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DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

July 24, 1933.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I called Agent in Charge Colvin on the telephone and he stated that the following wire was sent last night at about midnight:

Re Urschel kidnaping Saturday night 11:15 Mr. and Mrs. Urschel and W. R. Jarret and wife, friends of Urschel, playing bridge on back screened porch Urschel residence 327 N. W. 18th. Street. Two men drove into driveway at rear of house came onto screened porch, one with pistol other with machine gun, asked for Urschel, no one replied. Gunman then said 'We will take both of them', marched Urschel and Jarret out to car, warning women to stay away from 'phone. Put victims in Chevrolet Sedan, gunman getting on front seat. Traveled by unfrequented back roads to point ten miles northeast and after ascertaining which was Jarret took \$15.00 from his wallet, put him out with warning not to disclose route taken or where released. Jarret caught a ride and was back home in little over an hour. Investigation confirms Jarret story as to route taken and place released. Car trailed three miles further and lost. Was apparently equipped United States tires. Jarret makes rather strong identification of one subject Identification Order 1190 without knowing name of subject. As yet no word received from Urschel or kidnapers. Several possible theories to be checked. There is possibility conspiracy between business associates of victim [redacted] Also possibility engineered by eastern gangsters or by local subjects as possible revenge. Am having fullest cooperation between local police and Sheriff's office. Agents Jones, [redacted] arrived tonight. Domiciles Stirvin Hotel. Do not expect swifter developments pending demands and contacts. Will keep you advised."

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Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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FORWARD NIGHT LETTER CLOSE BUSINESS EACH DAY GIVING PROGRESS INVESTIGATION
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EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Clegg.....

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July 25, 1933.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

b7C [redacted] of the Scripps-Howard, wanted to know if there was anything new in the Urschel kidnaping case. I told him I knew of absolutely nothing new. He said he would call later in the day.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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FOR UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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URSCHEL KIDNAPPING SATURDAY NIGHT ELEVEN FIFTEEN MR AND
URSCHEL AND W R JARRETT AND WIFE FRIENDS OF URSCHELS
G BRIDGE ON BACK SCREEN PORCH URSCHEL RESIDENCE THREE
VEN NORTH WEST EIGHTEENTH STREET TWO MEN DROVE INTO
AT REAR OF HOUSE CAME INTO SCREEN PORCH ONE WITH
OTHER WITH MACHINE GUN ASKED FOR URSCHEL NO ONE
ED GUNMAN THEN SAID WELL TAKE BOTH OF THEM STOP
ED URSCHEL AND JARRET OUT TO CAR WARNING WOMEN TO STAY
AWAY FROM PHONE STOP PUT VICTIMS IN CHEVROLET SEDAN GUNMEN
GETTING ON FRONT SEAT TRAVELED BY INFREQUENTED BACK ROADS
TO POINT TEN MILES NORTHEAST STOPPED AND AFTER OBTAINING
WHICH WAS JARRET TOOK FIFTY DOLLARS FROM HIS WALLET PUT HIM
OUT WITH WARNING NOT DISCLOSE ROUTE TAKEN OR WHERE RELEASED
JARRET CAUGHT RIDE AND WAS BACK=

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Miss Gandy	

One this information
afternoon

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BOME IN LITTLE OVER HOUR INVESTIGATION CONFIRMS JARRETS STORY
AS TO ROUTE TAKEN AND PLACE RELEASED JARRET CAR TRAILED THREE
MILES FURTHER THEN LOST WAS APPARENTLY EQUIPPED UNITED STATES
TIRES STOP JARRET MAKES RATHER STRONG IDENTIFICATION OF ONE
AS SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION ORDER ELEVEN NINETY WITHOUT
KNOWING NAME OF SUBJECT STOP AS YET NO WORD RECEIVED FROM
URSCHEL OR KIDNAPPERS STOP SEVERAL POSSIBLE THEORIES TO BE
CHECKED THERE IS POSSIBILITY CONSPIRACY BETWEEN ^{business} ~~business~~
^{associates} ASSOCIATE OF VICTIM [REDACTED] STOP ALSO **b7C**
POSSIBILITY ENGINEERED BY EASTERN GANGSTERS OR BY LOCAL
SUBJECTS AS BUSINESS REVENGE STOP AM HAVING FULLEST
COOPERATION LOCAL POLICE AND SHERIFF STOP ^{Special Agent} ~~SPECIAL AGENT~~ JONES **b7C**
BLAKE [REDACTED] ARRIVED TONIGHT DOMICILED SKIRVIN HOTEL DO
NOT EXPECT SWIFT DEVELOPMENTS ENDING DEMANDS AND CONTACTS
WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED=

COLVIN,

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Clegg.....

HN: [redacted] b7C

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

July 25, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Senator Gore called on the telephone, having been referred from your office. He said he wanted to earnestly request that every possible effort be made to aid in the solution of the kidnaping case at Oklahoma. I told him the Director was personally intensely interested in the case; that he had three Agents in Charge there and a large staff of Agents and I was going down there tonight. I told him, of course, that my identity in the matter should be kept absolutely secret and that he could judge from the personel both field and administrative that the Director had assigned to the case, of the Director's interest. He expressed his gratitude.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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MURSCHEL KIDNAPPING CASE NO DEVELOPMENTS OF IMPORTANCE TODAY
NUMEROUS CLUES RUN DOWN WITHOUT RESULTS FAMILY HAVE NOT
HEARD FROM VICTIM OR KIDNAPPERS STOP AT REQUEST OF FAMILY
POLICE GUARD WITHDRAWN FROM RESIDENCE WHERE WE ARE STILL
KEEPING AN AGENT ON DUTY BUT FAMILY HAVE SUGGESTED AGENTS
PRESENCE NO LONGER NECESSARY HOWEVER THEY VOICE NO STRONG
OBJECTION TO CONTINUANCE STOP PRESS REPORTS WILL STATE THAT
ALL FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS HAVE WITHDRAWN AT REQUEST
FAMILY TO ALLOW OPPORTUNITY FOR CONTACTS THIS STORY BEING
PUT OUT AT REQUEST OF FAMILY WHO HAVE PUBLISHED NOTICE THAT
THEY ARE READY TO DEAL WITH KIDNAPPERS WITHOUT INTERFERENCE
STOP WE ARE CONTINUING VIGOROUSLY BUT HAVE LITTLE DEFENSE
TO WORK ON FAMILY APPEAR TO BE COOPERATING FULLY STOP AGENT
ARRIVED TODAY STOP WILL WIRE IMMEDIATELY

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DEVELOPMENTS=

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July 24, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

At 2 A.M., Sunday morning, I was called by telephone by the family of Charles F. Urschel, a millionaire oil man of Oklahoma City. I was advised that Mr. Urschel, together with Mr. Walter R. Jarrett, another wealthy oil man of Oklahoma City, had just been kidnaped at Mr. Urschel's home and the assistance of the Federal authorities was requested.

I at once communicated with the Agent in Charge of this Bureau's office at Oklahoma City, Mr. Ralph E. Calvin, and directed him to immediately take charge of this investigation, to gain the assistance and cooperation of the local authorities and to contact the Urschel family at once.

I am advised that at 11:15 P.M., Saturday, Oklahoma City time, Mr. and Mrs. Urschel and Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett were playing bridge on the screened porch of the Urschel residence, at 327 Northwest 18th Street, Oklahoma City. Two men drove into the driveway at the rear of the house, came onto the screened porch, one with a pistol and the other with a machine-gun and asked for Mr. Urschel. No one replied and the gunmen then took the two male members of the party, Urschel and Jarrett, and drove away, warning the women not to telephone. They traveled for some distance over unfrequented back roads to a point ten miles northeast of Oklahoma City. They then ascertained which one was Urschel and put Jarrett out of the car, warning him not to disclose the route taken or where released. Jarrett returned immediately to Oklahoma City and the investigation has resulted in our Agents being able to trail the car three miles beyond the point where Jarrett was released. It was a Chevrolet sedan, equipped with United States tires.

Through the investigation made by the Agents of this Bureau, Jarrett has definitely identified Robert G. Brady, alias Bob Brady, alias Pat Brady, alias J. H. Taylor, alias Bob Ross, as one of the two men participating in the kidnaping. I am attaching hereto an identification order issued under date of June 22, 1933, by this Bureau, for Robert G. Brady. Brady was one of the leaders in the Kansas City massacre.

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Memorandum for the Attorney General.

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I immediately ordered into Oklahoma City the Special Agents in Charge of the Dallas and San Antonio Offices, together with additional Special Agents. We are receiving the fullest cooperation of local police at Oklahoma City and of the Sheriff's Office. As yet no demand has been made for ransom, but it is, of course, anticipated that some such demand will be made shortly.

I will advise you of the developments in this case as the reports are received.

Respectfully,

Director.

Enclosure #214489

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July 25, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. E. KENNAN,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a memorandum prepared today for the Attorney General advising him of the developments in connection with the kidnapping of Charles F. Wrochel from his home in Oklahoma City on Sunday morning, July 23, 1933.

The contents of this memorandum should be treated as strictly confidential.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure #712832

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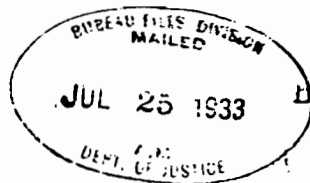
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

[REDACTED] of the Scripps-Howard was advised by telephone, in [REDACTED] to his inquiries, that the Agent in Charge at Oklahoma City had been instructed to take charge of the [REDACTED] kidnaping investigation, and that additional Agents had been ordered to that office. I further advised [REDACTED] that the family had personally contacted me soliciting Federal aid. I informed [REDACTED] that the identity of the principal party involved in the kidnaping had been ascertained. He inquired if it was thought that "Pretty Boy" Floyd had any part in the kidnaping, and I told [REDACTED] that so far as was known now it was not believed that Floyd had anything to do with this kidnaping but that this could not be determined until the case had been solved.

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Very truly yours,

Director.



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1900 Bankers Bldg.,
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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

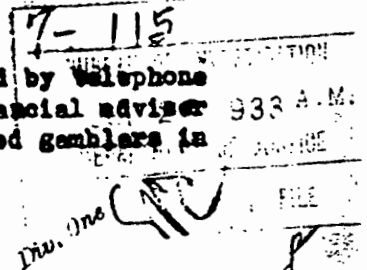
Dear Sir:-

In connection with the purported kidnaping of CHARLES
URSCHEL at Oklahoma City, this is to advise that [REDACTED]
of the Harris Trust Company, 115 W. Monroe Street, Chicago, telephone
State 8900, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] called at the Chicago Office today and conferred with
the writer, at which time he stated that he was the financial adviser
and banker for Mrs. Charles Urschel, wife of the kidnaped victim, and
has been a very close friend of Thomas Slick, former husband of Mrs.
Urschel. He renewed his statement previously made of complete coopera-
tion with the Bureau in an effort to determine the identity of the
kidnapers and with a view of securing evidence during the course of
negotiations for the return of Urschel, which will be valuable in a
subsequent prosecution.

b7C [REDACTED] thought it might be advisable for him to
proceed to Oklahoma, in view of the fact that Mrs. Urschel, at present,
has no close business adviser in that state and requested the advice
of the Chicago Office in this regard. The writer stated that, of course,
it was a personal matter between Mrs. Urschel and himself, whether he
felt that he should be with the former in Oklahoma. It was as to the
possible value of his presence there in connection with the Bureau's
investigation that you were contacted by long distance telephone. As
in your opinion [REDACTED] presence would serve no particular purpose
from the standpoint of the investigation and as there has been no con-
tact with the kidnapers, nor demand for ransom, [REDACTED] advised
that he would remain in Chicago but that if there was a demand for
ransom, he very likely would be the individual called upon to produce
the necessary cash. He will keep in close touch with the Chicago
Office and advise of any information he should receive and requested
the same cooperation from the Chicago Bureau Office.

Later this same date, [REDACTED] called by telephone
and advised he was intimately acquainted with the financial adviser
of one [REDACTED] and another individual, who are noted gamblers in



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b7C the vicinity of Chicago and have numerous underworld contacts. It is [redacted] intention to contact this financial adviser of [redacted] in whom he has implicit confidence, with a view of determining whether he can be of any assistance in determining the identity of the kidnapers and in making contact with them. Should he be successful, or otherwise, the Chicago Office will be advised.

Very truly yours,

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HHR: [redacted]
CC: Bureau ✓

H. H. REINECKE, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

July 26, 1933.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Edwards	
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

b7C [REDACTED] of the Scripps-Howard papers, called on the telephone and wanted to know if there was anything new in the Urschel kidnaping case at Oklahoma. I advised him that I had heard of no new developments this morning. He also wanted to know when Mr. Keenan would return. I advised him that I had no information concerning Mr. Keenan's return.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
V. W. Hughes.

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JULY 27 1933

DIRECTOR
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D C

Charles W. Schuch

KIDNAP SUMMARY TODAY STOP TUESDAY NIGHT FAMILY RECEIVED TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION DIRECTING WIFE TO RENDEZVOUS WITH FIFTY THOUSAND AT NINE THAT NIGHT AT WHICH TIME CONTACT WOULD PRODUCE TOKENS AND VICTIM WOULD BE DELIVERED IN TWO HOURS STOP WIFE PROFESSED INABILITY PRODUCE AT NIGHT AND ARRANGED FOR TEN THIS MORNING STOP SUSPECTING FRAUD FAMILY AGREED BRING FIVE THOUSAND AND CONTACT TO BRING TOKENS STOP THEY CONFERRED WITH JONES AND SELF AND PLAN CARRIED OUT BUT RESULTED IN THEIR BEING ROBBED BY LONE GUNNER WITH FOLLOW UP CAR STOP WE HAD AGREED ON NO SURVEILLANCE AND HAD STAYED AWAY STOP ALL ABOVE ABSOLUTELY UNKNOWN ANYONE EXCEPT THIS OFFICE AND FAMILY AND PUBLICITY TO BE AVOIDED STOP FACT THAT TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION RECEIVED BY FAMILY IS LIKEWISE KEPT FROM PRESS STOP HAVE ARRANGED FOUR TELEPHONE TAPS PLEASE AUTHORIZE SAME BY WIRE AND AUTHORIZE ^{expense} FOUR OPERATORS STOP ANOTHER PROSPECT IN PROCESS FOR TOMORROW BUT BELIEVED TO BE FRAUDULENT

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 24, 1933

T F CULLEN
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
370 LEXINGTON AVENUE ROOM 1403
NEW YORK CITY NEW YORK

RE URSCHKE KIDNAPING STOP FOLLOWING POSTAL TELEGRAM RECEIVED BY POLICE HERE
THIS MORNING AM QUOTING SYMBOLS FOR IDENTIFICATION KA ONE THREE TWO NINE DLOM
NEWYORK NY TWO FOUR NINE FOUR FOUR A CHIEF POLICE OKLAHOMA CITY INSTRUMENTS
SUGGEST KIDNAPPERS URSCHKE JUST THREE MILES EAST TWO MILES SOUTH OF VERDEN
ONE STORY WOODEN HOUSE FORTY FEET EAST WEST BY TWENTY FIVE NORTH SOUTH
ADVISE BARBIZON PLAZA SIGNED CHARLES G DWYER UNQUOTE PLEASE THROUGH TELEGRAPH
COMPANY ENDEAVOR LOCATE AND INTERVIEW DWYER EXPEDITE

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R H COLVIN
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
224 FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY-OKLA

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. B. KEEMAN,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a memorandum dated July 24, 1933, prepared for the Attorney General, regarding this Bureau's activities in connection with the kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel, a millionaire oil man of Oklahoma City. Through investigation made by the Agents of this Bureau Robert G. Brady, with aliases, has definitely been identified as being connected with this kidnaping. There is also transmitted a copy of an Identification Order issued under date of June 22, 1933 by this Bureau for Robert G. Brady, who was one of the leaders in the Kansas City massacre.

The contents of this memorandum should be treated as strictly confidential.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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With reference to the case of Charles F. Bruchal, who was kidnaped from his home in Oklahoma City, you are advised that two contacts have been made by the alleged kidnapers with the family of Mr. Bruchal, but it is believed that both of these contacts were fake. The entire situation is being closely covered by the Agents of this Bureau and the family is cooperating with us one hundred per cent., regardless of the press stories which have been carried to the effect that Federal and local authorities have withdrawn. We are also receiving excellent cooperation from the local police.

Respectfully,

Director.

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URSHEL CASE TWO CONTACTS MADE WITH FAMILY BOTH THOUGHT TO BE FAKE
STOP EVERYTHING CLOSELY COVERED AND FAMILY STILL COOPERATING
REGARDLESS PRESS STORIES STOP LOCAL OFFICIALS RENDERING EXCELLENT
COOPERATION STOP ONE NEW LEAD RECEIVED THIS EVENING LOOKS PROMISING
AND IS BEING COVERED NOW IF ANY DEVELOPMENTS OF IMPORTANCE WILL
FOLLOW THIS WITH FURTHER ADVICE

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Edwards	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓

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July 26, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. B. KEENEAN,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a memorandum prepared today for the Attorney General with regard to the kidnaping of Charles J. Urschel of Oklahoma City.

The contents of this memorandum are to be kept entirely confidential.

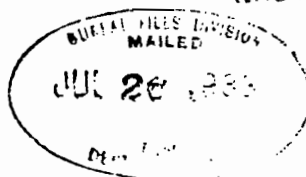
Very truly yours,

Director.

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July 26, 1933.

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

There are transmitted herewith copies of memoranda prepared for the Attorney General under date of July 24, 25 and 26, 1933, with regard to the kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel, a millionaire oil man of Oklahoma City. There is also transmitted the Identification Order issued by this Bureau for Robert G. Brady, with aliases, referred to in the enclosed memorandum of July 24, who was identified as one of the kidnapers of Mr. Urschel. Brady was one of the leaders in the Kansas City massacre on June 17, 1933, in which Agent Caffrey of this Bureau was killed.

The contents of these memoranda should be treated as strictly confidential.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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July 27, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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[REDACTED] Secretary to Congressman Rogers of Oklahoma, telephoned me at 1:45 P. M., today stating that a man had dropped a draft of a telegram in his mail box requesting that Congressman Rogers communicate with the family of Mr. Urschel, who has been kidnapped in Oklahoma, with a view to arranging for this man to act as a go-between in the arrangements with the kidnapers. [REDACTED] stated that this man is an ex-convict and he can furnish his name. In the absence of Mr. Hughes, I immediately communicated with Mr. Clegg at the Washington Field Office and asked him to take the necessary action at once to have an Agent contact [REDACTED]

Respectfully,

✓
Clyde Tolson.



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NY FILE NO. 7-19

REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE: 7-27-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7-24-33	REPORT MADE BY: [REDACTED] b7C
TITLE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS (CHARLES F. URSCHKE - VICTIM)			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Charles G. Dwyer, Barbizon Plaza Hotel, New York City, who sent telegram to Chief of Police, Oklahoma City, Okla., 7-24-33 is apparently mentally unbalanced. Similar telegrams have been sent by Dwyer to police officials of St. Paul, Minn., and Chicago, Ill., in other kidnaping cases.

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REFERENCE: Telegram from Oklahoma City Office to New York Office, 7/24/33.

DETAILS: At New York City

The above telegram of reference from the Oklahoma City Office advised that the following telegram had been received by the Chief of Police at Oklahoma City, and requested that Charles G. Dwyer, the sender, be located and appropriately interviewed:

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CHIEF OF POLICE OKLAHOMA CITY
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STORY WOODEN HOUSE FORTY FEET EAST WEST BY
TWENTYFIVE NORTH SOUTH ADVISE BARBIZON PLAZA
SIGNED CHARLES G. DWYER "

Through the Postal Telegraph Company, it was learned that the above quoted message was received at the branch office of the company located at 980 Eighth Avenue, New York City, at 9:44 A. M., and was transmitted to Oklahoma City, Okla., as a day letter, on a paid basis.

At this time it is appropriate to state that an examination of the file indexes maintained by the New York Bureau Office revealed that one Charles G. Dwyer of New York City had sent similar telegraphic messages to police officials in other cities in connection with kidnaping cases. In the case of [REDACTED] with aliases, et al, KIDNAPING, New York file #7-5, Dwyer sent a telegram in which alleged leads as to the whereabouts of [REDACTED] at various places in Minnesota were furnished. In the case entitled UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; [REDACTED] Victim, KIDNAPING, New York file #7-12, the following message was transmitted by wire to the Police Commissioner at Chicago, Illinois:

b7C [REDACTED] SEEMS VERACRUZ MEXICO HOTEL DILIGENCIA TOP
NORTH EAST CORNER - CHARLES G. DWYER "

It is also deemed appropriate to state herein that during the early part of July, 1933, Special Agent [REDACTED] of the New York Bureau Office made inquiries regarding Charles G. Dwyer through the management of the Barbizon Plaza Hotel, Sixth Avenue and 58th Street, New York City, and learned that Dwyer is a man of advanced years and of very eccentric ways; also that he is reputed to be a retired Army officer.

Charles G. Dwyer was interviewed at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel. When questioned regarding the instant telegram and the messages which had been received by the police authorities at St. Paul, Minnesota, and Chicago, Illinois, he admitted that same had been sent by him. When asked where he had secured his information he stated that the facts had been secured through instruments which had cost him over \$100,000 in time and equipment. He was asked to display the instruments in question to agent and at first refused to do so, but he finally produced a series of five small springs, fastened together by rubber bands, which he claimed were used in connection with a map in

securing the locations of various kidnaping victims. When told by agent that the information he had supplied could not be authentic, he could not understand.

Dwyer advised that he was retired from the United States Army with the rank of Major during 1909. He stated that he is 71 years of age. Dwyer was asked to furnish the names and addresses of his immediate relatives, but he refused to do so, stating that his Army record contained full information as to his family connections.

The writer requested Mr. Dwyer to refrain from sending any further messages in connection with kidnaping or other cases, and he promised to not send any more in the near future, but stated that he would not promise to discontinue the practice for the rest of his life.

Copies of this report are being furnished the St. Paul and Chicago Offices for their information.

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July 28, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. B. KEENEAN,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

As of possible interest to you, I am attaching hereto a copy of a memorandum prepared this day for the Attorney General with reference to the kidnaping of Charles F. Urechel.

The contents of this memorandum should be treated as strictly confidential.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Encl.

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

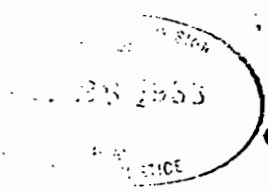
As of possible interest to you, I am attaching hereto a copy of a memorandum prepared today for the Attorney General with regard to the kidnaping of Charles F. Wrechal.

The contents of this memorandum should be treated as strictly confidential.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH GEORGE KELLY TULSA POLICE FIVE TWO NINE EIGHT AND
TWO THREE THREE TWO PROBABLY OBTAINABLE OKLAHOMA CITY SUBMIT FOR
IDENTIFICATION URSCHEL CASE STOP DEVELOPMENTS HERE INDICATE STRONG
POSSIBILITY HE IS INVOLVED AND NOW ON FARM NEAR TULSA STOP MAINTAINING
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July 28, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

With reference to the developments in the case of the kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel, I desire to advise you that a number of notes have been received but these have obviously not been from persons having any connection with the kidnaping. It has been possible within the last twenty-four hours to induce the press of Oklahoma City to withdraw from the siege of the Urschel residence, in order that the kidnapers might make a contact if they desire. It has been practically impossible for the kidnapers to make a contact with the family, as everyone who left the premises was trailed by press cars.

Robert Bligh, a member of the Barrow Brothers notorious outlaw gang in the vicinity of Oklahoma, was captured at Seminole, Oklahoma last evening, and Agents of this Bureau are bringing him into Oklahoma City for thorough questioning to determine whether that gang may have had something to do with the Urschel kidnaping. While the press has indicated that all investigative activity has been discontinued, the fact is that our Agents are actively engaged in gathering data on suspects and establishing information in this matter, with the full cooperation of the family. The city and county authorities have placed their entire facilities at our disposal and work at the direction of our Agents without interference. The family is depending upon the Agents of this Bureau for advice and direction in all phases of the case.

Mr. Nathan, one of the Assistant Directors of the Bureau, has arrived at Oklahoma City to take personal charge of the handling of this matter, and I will keep you advised of developments.

Respectfully,

Director.



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Mr. Clegg...

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DIRECTOR UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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WITH PRESS CARS TRAILING EVERYONE WHO LEFT THE PREMISES STOP
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RESPONSIBILITY IS THAT FAMILY ARE DEPENDING ON US FOR ADVICE
AND DIRECTION IN ALL PHASES OF CASE STOP AM HOPING FOR DEFINITE
BREAK IN OUR FAVOR ANY TIME

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

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July 28, 1933.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

After discussing the letter addressed to Mrs. Urschel R-E-Colvin by S. Shearer, Muir, Pennsylvania, with Mr. Hughes, I telephoned the Philadelphia office and asked that Mr. Shearer be interviewed in view of the possibility that he might have information concerning the Urschel kidnaping case. An informal report is to be made and this information will then be forwarded to Oklahoma City if it concerns this case.

Respectfully,

C. A. Appel.

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S. Shearer
Muir, Pa.

Mrs Urschel R-H- Colvin,

Investigating Bureau;

Washington; D.C.

Ans.



Open with
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He hath not dealt
with us after our
sins; nor rewarded
us according to our
iniquities. Psa. 103:10

The Lord is merciful
and gracious, slow
to anger, and plenteous
in mercy. He will
not always be angry,
nor will he keep
his anger for ever.
Psalms 103:8, 9

We know that all things work together for good to them that love God. Rom. 8:28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 39. Rom. 12:1-26. Ephes. 1:1-23. 1 John 2:15-17. Ephes. 4:1-32. John 15:1-27. 2 Cor. 6:1-18. John 17:1-26. 1 Thess. 3:12-13. 1 Cor. 2:9-16.

As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the SONS of God. Rom. 8:14-19. Rev. 3:10-21. Heb. 12:1-29. 1 Cor. 3:1-23. Col. 3:1-25. Gal. 5:1-26. Gal. 6:1-18. Matt. 6:1-34.

The Millennium Reign of Christ on David's Throne. Rev. 3:10-21. Acts 2:29-30; 3:19-21; 15:14-18. Psa. 2:1-12; 72:1-20. Luke 1:31-33 to 80. Dan. 7:27. Isa. 2:1-4; 9:6-7; 11:1-16; 35:1-10; 40:9-11; 53:1-12; 55:1-13; 61:1-11; 62:1-12. M i c a h 4:1-8. 2 Tim. 4:1-8. Rom. 8:11. 1 Thess. 4:1-18. Eph. 3:3-21; 4:1-32. Rev. 2:7; 5:9-13; 11:1-19; 14:1-7; 20:1-6; 22:1-21.

BEHOLD, THE BRIDEGROOM COMETH

The trumpet sounds, the Heavens part, And flood the earth with light; The Bridegroom comes to meet His bride, Arrayed in spotless white.	Oh, Slumbering virgin daughters, Awake, awake, awake! Oh, trim and fill your lamps with oil, Thy wedding garments make. Hark! The midnight cry is sound- ing. The Bridegroom comes today; Behold! The bright and morning star Is far upon his way.
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Behold the lowly Nazarene!
Behold the earth made new!
His kingdom come, His will be done,
In Earth and Heaven, too.
—The Jewish Eva.

"And there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever." Rev. 11:15-19.

"And I saw in the night visions, and, behold one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed." Daniel 7:13, 14. Daniel 12:1-4.

"In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Jesus Christ concerning you."—1 Thess. 5:18-28. Rom. 11:1 to 36.

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1 Cor. 2:1-16. 2 Cor. 13:11-14.

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H. W. PATTERSON

Box 222, El Cajon, California, U. S. A.

Ready for the Lord's Coming

Will All Christians Be Translated?

Hebrews 11:5-6

By HAROLD NORRIS

Some has been added to this tract that might be of some little help to some of the Saints. Rom. 1:1-17. 2 Thess. 2:13-17. With much love to you all. 1 Cor. 16:23-24. 2 Cor. 4:1-18. 2 Cor. 6:1-18. —H. W. Patterson.

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him; for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready. Rev. 19:7-9.

Ready for the Lord's Coming. Matt. 25:1, 10, 13.

"They that were ready went in with Him to the marriage feast."

THERE has been a great deal of discussion as to whether all Christians will be translated at our Lord's return, or only a great few. Much of this might have been saved if the term Christian had been first defined. If a professing Christian were intended, then there is evidence that points to only a very small portion of such being taken; if, however, the thought is of an elect saint of God, then surely all such will be taken. Our Lord comes for His own—"They that are Christ's at His coming," and His answer to those left is—"Verily, I say unto you, I know you not."

The point of importance, that our Lord lays so much stress upon, is that many who expect to be taken, who account themselves God's saints, will to their great surprise be left. "Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven. Many shall say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy by Thy name and by Thy name cast out devils, and by Thy name do many mighty works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you; depart from Me, ye that work iniquity." (Read also Luke xiii. 24-30.) Surely such statements mean that many who firmly believe themselves to be God's children, and consider they are diligently serving Him, will then find themselves mistaken and left. This being so, and seeing that there are unmistakable signs that the coming of our Lord draweth nigh, very nigh, how important it is we now, before it is too late, examine ourselves to see whether we are in the faith.

The parable from which our heading is taken depicts a little company of professing Christians who have much to recommend them. They are pictured as virgins, or those who have separated

themselves from the world to the service of God, as having received the light of the Gospel, and walking more or less in that light, and as not only having been awakened from spiritual slumber to the expectant hope of the near return of our Lord, but as being actively engaged in preparing to meet Him. All this they have in common. What a desirable little company to meet with, a band of eager Christ-expecting ones. What happy fellowship we could have with such. And yet of such a company only half are taken into the marriage feast and half are left without. Surely this is a case that demands our earnest consideration. Though this little company had so much in common, there was one point in which they wholly differed. It is conveyed in these words—"For the foolish, when they took their lamps, took no oil with them; but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps." Oil symbolizes the Holy Spirit. The foolish, those left, had not received, either at the time of their conversion or since, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit; while the wise, those taken, had. This is the one essential difference. The indwelling presence of God's SPIRIT is an ABSOLUTE ESSENTIAL for the marriage feast and for translation. Paul makes this clear in his statement—"But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwelleth in you, He that raiseth up Christ Jesus from the dead shall quicken also your mortal bodies through His Spirit that dwelleth in you." On the other hand he adds—"But if any man hath not the Spirit of Christ he is none of His." The Holy Spirit dwelling IN one is not the same as the Holy Spirit dwelling WITH ONE. Our Lord makes this clear at the time He gave them the promise of the Holy Spirit. "For He dwelleth with you and shall be in you." Repentance and incipient belief are not possible without the convicting and convincing presence and influences of God's Spirit, but that is not receiving the Holy Spirit as an indwelling presence. One may be led and guided by the Holy Spirit before coming into this experience, as were the disciples before Pentecost. At Samaria, as the result of Phillip's preaching, numerous converts were made: we are told "they gave heed," they believed" and "they were baptized"; and yet it was not until later, when Peter and John came down, that "they received the Holy Spirit." Receiving the Holy Spirit is always placed before us in the Scriptures as a separate and subsequent experience to repentance and initial belief. It was usually also subsequent to baptism. As conception precedes birth in generation, so the water stage, or repentance, precedes the birth of the Spirit in regeneration. Both stages are essential. "Except a man be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." The water stage has as its type the washing in the laver in the initiation into the priesthood, while the anointing of the Holy Spirit was typefied in the anointing with oil that followed. It was not until anointed that one entered the priesthood, and so, under the New Covenant, it is the anointing of the Holy Spirit that seals union with Christ.

"For in one Spirit were we all baptized into one body."

If anyone reading this is led to question his anointing, may we suggest the safest course is to make doubly sure by being filled with the Spirit, filled to overflowing, and this can be obtained by

persistent importunate prayer coupled with a humble, obedient, trustful walk, for "how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" (Read Luke xi 13.)

We hear so much today of "only believe." Provided the belief is the right kind, a whole-hearted, obedient trust, all else will undoubtedly follow; but there is belief and belief. Surely when the disciples left all to follow our Lord, they were believers, and yet Peter dates their coming such, not from then, but when they received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. (Acts xi 17, R. V.) It is evident that they regarded their belief prior to Pentecost as but partial and initial. It is therefore the reception of the Holy Spirit as an indwelling presence that makes us believers in the full apostolic sense. May this great essential gift be ours, so that when our heavenly Bridegroom calls us to His wedding feast, we may be found with our vessels full of oil and our lamps brightly burning, ready and waiting. But what if any of us are deceiving ourselves, thinking we have this gift while we still lack it, and then awake to our lack too late, and find ourselves shut without—

"There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

BEHOLD, I will show you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Cor. 15:51-58. My beloved brethren, read and study the whole chapter, 1 Cor. 15:1 to 58. For this is a resurrection chapter and concerns all mankind.

This will occur at the coming of our Lord. Rom. 8:11. 1 Thess. 4:1-18; 5:1-28. 2 Tim. 4:1-8. Titus 2:10-15. 2 Tim. 2:1-26. Phil. 3:1-21. 1 John 3:1-3. Col. 3:1-25. 1 Peter 5:1-14. Acts 20:17-38. Rom. 1:1-17. Mark 8:34-38. James 5:1-8. Isa. 9:6-7; 40:9-11.

The Wise Virgins must have this. Rom. 8:9. Matt. 25:10. 2 Cor. 1:21-22. Heb. 1:8-9; 11:5-6. 1 John 2:27-28. 1 Thess. 4:7-18. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His. Rom. 8; 1, 9, 11, 14, 17, 18, 19, 23, 26, 28, 30, 31, 34, to 39.

OVERCOMER. Rev. 3:10-21. Acts 2:29-30. Eph. 1:3, 13, 14, 23; 3:14-21; 4:1-32; 5:1-33; 6:1-24. Rom. 2:28-29. Phil. 3:3-21. Rev. 2:7; 5:9-13; 14:1-7; 20:1-6; 22:12-14. Titus 2:1-15. Gal. 5:1-26; 6:1-18. 2 Tim. 2:1-26; 4:1-8. John 17:1-26. Rom. 12:1-21.

THEY THAT WERE READY. Matt. 25:1, 10, 13. 1 John 2:1, 15, 17, 27, 28, 29; 4:1, 16, 18, 21. 1 Peter 1:1-26; 2:1-25. James 1:1-27; 2:1-26. 2 Peter 1:1-21. Heb. 12:1-26. Gal. 6:1-18.

July 26th 1933.

Respected Mrs. Colvin,
I hope you will carefully
consider what I write
for I traveled at least
91,000 miles most among
Rough People & know
what I write about for
I know! I seen your
Name in a Paper, & I think
that some of Our Laws
of Property ought to be
changed! I distribute
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house in Florida, when
I went to Church one
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The Farmers used to
believe that they can
do & take anything
they want & I suppose
some Jaws were
made by such people,
The Jaws if anything
happens are your Blonds
with a Stranger a Reason
in field Responsibility
What a Jaws! your Duty
I - I hear about the
Jaws

Department of Justice

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Mr. Clegg
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NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS TODAY EXCEPT THAT CERTAIN MOVEMENTS AND TENSE
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MADE ALTHO WE HAVE NOT BEEN INFORMED STOP ARE WATCHING DEVELOPMENTS
CLOSELY AND READY TO ACT

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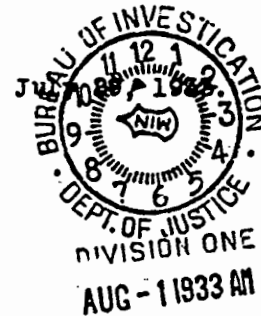
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Director
United States Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.



Dear Sir:

With reference to my long distance telephone call to Special Agent in Charge R. H. Colvin at Oklahoma City in connection with the Urschel kidnaping case, please be advised that [redacted] of the Harris Trust Company, telephone State 8200, and [redacted]

[redacted] called at this office on Sunday, July 23, 1933, and requested assistance in the Urschel kidnaping case at Oklahoma City. I immediately contacted Mr. Colvin and was advised by him that he had immediately begun investigation upon receipt of the notice of the kidnaping and had already conducted considerable investigation.

In order to obtain the cooperation of the Urschel family, a long distance call was placed to Mrs. Urschel, at which time [redacted] talked to her, and advised her, as her friend, to follow the advice of the United States Bureau of Investigation entirely, and also requested that she follow my advice which I gave to her over the telephone.

Mrs. Urschel agreed entirely to give no information concerning this matter to anyone except the Bureau representatives at Oklahoma City.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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From

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL MALLOY

To

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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



July 25, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

With reference to the kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel from his home in Oklahoma City on Sunday morning, July 23, 1933, I desire to advise you that there have been no developments of importance up to the present time. Numerous clues were run down during the course of Sunday and Monday without results. The family of Mr. Urschel have not heard from the victim or kidnapers. At the request of the family, the police guard has been withdrawn from the residence but an Agent of this Bureau is still on duty at the home. The press reports will show that all Federal and State officers have withdrawn at the request of the family to allow an opportunity for contacts. This story is being put out at the request of the family, who have published notice that they are ready to deal with the kidnapers without interference. Agents of this Bureau are continuing vigorously in the investigation and I will advise you of any developments.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director

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See Mr. Hoover - Thomas M. ...
Urschel very ill. And if ...
any ...
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THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

JOHN WATT, CHIEF OF POLICE

July 27, 1933.

H. A. THOMPSON
SUPT. BUREAU OF RECORDS

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
U. S. Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Kidnapping of
Charles Urschel,
July 22nd, 1933.

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REQUESTS FOR INVESTIGATIONS,
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TIONS FOR PEOPLE WANTING
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NOT COLLECT DEBTS OR BILLS.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Merely a line to thank you for the support
and cooperation given us by Mr. Colvin, in
charge of your bureau in this city.

I was at the station at the time this kid-
napping was reported to our radio dispatcher,
immediately followed up the call myself,
after securing such information, as was
available at the time, I returned to the
station, called Mr. Colvin, and he showed up
at my office in about fifteen minutes.

We immediately got in touch with the Chief
Criminal Deputy of the Sheriff's office,
Bill Eades, and with the calling out of our
best criminal man, gave what facts as we had
to Mr. Colvin. When you called up Mr. Colvin
was in the office, and from that time the
cooperation between the three enforcement
offices has been wonderful.

The headway we have been making has been slow.
I was with Mr. Colvin today, we may have some-
thing worth while, however cannot tell but
will say that he and his assistants have been
on the job night and day, and want you to know
this department appreciates to the fullest
extent the wonderful help your operators through-
out the state are giving us.

Respectfully,

John Watt, Chief.

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August 4, 1933

AUG 7 - 1933
Mr. John Watt,
Chief of Police,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

My dear Chief:

I want you to know how much I appreciate your letter of the 27th ultimo, advising of the excellent cooperation between the Bureau office at Oklahoma City and your Department in our joint efforts to bring about an early solution of the kidnaping case of CHARLES URSCHEL.

It is most gratifying to me to know that the Bureau office at Oklahoma City and your Department are working so harmoniously together, and I am satisfied that with this excellent arrangement our joint efforts will soon bring about the apprehension of the kidnapers.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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301 Title Guaranty Bldg.
Saint Louis, Missouri
July 29, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that Chief of Detectives Robert Kaiser of the St. Louis Police Department advised this office that one [redacted] a newspaper man from Oklahoma City, called at his office and advised that he had seen one [redacted] a "red-hot" from Oklahoma City, on the streets in St. Louis; that it was believed that Daughter was in St. Louis for the purpose of making a connection of some kind with one [redacted] and who resides at [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri.

The above information is being forwarded to you for your information, it not being known whether same may share any connection with the kidnaping case which your office is presently investigating.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau

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420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

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Special Agent in Charge,
U.S. Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Bldg.,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: Charles F. Urschel.
Victim.
KIDNAPPING.

Dear Sir:-

There are transmitted herewith memoranda prepared by the writer and Special Agent [redacted] on investigation of the letters received by [redacted] - reportedly from kidnapers of Charles F. Urschel.

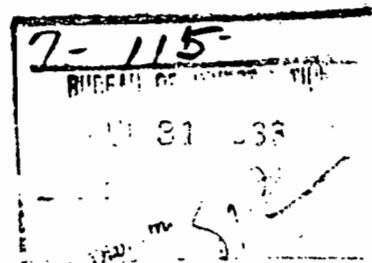
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Copies of the memoranda are being placed in the Dallas Office file on this case, without report - anticipating the incorporation of them in investigative report at Oklahoma City.

Very truly yours,

D.L. McCormack, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

DLM: [redacted]
cc Bureau
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July 29, 1933.

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DEVELOPMENTS OF THE WEEK IN KIDNAPING CASES:

Kidnaping of [REDACTED] at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Four individuals are now under arrest and are being held at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, awaiting removal to the District of Minnesota on charges of violation of the Federal Kidnaping Law and conspiracy.

Kidnaping of [REDACTED]

One of the individuals involved in this kidnaping was convicted during the past week at Kansas City, Missouri, and a death penalty was recommended. Two others are in custody in connection with this kidnaping and one other individual, whose identity is known, is for the time being a fugitive from justice.

Kidnaping of [REDACTED]

One of the individuals being held in connection with the kidnaping of [REDACTED] has been identified as one of those involved in the kidnaping of [REDACTED]

Kidnaping of [REDACTED]

A complete confession has been obtained during the past week from [REDACTED] which makes a total of three confessions which have been obtained in this case.

Kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma City.

One of the individuals involved in the recent massacre of Peace Officers at Kansas City, Missouri, has been identified as one of the kidnapers in this case.

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July 24, 1933.

MEMORANDUM - Telephone Call.

Mr. Keenan was advised that we are holding four members of a gang in Chicago, the [REDACTED] mob, as the kidnapers of [REDACTED] and that these four individuals had been identified; that these men are being held at Milwaukee at the present time, and that we have asked that the bond be fixed at \$100,000 each; that [REDACTED] has been identified as one of the kidnapers of [REDACTED]. I also advised Mr. Keenan of the telephone call received today by [REDACTED].

Mr. Keenan was also advised that in connection with the [REDACTED] kidnaping, we were able to get a further identification of the woman who accompanied the two men to the [REDACTED] home.

I also advised Mr. Keenan that Brady had been identified as the Principal in the URSCHEL case at Oklahoma City.

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NO DEVELOPMENTS TODAY EXCEPT FLOOD OF FAKE LETTERS AND TELEPHONE
CALLS FAMILY BECOMING APPREHENSIVE BECAUSE NO WORD HAS BEEN
RECEIVED STOP WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT AGENTS SHOULD BE
WITHDRAWN FROM RESIDENCE BUT WILL AWAIT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS STOP
MISTER NATHAN AND JONES SUGGEST IDENTIFICATION ORDER ON [REDACTED] NOW
HE ISSUED STOP KIDNAPING CASE AT TULSA APPEARS A FAKE
CULVIN.

✓

Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Fox
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
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Mr. Mohr
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R H COLVIN
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
224 FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA

VWH:KP 7/29/33

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DESIRE YOU BE GUIDED BY ADVICE MR NATHAN RELATIVE WITHDRAWAL AGENTS

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735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
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Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the telephonic conversation with Mr. Charles Appel, Special Agent [REDACTED] proceeded at once to Muir, Pa., and was informed by the Postmaster that S. Shearer is no doubt Sylvania Shearer, an old recluse, who has his place of abode at Tower City, Pa; that he is well known throughout the community as a religious fanatic, although harmless; that he usually claims he is always in disguise but does not relate any particular work that he follows. He receives his mail at Muir, Pa., under the name of Sylvania Shearer.

[REDACTED] Chief of Police, Tower City, Pa., reiterated the statement of the postmaster at Muir, Pa., and added thereto that Shearer's domicile is located in the upper end of Tower City in a coal yard near the wooded section of the Reading Coal and Iron Company's land. Accordingly, in company with [REDACTED] Agent [REDACTED] visited the location of Shearer's house which is described as follows: about a 14 square foot building, formerly occupied by a coal company as an office; the entrance to this building is gained by passing a pair of large weighing scales. Agent was unable to locate Shearer but after a thorough search of the city, he was located in the Evangelical Church and, when questioned as to the communication directed to the Bureau regarding Mr. Herschell, R. H. Colvin, he claimed he obtained this information from the daily newspapers and his idea in forwarding the letter to the Bureau was to have them assist him in keeping people from putting pin pricks in newspapers which cover the window of his home; further, that he has a lot of papers in there which he does not wish to have them disturb and any time he receives a message from God he usually writes to somebody in authority, thinking it may benefit the country. Shearer talks in vicious circles, does not remember names or dates; claims he is seventy years of age, having served in the Fourth Infantry of the Pennsylvania volunteers during the Spanish American War, for which services he receives remuneration in the amount of forty dollars per month from the United States Government.

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When interviewed, Shearer was wearing short trousers and bright red stockings to the thigh. He has a beard practically eighteen inches in length. He very seldom wears shoes. He gave Agent [redacted] permission to scrutinize the house, the inside of which contains a tent and in one corner is a pair of bed springs on which he sleeps. He claims his reason for building the tent is to keep people from seeing him when he is sleeping. He is generally known throughout the community as harmless.

Agent interviewed [redacted] postmaster, as well as [redacted] station agent of the Reading Railroad, Tower City, and both claim Shearer does not mail his letters at the local post office but usually waits for the evening train and hands it directly to the mail clerk.

[redacted] the closest neighbor of Shearer, informed he has never given anyone any trouble and [redacted] as well as the neighbors residing in close proximity to Shearer, claim there have been no strangers in the vicinity of Tower City or Muir, Pa., in the past five months.

Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey
R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION=

IN RAID ON HOUSE THIS CITY THIS MORNING BY BUREAU AGENTS CITY
POLICE AND SHERIFFS DEPUTIES THOUGHT POSSIBLY OCCUPIED BY BAILE
GANG TWO ALLEGED BANK ROBBERS [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WERE
TAKEN INTO CUSTODY=
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Telephone Your Telegrams to **Postal Telegraph**

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July 24, 1933.

MEMORANDUM - Telephone calls.

Mr. Purvis telephoned from Milwaukee to state they are going to charge all four men in custody with kidnaping of [REDACTED] and that, at the time of this call, preparations were being made to get a Commissioner's warrant charging these individuals with transporting [REDACTED] to Wisconsin. I suggested that Mr. Purvis again contact me in about half an hour, during which time I hoped to have an opportunity to take the matter up with the Attorney General before warrants were secured for these individuals. Mr. Purvis said that it would take considerable time to check the numbers on the money found in [REDACTED] possession with the numbers on the currency paid by [REDACTED] family as ransom.

Mr. Hanni telephoned from St. Paul with regard to this matter and stated that the four warrants are being filed with the United States Attorney there immediately.

Later, Mr. Purvis advised that the warrants had been issued, but that hearings probably would not be had until tomorrow, and that the bond had been agreed upon as \$100,000. I requested Mr. Purvis to advise me immediately upon the hearings being held and the bonds officially set. He advised that the men were to be held in jail at Milwaukee.

Mr. Purvis further advised that [REDACTED] had today received a telephone call today from a man whose voice he recognized as that of the man who guarded him, demanding the additional \$50,000, saying he would call [REDACTED] again tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock. Mr. Purvis said arrangements have been made to trace the call, and it was decided that Mr. Purvis should remain in Chicago tomorrow and handle this case.

Mr. Purvis also advised with regard to the ^QURSCHEL kidnaping, that on Sunday morning he had received a telephone call from a [REDACTED], who knew the Urschels personally and had advised them to get in touch with Mr. Purvis about any matter they desired; that Mr. Keenan had stated that Mr. Hoover could have as many men as he asked for.

Mr. Purvis advised that the warrants charged these four prisoners with conspiracy to violate the kidnaping statute, kidnaping and aiding and abetting.

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SUPPLEMENTING TELEPHONE MESSAGE OF THIS MORNING NO DEFINITE
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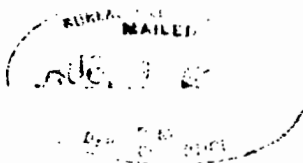
**MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. B. KEENE,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General.**

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a confidential memorandum prepared today for the Attorney General, advising of the return of Charles F. Urschel to his family between one and two o'clock this morning.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM BREWSTER
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a confidential memorandum prepared today for the Attorney General, advising of the return of Charles F. Wrschel to his family between one and two o'clock this morning.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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August 1, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL


I received a telephonic report this morning from our Agents at Oklahoma City about Charles F. Urschel, stating that Mr. Urschel was returned to his family between one and two o'clock this morning. The only statement which the family intends to make to the press, I am informed, is that he has been returned and that he was kept at some distance from Oklahoma City during his abduction. For your strictly confidential information, however, the facts are that the family paid a \$200,000 ransom. After Mr. Urschel had been kidnaped he was taken to some place approximately eight hours' driving distance by automobile from Oklahoma City. He was blindfolded and handcuffed practically the entire time.

The representative of the family who was contacted by the kidnapers was instructed to bring \$200,000 to Kansas City, and this instruction was complied with, and on Sunday morning the \$200,000 was delivered to the representatives of the kidnapers, in Kansas City, and early this morning Mr. Urschel was returned to his home.

The serial numbers of the money were kept and are being furnished to our Agents. Mr. Urschel states he could identify by voice possibly the kidnapers. He believes he was kept in a three-room cabin and that in addition to the two men who kidnaped him, there was apparently a farmer and his son.

The family did not advise us of the demand for ransom, nor regarding the arrangement for payment of the same, until after it had been consummated, but they are now extending to us their entire cooperation. I have assigned a special squad of Agents at Oklahoma City and Kansas City, and every effort will be made to run down the persons responsible for this kidnaping. The mails were not used for transmission of the ransom note, nor is there any indication that Urschel was taken out of the state of Oklahoma, but inasmuch as the money was paid in Kansas City, this at least gives *prima facie* belief that the case may develop into a Federal one.

Respectfully,


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Mr. Nathan	✓
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Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Clegg	

U. S. Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice

735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building
Philadelphia, Pa.

August 2, 1933.

Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the recent letter from this office reflecting the results of inquiries regarding Sylvanus Shearer, who addressed a letter to the Bureau as "Mr. Urshel R. H. Colvin". It was thought that this individual had some information relative to the Urshel kidnapping case.

I am today in receipt of a photograph of Sylvanus Shearer, which was sent by the Postmaster at Tower City, Pa. The photograph of Shearer is being transmitted herewith for the information of the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

B. E. Sackett
B. E. SACKETT, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

For your information and appropriate attention there is inclosed herewith an anonymous communication addressed to this office and mailed on July 31, 1933 at Brooklyn, New York, together with the original envelope. In addition, there is inclosed one photostatic copy of the communication.

You will note the information contained in this letter relative to the possible identity of the Urschel kidnapers, and it is believed the information may be of some immediate value to you.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Inclosure 668864

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ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
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U.S. Bureau of Investigation July 29/37
Wash. D.C.

Dear Sirs - Attention J. Edgar Hoover

If the following will help solve the
URSHEL (Chas. F.) kidnapping case
you are welcome to this information.
Writer is - former resident of San
Antonio Texas.

also
are former San Antonio
a former district atty
Noted for his lack of courage to
prosecute criminals.

My opinion: this job was done by a
brainy former San Antonio crook.
who was leader of gang of safe robbers
there. He also was just acquitted a
year ago of passing bogus Gen Motors
stock in Kansas. He is now or
was working in Oklahoma.

His name is ____ one of a trio of
brothers - Armenian - Lawyers, notorious
crooks. He is about 45 large, smart,
educated, Americanized. would stop
at nothing. But too smart to kill

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Reasons for connecting — with this
crime.

1st He is big money operator who knows
the inside of Slick estate.

2nd That is relative by
marriage. That was San
Antonio investment company promoter
who failed, ruining thousands of inves-
tors, and was not prosecuted by
— then district attorney.

Result of theory — it is a case of
Lawyer — — Brothers — knowing their

meet you can get records

(first name escapes me at moment.)
One brother is named

Hope this will prove beneficial
B. X. B.

If successful, any A.P. dispatch giving B. X. B.
credit will be read in newspapers.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation

311 Hurley-Wright Building,
Washington, D. C.
July 29, 1933.

Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Carson	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Jones	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Mohr	.....
Mr. Pennington	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Winterrowd
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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Pursuant to Bureau instructions on July 27, 1933 that an unknown party had left a telegram in the office of Congressman Will Rogers of Oklahoma with the request that it be forwarded to the Urschel family, Oklahoma City the contents of this telegram being to the effect that this party would like to act as intermediary between the Urschel family and the unknown parties who had kidnapped Charles F. Urschel, Special Agent [REDACTED] interviewed [REDACTED] Secretary to Congressman Rogers.

[REDACTED] stated that when he returned from lunch on July 27, 1933, he found the following telegram pushed under the door of his office, with a note attached to it requesting him to forward the telegram to the Urschel family as the signer of the telegram was without funds.

Wash., D.C. 1933.

Mrs. Charles F. Urschel,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

I offer my services as contact man for immediate release your husband from the kidnapers. Can leave Washington at once for Oklahoma City, wire me hundred dollars for expenses and outfit clothing this message paid for by and thru office Congressman Will Rogers. Having served time U. S. Prison Leavenworth Kansas and having been the druggist at said prison dispensing medicine to all inmates I have complete confidence of underworld and am logical contact man for immediate return your husband. Anything you want to give me for this valued service entirely up to you as I make no charges except expenses. Personally know famous Hale and Ramsey and all Oklahoma men serving time U. S. Prison Leavenworth know there to them as

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[REDACTED] Pharmacist. Can leave at once. Am taking this risk to help you and your husband. Wire me care of Western Union.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Western Union.

[REDACTED] stated that the signer of this telegram, [REDACTED] was unknown to him and that as Congressman Rogers was out of the office, he did not know what action to take and therefore called this Bureau. Inquiry was made at the Identification Division where a photograph and the criminal record of [REDACTED] were obtained. This criminal record will be set forth later.

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This information was conveyed to Mr. Vincent W. Hughes who requested that [REDACTED] be picked up and questioned for all information he might have relative to the kidnapping of Charles Urschel. Agents were stationed at the General Delivery Window of the Post Office and at the General Delivery Desk of the Western Union Telegraph Company and about 9:15 on July 28, 1933, when [REDACTED] appeared at the General Delivery Window of the Post Office, he was contacted by Special Agent [REDACTED] of this office and voluntarily accompanied Agent [REDACTED] to the Washington Field Office.

[REDACTED] was questioned by Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and stated that the reason he pushed the telegram under the office door of Congressman Rogers was because he had been reading in the paper about the kidnapping of Charles F. Urschel and felt that due to his long terms of incarceration in the Federal Penitentiaries at Atlanta, Georgia and Leavenworth, Kansas the kidnapers might know him and would contact him with regard to the return of Mr. Urschel; that he went to Congressman Rogers's office for the purpose of having him send the telegram; however, when he arrived there the door was closed, and thinking that no one was there he merely pushed the telegram under the door with a note requesting that the telegram be forwarded to the Urschel family. [REDACTED] stated that he had no idea who kidnapped Charles Urschel; that during the time he was incarcerated in the Federal Penitentiaries at Atlanta, Georgia and Leavenworth, Kansas, he did not

hear any prisoners discuss any kidnapping of anyone and that he would not know how to begin to ascertain the identity of the parties who kidnapped Urschel; that he merely thought of publishing his name in the paper in Oklahoma City as an intermediary and the kidnappers might possibly contact him due to his long criminal record; that he had, during his incarceration, come in contact with many prisoners who had the utmost confidence in him. [redacted] stated he had never been to Oklahoma City or to the State of Oklahoma; that he had lived in Washington, D. C. for the last six months, where he stopped at the Gospel Mission on John Marshall Place and the Volunteers of America located in the 400 block of Pennsylvania Avenue; that occasionally he called at the Salvation Army where he was given clothes.

Special Agent [redacted] contacted [redacted] Register of the Gospel Mission, who advised that [redacted] has been residing at the Mission for the past 6 or 7 months; that [redacted] has been obtaining his breakfast, supper and a bed during this time; that occasionally [redacted] goes to the Volunteers of American Station at 471 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., where he also obtains lodging and board. [redacted] stated that [redacted] has been very peaceful while obtaining the above charity from his institution, has not caused any trouble of any kind and has attended the Mission's church service each evening and has obtained their free supper.

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At the Volunteers of America, 471 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W. [redacted] Register, was interviewed and stated that during the past 2 or 3 months [redacted] had been calling at the institution on occasions and has obtained free lodging and meals. [redacted] stated that [redacted] attendance at their station had been at widely separated intervals. [redacted] further stated that [redacted], the times he has been around the institution, has been of a very peaceful nature and has caused no trouble.

A photograph of [redacted] was exhibited to the above two individuals interviewed and was identified by them as a photograph of the individual who they stated had been receiving charity from their institutions.

[redacted] Secretary to Congressman Rogers, appeared at the Washington Field Office and questioned [redacted] [redacted] furnished [redacted] the same information set forth herein.

[redacted] stated that Congressman Rogers was out of the city and that he would like advice of this Bureau as to whether or not he should wire Congressman Rogers that [redacted] desired to act as contact man for the Urschel family and [redacted] stated that he had no faith in [redacted] and would think nothing about it except for the fact that [redacted] appeared to be the type who desired publicity and should he furnish the newspapers the information that he had offered his services voluntarily and without charge to the Urschel family through Congressman Rogers and that Congressman Rogers took no action whatsoever on it, it might subject Congressman Rogers to some criticism in Oklahoma. Accordingly, Agent [redacted] conferred with Mr. Vincent W. Hughes by telephone and Mr. Hughes stated that [redacted] should be advised that this information had already been furnished to the Oklahoma City Field Office, where numerous other parties had already furnished their names to act as a contact man and that the Oklahoma City Office was furnishing this information to the Urschel family. [redacted] was so advised.

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Mr. Hughes advised that he did not think it necessary to detain [redacted] longer, since it appeared he had no information of value whatsoever. Accordingly, he was released.

The following is the criminal record of [redacted] as obtained from the Identification Division:

[redacted]

[REDACTED]

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The following notations appear on the records:

[REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

L. P. Oliver
L. P. OLIVER,

Acting Special Agent in Charge.

August 2, 1933

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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

For your complete information in connection with the attempt of one [REDACTED] to have a telegram forwarded to Mrs. Urschel, offering to act as intermediary in the kidnaping case of Charles Urschel which was referred to in a telephone conversation with you on July 28, 1933, there is inclosed herewith a copy of a memorandum prepared by Special Agent L. P. Oliver of the Washington Field Office, under date of July 29, 1933.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Inclosure 668861

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DIRECTOR

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

July 27, 1933.

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Mr. Tolson	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. E. A. Tamm	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Clegg	<input type="checkbox"/>

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In connection with the attached letter addressed to the Secretary to Congressman Will Rogers, of Oklahoma, by [redacted] and its enclosure of a telegram which the Congressman was requested to send to Mrs. Charles F. Urschel, of Oklahoma City, the wife of the kidnaped man offering the services of the sender as contact man, I called the Oklahoma City office and gave the information to Agent in Charge Colvin. He was of the opinion that this was merely another effort on the part of a convict to obtain some money, in which opinion I fully agree. Nevertheless he stated he would be watchful for any mention of the several names used by [redacted]. There is also attached hereto the criminal record of [redacted] from which you will note that he has used quite a number of names and has served a number of terms in United States Penitentiaries as well as in state institutions, practically all of which are for the use of mails or false pretenses, which lends substance to the thought that he is at this time merely endeavoring to obtain some funds and knows nothing about the kidnaping.

I instructed the local office to arrange to have [redacted] picked up when he called at General Delivery or at Western Union. They will do so and interrogate him fully.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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Washington, D. C. July 27th, 1933.

Secretary,
Hon. Will Rogers,
U. S. Congressman,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Secretary:-

In event Congressman Rogers is not in the city, I ask that you rush by wire over Western Union, the following message to - Mrs. Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, whose husband Charles F. Urschel was kidnaped:

Would be pleased to act as contact man for immediate release of her husband and go at once to Oklahoma City.

Am asking you to send this wire as I have no funds left with which to pay for message; send as day letter or "night letter". Rush.

Should you care to loan me a few dollars while waiting to hear from Mrs. Urschel, I will sincerely appreciate it. Same can be sent to me to General Delivery, Washington, D. C., haven't a dime left.

Many thanks for all favors.

Respectfully yours,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Gen Delivery, Wash., D. C.

P. S. or send by special delivery and air mail.

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Wash., D. C.

1933.

Mrs. Charles F. Urschel,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

I offer my services as contact man for immediate release your husband from the kidnapers. Can leave Washington at once for Oklahoma City, wire me hundred dollars for expenses and outfit clothing this message paid for by and thru office Congressman Will Rogers. Having served time U. S. Prison Leavenworth Kansas and having been the druggist at said prison dispensing medicine to all inmates I have complete confidence of underworld and am logical contact man for immediate return your husband. Anything you want to give me for this valued service entirely up to you as I make no charges except expenses. Personally know famous Hale and Ramsey and all Oklahoma men serving time U. S. Prison Leavenworth, known there to them as [REDACTED] Pharmacist. Can leave at once. Am taking this risk to help you and your husband. Wire me care Western Union.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

% Western Union.

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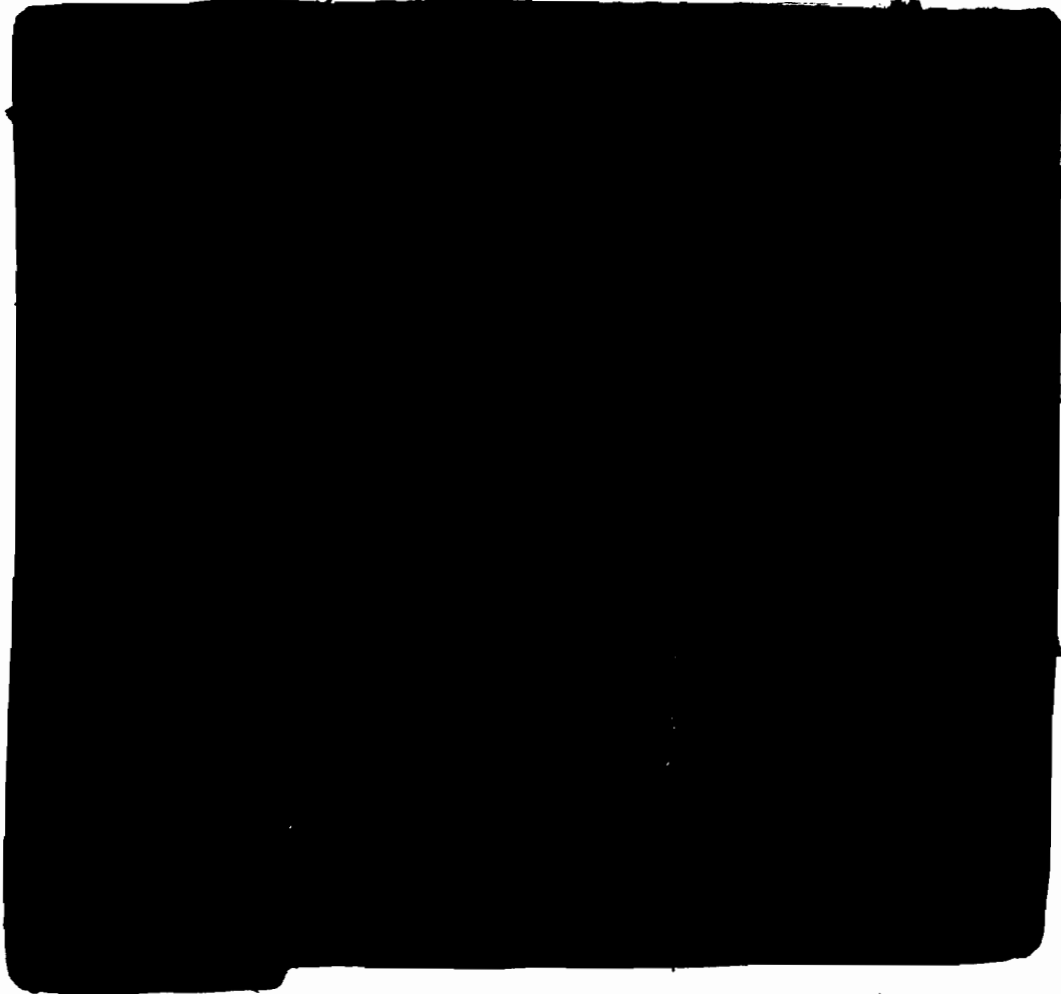
U. S. Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

October 31, 1932.

Superintendent,
Asylum and Jail,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:


Referring to your print received October 29, 1932, regarding [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] the following is an abstract of subject's
fingerprint record on file in the U. S. Bureau of Investigation:



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Asylum and Jail,
Washington, D. C.





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The following notations appear on our records:



Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover.
Director.

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Atlantic City, N.J.

VERI [REDACTED]

W, 7-115-44

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There is returned herewith an original fingerprint card on [REDACTED] alias [REDACTED] and other aliases.

This man left a note in the mail box of Congressman Will Rogers of Oklahoma, requesting that the inclosed telegram be furnished to Mrs. Charles F. Urschel of Oklahoma City, the wife of Charles F. Urschel, the telegram offering [REDACTED] services as an intermediary of the kidnapers.

[REDACTED] was interviewed by Agents of the local office, admitted his prison record and identity, and stated that he had absolutely no knowledge of the kidnaping of Charles Urschel but felt that in view of his acquaintance with many prisoners at Leavenworth he would be in position to give service to Mrs. Urschel. He was released after thorough interrogation.

Ver. truly yours,

Director.

Incl. #214599

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

VNH:

August 2, 1933.

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

[REDACTED] called and wanted to know if we had anybody working on the ^Urschel kidnaping case. I told him we had been working on it since it broke. He wanted to know how many men were working on it and I told him a number of Special Agents were so engaged.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
V. W. Hughes.

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August 2, 1933

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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

[redacted] of the Aston Oil Company, 607 Franklin Building, Oklahoma City, [redacted] was referred to the Bureau by Mr. Malley, Assistant Attorney General. Mr. Malley states that he only knows [redacted] generally, but that [redacted] an associate of former Secretary of War Hurley, in the law business at Washington, had spoken highly of [redacted] and that [redacted] of Oklahoma City would telephone him later concerning [redacted]

b7C [redacted] advised the Bureau that having lived in Oklahoma for fifty years he is thoroughly familiar with the country and the residents there. He stated that [redacted] an attorney of Oklahoma City, represents the underworld and crooks, and is, himself, a dope peddler; that you would probably know [redacted] but probably would not know the extent of his influence in the underworld; that [redacted] is in some way connected with the Urschel kidnaping, either as a "finger", or possibly in some other capacity. He further stated that his information was obtained from one [redacted] the former paramour of a man named Starr, a member of a notorious gang of outlaws, who was killed in recent years; that [redacted] is in touch with the underworld and she has stated to him that one [redacted] an escape from either Lansing or Leavenworth Penitentiaries, was one of the kidnapers, and that she would obtain the name of the additional one and would meet [redacted] upon his return in Kansas City. [redacted] is leaving Washington today and states he will be in Kansas City tomorrow night and then will proceed to Oklahoma City. He stated he would confer with Special Agent in Charge Vetterli, whom he knows, and upon his arrival in Oklahoma City would confer with you and with Mr. Nathan if he is there.

It was rather obvious that [redacted] is desirous of an official connection with this case. Mr. Malley, in introducing [redacted] made it plain that if he really wanted to help he should give

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such information as he possessed to the Bureau and not expect or bargain for any compensation, expenses, or other remuneration. Nevertheless, [REDACTED] requested instructions when he conferred with Mr. Hughes of the Bureau and was advised no instructions would be issued by the Bureau and if he desired to cooperate he might call upon Special Agent in Charge Vetterli, and later upon you and Mr. Nathan upon his arrival in Oklahoma City.

I would suggest that if you do not already know something of the identity of [REDACTED] you ascertain the same immediately so that you will be in a position to talk with him upon his arrival.

b7C [REDACTED] states that [REDACTED] is desirous only of such assistance as she can muster to help release, either by pardon, parole, or in some manner, one [REDACTED] now serving a penitentiary sentence, and who was formerly head of the Kansas City Joint Stock Land Bank. [REDACTED] is now friendly with [REDACTED]

The card of [REDACTED] is inclosed herewith.

Incidentally, [REDACTED] stated that the police officer assigned by the Oklahoma City Police Department to work with the Bureau, namely, [REDACTED] is a close friend of his.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Inclosure 668863

cc Kansas City

AIR MAIL

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August 1, 1933

WILLIAM LARSON
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
625 LAFAYETTE BUILDING
DETROIT MICHIGAN

CHARLES F. URSCHEL VICTIM KIDNAPING OKLAHOMA CITY ORIGIN AM CIRCULARIZING
BANKS IN ALL COUNTIES INCLUDED IN SEVENTH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT
ADDRESSOGRAPH PLATES FURNISHED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK CIRCULARIZATION
SEVENTH DISTRICT POSSIBLE WITHOUT ANY CHECKING HERE ADVISE IF THIS
CONFLICTS WITH YOUR ARRANGEMENTS

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St Paul Minnesota
August 1 1933

R H COLVIN
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City Oklahoma

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Off. Bus. U.S. Govt. Rate.
Chg. U.S. Bur. of Investigation,
203 P.O. Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.
CC Bureau

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
CHARLES F. URSCHER-Victim.

Re: St. Paul File 7-8

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M H PURVIS
U.S. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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CHARLES PURSCHKE KIDNAPING AGREEABLE FOR YOU TO CIRCULARIZE ALL
FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS IN SEVENTH DISTRICT IN ILLINOIS

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511 Harley-Wright Building,
Washington, D. C.

August 2, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
234 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: UNKNOWN PERSONS
Kidnaping of Charles Urechel

Dear Sir:

In response to your telegram of August 1st, I immediately communicated with [REDACTED] Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia, and through him perfected arrangements whereby on August 2, 1933, there was forwarded to all banks in Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia, North Carolina, and parts of South Carolina, a notice to the effect that all bank officials should be on the alert for any person seeking to exchange or deposit large sums of used Twenty (\$20.00) Dollar Federal Reserve Notes since July 31, 1933. The circular was sent out over the signature of [REDACTED] as Governor of the Fifth Federal Reserve District, and notified any banking official in the above territory to communicate with me by telephone should any suspicious exchanges of such Federal Reserve Notes be detected.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge

JMK
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August 1, 1933

E J CONNELLEY
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
1420 KNIGHTER BUILDING
CINCINNATI OHIO

CHARLES F. URSCHEL VICTIM KIDNAPING OKLAHOMA CITY ORIGIN AM CIRCULARIZING
BANKS IN ALL COUNTIES INCLUDED IN SEVENTH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT
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