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FBI EL PASO TEXAS 9-14-36 9-52 AM

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PHONE. GEORGE KELLY BARNES W A ET AL CHARLES F URSCHER, VICTIM, KIDNAPING. BUREAU URGENTLY DESIRES LOCATION OF C ✓ ADRIENNE ALIAS BYRON M ANDREWS, ALLEGED TO HAVE PURCHASED LARGE AMOUNT OF RANSOM MONEY. ADRIENNE IS HIGH POWERED SALESMAN NOW TRAVELING ATLANTIC SEABOARD WITH [REDACTED] OF EL PASO AS BYRON M ANDREWS AND WIFE. DID HAVE NINETEEN THIRTY SIX FORD COUPE MOTOR TWO TWO FIVE THREE TWO EIGHT WITH UTAH LICENSE FIVE FOUR THREE NINE FOUR. ADRIENNE DESCRIBED AGE THIRTY EIGHT, SIX FEET ONE AND ONE QUARTER INCH, WEIGHT TWO HUNDRED THIRTY TWO, HAIR AND EYE BLACK, COMPLEXION DARK. [REDACTED] AGE TWENTY SIX, FIVE FEET ONE INCH, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED FIVE TO ONE HUNDRED TWENTY, LARGE BLUE OR GREENISH EYES, AUBURN HAIR. THEY GO AS BYRON M ANDREWS AND WIFE BUT ARE NOT BELIEVED TO BE MARRIED AS HE DESERTED WIFE AND CHILD DENVER. 225

[REDACTED] JUST WROTE LETTER TO HER MOTHER CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, ON STATIONERY OF ROBERT E LEE HOTEL, WINSTON SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA, AND HER MOTHER TODAY MAILED AIR MAIL LETTER FROM CARLSBAD N M TO HER ADDRESSED AS MRS BYRON M ANDREWS, ROBERT E LEE HOTEL, WINSTON SALEM, C. C. MARKED QUOTE HOLD UNQUOTE BUT NOT BELIEVED THEY ARE STOPPING THERE AS OPREVIOUS EFFORTS TO LOCATE THEM AT VARIOUS HOTEL ADDRESSES FUTILE. THEY WILL PROBABLY CALL FOR MAIL THERE OR SEND FORWARDING ADDRESS.

LETTER ALSO RECEIVED INDICATES THEY RECETLY VISITED [REDACTED] STATESVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, WHO ARE [REDACTED] SUPPOSED TO OPERATE AS BEAUTY SHOP THERE.

BUREAU DIRECTS IMMEDIATE AND PREFERRED ATTENTION AND IMMEDIATE VIGOROUS ACTION NECESSARY AS THESE PEOPLE MOVING RAPIDLY. IF LOCATED PHONE BUREAU FOR INSTRUCTIONS. BEAR IN MIND PROBABLE W S T A VIOLATION. EXPEDITE AND ADVISE.

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U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
722 MIDLAND SAVINGS  
DENVER COLORADO

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MRS. MOLLIE O BERT WA PERJURY REFER MY LETTER AUGUST TWENTY FIRST AND ADVISE  
ME WHETHER YOU HAVE ASCERTAINED ADDRESS WITNESS

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Denver, Colorado  
September 14, 1936  
RDB [redacted] 67C  
9:30 p.m.

G. N. LOWDON  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
234 FEDERAL BUILDING  
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES with  
aliases, et al; CHARLES F.  
URSCHER, Victim; KIDNAPING

GEORGE KELLY BARNES WA ETAL CHARLES F. URSCHER VICTIM KIDNAPING  
ADRIENNE DESERTED WIFE NO CHILDREN DENVER COLORADO JUNE THIS  
YEAR STOP MRS ADRIENNE BELIEVES ADRIENNE TRAVELING TOWARDS  
FLORIDA. PRESENT TIME AS SALESMAN UNKNOWN COMPANY POSSIBLY DETROIT  
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R. B. WHITE  
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER  
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

DENVER, COLO.  
9-15-36  
RDB  
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Re: MRS. MOLLIE O. BERT  
PERJURY

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

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
US DEPT OF JUSTICE  
224 FEDERAL BLDG  
OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA

MRS MOLLIE O BERT PERJURY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT HERE ADVISES  
[REDACTED] PRESENTLY LOCATED PHILADELPHIA EXACT ADDRESS BEING OBTAINED BY  
INFORMANT

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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[Signature]

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS ARE APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
September 16, 1936

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**MEMORANDUM TO ALL FIELD OFFICES:**

Re: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases,  
et al; CHARLES F. URSCHEL -  
Victim. KIDNAPING.

This is to inform you that Clifford J. Adrienne,  
with aliases, sought by the Bureau for questioning in this  
case, and [REDACTED] Adrienne's woman companion, were  
taken into custody by Bureau Agents at Winston-Salem, North  
Carolina, September 15, 1936.

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*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

FILE NO. **7-13**

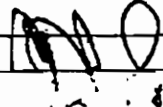
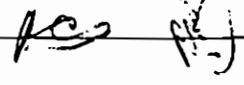
REPORT MADE AT <b>CHARLOTTE, N.C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9/17/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/14-16/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with alias, ET AL; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

C. J. Adrienne and [REDACTED] arrested by Winston-Salem, N.C., Detectives on 9-15-36, at request of Agent, after surveillance had been maintained by Detectives and Bureau Agents at the Robert E. Lee and Carolina Hotels, and held for investigation. Adrienne, in signed statement, admits that he made a statement in latter part of 1934 to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that he was in possession of some "hot" money; denies he referred specifically to Urschel ransom money, and states remark was made in idle boast. Adrienne denies statement that [REDACTED] of Rodgers Redemption Bureau, of Minneapolis, Minn., had purchased portion of Urschel ransom money. Adrienne employed as salesman for various commercial concerns, has travelled extensively throughout the U.S. with [REDACTED] and is presently subject of WSTA violation.

**REFERENCE:**

Teletype from El Paso Office, dated 9/14/36.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: 	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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The following investigation was conducted and reported by the writer:

AT WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.

[REDACTED] of the Robert E. Lee Hotel, was contacted and advised Agent, after making a search of the records of this hotel, that no persons named Mr. and Mrs. BYRON M. ANDREWS were registered at this hotel, and that there was no letter being held there for them. He searched his records for the past month, and advised that there was no indication that they had ever been guests at his hotel.

[REDACTED] inquired of all of his clerical help as to whether anyone resembling the descriptions of these two persons had been seen in the hotel, and they advised in the negative. He advised Agent that he and his entire staff would be very glad to cooperate with the Bureau, and if either of these persons called for any mail directed to Mr. or Mrs. Byron M. Andrews, Agent would be immediately notified.

Agent then took a room in the hotel, and after contacting Captain [REDACTED] of the Winston-Salem Police Department, Lieut. [REDACTED] of this Department, was assigned to Agent. A surveillance was maintained in the lobby of the Robert E. Lee Hotel from 4:30 P.M., September 14, 1936, by Agent, Lieut. [REDACTED] Plainclothes man [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

On the morning of September 14, 1936 [REDACTED] United States Postmaster, was contacted, and he advised Agent, after conferring with [REDACTED] Assistant Superintendent of Mails, that there was a letter at the General Delivery window for Dr. and Mrs. Byron M. Andrews. This letter was inspected by Agent, and it was determined that it was a typewritten communication from [REDACTED] with the return address, "West Utilities Company, Ballinger, Texas", and was postmarked "Ballinger, Texas, September 12, 1936, 8:00 P.M."

Arrangements were made with [REDACTED] for Agent to be immediately notified at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, in the event either of these two parties called for this letter, and he agreed that anyone calling for this letter would be stalled on some pretext for a sufficient length of time to enable Agent to reach the Post Office from the Hotel. It will be noted that the distance was only one block.

On the same date, it was determined from [REDACTED] of the Carolina Hotel, that two persons resembling the descriptions of those sought were registered in his hotel as MR. and MRS. B. J. ADAMS, giving the address of Salt Lake City, Utah. Inasmuch as this name sounded

somewhat like C. J. Adrienne, and it was thought that Adrienne was driving a car bearing Utah license plates, a surveillance was also maintained at the Carolina Hotel by Plainclothes Man [REDACTED] and Agent, after Agent had been relieved from the surveillance at the Robert E. Lee Hotel by Special Agent [REDACTED]

Adrienne came to the desk of the Carolina Hotel at 3:00 P.M., September 14, 1936, and instructed the Clerk to prepare his bill, as he was checking out. He was tailed from the hotel to the 1936 Ford Coupe, bearing Utah 1936 license plates No. 59,384, and Agent immediately returned to the hotel and instructed [REDACTED] to arrest this man and hold him for investigation. This was done, and after this man was lodged in jail, Agent and [REDACTED] returned to Room 707 of the Carolina Hotel, in which room they found [REDACTED] who was registered as Mrs. B. J. Adams, with Adrienne. She was also arrested by [REDACTED] and held for investigation, at the request of Agent.

[REDACTED] was questioned by the writer and Agent [REDACTED] but no information of value as to Adrienne's past was obtained from her, and it was apparent that he had very carefully concealed his past activities from her. It was learned that she has been traveling with him only since the middle of April, 1936, and had seen him only infrequently before that for about a year.

Information relative to the White Slave Traffic Act case now pending against Adrienne was obtained, and is set forth in a separate report in the case entitled "BYRON M. ANDREWS, with aliases; [REDACTED] Victim - White Slave Traffic Act".

A description of [REDACTED] as obtained by questioning and personal observation of the writer, is as follows:

Name	[REDACTED] aliases: Mrs. Byron M. Andrews, Mrs. B. J. Adams
Age	28 (Born 3-30-08)
Height	5' 1"
Weight	115 lbs.
Build	Medium
Hair	Arbun
Eyes	Large bluish green
Complexion	Fair
Condition of teeth	Good
Scars and Marks	None apparent
Residence	El Paso, Texas
Occupation	Formerly cashier in restaurant
Marital Status	Single
Race	White

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Nationality  
Photograph  
Handwriting specimen  
Police Number  
Fingerprints

American  
Winston-Salem, N.C. PD.  
In ink on fingerprint card.  
Winston-Salem, N.C. PD. [REDACTED]  
Taken by Winston-Salem, N.C.,  
PD 9-15-36. (Request made of Bureau  
on fingerprint card to furnish  
criminal record to this office.  
None admitted  
Was fearful that they might find out  
about her present predicament, and  
would give no information of value.

Criminal record  
Relatives

The following description of Adrienne was obtained by  
questioning and Agent's personal observation:

Name	CLIFFORD J. ADRIENNE, aliases: C. J. Adrienne, Dr. Byron M. Andrews, Byron M. Andrews, Dr. B. J. Adams, B. J. Adams.
Age	39 (Born 2-22-97)
Height	5' 11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "
Weight	218 lbs.
Build	Stocky
Hair	Black, beginning to turn gray
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Condition of teeth	Good
Scars and Marks	None apparent
Residence	Denver, Colorado.
Occupation	Salesman
Marital Status	Separated from wife, Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, Denver, Colorado.
Race	White
Nationality	American
Photograph	On file Winston-Salem, N.C. PD
Handwriting specimen	In ink on statement.
Police Number	Winston-Salem, N.C. PD #15425
Fingerprints	Taken by Winston-Salem, N.C. PD 9-15-36 (Request made of Bureau on fingerprint card to furnish criminal record to this office.)
Criminal record	Admits prior arrest, but information regarding date and place was very vague. Will be reported when

record is received from  
the Bureau.

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The Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Police Department has been requested to furnish the Charlotte Office with a copy of the photographs of Adrienne and [REDACTED]

The following investigation was conducted and reported by Special Agent [REDACTED]

AT WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.

Byron M. Andrews was questioned at Police Headquarters at length by Agent, in an effort to develop information that might substantiate the report that he had at one time stated he had purchased a portion of the Urschel kidnaping ransom money. Information relative to his past history was also sought.

Andrews stated that his correct name was C. J. ADRIENNE; that he was born in Alberta, Canada, in November, 1897; and that he

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had been an orphan since early childhood. He stated that he did not desire to discuss his early family life, and this fact, coupled with his general demeanor under questioning, indicated that he was in all probability endeavoring to protect certain members of his family who are undoubtedly still alive. He advised that he had "a pretty good education", and judging from the conversation had with him, and the fact that he has been known to have posed as a doctor, the indications are that he has a better than average education.

With respect to the positions held by him, Adrienne advised that he has worked for a number of commercial concerns as a salesman, and in doing so, has travelled extensively throughout the entire United States. In 1933, he alleges he was employed by the United Advertising Company, Omaha, Nebraska, subsequently of Sebring, Ohio. In 1933, he states he was working the States of California, Nevada and Oregon for this concern, and he could not state any places at which he had resided, other than in Los Gatos, California. With reference to his employment in the latter part of that year, and from then up to the present, he furnished the following voluntary signed statement:

"I, Clifford Adrienne, make the following voluntary statement to [REDACTED] a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice. No inducements or any kind have been made in order to obtain this statement.

In the latter part of 1933, I was living in Denver, Colorado with [REDACTED] at the Adelle Apartments, located on Lindwood Boulevard. We were living there at Christmas time of this year. At this time, I was working for the Peerless Products Company, of Kansas City, Missouri.

In February of 1934, I left Denver and later, in April of that year, was arrested by a Sheriff's Office in Arkansas. At this time, I was working for the United Advertising Company, of Omaha, and later of Sebring, Ohio. After being held in jail about fifty days, I was released without prosecution. This arrest was based on information that the concern I was working for was not legitimate. However, the concern was all right, and nothing was done about it.

In June, 1934, I was married in Jonesboro, Arkansas, and in July we started out on the road together. My wife kept a diary, beginning in July, 1934, showing the places we went to.

Near the holidays in 1934, I was in company with [REDACTED] who is a cousin of my wife, and [REDACTED] and in a conversation we had the mention of money was made, and it was said that Jerry Drummond, who married a girl who lived on a farm north of Spencer, Iowa, had made lots of money buying gold or "hot" money from Mexico to the United States. In a joking way, I said he had asked me to go in with him, but I did not have the money to do so. [REDACTED] said that she would furnish me the money if I wanted her to do so. I said that I had lots of money and that it was "hot", and that it had been "hot" money. I said this in a joking way, and had absolutely no knowledge of the money referred to. I do not recall having stated that anyone connected with the Rodgers Redemption Bureau of Minneapolis, had any of this money in his possession. [REDACTED], who I mentioned, formerly lived in Jonesboro, Arkansas, and worked for a wholesale grocery there. He later worked with the Rodgers Redemption Bureau for a short while. Before leaving the persons mentioned, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] I accepted \$40.00 from her to apply as payment on the car I then had. Previously in 1934, I borrowed \$150.00 from the Rodgers Redemption Bureau; this was on November 7, 1934.

At the time of my present arrest, I was making about \$60.00 a week as a salesman with the American Silverware Syndicate, of Detroit, Michigan.

I absolutely deny any knowledge of the Urschel Kidnaping case or the ransom paid in it.

/s/ C. J. ADRIENNE

Witness:

/s/ [REDACTED]  
/s/ [REDACTED] Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Charlotte, N.C."

It is noted that Adrienne made the statement that he possessed "hot" money. He is certain that he did not specifically refer to the Urschel case or money. He also advised that he did not recall where the incident occurred, nor where [REDACTED] resided, but he was of the opinion that it was in Memphis, Tennessee, or some other southern city.

In his discussion with the writer, Adrienne stated that [REDACTED] of the Rodgers Redemption Bureau of Minneapolis, and [REDACTED] He informed that he was acquainted with these persons in a business way only, and

positively could not recall ever having made a statement relative to any member of this firm owning a portion of the Urschel ransom money.

Adrienne admitted that he had had numerous affairs with women, among them being [redacted] referred to in his statement above quoted. He stated that she had wanted him to leave his wife for her, but he had refused to do so, inasmuch as she was very large and unattractive. He stated that he was positive she had been responsible for advising the Bureau relative to the statement attributed to him.

Adrienne stated that when he was in Tampa, Florida, date unknown, his wife received a letter from her mother, in which it was stated that an Agent of this Bureau had made inquiry relative to Adrienne's whereabouts. He was asked why he did not submit to questioning by Bureau Agents at an earlier date if he had absolutely no connection with the dealings involving the disposition of the Urschel ransom money, and he could offer no logical explanation for his refusal to submit to questioning. He did state that he feared he might be framed if he were questioned in the matter by Bureau Agents.

Adrienne could offer no explanation for his statement to [redacted] other than that it was made in a boastful way, in an endeavor to bring up the subject of money, in order that he might obtain a loan from her. His connection with the Rodgers Redemption Bureau was, he alleges, severed because of a money deal he had with [redacted]. It appears that he borrowed a sum of money from her, and subsequently the Bureau reimbursed her and charged his account with the sum of money borrowed, which he states was largely responsible for his losing his position.

Adrienne advised that his only residence in St. Paul, Minnesota, was at the Andrews Hotel, and that he was there on or about October 20, 1934. He denies that he ever owned a safety deposit box in any city, stating that he had no valuables worthy of being placed away for safe keeping.

Adrienne is known to his present employer as B. J. ADAMS, and correspondence found in his possession indicates that other business concerns also know him by this name. He stated that he changed his name to Adams, in order to get away from [redacted] and in order to prevent her from determining his whereabouts.

Adrienne was questioned at length for more specific information relative to his past history and associates, but he was reluctant to furnish more information at this time.

Prior to locating Adrienne in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Agent [REDACTED] conducted the following investigation, looking towards his location at Statesville, N.C.:

Acting upon information contained in the teletype of reference, Agent proceeded to Statesville, North Carolina, in order to ascertain whether C. J. ADRIENNE and [REDACTED] had recently contacted or visited [REDACTED]

Chief of Police [REDACTED], Statesville, North Carolina, was furnished a description of the car driven by Adrienne, and he advised that [REDACTED], Tax Collector in Statesville, North Carolina, resided near the residence of the [REDACTED] and would undoubtedly be in position to obtain the desired information from the [REDACTED] family.

[REDACTED] was interviewed by the Agent in the presence of Chief [REDACTED] and he stated that on Sunday, September 6, 1936, he was positive the car in question and an individual whose description corresponded with that of Adrienne had visited at the [REDACTED] residence; that he did not know for certain that a woman was in company with this person. However, he understood that such was the case.

[REDACTED] was requested to advise Chief [REDACTED] in the event the car in question was seen again at the [REDACTED] residence, [REDACTED] Statesville, North Carolina.

Based upon information furnished by [REDACTED], [REDACTED] was interviewed in his office in the Sterns Building, Statesville, North Carolina. He stated that on Sunday, September 6, 1936, [REDACTED] had suffered a stroke, and he was called on the case; and that at the time, he was introduced to a man staying at the [REDACTED] home, named DR. ANDREWS. A description of Andrews, as furnished by [REDACTED] indicated that the individual referred to was undoubtedly Adrienne. [REDACTED] stated that Andrews informed him that he was a physician and had spent a number of years in various hospitals in the far east. However, he did not converse with the doctor in such a manner as to indicate his medical knowledge, nor did he discuss the case of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated further that Andrews left town that same night, presumably for Cincinnati, Ohio.

Assistant Postmaster [REDACTED], Statesville, North Carolina, was contacted, and arrangements were made through him, whereby a mail cover was placed on all first class mail addressed to [REDACTED] or The Vogue Beauty Salon, which establishment [REDACTED]

In order that Chief of Police [REDACTED] would be advised in the event Andrews returned to Statesville, the following persons were interviewed, and furnish with a complete description of him, as well as that of [REDACTED] and the Ford car which he was driving:

[REDACTED] Vance Hotel;  
State Highway Patrolman [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Western Union Telegraph Co.;  
[REDACTED] Postal Telegraph & Cable Co.;  
The Ford Garage;  
Chief of Police [REDACTED] N. Wilkesboro, N.C.

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Upon the receipt of additional information from the Oklahoma City Office relative to Adrienne's connection with this case, he will be re-interviewed for further and more complete information.

At the time of his arrest, Adrienne was driving a 1936 Ford Coupe, Motor No. 2,255,328, bearing Utah license plates No. 59384. This automobile, he stated, was purchased from the Petty Motor Company of Salt Lake City, and he has defaulted payments on same.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: It is believed desirable to check the information furnished by Adrienne in so far as is possible. However, in view of the fact that this office is not in possession of reports indicating exactly what investigation has been made concerning him to date, no undeveloped leads are being set out by this office.

It is requested that if the Oklahoma City Office finds information herein which was not previously in its possession, or which is at variance with the facts as known, the appropriate undeveloped leads should be requested.

Copies of this report are being furnished all offices wherein investigation is likely to be requested.

The criminal records of C. J. Adrienne and [REDACTED] will be reported by the Charlotte Office when received from the Bureau.

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Post Office Box 2887,  
Charlotte, North Carolina.

September 17, 1936.

Postmaster,  
Statesville, North Carolina.

Attention: [REDACTED]  
Assistant Postmaster.

Dear Sir:

Re: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with alias, ET AL;  
CHARLES F. URSCHKE, Victim. KIDNAPING.

This will confirm the verbal request of Special Agent [REDACTED] made on September 15, 1936, that a thirty-day mail cover be placed upon all first class mail addressed to [REDACTED] and The Vogue Beauty Salon, at Statesville, North Carolina.

The purpose for which this cover was placed has been achieved by other means, and, therefore, it is no longer necessary that the mail cover be maintained. A message to this effect was left at the Post Office by Agent [REDACTED] on September 16, 1936, and I trust that the information was received by you.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this instance, I am

Very truly yours,

G. H. LONDON,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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EL PASO, TEXAS, SEPTEMBER 16, 1936

G. H. LOWDEN  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
234 FEDERAL BLDG.  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

GEORGE KELLY BARNES ET AL KIDNAPING WSTA PLEASE ADVISE PRESENT PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL CONDITION [REDACTED] AND WHETHER SHE WILL BE DETAINED AS WITNESS. THIS INFORMATION REQUESTED BY HER PARENTS CARLSBAD NEW MEXICO.

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CHG. F. B. I.  
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R. L. SHIVERS,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
620 NEW FEDERAL BLDG.  
PITTSBURG, PA.

J. M. KEITH  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
4244 U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE BLDG.  
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GEORGE KELLY BARNES ET AL KIDNAPING DISCONTINUED INVESTIGATION AS C J & ADRIENNE  
APPREHENDED BY BUREAU AGENTS WINSTON SALEM NORTH CAROLINA.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
SEP 19 1936  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Charlotte, North Carolina

SEP 21 1936

Dear Sir:

RE: GEORGE KELLY HARRIS, with aliases;  
et al.  
CHARLES F. WISCHER - Victim,  
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to your teletype message of September 15, 1936 in which you reported the arrest of C. J. Adrienne by Agents of this Bureau in Winston Salem, North Carolina.

The contents of your message indicate that you have sufficient knowledge concerning the activities of Adrienne and the reason why he has been sought by the Bureau, to enable Agents of your office to intelligently question Adrienne. However certain facts concerning Adrienne are being set forth in this letter so as to summarize the salient points.

The first information concerning Adrienne reached the Bureau in the form of a letter dated January 18, 1935, written by Chief Inspector E. T. Griffin, Memphis, Tennessee, to the Nashville Bureau office. The letter from Inspector Griffin informed that Dr. C. J. Adrienne, of French extraction, formerly a police surgeon in Detroit, Michigan, but whose license had been revoked for unethical practice, was in the city of Memphis just before Christmas, 1934, and told an informant that he, Adrienne, had at that time, in a safety deposit box at Minneapolis, Minnesota, in his wife's name, \$2,000.00 of the Urechal ransom money, and that the president of the company he, Adrienne, represented, had \$15,000.00 of that money which he had purchased for \$2,500. The letter stated that Adrienne had married [redacted] of Jonesboro, Arkansas and that the informant had known the [redacted] woman for many years.

Adrienne was arrested by the police at Jonesboro, Arkansas on April 9, 1935 under the name C. J. Clifford, and released to Clay County, Arkansas authorities on charges of false pretenses. He was later returned to Jonesboro where he was held in jail for a while and released. At Jonesboro he married [redacted], a daughter of [redacted], Jonesboro. The [redacted] informed that Adrienne had been working for the Rogers Silverware Company of Minneapolis.

[redacted] a nurse, last reported at the East Texas Hospital, [redacted], Texas, proved to be the informant of Inspector Griffin of Memphis, Tennessee.

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[redacted] was first interviewed at a rooming house, 822 East Tombigbee Street, Florence, Alabama, when she stated she first met Adrienne shortly before Christmas of 1934. She said he was employed by the Rogers Redemption Bureau of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and had interested her in securing a position with that company, which she had abandoned. She said that on one occasion he stated to her if she, [redacted] would loan him \$500.00, he would give her \$2,000.00 of the Bremer ransom money as security; that he, Adrienne, told her he had this money in a safe deposit box at Minneapolis; that he had invested \$800.00 in obtaining this currency; that [redacted] of the Rogers Redemption Bureau, [redacted] had \$10,000.00 of this money which he had secured for \$2,500.00. [redacted] said Adrienne appeared to be exceedingly troubled in regard to the prosecution of lawyers and others in connection with the Bremer case. [redacted] also stated that Adrienne confided in her that he, a party by the name of Drummond, also connected with the Rogers Redemption Bureau, and a judge named [redacted], of Denver, Colorado, had \$370,000.00 cashed in a little church in Mexico; that Judge [redacted] had made arrangements for Drummond and Adrienne to fly to Mexico to get the money. [redacted] said Adrienne was of French extraction, and she was certain he had been a former police surgeon in Detroit, Michigan.

[redacted] has been interviewed repeatedly and at later dates, and she has been unable to give any further information concerning Adrienne.

Investigation at Minneapolis, Minnesota revealed that Adrienne had been employed by the Rogers Redemption Bureau on August 6, 1934, but was not employed by that company after May 29, 1935. It was learned that Adrienne had been a free lance salesman for this company and the Bureau was unable to obtain his itinerary at any given time.

[redacted] St. Joseph, Michigan, advised the Detroit office in June, 1936 that her daughter, [redacted] of Elkhart, Indiana, was a former wife of Adrienne. [redacted] Elkhart, Indiana, informed the Indianapolis office July 20, 1936 that Adrienne's correct name is Clifford Jacques Adrienne, and that she resided with him from May, 1932 until April, 1934 as his wife but in fact was never married to him; that during that time she and Adrienne traveled together in about 25 states, chiefly in the western part of the nation.

Investigation by the El Paso office developed that Adrienne, under the name of Byron M. Andrews was at the Hilton Hotel, El Paso from April 24 to 15th, 1936, claiming to be a representative of the Geyser Manufacturing Company and the Maybe Electric Company; that Adrienne left El Paso accompanied by [redacted] former cashier of the Hilton Hotel. After [redacted] left El Paso she corresponded with various people at El Paso, and from the letters the El Paso office obtained the information that she and Adrienne traveled along the Canadian border and through the eastern states from the last of July, 1936 until the first of September, 1936.

The Denver office reported on August 5, 1936 that Adrienne's wife, formerly [redacted] of Jonesboro, Arkansas, called at that office on June 15, 1936 and gave her name as Mrs. B. M. Andrews, and later stated her correct name was Mrs. Clifford J. Adrienne. She stated that her husband had been using the name B. M. Andrews and also the name Jacques Clifford. She stated Adrienne had deserted her

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about two weeks before that in Denver. She said that during the latter part of 1935, Adrienne purchased a new 1936 Model Ford V-8 Coupe, bearing Motor No. 2, 235,528, from a Ford dealer just outside of Salt Lake City, Utah, and that the purchase was financed through the Pacific Finance Company. She said Adrienne had told her he was a graduate of the University of Minnesota medical school; that he had served in the Canadian Army during the World War; and that about 15 years ago he was a professional baseball player. Mrs. Adrienne stated that [redacted] had been in love with Adrienne and had made attempts to induce Adrienne to go away with her; that about Christmas, 1934, [redacted] borrowed \$50.00 from [redacted] and that Adrienne told [redacted] in her, Mrs. Adrienne's, presence, that he, Adrienne had \$2,000.00 in a bank at Minneapolis, but could not touch it.

Investigation by the Salt Lake City office revealed that Adrienne traded a 1930 Packard Coupe, purchased at Waterloo, Iowa, at Midvale, Utah, January 11, 1936, for a 1936 Ford V-8 Deluxe Coupe, Motor No. 2, 235,528, which carried 1936 Utah license plates No. 58-334.

A report rendered by Special Agent [redacted], August 26, 1936 at San Antonio, Texas reveals that G. J. Adrienne, under the alias of Byron M. Andrews, is under indictment in Travis County, Austin, Texas for felony theft of \$257.39, it being charged that he defrauded and stole that amount of money from [redacted] of Austin, Texas. The indictment was returned by the State Grand Jury on August 9, 1936 at Austin.

A report rendered by Special Agent [redacted], Dallas, Texas, August 27, 1936, reveals that B. M. Andrews and his wife registered at the Maple Terrace Apartments, Dallas, April 17, 1936 and departed on the night of June 9, 1936, owing a hotel bill of \$147.41. Adrienne was driving the Ford car with Utah license tags when in Dallas.

So far as the file in the Oklahoma City office reflects, no process, either Federal or State, is outstanding for Adrienne, with the exception of the warrant issued for him at Austin, Texas. However, it is urged that you forward Adrienne's fingerprints, photograph and complete description to the Bureau immediately, as it may develop he is wanted at other places under other names.

For your information, this case is now pending in the following offices: St. Paul, Detroit, Indianapolis, Little Rock, Omaha, Salt Lake City, Denver, San Antonio and El Paso.

Very truly yours,

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DAUGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Bureau  
San Antonio  
St. Paul

YES SEEMS OK NOW  
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FBI DEPT OF JUSTICE CHLOT 0711  
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Q FBI EL PASO TEXAS 9-15-36 1-33 PM [REDACTED]

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PHONE. <sup>0</sup>GEORGE KELLY BARNES ET AL KIDNAPING. CORRECT MOTOR  
NUMBER OF CAR IS TWO TWO FIVE FIVE THREE TWO EIGHT. SUBJECT ADRIENNE  
AND [REDACTED] HAVE TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY TOGETHER SINCE LEAVING  
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DETROIT MICHIGAN, NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK, NIAGARA ONTARIO, CENTRAL  
CITY PENNA, RICHMOND VIRGINIA, AND WINSTON SALEM NORTH CAROLINA TO  
FRIENDS AND RELATIVES THIS DISTRICT RELATING THEIR TRAVELS. W S T A  
ANGLE IS OF SECONDARY IMPORTANCE TO LOCATING AND QUESTIONING OF  
ADRIENNE AS TO PURCHASE OF URSCHER RANSOM MONEY. I URGE VIGOROUS  
AND CONTINUED ACTION AS BUREAU IS PRESSING MATTER AND HAS INSTRUCTED  
THAT ALL OFFICES RECEIVING LEADS GIVE THEM PREFERRED ATTENTION. IF  
LOCATED ADVISE ME BY WIRE AND CONTACT MR TAMM OR MCINTIRE AT BUREAU  
FOR INSTRUCTIONS RELATIVE INTERROGATION. OKLAHOMA CITY ORIGIN.  
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

FILE NO. 7-7

REPORT MADE AT <b>Denver, Colorado</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9-16-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9-10-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. D. BROWN</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES with aliases; ET AL; CHARLES F. OURSCHEL - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, residing Denver, Colo., advises [redacted] with whom she and her husband resided in Denver, Colo., previous to June, 1936, now residing LaJolla, Calif., with a [redacted]. Mrs. Adrienne furnished further information concerning her husband, C. J. Adrienne, indicating his familiarity with the city of Detroit, Mich., and possibility he may now be employed as a salesman for the Sun Ray Battery Co. or the U. S. Silver Co., addresses National Bldg., Detroit. Mrs. Adrienne has no further information relative to her husband's whereabouts.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent in Charge R. D. Brown, Denver, Colo., 8-5-36; report of Special Agent [redacted] Oklahoma City, Okla., 7-22-36; report of Special Agent [redacted] Milwaukee, Wisc., 8-14-36; report of Special Agent Val Zimmer, Salt Lake City, Utah, 8-13-36; letter from St. Louis Office to Oklahoma City Office, 8-25-36; report of Special Agent [redacted] El Paso, Tex., 9-3-36; and telegram from Charlotte Office to Denver Office, 9-14-36.

**DETAILS:**

Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, who is presently using the name of Mrs. Andrews and who is employed as a domestic at the home of [redacted]

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Street, Denver, Colorado, was again interviewed on September 10, 1936, by the writer.

Mrs. Adrienne advised she had received no further information from anyone concerning the present whereabouts of her husband. She expressed her opinion of her husband in very bitter language for leaving her stranded at Denver. She also again informed she would assist in any way possible in locating him but believed her information would be of little value as she has known him such a short period of time and since he was always secretive as to his past life with few exceptions.

Mrs. Adrienne informed that [REDACTED] has departed from Denver and is now residing with a friend, [REDACTED] at La Jolla, California. She informed she does not know [REDACTED] exact address but expressed the belief [REDACTED] could be located easily through [REDACTED]

For the information of the Los Angeles Office, [REDACTED] resided with Mr. and Mrs. Adrienne at Denver for approximately 4 months previous to June of 1936, at which time [REDACTED] and Mr. Adrienne were associated in business together. Adrienne was known to the Barrs as Byron M. Andrews. For the further information of the Los Angeles Office, attempt is being made to locate C. J. Adrienne alias Andrews due to his statements to various persons in the past that he at one time purchased quantities of the Urschel ransom money at a price considerably below the value of this money.

The Bureau has instructed in a letter dated August 4, 1936, that this matter receive expeditious attention by all field offices. Mrs. Adrienne married C. J. Adrienne at Jonesboro, Arkansas, in 1934, and has traveled with him extensively until June of 1936, when he deserted her at Denver, Colorado. Mrs. Adrienne was residing with her husband at Memphis, Tennessee, shortly after their marriage, at which time Adrienne is alleged to have made statements to certain persons, including a [REDACTED] of Memphis, Tennessee, that he had a quantity of money which he "could not touch". Mrs. Adrienne claims she had no knowledge Adrienne had money of this description, and although she feels very bitterly towards her husband, she states she is not of the opinion her husband had such money.

Mrs. Adrienne was questioned further concerning the details of her life with C. J. Adrienne. Mrs. Adrienne advised [REDACTED] told her she

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received an express shipment which was allegedly sent by Adrienne from Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, earlier about July 6, 1936, and that the Denver Police questioned [redacted] concerning this shipment. However, she was unable to furnish any details concerning same and suggested [redacted] be interviewed at La Jolla, California, regarding the receipt of this shipment.

Mrs. Adrienne also informed that prior to purchase by her husband of the 1936 Deluxe V-8 Coupe, Motor #2255328, at Salt Lake City, he owned a 1930 Packard Coupe, which he purchased at Waterloo, Iowa.

Mrs. Adrienne was also questioned as to whether or not her husband had ever been employed by the Mabey Electric Manufacturing Company of Bartonville, Illinois. She stated she did not believe her husband was ever employed by this company but recalls he applied for a position with them, at which time they were residing at apartment 414 Park Lane Hotel, Denver.

She was questioned as to whether or not her husband ever graduated from the University of Wisconsin. She stated in answer to this inquiry she believes her husband was graduated from some midwestern university medical college, but he has claimed on numerous occasions graduation from so many colleges, she is unable to determine from which one he actually received his degree in medicine. She advised he appears to be very familiar with medical terms and has, on occasions, prescribed for friends who were ill in an expert manner.

She was also questioned as to whether or not he was employed by the Mills Novelty Company of Chicago (a slot machine company). She stated she is rather certain he was employed by this company several years ago as he has mentioned owning slot machines at one time. She further stated he also has told her on a number of occasions he was a member of a missionary expedition to the Orient prior to their marriage for two or three years.

Mrs. Adrienne informed she had never doubted her husband previous to June of this year, but now recalls numerous instances which now indicate to her her husband often lived with other women at the time he was supposedly living with her.

Concerning organizations with which her husband might be connected, she informed she does not believe he has any insurance policies; that at one time he was connected with the Sun Ray Battery Company, National

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Building, Detroit; that this same company is also known as the ~~United States Silver Company~~; that a [REDACTED] first name unknown, is connected with these two industries. She branded [REDACTED] as being a very clever confidence man who should be approached with great caution in making inquiries concerning her husband. She branded the above two companies as probably bearing very unfavorable reputations. She stated she believed her husband, if now traveling for one of the two above named concerns, is probably now headed for Florida, as he usually attempts to spend a great deal of his time during the winter months in southern states, especially Georgia and Florida.

She was again questioned concerning any relatives her husband might have and stated she believes if her husband has relatives, they are undoubtedly located in Detroit, Michigan.

For the information of the Detroit Office, Mrs. Adrienne previously advised her husband once told her he has a brother, a [REDACTED] who was formerly a police surgeon in Detroit; that he, himself, had practiced medicine in Detroit approximately 12 years ago; that Adrienne's associate was sent to a penitentiary for abortion and that he, C. J. Adrienne, lost his license to practice medicine, although he was not prosecuted.

Adrienne also informed his wife that he, at one time, served in the ~~Canadian Army~~ during the World War and is supposed to receive a bonus from the Canadian Government in November, 1938.

Mrs. Adrienne again stated she would immediately advise the writer should she obtain any information whatsoever which would indicate her husband's whereabouts but doubted he would again communicate with her. It is the writer's opinion she will cooperate in every possible way.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE: At LaJolla, California, will locate and interview [REDACTED] through a [REDACTED] who is apparently well known at LaJolla. [REDACTED] will be interviewed for any further information she is able to offer concerning C. J. Adrienne, and for the assistance of the Agent conducting this interview, a copy of the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated July 22, 1938, is being forwarded herewith. It is requested that this report be

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returned to the Denver Office after it has served its purpose.

[REDACTED] should also be interviewed relative to receiving an express package containing some of her husband's clothes on or about July 6, 1936, via Railway Express Agency at Denver, Colorado, from Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. All information concerning this shipment should be obtained from her, including any express ticket she may have obtained showing description of this shipment.

THE DETROIT OFFICE: At Detroit, Michigan, will determine if [REDACTED] conducts business firms known as the Sun Ray Battery Company or the United States Silver Company in the National Building, Detroit. Mrs. Adrienne has indicated these two firms do not have good business reputations, and that [REDACTED] is probably a confidence man; will attempt to obtain information through this source as to whether or not C. J. Adrienne is presently or has been employed as a salesman for these two concerns.

Will also attempt to determine if Adrienne ever practiced medicine in the city of Detroit. It is alleged he practiced in that city approximately 12 years ago and his partner, name unknown, was sent to the Michigan State Penitentiary on an abortion charge. Mrs. Adrienne has also informed Adrienne is alleged to have a brother, a [REDACTED] who is presently a physician in Detroit. Should [REDACTED] be located, he should be discreetly interviewed as to the present whereabouts of C. J. Adrienne and as much information as possible concerning his family history.

THE DENVER OFFICE: At Denver, Colorado, will keep in close contact with Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, who is known as Mrs. Andrews at the home of [REDACTED] telephone York 2198, for information she may receive concerning Adrienne or his associates.

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SEPT 18 1936  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
US DEPT OF JUSTICE  
224 FEDERAL BLDG  
OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA

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GEORGE KELLY BARNES WA ETAL CHARLES F URSCHER VICTIM/REFERENCE YOUR LETTER SIXTEENTH  
AUGUST FIFTH LAST  
INSTANT REPORT SAC BROWN DENVER/ADVISES WARRANT ISSUED SALT LAKE CITY PD AGAINST  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
September 14, 1936.

Time - 5:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Urschel Kidnaping Case.

SAC Lowdon telephoned me from the Charlotte Office with reference to the activities of C. J. Adrienne in the above entitled case. He said they have received information to the effect that this man is going to call at the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Winston-Salem, North Carolina for an air mail, special delivery letter addressed to his wife by his wife's mother in El Paso, Texas. Mr. Lowdon said that one of his Agents is up there, and has made inquiries at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, where he found that Adrienne has not called as yet for the letter, and that the letter has not as yet arrived. He is conducting a surveillance of the situation there.

Mr. Lowdon said that he was calling to find out what the Bureau's desires are in the event this man is taken into custody. I told Mr. Lowdon that there is no process outstanding for this man; that the only information we have in the matter is from an underworld source to the effect that this man had a quantity of the Urschel ransom money; that this tip was received about two years ago, and since that time, we have been trying to find Adrienne for questioning. Since there is no process out for Adrienne, I told Mr. Lowdon there is little we can do but confront him with the allegation that he has this ransom money. Of course, he is said to be traveling with a woman not his wife, and they are traveling under an assumed name. The letter which he is looking for is addressed to an alias. These circumstances can, of course, be used in the questioning of him.

Mr. Lowdon suggested that possibly we could get the local police at Winston-Salem to make the arrest of this man for us on a charge of illegal cohabitation, or something of that kind, and then we could question him at length without being subject to false arrest, etc. I told Mr. Lowdon that if this can be worked out, it would certainly be very desirable.

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I pointed out to Mr. Lowdon that they should be very careful in their handling of this man, because other than this one rumor, the man is not a criminal, except, of course, for his present activities with this woman.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

Mr. Nathan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Baughman \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Dawsey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Foxworth \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Joseph \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Lester \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Schilder \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 15, 1936.

Time - 4:25 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Urschel Kidnaping Case.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Lawney .....
Mr. Egan .....
Mr. Foxworth .....
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Mr. Nichols .....
Mr. Quinn .....
Mr. Schilder .....
Mr. Tamm .....
Mr. Tracy .....
Miss Gandy .....

SAC Lowdon telephoned me from the Charlotte Office to advise that C. J. Adrienne has just been taken into custody at Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He said that this man was registered in at the Carolina Inn under the name of B. J. Adams, and there was a letter in the Post Office awaiting him addressed Dr. and Mrs. Byron M. Andrews, from [redacted] of Ballenger, Texas. The letter which Adrienne was supposed to receive at the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Winston-Salem has not been received. Agent [redacted] of the Charlotte Office and one of the local officers trailed this man to the Post Office, and there took him into custody. He says that his name is Andrews, but that he just happened to register in at the hotel under the name of Adams. He admits transporting the woman with whom he is living in interstate commerce, and the woman admits that his right name is Adrienne. Both of them are at the police station at this time being held separately for investigation until their records are received from the Bureau of Investigation in Washington, according to the police records.

Mr. McIntire then talked with Mr. Lowdon and outlined to him in brief the lines and general background of this man along which he should be questioned, suggesting to Mr. Lowdon that he get in touch with the Oklahoma City Office, since the files of that office undoubtedly contain detailed information relative to the activities of this person, and the places where he is wanted. Mr. McIntire pointed out that while this man is wanted in various parts of the country for more or less minor offenses, what we want to do is to get some Federal charge on him so that he might be held during extensive questioning by us relative to his statement that he had purchased quantities of the Urschel ransom money at a price far below the par value of that money. Consequently, a case of violation of the White Slave Traffic Act should be made against this man if possible, and he should be immediately and vigorously questioned relative to the ransom money angle. It was further suggested that the Oklahoma City and El Paso Offices be requested to advise those local authorities who are interested in the arrest of this man that he is in custody, since they would undoubtedly appreciate being advised of this fact.

Mr. Lowdon will keep the Bureau advised of the results of the interrogation of this man.

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E. A. TAMM.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 29, 1936.

The following is a transcript of the record, including the most recently reported data, as shown in the file the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning our number

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J. E. Hoover

Bureau File #7-115

J. E. HOOVER, Director

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
90, Des Moines, Iowa	Jacques Gerhardt, #2167	2-6-29	vio. sec. 215, U.S.C.C.	
50, Chariton, Iowa	J. W. Gerhardt, #39	2-14-29	forgery	
90, Kirksville, Mo.	Jacques Gerhardt, #--	inquiry 7-5-30		
PD, Indianapolis, Ind.	Jack J. Gerard, #19656	4-23-31	vas.	
St. Paul, Greencastle, Ind.	Jacques W. Gerhard, #53940	7-17-31	issuing a fraud check	90 days, \$1. fin and \$10.35 costs
PD, Jonesboro, Ark.	C. J. Clifford, #--	4-9-34	false pretenses	sent. to Clay Co. Ark.
PD, Winston-Salem, N. C.	C. J. Adrienne, #15425	9-15-36	not given	
PD, Winston-Salem, N. C.	C. J. Adrienne, #15425	9-15-36	inv.	in custody of Dept. of Justice Agents
(CC PD, NYC, NY.)				
<div>COMMUNICATIONS SECTION MAIL SEP 29 1936 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE</div> <p>* 8. T. Zimmerman, #--, arr. PD, NYC, NY., 2-22-24, charge G. I. * 936 Adrienne, 90, Indianapolis, 1932, inv; rel. as app. on prt. #15425) * 1000: As George Washington Zimmerman, (chg. not given) 1000: Ht. rec. from PD, NYC, NY., 2-16-34, notify PD, NYC, NY. 1000: 9-29-36.</p>				

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For completion of our records, please supply dispositions to this Bureau in any of the foregoing cases where they do not appear

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

September 21, 1936.

The following is a transcript of the record, including the most recently reported data, as shown in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning our number.

Bureau File #7-115-1844

FBI-220000

J. E. HOOVER, Director.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SO, Des Moines, Iowa.	Jacques Gerhardt, #2167	2-6-29	vic. Geo. 215, U. S. C. C.	
SO, Cheriton, Iowa.	J. W. Gerhardt, #39	2-14-29	forgery	
SO, Knoxville, Mo.	Jacques Gerhardt, #—	Inquiry 7-3-30		
FD, Indianapolis, Ind.	Jack J. Gerard, #19086	4-13-31	vagrancy	
SP, Greensburg, Ind.	Jacques J. Gerhardt, #39	7-17-31	issuing a fraud check	90 days, \$1 fine and \$10.35 costs
FD, Jonesboro, Ark.	C. J. Clifford, #—	4-9-34	false pretenses	sent to Clay Co. Ark.
FD, Winston-Salem, N. C. AIR MAIL cc-Bureau, New York, N.Y.	C. J. Adrienne, #15425	2-15-36	not given	
<p>* Geo. W. Zimmerman, #—, arrested FD, New York, N. Y., 2-22-24, charge grand larceny.</p> <p>* C. J. Adrienne, SO, Indianapolis, 1932, investigation; released. WANTED: As George Washington Zimmerman, (charge not given) per inf. rec. from FD, New York, N. Y. Notify FD, New York, N. Y. (Prints received 2-16-34).</p> <p>* WANTED BY BUREAU. As Dr. C. J. Adrienne, in case in which Charles F. Urschel was kidnaped. Notify Bureau Office, Oklahoma City, Okla., per information rec. therefrom 4-23-36. Bureau file #7-115-1844.</p>				

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

FILE NO. **7-34**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9-19-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9-9, 19-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES with aliases; ET AL; Charles F. Urschel, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>No Kirschner or family of similar name known to have operated clothing store or resided in St. Marys, Ohio.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">- R U C -</p> <p>REFERENCES: <b>Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, July 29, 1936; and Circular letter to all field offices from Oklahoma City dated September 16, 1936.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">All b7C</p> <p>DETAILS: [REDACTED] Postmaster at St. Marys, Ohio, advised that the only Kirschner he had known in town was <b>Hach Kirchner</b>, now deceased, who had been a widower for over ten years and a resident of the town for at least twenty years. He stated that this individual had never operated a clothing store. He stated that from 1932 to 1934 he had been mayor of St. Marys and in such capacity had known all the business men there but had no recollection of any family with a name similar to Kirschner. He searched the post office records for the past ten years with negative results.</p> <p>[REDACTED] who has charge of the City Directory and is presently employed in the post office, stated that he had lived in St. Marys</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <i>[Signature]</i>	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT 3 - Bureau 2 - Oklahoma City 2 - Cleveland		<p style="text-align: center;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em;">7-1115-1991</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SEP 28 1936</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SEP 28 1936</p> <p style="text-align: center;">no BMA</p>	

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all his life, was acquainted with all the inhabitants and did not recall any residents with a name similar to Kirschner except the family of the chief of police [REDACTED]. He stated that the [REDACTED] had never operated a clothing store and no one in the family was named or nicknamed [REDACTED].

Chief of Police [REDACTED] stated that he did not know any family by a name similar to Kirschner that ran a clothing store in the town of St. Marys and that no one in his family was named [REDACTED].

In view of the receipt of reference circular letter, reporting the apprehension of CLIFFORD J. ADRIENNE no leads are necessary and this matter is, therefore, being —

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

FILE NO. 7-23

<b>REPORT MADE AT</b> OMAHA, NEBRASKA	<b>DATE WHEN MADE</b> 9/30/36	<b>PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE</b> 9/11/36	<b>REPORT MADE BY</b> [REDACTED]
<b>TITLE</b> GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases, et al. CHARLES F. PURSCHIE - Victim.			<b>CHARACTER OF CASE</b> KIDNAPING

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

C.J. Adrienne purchased 1930 Packard car at Waterloo, Ia., 11/7/34. Vendor's file disclosed little information of value in locating him and investigation discontinued upon notification that he has been located.

- R. U. C. -

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED], Omaha, 8/29/36 and letter from Office of Origin dated 9/16/36.

**DETAILS:**

At Waterloo, Iowa

The files of the Utility Finance Company, 170 West Park St., produced by [REDACTED] reflected that C.J. Adrienne then residing at 126 Walnut Court Apartments, Waterloo, on November 7, 1934, contracted to purchase a 1930 Packard Coupe Motor #283668 from The Repass Motor Co., upon time payments and completed such payments 6/19/35. The only additional information of value in the file was that Adrienne claimed to carry \$5000 life insurance in the Mutual Life Company of New York and to have purchased a Cadillac Brougham for cash in 1932 from the Greenlease Motor Company, city not stated.

[REDACTED] of the Walnut Court Apartments, East 3rd and Walnut Sts., advised that his records disclosed only that Adrienne had occupied apartment 126 for approximately ten days prior to November 6, 1934.

[REDACTED] the postmaster, informed that there was no listing or forwarding address upon Adrienne in his records.

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<b>APPROVED AND FORWARDED</b> [Signature]	<b>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</b>	<b>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</b> <div style="font-size: 2em; text-align: center;">7 115 + 1972 SEP 24 1936</div>
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Upon receipt of reference letter dated September 16, 1936,  
on September 17, 1936, this investigation was discontinued.

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Pelleck, Missouri Sep. 21---1936

Department of Justice,  
Washington ? D. C.

Gentlemen:

Please send the same man to my place who was there  
three or four months ago. I have some more information that he would  
be glad to know.

Very truly,

[Redacted signature]

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October 2, 1936.

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[REDACTED]  
Follock, Missouri.

RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases,  
et al; CHARLES F. URSCHKE - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated September 21, 1936, in which you advise that you desire to give further information concerning the location of the loot acquired by Harvey Bailey as a result of his various criminal activities to the Special Agent of this Bureau who interviewed you some time ago.

I am furnishing this information to Mr. W. A. Smith, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building, Kansas City, Missouri, in order that he might assign an Agent to interview you further in connection with this matter.

I desire to thank you for the information you furnished Special Agent [REDACTED] on July 10, 1936, and if circumstances permit, Mr. Smith will have [REDACTED] call upon you in the near future, otherwise, another Agent of this Bureau will discuss the matter with you.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Charles W. Smith

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof,

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For

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA  
SEPTEMBER 18, 1936

12:50 PM

**G. H. LOWDON**  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
234 FEDERAL BUILDING  
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

GEORGE KELLY BARNES WA ETAL CHARLES F. URSCHEL VICTIM KIDNAPING REFERENCE MY LETTER

SIXTEENTH INSTANT FILE ALSO REFLECTS FELONY WARRANT OUTSTANDING SALT LAKE CITY AGAINST

ADRIENNE FOR REMOVING MORTGAGED PROPERTY FROM UTAH RELATIVE FORD COUPE

CC Bureau ✓  
St. Paul  
Salt Lake City  
Denver

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SEP 21 1936

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

September 22, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

Re: GEORGE KELLY BARNES with aliases,  
et al; CHARLES F. CURSETH - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

In view of your letter of September 16, 1936, advising  
of the location of Clifford J. Adrienne and [REDACTED]  
there remains no further investigative work in this  
district and this matter is therefore being considered  
referred upon completion to your Office.

Very truly yours,

DEL [REDACTED]  
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D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

FILE NO. **7-19**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Washington, D. C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9/24/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/8-16/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases - et al; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Investigation at Richmond, Va. in effort to locate C. J. Adrienne unproductive and discontinued Sept. 16, 1936, upon receipt of advice that Adrienne was apprehended by Bureau Agents at Winston-Salem, N.C.

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**REFERENCE:** Teletype from El Paso Office dated 8-25-36.

**DETAILS:** During the period from September 2, 1936 to September 16, 1936 contact was maintained with the officials and desk clerks at the John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Va., where it was expected C. J. Adrienne would call either to stay as a guest or to receive mail. The hotel records were carefully checked back until May 1, 1936, but no record was found of registry under the name of Byron M. Andrews, which is the name under which C. J. Adrienne is said to be travelling throughout the eastern states. The clerical force of the hotel [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] extended the fullest cooperation in this matter and arrangements were made for these employees to advise the writer in the event anyone answering C. J. Adrienne's description registered at the hotel or called for mail. No letters addressed to C. J. Adrienne or Byron M. Andrews, or names approximating these, were received during the above mentioned period.

The various utility companies in Richmond were contacted, but no information indicating the presence of Adrienne in Richmond was obtained. The leading real estate firms were also contacted for the purpose of ascertaining whether any rentals had been made to Adrienne, without results. Various stationers and firms selling office equipment, typewriters, et cetera, were contacted, without results. The Richmond Times Dispatch and the Richmond News Leader were contacted for a possible lead through advertisements appearing in these newspapers which might have

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		<i>[Handwritten initials]</i>	

been placed by C. J. Adrienne in connection with the business he was said to be conducting in Richmond. No information was developed by these investigations. The leading banks reported no accounts in the name of C. J. Adrienne or Byron M. Andrews, and no information of value was obtained through the Virginia Better Trade Association, the Securities Division of the State Corporation Commission, and the Retail Merchants Association. Information concerning Adrienne was not obtained from the Richmond Chamber of Commerce.

On September 16, 1936 the Washington Field Office was advised that C. J. Adrienne had been apprehended by Bureau Agents in Winston-Salem, N. C., and for that reason the investigation at Richmond was discontinued at that time.

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Denver, Colorado  
September 20, 1936  
RCE: [REDACTED]  
5:15 p.m.

D. Brantley  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
224 Federal Building  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

RE: MOLLIE O. BERT  
PERJURY

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MRS MOLLIE O BERT PERJURY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT HERE ADVISES [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] PRESENTLY USING NAME [REDACTED] NOW LOCATED EITHER OKLAHOMA  
CITY OR SHAWNEE SOME GAMBLING ESTABLISHMENT BETTER ADDRESS NOT  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 25, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

In confirmation of telephonic advice furnished Mr. McIntire, on September 17, 1936, concerning the case of Dr. C. J. Adrienne, Bureau file #7-115-1814, please be advised that on September 16, 1936 a fingerprint card was received in the Identification Division from the Police Department, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, reflecting that this individual as C. J. Adrienne, #15425, was arrested by that Department on September 15, 1936, charge and disposition not given.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder  
L. C. Schilder.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

FILE NO. **7-10**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Salt Lake City, Utah</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>9-24-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>8-13-36 to 9-16-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>W. C. ZIMMER</b>
TITLE: <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with alias, et al.</b> <b>CHARLES F. CURSCHEL - Victim</b>			NATURE OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

[REDACTED] Salt Lake City, and [REDACTED] Midvale, Utah, identify photograph of C. J. Adrienne; [REDACTED] Salt Lake City, unable to identify photograph. Charlotte Office advised Adrienne apprehended Winston-Salem, North Carolina, 9-16-36.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent Val C. Zimmer, Salt Lake City, Utah, dated 8-13-36; Bureau letter to Oklahoma Office, dated 8-24-36.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.**

On receipt of Bureau letter of reference, with which was submitted photographs of C. J. Adrienne, Special Agent [REDACTED] exhibited the same to [REDACTED] Salt Lake City, Utah, who identified the photograph as being a likeness of the individual who resided in her apartment during January or February of 1936. Special Agent [REDACTED] exhibited the photograph to [REDACTED] of the Ford Agency at Midvale, Utah, and he identified the photograph as being the individual who purchased a Ford from him which was financed

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through the Pacific Finance Company of Salt Lake City, Utah. Photographs of Adrienne were also exhibited to [REDACTED] of Auerbach Department Store, who advised that he could not identify the same as being the man he knew as Mark C. Andrews.

On September 16, 1936, a telegram was received from the Charlotte Office in connection with a White Slave Traffic Act case, in which C. J. Adrienne, alias Byron M. Andrews, alias B. J. Adams, was the subject, advising that Adrienne was being held at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, for questioning in the instant case, and was found to be in possession of 1936 Ford Coupe, Motor 18-2255328, bearing 1936 Utah license 59-384. The Charlotte Office requested that it be advised whether the instant car was stolen.

Inasmuch as the information pertaining to the car mentioned in the wire from the Charlotte Office has been secured and reported in the reference report of this agent, the Charlotte Office was immediately advised by telegraph that such car had been purchased by Adrienne from the William Petty Motor Company at Midvale, Utah, on January 11, 1936, and financed through the Pacific Finance Company of Salt Lake City, Utah; also that 1936 Utah license 59-384 had been issued to Adrienne for such car, and that Adrienne had defaulted after making two payments to the Pacific Finance Company.

Inasmuch as Adrienne has been located, it is believed unnecessary to interview [REDACTED] Salt Lake City, who was reported to have information concerning the business location of Adrienne. A stop notice placed against the car purchased by Adrienne from the Petty Motor Company with the Pacific Finance Company has been removed.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

REPORT MADE AT <b>CHARLOTTE, N.C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9/30/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/23/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases, ET AL; CHARLES F. DURSCHEL - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

C. J. Adrienne, upon re-interview, declined to furnish additional information relative to his past life and activities. Adrienne insists that [REDACTED] furnished information relative to his alleged possession of Urachel ransom money, in order to cause him trouble because of his refusal to leave his wife and accompany her to Miami, Florida, in December, 1934. Bureau advises [REDACTED] Adrienne's traveling companion, has no prior known criminal record; Adrienne's criminal record set forth.

R.U.C.

**REFERENCE:**

Letter from Oklahoma City Office, dated September 16, 1936; report of Special Agent in Charge R. D. Brown, dated at Denver, Colorado, September 16, 1936; report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated at Charlotte, North Carolina, September 17, 1936.

**DETAILS:**

AT GREENSBORO, N.C.

Agent re-interviewed C. J. ADRIENNE at the County Jail, where he is presently confined awaiting presentment of the White Slave Traffic Act charge against him to a Federal Grand Jury. Adrienne was

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informed by Agent that a complete investigation of his prior activities was being conducted by the Bureau throughout the United States, and that it was suggested that he cooperate in this matter by fully discussing his past life and activities. Adrienne declined to do so, stating that he had revealed all that he had intended to, and that he could not help himself by discussing his life any further. When he was asked whether he was in a certain place on a certain date or working for a particular concern, he readily admitted the fact, and always his statements corroborated the information presently known to this office relative to his past activities.

In connection with the Urschel matter, Adrienne did, however, talk freely, and again related that, as he recalled it, the remark allegedly made by him to [REDACTED] was made in Memphis, Tennessee, about Christmas of 1934. He stated that she had obtained a position with the Rodgers Redemption Bureau, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, solely for the purpose of being near him, and at this time when they were riding together in her car, she asked him if he would not pay his wife about \$500.00 and send her back to her mother in Jonesboro, Arkansas, so that he could go to Miami, Florida with her. Adrienne stated that he would not consider such a proposition, but when she refused to take "No" for an answer, he informed her that he would let her know later; and that as soon as [REDACTED] left town for Oklahoma City, he and his wife went to Jacksonville, Florida, and he has never seen [REDACTED] again. Adrienne stated that when riding in the car with [REDACTED] she advised him that if she could not have him, "he would burn", and he was of the opinion that she probably referred to the fact that he had been intimate with her at one time or another. Adrienne again emphatically denied any knowledge of the Urschel ransom money.

It is to be noted that at the time of Adrienne's apprehension, when a search was made of his personal belongings, his clothes were few and did not indicate that he spent much money on his wardrobe. It is also noted that the payments on the Ford car in his possession are delinquent, and for the most part, the money earned by him, approximately \$60.00 per week, appears to have been his sole source of income.

By letter, dated September 17, 1936, the Bureau advised that [REDACTED] Winston-Salem, North Carolina P [REDACTED] who was arrested with Adrienne on September 15, 1936, has no known prior criminal record.

C. J. Adrienne, with aliases, FBI #228,980, has the following known criminal record, according to Bureau letter of September 21, 1936:

SO, Des Moines, Iowa, 2-6-29, as Jacques Gerhardt, #2167;  
viol. Sec. 215, U.S.C.C.

SO, Chariton, Iowa, 2-14-29, as J. W. Gerhardt, #39; forgery.

SO, Kirksville, Mo., 7-3-30, as Jacques Gehrard, #---; Inquiry.

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Vagrancy.

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for investigation; turned over to USM for viol. WSTA.

- \* Geo. W. Zimmerman, #—, arrested PD, New York, N.Y.,  
2-22-24, charge grand larceny.
- \* C. J. Adrienne, SO, Indianapolis, 1932, investigation;  
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New York, N.Y. (Prints received 2-16-34)
- \* WANTED BY BUREAU; As Dr. C. J. Adrienne, in case in which  
Charles F. Urschel was kidnaped. Notify Bureau Office,  
Oklahoma City, Okla., per information rec. therefrom  
4-25-36. Bureau file #7-115-1844.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

FILE NO. **7-8**

REPORT MADE AT <b>ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9-30-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/24, 28/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with alias; ET AL; CHARLES F. URSCHKE - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Deposit slip of \$300.00, 9-30-33, to account of [REDACTED] examined. Deposit consisted of currency. Slip is in handwriting of teller, [REDACTED] who says he cannot recall any details regarding it. Would have remembered return of any ransom bills, he states. Name of [REDACTED] secretary noted.

P.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED], St. Paul, 8-10-36.

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**DETAILS:**

[REDACTED] of The Marquette National Bank of Minneapolis, Minneapolis, Minnesota, produced for this Agent's inspection the deposit slip for a \$300.00 deposit to the account of [REDACTED] dated September 30, 1933. The slip shows that the deposit consisted of currency, and that it came through the cage of Teller Number 8. Examination of the tellers' records showed that on September 30, 1933, [REDACTED] handled that cage. He was interviewed.

[REDACTED] stated that the deposit slip was in his handwriting. He does not remember whether [REDACTED] or his secretary brought in the money for deposit. [REDACTED] said that he would remember the instance if he had returned ransom bills to [REDACTED] or discussed such bills with any of the bank's officers, and for this reason he is reasonably sure he did not. He remembers the ransom lists that were issued some time prior to September 30, 1933.

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[redacted] who had advised on September 24, 1936, that the name of the girl who worked for [redacted] on September 30, 1933, had been forgotten, called the St. Paul Bureau office on September 28, 1936, to say that he had found the name on a statement receipt for July, 1934.

The girl's name is [redacted]. She is a dark, attractive woman, about twenty-five years old, about five feet, five inches in height, of medium build, and a good dresser. She is no longer employed by [redacted] according to [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] who handled most of [redacted] bank deposits.

[redacted] also furnished the information from the 1934 Minneapolis City Directory that [redacted] residence address was listed as [redacted] and her occupation as a stenographer for [redacted] office was listed as [redacted] which was also the business address of [redacted]. The 1935 directory lists [redacted] office address as [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted] therefore, is undoubtedly the girl who worked for [redacted] in 1933. She is not listed in the 1935 directory, but a [redacted] a tailor, who lived at [redacted] in 1933, still lives there.

The name [redacted] instead of [redacted] is used in this report for the reason that [redacted] signs his checks without using the "e" in his surname.

**UNDEVELOPED LEAD:**

ST. PAUL OFFICE at Minneapolis, Minnesota, will openly interview [redacted] regarding this transaction.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

FILE NO. **7-7**

REPORT MADE AT <b>El Paso, Texas</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9-29-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9-29-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. H. Colvin</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases, et al; CHARLES F. URSCHEL, Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>C. J. Adrienne alias B. M. Andrews, and [REDACTED] having been located by the Charlotte office, and there being no outstanding leads in the El Paso territory concerning this case, the matter is being referred upon completion.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>R. U. C.</b></p> <p>REFERENCE: <b>Report [REDACTED], Charlotte, N. C., 9-17-36.</b></p> <p>DETAILS: <b>As a result of teletypewriter information furnished by the El Paso office, C. J. Adrienne and [REDACTED] were apprehended at Winston Salem, North Carolina, by Agents of the Charlotte office, as reflected in the report of reference.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>There being no further outstanding leads in the El Paso territory, this matter is being -</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -</b></p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: 1.2em;"><b>All b7c</b></p>			
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MRS MOLLIE O<sup>\*</sup>BERT WAS PERJURY WITHDREW PLEA NOT GUILTY ENTERED  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
October 3, 1936

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

Re: Mrs. Mollie O. Bert, with aliases  
Perjury.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions contained in Bureau Bulletin No. 17 dated May 15, 1936, kindly advise this office immediately if the Identification Division receives any record of arrest of the following individual during the period of time specified below (\*): 10-9B

NAME AND ALIASES: MRS. MOLLIE O. BERT, with aliases:  
Mollie O. Edison, Molly Olive Edison, Mrs. Molley Bert,  
M. O. Edison.  
F.B.I. or POLICE NO. 19370 Okla. City Police Department  
F.P.C.  
DATE & PLACE OF SENTENCE: Okla. City, Okla., 10/1/36  
SENTENCE IMPOSED: 1 year and 1 day (suspended)  
PROBATION IMPOSED: 1 year  
\* PERIOD PROBATION IN FORCE: 10/1/36 - 10/1/37.

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Very truly yours,

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DWIGHT BRANTLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.  
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

FILE NO. **74-72**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/3/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/1/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[Redacted] b7C</b>
TITLE <b>MRS. MOLLIE O. BERT, with aliases: Mollie O. Edison, Molly Olive Edison, Mrs. Molley Bert, M. O. Edison</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Perjury</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

*1 Conviction  
Sentence  
1 yr. 1 da.  
Suspended*

On 10-1-36 Mollie O. Bert withdrew her plea of not guilty previously entered and entered a plea of nolo contendere; found guilty, sentenced 1 year 1 day, suspended during good behavior for a period of one year from 10-1-36. Disposition sheet and probation notification letter forwarded to the Bureau.

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**DETAILS:**

At Oklahoma City.

Mollie O. Bert, with aliases, appeared before the Honorable Edger S. Vaught, Federal Judge at Oklahoma City, on October 1, 1936, and withdrew her plea of not guilty to the instant perjury charge. She then entered a plea of nolo contendere and was found guilty by Judge Vaught. She was sentenced to a term of one year and one day in a United States Penitentiary and the service of this sentence was suspended during her good behavior for the period of one year, dating from October 1, 1936.

A disposition sheet covering this sentence and a letter notifying as to the probationary provisions of the sentence are being forwarded to the Bureau.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <b>7   115 + 2002</b> <b>OCT 7 1936</b> <b>OCT 9 1936</b>
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

FILE NO. **7-7**

REPORT MADE AT <b>DENVER, COLORADO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-1-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-3-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. D. BROWN</b>
GEORGE KELLY BARNES with aliases; et al; CHARLES F. URSCHER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, wife of C. J. Adrienne, still residing at home of [REDACTED] Denver, Colo., under name of Mrs. Andrews. Mrs. Adrienne unable to offer any further information relative to husband.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of SAC R. D. Brown, Denver, dated 9-16-36, and letter from Oklahoma City Office, dated 9-16-36.

**DETAILS:**

Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, using the name of Mrs. Andrews, was interviewed at her place of employment, the home of [REDACTED] Denver, Colorado, and advised she was unable to offer any further information concerning the prior activities of her husband, or concerning his past life or family history. Mrs. Adrienne advised she had received a letter from her husband, postmarked Winston-Salem, North Carolina, or Greensboro, North Carolina, place not exactly remembered, in which he advised he had been arrested. However, she stated he failed to furnish her with any additional information concerning his trouble. She also stated she wants nothing more whatsoever do to with her husband, and will secure a divorce at the earliest practicable date. Letter of reference from the Oklahoma City Office advises

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of the apprehension of Clifford J. Adrienne at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on September 15, 1936.

In view of Adrienne's apprehension, this matter is being referred upon completion to the office of origin, in the absence of other undeveloped leads in this district.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION  
TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

P. O. BOX 1525,  
PITTSBURGH, PA.

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September 21, 1936

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TO ALL PEACE OFFICERS:

Re: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases,  
et al; CHARLES F. URSCHIEL -  
Victim. KIDNAPING.

Gentlemen:

b7C ~~This is to cancel the wanted notice filed with~~  
you under date of August 28, 1936 for one C. J. ADRIENNE alias  
BYRON M. ANDREWS, who was reported to be traveling with one  
[REDACTED] in a 1936 Ford Coupe bearing Utah license plates  
numbered 54394, as ADRIENNE has been taken into custody.

Very truly yours,

*R. L. Shivers*  
R. L. SHIVERS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

10-8-36

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover  
Dept. of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:—Since writing the enclosed letter a very prominent  
Atty. now in "Whose Who" was interviewed, he criticised wildly your  
speech at Dallas, We have an Attorney here who has the second largest  
Men's Bible Class in the State, it was he who defended the two "Money  
Changer" from Minneapolis. I refer to the Kid-nap cash in the C. F.  
Ourschel Case.

Attorneys in Okla. from the Gov. down to Justice of the People are  
rotten-to-the-core, hundreds of murderers, High-Jackers and Bank Robbers  
are paroled and Pardoned almost every day.

Do you think this sort of dealing goes on without a "Pay off". I don't  
and I welcome an investigation. This is one of your greatest hindrances.

I wish you good success in all your undertakings.

Sincerely,

(S) [Redacted]

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.		FILE NO. 7-7-
DATE WHEN MADE 10-9-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10-7-36	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING.		
<p>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, w.a.; et al. CHARLES F. OURSCHKE (Victim)</p>		
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Inasmuch as Clifford J. Adrienne and [REDACTED] were apprehended at Winston Salem, North Carolina on September 15, 1936, this case is</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- R.U.C.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report Special Agent [REDACTED] Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 9-10-36.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Inasmuch as a memorandum was received from the Oklahoma City Bureau Office dated September 16, 1936, advising that Clifford J. Adrienne and [REDACTED] his woman companion, were taken into custody by Bureau Agents at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on September 15, 1936, this case is</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: 1.5em;">All b7C</p>		
<p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>F. J. Brady</i></p> <p>COPIES OF THIS REPORT</p> <p>Bureau.....3 Okla. City..2 Dallas.....2</p> <p>COPIES [REDACTED] 10-11-36 20.0 BIAH 17.1936</p>	<p>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</p>	<p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em;">7-1115 +</p> <p style="text-align: right;">OCT 12 1936 OCT 14 1936</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[Handwritten initials]</p>

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letters of October 8, 1936, have been received and I have read with the greatest of interest your comments concerning crime conditions and particularly concerning the need for political freedom of law enforcement agencies.

Permit me to thank you for your commendatory statements concerning the accomplishments of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In answer to your inquiry please be advised that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has no jurisdiction over the Dillinger Exhibit which has been displayed at Little Bohemia in Wisconsin.

Sincerely yours,

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722 Midland Savings Bldg.  
Denver, Colorado  
October 8, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: MRS. MOLLIE O. BERT with aliases:  
Mollie O. Edison, Mollie Olive  
Edison, Mrs. Mollie Bert, M. O.  
Edison.  
PERJURY

Dear Sir:

On October 3, 1936, the writer received a telephone call from [redacted] local Denver attorney and a co-operator of the Denver Bureau Office, who advised that a Mrs. Margaret Williamson had called at his office and had furnished some information which he believed would be of interest to the Bureau. [redacted] accompanied Mrs. Margaret Williamson to the Denver Bureau Office, where she was interviewed by the writer. Subsequent to the arrival of Mrs. Williamson and [redacted] [redacted] advised the writer by telephone that Mrs. Margaret Williamson bears a very good reputation in Denver and her information should be relied upon.

Mrs. Williamson advised her maiden name was Margaret Spurgeon; that she is using her maiden name at the present time, her husband being dead. She is presently employed as a housekeeper for a wealthy family residing at 2909 East 7th Avenue, Denver. She is approximately fifty years of age. She gives the appearance of being probably of Danish descent and her general demeanor and attitude gave the writer the impression of being trustworthy.

Mrs. Williamson nee Spurgeon stated that about March 1, 1936 she answered an ad in the Denver Post and as a result was employed by Mrs. Mollie O. Bert as housekeeper at her home, which was then at 744 Detroit Street, Denver. She stated Mrs. Bert was an unusually fine employer, being considerate and very democratic with domestic help. She stated that due to the attitude of Mrs. Bert, Mrs. Bert often chatted with her concerning subjects of interest during her evenings at home. She stated that for some time prior to about March, 1936, Mrs. Bert appeared to be somewhat uneasy and melancholy; that the evening of the date

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the Denver Post printed an article regarding the denial of appeal by Attorney Bert Aska by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Denver, Colorado, Mrs. Bert came home and asked her, Mrs. Williamson, if she had read the article in the Denver Post concerning her. Mrs. Williamson stated she informed Mrs. Bert she had read the article and then asked Mrs. Bert, "Did you get any of that money, Mollie?" Mrs. Williamson stated that Mrs. Bert replied, "Yes, Margaret, I got \$2,000 of it and I guess Ben got \$8,000 or \$10,000. I wish I had never touched the damn stuff."

Mrs. Williamson was questioned as to why she had not given this information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation before this date and she replied that she had not planned to say anything about it, but that she had told her son and daughter-in-law concerning this conversation and they, in turn, had accidentally related same to other persons and had convinced her she should furnish this information to some one. She stated she has a great deal of confidence in [REDACTED] and, therefore, called his office requesting his advice as to what to do, informing him she did not desire to become involved in any way but did not want to violate the law in any manner by concealing this information.

After considerable conversation with Mrs. Williamson, she stated she would be willing to testify in Federal Court should she be called upon to do so regarding the conversations between herself and Mrs. Bert.

It is requested that the Denver Office be advised if the Oklahoma City Office is in possession of other information which would support the alleged conversations between Mrs. Williamson and Mrs. Mollie O. Bert.

Very truly yours,

H. D. BROWN,  
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
October 14, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Re: MRS. MOLLIE O. BERT with aliases;  
Mollie O. Nelson, Mollie Olive  
Nelson, Mrs. Mollie Bert, M. O.  
Nelson. PERJURY.

Reference is made to your letter of October 8, 1936, which sets out a purported conversation between Mrs. Margaret Williamson and Mrs. Bert tending to show admission by Mrs. Bert that she received \$2000.00 ransom money in the same deal where attorney Ben Laska received \$2000.00 or \$10,000.00.

Please be advised that the Oklahoma City files contain no information pertinent to this matter not contained in the Denver files. There appears to have been a theory throughout the case that Mrs. Bert may have received some of the money from Laska, but no facts substantiating the theory.

On October 13, 1936, the contents of your letter were discussed with United States Attorney William C. Lewis, Oklahoma City, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office, and Mr. Lewis requested that the Denver office ascertain under what conditions Mrs. Williamson left the employ of Mrs. Bert, whether since leaving Mrs. Bert's employ there has been any disagreement or misunderstanding between these two persons, and Mrs. Williamson's reputation for truth and veracity.

Upon obtaining the above information, Mr. Lewis requested that Mrs. Williamson be interviewed and an affidavit taken from her setting out all information in her knowledge pointing to the receipt by Mrs. Bert of some of the ransom money.

If and when the above mentioned affidavit is obtained from Mrs. Williamson, it should be forwarded immediately to the Oklahoma City office, as Mr. Lewis contemplates presentation of same to the Court for a possible revocation of the probationary sentence handed upon Mrs. Bert.

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DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

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

**MILWAUKEE**

FILE NO. **7-9**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Milwaukee, Wisconsin</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/14/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/11, 25/36; 10/5/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases, ET AL; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Investigation discloses that the farm of Harvey Bailey is now occupied by his wife, who uses the name of Mrs. Mattie Brennan. Investigation failed to disclose that there were any abandoned wells on this farm, the two wells located thereon apparently still being used.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated at Kansas City, Missouri 7-15-36; Bureau letter to the Milwaukee Office dated 8-7-36 (7-115); report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin 8-14-36; and memorandum for all Field Offices from the Oklahoma City Office dated 9-16-36.

**DETAILS:**

**AT BASSETT, WISCONSIN.**

Agent interviewed [REDACTED] postmaster of Bassett, who stated that the farm of Harvey Bailey is located between Bassett and Wilnot in the Town of Randall; that all mail for Mrs. Mattie Brennan, the name under which Harvey Bailey's wife is now going, was delivered to her by the rural carrier operating out of Richmond, Illinois. Agent was also advised by Postmaster [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] a brother of Mrs. Harvey Bailey, is now operating a farm and that [REDACTED] who was formerly in charge of the operation of the farm, is now in California; that [REDACTED] married a [REDACTED] a daughter of a neighbor farmer.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <b>V. W. [Signature]</b>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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[redacted] stated that the farm was purchased by Tom Brennan, the alias under which Harvey Bailey was operating in 1930, but that recently the mortgage on the farm had been foreclosed; further, that the mortgage was held by D. C. Ziegler & Company, West Bend, Wisconsin. [redacted] pointed out to Agent the location of the farm on the plat of the Town of Randall and the farm is described as follows:

Southwest quarter of Section 26,  
Township 1, North Range 19 East,  
in the Town of Randall, Wisconsin.

The farm consists of one hundred and sixty acres. This farm is located on County Highway S in the County of Kenosha, and is the third farm on the west of Highway S and is located between County Highways D and B and is located one-half mile east and one mile south of the town of Bassett.

AT WEST BEND, WISCONSIN.

Agent interviewed [redacted] of the D. C. Ziegler & Company. He advised that the mortgage on the farm of Harvey Bailey was foreclosed on June 4, 1936, the amount of the judgment being \$11,020.24 consisting of the principal of \$8,900 and accrued interest. [redacted] explained that under the Wisconsin statutes the final sale cannot be consummated until the expiration of a year after the entry of the judgment of foreclosure; further, that after the expiration of this period of a year the Judge can grant an extension or order the sale of the farm.

[redacted] allowed Agent to examine the abstract which reflects that David G. Elfers and Emma M. Elfers, his wife, deeded the farm to Thomas E. Brennan and Mattie Brennan on September 13, 1930 and was recorded in Volume 156, pages 99 and 100 in the real estate records of Kenosha County. The mortgage is dated September 15, 1936 and was recorded on this date in Volume 156, pages 101 and 102 of the real estate records of Kenosha County, Wisconsin. This mortgage is in favor of D. C. Ziegler & Company, West Bend, Wisconsin. The abstract further reflects that Thomas E. Brennan and Mattie Brennan deeded the farm to Fred M. Martin on October 28, 1932 and was recorded on April 7, 1933 in Volume 171, pages 309 and 310 of the real estate records. On November 7, 1934 Fred M. Martin and Myrtle Martin deeded the farm back to Mattie Brennan by warranty deed which was recorded on January 14, 1935 in Volume 182, pages 221 and 222 of the real estate records of Kenosha County, Wisconsin.

AT BURLINGTON, WISCONSIN.

Agent interviewed [redacted] one of the former co-owners of the Harvey Bailey farm. She stated that she and her husband lived on the farm for about twenty-two years prior to the time it was

purchased by Harvey Bailey under the alias of Thomas E. Brennan; that during the period of their occupancy they never learned of an abandoned well being located on the farm; that there were two wells on the farm, however, but both were in use, one being located between the milk house and the farm residence and the other being located immediately in the rear of the residence; that the well between the milk house and the residence was a large one and a motor was used to pump the water to various parts of the farm, the well in the rear of the house being used for household purposes, including drinking water.

**AT RICHMOND, ILLINOIS.**

Agent interviewed [redacted] mail carrier, who stated that he had delivered mail to what is now known as the Brennan farm for over twelve years; that during this period he does not recall that a well was ever dug on the farm and so far as he knew, the two wells located on the farm were still in use. Agent was further advised by [redacted] that [redacted] of Harvey Bailey is presently residing at Washington, California, and that the only mail received by Mrs. Harvey Bailey is that forwarded to her by [redacted] and her husband, Harvey Bailey.

**AT RANDALL, WISCONSIN.**

Agent called at the farm of Harvey Bailey and interviewed his wife under a pretext that he was a real estate agent. During the interview numerous questions were asked by Agent relative to the farm, particularly in connection with the amount of timber and acres under cultivation. An opportunity was had in the course of the interview to observe the two wells mentioned by [redacted] and both appeared to be in use.

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**REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN**

Los Angeles, California  
October 20, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

Re: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with  
aliases, ET AL.  
Charles F. Urschel, Victim  
KIDNAPING  
L. A. File 7-19

With reference to the above entitled case, it will be noted that the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Denver, dated 9-16-36, sets out a lead for the Los Angeles office at San Diego, California. However, in view of your circular letter of September 18, 1936, no action is being taken by this office to cover the lead in the report of Special Agent Brown.

Very truly yours,

J. H. BARNES  
Special Agent in Charge

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Oklahoma City, Okla.

FILE NO. 7-13

REPORT MADE AT <b>CHARLOTTE, N.C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/22/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/15/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em;"></div>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases, Et Al; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING.</b>

SUBJECT OF FACTS:

Letter sent by Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, Denver, Colo., to her husband, C. J. Adrienne, Guilford County Jail, Greensboro, N.C., refers to ransom money.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent in Charge R. D. Brown, dated at Denver, Colo., October 4, 1936.

DETAILS:

AT GREENSBORO, N.C.

The Charlotte Office was telephonically advised by the U.S. Marshal's Office, Greensboro, North Carolina, that the Jailer in the Guilford County Jail had intercepted a letter written by Mrs. C. J. Adrienne to her husband, C. J. ADRIENNE, who is presently confined in the Guilford County Jail, and in the letter made reference to the "ransom money".

Upon receipt of the above information, Agent contacted  Guilford County Jail, and he produced envelope postmarked "Denver, Colo., 1:30 P.M., October 10, 1936", sent by Air Mail to C. J. Adrienne, County Jail, Greensboro, N.C., bearing

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return address of "Mrs. C. V. Adrienne, [REDACTED], Denver, Colo." On the inside of this envelope, there was another envelope postmarked "Denver, Colo., 7:30 P.M., October 3, 1936" addressed to "Mrs. C. V. Adrienne, Austin, Texas, County Jail, C/O Sheriff", and bearing a return address of "Mrs. C. V. Adrienne, [REDACTED], Denver, Colo." This letter was stamped "Not At - Return to Sender"; also, it was stamped "Returned to writer unclaimed from Austin, Texas". On the back of this envelope, there was one postmark "October 6, 1936, Austin, Texas" and another postmark "October 7, 1936 General Delivery, Austin, Texas". On the back of this envelope, the following message was written in pencil:

"Honey everything is all mixed up this letter came back. Mr. Brown said he understood you were in Austin. Write me soon. You know I would do anything in my power to aid you. I am so sorry I don't have any money. I am in debt not making anything. Doing well just to exist. The folks at home are doing swell. Sonny was married Oct. 4 - Poor Kid. Tell me you love me Dear.

This envelope contained the following letter:

[REDACTED]  
Denver Colo  
Sept. 29, 1936

Jack - Mi Dear:-

I feel as tho I should write a few lines - I know about the trouble you are in. I am sorry - really sorry - it makes my heart ache - I've bawled and cried till I know I am a wreck - No no use to feel that way but as you know I have a tender place some place in my heart. I am sorry for everything that is sad - just my way - self pity you call it. I've looked for a letter from you for so long. I got a letter from [REDACTED] this morn - she has a letter from you to me. She didn't mail it she asked if she should. She says it is in your handwriting - they don't know at home what has happened to me and you. They still love and respect you and if I can they always will as far as I am concerned.

If you want a divorce all you had to do was ask for it. You know I can't afford one. It cost \$50.00 I don't have the money - I am working - like a slave - every day - I have lost 50 lb in weight I am the girl you married again -. I am still losing --. I will admit I still love the thoughts

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and ideal of you. Otherwise I am killed through --- and through. Now I have no ideal - no nothing just some lovely memories that seem a dream. I hate to divorce you the last tie that means the only happiness I ever had the only love I ever had - you truly did love me didn't you? I am still sick and my life is useless to me, and I wonder why I go from day to day just memories - happy memories to keep me going.

Our, My Berkie is being well fed and she is happy. It is a Gods blessing that I have that babe - She is all that has held me together I would have gone out the gas route long ago if it were not for her. She and I both have been hungry many times but she is a trouper, I failed we were both miserable even before [redacted] told me I had to get out - she starved us both - the only time we ate any thing except bread dry bread - was when you send a few dollars to me. She is a poor sport - I would never have treated the lowest common negro like she treated me, and my Berkie. I didn't have the money to send her home to my mother. Her and I slept on park benches and ate food that people fed to the birds for severold days. I can never forget that and I cant forget it was because of your folly --- Another woman. I am now the very lowest depths of despar - Why I keep on living I do not know. Of course [redacted] and every one knew the Federal police wanted you. It was through the car - How they - The finane knew the Barr Adres I don't know - I guess it was the Salt Lake City - bunch that got the Department of Justice bunch on your trial they asked me questions. And told me what I already knew about the ransom money - [redacted] started - more of your folly I explained that you had nothing to do with it. I even convinced Mr. Brown the top here in Denver - It is the Texas thing you pulled that I truly don't know anything about ---. All I know is what Mr. Brown has chosen to tell me about the woman and etc.- I could have loved you till I died and I would - and will stick by you till then end but that hussy stands between you and I - I can't think I can hardly breathe it has killed me -- To think after all you and I have gone through together and were so happy you had to get another woman.

I will never get over that. I am working for a doctor and his wife I take care of their two kids and the whole family - I am at the writing a tinty bit tight on beer - [redacted] is too. I don't know what would have happened if I had not been lucky enough to fall into their hands and care. They treated Birk and I swell - The best friends in the world - [redacted] gave in \$1.00 but I paid it back. I have a new dress and shoes.

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In the spring I am going to do something, winter coming on and I am too broke - I probably will go straight to hell - As soon as I get the money I will send Birk home and then I will go father West or go away west I just dont know yet. Your letter that I will get will decide thing for me - you have determined my destination as you have from the first time I ever knew you.

I guess [REDACTED] is gloating we have come to the end she was wanting, and set out to attain. I hate her guts --

Saturday Oct. 3rd.

My Dear Jack;-

I got your long waited letter today. Mr. Brown will tell me where to address this. I am so nervous I can hardly hold a pen. According to your letter you are just asking me for a divorce in a skippy way. Mr. Brown said there was no man act charge against you. He said it was something you did in Texas about taking mortgaged property out of the state. He said he did not know every thing but would find out.

I am just killed I will never live over this. I dont eat and I dont sleep. I have your picture in a silver frame on the mantle in my room and I show it to Lavis (?) Birkie every night and she knows who it is. She whines and still sits in the door, I believe she still looks for you.

I can never go back to Arkansas you should know that. They will never know what has come between us. I will die first.

Honey write to me and tell me you still love me and only me. It would perk me up and I would work my head off. I will stay with you. We were so happy-(I was) and it is not too late to start over. I have forgiven you of a lot of things and I will do it again.

I know that I failed in so many ways as a wife to you. If I had not failed we would be so happy together. We were and we can be again.

My Dear I can truthfully say that I have always been true to you. I have not been out with any man since you. I dont want to. [REDACTED] and I get tight here all alone some-time and she and I cry together. [REDACTED] are sure

swell people. They love and treat Birk and I as one in the family. I work like hell tho. I just weigh 120 lbs. now. I am still going down [REDACTED] is afraid I will have T.B. if I don't watch out. I don't care & I have nothing or no one to live for. My life is not worth a nickle.

I just called Mr. Brown and he is out of his office - I don't want a divorce and besides I don't have the \$50. It would cost more but, [REDACTED] a lawyer friend of the [REDACTED] said he would get it with just actual court cost no attorney fee. Even after I get it, it would take 6 mo for it to be leagle (In Col.) I have to be seperated a year before I can file suit. You see a devorice would be next to impossible even if I wanted it. A least a year for the final degree.

Jack Dear I have always been faur to you. I stood hell itself with worry and trouble yet I was happy just to be with you. I was so confident that you loved me. You did love me didn't you? Don't it all mean anything to you? We will be happy again together if you love and want me. I know you need me. If you want me I will come and be with you through your trouble. I think I can help you. I don't feel sorry for the woman in your case. She must be a poor sport. Mr. Brown said she would have to be a witness against you and if she was a sport at all she would refuse. I don't believe any girl is so inocent. If you don't love just have the guts to say so and make half of worris will be over.

Just think how happy we were before [REDACTED] entered our lives and you must remember I didn't like her from the first.

My Dear just write to the wife that still loves you with all my heart and soul. Tell me that you love and want me again Dear and I will go through plenty of hell and high water for you. Every thunk looks so easy for me now.

I am sending you a doller all I have I know you well enough to know you are broke. Get some cigars or something to read. Tell me if you need anything and I will do my best - Write soon

I love you with all my heart and sold - Your wife in tears

Mrs. C. J. Adrienne [REDACTED]

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE DENVER OFFICE, at Denver, Colorado, will again interview Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, [REDACTED] and question her concerning her knowledge of the ransom money to which she referred in her letter to C. J. Adrienne.

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P.O. Box 1276,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,  
October 1, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska

Re: GEORGE KELLY BARRIS, with aliases;  
et al. CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

A letter addressed to Mr. Charles F. Urschel, under date of September 23, 1936, and signed [REDACTED] Lexington, Nebraska, reads as follows:

"Dear Sir:

I can give you the name of the person that is the leader of the gang that kidnaped you. If he can be convicted you will get most of your money back. This is none of my business and I would like it kept confidential. All you need do is come up or send some body. I am writing this so you can handle it as you see fit."

Please locate and interview [REDACTED] and report fully the information he states he has.

Very truly yours,

All b7C

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Denver, Colorado</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-28-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-26-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. D. BROWN</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases, et al; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, wife of C. J. Adrienne, Denver, Colo., again interviewed advising she is unable to offer any further information concerning "ransom money". Mrs. Adrienne blames [REDACTED] Memphis, Tenn., as being responsible for her husband's difficulty. Mrs. Adrienne advises she will return to husband if he is freed.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Charlotte, 10-22-36.  
Report of SAC R. D. Brown, Denver, 9-16-36.  
Report of SAC R. D. Brown, Denver, 8-5-36.

**DETAILS:**

AT DENVER, COLORADO

Since the date of the last report of the writer, dated at Denver, Colorado, October 4, 1936, Mrs. C. J. Adrienne, wife of C. J. Adrienne, has frequently called the writer by telephone requesting information as to the present whereabouts of her husband. This was not known to the writer and Mrs. Adrienne desired to be advised if it was the writer's opinion her husband might have been released from jail at Greensboro, North Carolina and returned to Austin, Texas, where she understood a charge was pending against him. The writer advised her this might be possible and she then stated she intended sending a letter to her husband in care of the Chief of

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		<i>[Handwritten initials and marks]</i>	

Police at Austin, Texas. She later telephonically advised the writer this letter had been returned and desired information as to where she might address this letter in order to reach her husband. The writer suggested that she direct same to the Sheriff at Greensboro, North Carolina, which was the last known address of her husband. It was not known to the writer at that time if Adrienne was still being held in the County Jail at Greensboro.

Mrs. Adrienne has frequently communicated with the writer by telephone requesting information as to whether or not charges of violation of the White Slave Traffic Act would be filed against her husband. The writer informed her he did not know if this procedure would be or had been followed.

Upon receipt of reference report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Charlotte, dated October 22, 1936, the writer telephonically communicated with Mrs. Adrienne requesting her to call at the Denver Office if she should be in the locality of the office. She called at the Denver Office and was interviewed on October 26, 1936, advising she had received several letters from her husband and after thinking the matter over decided she would go back to him if he is released. On this occasion she again requested information as to whether her husband was being held for violation of the White Slave Traffic Act or for a charge of kidnaping in connection with "ransom money". She was advised by the writer this information was unknown to the Denver Bureau Office at the present time.

Mrs. Adrienne was then questioned further with reference to her knowledge of any unusual amounts of money in her husband's possession, especially while in Minneapolis, Minnesota or at Memphis, Tennessee. She stated she had given all information in her possession to the writer during previous interviews and became enraged over the mention of the name of [REDACTED] of Memphis, Tennessee. She stated she is certain that [REDACTED] has caused her husband's present difficulty, as [REDACTED] made the remark prior to their departure from Memphis that she would break up their home if she was unable to obtain Mr. Adrienne as her husband. She stated the remarks made by [REDACTED] are absolutely untrue and her sole purpose in making such remarks is to cause trouble between her husband and herself.

The writer went into considerable detail concerning the residence of the Adriennes at Memphis and also visits to Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mrs. Adrienne's replies to Agent's questions were exactly as she had given before and which are contained in the report of the writer, dated August 5, 1936.



Mrs. Adrienne was questioned as to her reason for her willingness to return to her husband should he be released and she stated that she believed she would give him another chance and that any situation would be better than the present one where she is forced to do house work for a living.

b7C The writer questioned Mrs. Adrienne as to whether or not she had mentioned "ransom money" in her letters to her husband and she stated she had and had done so in connection with remarks she had made concerning [REDACTED] who had caused this difficulty.

Further questioning of Mrs. Adrienne relative to her marriage and various associations with C. J. Adrienne has been without results. It is not believed that any further information of value can be obtained from her. The information she has furnished during recent interviews has been identical with that furnished during her first visit to the Denver Bureau Office. It is believed that if Adrienne actually received a portion of the ransom money in this case Mrs. Adrienne did not know about it.

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

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REPORT MADE AT <b>DETROIT, MICHIGAN</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-30-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-8-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] <b>b7C</b>
TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases, et al; CHARLES F. MURSCHEL - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Stop notices on Adrienne, woman companion and automobile canceled [REDACTED] <b>b7D</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">[REDACTED] United States Customs Officials in this district.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p>REFERENCES:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] <b>b7C</b> [REDACTED] dated September 8, 1936, Detroit, Michigan</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Letter from Oklahoma City Bureau Office dated September 16, 1936</p>			
<p>DETAILS:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>b7C</b> Upon receipt of reference letter from the Oklahoma City Office, advising of the apprehension of Clifford J. Adrienne and [REDACTED] by Bureau Agents at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on September 15, 1936, letters were directed to the following persons, thanking them for their co-operation in this matter and requesting that the stop notices previously placed by them for this office concerning C. J. Adrienne, his woman companion and the automobile which he was driving at that time be withdrawn.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[REDACTED] <b>b7C</b> <b>b7D</b></p>			
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Customs Agent in Charge  
Customs Building  
Detroit, Michigan

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OKLAHOMA CITY BUREAU OFFICE

(Name and address of Contributor)

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

Date October 5, 1936

Dear Sir:

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been mailed to the Division of Investigation:

Division File Number	Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
		953842	
#19370		Mrs. Mollie O. Bert, with	10-1-36 in U.S. Dist.
PD, Okla.		aliases: Mollie O. Edison,	Court, Okla. City,
City, Okla.		Molly Olive Edison, Mrs.	sentenced 1 year 1
		Molley Bert, M. O. Edison	day - suspended for
			period 1 year -
			Perjury.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Official Title)

(For instructions see reverse side)

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RECORDED 7-115-2012 October 26, 1936.

Mr. R. A. Schmid,  
Sheriff,  
Dallas, Texas.

My dear Sheriff:-

Immediately upon my return to Washington, I made inquiry concerning the subject matter of our conversation recently at Dallas, Texas, at which time you asked that the gun used by Harvey Bailey in effecting his escape from the Dallas County Jail be forwarded to you.

I am pleased to make an exception to the usual rules in a matter of this kind in view of your interest in this matter and I have issued instructions to the effect that this gun be transmitted to you. You will receive it within a few days.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

October 15, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

With regard to your inquiry concerning the present location of the gun used by Harvey Bailey in effecting his escape from the Dallas County jail, and about which gun Sheriff R.A. Schmid spoke to the Director recently while in Dallas, this is to advise that the gun is locked in the safe of the Chief Clerk's office. It is a 44 calibre Smith & Weston bearing #5728.

I find from the files that under date of December 8, 1933 (file 7-115-1043) Sheriff Schmid in a letter to Mr. Nathan requested possession of this revolver and was informed that it was impossible to comply with his request in view of the fact that many requests of this type have been received for various paraphernalia of this kind and it was necessary to promulgate a rule to the effect that all material taken during the course of investigations to be used as evidence in Federal Court shall remain in the Bureau's possession pending such legal steps as might possibly be taken at some time by the original owners to secure possession of the property.

The gun in question will be held in my office pending further word from you as to its disposition.

Respectfully,

*T. D. Quinn*  
T. D. QUINN.

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Greetings!

I, R. A. (Smoot) Schmid, in commemoration of all  
peace officers who have given their lives in the past 100  
years in preserving law and order in the Lone Star State,  
by the authority vested in me, hereby appoint

*Clyde Tolson*  
as a Reserve Deputy Sheriff of Dallas County, Texas,  
without compensation, as such in a manner  
provided by law, during our Centennial Year of 1936.

June 6, 1936

*R. A. Schmid*  
SHERIFF OF DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

DALLAS, TEXAS

R. A. (SMOOTH) SCHMID  
SHERIFF OF DALLAS COUNTY

RES. 8-3827

PHONE 7-8841

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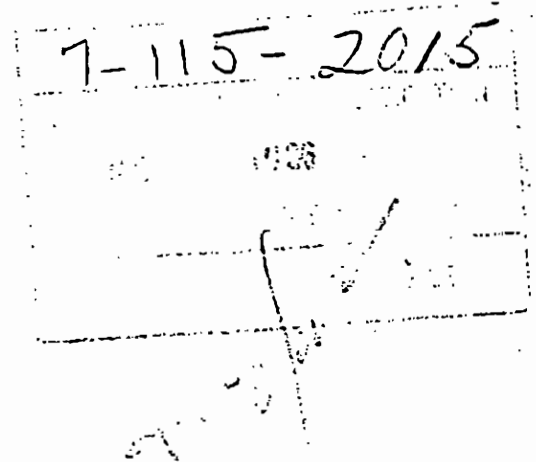
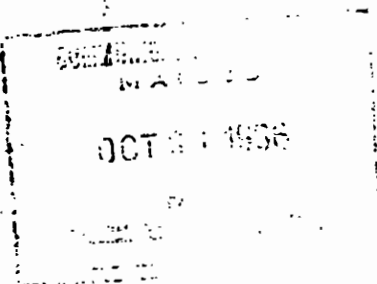
October 26, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. QUINN.

With respect to your memorandum dated October 15, 1936, it is desired that the gun used by Harvey Bailey in effecting his escape from the Dallas County Jail be transmitted to Mr. R. A. Schmid, Sheriff of Dallas County, Dallas, Texas. Sheriff Schmid has been advised that this gun is being forwarded to him.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



Los Angeles, California  
November 2, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Denver, Colorado

Re: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with  
aliases, T AL;  
Charles W. Urschel, Victim  
KIDNAPING - I.A. File 7-19

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
in Charge R. D. Brown, dated 9-16-36, in connection with  
the above entitled case.

In accordance with the request contained in the  
above mentioned report, there is being returned to you  
herewith the report of Special Agent [REDACTED]  
Oklahoma City, dated 7-22-36.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HARRISON  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
November 2, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with  
aliases, et al; CHARLES F.  
URSCHEL, Victim: KIDNAPING.

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Dear Sir:

The report of Special Agent [REDACTED] of  
your office, dated September 30, 1936, reflects leads  
in your district at Minneapolis, requiring attention.

It is kindly requested that this matter be  
given attention at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

DIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau

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UNIVERSAL PICTURES CORPORATION

Rockefeller Center  
New York

November 10, 1936

Mr. Clyde Tolson, Asst. Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

For your information, I am attaching herewith carbon copy of my teletype message to Mr. Weyerhauser.

I spoke to Mr. Bremer on the telephone and he would like to look at a copy of the film Saturday morning in St. Paul, which I have arranged. Incidentally, Mr. Bremer doesn't recall posing for these pictures. I suppose he was too excited at the time. However, he did not indicate that he would withhold permission provided he made a pleasing appearance in the film, which is practically the same thing as Mr. Urschel had in mind, except that Mr. Urschel mentioned that he wanted to forget the whole thing, but he wanted me to know that he was not unappreciative of what the G-Men had done for him.

kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

(S) Charles E. Ford  
Managing Director  
Universal Newsreel

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*[Handwritten signature]*

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November 18, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Brantley telephoned me on Friday, November 13th, from Oklahoma City stating that Mr. Charles Urschel had spoken to him with regard to the picture YOU CAN'T GET AWAY WITH IT, and had indicated that he has no objection to the Universal Pictures Corporation including scenes taken by the newsreel companies in the courtroom at Oklahoma City which portray Mr. and Mrs. Urschel. He stated that Mr. Urschel had indicated that he hoped the picture people would properly pronounce his name in the production. I relayed Mr. Brantley's message to Mr. Charles E. Ford of the Universal Pictures Corporation.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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TITLE <b>GEORGE KELLY BARNES, with aliases; et al CHARLES F. URSCHER ..... VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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Indefinite information originating in [REDACTED] Lexington, Nebraska, [REDACTED] intimating [REDACTED] Tom Banks, St. Paul or Minneapolis, Minnesota, was connected with instant case and perhaps received some of the ransom money.

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**REFERENCE:** Letter from Oklahoma Field Division, October 27, 1936

**DETAILS:** At Lexington, Nebraska

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[REDACTED] located on a farm a few miles south of Lexington, Nebraska and who apparently enjoys a good reputation in the community, was interviewed by Agent, the interview being based upon the letter of reference in which he states he had information as to who was the leader of the gang that kidnaped Charles F. Urschel. [REDACTED] stated that his son, [REDACTED] goes to High School in Lexington and in this same High School, there is a lad named [REDACTED] who is rather friendly with [REDACTED] son, [REDACTED]. One day several months ago, in a rather confidential conversation between [REDACTED] son and the [REDACTED] boy [REDACTED] stated to young [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] Tom Banks, in either St. Paul or Minneapolis, who is sort of a rough character and is probably in some way connected with the underworld. [REDACTED] stated that in his opinion Tom Banks was the ring leader of the Urschel Kidnaping mob; that Tom had been the leader in planning the job and had gotten most of the money.

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It was [redacted] recollection that in this conversation between his son and [redacted] that [redacted] had also mentioned that [redacted] Tom Banks, had advised the men who actually did the kidnaping, immediately after it had occurred, as to how best to dispose of the money, but because they did not follow his directions, they had gotten caught, and if they had listened to Tom Banks, they would not have gotten caught.

[redacted] stated that the [redacted] people, who live in Lexington, including a man named [redacted] the father of [redacted] and another individual named [redacted] a brother of [redacted] and also [redacted], mentioned heretofore, operate a large department store in Lexington and, in his opinion, were very clever individuals, who would not be opposed to going outside the law if they could benefit thereby. He further said they had the reputation in that vicinity of being very sly and probably crooked, but due to their industry they have accumulated a good bit of money and now run one of the most profitable businesses in Lexington. [redacted] thinks in their store they act as "fence" for a good bit of stolen merchandise.

In connection with another investigation, Agent visited this store and had contact with [redacted] who seemed completely cooperative in the matter on which Agent visited him and it was, at that time, observed that if the [redacted] Store proprietors would be so inclined, they had an excellent opportunity to act as "fences" for almost any kind of dry goods merchandise, since their store handles a large amount of this type of goods.

[redacted] son of the elder [redacted] mentioned above, was interviewed and stated to Agent that [redacted] had told him some information along the lines mentioned by his father, but not as much as the elder [redacted] had stated. [redacted] said that [redacted] and he, several months ago, had gotten into a confidential conversation, at which time [redacted] told him [redacted] Tom Banks, is an ex-bootlegger from Minneapolis and that [redacted] always figured that [redacted] Tom Banks was the "brains" of the Urschel Kidnaping; however, [redacted] never mentioned on what he based this opinion, nor did he state exactly how [redacted] could have, or probably was connected with the instant kidnaping; in other words, to young [redacted] it seemed more like a hunch or a bit of braggadocio on the part of [redacted] rather than anything that was based in fact.

It was Agent's impression that young [redacted] and also his father, were completely trustworthy and they did not assume an attitude that would indicate they were imagining all this, but rather they believed there might be something to it and wished to turn it over to the proper authorities.



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Young [REDACTED] said in the future he would attempt to discreetly obtain more information along these lines from [REDACTED] and find out exactly on what [REDACTED] based his story.

[REDACTED] was not contacted for the reason that he would be almost sure to tell his parents and they, in turn, would unquestionably relay any pertinent information to Tom Banks, and thus, if the information has any value whatsoever, it might be lost or covered up in this manner.

No further investigation will be conducted by this Field Division in the matter, pending a further request from the Office of Origin. Very little of the Urschel file is available in the Omaha Field Division and it is not possible to judge the import of this information and consequently, the case is being - -

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>DENVER, COLORADO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-24-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11-14, 23-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>MRS. MOLLIE C. BERT, alias MOLLIE O. EDISON, alias MOLLY OLIVE EDISON; alias MRS. MOLLEY BERT, alias M. O. EDISON</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

On 11-23-36 **[REDACTED]** former domestic employee of Subject; executed affidavit concerning her conversation with Mollie C. Edison to the effect that Subject received \$2,000 of the \$5,000 or \$10,000 received by Attorney Ben Laska, being the Urschel ransom money.

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**REFERENCE:** Letter from Oklahoma City Field Division dated 10-14-36.

**DETAILS:**

**At Denver, Colorado**

On November 14, 1936, **[REDACTED]** was interviewed in the Denver Office, and on November 23, 1936, she executed the following affidavit as to her conversation with Mrs. Mollie O. Bert, the original copy of which is being attached to the Oklahoma City Field Division copies of this report.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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[REDACTED] being first duly sworn,  
deposes and says:

That on or about March 1, 1936, she saw a want ad in the Denver Post for house work; that in answering the ad she called upon and was employed as a housekeeper by one Mollie O. Edison, whom she also knows as Mollie O. Bert, at 744 Detroit Street in the City of Denver, Colorado; that the affiant remained in the employ of Mollie O. Edison from March 1, 1936 to about May 1, 1936; that during such employment, she lived at the home of Mollie O. Edison and received wages of \$16.00 a month in addition to room and board.

The affiant further says that during such employment, she became quite intimate with the family which included Mrs. Leah Smith, the mother of Mollie O. Edison; Phillip Bert, Mollie O. Edison's husband, and her sisters, Ruth and Cecilia; that her employers treated her as one of the family and were very considerate and democratic with the domestic help.

The affiant further says that she left the employment of Mollie O. Edison on or about May 1, 1936 as she was called east on account of the death of her nephew in Centralia, Illinois; that when she left her employers begged her to come back to work for them when the affiant returned from the east. The affiant says that she returned to Denver, Colorado on or about June 1, 1936 but did not accept re-employment by Mollie O. Edison because she received better wages at another home.

The affiant further says that sometime in the latter part of March, 1936 she was sitting in the dinette of the Edison home, reading an edition of the Denver Post, in which appeared an article regarding the denial of appeal by Attorney Ben Laska by the Federal Court; that shortly after five o'clock on the evening of the day this article appeared in the paper, Mollie O. Edison came into the dinette and sat across the table from the affiant; that Mollie O. Edison did not remove her hat and coat and left these articles on during their conversation which lasted about two hours; that Mollie O. Edison appeared to be extremely nervous, uneasy and melancholy.

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The affiant further says that the following conversation took place between the affiant and Mollie O. Edison:

Mollie O. Edison: "I see you're reading the piece in the paper about Ben Laska".

Affiant: "Yes - what's going to happen to him?"

Mollie O. Edison: "I have read every line of the appeal to the higher court and the court has turned him down. He is going to take it to the United States Supreme Court but they don't have to consider the case unless they want to. If they don't he just has a one-way ticket to the penitentiary."

Mollie O. Edison: "I suppose you know the terrible jam I'm in?"

Affiant: "Why no, Mollie, what is it?"

Mollie O. Edison: "You know, I'm the woman they accuse with Ben."

Affiant: "Why no, Mollie, I didn't."

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The affiant further says that Mollie O. Edison then related to her, that during the regime of the Klu Klux Klan in Denver, Colorado, Ben Laska had been attorney for one [REDACTED], Grand Dragon; that when Laska became involved in the Oklahoma City kidnaping case, Laska tried to get [REDACTED] to go his bond; that Mollie O. Edison finally went to [REDACTED] after Laska failed to make contact with [REDACTED] either by telephone or letter; that after Mollie O. Edison personally called on [REDACTED] he refused to go Laska's bond.

The affiant further says that Mollie O. Edison told her that the court had not proved a thing against Laska and that the charges were only pushed to get rid of Laska and that the Government could not prove anything against her.

The affiant further says that the following conversation then took place between the affiant and Mollie O. Edison:

Affiant: "Now, Mollie, you don't mean to tell me that you did this for Laska just because of your friendship for him and got nothing out of it."