from a bank robbery. In this connection, it will be noted on page 43 of Special Agent [redacted] report dated at Dallas 8/18/33 that a torn envelope was found in the safety deposit box at Ft. Worth, indicating that this envelope might have originally contained \$35,000.00 - of which \$250.00 was marked for "Boss". The latter money is still in the safety deposit box.

The only information that [redacted] of the Cash Department, Federal Reserve Bank at San Francisco, can supply is that they received the \$10.00 bills L 01966101 A to L 01966104 A from their agent on May 28, 1932; that they received the \$10.00 bills L 01966181 A to L 01966180 A, and L 01966190 A to L 01966200 A from their agent on April 18, 1932, and that \$1,000.00 note L 00012993 A was received on Dec. 31, 1931, note L 00012973 A on Oct. 3, 1931, and note L 00000700 A was received on Dec. 5, 1930.

[redacted] further advised that on April 18, 1932, an amount equivalent to the amount they received on that day was forwarded to the branches of the Federal Reserve, located in Portland, Oregon, and Spokane, Washington, respectively; that no record is kept of the serial numbers of money, unless it is shipped through the mail.

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It is requested that the proper officials of the said branch
be interviewed for any information they might have relative to
the above Bill. Also please see Police Department in Portland,
Oregon, Seattle, Wash. and San Francisco, Cal. for any information
in this matter.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Vetterli,
Special Agent in Charge.

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c.c. Dallas
c.c. Oklahoma

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, DENVER, COLO. INVESTIGATION
SEPTEMBER 27, 1933

R.H. COLVIN
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
224 FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

GEORGE KELLY ET AL KIDNAPING STOP CONTAINERS OF BATES STORED IN WICKER WAREHOUSE DENVER OPENED EXAMINED FIVE PM TODAY BY SHERIFF DENVER COUNTY UNDER ATTACHMENT SUIT FILED BY DENVER COUNSEL FOR AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY STOP A MACHINE GUN THIRTY-THREE RIFLE SEVERAL TELEGRAMS CLOTHING BUT NO MONEY FOUND STOP SHERIFF LOCKED CONTAINERS UNDER HIS SEAL AND CONTAINERS BEING REMOVED TO HIS OFFICE TOMORROW MORNING STOP NUMBERS ON WEAPONS CONTENTS OF TELEGRAMS COULD NOT BE LEARNED BUT WILL SECURE THEM TOMORROW AND WILL ENDEAVOR SECURE WEAPONS AND TELEGRAMS AND FIRE WEAPONS FORWARDING BULLETS TO KANSAS CITY OFFICE FOR EXAMINATION IN MASSACHUSETTS CASE FROM SEVENTEENTH STOP FEW WEEKS AGO WE TRIED TO GET ACCESS TO BATES BOOKS UNDER FEDERAL SEARCH WARRANT BUT COULD NOT GET WARRANT STOP IF WEAPONS AND TELEGRAMS HAVE ANY PRESENT VALUE URSCHTEL CASE OR OF VALUE TO KANSAS CITY OFFICE SUGGEST YOU CONFER WITH KEESAN AND HE ENDEAVOR THROUGH ATTORNEY GENERAL TRY THROUGH NATIONAL COUNSEL AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY TO HAVE ITS DENVER COUNSEL RELEASE WEAPONS TELEGRAMS TO US

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KANSAS CITY OFFICE DESIRES RATES MACHINE GUN RECOVERED DENVER FOR BALLISTICIANS

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900 Ezra Thompson Bldg.,
Salt Lake City, Utah,
September 22, 1933

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

Re: George Kelly, with aliases, et al
Charles F. Mitchell - Victim
Kidnaping
S.L. File #10

Dear Sir:

Certain personal effects of Albert L. Bates, alias George L. Davis, stored in the Twicker Warehouse and Storage Company, Denver, Colorado, were examined last evening under a writ of attachment served against the goods by the Sheriff for Denver County, Colorado. There was found among the goods a Thompson sub-machine gun, 1931 model, .45 caliber, No. 4935 and a Remington Automatic .30 caliber rifle, No. 6366, model 8, as well as two 1933 license plates No. 789-622.

Effort is being made to secure the firms for such value as they may have to the Kansas City or Oklahoma City Division offices and I will be pleased if you will check on the license plates to determine the name and address of the person to whom they were issued, the car for which they were issued, and make such investigation in and about the neighborhood as you deem warranted and of interest to either the Kansas City or Oklahoma City Division offices.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. BOND
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Kansas City
Oklahoma City
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

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JUSTICE

RE: GEORGE KELLY with aliases et al.
CHARLES F. UNSCHUL - Victim,
S.L. File 7-22.

Dear Sirs:

On the evening of September 27th, 1935, certain personal effects of Albert L. Bates, a defendant in this action, stored in the Miller Warehouse Company, Denver, Colorado, were inventoried by the Sheriff for Denver County, Colorado, in an Attachment suit filed against the property of Bates, and among his effects were found a Thompson Sub-Machine Gun, 1931 model, 45 Caliber No. 4034, a drum for cartridges No. 1074, and a Remington Automatic 30 caliber Rifle, No. 63860, model 2.

Please immediately, through the Colt Firearms Company, and the Remington Arms Company, of New Haven or Bridgeport, Conn., determine to what person or persons these arms were shipped, and follow through directing such leads to other Division offices as you deem warranted in an effort to determine the various hands, and the circumstances through which these arms went.

Copies of your findings should be furnished to the Oklahoma City Division Office, and to the Kansas City Division Office, for such value as same may have to the last named office in connection with the case of Vernon Miller et al., Obstruction of Justice.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SORE,
Special Agent in Charge.



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cc - Oklahoma City
cc - Kansas City
cc - Division.

411 U. S. Court House
Portland, Oregon

September 28, 1933

GEORGE J. KELLY - Victim, et
Charles W. Beach - Victim
Kidnaping

Postmaster
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:

This will refer to my letter of the 5th instant, asking that cover be placed for a period of thirty days on all mail addressed to the occupants of this city. Please be advised that this mail cover is no longer necessary in view of the apprehension of subjects involved in the matter to which it referred, and this mail cover may be discontinued.

Please accept my thanks for your cooperation in connection with this mail cover.

Very truly yours,

C. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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 980 New Thompson Building
 Salt Lake City, Utah.
 September 29, 1933.

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RE: GEORGE KELLY with aliases et al.
 CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim.
 KIDNAPING - S.I. File 7-32.

Dear Sir:

On the night of September 27, 1933, I telegraphed you to the effect that among the personal effects of Albert L. Bates alias George L. Davis, were found a Thompson Sub-Machine Gun, a .38 caliber rifle, and several telegrams.

I am now advised that the machine gun is a 1921 model .38 caliber No. 4223, and the Remington Rifle bears No. 6222, and is model 8.

I have asked the New York City Office to learn from the factories the name and location of the persons or persons to whom these arms were shipped, and to trace same through in order to determine the identities of the persons or persons through whose hands these arms passed, and the circumstances relating to same, and to advise you and the Kansas City Division Office.

There was also found among his effects a claim ticket No. 14-167-B over the United Air Lines at Kansas City, and a stub of an aeroplane ticket issued by the National Air Transport Lines for travel from Oklahoma City to Kansas City, Mo. on 4-18-33, and two stubs of tickets issued by the National Air Transport, for travel from Kansas City to Chicago, Illinois on 4-21-33. I am referring these to the Kansas City Division Office. Two Illinois license plates No. 7-2000 were also found and the Chicago, Illinois Office is being asked to check same.

Three telegrams were found, reading as follows:-

1. Addressed to Mrs. Davis, 1801 Grant St. Denver, Colorado,
from Mineral Wells, Texas, dated June 25, 1935.

Message:- "Arrived O.K. Friday evening hope its cooler there
than here. Love you both. Love you both. Love you both."

2. Addressed to Mrs. C.L. Davis, 1801 Grant St. Denver, Colorado,
from Wichita Falls, Texas, dated July 1, 1935.

Message:- "Miss George and I are as well as possible on account serious accident with love
(signed) J.H. Thompson".

3. Addressed to Mrs. C.L. Davis, 1801 Grant Street, Denver, Colorado,
from Wichita Falls, Texas, dated June 29, 1935.

Message: Am feeling O.K. hope you are will be busy for another
week, lots of love (signed) George".

Efforts are being made to secure the
telegrams and the weapons. It is the intention to file the
weapons and send the fired bullets to the Kansas City
Division Office for examination at the hands of ballistic
experts, for the purpose of determining if the arms could
have been used in the massacre which occurred there on June
17th, 1935, and I will be pleased if you will advise if
you have any use for the weapons in the event this office
can eventually take them into permanent custody.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Division
cc - Kansas City

RA: [REDACTED]
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326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
September 29, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
201 Liberty National Life Building,
Birmingham, Alabama.

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Dear Sir:-

Re: George R. Kelly, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1806;
Mrs. Kathryn Glee Kelly, with
alias, Fugitive, I. O. 1807, et al.
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to telephonic request received from Special Agent in Charge W. A. Rorer on the night of September 27, 1933, relative to baggage and laundry left by Subject Kelly in Biloxi, Mississippi.

On September 28, 1933, I proceeded to Biloxi, where it was ascertained that there is no hotel named the "Evelyn", the nearest similar name being the Avalon Hotel. [REDACTED] of the Avalon, was interviewed and an examination of his records reflected that J. L. BAKER, of Coleman, Texas, registered there August 24, 1933, and was assigned to room #510, and that he checked out of the hotel prior to 7:30 on the morning of August 26th. The card record of this account reflects that at the time Baker checked out of the hotel, he paid his bill, in the amount of \$4.00, and left no forwarding address. The handwriting of the registration of J. L. Baker corresponds with the handwriting of Subject Kelly appearing on Identification Order #303, and both [REDACTED] and his wife identified photographs of Kelly as being identical with the party who registered as Baker. They stated that he had baggage with him and that he was driving an old Chevrolet automobile (type unknown), bearing a Texas license, the number of which was not known. [REDACTED] advised that Kelly positively did not leave any baggage at the Avalon Hotel, that he has not seen Kelly since he left the hotel, and that while at the hotel, Kelly was wearing a small black mustache.

Inquiries were made at various laundries in the vicinity of West Howard and Beach Streets and the Lighthouse at Biloxi, but no information was available concerning any laundry which might have been left by Kelly at the time of his departure from Biloxi.

The only other hotel in Biloxi having a name similar to the Evelyn is the old Avon Hotel, the name of which has been changed to the Tourist Hotel. [REDACTED] of the Tourist Hotel, #102 West Beach

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Boulevard, was interviewed and an examination of her records reflected that J. L. Baker, Coleman, Texas, registered there August 27, 1933. [redacted] stated that Baker was driving a Chevrolet Sedan, about a 1928 or 1929 model, with Texas license, the number of the license unknown; that he came to her hotel alone and had two pieces of baggage - an unusually large tan Gladstone bag and a small zipper type handbag; that he was wearing a mustache; that he appeared to be extremely affable and friendly; that he apparently had spent considerable time on the Gulf Coast, since he seemed to be at home and to know his surroundings; that he did not volunteer any information concerning himself, other than to state that he had just arrived from Texas; that on the night of his arrival at her hotel, which was Sunday, August 27th, he had a date with [redacted] that this date apparently was of the pick-up variety, and that she, [redacted] is certain that [redacted] was not previously acquainted with the party who registered at her hotel as Baker.

[redacted] positively identified photographs of Kelly as being the party who registered at her hotel as J. L. Baker of Coleman, Texas. She stated that he left her hotel Monday morning with an armful of laundry; that he later returned and remained in his room for a short while; that he left the hotel Monday afternoon, August 28th, and has never returned; that Wednesday, August 30th, two days after Kelly's departure from the hotel, a woman came to the hotel in the evening and requested Mr. Baker's baggage, stating that she was Baker's sister; that she, [redacted] would not let this woman have the baggage; that the woman then became indignant, stating that she had a right to same since she was Mr. Baker's wife. [redacted] advised that she informed this woman that she had no proof of her statements and that she would hold the two pieces of baggage until Mr. Baker returned for same or sent an order for it; that this woman then, after abusing her verbally, left the hotel and has never returned. [redacted] positively identified photographs of Kathryn Kelly as being the woman who called for Kelly's baggage.

[redacted] stated that she did not know what had become of the Chevrolet automobile in which Kelly came to her hotel, although she assumes that he left Biloxi in same. She advised that the contents of the two pieces of baggage left there by Kelly had been examined by her but that nothing had been removed. An examination of this baggage was made and the following is a brief description of the contents, which might be of interest:

- 1 new pair of black Sox bearing the label "Foster Bros. Minneapolis".
- 5 detective magazines, all bearing the stamp [redacted] News Dealer, Ballinger, Texas". These magazines are all dated September 1933.
- 1 Rand McNally Road Atlas containing highway maps of all States. It appears that the map for the State of Texas has been handled and used considerably.
- 1 necktie purchased from Foster Bros., Minneapolis.
- 1 shirt purchased from the Washington Shirt Co. Stores for Men (address unknown).
- 1 shirt purchased from May Bros. (address unknown).

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- 1 new grey suit, Sterlingworth Brand, made by "Woolf". (address unknown). The trousers of this suit have the name "Shannon" written in indelible ink in the inside.
- 1 dark blue vest (trousers and coat missing).
- 1 shirt bearing the label "May Bros. Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Bartlett, Muskogee".
- 1 new shirt purchased from Juster Bros., Minneapolis.

Several of the shirts had been laundered and were still in the laundry wrapper bearing the address 1100 Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

There were also a number of standard brand shirts which bore no labels indicating where they were purchased, handkerchiefs, socks, underwear and ties. Practically all of the clothing which had been laundered bore the laundry mark "RGS". No other laundry marks were noticed.

The baggage also contained several sets of what appeared to be automobile keys, a compass, smoking tobacco, matches, writing paper and toilet articles. There was also found in the baggage a Colt automatic .45, Government model, pistol, serial C-123691, containing one cartridge clip fully loaded. No other firearms or ammunition were found in the baggage. [redacted] stated that her son, who is connected with the National Guard at Biloxi, had examined the pistol and, finding it rusty, had spent considerable time cleaning and oiling it, and that he had also fired it a number of times. In view of this information, it appears that it would be impossible to obtain any identifying marks from the pistol which might be of interest.

With reference to the disposition of Kelly's baggage, [redacted] stated that she is entitled to keep or sell same for Kelly's bill; that she will not relinquish it unless she is reimbursed at the rate of \$1.00 per day for the entire time the baggage has been in her possession, that is, from August 27, 1933, and that if she is not reimbursed in this amount, she will sell or otherwise dispose of the baggage in satisfaction of this obligation. [redacted] did, however, agree to lend the automatic pistol for further examination, a receipt was given her for this gun, and it is now in the possession of the New Orleans office. Unless otherwise instructed, I will have [redacted] of the Identification Bureau of the New Orleans Police Department, and who is an expert ballisticsian, fire test bullets from this pistol for comparison with the micro-photographic reproductions of .45 cal. cartridge case and bullet used in the Kansas City massacre, which were recently furnished to [redacted] by this office.

In the event any of the property in [redacted] possession should be desired for further examination or for use as evidence, it can be borrowed from her or else she can be required to produce same on subpoena.

After the interview with [redacted] it was ascertained through [redacted] of the Biloxi Laundry, Inc., 244 Porter Street, that on August 28, 1933, ROY STEWART left a bundle of laundry and that he has never

returned to claim it. Subject Kelly, who was using the name J. L. Baker while in Biloxi, evidently used the name Roy Stewart at the time he left his laundry, in order that the name might correspond with the laundry marks RGS appearing on all of his clothing. An examination was made of the laundry, which was found to contain shirts and pajamas purchased from Phillips-Jones-Horton, address unknown; Rothschild's, address unknown, The Fair, Ft. Worth; two old heavy blue work shirts purchased from J. G. Penny, address unknown; underwear, handkerchiefs, socks, one pair of white flannel trousers with a small pin stripe, and a pair of cheap blue work pants. All of this clothing bore the laundry mark RGS, and the charges due on the laundry amount to \$2.00. It was not deemed advisable to pay the charges and obtain possession of the laundry since it did not appear that it could serve any useful purpose.

[redacted] of the Biloxi Laundry, Inc., readily identified photographs of Kelly as the man who left the laundry as Roy Stewart.

Copies of this letter are being furnished to the Kansas City office and no action will be taken with reference to the .45 calibre automatic pistol now in possession of this office, until instructions have been received. As stated previously, this gun has been cleaned, oiled and fired a number of times by [redacted] and it is not probable that any identifying data might be obtained from same. [redacted] of the local Police Department, is thoroughly competent to take test bullets and make micro-photographic reproductions of same for comparison, in the event such action is desired.

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Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division ✓
Oklahoma City
Dallas
Kansas City
St. Paul
Chicago

2000 Extra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
Sept. 29, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
2000 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Ill.

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RE: GEORGE KELLY with aliases et al.
CHARLES F. BRONKHORST - Victim.
Kidnaping. S.L. File 9-33.

Dear Sir:

Referring to my letter of September 28th to
the above entitled matter, I wish to inform that the
Thompson Sub-Machine gun found among the personal effects
of Albert L. Bates alias George L. Davis, at Denver, Colorado,
is a 1931 model, and not 1933, as mentioned therein.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. BUCH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Washington
cc - Chicago
cc - New York
cc - Kansas City.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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

October 1, 1933.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Special Agent [redacted] called from Memphis at 9:35 this morning and stated that Mr. Keith and his party had left there at 8:30 AM, (Central Standard Time), that everything was going as had been planned and that arrangements along the route had been made according to the plans. It is about a three hour trip and [redacted] said they would arrive in Oklahoma City at approximately noon, (C.S.T.). Included in the party besides Mr. Keith were Special Agent in Charge Rorer, Special Agents [redacted], [redacted] and a deputy marshal.

Mr. Keith will call the Division upon his arrival at Oklahoma City.

Respectfully,

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DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASH DC

AGENTS KEITH ROBER [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ARRIVED OKLAHOMACITY ONE
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 30, 1933.

Mr. Nathan	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Locke	_____

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Keith called at 3:50 PM to advise that the newspapers had agreed to the arrangement you had instructed him to try to make, and that there will be no news story run in Memphis until after they have left, that everything was all set and they were planning on leaving early in the morning. I instructed him to call the Division in the event any word did leak out in the evening papers down there, and he said that he was keeping a close watch for anything of that sort, and if the papers did publish anything about it he would cancel all arrangements. Mr. Keith also said the plane he had arranged for was O.K. but that he thought he was going to be able to get a brand new fifteen passenger Condor with two pilots through the courtesy of the American Airways. Mr. Keith stated he understood that you were going to call him this evening, and that he would wait in his room for the call. I informed that I thought you would call about eleven o'clock.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
V. W. Hughes.

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WESTERN UNION

Received at 708 14th St., N. W. Washington, D. C.

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DIRECTOR DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION-
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHDC=

RE TELEGRAM YESTERDAY CONCERNING BROADCAST OF REMOVAL KELLY
STOP CHIEF POLICE LEE MEMPHIS NOW ADVISES BROADCAST MADE BY
STATION WREC INDEPENDENTLY OWNED-LOCAL STATION ALSO
AFFILIATED WITH COLUMBIA CHAIN STOP BROADCAST NOT MADE BY

WMC=

SPECIAL AGENT.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg **RECORDED**
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan **INDEXED**
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Ladd

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September 28, 1933.

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

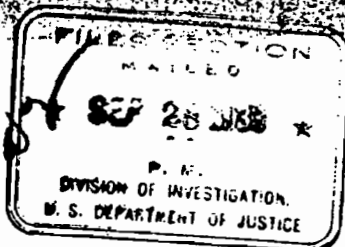
Dear Sir:

The Division has received a copy of the de-
coded telegram forwarded by your office under date of
September 21, 1933, to the St. Paul Office of the Di-
vision, relative to the Urschel kidnaping case, and
attached thereto was a copy of the coded telegram re-
lating to the same matter.

In this regard, I desire to call your atten-
tion to that section of the Manual of Rules and Regula-
tions relative to coded telegrams. It is desired that
in the future this matter receive your careful atten-
tion.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Coker*

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

URSCHER KIDNAPING JOSEPH LEBBEYER CHIEF OF POLICE MINNEAPOLIS
AND PRISONER STANLEY SHIRCLIFF DEPARTED CHICAGO TEN FORTY
AM TODAY VIA CHICAGO MILWAUKEE ST PAUL RR STOP EXPECTED ARRIVE
MINNEAPOLIS NINE FORTY FIVE TONIGHT

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 30, 1933.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I called [redacted] on the telephone and advised him of Mr. Keenan's request that authorization be forwarded to the United States Marshal at Oklahoma City to continue the services of the guards specially employed there, as the original authorization had been for the duration only of the trial. [redacted] stated he would immediately give the matter his attention and forward the necessary authorization.

Respectfully,

W. W. Hughes
V. W. Hughes.

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Charles F. Venable

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September 30, 1933.

Police Department,
Memphis, Tennessee.

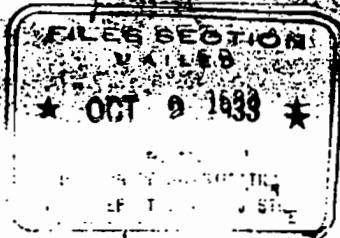
By [REDACTED]

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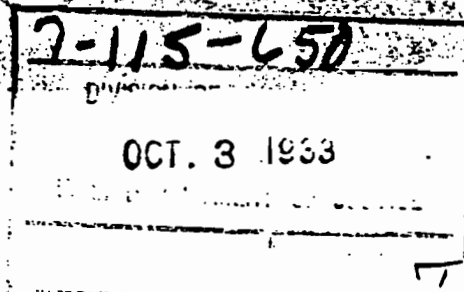
Again thanking you for the very valuable assistance which you rendered in this case, I am, with best personal regards,

Cordially yours,

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September 30, 1933.

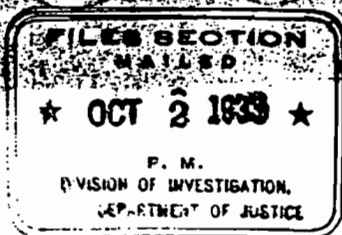
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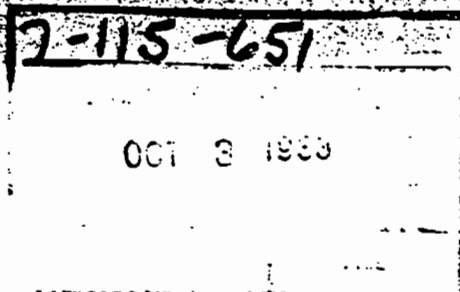
Again thanking you for the very valuable assistance which you rendered in this case, I am, with best personal regards,

Cordially yours,

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October 2, 1933.

Chief Inspector,
Police Department,
Memphis, Tennessee.

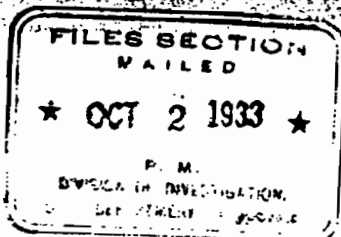
My dear Inspector:-

I want to take this opportunity to express to you my sincere appreciation for the assistance which you rendered to representatives of the Division of Investigation in connection with the George H. "Machine Gun" Kelly matter. Your helpful aid in this case has been of material assistance to this Division and is deeply appreciated. I also want to assure you that you need but to call upon me at any time that I can be of any assistance to you in any way in matters of mutual interest and obligation.

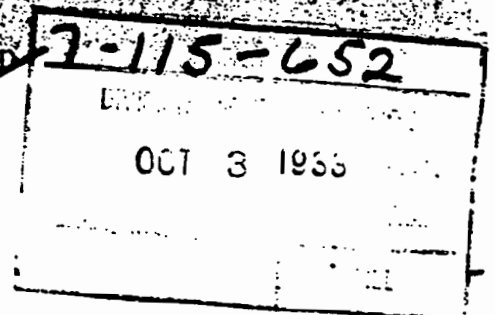
With best personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Memphis, Tennessee.

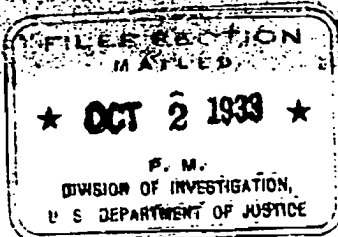
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Cordially yours,

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September 30, 1933.

Police Department,
Memphis, Tennessee.

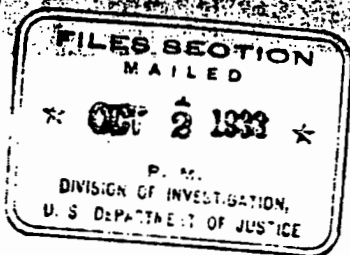
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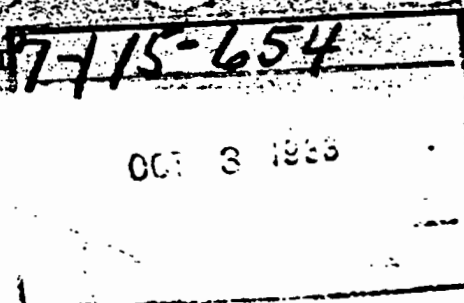
Again thanking you for the very valuable assistance which you rendered in this case, I am, with best personal regards,

Cordially yours,

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Police Department,
Memphis, Tennessee.

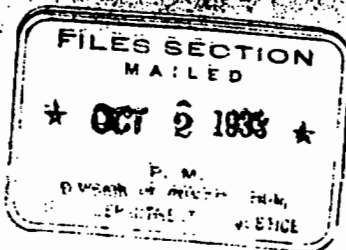
My Dear Sir:

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Again thanking you for the very valuable assistance which you rendered in this case, I am, with best personal regards,

Cordially yours,

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September 30, 1933.

Chief of Police,
Memphis, Tennessee.

My dear Chief:-

I want to sincerely thank you for the splendid and courageous cooperation which you and members of your force furnished to the Division of Investigation at Memphis on Tuesday morning in connection with the capture of George R. Kelly and his associates. The assistance rendered to representatives of this Division by you and your Department on this occasion is only one of many instances of splendid cooperation which uniformly has been manifested by the Police Department of Memphis in matters in which this Division has had an official interest. You are to be congratulated upon the efficiency and effectiveness of the men under your command upon this occasion and I will appreciate it if you will express my commendation to the force under your supervision for the manner in which they assisted in the Kelly matter.

Permit me at this time to again assure you that the Division of Investigation stands ready at all times to be of every possible assistance to you in all matters of mutual obligation. It is my sincere conviction that the solution of the present crime problem is closer cooperation between Federal, State, and local law-enforcement officials and agencies and the coordination of all law-enforcing bodies in meeting the common enemy. The successful termination of the search for George R. Kelly in Memphis clearly indicates the efficacy of this coordination in the joint operation of Federal and local forces toward a common purpose and will serve to forcibly bring to the attention of the gangster element the fact that the forces of law and order do not intend to temporize with organized crime.

Again thanking you for your valuable assistance in this matter, I am, with best personal regards,

Cordially yours,

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This is a full-rate telegram or Cablegram unless the desired character is indicated by a suitable sign above or preceding the address.

WESTERN UNION

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

J. C. WELLS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

The filing time as shown in the date line on full-rate telegrams and day letters, and the time of receipt at destination as shown on the message, is guaranteed.

Received at 708 14th St., N. W. Washington, D. C.

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FORWARD IMMEDIATELY AIR MAIL ORIGINAL THREATENING LETTER TO URSCHER ORIGINAL LETTER KATHRYN KELLY TO KEENAN ORIGINAL LETTER TO DAILY OKLAHOMAN TOGETHER WITH SCIENTIFIC COMMENT ON REPORTS ON ORIGINS=

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Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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Mr. Egan.....
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Mr. Quinn.....
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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*Letter to Clegg
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October 2, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the case entitled **GEORGE
E. SMITH, et al - KIDNAPING.**

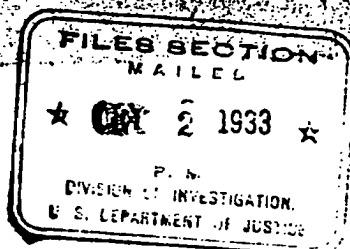
In compliance with the telegraphic request made
by Mr. Nathan, there are transmitted herewith letters addressed
to THE OKLAHOMIAN and to Mr. Ureman, together with Mr. Appel's
laboratory report on same. There is also inclosed the letter
to Mr. Joseph F. Keenan, signed by Kathryn C. Kelly. Mr. Appel
has not yet had an opportunity to carefully examine this letter,
but has advised from casual observation that it was undoubtedly
written by Mrs. Kelly. Photographic copies are being made and
after a more complete examination of this letter is made by
Mr. Appel the Oklahoma City office will be advised of the find-
ings by telegraph.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Incl. 576983
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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.



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October 2, 1933.

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

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 6th, in which you instruct that a list of Western Union Telegraph Company offices, similar to that previously secured from the Postal Telegraph Company, covering its offices, be obtained and forwarded to you.

Agreeable with said instructions, a call was made at the Executive Offices of the Western Union Telegraph Company, this city, for the purposes outlined by you, which developed information to the effect that the last complete list, showing the various headquarters maintained by the Western Union Company in various parts of the country, is more than a year old, for which reason the officials of said company were reluctant in preparing a copy for our use, feeling that it probably was too far out of date to be of practical utility. The list is to be revised and published when it is entirely corrected, at which time a copy of same will be furnished to this office. However, for such present use as it may possess, I am transmitting herewith, in duplicate, those officials taken from the existing list which coincide, as nearly as possible, with the similar information supplied by the Postal Company. In connection with the use of it, however,

[redacted] suggests that in addressing communications to any of the officers named on the list, that such communication be addressed simply "Superintendent, Western Union Telegraph Company", at the particular point affected, without mentioning the name of the individual listed as Superintendent at that point. This will avoid having a letter addressed to the individual follow him to other points in the country on the presumption that it is intended for him personally rather than for the office of which he may have been formerly in charge.

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In addition to the list of towns, there is likewise enclosed, in duplicate, a chart showing the various divisions main-

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tained by the Western Union Company and the territory allocated to each district. This, of course, is presently up to date. As soon as the new list is received from the Western Union Company, it will be forwarded to you.

Very truly yours,

F. X. Fay
F. X. FAY, Assistant
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosures

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF THE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] General Manager, San Francisco.

[REDACTED] American Traffic Manager, New York.

[REDACTED] General Plant Manager, New York.

[REDACTED] Traffic Director, Horta, Paval, Ancon.

DURAN AGENCY:

[REDACTED] Manager, Havana.

NEWFOUNDLAND LINES:

[REDACTED] Supt., St. Johns, N.F.

EASTERN DIVISION

Headquarters - New York:

[REDACTED] General Manager.

Divisional Offices reporting to General Manager:

Albany, N. Y.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Baltimore, Md.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Boston, Mass.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Buffalo, N. Y.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Hartford, Conn.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
New Haven, Conn.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Philadelphia, Pa.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Pittsburgh, Pa.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Providence, R. I.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Rochester, N. Y.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Syracuse, N. Y.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.
Washington, D. C.	-	[REDACTED]	Supt.

METROPOLITAN DIVISION:

Headquarters - New York

[REDACTED] General Manager.

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SOUTHERN DIVISION:

Headquarters - Atlanta

[REDACTED] General Manager

First District: [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Second District: Jacksonville, Florida

[REDACTED] District Supt.

Fourth District: Nashville, Tennessee

[REDACTED] District Supt.

Divisional Offices reporting to General Manager:

Atlanta, Ga.	-	Supt.
Birmingham, Ala.	-	Supt.
Charlotte, N. C.	-	Supt.
Chattanooga, Tenn.	-	Supt.
Jacksonville, Fla.	-	Supt.
Louisville, Ky.	-	Supt.
Memphis, Tenn.	-	Supt.
Miami, Fla.	-	Supt.
Mobile, Ala.	-	Supt.
Nashville, Tenn.	-	Supt.
Norfolk, Va.	-	Supt.
Richmond, Va.	-	Supt.
Savannah, Ga.	-	Supt.
Tampa, Fla.	-	Supt.

LAKE DIVISION:

Headquarters - Chicago

[REDACTED] General Manager

Second District: Chicago, Ill.

[REDACTED] District Supt.

Third District: Chicago, Ill.

[REDACTED] District Supt.

Fourth District: Cincinnati, O.

[REDACTED] District Supt.

Divisional Offices Reporting to General Manager:

Akron, Ohio -

Cleveland, Ohio -

Columbus, Ohio -

Dayton, Ohio -

Detroit, Mich. -

Grand Rapids, Mich. -

Indianapolis, Ind. -

Milwaukee, Wis. -

Toledo, O. -

GENERAL DIVISION:

Headquarters - Omaha

General Manager

First District - Minneapolis, Minn.

District Supt.

Second District - Omaha, Nebraska

District Supt.

Third District - Kansas City, Mo.

District Supt.

Divisional Offices Reporting to General Manager:

Des Moines, Iowa -

Duluth, Minn. -

Kansas City, Mo. -

Lincoln, Neb. -

Minneapolis, Minn. -

Omaha, Neb. -

St. Louis, Mo. -

St. Paul, Minn. -

Spirit City, Iowa -

Wichita, Kans. -

GULF DIVISION:

Headquarters - Dallas

General Manager

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Third District - Oklahoma City, Okla.
District Supt.

Divisional Offices Reporting to General Manager:

Albuquerque, N.M.	-	Supt.
Denver, Colo.	-	Supt.
El Paso, Tex.	-	Supt.
Fort Worth, Tex.	-	Supt.
Galveston, Tex.	-	Supt.
Houston, Tex.	-	Supt.
Little Rock, Ark.	-	Supt.
New Orleans, La.	-	Supt.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	-	Supt.
San Antonio, Tex.	-	Supt.
Shreveport, La.	-	Supt.
Tulsa, Okla.	-	Supt.

MOUNTAIN DIVISION:
Headquarters - Denver

General Manager

Divisional Offices Reporting to General Manager:

Denver, Colo.	-	Supt.
Salt Lake City, Utah	-	Supt.

PACIFIC DIVISION:
Headquarters - San Francisco

General Manager

First District - San Francisco, Calif.
District Supt.

Second District - Seattle
District Supt.

Third District - Los Angeles, Calif.
District Supt.

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Divisional Offices Reporting to General Manager

San Francisco, Calif.
 Portland, Ore.
 San Diego, Calif.
 San Francisco, Calif.
 Seattle, Wash.
 Spokane, Wash.

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DIVISIONS AND DISTRICTS

COMMERCIAL								
DIVISIONS:	EASTERN	METROPOL	SOUTHERN	LAKE	CENTRAL	GULF	MOUNTAIN	PACIFIC
FIRST DISTRICT	New York New Jersey except Metropolitan Division	Battery to Canal Street	North Carolina South Carolina Virginia Except Eastern Peninsula	—	North Dakota South Dakota Minnesota	Louisiana Texas Except as below	Colorado New Mexico Wyoming Utah Except Grand Canyon	California Nevada Except as below
SECOND DISTRICT	Delaware Maryland Pennsylvania Virginia Eastern Peninsula West Virginia	Canal Street to 40th Street	—	Indiana Michigan Except North	Iowa Nebraska	—	Idaho Montana Utah Wyoming Except Grand Canyon	Oregon Washington Alaska B. C.
THIRD DISTRICT	Connecticut Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont	40th Street to 59th Street	Florida Georgia	Illinois Michigan North Wisconsin	Kansas Missouri	Arkansas Oklahoma Texas handls from Wichita Falls West	—	Arizona California Nevada Except Southern Part
FOURTH DISTRICT	—	Brooklyn Long Island and Statens Island	Alabama Kentucky Mississippi Tennessee	Ohio	*North of and including Texas and San Luis Obispo *South of Texas and Santa Maria			
FIFTH DISTRICT	—	59th Street to City Line	TRAFFIC DIVISIONS are the same as Commercial Divisions. PLANT DIVISIONS. The Plant Department has no Metropolitan Division. The other divisions are the same except those shown below, which are as follows:					
SUBURBAN DISTRICT	—	Suburban points in New Jersey and in Westchester County, New York						
			LAKE	OHIO	EASTERN	NORTHERN		
			Illinois Indiana Michigan North Wisconsin	Michigan (Except North) Ohio	Delaware D. C. Maryland New Jersey New York Pennsylvania Virginia (Peninsula) West Virginia	Connecticut Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont New Brunswick Nova Scotia Newfoundland		

October 2, 1933.

J.H.

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALLS

I advised Mr. Nathan by telephone of the charges made against the Division by Police Director Reppert of Kansas City, of criminal negligence in the handling of the Frank Nash recapture. Mr. Nathan stated, contrary to the statement made by Mr. Reppert, that the Kansas City Police Department was notified that the prisoner to be brought in was Frank Nash. I also advised that Reppert had stated that the Government gave practically no assistance in solving the McElroy kidnaping case, and that the State could have been as successful without the aid of the Federal Government.

I stated to Mr. Nathan I had talked with Mr. Vetterli with regard to this matter and Vetterli had advised that he advised the Police Department that Frank Nash, a very dangerous criminal, was to be brought in, and that he desired the services of not less than two men, and that he, Vetterli, is forwarding to the Division a statement to this effect by Air Mail.

With regard to the McElroy case, Mr. Nathan stated he could be quoted as saying he heard Mr. McElroy voice the highest praise for the valuable assistance rendered by Vetterli in that case.

With regard to the charge made by Reppert that Chief Higgins solved the Kansas City massacre case, Mr. Nathan stated that if this were true the Division would really desire to know what his information is. He further stated that it looks as though if they really solved the case, they would have by this time taken some prosecutive action, as Bailey has not even been indicted for murder.

I advised we had received information that the wives of Holden and Keating were this week-end to come to Kansas City to visit their husbands, and would go then to St. Louis where they would meet "V" (probably Verne Miller) and the other boys. I stated that it is reported that telephone calls are going out from them from a drug store which is the headquarters of an Italian mob in Kansas City, which is the mob which backs Lavier.

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I advised Mr. Nathan that the way the situation is at present, it seems as though the Agents will be released from guard duty at Oklahoma City, providing he, Mr. Nathan, will vouch for the deputies appointed by the Marshal to replace these Agents.

Mr. Nathan advised that as he entered the jail today Bates was being brought downstairs, at the request of the Marshal, to have a private conference with Katherine Kelly; that it seems that Katherine Kelly said to United States Attorney Hyde that if she could talk to Bates she would get out of Bates where his share of the money is and tell Hyde; that he, Mr. Nathan, immediately told Hyde he was opposed to this procedure but of course could issue no instructions; that it was decided he could call Hyde and tell him how he felt about the matter; that he did this, and Hyde decided to hold up this action until an opportunity presented itself when they could all discuss the matter.

Mr. Nathan stated that the attorneys were in again today to see the prisoners, and he told the Marshal he thought the Attorneys should only see the prisoners once a day between certain hours; and that each time they should have specific permission from Hyde. Mr. Nathan stated the Marshal is new at this job, only having been there a month or so.

With regard to State prosecution, Hyde told Colvin they wanted to do just what we desired, and Mr. Nathan states he told Colvin we were to have no say in the matter.

I advised Mr. Nathan of the controversy developing over the disposition of the reward money in connection with the capture of George Kelly.

I requested Mr. Vetterli to send a full and detailed report on the Frank Nash recapture. Mr. Vetterli stated he advised the Police officials he would need some assistance as they were bringing in a Federal prisoner; that they advised they would provide some men from the cruisers; that he advised the prisoner was Frank Nash, a dangerous gangster, and they stated they would give him men from the "hot shot car" in this event. Mr. Vetterli stated that the guards (agents and police) accompanying Frank Nash spread over an area of about 15 or 20 feet. Mr. Vetterli stated it has developed that even had they used the basement to leave the automobile in, the gang had that covered, as well.

Mr. Vetterli advised with regard to the Kansas City massacre that Higgins had only furnished the name of one man, Wise alias Wiseman, a gangster from Baltimore, but would furnish no particulars merely stating he understood he was mixed up in the affair, but that our investigation failed to show any connection. Mr. Vetterli further stated that either Higgins or Reppert gave to the Division the name of Verne Miller, but that we already were checking his possible connection with the matter before either of them gave us his name.

With regard to the McElroy case, Mr. Vetterli stated it was he who discovered the telegram and it was also he who arranged to get those people back from Texas by plane.

I stated that Mr. Vetterli should decline to make any statement to the press with regard to the charges made by Reppert.

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

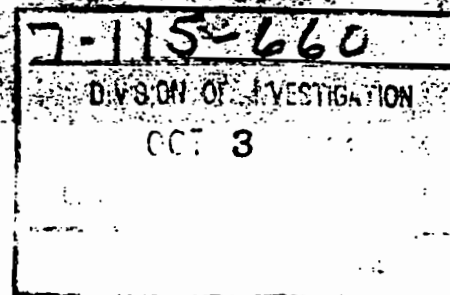
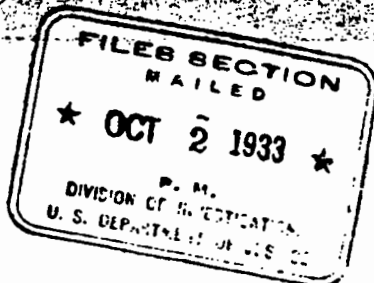
George Kelly
I requested Mr. Nathan, the Assistant Director of the Division who is at present in Oklahoma City, to endeavor to arrange for the guarding of Kelly, Bailey, Bates, et al, at the Oklahoma City Jail by the United States Marshal's force rather than by Agents of this Division. As you know, for the past several weeks the Agents of this Division, together with some Deputy United States Marshals, have been taking care of this situation at the Oklahoma City Jail. Eight of our Agents have been tied up on this guard duty and this has been a very serious burden to carry, in view of the large volume of work which we have been called upon to perform and the very limited number of investigators available.

I am informed that the Marshal has agreed to take over the entire responsibility for the handling of this matter on Wednesday morning of this week but that he will probably request permission from the Department to employ three deputies in addition to those he already has.

I wanted to advise you of this possible forthcoming request of the United States Marshal at Oklahoma City and of the contemplated plan to have our Agents released from this assignment and have the entire matter handled by the Marshal's force after Wednesday morning of this week.

Very truly yours,

Director.



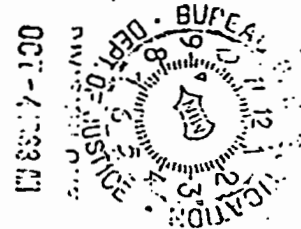
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900 Ezra Thompson Bldg.,
Salt Lake City, Utah,
September 30, 1933

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Ladd



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

In re: George Kelly with aliases, et al
Charles F. Urschel - Victim
S.L. File 7-10

Dear Sir:

Among the personal effects of Albert L. Bates alias George L. Davis, stored in the Weicker Warehouse and Storage Company, Denver, Colorado, which were examined on the evening of September 27, 1933, permit me to advise that the attached paper was found therein.

Casual reading of the contents of same indicates it might possibly be a fortune telling or card game. However, not wishing to overlook the possibility that it might have a certain meaning and be a code of some kind, I submit same to the Division for such consideration and study it believes should be given to it.

Very truly yours,

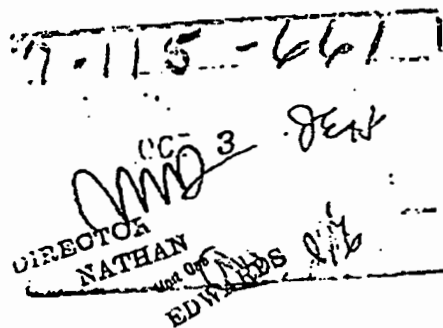
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Laboratory Report

Case:

Specimen:

Number: 7-115-66.

Examination requested by:

Date received:

Examination desired:

Date of Report:

Result of examination:

Examination by:

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possibly also used as gang code or one
between Bates & the woman who
wrote it who may be Clara Feldman
whose name is on back. Not like
anonymous letter to Mrs. Keenan sent
from Seattle nor Mrs. Kelly's handwriting.

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Mr. Nathan. ☒
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 Mr. Quinn. ☐
 Mr. Locke. ☐

September 28, 1933

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALLS - Urschel case.

I inquired of Mr. Rorer how the publicity regarding an alleged confession by Kelly had gotten out, inasmuch as we in Washington had heard nothing about the same. Mr. Rorer advised that all that referred to was when they were bringing Kelly in the other morning he said, "You've got me right on the Urschel case but you haven't got me right on Chicago". He stated that police officers were present when this statement was made, and undoubtedly told the press.

I inquired who gave to the press the story that Ramsey had made a confession, and stated that it had been the intention of the Attorney General to break this story at the press conference this afternoon.

I advised that the morning paper quotes Mr. Keith as saying that Katherine Kelly did not leave George Kelly because she feared for her life. I advised that these newspaper revelations are likely to ruin the present trial in Oklahoma City.

I further advised that the paper states that there have been no details given as to the removal of Kelly from Memphis because there was too much talk at Kansas City, which resulted in the massacre. I stated I had already had inquiry made of me whether our Kansas City office was derelict in that regard. The newspaper article, I advised, quotes Mr. Keith as saying there was too much talk at Kansas City.

Mr. Rorer stated that Kelly has made no statement except last night he said to Rorer he was at Biloxi, Mississippi on August 28th and that headlines came out he was in the city and left hurriedly, leaving a .25 automatic and some baggage. Mr. Rorer stated he called Mr. Whitley and asked him to get this property. He stated, however, that the papers do not have this information.

Mr. Rorer stated that Katherine Kelly is just beginning to talk; that she says Kelly was the trusty who let Keating and Holden out of Leavenworth.

I advised that I desired that no developments be given to the newspapers.

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Mr. C. L. R. Tolson

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With regard to the removal of these prisoners, Mr. Rorer advised that last night Mr. Keith went to see the airplane authorities about the use of two planes, if necessary. He stated that he and Mr. Keith decided it would be impossible to get them out of the jail without the newspaper representatives finding it out, as they are around the jail at all times. He stated they had considered calling in the Editors of the papers and give them an ultimatum that the information had to be withheld until they get these prisoners to Oklahoma City. I advised that no action be taken on this matter, as I was considering ordering Mr. Nathan to Memphis to take charge of the situation. Mr. Rorer stated that the Court order for removal had been signed, the prisoners have waived removal, and they are ready to leave at a word's notice.

With regard to the transportation of these prisoners, I advised Mr. Rorer that the papers say we intend to move them by plane. Mr. Rorer stated he did not know how this information got out. I advised that in reality I am trying to have arrangements made to move them either by Army plane or commercial plane.

Mr. Rorer advised that two Agents came in yesterday, and one last evening, and the only one still to arrive is [REDACTED] from Cincinnati.
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I instructed that he continue questioning Mrs. Kelly, and he stated he would start immediately following this telephone conversation. I instructed that he keep us advised of further developments, but give none to the newspaper.

I read to Mr. Keith the articles in the Washington papers quoting him and advised him that the defense counsel will probably take these statements as defense for Katherine Kelly on the grounds that she was kept in the racket because of fear of Kelly. I advised that there is also a statement to the effect that Ramsey has made a full confession, and that Kelly has confessed.

Mr. Keith said he has been misquoted ever since he has been in Memphis. He stated that the Court House is absolutely surrounded by newspaper men from all over the country; that every time he goes near the jail or court house he is mobbed by dozens of newspaper men; that they inquired of him whether Kelly had confessed and he stated that Kelly had not confessed, nor had he made any statement; that he stated Katherine Kelly had made no statement; that yesterday as he was leaving the jail he was mobbed by the reporters and was advised that they had an AP dispatch that Ramsey had gone to Texas, and he did not mention the money but stated he had gone for some furs, and sug-

gested that they get in touch with the Attorney General in Washington for further information. Mr. Keith stated that the story in the papers is almost like the telegram which he sent in to the Division, and that this telegram was not sent in code as they have no code book there. I instructed that Rorer request Birmingham by long distance to send them a code book by air mail or special delivery, whichever is quicker.

I advised that he should maintain a cordial attitude toward the reporters, but should state he could give them no developments. Mr. Keith advised that the United States Attorney has returned to Jacksonville, and wanted to have all the details in filing the complaint, and he was of course told all about the case. He stated that the United States Attorney has requested that the Agents take a friend of his who is on the press, back to Oklahoma City when they remove the prisoners, which request Mr. Keith of course refused. Mr. Keith stated that the Marshal there is willing to have us handle the removal and has assigned a man to us for that purpose. I suggested that four men accompany Katherine and George Kelly. Mr. Keith stated he could get a nine-passenger plane there at a moment's notice, which would cost around 60¢ a mile, and the distance is five-hundred-odd miles. He stated it is a Travel-air plane run by the American Airways, a regular commercial line. I inquired whether there was a landing field near Oklahoma City, but not in Oklahoma City. I advised that as soon as Mr. Nathan arrives he should see [redacted] and [redacted] and take them into our confidence, in view of the cooperation they have given us. Mr. Keith advised there is no regular airline between Memphis and Oklahoma City, and a plane would have to follow the lighted airline via Dallas, which is some 200 miles out of the way, provided they go at night. Mr. Keith stated that the Municipal Airport at Oklahoma City is the only one near there, to his knowledge. I requested that Mr. Keith ascertain how long it would take to go from ~~Memphis to~~ Oklahoma City, via Dallas and Ft. Worth over the lighted airway. b7C

Mr. Blake advised they are filing another complaint against another individual there near Coleman this morning, for aiding and abetting in the concealment of Kelly, and that the name of this individual is Will Casey, and he lives near Ballinger, 40 miles west of Coleman; that he accepted three \$100 bills from Kelly before he knew who Kelly really was, but when he went to get the money changed Coleman told him who Kelly was; that

on August 16 or 17 Casey rented a house owned by him to Kelly, which house was located about 6 miles from Ballinger, but that the Kellys only stayed there a couple of days; that they are charging Coleman with Harboring a fugitive, which gives them time to do whatever they desire in Oklahoma City.

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Mr. ~~Casey~~ stated that yesterday when Casey first started talking he said the man he rented the house to was about 60 years old and named Baker, which was the name Kelly was using at the time.

After talking with Mr. Keith and with Mr. Nathan, it was decided it would not be necessary for Mr. Nathan to proceed to Memphis. I advised Mr. Nathan at length of my conversation with Mr. Keith.

I advised that Mr. Stanley is endeavoring to get an Army plane to transport the prisoners to Oklahoma, but if this could not be done we would charter a commercial plane. I requested that Mr. Nathan determine if there are any airfields in or near Oklahoma City, beside the Municipal Airfield, where the plane could land. Mr. Nathan stated he would find out and advise. I called to his attention the fact that if we land in a rural section we will have to transport them in cars to the jail in Oklahoma City. He stated that he felt no fear for this at all. He stated he did know there was a large field at Tulsa, which is approximately 3 hours train ride from Oklahoma City, and possibly about the same by automobile.

Mr. Nathan stated that the newspaper men in Oklahoma City have indicated that it doesn't matter whether they are told about the transportation of the prisoners, as that is fixed up through Memphis.

Mr. Nathan suggested that we might transport them from Memphis to St. Louis, keep them there over-night, and bring them the next day to Oklahoma City.

Mr. Nathan will advise as soon as the legal authorities say it is all-right to bring the prisoners to Oklahoma City. He stated that Mr. Keith had advised this morning that Kelly will fight removal.

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██████████ advised he has been in conference with the Assistant Secretary of War regarding the securing of an Army plane to take the Kellys from Memphis to Oklahoma City within 24 hours, and that there is a general order forbidding the War Department to lend a plane to any other Department, but that he is going to call back in a few minutes to see whether they cannot some way get around that. I advised that as a matter of fact we had two Army planes out of Birmingham the other night to take our men up to Memphis.

I advised Mr. Keith of the decision to have Mr. Nathan remain at Oklahoma City. I advised that in the event we have to hire a commercial plane, the Department advises this will be the duty of the Marshal and cannot be assumed by our Agents, and that the Marshal would have to defray any and all expense in that connection. I instructed Mr. Keith to contact the Marshal, pledge him to absolute secrecy, and have him send a telegram requesting the necessary authority for the hire of that plane. I stated that the Department would authorize this, and all the Marshal would have to do is assign one Deputy to go along, and the rest of the men will be our Agents.

I stated I thought it would be better to leave in early morning; that although it is evident the newspapers will find out about the removal, we will say nothing. Mr. Keith advised that Tulsa is ninety miles from Oklahoma City, is about a three hour drive, and probably would be a good place to land.

I requested that tentative arrangements be made for use of the plane, without committing ourselves. Mr. Keith stated that this has already been done - that he has available at any time a plane to accommodate nine persons. I suggested that Mr. Keith, Mr. Rorer, ██████████ and ██████████ should accompany the Kellys. I instructed that they should be handcuffed and shackled to the plane. Inasmuch as Mr. Rorer is Agent in Charge of the district covering Memphis, it was decided that he should not accompany the Kellys, but that Mr. Keith, ██████████ and ██████████ should go.

Mr. Keith advised that this morning when they started to resume the questioning of Katherine Kelly she pretended to be having a stroke of appendicitis. Mr. Keith stated this had been kept absolutely a secret.

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Mr. Keith stated he had her examined by a physician, who reports that she absolutely does not have appendicitis; that she has no temperature, and has only nervous indigestion, and that the physician gave her some medicine. Mr. Keith stated that a doctor will examine her about three times a day, and that she really wants to go to Oklahoma City. I instructed Mr. Keith that when they are ready to remove these prisoners, they should secure a doctor's certificate that she is physically able to travel by air to Oklahoma City. I also instructed that if the physician thinks it advisable, we should secure a trained nurse to accompany her to Oklahoma City. He stated the matter would be left entirely in the hands of the doctor.

Katherine Kelly, according to Mr. Keith, has made the statement that Verne Miller is going to kill Urschel; that she does not know where Verne Miller is now, and has not seen him for two years. I instructed Mr. Keith to call Mr. Nathan at Oklahoma City and tell him about this, in order that Mr. Nathan may tell [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advises that the President is working on some ^{proposition} ~~composition~~ whereby the War Department can make some exception to the order, but Assistant Secretary of War Woodring does not feel as though he should take any action in the matter, as they receive complaints about such things from private air lines. I advised that we would charter a plane from a commercial airline.

Mr. Rorer advised that a broadcasting company in Chicago called and stated they were calling for Lowell Thomas, and requested to be advised whether it was true that Kelly had confessed, and he advised that Mr. Hoover in Washington was in possession of all the facts in the case and that they would have to get any information from him.

Mr. Rorer stated he thought they should cover the plane owned by [REDACTED] in Chicago, and I suggested that he call Chicago and have them cover the plane.

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I also advised Mr. Rorer that they should have a doctor's certificate before removing Katherine Kelly.

I requested Mr. Rorer to endeavor to ascertain from Katherine Kelly information regarding the statement in a letter written by her or Kelly stating that Jarrett was a finger-man, and also, ascertain how they happened to pick Urschel for the kidnaping.

It was decided that Mr. Nathan should handle the publicity at Oklahoma City regarding the arrival of the Kellys, and that he should tell a few representatives of the newspapers of the arrival about three hours before it occurs, and have them pledge that they will not tell the public prior to the arrival. I stated that although we could not stop them from taking pictures, there would be no posing. I told Mr. Nathan that I would talk with the Attorney General regarding the telling to the newspaper representatives that the Kellys would arrive, and that I would advise him later this evening.

Mr. Nathan stated the plane would have to stop in Little Rock, Arkansas for gas, and he has made arrangements for the same. I stated I thought he should send to Little Rock right away Gus Jones, who could board the plane at Little Rock and come with them to Oklahoma City. I advised that if he had someone else he preferred to send to Little Rock, it would be satisfactory with me. Mr. Nathan advised that the "legal talent" at Oklahoma City advises that anytime will be satisfactory to bring the prisoners to Oklahoma City.

Mr. Nathan stated that Kelly can be kept in the same manner as they are keeping Bailey and Bates, but Katherine Kelly will have to be in the women's ward where there are no facilities for keeping her incommunicado. I advised that I wanted her to be allowed to talk with no one, except upon authority from us, and Mr. Nathan stated he would see what could be done to effect this arrangement. I advised that I thought Kelly should be kept in a separate cell from the other two, and Mr. Nathan stated he would have to hire more guards and make arrangements for this at the jail. He stated that as soon as the trial is over, arrangements are in progress to have deputy marshals guard the prisoners. I stated this should be done. He

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stated that Mr. Keenan said this is satisfactory, providing there is one Agent to take charge. I advised that I did not think we should have this responsibility, and he stated he would talk further with Mr. Keenan.

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Mr. Nathan stated the case should go/the Jury tomorrow afternoon.

I requested Mr. Nathan to work out the means of transportation from the airport to the jail. It was decided that we should set Saturday morning tentatively as the time for departure from Memphis.

Mr. Gates of the Department telephoned to state he had heard that somebody took a statement from Kelly in Memphis and copyrighted the same. I advised there was nothing to this report.

I advised Mr. Keith that after talking with the Attorney General, I have decided that we should keep the Kellys at Memphis until after the verdict has been rendered at Oklahoma City. I stated that it would be either Saturday morning or Monday morning when they should leave, as I would prefer that they not leave on Sunday.

Mr. Keith stated that Agent [redacted] had not arrived from Cincinnati, but that with the Kellys will be Keith, [redacted] and [redacted]. I advised I would have an Agent meet the plane at Little Rock. Mr. Keith stated there would also be along a deputy marshal. Mr. Keith stated that Detectives [redacted] and [redacted] are very anxious to go in the plane as guards, and that he had advised the authorities there that if anyone except Federal men were allowed to go, they would take these men. I stated I did not think it would be advisable to take them along.

Mr. Keith stated that the doctor has again examined Katherine Kelly and has given a certificate saying she can travel.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Oklahoma City, Okla.

FILE NO. 7-19

REPORT MADE AT: Washington, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE: 10/2/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 9/9-13/33	REPORT MADE BY: [REDACTED]
TITLE: GEORGE R. KELLY, with aliases--I.O.1205 - FUGITIVE; ALBERT L. BATES, with aliases - FUGITIVE; KATHRYN THORNE KELLY, aliases: CATHERINE THORNE KELLY, CATHERINE THORNE, DOLORES CANNON, DOLORES WHITNEY, MRS. ORA L. SHANNON - FUGITIVE; ROBERT G. SHANNON; ARMON CRAWFORD SHANNON; OLETA BROWN SHANNON; ORA L. SHANNON; HARVEY J. BAILEY, with aliases. CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Party going under the name of W. W. Stanley believed to be subject Kelly appeared at Patrick Henry Hotel, Roanoke, Va. on 9/12/33 and proved himself to be a bona fide salesman for the Trainor National Spring Company of Newcastle, Indiana, with no possibility of his being subject Kelly.

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DETAILS:

On 9/8/33 this office received a copy of a telegram forwarded to the Division by [REDACTED] Chief of Detectives, Miami, Florida, to the effect that a woman resembling Catherine Thorne Kelly, going under the name of D. Whitney, was observed calling for mail at the Miami Post Office and he had ascertained that she received the following message from an individual who signed his name as W. W. Stanley from Muncie, Indiana:

DETAILS:

"Certainly sorry hear your illness Writing tonight with inclosure as requested Write me Patrick Henry Hotel Roanoke"

In accordance with this information Agent [REDACTED] proceeded from Washington, D. C. to Roanoke, Va. and there met the writer, who, together with Agent [REDACTED] contacted Western Union, Postal Telegraph, the local telephone office and [REDACTED] of the Patrick Henry

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Hotel, as well as the Superintendent of Mails at the local Roanoke Post Office Department. Arrangements were made with these individuals so that agents would be notified of any messages coming in to Roanoke for a party using the first or last name of Stanley or messages going out of Roanoke by a party using such name, and permission was also granted agents at the Post Office to examine all mail going to the Patrick Henry Hotel. No subsequent information was received until 9/10/33 on which date a letter was received at the Roanoke Post Office for W. W. Stanley, postmarked Miami, Florida, with the return address thereon of D. Whitney, 54 N. E. 5th St., Apt. #7, Miami, Fla. On 9/11/33 another letter was received from the Excel Manufacturing Corporation of Muncie, Ind. for W. W. Stanley, and on 9/12/33 a parcel post package was received at the Patrick Henry Hotel for W. W. Stanley from the Excel Manufacturing Corporation of Muncie, Ind.

From 9/9/33 to 8 P.M. on 9/12/33 agents maintained a surveillance in the lobby of the Patrick Henry Hotel at Roanoke to see if the party named Stanley would come in or if anyone would call for the mail there for him. At 8 P.M. on 9/12/33 an individual came in and registered as W. W. Stanley and received the mail previously mentioned herein. As soon as Mr. Stanley came in, [REDACTED] of the Patrick Henry Hotel, recognized him as a traveling man who had previously stopped at his hotel. This agent interviewed Mr. Stanley who stated that he has been working for the Trainor National Spring Company of Newcastle, Ind. since June 1, 1933 as a salesman; that he left Muncie, Ind. on 9/8/33; went to Knoxville, Tennessee and then to Roanoke, Va.; that he has been married and divorced; that his ex-wife, [REDACTED] Tampa, Florida; that he has a [REDACTED] Bartow, Florida; that he does business with the Miami Parts and Spring Company of Miami, Florida; that while working in Miami about six months ago he met a girl named D. Whitney who had been living at the Hotel Chimes there but recently moved and gave him her new address in a letter that he had just received at the Patrick Henry Hotel. He did not have this letter in his possession when agent contacted him and volunteered to get her new address, although Agent did not insist on this. He stated that this girl was a stenographer in Miami; that he does not write to her regularly but that since the first of August of this year he has been writing more or less steadily to this girl because of the fact that she has been in poor health. She is suffering from kidney trouble. Agent exhibited a photo of Catherine Thorne Kelly to Mr. Stanley and asked him if he recognized this photo and he stated that he did not and also stated that this photo did not resemble D. Whitney in his opinion. Mr. Stanley stated that he was 45 years old, 6' tall, weighs 140 lbs., has blue eyes, brown hair and wears glasses. It was clearly evident to the writer that Stanley was not identical with Kelly from the comparison of Stanley's appearance with the photo of Kelly.

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While Agents were keeping a surveillance at the Patrick Henry Hotel lobby in Roanoke on 9/10/33 a young girl, approximately 5'10" tall with blond hair, came into the hotel and registered as [REDACTED] Miami, Fla. Agents, after examining the photo of Vivian Matthews, alias Mrs. Vernon C. Miller, and looking at [REDACTED] noticed a very close resemblance of [REDACTED] to the photo of Vivian Matthews. This photo was then exhibited to [REDACTED] of the Patrick Henry Hotel, who registered [REDACTED] in and who stated that in his opinion there was no question but what [REDACTED] was the same as Mrs. Vernon C. Miller judging from the latter's photo.

Arrangements were then made with [REDACTED] of the hotel for Agents to occupy a room adjacent to that of [REDACTED] and also to intercept any telephone calls that might be made to or from her room at the hotel. While Agents were talking with [REDACTED] about this matter, [REDACTED] came down the elevator and started out of the lobby of the hotel. As she was going out she looked very suspiciously at Agents at the desk and as soon as she reached the steps going out of the lobby, started to run. It was agents' intention when she stepped out of the elevator into the lobby to casually follow her to see whom she contacted. However, it was clearly evident that this was impossible from the facts as developed. Consequently [REDACTED] was stopped at the door and asked who she was. At this point detectives [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] approached, both of them being connected with the Roanoke Police Department, and explained that this same girl had approached Police Officer [REDACTED] at the N. & W. R.R. Station and informed him that she had come from Richmond, Va. with two men and two women in a Chrysler Sedan bearing Va. license plates, the first three numbers of which were 151 but claimed she could not furnish the rest of the license number, and that these individuals with whom she had ridden from Richmond, Va. had her baggage in their possession and would not permit her to obtain possession of the same. Officer [REDACTED] immediately took [REDACTED] to Police Headquarters where she told detectives [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that she did not wish to go into the headquarters because she was afraid that if the other parties with whom she had ridden from Richmond to Roanoke would see her talking to officers they would harm her. Detectives [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], being suspicious of the whole affair, decided that they would accompany her back to the railroad station to see what they could observe, so when [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] reached the station with [REDACTED] they there observed a man and a woman carrying the baggage of [REDACTED] to the baggage room at the railroad station.

As soon as these individuals saw the officers they ran from the station down a dark alley from where they disappeared in an automobile. The officers did not get a very good look at them and could not see the license number on the car nor obtain a description of it. While Officer

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[redacted] and Officer [redacted] were trying to see who was in the car and see where they were going, [redacted] disappeared in a taxi cab so they came back to the taxicab stand at the railroad station and asked from the taxicab drivers where [redacted] had gone and there learned that she had gone to the Patrick Henry Hotel. Consequently they immediately proceeded to the hotel to see if the other individuals would contact this woman, and to try to find who she was and what her business was. It was decided by Officers [redacted] and [redacted] that they would take [redacted] into custody and hold her for questioning. [redacted] refused to give any information to either Agent [redacted] or the writer except that her parents were dead, that she had an uncle named [redacted] living at Miami, Florida, that she had been visiting recently with friends in Richmond, Virginia whose names and addresses she would not furnish and that she had caught a ride with the two unknown men and two unknown women previously mentioned from Richmond, Va. to Roanoke, Va. She claimed also that she was on her way to Miami, Florida, but at the same time admitted that she had been to Richmond, Va. before coming from Miami, Florida. She could not explain why she would return to Miami, Florida from Richmond, Va. by way of Roanoke, Va. which is out of the way. During the course of the conversation with her she admitted to the writer that she was acquainted with [redacted] having met him in Richmond sometime ago and was informed by [redacted] of the methods of operation of the Department of Justice and had given her advice as to what she should do in case she were picked up by Department of Justice agents. Nothing further could be obtained from her on this point.

It was the opinion of [redacted] of the Patrick Henry Hotel, as soon as he saw this lady that she was a hotel prostitute. When the writer asked her if she followed the practice of "working hotels" she very meekly denied that this was her racket. It appears from all circumstances that this is what this woman is engaged in. She steadfastly denied that she had any connection with the instant case and that she was identical with Vivian Matthews.

On 9/10/33 [redacted] of the Patrick Henry Hotel informed the writer that he would be glad to personally go through the baggage of [redacted] at his hotel in the presence of the writer in order to see if some bit of evidence could be obtained indicating her identity. However there was nothing in her baggage to show who she was and the only suspicious thing found therein was an old copy of a New York newspaper on the second page of which was an article relative to the Urschel kidnaping case.

[redacted] refused to permit her fingerprints to be taken and it was subsequently necessary to obtain an order from the local court to have her fingerprints taken, which was done and the prints searched in the Identi-

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tification Unit of the Division without making an identification of her prints.

In view of the fact that there was such a close resemblance between [REDACTED] and the photograph of Vivian Matthews, alias Mrs. Vernon C. Miller, the writer communicated with the Washington Field Office by telephone, which in turn communicated with the New York Office of the Division and had Agent [REDACTED] proceed from New York to Roanoke to identify this girl, he being in a position to do so because of the fact that he had previously seen Vivian Matthews, alias Mrs. Vernon C. Miller. When Agent [REDACTED] saw [REDACTED] at the Roanoke Police Department he immediately stated that she was not Vivian Matthews, but that there was a very striking resemblance between her and Vivian Matthews. In view of Agent [REDACTED] opinion as to the identity of [REDACTED] and the failure of the Identification Unit to identify her through her fingerprints, the Roanoke Police Department released [REDACTED] on 9/12/35.

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Mr. Tolson._____
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Mr. Egan._____
Mr. Hughes._____
Mr. Quinn._____
Mr. Locke._____

September 30, 1933.

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALLS - URSCHER CASE.

██████████ called from Oklahoma City to state there are no air-planes available, but the Rock Island has a steel baggage car which they can fit up with Army cots and will give to the Division for the regular fare to each passenger. He stated that Mr. Nathan thought this latter idea would be satisfactory. He stated that this baggage car has one door on each side, and that the door on one side can be sealed so that only the one can be opened. I advised this should be handled with the utmost secrecy. He stated that this train leaves at 10:25 p.m. arriving in Oklahoma City at 11:25 the next morning. I requested that he ask Mr. Nathan if he thinks it would be well to bring them in Monday morning, or could we bring them in tomorrow morning. I suggested that if we leave tonight we might get a great deal more publicity in the Sunday papers than we would get in the Monday papers if we leave Sunday night, arriving Monday morning. ██████████ stated they would need 3 or 4 hours notice to fix up the car for our use.

██████████ called subsequently to say that a verdict of guilty had been returned against all defendants, except the three from Minneapolis; that those convicted were two from Minneapolis, the three Shannons, Bailey and Bates.

Mr. Nathan advised that the Judge is not going to sentence them until next Saturday; that they were given 3 days in which to file motion for a new trial, and that the argument on the motion will be held on Friday.

With regard to the use of the steel baggage car, the only handicap, according to Mr. Nathan, is the fact that the company's man in Oklahoma City wants to go to Memphis to arrange for the transportation, himself, and that he can leave Oklahoma City and arrive at Memphis tomorrow morning. I advised this would be alright. I advised I thought it better to arrive on Monday morning at 11:25, than on Sunday.

I advised that when the local man from the railroad company arrives in Memphis he should contact Mr. Keith.

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I advised Mr. Nathan that some of the press representatives in Memphis have chartered a plane to follow the plane which they think the Kellys are going to be moved out in. I advised they had also hired high-powered automobiles in the event we transport them that way.

I advised that I thought it would be well for the local representative of the railroad company to leave tonight, accompanied by an Agent, for Memphis. Mr. Nathan stated he would hold [REDACTED] at Little Rock for the present, in the event we decide to travel by plane. Mr. Nathan advised that the name of the representative of the railroad company is [REDACTED] and he is the Chief Assistant to the Division Passenger Agent in Oklahoma City. I stated that it was alright to tell the railroad representative that if there is a leak in Memphis the reservation will be immediately canceled. Mr. Nathan stated he thought five men from Memphis, and the Agent from Oklahoma City who would be returning, would be sufficient to guard the Kellys.

I contacted Mr. Keith and advised him that it had been decided that we should move the Kellys in the steel baggage car. I advised Mr. Keith that Mr. Nathan stated there were 3 prisoner cars at Chicago which have windows, although the windows are barred. These, however, were more expensive.

Mr. Keith stated there were a couple of things to be considered in connection with the use of the steel car - first, although it is impossible to shoot in, it is also impossible to shoot out; second, the matter of dynamiting the car, and third, the danger if in any way they get tear gas in the car. I admitted that these matters were serious and that I had given them much consideration. Mr. Keith stated after considering the whole matter, he thinks we had better take them by train.

Mr. Keith stated that the pilot's pit is completely closed off from the compartment where the passengers sit. Mr. Keith stated the trip would be made lots quicker by plane, and then, if they went by train the information would get around and there would be crowds at every station. He stated his idea when going by plane was to tell the newspaper representatives that if their plane came within two miles of the plane in which the Kellys were being transported, they would do so at their own risk. Mr. Keith stated that he also could have them at the airport stop such a plane from taking off.

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I advised Mr. Nathan of the views expressed by Mr. Keith with regard to the two suggested methods of transportation.

I stated to Mr. Nathan I was going to confer with the Attorney General and would then advise him what was agreed upon.

Mr. Nathan stated that Mr. Keenan is going to Detroit to attend a meeting of the Copeland Crime Committee. I requested that Mr. Nathan tell Mr. Keenan I did not know why he was going to Detroit when I suggested it might be well for him to remain at Oklahoma City until after the arrival of the Kellys.

I told Mr. Nathan he should take up with Mr. Keenan before he leaves Oklahoma City the matter of guard duty for the prisoners.

Mr. Nathan stated that the Marshal's authorization to employ the five or six extra men for guards, was for the duration of the trial, only. I advised that the United States Attorney, or Mr. Keenan, should wire the Department for further authorization. He stated he could not reach Mr. Keenan or the United States Attorney, and I advised I would contact Mr. Stanley and suggest that he send the Marshal by telegram this authorization.

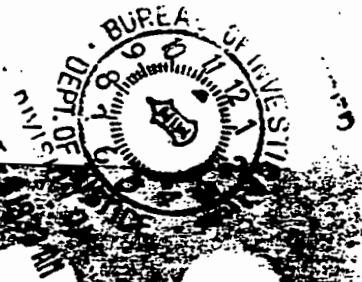
I advised Mr. Keith later that the Attorney General says he desires that the Kellys be transported to Oklahoma City but that the responsibility for the method of transportation rests in my hands.

Mr. Keith advised he still felt it more desirable to go by plane, and it was decided this should be done.

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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October 2, 1935



The Big Mail, Special Delivery

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas

Re: GEORGE KELLY WITH ALIASES, ET AL
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM.

Dear Sir:

On September 27, 1935, at the time the personal effects of Albert L. Bates, a defendant in this matter, were inventoried by the Sheriff at Denver, Colorado, a Thompson Sub-Machine Gun, 1931 model, 45 caliber, No. 4685, a drum for cartridges No. 1074, and a Remington Automatic 30 caliber Rifle, No. 45660, model 8, were found.

The Remington Arms Company advised they discontinued keeping a record of the disposition of guns in January of 1931. The Auto Ordnance Corporation, 82 Pine Street, New York City, advised that Thompson Sub-Machine Gun, No. 4685, was sold on January 21, 1937, to [redacted] Gainesville, Texas. The company stated that [redacted] was a dealer in that city, and this gun is the only one which was ever actually purchased by him. The Auto Ordnance Corporation advised that they do not keep a record of the sale of cartridge drums.

It is requested that you conduct appropriate inquiry, interviewing [redacted] in an effort to determine the various hands and the circumstances thru which this arm went. Copies of your findings should be furnished to the Oklahoma City Division Office and to the Kansas City Division Office, for such value as the same may have to the last named office in connection with the case of Verne Miller, et al, Obstruction of Justice.

Very truly yours,

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cc-Division
Oklahoma City
Kansas City
Salt Lake City

F. X. FAY, Assistant
Special Agent in Charge. 933

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Division of Investigation.

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 29, 1933.

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Mr. Nathan.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Parrish showed me a telegram received from the United States Attorney at Denver, Colorado, with further reference to the machine gun and other articles placed under attachment at Denver which the Division desires to secure for further investigation in the Urschel kidnaping and the Kansas City massacre. The United States Attorney states that the attorneys for the express company had permitted the Division office to have the guns for 24 hours in order that they might fire bullets therefrom for a ballistics test; that the express company, however, insisted on going through with its attachment and having a public sale and stated that after they had purchased the same at the public sale they would be glad to donate the guns to the Government. Mr. Parrish requested that I communicate with Salt Lake and ascertain if the Agents had any different information. I talked to Agent in Charge Dowd who stated that Zimmer had just wired him advising that he, Zimmer, had been permitted to have the guns for 24 hours and had fired bullets therefrom. Dowd stated he had received a telegraphic request from the Oklahoma City office that the machine gun be shipped to Kansas City; that, of course, this was impossible under the circumstances. I thereupon so advised Mr. Parrish, who stated that he was going to present the matter to the Attorney General.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
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We must press for action in this.
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[REDACTED]
Police Department,
Memphis, Tennessee.

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My dear [REDACTED]

I received your telegram of September 30th, requesting that Detective [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] be permitted to accompany the Agents of this Division when returning George Barnes alias "Machine-gun Kelly" to Oklahoma, and I regret that it was not possible to reply affirmatively to your request. All of the officers accompanying George and Kathryn Kelly on this removal to the Oklahoma jurisdiction were officers of the Federal Government, and if it had been practicable to have any officers other than those of the Federal Government, I can assure you that it would have been my pleasure to have promptly advised you that the courageous officers you name would be permitted to take this trip.

May I again thank you and the officers in question for the efficient services rendered in this case, and inform you of my great pleasure at this manifestation of cordial cooperation with the Division of Investigation, on your part and on the part of the Memphis, Tennessee Police Department.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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YOUR MEN WHEN RETURNING GEORGE BARNES ALIAS MACHINE GUN
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October 3, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HUGHES

In regard to the attached clipping to the effect that Police Chief Joseph A. Lehmeier was dismissed by the Mayor of Minneapolis because he made a trip to Oklahoma City to testify in the Charles Urschel kidnaping case, I would like to obtain the details as to exactly what Lehmeier testified to. It is noted from the article that he went to Oklahoma City to testify at the request of the defense lawyers.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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COPY - NEWSPAPER CLIPPING

TRIP TO URSCHER TRIAL COSTS JOB

Minneapolis Police Chief Ousted by Mayor.

Minneapolis, Sept. 30 (AP). - A trip to Oklahoma City to testify in the Charles F. Urschel kidnaping trial brought dismissal of Police Chief Joseph A. Lehmeyer by Mayor A. G. Bainbridge today.

Bainbridge had said previously he would demand a complete explanation of the trip.

Lehmeyer said he had gone to Oklahoma City at the request of defense lawyers, who told him he was subpoenaed and that his quick arrival there would prevent trial delay and avoid further expense. He went by airplane a week ago.

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September 28, 1933.

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New York City.

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I am most appreciative of your telegram of yesterday extending your congratulations upon the capture of George "Machine Gun" Kelly at Memphis, Tennessee, by Special Agents of this Division on Tuesday morning. Your kind sentiments concerning the work of this Division are extremely gratifying to me. I know that I can continue to count upon you for your loyal support in carrying on the duties of my position here which, as you doubtless realize, are particularly arduous at the present time.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

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HONORABLE J EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR DIVISION OF
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CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SPLENDID WORK OF YOUR REPRESENTATIVE
AT MEMPHIS RESULTS LIKE THIS WILL SOON RESTORE PUBLIC
CONFIDENCE AND WIN FOR OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THE
ACTIVE SUPPORT OF LAW ABIDING CITIZENS EVERYWHERE=

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VICTOR H. WILLIAMS, AT LARGE

City of Ardmore

~~W. H. Batts~~ MAYOR
C. F. ADAMS, CITY MANAGER

Ardmore, Oklahoma

L. M. THURSTON, CITY CLERK
ORAN M. BRYANT, CITY TREASURER
J. E. WILLIAMS, CITY ATTORNEY
HALE DUNN, CHIEF OF POLICE
S. P. MATTHEWS, CITY ENGINEER
A. Y. EASTERWOOD, CITY PHYSICIAN
FRANK JENNINGS, FIRE CHIEF

September 20, 1933.

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

When the news was broadcast that Harvey Bailey had escaped from the Dallas County jail the public was informed that the car in which he had escaped was heavily armed and it was the thought of all the people in this vicinity that this meant armed with machine guns. When the police officers of the City of Ardmore were informed that Bailey was headed toward this place, and when these officers started out to intercept him they could not have had any thought other than that the chances were exceedingly favorable one of two things would occur, that is, that they would kill Harvey Bailey or that Bailey would kill them, or some of them. Notwithstanding this fact these officers did not hesitate, but with the meager equipment they had and with the grim determination to remove this menace from society, started out to assist the officers of this government in the performance of their duty.

From the experience we, in this section, have had with fugitive the Bailey type, the people have been subjected to the most heinous crimes, although these officers receive a salary, two of them \$112.50 a month each the other of less than \$200.00, they virtually took their lives in their hands in order to prevent a repetition of such crimes on the part of this escaped vict.

We have been informed that, while no official offer of a reward has been offered, it was the intention of your office to offer a substantial reward for the capture of this man, and that only the dispatch with which he was captured prevented this reward from being offered. I feel that as a recognition of the faithful services performed by these men, and further as an inducement to police officers of the entire United States to perform like services in the future, the government would do well to substantially reward these men.

I wish to assure you this letter is not being written at the request of any of the police officers of this city, and as a matter of fact they do not know it is being done.

Thanking you in advance for whatever consideration you care to give to this matter, I am

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Honorable W. H. Batis,
Mayor,
Ardmore, Oklahoma.

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Dear Mr. Batis:

I desire to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 20th. instant, and to advise you that I have given considerable thought to the suggestion which you make for the recognition, through monetary reward, of the excellent services performed by the police officers at Ardmore who apprehended Harvey J. Bailey shortly after his recent escape from jail at Dallas, Texas.

I am in full accord with the sentiments which you express with reference to the small compensation received by police officers, who are daily called upon to jeopardize life and limb in the performance of their duty. I have taken occasion, also, to write the Chief of Police at Ardmore, thanking him for the excellent services performed by him and his men in capturing Bailey, who is reputed to be a dangerous gunman, and I have expressed my admiration for the high courage of these officers in accomplishing the capture. I regret, however, that it is not possible, under Governmental rules and regulations, for any reward to be paid these efficient officers, and frankly I do not believe that it is possible, under such rules and regulations, to compensate them in any way for a service already performed. The rules governing the payment of rewards invariably require that the action taken by the officer or person bringing about the apprehension of the wanted man be based upon the offer of reward. In other words, they must have knowledge that a reward is outstanding, and with that knowledge accomplish the apprehension, before a reward can be paid. This has been our experience in a number of instances where rewards have been offered by the Prison Bureau of the Department for the apprehension of escaped convicts.

If I had any control whatever over such a matter you can be assured that it would afford me real pleasure to recognize these courageous officers by paying them an appropriate reward and it is only because of this total lack of jurisdiction that I am deprived of this pleasure. I feel that the city of Ardmore is to be congratulated upon having such efficient officers in its employ and I want you to know that I sincerely appreciate the sentiment which prompted you to write me your letter of the 20th., and that I wish it were possible for me to carry out your suggestions.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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

October 3, 1933.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Nathan called and stated that the Marshal had received authorization for the hire of three additional deputies and has made arrangements to take over the work of guarding the prisoners and the jail beginning seven o'clock tomorrow morning. Mr. Nathan wants to know whether he should withdraw the Agents. He stated that it would be unnecessary to have them there as the Marshal has made full arrangements to take care of the situation. He will stay at the office for one-half an hour or so and then will be at his hotel. He stated he would appreciate it if you would call him.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes

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I told him until further orders he should retain one of our men on each eight hour shift. This releases 3 of our men as we had 2 on each shift.

10/3/33 J. E. H.

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COLUMBUS EVENING DISPATCH
Columbus, Ohio
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A Good Job. So Far

IT must be admitted by all that the agents of the federal department of justice have done a fine piece of work, so far, in its handling of the Urschel kidnaping case—the best handling of such a case that the nation has yet seen. Under the pressure so skilfully applied, the gangsters lost their nerve and resourcefulness,

and their organization crumbled. Kelly might have been harder to capture unless he had been aware that he was no longer safe even from his own accomplices in crime.

There is no inherent reason why a state department of justice should not be able to handle gangsters just as effectively, in cases that are capable of being handled within the limits of their own jurisdiction. What has happened in this case does not warrant the turning over of the whole matter of criminal jurisdiction to the federal government, as some have suggested. It should shame most of the states, however, into a radical revision of their inefficient methods of handling crime.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Gurnea	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Hendon	_____
Mr. Jones	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Loeke	_____

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In talking with Special Agent in Charge Keith at Memphis I advised him of the Division's desire to obtain, at the earliest practicable moment, an accurate account of the arrest of Kelly and his wife at Memphis. Agent Keith stated that they had been dictating a report from day to day and they would have a rough draft prepared of developments to date and he would place the rough draft in the mails and send it here by air mail so it would be here Monday morning; that it could be written here at Washington. I told him to forward the rough draft today. He also stated he would forward such information as he had been able to obtain concerning Kathryn Kelly.

Respectfully,

VW Hughes

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 26, 1933.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Keith called again. He said he was with Mr. McClanahan, the United States Attorney at Memphis, and that Kelly and his wife had signed waivers and were ready to be removed to Oklahoma City; that the United States Attorney will file complaints against Travis, Tichenor and the attorney, Langford Ramsey, charging them with harboring a fugitive and will prosecute them vigorously in Tennessee.

Mr. Keith stated that the United States Attorney would like to talk to Mr. Parrish. Mr. Parrish talked to Mr. McClanahan from my office. The United States Attorney told him that he was ready to remove Kelly and his wife this evening by aeroplane and that the Agents of the Division were prepared to go along with proper protection. I at this point advised Mr. Parrish of Mr. Nathan's observation while on the telephone that the Judge trying the case was desirous of not having Kelly and his wife brought to Oklahoma City until the termination of the trial. I then consulted you and ascertained that you had the same understanding from Mr. Nathan. Mr. Parrish thereupon told the United States Attorney to hold the matter in abeyance until he had an opportunity to talk with United States Attorney Hyde at Oklahoma City and would call him back later in the afternoon.

After the telephone conversation Mr. Parrish wanted to know if the Division had any preference in the matter. I told him I did not think the Division had any preference excepting that we would like to comply with the Judge's desire. He then stated he would talk to Mr. Hyde immediately and obtain his views and then would advise me further.

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Respectfully,

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Mr. Parrish talked to Mr. Hyde, at Oklahoma City, who confirmed the information we had relative to the Judge's not desiring the Kellys returned at this time. He called Hyde's attention to the possibility that the Kellys might change their minds about waiving removal. Hyde thereupon stated he would think it over and talk to Mr. McClanahan at Memphis. Mr. Parrish advised that anything they agreed upon between them was satisfactory to the Department. The matter is left in this status.