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In congratulating you upon the successful prosecution of the kidnepers of Mr. Brachel, to which you contributed in ac small part, I want to take this occasion to thank you sincerely for the full measure of cooperation which you readered to this Division throughout the entire investigation. It has, indeed, been a pleasure to me to have been associated with you, and your assistance has been of great value throughout the inquiry, which has now terminated so successfully.

With expressions of my kindest personal regards

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Sincerely yours,

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r Mr. Brachelt

Perhaps I should have at an earlier date advised you of my gratification because of your excellent, whole-bearted cooperation with this Division in its conduct of the investigation of the kidnaping of which you were the victim. The convictions on Saturday, I am sure, bear emple testimony of the wisdom of the edvice given by this Department to the Taillies and Triends of persons who have been kidnaped, and I am quite sure that if the Covernment chicyed the same measure of cooperation which you have afforded it from all others who are visited by this despicable crime, kidneping would no longer be popular in the underworld.

I thank you sincerely for your cooperation and extend to you my congratulations upon the successful prosecution of this case, to which you contributed in no little degree.

With expressions of my kindest personal regards,

Sincerely your

Director.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

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Pivision of Investigation A. S. Department of Instice Washington, P. C.

September 26, 1933.

Mr. Nathan.

Mr. To son.....

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Nr. Egan....

Mr. Hughes....

Mr. Quinn....

Nr. Looke....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I called Memphis and talked to Agent in Charge Keith. I advised him of the request of Agent Hanni for full length photographs of Kelly, Tichenor and Travis. I also advised him of my talk with Mr. Nathan and of the United States Attorney's view in Oklahoma that he did not have jurisdiction to file charges against Tichenor and Travis for harboring a fugitive and Mr. Keith stated he would immediately take the matter up with the United States Attorney as he likewise felt that the action should be there. He also stated that they had admissions from both Tichenor and Travis tieing them up definitely with such charge. In other words, they admitted that they had known Kelly's identity for some time; in fact, one of them, Tichenor, purchased a gun for him, and they had been harboring him. These admissions also implicated the attorney, Langford Ramsey, who is now on his way back to Memphis from Texas. Keith stated that the last report was that he had left a town in Arkansas an hour ago in a Chevrolet Sedan, Arkansas license 5266 and they expect to pick him up in a short time; that Ramsey should be charged along with Tichenor and Travis. Agent Keith stated that Ramsey is the brother-in-law of Kelly. He is the brother of Kelly's first wife, before Kelly met Kathryn Shannon, his present wife.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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Washington, B. C.

October 3, 1933.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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I called Agent in Charge Blake to ascertain the reason for the quashing of the indictment in the Manion case at Dallas. He stated that the Judge had run the indictment out because of its fatal defect in form. It appears that the first count was under the conspiracy section, the second count was for an offense different from the offense charged in the conspiracy count, and the third count was still another offense. Mr. Blake stated that a new indictment is being drawn, will be approved by the Grand Jury in the morning and it is expected it will immediately go to trial.

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Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Locke.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

of the Columbia Broadcasting Company, called on the telephone and wanted to know if we could give him any statement relative to the removal of the Kellys from Memphis to Oklahoma City. I told him we could not; that any statement would have to come from Mr. Gates. He then wanted to know whether it would be worth his while to telephone the United States Attorney at Memphis. I told him I thought he would save his money by not calling.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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Mr. Parrish brought to my office a telegram which he had received from the United States Marshal at Memphis requesting authorization to charter an aeroplane for the purpose of removing the Kellys to Oklahoma. I advised him of the reason for the request and of my earlier conference today with whereupon Mr. Parrish stated he would immediately see and notify him of their decision in order that we, in turn, might notify the Agents at Memphis. Mr. Parrish called me within a few minutes on the telephone and stated that recalled that I had stated to him that we were endeavoring to obtain army planes. I told him this was correct but the matter had been taken up by the Attorney General's office and it was impossible to obtain stated that United States Attorney planes. He then state that Hyde at Oklahoma City told him several days before that he could obtain three army planes at any time he desired and thathe thought we should call upon Mr. Hyde in this instance in order to save money because of the shortage in the appropriation of the Department. I advised Mr. Parrish that if we consulted Hyde and planes were sent from Oklahoma City the. facts would immediately become known and all of the plans of the Division to keep the matter secret would be made public; that we were interested in lives rather than money at this time and we would not call upon Mr. Hyde. Mr. Parrish then came to my office and stated that subsequent to the telephone call he had talked to and told him we had volunteered to pay the expense but he had been unable to determine how we might pay it. Mr. Parrish stated he suggested to that the Division might pay the expense on the basis of the fact that the transportation or removal of the Kellys would be in line with an investigation which is not agreed to this suggestion. Mr. Parrish requested yet complete. that we advise Mr. Keith at Memphis so that he might, in turn, advise the Marshal of the decision and arrange to have one of the deputies go along with the party and tell the Marshal that the Department would not reply to his telegram in view of the possibility of this being made public. I subsequently talked to Mr. Keith and so informed him. He stated he had all arrangements perfected and it would be necessary only for him to put in a call to the airport and he would issue a transportation request for the trip, which was satisfactory to the air line. He stated that he thought the matter should be attended to immediately in view of Kathryn Kelly's alleged illness: that she was having a second examination by a doctor this afternoon and he felt that possibly they might place her in a hospital unless we moved quickly.

Respectfully,

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Mr. Nathan..

Mr. Tolson.

Mr. Edwards.

Mr. Hugnes. Mr. Quinn

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

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Reference is made to the case entitled GROWS R.

ELLY, with slices, et al, KIDMAPING. It is requested that
errangements be made to obtain and forward to the Division a
tremscript of the testimony and sotions filed in the trial of
Harvey J., Bailey, et al.

In connection with the ranson money located on the ranch of Cass Coleman, it is requested that some arrangements be made whereby this money will not be put into circulation, in order that the outstanding ranson money may be traced, without being confused with that returned.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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

September 25, 1933.

Mr. To son. Mr. Clegg Mr. Edwards

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

of the Washington Times, called on the telephone and wanted to know if we had any record of Harvey Bailey more than five years past. I told him I assumed that we had but could not tell him offhand what the record was. I inquired of the reason for the inquiry and he stated he had received a tip to the effect that Harvey J. Bailey is identical with one Fred S. Swindell, a Washington attorney who, more than five years past, was disbarred and later left for Australia and was reported as a suicide, but that some of his relatives discounted the suicide theory wanted to verify the fact whether Bailey is, in fact, Swindell. I had Mr. Cowley look up the files. Of course, the I. O. shows an arrest in 1920 in Nebraska, which is more than ten years past. I so informed Mr. and let the matter go at that. However, I personally was acquainted with Swindell, who was a member of the Georgetown Class of '13, and there is without a doubt a strong resemblance between Bailey and Swindell. I will look the matter up further in the class book which I have at home tonight and see where Swindell hails from. The files are peculiarly silent on Bailey's history prior to 1930. It shows that he hails from Missouri and was raised on a farm there. However, there is no record as to where he was prior to 1920 and subsequent to 1920 until 1930.

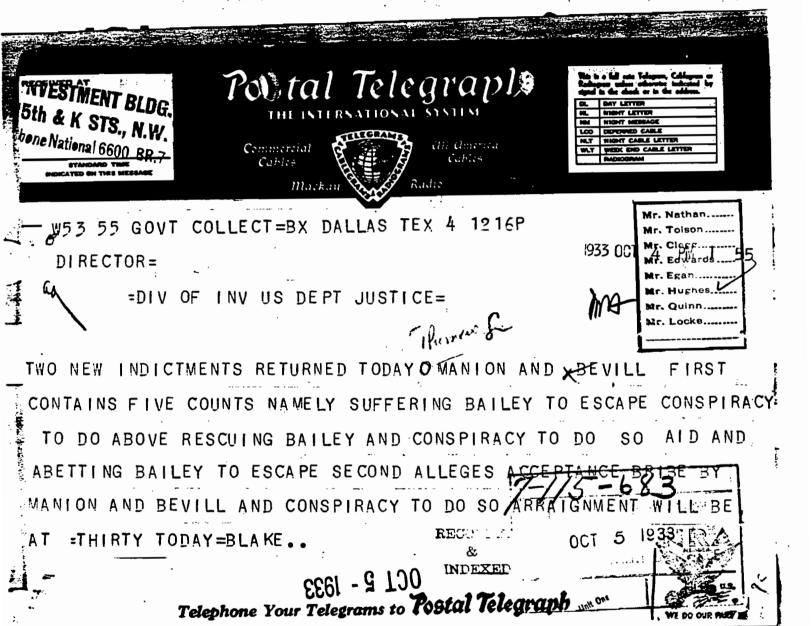
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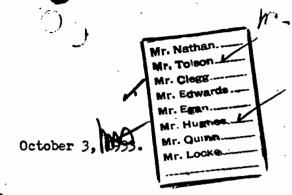
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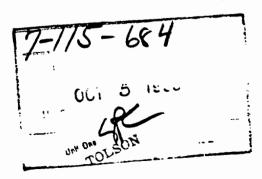
MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALLS.

I advised Mr. Nathan that Mr. Stanley had been very perturbed when he was advised of the proposed private conference of Bates with Katherine Kelly, and stated he would contact the United States Attorney and issue instructions that Mr. Nathan should approve all conferences of prisoners and attorneys within the jail; that I suggested that this instruction be issued effective until such time as Mr. Keenan returns to Washington and the matter can be discussed and decided upon, which course of procedure was decided upon. I stated this meant Mr. Nathan should set the time and place for all conferences of attorneys with prisoners.

Mr. Nathan stated that the papers last night carried a story that the local prosecutor was going ahead with the State charge, and that the sentencing of Bates will be delayed until after this trial. I advised I would talk the matter over with Mr. Stanley.

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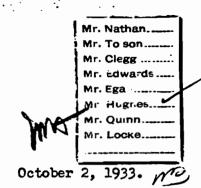


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MEMORANDUM. Urschel Case.

Mr. Nathan advised he had been attending a conference with regard to the assignments for guard duty, and that the Marshal states that at 7:00 a.m., Wednesday, this week, he will take over the matter and at that time our Agents can be released. Mr. Nathan states this is of course provided the Marshel can obtain authorization from the Department for the employment of three additional deputies.

I advised that on Wednesday morning all of these men should leave Oklahoma City, but that Gus Jones should remain until the Kelly trial.

Mr. Nathan advised that Mr. Keith says he knows he told Agent to communicate with Washington, but is not certain whether he instructed that he get in touch with Mr. Nathan from Memphis.

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Mr. Nathen stated that Mr. Rorer advises a report left Memphis yesterday by Air Mail.

It was decided that Rorer should be the one subpoensed for the Kelly trial.

Mr. Nathen stated that Mr. Keenan left Oklahoma City last night.

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Mashington, A. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Special Agent in Charge Blake on Saturday afternoon to ascertain the status of the jail break case. Agent Blake stated that the case was set for trial on Tuesday morning; that all evidence had been collected, and that they are ready to go to trial. He did not think there would be any delay or continuance.

He also stated that they had filed complaints against Cass Coleman and the farmer, Casey, for harboring a fugitive, and bond of \$10,000 had been placed. He stated that neither of them had made this bond, and were being held. He stated further that the Grand Jury would not meet for several weeks, and that they did not contemplate calling a special Grand Jury, but the matter will be presented just as soon as the Grand Jury convenes.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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Relative to your long distance telephone conversation advising that there had been a telegram received addressed to George Kelly, c/o County Jail, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dispatched from Taylor, Texas, signed "M" and requesting that an immediate contact be made with officers at Taylor, Texas, to ascertain, if possible, who might have sent this telegram, I immediately contacted Chief of Police at Taylor, Texas, via long distance telephone, who made a report to me by long distance telephone about 11 P.M. that the sender of the telegram was who conducts a cheap assignation and variety house at Taylor, Texas; that the telegram read as follows:

"George Helly, c/o County Jail, Oklahoma City, Okla.

George 'M' is in 'R' is out do hope 'K' is OK so far see you later

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stated that he had located a cab driver who was absolutely OK at Taylor, Texas, who had informed him that about 5:30 or 6:00 !.E. or October 1, 1933, he had been called to the house of and handisthis telegram to be sent; that at the time gave him this telegram to be sent; that at the time

stated that he immediately proceeded to the house if and found her drunk to sade an extent that she was in a drunk stupor; that he made a thorough search of the house and inquiries of other compants of the house, as well as seighbors, in the visinity, developed that there had been no strangers at this place on Friday, Saturday or Sunday, took to the Pelipe Station where she was confined until the sobered up on October 2, 1955, at which time he questioned her very closely.

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stated that she had no recollection of sending any such tologram; that she had been reading in the paper about George Kelly and other kidnapers in the Urschel case and that if she sant such a tolegram that she was too drunk to remember same. She stated to however, that about 15 years ago she knew a man by the name of Charley Thorns who was a gambler at Quanah, Texas; that Charley Thorns married Kathryn Kelly and that she was under the impression that Thorne was now residing at Coleman, Texas, however, she had not heard or seen Thorne for stated that her mother, the past 9 years. resided at Graham, Texas; that her father is stated that he had located a party at Taylor, Texas, who Turnished information was a combler and a crock and would equal almost any erime; that the last information this informant had resided at stated that she had a brother by the name Childress, Texas; that who lived at Plainview, Texas, and this same informant advised did conduct a pool hall and gembling joint that at Tleinview, Texas, and other towns in north Texas; that he also was a groof and would commit almost any crime and that killed a man in north lexas, exact place unknown, about two years ago.

while under the influence of liquor and there was no foundation for any suspicion that she in any way was connected with the Kelly gang, however, stated that she had lived at Taylor for about one year and was a habitual drunkard,

show up at the house of the same and if there are any further developments in this matter he will immediately notify this Division Office.

had a brother in the penitentiary but he did not know his name or what institution he was confined in.

at Taylor, Texas, stated that ex-husband was and resided at San Angele, Texas.

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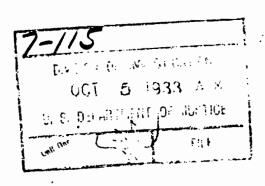
MR. HAROLD NATHAN
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA

MR KEENAN REQUESTS YOU BE ADVISED HE HAD SATISFACTORY TALK WITH MR HYDE REGARDING CUSTODY BATES AND KELLY AND IS CONFIDENT ALL WILL WORK OUT SATISFACTORILY

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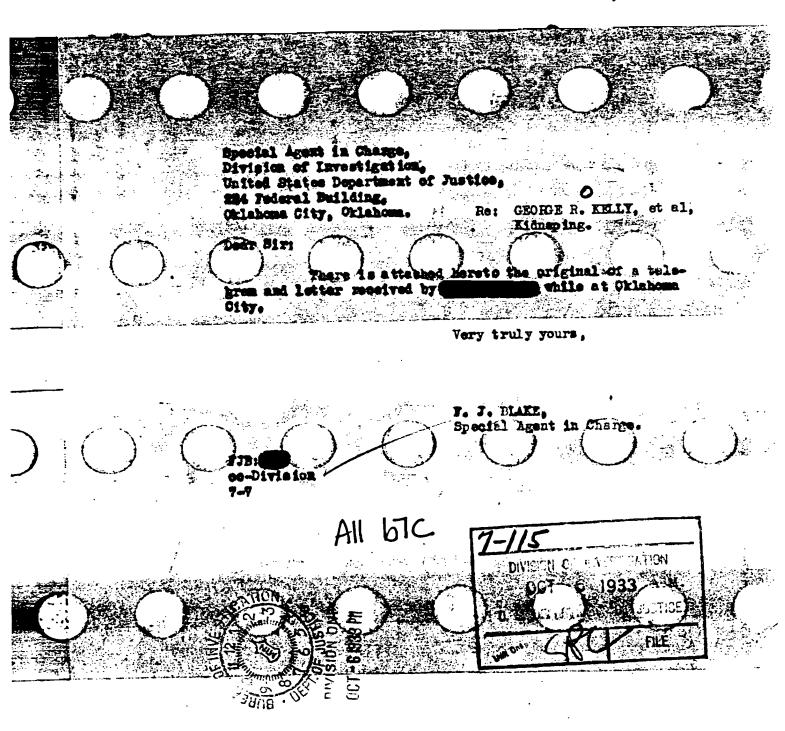
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It was reported to me that on Labor Day, she phoned at It. Worth, and the following from Waso, Texas, to sonversation took place:

Kathrya - "Hello, this is your girl friend."
- "Which girl friend?"

lethryn - "Your best girl - the one with the Pekingese dogs. I must see you right away. Get in your ear and be sum it is your our car because I know it - and come to beco. be at the Hilton Hotel."

I can't talk to you now. You know better than to call me on this phone," whereupon hung w.

This call was placed at Waso from \$2954 by a but she talked from a pay station at the telephone company's main effice at about 9:00 AM, and the number called in Ft. Worth 2-0537, which is the send number so found on

was greatly egitated over the it is alleged that and finally went to the Hilton Hotel at Maso where he inquired whether anyone had called for him and he was told that a telephone

sall had some in for him from Itasen, Texas.

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at about 2:30 PH and sheeted out of the Hillen Lotal before 7:00 PH on September 4, 1935.

that he guessed Eathryn was pretty sore because he had not contacted her at Eago but "tell her I (Sayers) went to Eago on Labor Day to see her but missed her".

We would like to know that attermany contested her after angust 14, 1925, and where the contests were unde. It is our understanding that the firm of Holean, Scott and Sayers admits meeting Kathryn Kelly upon two occasions before the indistment was returned against here. We would also be interested in knowing all the details about the proposed meeting at Face, Texas on Labor Day and what part and Say Sayers played.

Yary truly yours,

97B ee-Division.l/ 7-7 T. J. BLAKE, Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Nathan.
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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL - URSCHEL CASE.

Mr. Nathan advised that a little after noon today Mr. Keenan received a letter from Catherine Kelly, about five pages long, the original of which is being sent to the Division at Washington by Air Mail tonight; that in the letter she advises she has always thought he was fair and would like to meet him after the trial; that she hoped that justice would be given to the Shannons: that she has "broken" with Kelly and could "turn up" any number of people we wanted, including George Kelly, Verne Miller, and others; that the letter was mailed from Chicago; that she did not indicate where she wanted to see anyone; that it was requested in the letter that it not be shown to anyone, and stated that it was a wonder the Urschels could not figure the finger-man, inasmuch as it was Jarrett, the man on the porch with Urschel at the time; that Mr. Keenan showed the letter to and a couple of bill a number of persons including Kirkpatrick and Ft. Worth detectives; that he, Mr. Keenan, just had a conference with Roberts, one of the Attorneys for Catherine Kelly, but doesn't know what he told Roberts; that he, Mr. Nathan, suggested to Mr. Keenan that he tell Roberts the government will pay for anything it receives of use in apprehending these individuals, and showed Roberts the letter; that the letter is really a continuation of the two former letters, and contains no threats. I advised that it had been determined that the handwriting in the other two letters was not that of Catherine Kelly.

Mr. Nathan advised that the government retired today about four o'clock; that demurrers were filed for all of them and the Court is taking the demurrers under advisement. Mr. Nathan states that he has an inside tip that the court is going to hold all but two of the St. Paul witnesses.

With regard to the money sent to Oklahoma City from Denver, Hyde had advised Gus Jones he had been able to have it brought there with no "strings attached to it", and that he, Hyde, did not feel bound by any promise made by Mr. Hoover or others to return the money to Denver.

Mr. Nathan advised, in answer to my inquiry, that the Daily Oklahoman had printed the letter addressed to it, photographically, but that he had not seen the Urschel letter in the paper. Mr. Nathan, stated however that he could see no harm in the Washington papers being allowed to print photographic copies of these letters. I requested that he take the matter up with Mr. Keenan.

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Mr. Nathan advised that Conroy had advised by telephone that they are planning in Kansas City to send a bus-load of witnesses to Oklahoma City to identify Harvey Bailey, which plans were being made by Vandeventer. He stated he suggested to Conroy that he advise Vandeventer that after the trial is over they will be glad to have any witnesses identify Bailey, to which Conroy replied that it was understood that Mr. Keenan had authorized this action.

Mr. Nathan stated that Mr. Keenan had planned to take personal charge of the prosecution of the Shannons, but that he had pointed out to him that because the Shannons were relatives of Catherine Kelly, she might be disinclined to negotiate with him after the trial. I inquired of Mr. Nathan when Mr. Keenan was going to return to Edwardsville, Illinois to look into the Luer case, as I thought it would be desirable for him to do this about Monday or Tuesday, and Mr. Nathan stated he would inquire of Mr. Keenan.

I requested that he send me a telegram as soon as possible about the photographic copies of the letters to be given to the newspapers.

I advised Mr. Nathan of the letter received from Mr. Conroy regarding conditions in Kansas City, and suggested to him that he come by Kansas City on the way to Washington.

Mr. Nathan stated that all the evidence we have in the Kansas City case is the telephone numbers, and an admission by Mrs. Nash that Verne Miller told her over the telephone the night of the massacre from the Kansas City Union Station that they would get her husband back.

September 29,1933.

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION OF MR HOOVER AND MR HUGHES

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Mr. Hughes said that he had talked to Mr. Keith at Memphis regarding George Kelly. Mr. Keith told Mr. Hughes that arrett was the finger-man and that he (Jarrett) was to get twenty five thousand dollars of the deal. They didn't see Jarrett again afterwards and didn't get the twenty five thousand dollars to him. Kelly also told Mr. Keith about having met Jarrett at the Hopkins Hotel in Oklahoma City on July 4th. and again at some other hotel (Thompson Hotel) at an earlier or later date. Mr. Keith called Oklahoma City and gave them that information.

The first plan was, according to Kelly, that they were to go to a hideout of an old man and woman near or about four hours away but in Oklahoma. They went there that night but saw that this couple had a party of kinfolks. They did not go in but decided to go on to Coleman, Texas. Old man Coleman wouldn't take them in at that time so they went on to Paradise, Texas and into the Shannon place.

The first place mentioned is the hideout for the feet of the crowd, Underhill and others. Kelly stated that he has been or with them off and on but he would not tell Mr. Keith where this place is located. His reason for not telling is that he would 5 1933 not gain anything by telling the location. Mr. Keith talked to Mr. Colyin about this place and Mr. Colvin suggested the name of who is being investigated out there.

Kelly stated that Bailey was given one thousand dollars and was not in on the "pinch" at all. Kelly further stated that they met him at the Shannon place and that they gave him the one thousand dollars because he was broke. Bailey left for a time but returned later.

Mr. Keith said that they were staying open all night to try to get a connected story out of Kelly.

Mr. Hoover inquired of Mr. Hughes as to his opinion on the mode of transportation from Memphis to Oklahoma City. Mr. Hoover said that the press wanted to be allowed to have a reporter accompany the agent in the plane. Mr. Hoover said that he emphatically refused to do this. The press then indicated that they would hire a plane of their own and go along as a convoy. Mr. Hoover said that some tampering with the plane might be done in advance and now he is undecided whether to use the plane of the train. Mr. Hoover expressed the idea of using a mail or an express car with no windows. Mr Hughes said that Mr. Keith is going to call him in the morning with more details.

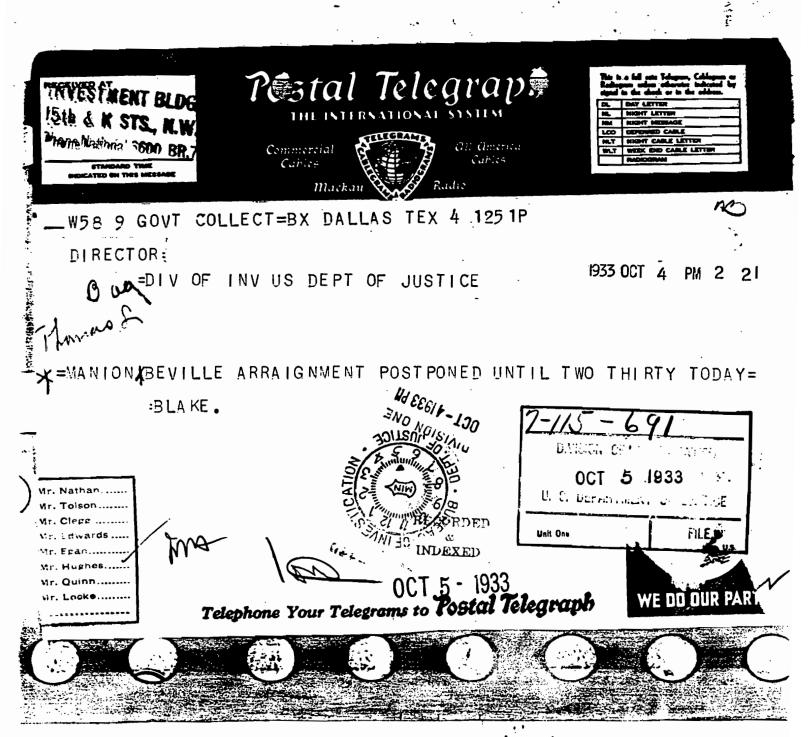
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Mr. Hughes said that is worried over the fact that he unable to get any action on his cases. He has been unable to see Mr. Stanley and the lawyers are writing in about their cases not being investigated. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Hughes that if he had any trouble seeing Mr. Stanley that he would get in touch with him and tell him that this thing has to be settled at once. The cases referred to are those handled by the Field Examiners.

Respectfully,



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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL

Mr. Rorer quoted the wire to Tichenor as follows:

Dated at Ft. Worth, Texas, 12:37 p.m., September 25, 1933. Has headline - DALL-8 or DALL-8 49-51 Day Letter

Addressed to J. C. Pickinaw, c/o Central Garage, Phone 84811.

"Dear Cholly Had several tough breaks Ran into several rain storms Caused brake trouble Deal fell through Tried to get later appointment Bst (best) prospect was afraid impossible Changed his mind Don't want to bring home a sad tale_ Can go on if advisable Amphner (?) West Virginia Gainsville, Texas instructions here

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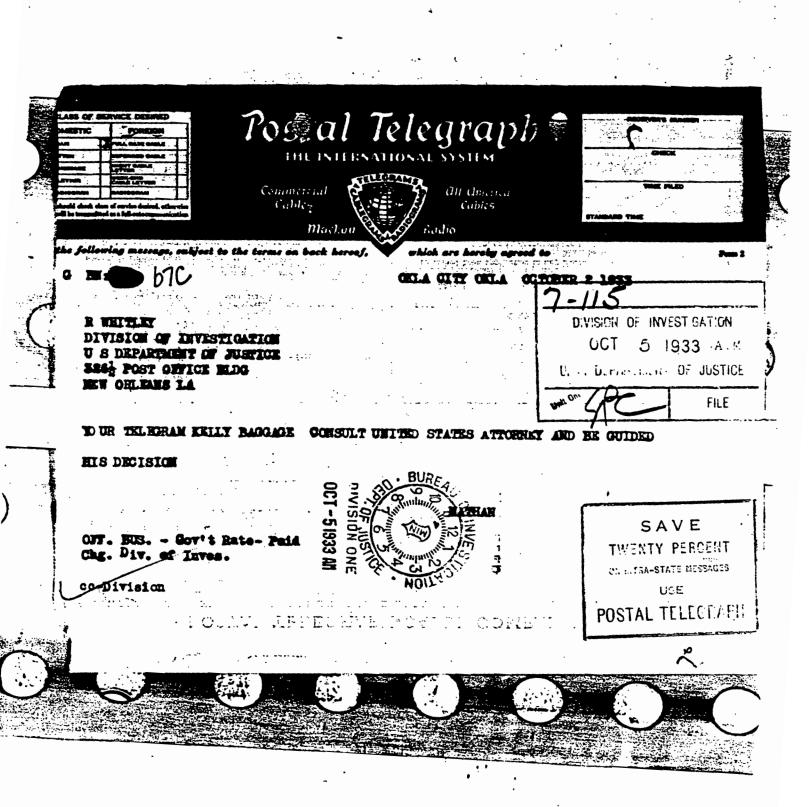
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et al. CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

George Kelly, under arrest at Memphis, Tenn., admits that he and Bates kidnaped Urschel and divided ransom equally, each receiving \$100,000. Denies that his wife, Kathryn, had foreknowledge of kidnaping. Kathryn Kelly denies that she knew of kidnaping until after it occurred, but admits presence at Paradise, Texas while Urschel was being held and fleeing with her husband to various sections of the United States.

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DETAILS:

This report is submitted jointly by Special Agent in Charge J. M. Keith of the Washington Field Division office and Special Agent in Charge W. A. Rorer of the Birmingham Division office, and is supplemental to a detailed report concerning the circumstances of the arrest of the Kellys at Memphis, Tennessee on September 26, 1933 submitted by Special Agent of the Birmingham office and forwarded in rough dreft, mirmail, to the Director, October 1, 1933.

Tumediately following their arrest at Memphis, George and Kathryn Kelly were interviewed at intervals by Keith and Rorer over the period between the cate of their arrest on September 26, 1933 and the date of their removal to Oklahoma City on October 1, 1933. During that period they at various times made partial admissions of guilt and this report sets forth in substance the oral admissions made by each. Both refused to sign written statements.

George Kelly Barnes, alias "Machine Gun" Kelly, finally made an oral

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statement concerning his participation in the Urschel kidnaping, during the day and night of Friday, September 29, 1933. He stated the following in substance:

Kelly stated that for sometime prior to the kidnaping of Urschel, he and his wife, Kathryn, had lived at Fort Worth, Texas; that he, together with Bates, Ed Bentz and a man named were wanted for a bank job committed at Colfax, washington; that a City Detective by the name of had become friendly with him and his wife at Fort worth and tipped them off when the warrants from Colfax were received by the Police Department in Fort Worth; that he paid \$500.00 for this tip and, of course, evaded arrest on the charge; that at subsequent times he had given money, as had his wife, Kethryn.

Kelly stated that he and Bates had first planned to kidnap a man named at St. Joseph, Missouri, but gave this up when they were unable to make the proper contact; that they next planned the kidnaping of a of the First National Bank in Oklahoma City, but this fell through for the same reason; that they next planned to kidner who owns a department store in Cidralona City, and that finally Urschel was decided upon. Kelly stated that he and Bates come to Oklahoma City several weeks prior to the Prechel hidnaping for the purpose of lining up a kidnaping case; that through a friend of his in Oklahoma City, whom he refused to mame, a man was found to "put the finger" on Urschel and that this was what caused them to finally decide to kidnap the latter; that this unnamed person told him that he knew a man named Jarrett, who was friendly with Urschel, and who might be agreeable to "putting the finger" on him; that this unnamed go-between got in touch with Jarrett and reported to him and Bates that Jarrett would entertain such a proposition; that he and Bates registered at the Huckins Hotel in Oklahoma City early in July and stayed there until about July 6th or 7th; that Jarrett was first brought to his room in the Huckins Hotel by the unnamed go-between on July 4th and at that time agreed for a consideration of 25,000 to "put the finger" on Urschel; that it was at first planned to try to get Urschel in an automobile but that Jarrett later reported to him at the Huckins Hotel that Urschel seldom rode in cars but had the habit of walking down town each morning for exercise with some Judge and that Urschel also walked home evenings for exercise; that Jarrett suggested he might be able to arrange for a bridge game with the Urschels and, if so, would let him know.

Kelly further stated that he and Bates, on or about July 7th, checked out of the Huckins Hotel and registered at the Biltmore Hotel as being from Indianapolis, Indiana. Kelly stated he believes he used the alias of J. L. Baker at both hotels and that Bates may have used the alias of Davis - at any rate, Kelly and the light registrations followed each other at both hotels.

Relly further stated that at the Biltmore Hotel Jerrett reported to him that he expected to be able to arrange a bridge game with the Urschels and later had him that such a game would be arranged for July 18th; therefore, he and being planned to perpetrate the kilmaying on that date. Helly may that he and

Since direction to hold Urschel for ransom at a place about 150 miles east of Onlahoma City; that this place belonged to an "old thief" and his wife, who had given up active crookedness because of advanced age and whose place was being used as a hideout by Wilbur Underhill, Bob Brady, Ed Davis, Jim Clark and Harvey Bailey, who had escaped from Lansing Penitentiary on Memorial Day. He further stated that he went to this place about July 14th to make final arrangements for its use in holding Urschel; that the above five escaped convicts were there when he visited the place and that he planned, if they were there when he returned with Urschel, to obtain their assistance in guarding him. Kelly further said that on July 14th he informed this old man what he planned to do and told him he would come there with a kidnaped man on the night of July 18th.

Kelly further stated that he and Bates arranged with Jarrett a signal whereby they would know whether Urschel was at home; that it was agreed with Jarrett that if bridge were being played by himself and wife with Mr. and Mrs. Urschel on the screened porch at the Urschel home, Jarrett would leave his Pierce Arrow automobile parked in front of the Urschel house; that, however, if their engagement with the Urschels was for other purposes and they were not to play bridge on the screened porch, the Pierce Arrow car would be left parked at the side of the house on the driveway. According to Kelly, he and Bates further arranged with Jarrett that when they approached the screened porch to kidnap Urschel, they would stick a machine gun through the screen wire and order that the door be opened; that Jarrett would then unfasten the door. According to Kelly, it was further agreed that Jarrett would be taken along with Urschel in order to cover him up, but would be later released.

Kelly further stated that he and Bates in a Chevrolet car cruised in the neighborhood of the Urschel home on the nights of July 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st but that Jarrett's Pierce Arrow automobile was not there. Kelly says he did not know it at the time but later learned that Urschel had made a sudden trip to Chicago and for this reason the bridge game had not been arranged.

on the night of July 22, 1933, according to Kelly, he and Bates in passing the Urschel home in the Chevrolet with their machine gun saw the Pierce Arrow parked in front of the house; that this occurred shortly after dark; that they kept patroling the neighborhood until the time of the kidnaping-at about 11:00 o'clock or shortly thereafter; that for various reasons they delayed "the snatch"; that they were trying to locate the Urschel watchman, a second time neighbors were on the front porch, again a Dodge 8 automobile was parked at the residence and they saw an unknown girl there. Finally, fearing the bridge game would break up, they drove the Chevrelet into the Urschel driveway and upon approaching the door to the screened porch, found it unlocked; that Bates rushed in first with a revolver, Kelly following with a machine gun; that they stuck up the Urschels and the Jarretts and inquired which was Urschel. Kelly stated that he knew Urschel on sight, as well as Jarrett. He explained that while in Oklehome City he had visited Urschel's offices on a pretext and, although he had

not talked with Urschel personally, he had seen him there. He further stated that he and Bates then took both Urschel and Jarrett and put them in the back seat of the Chevrolet and drove away; that they drove east from Oklahoma City a short distance, during which time they searched both men and proteined to distinguish between them through credentials which they carried on their persons; that Jarrett was then put out of the car and they kept driving until they reached a spot near the previously arranged hideout; that Kelly took Urschel out of the car into the woods and guarded him while Bates drove to the house of the "old thief" to see if the coast were clear; that Bates returned with information to the effect that "country kin-folks" had unexpectedly come to the house in question for a weekend visit and for this reason the place was not safe. Kelly further explained that he had bungled this part of the job in not notifying the old man subsequent to July 18th of the delay because when they did not arrive with the kidnaped man on July 18th, the old man had assumed the deal had fallen through and, therefore, had permitted his relatives to visit as above described.

according to Kelly, he and Bates were then confronted with the proposition of finding a new hideout; that they drove southwest to Stratford, Oklahoma to "Old Man" Coleman's place, where he had stored a Buick automobile; that they arrived at this place shortly before daylight. Kelly denied that his wife, Kathryn, was at the Coleman place but claimed that he asked "old lady" Coleman if they could keep Urschel there; that she "cussed" him out and refused to permit it; that they then transferred Urschel to the Buick car, put stolen plates on it and left in it for Paradise. Texas.

Kelly further stated that they did not cross the old Red River bridge at either Gainesville or Denison, Texas, but went into Texas on the new concrete bridge across the Red River.

Kelly stated that he had no previous arrangement with "old man" Shannon or his wife to use that place as a hideout; that the only thing which had been said in this connection was a conversation which he some time before had had with young Armon Shannon, when he had asked Armon whether the latter wanted to make some money. He says that Armon's reply was to the effect that he would like to make some money if he could be sure of not getting in trouble and that he assured Armon it would be safe. He denied that he had in mind the Urschel kidnaping at the time of this conversation, but admitted that he was figuring on a "snatch". Kelly further stated that during this conversation with Armon Shannon, the latter understood that he was talking about the hiding of a kidnaped person.

Kelly stated that he and Bates arrived in the Buick car with Urschel at the Shannon farm near Paradise, Texas about 2:30 P.M. on Sunday, July 23, 1933; that they told "old man" Shannon and his wife that they had a drunk man and took

him into a room where he was kept under guard; that Kathryn was not present at the Shannon farm when they arrived; that later "old man" Shannon, becoming suspicious that they were not holding a drunk man but a "snatch victim", made them move Urschel to Armon Shannon's house. Kelly emphatically denied that "old lady" Shannon or Eathryn did any cooking for Urschel while he was held at either place; but insisted that he, himself, did the cooking during the first six days Urschel was held.

Kelly did not say definitely how long Bates remained at the Shannon farm after Urschel was brought there, but intimated that Bates remained there only a short time and left for the purpose of going North to arrange for the ransom payment. He said that he understood Bates would go some place north of Oklahoma to send the ransom demands in order that it might appear to be a "Kansas City job" and to throw the authorities off the track as to where Urschel was being held. He said he later learned from Bates that the latter bought a Corona typewriter on which to type the ransom letter and he believes Bates typed this letter in the automobile which he was using. According to Kelly, Bates mailed the first ransom letter in Joplin, Missouri, which demanded the \$200,000.00 and gave instructions about the running of the want ad about the farm for sale in an Oklahoma newspaper.

Kelly further stated that he remained at Paradise guarding Urschel until the following Seturday, at which time he received word from Botes to come to Uklanoma City; that he left Urschel to be guarded by Armon and R. G. Shannon, drove to Oklahoma City and met Bates; that Bates told him the Urschels were ready to pay and that Kirkpatrick and Catlett would catch a Katy train out of Oklahoma City on Saturday night with the money in a grip. He stated that Bates caught a preceding train for the purpose of going to a station on the Katy line about 100 miles north of Oklahoma City, where he was to wait for Kelly; that he, Kelly, drove to the second town above Oklahoma City where he waited for the Katy train on which Kirkpatrick and Catlett were riding; that when the train stopped at this station, he boarded it with the statement to the conductor that he was looking for a friend and under this pretext observed Catlett and Kirkpatrick with two grips on the rear end of the observation car; that it was agreed Bates would repeat this same procedure when the train passed through the town where Bates was located; that from what he, Kelly, saw, he was satisfied there were no officers on the train and that Kirkpatrick and Catlett were not being guarded. Kelly further stated that after the train had left the first station, he drove on to the town where Bates was waiting; that after sending a telegram to the Muchlbach Hotel in Kansas City explaining that they had been delayed and would arrive late the following day, he and Bates then drove to Kansas City, arriving on the afternoon of Sunday, July 30th. He claimed to be unable to remember the name of the town from which he sent the telegram.

Kelly stated that upon arriving at Kansas City, both he and Bates were absolutely positive Catlett and Kirkpatrich were not being followed and that the officers were not on the job; that he at first planned to go up to the room in the huehlbach notel and get the money, but it was decided that they would telephone the

room and have the man bring the grip with the money down on the street. He says that he sat in the car with a machine gun while Bates went across the street and got the grip; that no one else was with them; that immediately after obtaining the grip full of money they drove leisurely out of Kansas City and headed back for Paradise, Texas; that on the road between Kansas City and Paradise, they counted the bundles of money, finding ten packages of \$20,000. each; that he took five of these packages and Bates took five, each thus receiving \$100,000. Kelly further admitted that he telephoned the Shannon farm and talked with Kathryn Kelly, his wife, and gave her a message to deliver to "old man" Shannon to the effect that they would not return until the following day. He claimed this call was made on Sunday, July 30th, but refused to state where it was made.

Kelly stated that he and Bates arrived at the Shannon farm the Monday following receipt of the ransom in Kansas City; that they immediately drove Urschel to a point near Norman, Oklahoma, where he was released. Kelly says that at this point he and Bates parted and he did not see Bates again until he arrived in Minneapolis.

Kelly said that when he returned to the Shannon farm efter releasing Urschel, Kathryn was there; that she had no clothes with her except a house-dress; that he asked her to go with him in the 10 cylinder Codillac to Minneapolis, for the Insisted upon being taken by Fort Worth for the purpose of cotaining the findness. Helly said that he insisted that they leave at the and that quite an argument ensued between him and Kathryn and the Shannons, but that he and Kathryn left immediately in the Cadillac for the Twin Cities.

He further stated that upon arrival in Omaha, Nebraska, they stopped overnight at the Fontenelle Hotel as R. G. Shannon and wife. The next day they started for the Twin Cities and upon arrival in St. Paul, registered as R. G. Shannon and wife at the Hotel St. Paul. The next day he says they went to Minneapolis, where they registered under the same name at the Hotel Sherman. Kelly further stated that he saw Bates in Minneapolis, who was registered at the Hotel Raddison.

Kelly stated that the Government had under arrest the wrong men in St. Paul; that they were only "small fry" and knew nothing about the Urschel kidnaping; that while in the Twin Cities he personally passed at various banks \$2,000. of the ransom money; that he also turned over to "the Big Shot" of the Twin Cities \$7,000. of the ransom money, with the understanding that this party, whom he refused to name, would receive 20% for exchanging it. He claims that he has not yet received his part of the good money. He further stated that this \$7,000. was turned over to the party in the Twin Cities with the understanding that it would be exchanged through the medium of a Canadian liquor deal.

Kelly further stated that after these arrangements were made, he and Kathryn left in the Cadillac for Cleveland, where he wanted to buy a new 13 cylinder Cadillac Coupe; that upon arrival in Cleveland, they registered as R. G. Shannon and

wife at the Hotel Cleveland; that he made a deposit of \$500.00 good money with the Cadillac dealer there. He said he was buying this Cadillac for Kathryn because she had formerly owned one and liked this type of car.

Kelly stated that one night while at the Hotel Cleveland, he noticed in the paper an article about the recovery of some of the Urschel ransom money in the Twin Cities and that he attempted to reach over the telephone a certain party in St. Paul, whom he refused to name. He stated, however, that this man was not the party to whom he had given the \$7,000. but was a contact from whom he could get news as to what was happening. He failed to reach this party that night but became alarmed and left the following day for Chicago for the purpose of "ditching" the Cadillac. Upon arrival in Chicago, Kelly and his wife did not stop at a hotel but stored the Cadillac car with a friend there and purchased a new Chevrolet from an unknown dealer. In this Chevrolet they proceeded to Des Moines. Iowa, where they registered under the name of Coleman at the Fort Des Moines Hotel. While at this hotel the papers carried the story about the raid on the Shannon farm and the arrest of Harvey Bailey. At this point Kelly explained that Harvey Bailey had absolutely no connection with the Urschel kidnaping. He claimed that when he returned to the Shannon farm after collecting the ransom money, he found Harvey Bailey there; that Bailey wanted him to go on a job with him but he told Bailey he would not be interested; that he asked Bailey how he was fixed for money and Bailey told him he was troke; that he thereupon gave Beiley \$1000. of the Urschel ronsom money and told sailer that the Shannon farm was "hot" and he should stay away from there.

Kelly further stated that after reading in the papers of the arrest of Bailey and the Shannons at Paradise, Kathryn "raised hell" because her people were in trouble and declared her intention of returning immediately to Texas with a girl friend who was there with her to do what she could for her people. Kathryn then took the Chevrolet car and with her girl friend left Des Moines for Texas.

Kelly said that he immediately boarded a train for Oklahoma City and upon arrival in Oklahoma City, hid out with a friend of his, whom he refused to name; that he remained in the hideout for about a week after his arrival on Tuesday, August 15th; that when he left Oklahoma City he went to south Texas for the purpose of buying a car. He refused to state the place where the bought this car but claims that after purchasing a new Chevrolet, he headed for New Orleans, where he stayed with a friend. From New Orleans he went to Biloxi, Mississippi, where he registered at the Adalon Hotel under the name of J. L. Baker. From the Adalon Hotel he proceeded to the Tourist Hotel also in Biloxi, where he registered under the same name. He had with him a 45 automatic pistol. One day while standing on a street corner, the newsboy cried out: "Machine Gun Kelly in town", whereupon he immediately left for Memphis by bus; deserting his car and baggage. Upon arrival in Memphis, Kelly says he got in touch with Langford Ramsey, his brother-in-law, who made arrangements for him to hideout at the home of J. R. Tichenor. He says he stayed there for about a week, during which time he bought from Tichenor a Ford Coupe and a 45 automatic pistol.

While in Memphis Kelly claims that he received word that Kathryn could be met in San Antonio, Texas at a certain address and that he proceeded in the Ford car towards San Antonio, stopping en route at the farm of Cass Coleman near Coleman, Texas, where he buried in a cotton field near some mesquite trees the balance of the Brachel ransom money which he had in his possession. He asked how much ransom money had been found and he was told that the sum recovered amounted to \$73,250. He stated this was absolutely correct.

At San Antonio, according to Kelly, Kathryn was driving a Ford truck and was wearing a red wig. He also had dyed his hair and eyebrows. He claims that the Ford truck was given to a friend of theirs in Texas and that in the Ford car he proceeded to St. Louis, Missouri, where it was stored and he purchased a new Chevrolet; that in the Chevrolet he proceeded to Chicago and while in Chicago, between September 20th and 22nd, he got in touch with Verne Miller and they made the mutual agreement that Urschel and Jarrett would be killed. He also stated that while in Chicago he called who told him to keep away from him, that he was "hot"; that he wouldn't be seen talking to him for \$10,000. Kelly denied that he had any part in the robbery of Federal Reserve messengers on the morning of Friday, September 22nd.

Kelly further stated that he went by St. Louis shile on this trip to unimage for the purpose of raising mone, to be used in the defense of the phantons; that he gaid the atterneys representing sailey and the Shannons a total of \$75,000. and that of this sum he had to borrow \$15,000.

Kelly refused to state whether Kathryn went with him to Chicago but stated that he and Kathryn left Chicago on the morning of Friday, September 22nd, at about 9:00 or 9:30 A.M. and drove through to Memphis, where they again stopped at the Tichenor home.

It should be stated that according to Kelly the daughter of left San Antonio with them, was with them in Chicago and also accompanied them to Memphis.

Kelly refused to make any further statement. It was presented to him that if his story that the Shannons had no previous knowledge of the kidnaping were true, that he should divulge: First, the name of the "old thisf" to whose place he had intended taking Urschel; and Second, the name of the Oklahoma City gobetween who arranged with Jarrett to "put the finger" on Urschel. He refused to do this until he had consulted counsel.

following statement:

Kathryn Kelly stated that at the time of the Urschel Kidnaging she was

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at her home in Fort worth, Tamas. She stated that some three weeks prior thereto her husband George had left Fort Worth with the statement that he was going to Oklahoma City on a job; that she had no knowledge of his plans; that he promised to write her but did not. She admitted going to Paradise and taking the wife of Armen Shannon and his children to her some in Fort Worth, but claimed that she had previously promised to do this for them and that her removal of them from the Shannon farm had no connection with the kidnaping. She claimed that when she read in the newspapers of the kidnaping of Mr. Urschel at Oklahoma City, she immediately associated this crime with her husband, George, because she knew he was here. She said that she then went to Paradise, Texas with a girl friend and upon arrival there found her stepfather and mother in a very worried condition. She said that her stepfether took her aside and told her that her husband and Bates had brought a drunk man there and that they had found out that he was Mr. Urschel who had been kidnaped in Oklahoma City; that the kidnaped man was then down at Armon's place. Kathryn Kelly further stated that she thereupon proceeded to Armon Shannon's house,. called George Kelly out and "raised hell" with him for playing this trick on her people. According to her statement she then returned to Fort Worth, got rid of her girl friend and returned to Paradise; that she was in Paradise when Kelly telephoned from some unknown place on the rainy Sunday - the day before Mr. Urschel was released - and gave her information that he would be back the next day. Kathryn Kelly I itted in Time set to armon phennon's work where in. Urschel was being guarded by his clear to the limits likelinon that sold her stears ther what George he was it over the telephone.

She further stated that Kelly and Bates returned to the Shannon farm on the following Monday and took Mr. Urschel away; that George then came back to the Shannon farm alone and insisted that she go with him immediately to Minneapolis in her Cadillac. She claimed that she had no clothes with her except the housedress she was wearing and after at first refusing to go with him - but being ordered to go she insisted that he take her by Fort Worth so she could get some additional clothes. According to her statement, he refused to do this, but forced her to leave with him immediately for Linneapolis. She says that en route to Minneapolis they stopped at the Motel Fontenelle at Omaha as Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Shannon; that upon arrival at St. Paul they registered under the same name at the Hotel St. Paul; that they arrived at this hotel in the afternoon and after lying across the bed for a few minutes. George left and was gone until late that night; thatthe following day they proceeded to Minneapolis, where they registered as Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Shannon at the Hotel Sherman; that they saw Bates in Minneapolis at the Hotel Raddison; that after a few days they left the Twin Cities for Cleveland, where they stopped for a short time at the Hotel Cleveland; that while there George was arranging to buy a ... new Cadillac car; that upon returning to their hotel room late one night after a dabaset party, George saw a notice in the paper about the recovery of some of the ransom money in St. Paul and from the hotel room celled a St. Paul number. But could not reach his party; that he wanted to leave Cleveland immediately, out she was tired and pleepy and refused to do so; that the next day they wolft for Chicago, where George got wid or the Cadillac car and bought a new Chevrolet; that they proceeded from Indeago to Des Moines, where they registered as Mr. and Mrs. Coleman

at the fort Des Moines Hotel; that she was joined there by a girl friend of here and while at this hotel newspaper reports broke concerning the arrest of her parents and Harvey Bailey on the Shannon farm at Paradise. She stated that she became hysterical, "cussed" George out for getting her people into trouble and insisted that they both return at once and surrender on the charge in order to clear her parents of the trouble they were in; that George refused to do this and she left in the Chevrolet with her girl friend and drove to Dallas, where she got in touch with a certain friend of here and arranged for attorneys to represent her people.

Kathryn Kelly stated that while passing through Chicago on the way from Cleveland to Des Moines, George wrote a letter to Mr. Jarrett and that she mailed it for him. (George Kelly later stated that he sent this letter to Jarrett from Chicago and that in it he discussed the fact that he had been changing the money and would later pay him his cut - or words to that effect. He claimed it was not mailed to Jarrett direct but was included in another envelope addressed to the unnamed Oklahoma City go-between.) Kathryn, upon being informed to this effect, affirmed its correctness, but refused to name the gobetween.

Kathryn further stated that after arranging for an apartment in Dallas, the location of which she refused to divulge, she got word to George where to join her and that he het her there. The refused to disclose her further movements with Jeorge except to admit that she had been with him at San Antonio, Texas and also at Chicago, Illinois before their arrival in Memphis. She stated that she heard George telephone in Chicago and that he told her he had seen Verne Miller there, but that she was not present. She further stated that on the occasion of her last presence in Chicago with George, she mailed a threatening letter to Mr. Jarrett at Oklahoma City.

It is to be noted that throughout the interviews with both George and Kathryn, they made only self-serving admissions for the purpose of attempting to show the lack of previous knowledge of the kidnaping on the part of the Shannons and Kathryn Kelly.

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OklahomaCity, Oklahoma October 2, 1903

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MEMORANDUM ON LEADS TO BE COVERED IN URECHEL CASE

DETROIT OFFICE

Kelly says arrived in Cleveland with Enthryn in 16-cylinder Cetiliae about August 7th, registering Hotel Cleveland, as R. G. Shamon and wife for purpose purchasing new 12-cylinder Cadillac Coupe, on which he made deposit of \$500 with Cadillac people - \$500 good money - not Urschel ransom money. While at Hotel Cleveland, saw news story August 7 concerning recovery ransom money Twin Cities; made telephone call about midnight August 7th or early morning August 8th from Hotel room to party in either St. Paul or Minneapolis; could not get connection and call not completed. Kelly refused to name party to whom call placed. - Believed to be

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Kathryn Kelly says August 8th George must have talked to Twin Cities at unknown place other than Cleveland Hotel, because they left that day for Chicago and George was badly frightened.

Instructions:

Locate registration in 3. SHANNA and wife, hotel Cleveland and check all incoming and outgoing telephone calls and telegrams, immediately advising bt. Faul Office as to any information discovered.

The following printed card was found in Kelly's wallet at the time of his arrest:

"JOE'S SANDWICH SHOP 276 South Front (Name of city not shown) Quick Lelivery Service - Telephone 9-1785"

Card apparently had been in wallet for some time. Written in pencil on the front of this card was the following: "MOSS" or "MASS". CHECK THIS ADDRESS TO SEE IF IT AND IN TO YOUR DISTRICT.

Chiahoma City, Skiahom Cotober 2, 1932

MELIOPANDUM ON LEADS TO BE COVERED IN URSCHEL CASE

ST. PAUL OFFICE:

Kelly says that on July 31 he and Kathryn left in a 16-cylinder Cedillac for Twin Cities, arriving Tuesday, August 1, or Wednesday, August End; first stopped in St. Paul at Hotel St. Paul, registering as R. G. Shannon and wife; stayed one day. CHECK ALL PHONE CALLS AND TELECRAMS SMIT OR RECEIVED.

Next day, August 2nd or 3rd, Kelly and wife went to Minneapolis, registering as A. G. Shannon and wife at Hotel Sherman. CHECK ALL PHONE CALLS AND TELE. C. GRASS S.NT OR RECEIVED AT THIS ADDRESS.

Kelly and wife say that Bates had at the same time registered, under name not known, at Hotel Raddison. CHECK HOTEL FADDISON AUGUST 1st and SUBSECUENT DATES IN SEFECT LOCATE BATES REGISTRATION AND HOOS NUMBER FOR PURPOSE CHECKING TELESTHONE CALLS AND TELEGRAMS.

Kelly says while in Twin Cities he personally changed at banks approximately (2,003.00 of Urschel reason money. In addition he turned over to "the Big back" of the Twin Cities, whom he refused to name, \$7,000 of the ransom money, on agreement that he would pay this party 20% to change it for good money; stated this party was not among those arrested in St. Paul; further stated he had understanding with this party that \$7,000 would be exchanged in Canada on a liquor deal. Kelly made phone call from Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio on August 7th to unknown party in Twin Cities, concerning newspaper articles which appeared that day about the discovery of ransom money there. Detroit Office checking this phone call and will advise the St. Paul office.

In jail at Memphis, Kathryn Kelly offered guard \$5.00 for newspaper after hearing a newsboy on the street shouting "Arrest of Seven More Defendants." Guard later asked by her whether the or the street among those arrested.

The following printed card was found in Kelly's wallet at the time of his arrest:

"JOE'S SANDWICH SHOP 276 South Frent

Quick Delivery Service - Telephone 8-1785 (Name of sity not shown)

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KANSAS CITY OFFICE:

Kelly and wife say that while fleeing from Paradise, Texas in a 16-cylinder Cadillac on July 31st or August 1st they stopped overnight at Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, registering as R. G. Shannon and wife. LOCATE REGISTRATION AND CHECK ANY TELEPHONE CALLS OR TELEGRAMS SENT OR PECKIVED OR OTHER PUBLISHED DATA.

The following printed card was found in Kelly's wellet at the time of his arrest:

"JOE'S SANDWICH SHOP 276 South Front (Name of city not shown) Quick Delivery Sorvice - Telephone 8-1785"

Card apparently had been in wallet for some time. Written in pencil on the front of this card was the following: "MOSS" or "MASS". CHECK THIS ADDRESS TO MASS TO ADDRESS TO MASS TO ADDRESS TO ADDRESS

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma October 2, 1913

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CHICAGO OFFICE:

At time of arrest Kelly had in wallet following Chicago addresses:

- 6. %ebster 7157 (no name shown)
- 7. 2702 C & C (This may be 2762 C & C)

The following described papers were also found in Kelly's wallet:

Facsimile of State of Illinois Motor Vehicle Registration Card No.464869, dated February 20, 1923; name of owner, Cicero, Cook County, Illinois.

State of car, Chevrolet; ractory No. 1CAO2-15618; Style of body, Sedan; Motor No. 3496362; Year built, 1933; Signature of owner,

Town of Cicero License Certificate No. 3979 in name of Chevrolet Sedan, 25 horse-power; License Number: "Appl"; date 3-2-1933. This certificate acknowledges receipt of \$5.00 fee, signed by Rose Cuchna, Town Collector.

Card bearing following information:

"JOE'S DESIGNED SHOW

276 South Front
(Name of city not shown)
Quick Delivery Service -Tel. P-178

(This card apparently had been in wallet for some time. Written in penel on the front of this card was the following: "MODS" or "MASS".)
CHECK THIS ADDRESS TO SEE IF IT APPLIES TO YOUR DISTRICT.

Both Kathryn and George say that when in Chicago they usually stopped at the Hotel Stevens. This hotel should be checked as to any registrations in June, July, August or September for R. G. SHANNON AND WIFE, J. J. BAKER AND WIFE, C. L. JOHNSON AND WIFE, ROY STEWART AND WIFE or other known aligner.

Kelly says Verne Miller has oven in Chicago; claims to have talked with him there between August 20th and 29nd; refused to divulte any information as to location or connections; claims that he and Miller have agreement that

Urechel and serrett will be murdered. IN CHECKING ALL CHICAGO ADDRESSE, TOTAMEDING STEVENS HOTEL, LOOK OUT FOR VERNE MILLER.

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responsible for Kansas City Massacre.

George and Kathryn Kelly claim 16-cylinder Cadillac stored with friend in Chicago August 8th or 9th and a new Chevrolet purchased from unknown dealer. rossible that car may have been stored or sold to or associates.

Kelly claims that while in Chicago on August 8th or 9th he turned over \$12,000 of Urschel ransom money to party, whom he refuses to name, with agreement that he would later be given \$10,000 in good money after the ransom money had been changed; claims that he has not yet received this \$10,000, although it seems possible that he may have got it when he and Kathryn returned to Chicago about August 20. Also claims that an additional \$500 of ransom money was left with another party who arrived in Chicago from New York as "sample" to promote further negotiations for exchange of entire sum.

Soth George and Lathryn say they storyed in Chicago between Luguet 20t and 22nd at Astra Apartments on Winthrop Street, about 5200 or 5200 North, almost to Evanston, under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson or Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson; claim people who ran this Apartment had no knowledge their identity.

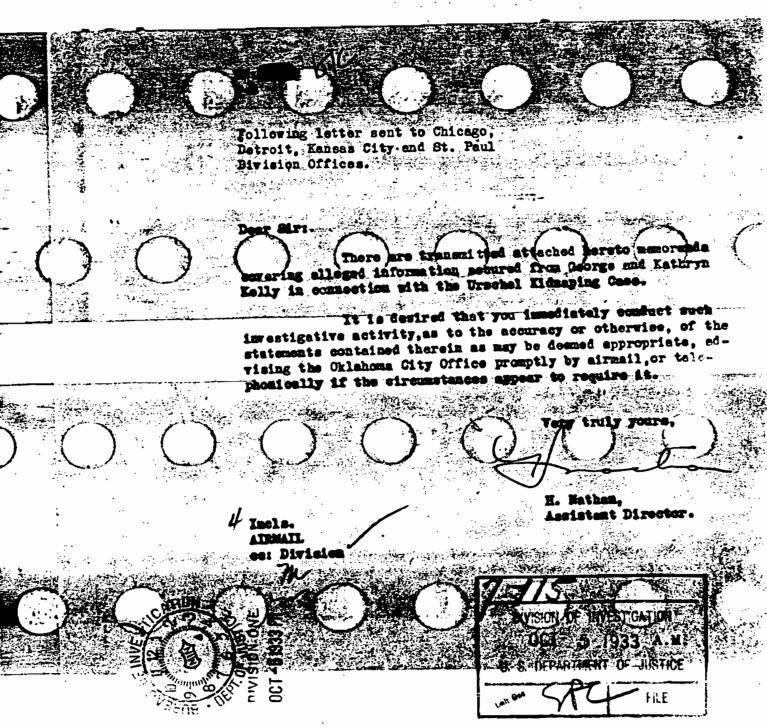
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Both Kathryn and George Kelly say that George telephoned while in Chicago and told him to stay away from him, that he was too "hot"; that he wouldn't be seen talking to him for \$10,000. This occurred, according to the Kellys, when they were in Chicago the last time, between August 20th and 22nd.

Note: George and Kathryn claim to have been in Chicago three times while they were fugitives: First, about August 6th and 5th; second, about August 8th or 9th; third, about August 80th to 88md.

224 Federal Bldg. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

October 2, 1935



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Laboratory Report

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Specimen:

Photo of letter addressed to Mr. Keenen under Number: signature of Kathryn Kelly, postmarked Chicago,

September 20.

Examination requested by:

Mr. Mathan and Unit One.

October 2, 1935.

Date received:

Compare handwriting with that of Mrs. Kelly.

Examination desired:

October 5, 1955.

Date of Report:

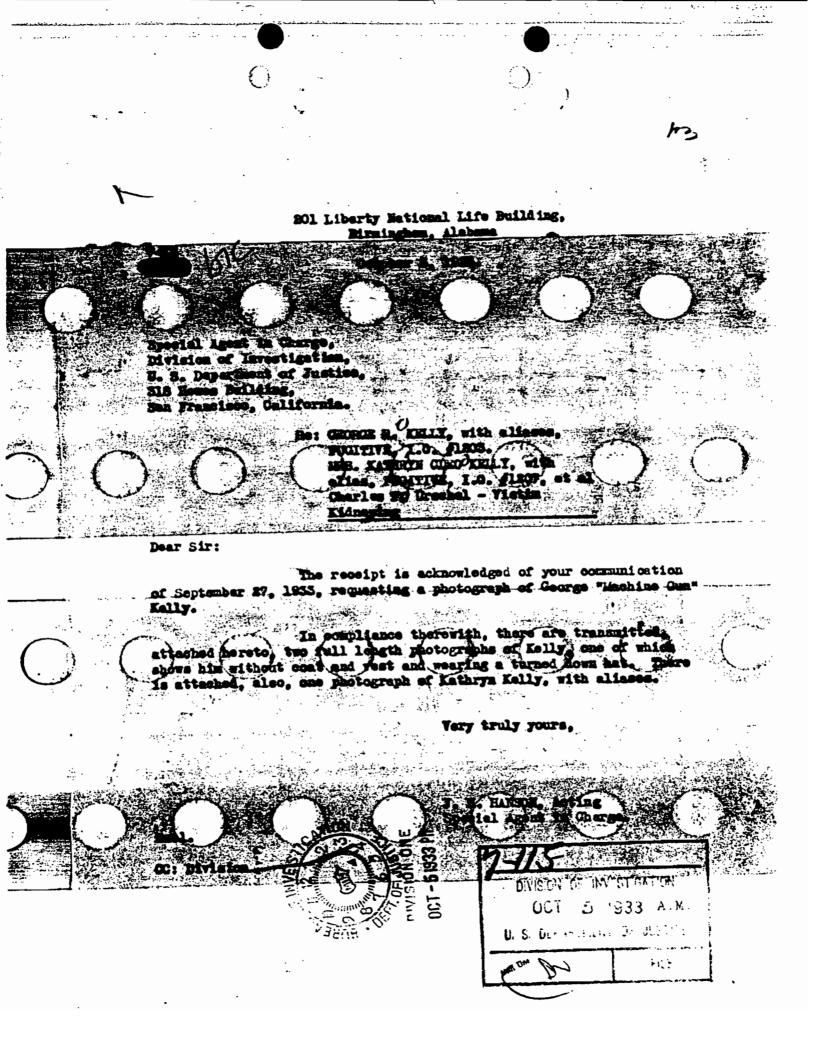
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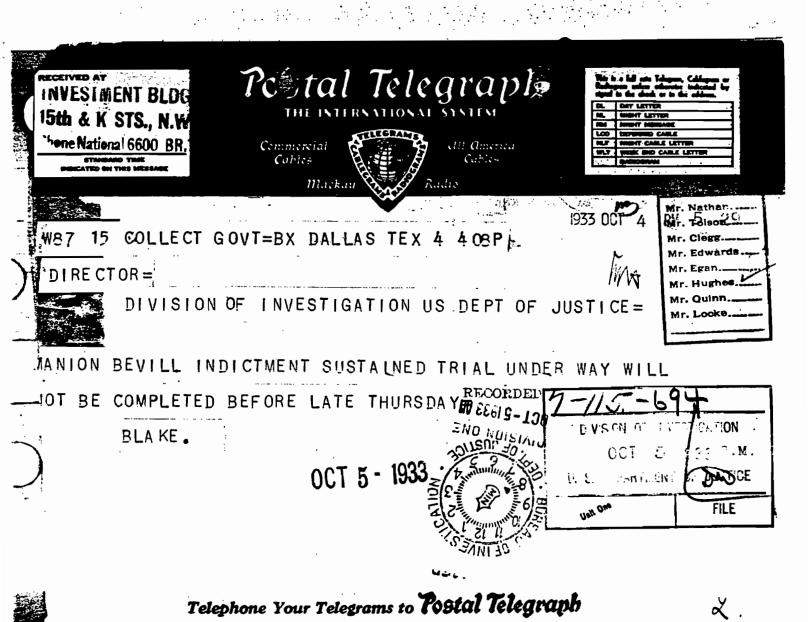
Examination by: C. A. Appel.

The handwriting is that of Mrs. Kathryn Kelly. Photographs of the letter were made and were mostly used in this examination as the original was not left in the laboratory long enough to be used.

From the wording of this letter it would appear that Mrs. Kelly might have written the letter to the Oklahoman newspaper and to Mr. Urschel. I am still of the opinion that she did not write these letters.





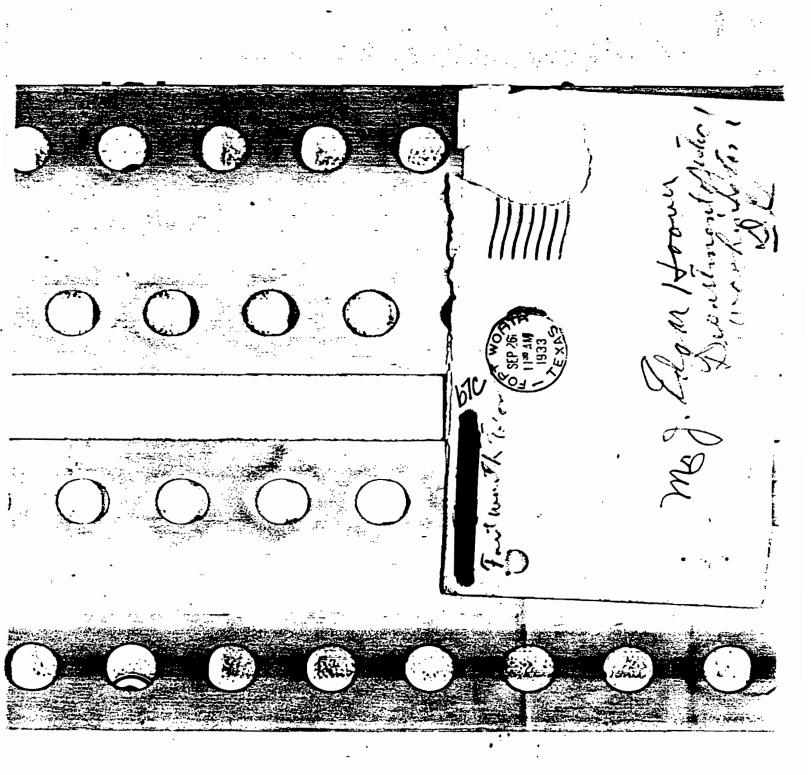


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I im is receipt of your letter of September 25, 1933, therein you state that you have been informed that there was a \$15,000 reward offered by the Department of Justice or this Division for the cepture of George Kelly and Katheyn Thorne Kelly, and also a remard for the depters of Cheries Flays.

Places be advised that no reward has been effered by the Department of Justice or this Division for the espture of these individuals. You were advised by the Division on September 21, 1933, that no rewards have been authorized by the Division for the apprehension of the individuals memed in your letter of September 12, 1933.

It is suggested that in the event you possess information concerning the location of Charles Floyd you transmit the same to Mr. R. E. Colvin, Special Agent in Charge of the Oklahoma City Office of this Division, 221 Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, or to Mr. F. J. Elake, Special Agent in Charge of the Dallas Office of the Division, Post Office Building, Ballas, Texas.

Yery truly yours,

DIVISION OF PRESTIGATION OF U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Pivision of Investigation U.S. Department of Instice Washington, D. C. October 4, 1933.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

George R. Kelly did not have a revolver in his hand when arrested at Memphis, Tennessee.

The following is taken from the rough draft report submitted by Special Agent

advised Special Agent in Charge Rorer that in the hall between the bedroom where Kelly was sleeping and the front bedroom in which were found Tichnor and Travis was a sewing machine and that he found the 45-colt automatic lying on the machine and believed that Kelly laid it there quickly, upon sensing the fact that he was covered, and in such manner that Raney did not see him with it in his possession, nor did he see Kelly place the pistol there."

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The Division is in receipt of a letter from R. B. Thorp, Chief of Police, Austin, Texas, dated September 23, 1933, requesting the fingerprints, photograph and record of Subject George B. Kelly.

I am transmitting herewith copy of Division letter in answer to letter of Mr. Thorp. Kindly place the Austin, Texas Police Department on your mailing list to receive Identification Orders.

Very truly yours,

Director

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Upon receipt of this information, surveillance was immediately taken up at these addresses. Lehmeyer was not located on the night of September 15, 1933, but the writer in company with Special Agent at Hoboken, N.J. contacted the Police Department there, and after a conference with and lit was learned that the election register reflected four families as voting from the address,

It was learned through the above named police officials that

also of the Hoboken Police Department, was well

acquainted with

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is the wife of

who is presently employed as a foreman by the Klevator Supply Company of
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about twenty years ago,
served a term of five years in the State Penitentiary, Trenton, New Jersey,
following conviction for grand larceny from a railroad. It was also stated
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has a son who is employed as a reported on the "Jersey
Observer", of Hoboken, N.J. This son's name is

was asked for information regarding Joseph Lehmeyer, at which time he stated that Lehmeyer is and that he was seen by in Hoboken on the night of September 12, 1933, at which time he stated that he had recently been appointed as Chief of Police at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and that he had traveled to Hoboken on September 12, 1933, via airplane, for the purpose of returning a prisoner.

advised that he did not take any particular interest in the matter of the return of the prisoner, and could not state from what town the prisoner was to be secured. He did say, however, that Lehmeyer mentioned the fact that he would have to make a trip to Trenton, N.J. in order to secure extradition papers.

At the request of Agent and the writer, secured a set of New Jersey automobile license plates for use on agents' car, in connection with the surveillance of this surveillance was commenced at about 10:30 P.M., September 15, 1933 and was maintained until 3: P.M., September 16, 1933, at which time advice was received from the New York Division Office to the effect that Lehmeyer had been located at the house situated at Brooklyn, N.Y.

On September 16, 1933, Agent and Agent took up surveillance of the address Brooklyn, N.Y.

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and Agent interviewed of the Fort Hamilton Post Office Station 66 - 71st Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., who is the letter-carrier covering the route where is located. advised that a family named ing at that address for the past two and a half years; that the place is a one-family house and apparently owned by that is a Spanish-American War Veteran and at present ostensibly unemployed; that his family consists of and two daughters, one 16 years of age and the other about 22 years of age. further advised that in July 1933, the family were on their vacation in Minnesota with their automobile and returned to Brooklyn early in August; that on their trip they took with them a trailer and a camping outfit. probably is of Scandanavian or German descent and as far as he knows she is a hard working woman doing some housework occasionally. He said that most of her mail comes from one of her sisters who resides in Hoboken, address unknown; also, that she has another sister residing stated that he somewhere in New Jersey, exact location unknown. considers the family to be very nice people.

Surveillance by Agents and of the was maintained until midnight of September 15, 1933. No one was seen to enter or emerge from the premises and upon close observation it was found that there was no one at home. Surveillance of the above residence was resumed by the said agents at 7:30 A.M. the following morning, September 16th. At 10:45 A.M., it was observed that wife and his young daughter left their residence in their automobile, bearing New York license plates 1K 2577, proceeding towards New York City. They were closely followed by agents in a Division car. Crossing the Manhattan Bridge they proceeded through the Holland Tunnel and towards Union City also known as Weehawken Heights. There they stopped in front of a residence located at 227 Shippen Street, Weehawker, N.J. They remained there about an hour or so, at which time Lehmeyer came out with a suitcase from the said residence and entered automobile. They proceeded to the Hudson County Catholic Cemetery closely followed by Agents and in two Division cars. They remained at the cemetery for about twenty minutes or so and then in the same automobile proceeded to the residence of at Brooklyn, N.Y., erriving there about 2: P.M. On the way to the residence they stopped at several stores apparently making some purchases. About 4:30 P.M. it was observed that Lehmeyer and emerged from the house and proceeded on foot to the B & H Beer Garden located at 9924 Fourth Avenue, which is only a short distance from the residence of A A few minutes later

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Agent entered this beer garden, which was crowded, and took his position near Lehmeyer and who were drinking beer. Their conversation was general and related to some beer drinking which they did together while was in Minneapolis on his vacation. No one was contacted by them at this beer garden, nor did they make any telephone calls at said premises. After remaining at this beer garden for about fifteen or twenty minutes, Lehmeyer accompanied by returned to the latter's home, where they remained until about 7: P.M., at which time surveillance was discontinued by Agent

On September 17, 1933, Agents and maintained surveillance at from 8: 1.M. to 3:40 P.M. The two daughters of the family went to a nearby Catholice church. Lehmeyer was not observed. Apparently he and had left earlier as they returned in the Wills-Knight Lout 9:30 A.M. to

About 2: P.M. and the red haired daughter went away in the Wills-Knight. Lehmeyer was not with them. At 3:08 P.M., Lehmeyer walked to the home of He returned to about 3:30 P.M. About 3:40 P.M. Lehmeyer departed with the family in the Wills-Knight. They were trailed by Agents and The surveillance conducted by and developed only that and Lehmeyer were on a sight-seeing trip, during the course of which trip they contacted no one.

On September 18, 1933, Agents and were on duty at 8: A.M. Lehmeyer was first seen at 9:13 A.M., when he stepped out to the sideralk and had a visit with the red haired daughter. 'She had carried a package (apparently laundry of Joseph Lehmeyer) and a man's blue suit. She had been seen to visit two laundries but she returned to her home with the package and blue suit. It was assumed by agents that she could not obtain one-day service on the laundry and accordingly returned same to Lehmeyer, and she was seen to hand him a package and the suit, which he took back into the house. At 9:31 A.M. Lehmeyer took a walk and was followed to 9524 Fourth Avenue (which is a barber shop) where he had a shave and hair cut. He next went to a cigar store on the corner of 96th Street and Fourth Avenue. He returned to at 10:32 A.M. He contacted no one. At 11:35 A.M. Lehmeyer was driven from the home to _Brooklyn (home of in a tan car, with 1933 New York tags It was later ascertained that these tags were issued to Brooklyn, N.Y. for 1931 Pontiac Sedan, and that she is employed as a

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stenographer at 1 West 25th Street, New York City. Lehmeyer remainted at until 1:21 P.M. He walked down Fourth Avenue to 93rd Street. was with him and introduced him to two or more people. It was apparent these people were strangers to Lehmeyer. Lehmeyer entered the P.M.T. subway at Fourth Avenue and 93rd St. at 1:30 P.M. He was followed by Agents and

At approximately 1:30 P.M., September 18, 1933, Agents
and observed Joseph Lehmeyer come out of
Brooklyn, N.Y. in company with a woman, who appeared to
be about 40 years of age, about 5 ft. 5 in. in height, weighing about 160
pounds, light complexion, brown hair, bobbed, who walked with a swaying
motion, and who had very thick ankles. This woman wore a blue, light summer
coat and no hat. Lehmeyer and this woman proceeded to 95th Street and
Fourth Avenue, where Lehmeyer bid the woman goodbye and boarded a subway
train. Agents and also boarded this train, and upon
Lehmeyer's getting off at Cortlandt Street, they followed him to the Hudson
Terminal, where Lehmeyer boarded a train for Hoboken, Agents and
followed.

Upon reaching Hoboken, Lehmeyer was observed by Agents and proceeding to Police Headquarters in Hoboken, where he visited for about one hour. At about 3: P.M., Agent observed Lehmeyer come cout of Police Headquarters in Hoboken, N.J. in company of another man. Lehmeyer and this man then entered the Fabian Movie Theatre, which is located diagonally across the street from Hoboken Police Headquarters. They stayed in this moving picture theatre for a few minutes and then entered Police Headquarters again. Lehmeyer was then observed coming out of Police Headquarters by Agent in the company of a man who appeared to be about fifty years of age, about 5 ft. 7 in. tall, weighing about 150 lbs., medium build, medium dark complexion, dark mustache, streaked with grey, and wearing shell-rimmed glasses.

While this agent was calling the New York Office by telephone,
Lehmeyer was followed by Agent to 18 Hudson Place, which is the
address of the Terminal House, and where a speakeasy is located on the
ground floor. Lehmeyer entered this speakeasy in the company of two men, one
of them being the man above described and the other being one
who, according to information received from
Police Department, is

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easy for about one hour and a half, where they were evidently drinking, and at about 5: P.M., Agents and observed Lehmeyer entering 79 River Street, Hoboken, N.J.

Prior to this, information had been obtained from of the Hoboken Police Department, that Lehmeyer had made an appointment to meet one an attorney, who has his office at at about 5: P.M. stated thet of Hoboken, N.J. He stated that while Lehmeyer was visiting at the Hoboken Police Department he stated that he had a prisoner at the 7th Precinct in Jersey City, N.J., which he expected to take back to Minneapolis by plane from the Newark, N.J. Airport at 7:30 A.M. on Tuesday, Sept. 19th, 1933. stated that Lehmeyer with the permission of of the Hoboken Police Department, called telephone number "Montgomery 2500, which is a Jersey City number connecting the 7th Police Precinct in Jersey City, of the Jersey City Detective Bureau, and and spoke to made arrangements for taking the prisoner back. To the best of recollection, the name of the prisoner was either Schoenfeldt or Schoenhahn, who was wanted in Minneapolis, Minn., in connection with a bond swindle.

further advised that Joseph Lehmeyer had told him that he (Lehmeyer) had shown a good time" while was in Minneapolis recently, and that evidently was going to reciprocate at this time. Joseph Lehmeyer also told that when he first came from Minneapolis he stopped at Myers Hotel, which is located at 3rd and Hudson Sts. in Hoboken, but at the request of one of thought was Lehmeyer left the hotel and stayed with her. believes that is the one who resides in Weehawken, N.J.

At about 5:15 P.M., agents—and observed Lehmeyer in the company of two men leave 79 River Street and go to the ferry, which is located about one block down Hudson Place. There the three men boarded the Christopher Street Ferry, and upon reaching New York City at Christopher Street, they proceeded to Pier 42 of the North German Lloyd Line. At Pier 42, the three men boarded the steamship "Dresden".

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At Pier 42 at about 6: P.M., Agents end were joined by Agents and who were in an automobile. All four agents stationed themselves under the "L" structure directly across from the exit of Pier 42, where they maintained surveillance. While waiting there, these four agents observed an automobile bearing New Jersey Hudson County license plates, draw up in front of the entrance to Pier 42. The occupants of this automobile got out and entered the pier. The distance was too great, and therefore no description could be obtained of these people.

About 8: P.M. while Agent was proceeding to telephone the New York Office, Lehmeyer and four men came out of Pier 42, suddenly entered the automobile bearing Hudson County license plates, and began to followed. It was observed drive off. Agents and that the automobile in question bore New Jersey 1933 license plates H-96. This automobile with its occupants, proceeded through the Holland Tunnel, the three agents following. The automobile went through the heart of Jersey City, N.J. and while proceeding along Newark Avenue in Jersey City, the automobile bearing license number H-96 suddenly turned into York Street. York Street is a one-way street, and the automobile in question proceeded against traffic. The three agents mentioned, proceeded in their automobile along Newark Avenue to Montgomery Street with the intention of heading off the automobile bearing license number H-96, being under the impression that this automobile proceeded up the one-way street either by mistake or else purposely in view of the fact that H-96 is evidently a courtesy tag and probably belongs to some official of Hudson County. One block down Montgomery Street, an automobile exactly resembling the automobile bearing license number H-96, was observed coming from the direction of York Street at a very high rate of speed. In the darkness this automobile appeared to be the automobile which agents were trailing. It proved to be the wrong automobile. Thereafter, the three agents scoured the neighborhood of York Street, Montgomery Street and Newark Avenue for a radius of about ten blocks but were unable to locate the automobile bearing license number H-96.

Thereafter, Agents and proceeded to Hoboken, N.J., where a check was made of and Weehawken Heights, N.J., but were unable to pick up Lehmeyer's trail. Through the cooperation of and of the Hoboken Police Department, with whom Agent had previously conferred.

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on this matter, it was ascertained that license number H-96 is issued in the name of hoboken, N.J.

informed that this automobile is kept in Zobolsky's Garage at 12th and Clinton Street, Hoboken, N.J.

A constant check was maintained by Agents and until 1: A.M., Tuesday, September 19, 1933, of of Zobolsky's Garage at 12th and Clinton St., of Hoboken, N.J., and of Weehawken Heights, N.J.

On September 19, 1935, the residence at

Brooklyn, N.Y. was kept under surveillance from 8: A.M. until 8:30 P.M.

by Agents

and

but no activity of interest took

place. The automobile was first seen at 7:30 P.M., at which time

and their 16 year old daughter, went for a short ride.

Joseph Lehmeyer was not seen around the residence at any time on

this date.

On September 20, 1933, the surveillance of the residence was taken up by Agents and at approximately 7:30 A.M., and same was continued until 10:30 A.M., at which time advice was received from the New York Office of the Division to the effect that Lehmeyer had departed for Minneapolis, Minn. from the New York Airport.

Special Agent communicated with

Police Barracks, Trenton, N.J., and it was ascertained through him by a
contact at the Governor's office, that no request had been made by Joseph
Lehmeyer to obtain extradition papers for any prisoner.

advised that should such a request be made he would immediately inform
the New York Office.

On September 19, 1933, the writer in company with Special Agent conferred with and they advised that in the conversation had by them with Joseph Lehmeyer, that Joseph Lehmeyer had talked very freely and that they ascertained that he had come from St. Paul to Newark, N.J. by airway over the United Air Lines, and upon his arrival at Hoboken, N.J. the first evening he stopped at the Myers Hotel; that when his relations learned that he was in town nothing

would satisfy them except that he stop with them; that he had, therefore, been visiting with his relatives since that time; that he stopped the first night on Fourth Avenue, the second night on Shippen Street in Weehawken Heights, and the third night at Marine Avenue, and that he expected to leave the following morning with his prisoner.

On September 19, 1933, Special Agent called the Seventh Police Precinct, Jersey City, and under the pretext that he was a relative of Schoenfeld, inquired as to whether he could visit this individual. This was done in an effort to determine whether the prisoner had as yet left. Agent was advised by the Seventh Precinct that Schoenfeld could be visited until 4: P.M. but that he would have to be visited that day, namely, Sept. 19th, as he was being returned to Minneapolis the next morning, Sept. 20th.

At 10: A.M. on September 20, 1933, Special Agent Reain called the Seventh Precinct, and was advised that the prisoner had already left and would be leaving the Newark Airport at about 10:10 in company with Joseph Lehmeyer, Chief of Police, Minneapolis.

The writer in company with Agent proceeded to the Newark Airport, where Special Agent had been stationed, and it was ascertained by Agent that Joseph Lehmeyer had purchased tickets by the American Airway as far as Chicago; that he would leave on plane No. 19 which had two stops between Newark and Chicago, namely at Buffalo and Detroit. Agent ascertained that these tickets had been purchased through the Postal Telegraph Company at Hoboken, N.J. by J.E. Lehmeyer, who gave as his address, 61 Sixth Street, Hoboken, N.J. Joseph Lehmeyer was observed by the writer and Agents and to board plane No. 19 of the American Airways which left the Newark Airport about 10:00 A.M. Joseph Lehmeyer's prisoner is described as follows:

Age: 45

Height: 5:7*

Teight: 125 lbs.

Hair: Blonde

Eyes: Light.

Stooped shoulders.

This information was immediately communicated to the New York Division Office by telephone by Agent and wires were directed to the Detroit and Chicago Division Offices, so that appropriate surveillance might be had of

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of Lehmeyer and his prisoner at these two stops to determine whether or not he should contact anyone.

The writer in company with Agent called at the Postal Telegraph So. in Moboken, M.J., interviewing and the clerk who sold the tickets to Lenneyer.

advised that about 3: P.M. on September 19, 1935 she had been advised by telephone by a confidence of the American Airways at New York City to prepare two tickets for Joseph Lehmeyer at 61 Sixth Street, Hoboken, N.J., and have the same delivered to him by messenger and collect for them. Stated that amessenger had gone to 61 Sixth St. and that as a result of arrangements there made, Lehmeyer called at the Postal Telegraph Office at Hoboken, M.J. and paid for the same; that Lehmeyer paid \$98. and some cents for the two tickets; that he gave a \$50. money order and \$45. in \$5. bills as payment therefor.

Agent conferred with and at agent's request, called at the Myers Hotel to escertain whether Joseph Lehmeyer had stopped there the Tast evening he was in Foboken, but no record could be found of such. This call was made under pretext, as advised that the parties whom Joseph Lehmeyer was associating with at Hoboken, N.J., namely were very well known and high-type individuals and that the marager of the hotel was very friendly with these two; that should any inquiry be made concerning Lehmeyer it would immediately be communicated to these two doctors. stated that in that no more definite information had been obtained, it would be well not to make any further inquiry than he had made. Stated that he had examined the register for two days prior to Lehmeyer's arrival and every day that he was in this district, but no indication could be found that Verne Hiller or George Kelly under their true name or aliases had been registered there .

Agent contacted of the American Kennel Club, 221 Fourth Avenue, New York City, and he gave the following information concerning the dogs listed in the pedigree of Ching A Wes:

the dog was purchased by

The breeder of the

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dog was _____ The dog Ching A Wee has since been bred once in July 1932, at which time it was bred to Zimmerlies Wong.

Zimmerlies Wong is owned at the present time by

Zimmerlies Wong was purchased by

One of the pupples of this whelping
was Coffman's Wee Waa, female.

Wee Waa has been bred once, namely, June 1933, at which time she was bred to Wang Fu Chi (registry 405498). Wang Fu Chi is at present owned by

The records reflect the original breeder of Wang Fu Chi was

made a notation in his records that should any Pekinese dog be registered by Kelly or Miller under their true name or aliases or ary further litter from Ching A Wee be registered, he would immediately communicate this information to the New York City Division Office.

Stated that there were a number of Pekinese breeders in the vicinity of Minneapolis; that he felt that this information could be best obtained, as to who the breeders in that locality, from

Stated that was the secretary of the Twin City Kennel Club.

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The records of the American Kennel Club reflect that Po Chu, the sire of Ching A Wee, was originally owned by:

; that the dog was sold to

in May 1930; that it was later purchased by

was sold in June 1931 to

Po Chu has been bred three times.

Chu Waa was purchased in January 1925 from who was the breed of the dog, by Chu Waa died on May 15, 1928.

Lo Shi, the sire of Po Chu was originally bred by
The dog apparently was purchased by
and was apparently purchased from

Toi of Yorkdele, the dam of Po Chu, was bred on March 3, 1933 by
The dog is now registered

Diamond Righ Kind, the sire of Chu Waa, was bred in April 1918 by

Betty Ree Wa is at present owned by (she was also the breader of this dog.

Loi Hei Chi, the sire of Lo Shi was bred by

who later moved to Mewton. Hess. in 1920.

The dog was sold to

sold to

present owner of the dog.

Ashton 'fore Hu Chi is at present owned by The dog was bred by

Yorkdale Chin Chu Shi is presently owned by The dog was originally bred by

Yorkdale Tao Mo is the wrong name for this dog, as the dame of Toi of Yorkdale is Tao Mi of Yorkdale, and it is at present owned by and was also bred by her.

Ku Ang is owned at present by Canada, and it was bred by

Ree Wa was bred by at present by

end is owned

About 8:30 P.M. on September 24, 1933, Special Agent in Charge R.H. Colvin called via long-distance telephone, from Oklahoma City, and stated that he desired to expedite check be made to determine the identity, business or occupation, and recent activity of a person who registered recently at a hotel in Oklahoma City, as given address, New York City. Special Agent in Charge Colvin explained that this person had been observed making frequent contact during the past few days with members of

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the Prench Consul at Oklahoma City. The City directory reflects that there is no such address as that set out above in New York City, but that there is such an address in Brooklyn, a phone being listed to at that address. No person with the name, was listed in the city directory as a resident at but the New York City directory gave the following names:

of Pinkerton Detective Agency, 170 Fermore Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.

attorney, New York City.

interviewed Special Agent Times Plaza Station, Brooklyn Post Office, 524 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y. stated that the mail carrier, whose route includes Frooklyn, N.Y., was not in the office at the time, but lived at Agent called at Erooklyn, N.Y. and interviewed who stated that there was a and a travels around the country considerthat ably and is apparently a salesman for the American Safety Razor Corp. He stated that he did not know a great deal about but that agent might secure some information relative to him from who is a Government employee.

agent interviewed who stated that was employed in the Internal Revenue Service, Treasury Department, Washington; that had lived with his mother at for several years, having leased the place from her. She stated that is a salesman for some western concern but that she was unable to advise the name of this firm; that as far as she knows, and his family beer a good reputation.

In view of the fact that Mail-carrier had stated that he believed that was employed as a salesman for the American Safety Razor Co., Agent contacted the sales department of this organization by telephone and was advised by the young lady who answered the telephone that was employed as a salesman by the American Safety Razor Corp., 303 Jay Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., and was working out of Newark, N.J.; that information relative to his present address could be obtained by calling Mitchell 2-3296. Agent called Mitchell 2-3296, Newark, N.J. and was advised that was now employed by that company and travelling in the west. Inquiry was made by the company and travelling in the west. Inquiry was made by the company and travelling in the west. Inquiry was made by the company and travelling in the west.

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Mitchell 2-3296 is listed in the name of the Treet Safety Razor Corp. and the Jewel Razor Elade Co., 744 Broad Street, Newark, N.J.

Using a suitable pretext, Agent called the telephone "Hevins 8-8950" and was advised by some individual who answered the phone, that the blived at that address but that he was now travelling somewhere in Oklahoma; his exact address could not be obtained.

A wire setting forth the above facts was dispatched to the Oklahoma City Office.

On September 20, 1933, the New York Office was advised by the Division by teletype that George Kelly and his wife had been apprehended in Memphis, Tenn.

The "wanted" notices for the cars which Kelly was believed to be driving, which were sent out to all states in this district on August 29, 1933, will not be rescinded as it is believed that possibly Miller might later be found to be driving one of these two cars either the Cadillac or Chevrolet Sport Coupe.

a copy of this report is being retained in the "KANNO" file because of the information contained herein concerning the owners of the dogs, as it might later prove of value in assisting in the location of Miller.

The leads as set out in the report of Agent at New York City are being disregarded in view of the fact that Kelly and his wife have been apprehended.

The mail cover on mail of Rochester, N.Y. has expired without producing any definite information. The leads suggested by the mail cover during the course thereof were covered by letter to the Detroit Division Office.

Since the dictation of this report, it has come to the attention of the New York Office through newspapers that Chief of Police Joseph Lehmeyer of Minneapolis, was dismissed as Chief of Police at Minneapolis by the Mayor,

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because of having testified for the defense at the Urschel kidnaping triel in Oklahoma City. In view of this fact further investigation is contemplated by the New York Office at Hoboken, N.J. in an effort to determine who Joseph Lehmeyer might have contacted prior to the surveillance of him by agents as indicated heretofore in this report. This investigation was not conducted before because of the friendship between the manager of the Myers Hotel and the two friends of Lehmeyer at Hoboken, N.J.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: NEW YORK OFFICE:

At Hoboken, N.J. will conduct appropriate investigation at the Myers Hotel, ascertaining all the telephone calls which may have been made by Joseph Lehmeyer, tracing them out by appropriate investigation to determine what information they might give. In this connection, it will be considered whether or not the banks in the locality should be circularized for new rentals of safety deposit boxes about the time of Lehmeyer's presence in Hoboken, and any other leads which the investigation might suggest will be followed to their logical conclusion.

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U.S. Bureau of Investigation

Bepartment of Instice 420 Federal Building, Dallas, Texas.

October 3, 1933.

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Director, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have received from the newspapers and news agencies in this vicinity such splendid co-operation in the matter of suppressing publication of information which might interfere with the success of our investigation in the URSCHEL CASE that it occurs to me the Division may consider it appropriate to address a communication to each representative expressing the appreciation of the Division.

In addition to withholding the publication of the raid on the Shannon Farm, they withheld publication of the information known to them that Kelly was in this vicinity in a Model A Ford Coupe and never did publish it or permit it to go over the wires to other papers.

In addition to the above they have withheld other items. which while not so important as the above, evidenced a desire to co-operate with the Division in its efforts.

The following is a list with the addresses of those largely responsible for the co-operation we have received:

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F. J. BLAKE, Special Agent in Charge.

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It is most gratifying to me to learn of this action on the part of your paper, and I appreciate it the more because of the ever present possibility, which we all know exists, of some rival paper releasing such information. I wanted you to know of my deep appreciation of this kind action on your part and on the part of your paper, as I value the assistance of the press and consider that it is one of the greatest potential aids to law emforcement.

With expressions of my kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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Department of Justice

Room 1403 570 Lexington Avenue New York, N. Y.

October 5, 1933.



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

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto please find copy of letter re-

ceived by me from Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, New York City, relative to the distribution among his branches of the Urschel ransom bank note circular. Same is forwarded to you for such attention as you may deem appropriate.

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Very truly yours

T. F. CULLEN

Special Agent in Charge

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Kindly refer to my letter of August 25th attaching a list in Auplicate of our City and District Superintendente
indicating immediately opposite each name the number of lists
showing numbers of bank notes paid as ransom in kidnaping cases
required to supply each office under their supervision with one
copy of such list.

I am informed by our District Superintendent at

Los Angeles, Cal.,

whose name appears on

the aforementioned list as requiring 27 conies of the list of

bank notes, that he has not as yet received the supply requested.

I presume you will wish to theck into this matter and have a

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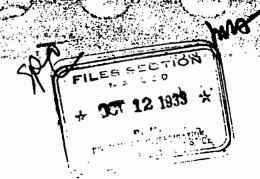
Dear Birs

In reply to your letter of October 5, 1933, forwarding a copy of a letter from Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, New York City, relative to the distribution of the numbers of the Ursahel ranson bank notes to the various branch offices of the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, please be advised that now that the case has been solved, it is not deemed advisable to distribute these circulars further.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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H.S. Bepartment of Justice

Bureau of Investigation 420 Federal Building, Dallas, Texas.

October 3, 1933.

Director, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to Division letter, dated September 27, 1933, I will forward all guns taken in connection with HARVEY J. PAILEY, to the Division at Washington as soon as they have served their purpose in trials now pending.

For the information of the Division, the Thompson Sub-Machine Gun and the Automatic Rifle taken at the Shannon Farm are now at the Oklahoma City Division Office.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,

Special Agent in Charge.

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COMMISSION GOVERNMENT WATKING OVERTON, MAYOR MEMPHIS, TENN.

October 4th, 1935.

Hon. John Edgar Hoover, Director, Divisionnof Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

We have and deeply appreciate your splendid letter of the 2nd inst. touching on the matter of the arrests of George R. (Machine Gun)OKelly and his woman in this city recently, in which you take occasion to thank me for the performance of my men in this case.

I beg to assure you it was a genuine pleasure to have had the opportunity to work with your agents in this case and we trust that we may again be in the position to serve you.

Sincerely and Cordially,

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SUITE L - FEDERAL BUILDING KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI October 4, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge Division of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice 326¹ Post Office Building New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

IN RE: GEORGE KELLY, with aliases, et al GRANLES F. OURSCHEL - VICTIM KIDNAPING - K. C. File 7-8

Reference is made to your letter to the Birmingham Office dated September 29, 1935, in the above captioned case, copy of which was furnished this office.

With reference to the last paragraph of the above described letter, please be advised that I have conferred with local Forensic Ballistician, who has been examining the bullets and weapons thought to have been involved in the KANKO case here, and the last requested that your local ballistician.

Forward to this office several test bullets and the fired cartridges of these bullets in refer that an appropriate examination and comparison of the bullets in the beautiful that an appropriate examination and comparison of the bullets in the beautiful that an appropriate examination and comparison of the bullets in the beautiful that an appropriate examination and comparison of the bullets in the beautiful that an appropriate examination and comparison of the bullets and the fired cartridges of these bullets in the bullets and the fired cartridges of these bullets in the bullets and the fired cartridges of these bullets in the bullets are the bullets and the fired cartridges of these bullets in the bullets are the bullets and the fired cartridges of these bullets in the bullets are the bullets and the fired cartridges of these bullets in the bullets are th

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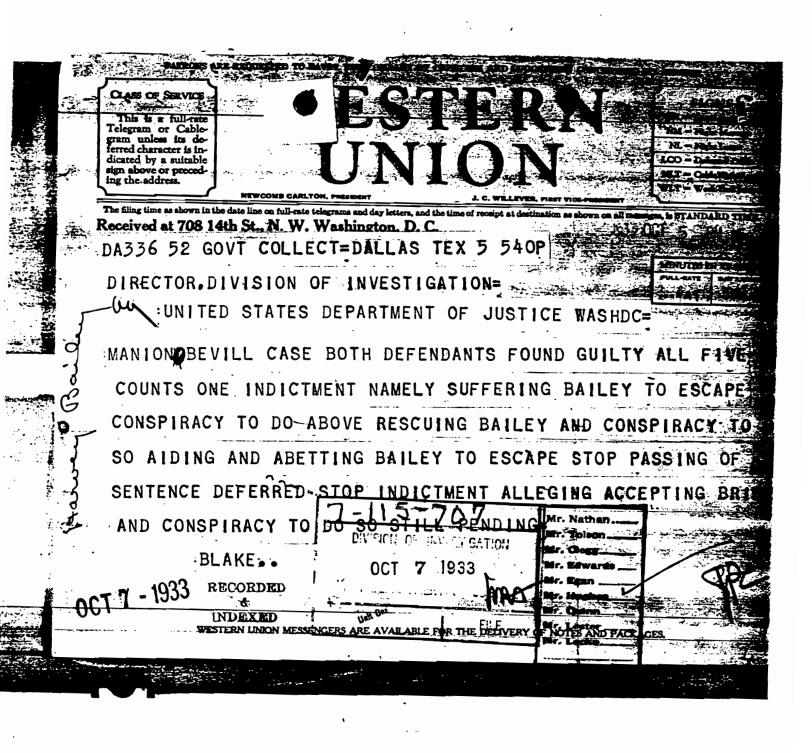
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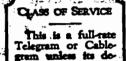
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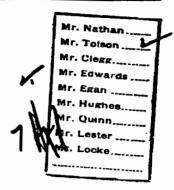
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October 5, 1933.



MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Agent in Charge Blake called from Dallas and stated that Agent is required to go to Mobile on subpoena and he thought inasmuch as he was going back to his district he could be released to return to his headquarters. I told him to so instruct

Mr. Blake stated that the trial of Manion is about half through and proceeding favorably. He advised that the Dallas Police Department had requested that they be permitted to exhibit two Colt .45 automatic pistols which had been seized at the raid on the Shannon farm. Mr. Blake stated that these pistols had not been used as evidence; that no one claimed them; that they merely want to exhibit them at the State Fair for a period of ten days; that they will be under lock and key and that they will be returned after the fair is over. I told Agent Blake to get in touch with Mr. Nathan at Oklahoma City, as Mr. Nathan might wish to consult the United States Attorney, in view of the possibility that the United States Attorney might want them during the Kelly trial but if it were all right with the United States Attorney and Mr. Nathan I felt quite sure it would be all right with the Director.

Respectfully,

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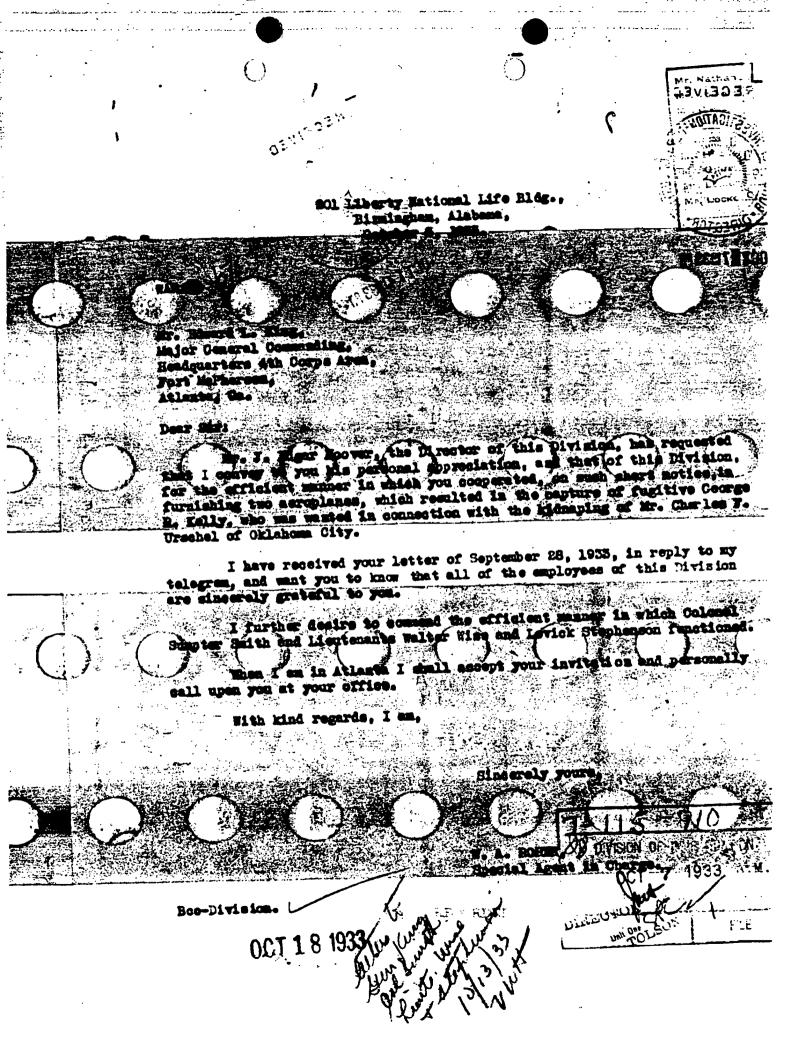
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By dear General:

I desire to take this occasion to advise you of my deep appreciation of the generous cooperation that you extended to the Birmingham office of this Division through the furnishing of air transportation, to the agents of that office, from Birmingham to Memphis, Temmessee, which service undoubtedly had such to do with the apprehension of the dangerous criminals, George Kelly and his wife Kathrym.

The assistance which you and the officers under you rendered this Division at that time made it possible to bring about this apprehension in the early morning hours, taking the griminals by complete surprise and averting possible bloodshed. I wanted you to know of my deep gratitude to you and your efficers because of this excellent cooperation, which I think is a splendid example of the effectiveness of close cooperation between the various departments of the Government.

With expressions of my kindest personal regards, I

Sincerely yours,

Director

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I wanted you to know that I feel that your action and that of your associates, not only expedited the capture of these criminals, but made possible their apprehension without bloodshed, because of the surprise attack in the early morning hours.

I have written to General King, es well as to Colonel Smith, thanking them for their cordial response to our emergency request, and I wanted you to know that I am grateful to you personally for the part that you played in this matter.

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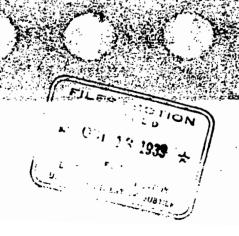
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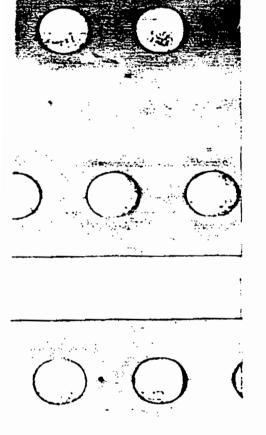
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BOL Liberty Mational Life Building. Birmingham, Alabama, October 5, 1955. this is the first opportunity I have had to sonvey to you my appreciation, and that of the Director of this Division, for your kind consideration and efficient cooperation in the matter of Territaling to seroplanes in connection with the apprehension of Coorge Ro Kally, anted by as for the kidneping of Mr. Charles F. Drechel. I also hope that you will inform Mrs. Smith of my appreciation for her equiteous cooperation in furnishing me your address in Montgomery on that occasion, and for the manner in which she assisted us at that inconvenient hour of the night. Mr. J. Mgar Hoover, the Director of this Division, has reques that I compay to you his sincere appreciation of your cooperation, and if this Division can at any time be of proper service to you, I trust you wi not hesitate to advise me. englosed berevith my personal shook is the amount of \$1.85, to reimburse you for the long distance telephone call which you a from Montgowery, Als. to General Mourd King at Fort MePherson, Ca. ca occasion. With kind personal regards to you, Special Agent in Charge Engl. Beo-Division. RECORDER

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C. L. Senicil mited States Attorney

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION OCT 6- 1933 1.M IL S. DEPARTMENT UP JUSTICE

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is acknowledged of your letter dated Beptember 28, 1955, eritten at Lincoln, Mebraska over the signature of Assistant United States Attorney Robert Ten Pelt, with reference to the robbery of the First Mational Bank at Fairbury, Mebraska.

County Attorney I note from your letter that at Fairbury, Hebraska, advises that some people who worked at the First Rational Bank are of the opinion that George "Rachine Gun" I am transmitting a copy of this letter to the County Attorney, heirbury, together with a planto of Kelly. At the present time I have not received any shotograph of the intividuals an housed with Kelly recently at Newhise Tenn.

after your witnesses have viewed the saclosed photograph please return it immediately to this office as I need it in connection with our further investigation as to Kelly's activities

In the event that witnesses believe Kelly participant in that bank robberg, after visuing the attached epapers that he eggla com

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County Attorney,

Fairbury, Hebr.

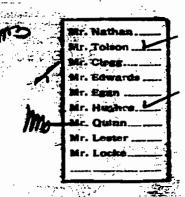
E. E. CONROY SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Memphis, Termessee. October 4, 1933.



RECORDED Director. Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, INDEXED 201-Liberty National Life Building, Birmingham, Ala,

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Dear Sir:

In view of the fact that there have been so many versions of the apprehension of George R. Kelly and Katherine Kelly on the morning of September 26, 1933, by Folice Officers and newspapers, I feel that it is in order that I give you the details as I saw them.

On arriving at 1408 Rayner Street, the home in which Kelly and wife were supposed to be hiding, Agent in Charge W. A. Rorer instructed me to enter the house from the front with he and Detective Sergeant was instructed to remain on the outside and assist in covering the sides of the house. Agent and had been instructed to cover the rear of Sergeants

Patrolmen

the house.

and this agent When Agent in Charge Rorer, Sergeant arrived at the front door we found that it was open and immediately entered the front living room. On entering this room it was noticed that a door on the right ledf into a bedroom. Agent Rorer and Sergeant covered Tichenor and Travis who were this door first and Sergeant asleep in this room. Agent Rorer, noticing that neither of these men were Kelly, told this agent to remain there and he rushed to the back of the house through the kitchen. As Agent Rorer left for the back of the house Kelly came into view, having approached from the back bedroom. He was who was the nearest to him, and immediately covered by Sergeant agent then covered Tichenor and Travis. At about this time agent issued glanced into the nback bedroom and saw Katherine Kelly in bed and noticed that Agent Rorer had entered the back bedroom and was covering Katherine. at the time that

Agent was at the right of Sergeant Kelly approached from the rear bedroom, and agent at no time saw any gun command him to drop in the possession of Kelly, nor did agent hear found the a gun. Soon after Kelly had been handcuffed, Sergeant 45 Colt Automatic lying on a sewing machine in the hall, and he stated that he believed that Kelly had placed it there when he realized that the house was surrounded and that he had no chance to escape.

Within five minutes after Kelly had been handcuffed Sergeant stated to this agent that Kelly gave him no opportunity to shoot; that he did not see Kelly with a gun and that he showed no resistance. It was evident to agent that Egent in Charge Rorer did not

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see Kelly until he was standing with his hands up and therefor did not have an opportunity to shoot him.

Today Sergeant advised me that he entered the house from the front just after Agent Rorer, Sergeant and this agent entered it. Until today I did not know this, but I do know that he arrived in the front bedroom in time to put the handcuffs on Kelly.

Everything happened in just a few moments and it is difficult

to be sure of all the details, but I have set them out as I saw them.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent.

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September 30, 1933. This will acknowledge receipt of your tele gram of September 28, 1933, congratulating the Di-vision of Investigation, S. S. Department of Suction upon the capture of Seorge R. (Machine Con) Kelly is the Brechel kidneping case, and I wish to take this opportunity of themking you for your kind remarks concerning the Division, and of expressing my appro-Sincerely yours, E SECTION ± SEP 30 1933 ★

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

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Pivision of Investigation U.S. Department of Instice Washington, B. C. October 5, 1933. Mr. Tolson

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In talking with Agent in Charge Colvin concerning a telegram which had been received relative to Wilbur Underhill and one Colvin stated that George and Mathryn Kelly had been arraigned about an hour before and had both entered pleas of not guilty; that they had filed demurrers and several motions, all of which have been overruled by the Court, and the trial is definitely set for Monday, Uctober 9.

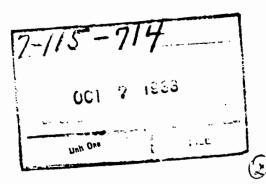
Respectfully,

W. W. Hughes.

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(J. Blake, Special Agent in Charge of the Dallas office of
the Division, and I seemet praise in tee high terms the
Ecooperation which this Division received from the Dallas
Police Department in the solution of the Brackel kidneples
ease. I might add that this cooperation has always been
extended to the Division of Investigation by the Dallas
Police Department.

Again expressing of appreciation for your interest in the Division, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours

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