indum · UNIT (7~115) DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)FROM GEORGE KELLY BARNES, WAS, ET AL CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM KIDNAPING RE: HARVEY BAILEY ReBulet Aug. 8, 1958, captioned as above. ReBulet pointed out that KIRKPATRICK has extended some effort to get HARVEY BAILEY released on parole from Leavenworth Penitentiary. KIRKPATRICK has further stated that in his efforts he has the approval of Judge VAUGHT, who tried the case. CHARLES F. URSCHEL and GUS JONES and FBI Agents who arrested BAILEY. KIRKPATRICK did not elaborate to me on the reason for GUS JONES and to feel that HARVEY BAILEY should be released from the penitentiary, nor did he explain why GUS JONES and parently reversed their previous position in this regard. Any further information concerning this matter will be brought to the attention of the Bureau. 7-115-2535 **REC-31** 24 AUG 18 1958

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115) FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI GEORGE KELLY BARNES, was, et al CHARLES F URSCHEL - VICTIM KIDNAPING (00: Oklahoma City) Transmitted herewith is a copy of an airtel from Oklahoma City to Cincinnati dated 7/31/58, which is self-explanatory. It will be noted that Oklahoma City is anxious to locate a copy of transcript of testimony in the above case, which was tried in October, 1933. An exhaustive search has been made of the re- of the Cincinnati Office without locating such transcript any reference thereto. At the time of the death of former Assistant Director E. J. CONNELLEY, Cincinnati was in	cords or
possession of a number of personal papers, notes, etc., whr. CONNELLEY had accumulated during the period of time he with the Bureau. Examination of the Cincinnati records for to reflect any specific records as to the URSCHEL kidnapin case. However, there is indication that there may have be some miscellaneous papers among those left by Mr. CONNELL The Bureau's attention is directed to Cilet to Bureau date 7/26/57, captioned "EARL J. CONNELLEY, Deceased," wherein reference is made to these personal papers of Mr. CONNELL The Bureau's attention is also directed to Cilet to Bureau dated 8/6/57, captioned the same, wherein all of Mr. CONNELLEY's papers were forwarded to the Bureau for reviewed at the Bureau for reviewed disposition. In reviewing correspondence, it is believed perhaps New York may have some knowledge of the personal of Mr. CONNELLEY. Will the Bureau and New York please has the necessary research done to see if copy of the missing transcript can be located and furnished Oklahoma City? NASON 3 - Bureau (anclosure) 1 - Oklahoma City 1 - New York 2 - Cincinnati AMSON	e was ailed ng sen EY. ed EY. that papers
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GEORGE KELLY BARNES, WAS, ET AL CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIU KIDNAPING

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This case occurred during 1933. GEORGE "MACHINE GUN" KELLY and his wife, KATHRYN THORNE KELLY, were tried during October, 1933, and sentenced to life imprisonment.

During June, 1950, KATHRYN T. KELLY and her mother, CRF L. SHARNON, filed motions under Section 2255 of Title 25, USO, to have their convictions and sentences set aside. At the hearings both were granted new trials and are presently on bond. The transcript of testimony in the KATHRYN THORNE KELLY and GEORGE KELLY BARNES trial was not available and an exhaustive investigation to locate a copy of it has to date met with negative results.

Information has been received from the Chicago Office that former Assistant Director E. J. CONNELLY maintained some personal files at the Cincinnati Office. It is not known whether these files would contain any information concerning this case or this transcript, but it is requested that if an index of such files is not available, that a search be made of these files to determine whether a copy of the missing transcript is in the files. This transcript is badly needed since the U. S. Attorney in Okla. City plans to appeal the ruling of the Court, and HARVEY J. BAILEY, another subject, has now filed for a similar hearing.

Please expedite.

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GEORGE KELLY BARNES, was., et al. CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM KIDNAPING

Re Cincinnati airtel. 8/7/58, copies of which were furnished Oklahoma City and New York.

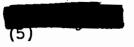
Reairtel called the Bureau's attention to personal papers of former Assistant Director Earl J. Connelley which had been forwarded to the Bureau for review and disposition following Mr. Connelley's death and suggested that subject papers be reviewed to determine if a copy of the missing transcript of testimony in the above captioned case could be located therein.

The papers referred to by the Cincinnati Division were reviewed upon their receipt in the Bureau in August, 1957. This review did not disclose any material which could be identified as a copy of the transcript or testimony in captioned matter.

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NOTE:

Material was reviewed for matters of interest of the Criminal Section of the Investigative Division by Supervisor Kidnaping Desk, now assigned WFO.



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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

THE DIRECTOR

DATE: August 14, 1958

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SUBJECT:

GEORGE KELLY BARNES, was., et al.;

CHARLES F. OURSCHEL - VICTIM;

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Treiter ______ W.C. Sullivan _ Tele. Room ____ Holloman ____

This is to advise of current developments in connection with the above-entitled matter.

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RE: KATHRYN KELLY AND ORA SHANNON

United States Attorney Paul Cress, Oklahoma City, has advised that he has received a transcript of testimony in the hearing of Kelly and Shannon. The Solicitor General will determine whether the Government will appeal the decision of U. S. District Judge William R. Wallace, Oklahoma City, granting Kelly and Shannon a new trial.

RE: HARVEY BAILEY

United States Attorney Cress informed that he had visited with Judge Wallace in connection with the hearing scheduled for 9/30/58 on Bailey's motion to vacate his sentence. He advised the court that he planned to file a motion asking for a continuance in the hearing as he felt Bailey's hearing should not be held until after a decision is made concerning Kelly and Shannon. Judge Wallace indicated to Mr. Cress that he felt such a motion would be proper but requested that it not be filed until after Labor Day.

ACTION

The Oklahoma City Division is closely following developments in the matters. You will be advised of further pertinent developments.

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DATE: 8/20/58

FROM :

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SUBJECT:

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CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM

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RE: HARVEY BAILEY

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The Director noted that he could not understand the present position of Mr. E. E. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Urschel, Judge Vaught who tried the case, and former Agents Gus Jones and who had arrested Bailey, in now favoring parole for Harvey Bailey.

The Special Agent in Charge at Oklahoma City, who had originally received information from Kirkpatrick as to the position of these individuals, has advised that Kirkpatrick did not elaborate as to any reason why Gus Jones and feel that Bailey should be released from confinement nor did Kirkpatrick explain why they apparently reversed their previous position in this regard. The Oklahoma City Division did not have further knowledge as to the reasons for these individuals to have taken the stand they have in favoring parole for Bailey.

ACTION:

Any further information in this regard obtained by the Oklahoma City Division will be brought to the attention of the Bureau.

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Office Memorandum . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

(7-115)

DATE: AUG. 28, 1958

FROM:

SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY

(7-6)

SUBJECT:

GEORGE KELLY BARNES, was, et al; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

Enclosed are photostatic copies of the following letters:

Undated letter from to Mr. E. E. KIRKPATRICK, 114 East 5th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Undated letter from E. E. KIRKPATRICK to

Washington 4, D. C.

Also enclosed is a photostatic copy of Civil Action No. 869-58, setting out a complaint for damages - slander by KATHRYN THORNE KELLY against Sgt. LEONARD BALLARD, United States Capitol Police, Capitol Building, Washington, D. C. The complaint was signed by JAMES J. LAUGHLIN, National Press Building, Coungtl for Plaintiff.

The enclosed correspondence was received at this office on August 26, 1958, and was furnished by Mr. E. E. KIRKPATRICK from Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. KIRKPATRICK later telephonically contacted me and pointed out that he had received a call from CHARLES F. URSCHEL, who stated that he wanted nothing to do with any civil action between KATHRYN KELLY and Sgt. BALLARD. KIRKPATRICK stated he received the impression that URSCHEL had also received a communication in connection with this matter.

This is being furnished as a matter of information to the Bureau. Any further developments will be brought to the attention of the Bureau.

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Telephone ----

Mr. E. E. Kirkpatrick 114 East 5th Street Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

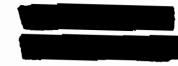
I am enclosing herewith a copy of a complaint filed by Kathryn Kelly against a police officer here in the District of Columbia. I am informed that you have written several books on the Kelly case and are familiar with the details up to the present time. I would like very much to have these books available for the preparation of my defense to the charges of slander made by Kathryn Kelly.

I have sent an affidavit to the United States Attorney in Oklahoma City and also to Charles Urschel which contains abstracts of newspaper articles and periodicals on file in the Library of Congress. I do not have another copy of this affidavit, but thought you might be interested in the contents thereof for any future publications you may contemplate in connection with the life of Kathryn Kelly.

I will greatly appreciate any information that you may have to give to me for use in the defense of this case.

Sincerely,

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Dear

I am in receipt of your letter of August 19 with reference to complaint filed by Kathryn Kelly against a police officer in the District of Columbia.

I am sorry I am unable to give you any informattion whatever in connection with this case, but am very much interested in the outcome of it. I shall appreciate your keeping me advised as the case progresses.

I believe the first book, "Crimes' Paradise, may be of more benefit to you as it contains more detail of the earlier phases of the case. It has long since been out of print, but I am sending you a copy I picked up in a second-hand book store and am glad to loan it to you for as long as you might find it useful. When it has served your purpose you may return it to me. 's

I shall be most interested in hearing from you from time to time.

Yours very truly,

E. E. Kirkpatrick

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

KATHRYN THORNE KELLY
Federal Reformatory for Women
Alderson, West Virginia
Plaintiff

Civil Action No. ___869-158

SGT. LEONARD BALLARD
United States Capitol Police
Capitol Building
Washington, D. C.,
Defendant

COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES _ _ SLANDER

1. The plaintiff Kathryn Thorne Kelly is a citizen of the United States and at the present time confined in the Federal Reformatory for Women at Alderson, West Virginia.

· 2. The defendant Leonard Ballard is a citizen of the United States and a resident

of the District of Columbia.

3. Plaintiff, although convicted of the crime of kidnaping, has steafastly maintained her innocence and proceedings are now pending in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma to vacate and set aside the judgment of conviction and she believes she will be finally and completely vindicated.

4. On or about March 11, 1958, within the District of Columbia, the defendant made this statement: "Kathryn still has about \$65,000 of that ransom money stashed a-

way somewhere".

5. This statement is false. The defendant gave publication to this false statement.

6. Defendant said further: "Machine Gun Kelly is dead, but Urschel isn't. Kathryn and her mother have been eligible for parole for 10 years, but every time it come up Urschel appears before the parole board and opposes it".

7. Plaintiff says that the publication of this slander by the defendant at various times and places has prevented the plaintiff from obtaining parole and plaintiff says further that although defendant has been called upon to make a full and complete re-

traction he has failed to do so.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff asks for judgment against the defendant in the amount of \$15,000, plus cost of this suit.

/s/ James J. Laughlin
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Counsel for Plaintiff

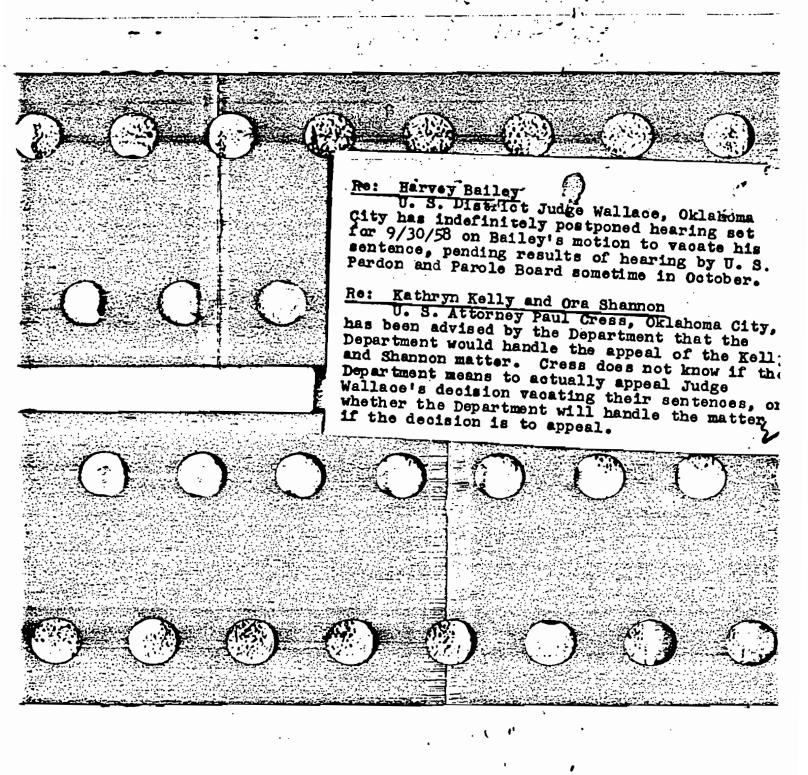
Plaintiff asks for trial by jury.

/s/ James J. Laughlin
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DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115) DATE: September 16, 1958

FROM SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8)

GEORGE KELLY BARNES, was., ET AL; SUBJECT:

CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM

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Re Oklahoma City airtel to Bureau dated 7-10-58, and Kansas City airtel to Bureau dated 7-24-58.

On 9/11/58, ROBERT HOFFMAN, Assistant Attorney General, State of Kansas, Topeka, Kansas, advised in the absence of Attorney General JOHN ANDERSON, JR., that steps are being taken to assure that a Kansas warrant for subject BAILEY will be in the hands of the U.S. Marshal, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, or the Sheriff, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, by 9-30-58 in order that subject BAILEY may be held for Kansas authorities, in the event that subject's motion to vacate and set aside the judgment and conviction of BAILEY is not denied by the U.S. District Court.

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type film of URSCHEL kidnaping trial. States memory hazy as to when pictures were taken, whether during court recess or while in session other than sentencing of kidnapers. Sentencing photographed as it actually occurred. Only recalls one trial. soundman accompanying states only sentencing photographed while court in session, and he too recalls only one trial. Efforts being made to locate film "Killers All", believed to contain photos taken by

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advised he is now retired, but

-which firm is now operated by his sons. He was formerly a free lance photographer and made a newsreel type film with sou<u>nd which</u> pertained to the kidnaping of CHARLES F. URSCHEL. advised his memory was rather hazy on many points, but he did recall that he, himself, actually make the photographs of the URSCHEL home as well as the photographs at the trial. Regarding the photographs at the trial, he was unable to state positively whether the photographs were made during recess or while court was in session, other than the pictures taken of the sentencing. He advised he was positive the actual sentencing was photographed and the sound recorded as it happened. He recalled the sentencing of "Machine Gun" KELLY, HARVEY BAILEY and either one or both of the elder SHANNONS. He stated he was not aware more than one trial had been involved. In addition, he stated he was under the impression the scenes of the SHANNON farm were photographed by someone other than himself.

advised further, he personally made photographs pertaining to BONNIE PARKER, and along with the URSCHEL film, he included film pertaining to JOHN DILLINGER and possibly others, which he obtained elsewhere and which he worked into a feature item consisting of about five reels of film for leasing to theaters. He advised the film pertaining to the URSCHEL case alone was first entitled "Hot Money", but that the original negatives had long since deteriorated and were no longer available. He advised further the feature item had been leased a number of years ago to an individual named for a period of five years, and he was unable to state if the film to determine if the film referred to above was stil<u>l available.</u> contact He also stated the soundman accompanying was still available. him at the trial of the URSCHEL kidnapers was i who was still employed by the Jamieson Film Company.

when recontacted on September 5, 1958, advised he had contacted and had received information

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that a film entitled "Killers All" was believed to contain
film pertaining to the trial of the URSCHEL kidnapers and
was believed available through of the Texas Theater
Service, Dallas, Texas. During the recontact of
he advised he had talked to and was now of the
opinion that only the actual sentencing was photographed and
recorded while court was in session and that the remainder of
the shots of the court room were taken during recesses.

Advised further at the time of the URSCHEL kidnaping,
advised further at the time of the URSCHEL kidnaping,
were in possession of movie cameras. He stated
is from a prominent Oklahoma City family and is believed
residing in Oklahoma City at the present time.

according to can probably verify whether any photographing was done during the time court was actually in session.

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Dallas, Texas, who is employed by the samestance of the URSCHEL kidnapers was covered. As his soundman during the time the trial of the URSCHEL kidnapers was covered. He stated he was quite sure no photographing was allowed during the time court was actually in session because the Federal Judge, in whose court the trial was held, was of the opinion such photographing might affect the trial. Stated the judge allowed the actual sentencing to be photographed and the sound recorded. The recalled especially the sentencing of the SHANNON son, who received a sentence of ten years, which was suspended on his good behavor. He also recalled only one trial which pertained to the URSCHEL kidnapers.

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Service, 2013 Young Street, advised the film, "Killers All", was presently under the control of Toddy Pictures, 148 Walton Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia, but that such film had been leased by him for exhibition to various theaters. He stated at the present time he was negotiating for the exhibition of this film in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and should have information in the near future as to whether he was successful and if so, he would furnish specific dates. He stated he also anticipated showing this film in other cities in the State of Oklahoma during September, 1958.

On September 9.11.12,15, 1958, efforts were made to determine from Texas Theater Service, 2013 Young Street, whether he had been successful in scheduling the film "Killers All".

On September 12, 1958, stated he expected to have the desired information by either September 15 or 16, 1958.

On September 15, 1958, he advised he was proceeding to Oklahoma City on September 16, 1958, because he had been unable to book the film in Tulsa as previously anticipated. He advised he would contact the Dallas Office on his return about September 17, 1958.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

: SAC, DALLAS (7-7)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES, Was., etal; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM KIDNAPING

Enclosed is report of SA

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REFERENCES

Oklahoma City airtel to Dallas, 8/25/58. Dallas airtel to Oklahoma City, 9/9/58.

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AT DALLAS, TEXAS

Will maintain close contact with Theater Service, 2013 Young, to obtain dates film "Killers All" is being shown in theaters in State of Oklahoma, so that it will be available if needed for hearing of HARVEY BAILEY, which is set for 9/30/58.

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Director, FBI (7-115)

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9/17/58

FROM SAC, Kansas City (7-8)

GEORGE KELLY BARNES, was., et al; CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM KIDNAPING . (KC 00)

Rerep SA at Kansas City dated 8/8/58 and Kansas City letter to Bureau dated 9/16/58.

<u>On</u> September 15, 1958, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, made available the file of HARVEY BAILEY, an inmate at the U.S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth. A review of this file reflected no change in the status of BAILEY at the institution.

The Kansas City Office will continue to follow this matter closely and advise the Bureau of any change in the status of BAILEY at the institution.

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Mr. PAUL CRESS, U. S. Attorney, Western District of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, has received a letter from the U. S. Board of Parole, dated 9/11/58, which reflects that HARVEY J. BAILEY will receive his annual parole reconsideration review during October, 1958. The letter states that it is not possible to predict the time it will take for the board to reach a decision concerning the parole reconsideration action. It also states that Mr. CRESS will be advised of the results of such action.

Mr. E. E. KIRKPATRICK, 114 East 5th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, furnished this office a copy of a letter he wrote to Mr. WILLIAM K. McDERMOTT, Parole Executive, U. S. Board of Parole, in which Mr. KIRKPATRICK states he desires to appear before the board in behalf of BAILEY at the hearing in October, 1958. He points out it may not be possible for him to attend since Mrs. KIRKPATRICK suffered a slight stroke.

This matter is being followed and the Bureau will be kept advised.

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