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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 22, 1933.

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Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
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Mr. Nichols
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Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Quinn
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Mr. Starnes

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

[REDACTED] who sometime ago was introduced to the writer by Assistant Attorney General Malloy, and who claimed to have contacts that could furnish valuable information in the Urschel kidnaping case, called. [REDACTED] stated that while the information which he possessed was correct it appeared that the Oklahoma City office of the Division had the same information prior to the time that he reached Oklahoma City. It appears that [REDACTED] is in some way interested in the Universal Bond and Mortgage Company case in Kansas City. He stated that he had taken this matter up with Mr. Preston; that he had furnished Mr. Preston with information showing that United States Attorney [REDACTED] is crooked.

[REDACTED] wanted to meet Mr. Keenan and present the facts to him. I advised him that Mr. Keenan is out of the city at the present time.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
V. W. Hughes.

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U. S. Department of Justice
DIVISION
~~Bureau~~ of Investigation
313 Old Post Office Bldg.
Portland, Oregon

Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Fox	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Carson	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

August 21, 1933.

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

Unknown subjects
Charles F. Urschel (Victim)
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 16, 1933, enclosing photographs of [redacted] with aliases, together with photographs of his brother [redacted]. The photographs which you enclosed bear number [redacted] it being assumed from the criminal record that same was of subject as [redacted] arrested Aurora, Illinois, June 20, 1924. Special Agent [redacted] has obtained a photograph of [redacted] Seattle Police number [redacted] taken on or about March 25, 1932. Same is considered a better likeness than the ones furnished in Division letter, accordingly a sufficient number has been obtained to furnish a copy to each office of the Division, which is accordingly being done with copies of this letter. The description as furnished on the criminal record appears to be accurate.

Very truly yours,

H. A. King
H. A. King, Acting
Special Agent in Charge

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HAK [redacted]
cc each Division office

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Mr. Rosen	Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson	Mr. Hendon
Mr. Quinn	Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy	

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GEORGE R KELLY ETAL KIDNAPPING PHOTOGRAPHS OF KATHRYN THORNE KELLY

FORWARDED SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL TODAY

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- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Hughes.....
- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....

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AUGUST 23, 1933

F. J. MURPHY
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
POST OFFICE BUILDING
DALLAS TEXAS

GEORGE B. KELLY KIDNAPING WIRE DISPOSITION CHARGE SHOPLIFTING

SUBJECT KATHRYN THOMAS KELLY FORTWORTH POLICE

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

IS CASE ORIGINATED AT Oklahoma City, Okla.

FILE NO. 7-12

REPORT MADE AT Philadelphia, Pa.	DATE WHEN MADE 8/22/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/17 & 22/33	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE CHARLES F. DRESCHEL - YACOB		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING	

SYNOPSIS - FACTS:

Post Office Box 831 at Philadelphia was rented by the "Insurance News," located in the Draxal Building, from 1926 to June, 1933, at which time it was discontinued, and the persons occupying mail therein have since been receiving mail in P. O. Box 872, rented to the "United States Review." These persons who have been receiving mail in these two boxes are [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] all of whom are now connected with the "United States Review", an insurance magazine. They are all reported to be responsible persons in Philadelphia. The descriptions of George Bates, with aliases, George B. Kelly, Edward W. Bentz, and Mrs. Catherine Thorne Kelly, as well as the information concerning the blue-black Cadillac sedan purchased by Kelly, have all been sent out over the teletype system of the Pennsylvania State Police with the request that these individuals be apprehended and the Division notified.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Philadelphia, Pa., dated 8-16-33, and copy of letter from St. Paul Office, dated 8-16-33, to all Division Offices.

DETAILS:

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Agent interviewed [REDACTED]

Assistant Postmaster at [REDACTED]

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. H. [Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-115-302	RECORDED AND INDEXED AUG 24 1933
COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: 2-Division 2-Oklahoma City 1-St. Paul 2-Philadelphia	UNITED STATES AUG 24 1933 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED <i>Dr. One</i> FILE	CHECKED OFF: AUG 25 1933 JACKETED: All b7C
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Philadelphia, who stated that they had a Post Office Box 631, which was rented for a number of years, namely, from 1926 to June, 1933, to the "Insurance News", located in the Draxel Building, and that the application for this box was signed by [redacted] that this box was discontinued the first of June, 1933, and the people who had been receiving mail at this box now receive their mail in Box 872, which is the Post Office Box for the "United States Review", whose address is 136 South 4th Street.

[redacted] said that he had communicated with the Superintendent of Mails and other employees who are familiar with these two boxes, and they stated that the persons who were connected with the "Insurance News", located in the Draxel Building, are practically the same as those affiliated with the "United States Review". He further stated that the names of the persons who had been receiving mail in P. O. Box 631, and who are now receiving mail in Box 872, are [redacted]

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Agent interviewed [redacted] of the building at 136 South 4th Street, who stated that the owners of this building are the Commercial Casualty Insurance Company, of 10 Park Place, Newark, N.J., although the title to the building is held by a "straw man" by the name of [redacted]

Inasmuch as [redacted] appeared to be a responsible person, Agent questioned him concerning the persons connected with the "United States Review", and he named the five individuals mentioned by [redacted] as related above, and stated that they have been tenants in this building for about four or five years and are responsible people as far as he knows, and he believes they are quite socially prominent in the vicinity of Philadelphia. He stated that old man [redacted] has a hobby of collecting bibles and has sold numerous books he has written on this subject through John Wanamaker's Department Store of Philadelphia. He stated that he knows of no other persons connected with the "United States Review", except the [redacted] that he does not know just which ones are owners of the magazine, which is an insurance magazine, except possibly [redacted] themselves, and that [redacted] seems to be an outside reporter.

Upon receipt of the telegram from the Dallas, Texas, office of the Division, dated August 15, 1933, and letter from the Division, dated August 15, 1933, giving descriptions of Edward W. Bantz, with aliases, and the wife of George Kelly, namely, Catherine Thorne Kelly, as well as enclosing photographs of Edward W. Bantz and Theodore Bantz, Special Agent in Charge Harvey communicated with the office of [redacted] of the Pennsylvania State Police at Harrisburg, Pa., who caused to be sent out over the teletype system of that organization the descriptions of Edward W. Bantz and Mrs. Kelly, with the request that if these parties be apprehended, the Special Agent in Charge of the Division at Philadelphia should be communicated with

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or the nearest office of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

The descriptions of George Bates and George R. Kelly, mentioned in Division letter, dated August 13, 1933, were also sent out over the teletype system of the Pennsylvania State Police.

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=NATHAN..

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Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Edwards	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Gurnea	✓
Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓

August 15, 1935

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL - MR. NATHAN

Mr. Nathan telephoned from St. Paul and advised that the people who are being held for possession of the ransom money will probably be released some time soon, as there is a considerable amount of talk because they do not have in custody all members of the Banks gang who passed some of that money.

Mr. Nathan advised that the bail would probably be gradually reduced for those persons in custody, as he knew they had nothing to do with the kidnaping, and probably did not know that the money was "hot". He advised that they are at present being held on \$50,000 bail each. I advised I did not believe we should agree to any reduction in bail, but that if these persons make a move for reduction of bail and it is granted by the Commissioner or Court let them take the responsibility. Mr. Nathan did not believe there is a case against these men for passing this money. Mr. Nathan further stated that [redacted] Kelly [redacted] that we [redacted] had him under suspicion. Mr. Nathan had promised them that they would not be taken into custody for liquor violations disclosed in this investigation. I instructed Mr. Nathan to take no move to have these bonds reduced. Mr. Nathan advised they are going to attack the validity of the original warrants today, but that will be up to the United States Attorney. It was decided Mr. Nathan should leave tonight for Kansas City and that some of the Agents at St. Paul can be released today.

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL - "BALTIMORE NEWS"

The Baltimore News telephoned to inquire whether the broadcast for George Kelly was sent to Baltimore because we believed he was in that city, and I advised that the information that this man was wanted was sent throughout the United States, although we have reason to believe he is possibly East of the Mississippi River.

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL - MR. COLVIN

Mr. Colvin advised from Oklahoma City that he had returned last night to see about getting prosecution started and had found that the Judge of that District is over in New Mexico for ten or fifteen days holding court, P.M.

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and that the United States Attorney is vacationing in the mountains and cannot be reached by telephone and left only a General Delivery mailing address; that there is only a third Assistant United States Attorney there who does not handle criminal cases at all. I instructed Mr. Colvin to send a wire to General Delivery, House, New Mexico, for the United States Attorney, requesting that he contact Mr. Colvin by telephone, at which time he is to explain to him the importance of this case and request that he return. I advised further I would have the Department send a telegram to the office of the United States Attorney to have them reach the District Attorney and request that he return to the office. It was decided that the District Attorney shall be requested to call the grand jury immediately and bring indictments. Mr. Colvin thought it might be well for the Department to request Judge Edgar F. Vaught, now at Santa Fe, New Mexico, holding Court as a relief judge, to return to Oklahoma City. I advised I would endeavor to also have this done.

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL - MR. JONES

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Mr. Gus Jones advised that a telegram had been received yesterday to send Agent [redacted] immediately to Chicago, and that this would leave only Agent [redacted] in San Antonio to hold the office down night and day, as they are working on the threatened kidnaping of the Governor's daughter, which leaves only Agent [redacted] at the office. Mr. Jones stated he did not want to return to San Antonio until he saw this Urschel case through; that yesterday they received a very good clue on a woman connected with the Kansas City case, at San Antonio. I advised that [redacted] could remain at San Antonio until Mr. Jones returns. *or Agent [redacted] report for duty Conf by letter 8/2*

Mr. Jones advised he had not heard a word from Denver. He stated that the news-reel companies are endeavoring to make some pictures of the prisoners but have not been allowed to do this. I advised they should not be allowed under any circumstances to take pictures. Mr. Jones stated they are denying the report that they found the place because Urschel noticed the time of day airplanes went over when he was held captive, and are also denying the report that Urschel accompanied the Agents when they went to the shack and took the occupants into custody.

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Very truly yours,

W. A. Rorer,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
National Building,
Washington City, D.C.

Re Enkel - unless otherwise directed -
will deliver August 20, as witness.
Enkel.

Enclosed official
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Aug 23 1933

Div. Seven

Mr. Tolson

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

CHARGE

Division of Investigation,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas

CHARLES HERSCHEL KIDNAPING ESTABLISH IDENTITY [REDACTED] DEPOSITOR
FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN DALLAS ASCERTAIN IF [REDACTED] ACQUAINTED WITH
[REDACTED] PARTIALLY IDENTIFIED AS GEORGE KELLY STOP [REDACTED] DREW
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FIFTY DOLLARS LATER STOPPING PAYMENT [REDACTED] REPORTED LEFT CHICAGO
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STATE [REDACTED] RESEMBLES SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION ORDER TWELVE NAUGHT ONE

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ANY MESSAGE SENT BY THE ABOVE OR ANY OTHER WHICH WAS HEREBY ORDERED TO
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BY Minneapolis, Minn. Aug. 30 - 1:59 PM, 1935

Shannon, Ohio
G. Cadillac Motor Car Company,

Cleveland, Ohio

Mr. George and Tom have left. Communicate with me at box 651,
George.

Message received by Western Union at Cleveland for Shannon.

Delivered at Mr. Cadillac's on 8-18-35.

WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE
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Cleveland, Ohio
August 18, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
205 Post Office Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Re: George Kelly with alias;
Charles F. Urschel-Kidnapping.

Enclosed herewith find copy of telegram sent by one "George" of Minneapolis, Minn. to R.C. Shannon a/o Cadillac Motor Car Co. Cleveland, Ohio on August 8, 1933 which telegram was secured from Western Union Company at Cleveland, Ohio.

Owing to the urgency of this matter same is being forwarded directly to the St. Paul office.

Very truly yours,

R. C. Chapman
Special Agent.

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

August 19, 1935

IN RE: KIDNAPING OF CHARLES F. URSCHEL
AT OKLAHOMA CITY JULY 22, 1935.

Div. One

...the principal facts relative to the kidnapping of Charles F. Urschel as reported in that of a formal report for the immediate benefit of Assistant Attorney General Seltzer and United States Attorney Hyde, Oklahoma City, to give them a bird's eye picture of the case without burdening the story with formal and intricate details.

Charles F. Urschel and his wife, Mrs. Bernice Urschel, reside at 327 N. W. 19th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. They are the principal owners of what is known as the T. B. Slick Estate, an oil business left by the late T. B. Slick, whose widow is the present Mrs. Charles F. Urschel. The above named persons are executors of the estate, together with one Arthur A. Seeligman, who is married to Mrs. Urschel's sister. The estate is variously estimated to be worth from thirteen to twenty million dollars.

One Walter R. Jarrett, residing at 1241 W. 19th Street, Oklahoma City, and his wife have been friends and associates of the Urschel family and formerly with the Slick family for some years. Jarrett has been engaged in various sorts of promotions and it is understood was formerly associated with T. B. Slick, somewhat in the capacity of broker, in obtaining oil leases. It is understood that through Slick he at one time made considerable money and probably aided Slick in making considerable money. He formerly owned a farm in conjunction with the Urschels and Slicks but is understood to be now disconnected with them entirely in a business way, however, their associations have continued in a social way up to the date of the instant episode.

During the week ending July 22nd Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett had endeavored to make a date with Mr. and Mrs. Urschel to play bridge on Friday night, July 21, however, the Urschels had a social engagement on that night and it was finally arranged that they play bridge at the Urschel home on the night of Saturday, July 22. As per arrangement this bridge game took place on a screened porch, on the ground floor at the back of the Urschel residence, those playing being Mr. and Mrs. Urschel and Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett. The game was in progress until about 11 O'clock, at which time Miss Betty Slick, the 14 year old daughter of Mrs. Urschel drove up in her car to the driveway at the rear of the house on the Hudson side and came into the screened porch through a back door, which it now develops was not locked on the inside as is usual. She remained a few moments and then went up stairs to retire. About this time a rubber was completed and the Jarretts were losers. Mrs. Jarrett proposed that the game end but Mr. Jarrett suggested another rubber in order that they might attempt to recoup their losses. About 11 P.M. two men suddenly opened the back screen door and entered the sun room or screened porch where the game was in progress. One of these men carried a machine gun and the other carried a pistol. The man with the machine gun asked, "Which

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is Urachel? -We want Urachel." No one replied, whereupon this individual remarked, "Well we will take them both." They thereupon marched Mr. Urachel and Mr. Jarrett out through the same screen door. At this time it may be significant to note that Mr. Urachel was in the idea of offering some resistance but was

what was described as a black car, a 1934 Ford, with two kidnappers in the front seat, the driver had the machine gun handle in his right hand and the other in the left. The car was rapidly driven north beyond the outskirts of the city, turned east on a country road parallel to the 23rd Street Highway but about a mile north of it, proceeded eastward, thence north for a couple of miles, thence east on a dirt road to a point about 12 miles north and east of Oklahoma City. At a point just after the dirt road crosses a bridge over a small creek and where a north and south road intersects the east-west road, the car was stopped, the bandits in the meantime having asked Jarrett for some identification, whereupon he handed them his wallet containing business cards and he alleged, \$50.00 in money. One of the men took the \$50 and then remarked, "This is Jarrett," and handed the wallet back.

At this road intersection they turned right, stopped and told Jarrett to get out of the car, go back home and keep his mouth shut. They made him promise on his honor that he would not reveal which direction the kidnappers had come or where he was let out. They then drove rapidly southward towards the 23rd Street Highway. Jarrett started on foot back along the road over which he had come, reaching a small farm house some two or three hundred yards distant, he awakened the occupants and endeavored to secure an automobile to take him to town. They had no car. He was sent then two or three hundred yards further along the same road to another farm house but met with similar lack of success. He then started again on foot and was shortly overtaken by two boys in an old Ford car, whom he proposed to take him to town for \$2.50. He arrived at the Urachel home about 12:30 A.M. July 23rd and was immediately brought to the Police Station, at which point this Agent had arrived at 12:10 A.M., and in conversation with Chief of Police [redacted] Jarrett told substantially the above story.

We then proceeded immediately to the Urachel home, taking Jarrett with us, accompanied by other police officers and Agents, where the whole circumstances were discussed. Jarrett maintained that he could take us over the exact road that he had traveled and he was dispatched on that errand, accompanied by Agent [redacted] and Detective [redacted]. He followed without hesitation and with absolute sure knowledge the several turns in the dirt road to where he was let out, where his foot prints were discovered in the dirt of the road and the situation exactly as he had described it. The next morning efforts were made to trail the car from that point and the tracks apparently of the same car were followed for two or three miles and then lost.

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he would have to communicate with persons very much interested. Whereupon the individual said that he had no time to talk with him but that "the deeds to the farm would be delivered within about 10 days." The man then turned away from Mr. Kirkpatrick and walked toward the street where two cars were waiting. As the man approached the cars, each containing three men, one of the front seats was open on the back seat all four men. They appeared to be going south. The witness took over his shoulder, Kirkpatrick observed that the individual whom he had given the money stepped across the street and apparently got into one of these cars, both of which drove rapidly away. Mr. Kirkpatrick heard nothing further from this party and about 9:30 P. M. proceeded to the Union Station and returned to Oklahoma City by train. At the station he observed an individual, whom he claims he is satisfied was the same person who had ridden up from Oklahoma City with him the night before. This person at the time was wearing glasses and had changed his suit.

On Monday night, July 23rd, at about 11 P.M. this Agent received a telephone call from the Urschel residence advising that Mr. Urschel was at home. It was raining very hard. Agent Jones and this Agent proceeded immediately to the Urschel residence where we found Mr. Urschel, Mr. Kirkpatrick, both and Mrs. Urschel. Mr. Urschel appeared somewhat exhausted but was cleanly shaven and in his shirt sleeves. His story coincided practically with that of Jarrett up until the time Jarrett had been put out of the car. He stated that five minutes after Jarrett had been put out the two kidnapers handcuffed him, blind-folded him, and made him lie down in the back of the car, stating that there might be some shooting if they met officers and they did not want him to get hurt. They then drove rapidly in a direction unknown to Mr. Urschel, but after a little time he managed to get a look out from under his blind-fold and observed what he believed to be the lights on the water tower at Harrell, Oklahoma and they appeared to be about six miles south of where the car was, at that moment. They drove rapidly until about 8 O'clock in the morning, when they stopped, put Urschel out of the car, led him over into a field or woods where one of them remained with him while the other was gone about 15 minutes for gasoline. They then drove for another half hour or hour, then drove into what appeared to be a barn or garage, where they took him out and put him in a very large car and transferred some gas from the small car to the latter car, also apparently changed license plates. They then drove for some hours, stopping once at a filling station in the country where there was a woman attendant, changing some gasoline and some food. They continued driving until about 2:30 in the afternoon of Sunday, July 23rd, when they drove into what was apparently another garage or barn with a tin roof, where Mr. Urschel was taken out of the car and put on a large box. One of the men remained with him, the other going out, closing and locking the door. That night after dark they took him out of this garage and into a house where he was given sandwiches and stayed until Monday night, July 24th. On Monday night they put him in a small roadster and drove for about fifteen or twenty minutes over rough roads, finally taking him into another shack where he remained during the nine days of his captivity.

He was guarded here at times by one of his kidnappers and what appeared to be a young man, 21 or 22 years old, and at other times by this boy and an old man. He observed that the old man was very old and had a very thin face and was very weak. He also observed that the old man was very kind and friendly to him. He was taken to a place where he was kept in a shack. The shack was made of mud and was very small. He was kept in the shack for a period of time. During this period, he was able to get an occasional glimpse of the shack in which he was confined and observed some of the details as to furnishings, kind of house and general surroundings. He also observed that each day at 5:00 A.M. an airplane appeared to fly directly over the place and the same thing occurred daily at 5:45 P.M. This plane appeared to be traveling in a north and south direction and he heard it every day except Sunday, July 30th, on which day it was raining hard. He had observed at the first house in which he was kept that there was a flock of guinea hens which he heard; also that upon going out of the garage to go into the house at night he was led up on a board walk and upon arriving at the house, took two steps upwards to get in. Other minute details as to the shack in which he was confined were related, including the fact that there was a well in the yard with a rope and pulley and that the water tasted strongly of iron. He also observed that there was a small corn field in front of the house and learned from chance remarks by his captors, the old man and boy, that they had some hogs and that there was a white faced bull in the vicinity. The elder of his captors appeared to be somewhat of a boss in the community and apparently from his remarks looked down on the rest of the natives in that section.

Mr. Prschel was able to draw a fairly accurate chart of what he conceived to be the shape and location of the house with respect to the well and a road which he knew passed somewhere near.

Immediate intensive investigation was begun by checking all air line within a radius of 600 miles of Oklahoma City, with a view to determine on what Air Lines scheduled flights would call for the passing of a plane over the same vicinity daily at 9:45 A.M. and 5:45 P.M. Attention was finally centered on the Seven Air Lines between Tulsa and Dallas. Careful comparison of schedules and flights by Agent Slake over this line both north and south indicated the probability that the spot was near Muskogee or Poteau, Oklahoma.

In addition to this flight a plane and pilot were loaned to this office by the General Manager of the Phillips Petroleum Company and additional flights were made up and down over this territory with a view to locate the shack in which Mr. Brownell was held, but without success. Two or three days were spent by Agents in two automobiles ground scouting over the same territory but no such place could be found. Search was continued and after much checking it was ascertained that air planes from Fort Worth and Dallas to Amarillo, Texas passed over a spot twice daily at the hours of 9:45 A.M. and 5:45 P.M., which spot was in the vicinity of Paradise, Wise County, Texas. Meteorological data and weather

reports were consulted and it was ascertained that it had been dry in this particular section except on Sunday, July 28th, the date on which Mr. Bruchel was held captive. It was further ascertained that the house in which the kidnapping took place was located about 4 miles from Paradise, Texas, Mrs. R. G. Shannon being the mother of Kathryn Kelly, wife of George Kelly.

Previous investigation by Agents of the Dallas Office had resulted in the information that one George Kelly, ex-convict and bank robber, and his wife, Kathryn Kelly, frequented the home of R. G. Shannon, about 4 miles from Paradise, Texas, Mrs. R. G. Shannon being the mother of Kathryn Kelly, wife of George Kelly.

Upon condensation of all of this information Agent [redacted] of the Dallas Office was dispatched by automobile to make a ground reconnaissance of this district and reported that he was satisfied that he had located the house in which the kidnapping took place and which was a small shack on the farm of R. G. Shannon. Further information received by Agent [redacted] indicated the recent presence of George R. Kelly and wife in that vicinity.

With this information at hand it was decided to make direct and open investigation and to that end Special Agent in Charge Gus T. Jones, Agents [redacted] and [redacted] left Oklahoma City about noon on Friday, August 11th arrangements having been made for them to be met at Denton, Texas by Agent [redacted] from the Dallas Office with Police Officers from Dallas and Fort Worth. Mr. C. F. Bruchel, the victim in this case, accompanied the Agents from the Oklahoma City Office. The developments thereafter are as related in the report of Special Agent [redacted] Dallas, Texas, dated 8-15-35, copy of which is attached to the United States Attorney's copy of this memorandum, and which resulted as shown therein.

Upon the return of Mr. Bruchel on July 31st, information was furnished by the family and by [redacted] concerning the amount and kind of money paid as ransom and this information, disclosing that \$200,000 was paid in twenty dollar used notes of the Federal Reserve Bank, Kansas City, Mo., was broadcast to banks throughout the United States. The serial numbers at that time were not available, therefore the banks were requested to look out for anyone making large deposits or attempting to exchange large amounts of the above described notes.

On August 4, 1935, the Hennepin State Bank, Minneapolis, Minn., reported to the St. Paul Office that an eighteen hundred dollar cashier's check had been purchased there on that date and that one thousand dollars of the money tendered in payment therefor was in twenty dollar used notes of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Mo. Immediate check of the serial numbers thereof, with the list which had then been compiled by the Oklahoma City Office, disclosed that all fifty of these bills were a part of the ransom money. On Saturday night, August 5th, an additional \$500 of the ransom money appeared at another bank in Minneapolis. The details of these transactions are disclosed in memorandum from the St. Paul Office dated August 18, 1935.

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At the request of the St. Paul Office a complaint was filed at Oklahoma City charging Charles Volk, Sam Fredericks, and others with conspiracy to kidnap George L. Davis. The complaint was filed in this district court at St. Paul, Minnesota, on August 16, 1935. The persons arrested in this matter at St. Paul were Charles Volk, Sam Kronick, Sam Koberg, Barney Berman, Peter Valder alias Hackett, Clifford Skelly, Sam Fredericks and Clifford Skelly, all of whom were subsequently released.

Persons arrested at Dallas, Texas are indicated in the report of Agent [redacted] dated 8-18-35.

On Monday, August 16th it was ascertained that one George L. Davis had been arrested at Denver, Colorado. This was known to be an alias of Bates and immediate investigation disclosed that when arrested he was in his possession 35 of the twenty dollar ransom notes, together with other money.

Harvey Bailey, it will be recalled, when arrested had in his possession 35 of the twenty dollar ransom notes.

At St. Paul there have been recovered altogether 75 of the twenty dollar ransom notes, as disclosed in memorandum from the St. Paul Office, dated August 18.

The St. Paul Office advises that those who should be charged in the indictment for their part in handling the ransom money at St. Paul are Charles Volk, Sam Kronick, Sam Koberg, Barney Berman, Peter Valder alias Hackett and Clifford Skelly. It seems that Sam Fredericks will be more valuable as a witness. Other defendants in this matter would appear to be George E. Kelly with aliases, Arthur L. Bates with aliases, Harvey Bailey with aliases, Kathryn Kelly with aliases, H. G. Shannon, Ora L. Shannon, Arnon C. Shannon and a couple of unknown persons whose identity will probably be developed later. It is not believed that there is any evidence to connect [redacted] presently held in jail at Dallas, Texas on Commissioner's Complaint, with this conspiracy.

The serial numbers of the money involved in this transaction were all recorded on white slips of paper prepared under the direction of [redacted] of the First National Bank & Trust Company, Oklahoma City. [redacted] and the slips corresponding to the numbers of the bills recovered have been furnished to [redacted] who will indicate which employees of the bank checked and recorded the numbers of the particular bills represented by these slips. [redacted] will probably be competent to testify to the delivery of this money to [redacted] and Mr. E. E. Kirkpatrick of Tulsa will testify as to its delivery to the kidnapers.

Photographs of George Kelly and Arthur L. Bates have been identified by Charles Urschel as those of the persons who kidnapped him. Partial identification of these same photos has been made by Mrs. Urschel and Walter R.

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Jarrett, although this identification is far from satisfactory. All of the above information was furnished to the Dallas Office, Dallas, Texas, on 10-1-55.

For the further information of the United States Attorney reference is made to the report of R. E. Colvin dated 8-5-55 and report of D. L. McGowan, Dallas, Texas, 8-4-55.

R. E. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Charles F. Woodard

Mr. Keenan advised he has interviewed [redacted] is also very good, [redacted] is very good and that [redacted] is also very good, [redacted] saw Bailey with a machine gun, and [redacted] saw Bailey come in with a machine gun. [redacted] tells a very good story; that he believed he had got the local authorities to take the case, although they were reluctant to do it in the beginning because they believed there was not a very strong case so far as identification was concerned; that he believes he will get a conviction, but that he thinks some more investigation could be conducted as far as the identification is concerned.

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Mr. Keenan stated he is giving out the following statement in writing: "Referring to recent charges made against [redacted] and others, the evidence concurrent therewith will be presented to the Federal Grand Jury. With further reference to any matters collateral thereto the inquiry already conducted and concluded indicates no need for any further Federal action and the incident is closed."

Mr. Keenan advised he is going to Oklahoma City tonight and talk with Special Assistant to the Attorney General Salter, then to Minneapolis, and then returning to Washington, probably about Thursday or Friday.

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St Paul Minnesota
August 21 1933

R H COLVIN
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224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City Oklahoma

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.



August 22, 1933.

DIVISION ONE
AUG 25 1933 AM

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

Dear Sir:

In accordance with telegram sent from
the St. Paul Office to the Oklahoma City Office on August
19, 1933, Special Agent [REDACTED] departed at 5:40 P.M.,
August 21, 1933, for court attendance in Oklahoma City in
the URSCHEL Kidnaping Case.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
900 Ezra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
August 22, 1933.

M. C. Jones	.....
E. J. Connelley	.....
W. E. Keen	.....
W. E. Hughes	.....
W. E. Nathan	.....
W. E. Johnson	.....

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

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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DIRECTOR NATHAN
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RE: GEORGE KELLY et al.

CHARLES MURSCHEL - Victim

KIDNAPING - S.L. File # 100-100000

Dear Sir:

I presume that some special arrangements will be considered for the safe delivery of Albert L. Bates, now in custody at Denver, Colorado, by the U.S. Marshal at Denver, Colorado, to the U.S. Marshal at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in the event of Bates' indictment at the latter city, and while I hesitate to advance any suggestion in that respect, I respectfully wish to place before you the thought that his removal by aeroplane would possibly be a safe method of transportation.

There is resident at Denver, Colorado, [redacted] who resides at [redacted] who unquestionably could be secured as a pilot. [redacted] has had War experience, and is at the present time [redacted]

He is the pilot who was employed by [redacted] to transport police officers, myself and others from Denver, Colorado, to Kimball, South Dakota, in the [redacted] kidnaping case, and I am sure that if he was to be employed that he could secure a cabin plane of such size to permit the transportation of Bates and possibly four guards, if that number is considered necessary.

If such a plan were to be followed, the Government could be assured of a pilot who is skilled and experienced, and who could be thoroughly relied on. The departure could be made from Denver, Colorado, at an hour unknown, and flight could be made direct to Oklahoma City, and in this way, plans to effect the delivery of Bates by friends could be made most difficult.

It is probable that transportation via commercial aeroplane company would not be advisable, since the hour of departure, and arrival would be known, and it would be necessary to land at flying stations enroute. Then too, it is possible that the pilot of such plane might be influenced or put in fear.

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I merely offer this as a suggestion in the event special orders are being considered for issuance to the U.S. Marshal at Denver, Colorado, on the occasion of his delivery of Bates at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Very truly yours,



JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
UNITED STATES MARSHAL
DISTRICT OF COLORADO

Aug. 23, 1933.

The Attorney General,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

As you already know, I have in my custody one Albert Lawrence Bates, with aliases, one of the kidnappers of Charles F. Urschel, who is being held under \$100,000.00 bond at the request of special assistant attorney general Salter, awaiting receipt of process for Bates' removal to Oklahoma.

In consideration of the importance of this case, and a corresponding hazard in transporting this man due the fact that part of his band have not been apprehended who might attempt to make a delivery of the prisoner, if possible, it is the consensus of opinion generally among those of us who have been working on the case that the hazard would be materially reduced if the Department felt it advisable to secure a special army plane, manned by a seasoned and efficient pilot, to effect this removal.

In addition to the representatives of this office, and in view of the recent experience at Kansas City, would it be pardonable if I suggest that one or two men from the Salt Lake office of the Bureau of Investigation who are familiar with the background of this case, and have the necessary equipment which might prove of great value in the safe delivery of the prisoner, be directed to accompany my party?

If this meets with your approval, will you kindly wire me simply "O.K." thus avoiding any possible leak as to the details in transmitting the message by wire, and will you please also make all the necessary arrangements with the army since, of course, I have no authority? I shall appreciate subsequent confirmation by letter for my office files.

Respectfully,

(sgd) C. A. PATTON
U.S. Marshal.

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F. A. HACKER, VICE PRESIDENT-CASHIER

The Dayton State Bank

DAYTON, MONTANA

Aug 21-1933

Mr J E Hoover Director U. S. B. Inspect
Wash. DC

Dear Sir

Your Circular Letter & List of Bank Notes in
kidnaping cases - recd this AM. We are keeping a
look out for any of the described notes. & will
Notify you as per instructions in letter of 8/7/33.
Dwight hope that they will all be caught & spent
only way to treat them.

Yours Very Truly
The Dayton State Bank, Dayton, Mont.

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480 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

August 21, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: GEORGE KELLY, with aliases; et al,
Charles F. Urschel (Victim)
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you by Special Agent [redacted]
who is leaving on the 8:30 AM plane, August 22, 1933 for
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, original supplemental stated
statements made this day to Special Agents [redacted] and
Ous T. Jones by Ora L. Shannon and R. O. Shannon.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.



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August 30, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: GEORGE R. KELLY, et al,
Kidnaping.

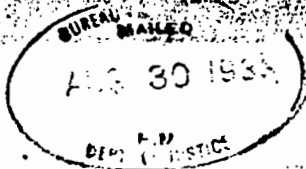
I am in receipt of your letter of August 22, 1933, wherein you forwarded two recent photographs of subject George R. Kelly.

I am transmitting four copies of these photographs to all of the field offices of the Division.

Very truly yours,

Encl. #668266

Director.



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George H. Kelly

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Oklahoma City, Okla.

This man is an expert Machine Gunner.

Oklahoma City file 7-6-

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Mr. Edwards	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Hughes	_____
Mr. Nathan	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____

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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL - MR. NATHAN.

Mr. Nathan advised that in about 15 minutes the indictments in the Urschel trial would be returned; that 7 persons at St. Paul will be indicted; that there are 7 others—R. G. Shannon, Mrs. R. G. Shannon, Armon Shannon, George Kelly, Katherine Kelly, Geo. Bates and Harvey Bailey. I requested that Mr. Nathan wire me the names of the 7 in St. Paul to be indicted right away. Mr. Nathan advised that Mr. Keenan is very satisfied with the case. I asked Mr. Nathan to what Mr. Keenan referred when he stated there was some further investigation in Kansas City which had to be done. Mr. Nathan stated that the only thing he knows about that Mr. Keenan questioned is a belt buckle referred to by [REDACTED] witness, as having been worn by Bailey, but Mr. Nathan advised this had all been taken care of.

Mr. Nathan stated they would leave this evening for Fort Worth, as there was a writ of habeas corpus filed there to reduce the bond, and it is not known what effect the return of the indictments may have on the case. Mr. Nathan advised that Mr. Keenan probably would proceed by airplane and he, Mr. Nathan, would go by train. Mr. Nathan advised that this morning Eastus telephoned in to Keenan that the elder Mrs. Shannon he thought wanted to talk, and Mr. Keenan has advised Mr. Nathan he understands she will put Kelly on the spot. Mr. Nathan stated what she probably would ask for in return would be a reduction in bond. I stated that about the best she could expect would be to throw herself at the mercy of the Court without objection from the government in the trial. I advised, however, I thought Mr. Keenan should handle this matter.

I advised Mr. Nathan that one of the latent fingerprints sent in by Mr. Purvis taken from the house where [REDACTED] was kept, is that of [REDACTED]. Mr. Nathan stated he had a full set of reports in the [REDACTED] case from St. Paul. I requested that he have Mr. Keenan go over this case thoroughly in St. Paul. I stated that if it was thought advisable they could have Mr. Purvis go to St. Paul.

I requested Mr. Nathan to telephone me from Fort Worth.

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

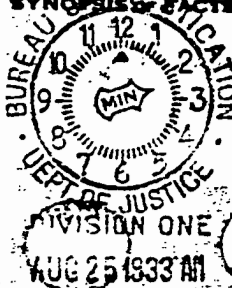
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REPORT MADE AT: PITTSBURGH, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE: 8-23-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8-10 - 22-33	REPORT MADE BY: [REDACTED] b7C
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CHARLES J. OUSCHEL - VICTIM

KIDNAPING

GEORGE DAVIS, GEORGE DAVIS, ROY HENRI, BERNARD McLAUGHLIN, BERNARD McLAUGHLIN, CHARLES J. OUSCHEL - VICTIM



Circularization of all banks and Western Union Telegraph Company Money Order Offices, this district, also Postal Telegraph Company Money Order Offices, Western District of Pennsylvania, submitting bank notes paid in kidnaping case, has to date failed to develop information or leads of value. Description Cadillac Sedan, possibly exchanged for Cadillac Convertible Coupe, bearing Ohio License 691-965 or Texas license F 24-752, or possibly Chevrolet Sport Coupe, Ohio License 82-17210, together with description of KELLY broadcast by teletype, also communicated by 'phone to peace officers in this district, has to date failed to produce affirmative information. Circular letter enclosing copy I, O. # 1203 forwarded all law enforcement officers this district. All banks this district circularized with respect to notifying the Pittsburgh Office in event safety deposit boxes were rented to unknown or questionable persons.

DETAILS:

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Pittsburgh, Pa., 8-11-33; Division letters (2) 8-13-33; Wires (2) 8-14-33; letter 8-16-33; Letter Dallas Office 8-19-33; Wire Kansas City Office 8-21-33.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-115-312	RECORDED AND INDEXED AUG 25 1933
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DETAILS: AT PITTSBURGH, PA.
Upon receipt of copies of letters from the Charlotte, North Carolina and Birmingham, Alabama Offices, respectively dated 8-7-33 and 8-8-33, indicating that arrangements had been made to enlist the cooperation of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies, and with the approval of Mr. Hughes of the Division, a 'phone communication received, Agent conferred with [redacted] Western Union Telegraph Company, and [redacted] Postal Telegraph Company, with a view of enlisting their cooperation in the matter of circularizing all money order offices of the Western Union Company in the entire district covered by this office, and the Postal Telegraph Company for the Western District of Pennsylvania, it being believed that possibly Federal Reserve Bank notes noted in Division letter to all offices dated 8-7-33 might be tendered. Authority was received by both of the referred to [redacted] to cooperate to the fullest extent and upon receipt of a supply of the Division's letter, both [redacted] and [redacted] were furnished with the desired number and stated that they would forward same to the offices heretofore described.

Upon receipt of reference Division letters dated 8-13-33, all information therein contained was immediately transmitted by 'phone to [redacted] Troop A, Pennsylvania State Police, Greensburg, who caused the same to be transmitted over the teletype system in four States East of Pennsylvania, and as are hooked up with the system.

This office also communicated with the State Highway Patrol and [redacted] both of Erie, Pa., and [redacted] West Virginia State Police, Elm Grove, W. Va., and the Automobile Division, Pittsburgh Police Department, all being requested to be on the lookout for the Cadillac 16-cylinder Sedan, possibly exchanged for a Cadillac Convertible Coupe, which might bear Ohio license plates 621-965, and if located, to apprehend and detain all occupants of the car and notify this office. Description of KELLY, and referring to those who might accompany him, was afforded all officers, and the information was incorporated in the teletype broadcasts.

Upon receipt of reference Division wires 8-14-33 there was prepared and forwarded to all law enforcement officers in this District a circular letter incorporating all details received concerning KELLY and requesting that an effort be made to locate the cars therein mentioned and enclosing a copy of Identification Order # 1808. Reference in circular letter was not made to RATES because of information received that he was in custody in Denver.

As a further precaution in the matter of KELLY or his associates, and in possession of a Cadillac Sedan or Convertible Coupe, which might be offered for exchange, service, or repair, Agent communicated telephonically with [redacted] Cadillac Motor Company, 5607 Baum Boulevard, Pittsburgh, who promised to be on the lookout for either of the cars, description of the Sedan being furnished, and who promised to immediately notify this office upon

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receipt of any information concerning the cars and occupants. However, and to date, no advices have been received.

The same precaution was exercised in communicating with the Highway Patrol at Erie, Pa. to forthwith contact the Jacob Roth Cadillac Agency at Erie.

Upon receipt of reference wire, Dallas, Texas Office, suggesting that the Cadillac Sedan might be carrying Texas license F 84-752, the information was transmitted over the teletype system, broadcasted by radio by the Pittsburgh Police, and submitted to the [REDACTED] State Police. Elm Grove, W. Va., who promised to relay the information the same as in the first instance, to the other officers in that State.

In accordance with request set forth in reference letter, Dallas, Texas Office, and under date of 8-22-33, all the banks in this District were circularized by letter requesting that in the event the addressed bank, and subsequent to 7-22-33, rented a safety deposit box or boxes to any person or persons whose true identity was unknown or considered questionable to forthwith notify this office.

Upon receipt of reference wire, Kansas City Office, the information therein contained was forthwith communicated by 'phone to the Pittsburgh Police Department, and transmitted over the teletype system heretofore mentioned.

[REDACTED] West Virginia State Police, attached to the Shinnston Station, then at the Pittsburgh Office, on other matters, was afforded the same information and promised to relay it to the State Police in West Virginia.

Copy of this report is being forwarded to the New York and Philadelphia Offices for information only, this in view of the fact that the transmission of messages herein noted, covering four States East of, and inclusive of Pennsylvania, may later be the basis for the apprehension of KELLY or others in the districts covered by the respective and referred to offices.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE PITTSBURGH OFFICE, upon receipt of information or leads from any of the herein referred to sources, will immediately conduct appropriate investigation.

PENDING

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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

August 21, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: George R. Kelly, with aliases,
et al; Charles F. Urschel -
Victim. Kidnaping.

I am transmitting, herewith, a letter dated August 18th, 1933, from the Dallas Division Office, requesting an investigation at Madison, Wisconsin. Inasmuch as Madison is in the territory covered by the St. Paul Bureau Office, this letter is forwarded to you for appropriate attention. This matter was called to your attention, telephonically, today.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH, Acting,
Special Agent in Charge.

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203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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

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Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS. CHARLES
F. OURSCHEL - Victim. KIDNAPING.
St. Paul File No. 7-8.

In connection with captioned case, it has been rumored about the Twin Cities that possibly Bernard Phillips, alias B. A. Courtney, I. O. 1196, was one of the persons who brought the money to the Twin Cities; however, little credence is given this story.

On August 18, 1935, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] called this office and advised that he had some information he would like to disclose. Upon being interviewed by Agent [REDACTED] he stated that it was his understanding that Phillips was with Bailey, Holden, and Keating in Kansas City at the time they were apprehended last July and when the latter were at the sixth hole of the golf course, Phillips was at the first hole, and that they had concluded he was the man who put the finger on them and he had been turned to death in his car for that reason. He stated that he had heard the place of Phillips' death was in Illinois and again he had heard it was some place in the East, and was never able to definitely establish where he was actually killed. He states, however, there is little doubt in his mind but that Phillips has been killed and that some crooks were cashing in on Phillips' alias of "Big Phil".

He stated that this information had come to him from various sources, refusing to disclose the name of anyone who had given him this information, and further advised that Bailey himself knew that Phillips is dead.

It is definitely known to this office, and has been known for some time past, that Bailey was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he had no interest in this matter and did not desire that his name become known as having talked with an agent of this Division; further, that he would give no information to anybody to cause the arrest of a person and was merely furnishing the information inasmuch as he thought it was foolish to look for someone who is dead.

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He further advised that the automobile in which the police arrested
and which belonged to Bailey had been sold for \$1,200; [redacted]
cost Bailey \$5,000; that the car was valued at \$1,200, including the tires
in as far as local value was concerned. [redacted] b7D
It appears that someone out of the state bought
same as it is not registered in the state and [redacted] paid the delinquent b7C
license fee. This matter is mentioned as a point of information. In the
near future, the serial and motor numbers of the car will be determined
and check will be made to determine who now has possession of the car.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANKE,

Special Agent in Charge.

[redacted] b7C
Cc Division
Cc Kansas City
Cc Chicago

234 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
August 21, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Re: George E. Kelly with aliases,
I. O. No. 1283, et al.,
Kidnaping.

In connection with the above entitled case, information has been received to the effect that George E. Kelly with aliases, I. O. No. 1283, has been traveling in a 16 cylinder blue-black, specially constructed, very large, 9 passenger Cadillac Sedan, 1932 Model, Motor No. 1400263. This car may be bearing 1933 Ohio license tags No. 691-965, issued to Mrs. Ora L. Shannon, or Texas tags No. 24-752.

This office is also informed that George Kelly may be using a Chevrolet Sport Coupe, Motor No. 3740166, for which Iowa license No. 83-17215 was issued in the name of F. E. Coleman.

It is respectfully requested that stop orders be placed covering the above cars with the motor vehicle bureaus within your territory and that if any effort is made to register these cars, the person or persons making such effort should be detained and this office advised in order that such persons might be interrogated.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Culvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

All other Division offices.

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED	DATE 10-10-83 BY SP-10
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Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York City

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
Post Office Building
Dallas, Texas

Re: George R. Kelly, et al
Charles F. Drachol - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

With reference to your wire of August 21, 1933, directed to this office requesting us to trace from the Colt Firearms Company, Hartford, Conn. the disposition of Thompson machine gun #4907, you are advised that our inquiry to the Colt Patent Firearms Company at Hartford, Conn. was referred to the Auto Ordnance Corporation, 36 Pine Street, New York City, distributors of Thompson machine guns, which company informed us that Thompson machine gun #4907 was sold to the Dixie Construction Company of Birmingham, Alabama and was shipped on April 18, 1937 to the Dixie Construction Company, c/o [redacted] Wetumpka, Alabama.

[redacted] of the Auto Ordnance Corporation, advised that their records contained no further information concerning this gun. She stated that miscellaneous parts could have been purchased for this gun from various dealers throughout the country without having any record made as to the number of the gun for which same was purchased. She stated, however, that if a Cutts compensator had been obtained, it would have been necessary for the owners of the gun to ship same back to the Auto Ordnance Corporation at New York City to have the compensator placed on the gun, but that her records did not indicate that this had been done in the case of instant gun.

A wire was directed to the Birmingham office to trace the gun from the Dixie Construction Company at Wetumpka, Alabama. It appears that the main office of the Dixie Construction Company is at Birmingham, Alabama and that the gun was shipped to [redacted] at Wetumpka, where the company evidently has a plant.

Very truly yours,

T. F. CULLEN
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Bureau
Birmingham
Oklahoma City

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480 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas,

August 22, 1933

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Deputy U.S. Marshal,
San Angelo, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter
of 8/18/33 with reference to GEORGE A. KELLY, PRETTY
BOY FLOED and other Southwest outlaws.

Accept my thanks for your interest in the
matter and be advised that a Special Agent from this
office will call on you when next in that vicinity.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT 22, 1935

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PHOTOGRAPH OF MRS GEORGE KELLY RESEMBLES WOMAN STOP PAID FOR CAR WITH SIX
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UNKNOWN NEWORLEANS OFFICE REQUESTED TO CHECK ADDRESS

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CHARGE

CHICAGO ILLINOIS AUGUST 22, 1938

R. E. KELLY
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
905 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BLDG.
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

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801 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama,
August 23, 1933.



Re: George R. Kelly, with aliases, et al.
Charles F. Ussell - Victim
Kidnaping - Birmingham File 7-115

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
AUG 24 1933
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

On this date a telegram was received from the New York Office, requesting that tracing be made of Thompson Sub-machine Gun #4907, which had been sold to the Dixie Construction Company, Birmingham, Alabama, and shipped to [redacted] Wetumpka, Alabama, on April 15, 1927.

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Upon investigation at Birmingham, it was determined that the Dixie Construction Company ceased operations on May 1, 1930, when it was absorbed by the Alabama Power Company at Birmingham.

Interview was had with [redacted] Construction Department, Alabama Power Company, who, after searching his records, ascertained that the Thompson Sub-machine Gun in question had been in possession of the Alabama Power Company until February 10, 1933, on which date it was sold to one [redacted] Sporting Department, Vintery & Thomas Hardware Company, Inc., Birmingham, Alabama. [redacted] stated that, as he recalls, the machine gun had been used by the Dixie Construction Company to protect its payroll, and that after that company was absorbed by the Alabama Power Company, the machine gun was taken into the custody of that office.

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[redacted] Vintery & Thomas Hardware Company, Inc., Birmingham, Alabama, advised that on February 10, 1933 he had received a Thompson Sub-machine Gun, #4907 (1921 model) from [redacted] Alabama Power Company, Birmingham, Alabama, that prior to the receipt of said gun, [redacted] had conspired with [redacted] for the disposal of said gun, inasmuch as it was excess property and not in use by the Alabama Power Company. [redacted] and [redacted] had agreed that if the latter could dispose of the gun, they would divide the profit.

[redacted] further stated that he had discussed the possi-

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On 10/10/68, [redacted] was interviewed by [redacted] and [redacted]. [redacted] advised that he does not recall the exact amount which [redacted] paid for the gun, nor does he possess any knowledge as to the disposition made of the gun by [redacted].

Upon completion of the above interviews, the New Orleans Office was notified by telegraph, requesting that office to further trace this machine and attempt to notify the Dallas Office of the disposition made thereon by [redacted]

Copies of this letter are being transmitted to the interested offices indicated below, and a copy of the receipt showing the shipment of said machine gun to [REDACTED] at New Orleans, La., is being attached to the Dallas Office's copy of this letter, for such value as it may have in the investigation now being conducted by that office in connection with the instant matter.

Very truly yours,

T. D. QUINN,
Special Agent in Charge.

ENC. & CC. to Dallas
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 CC: Oklahoma City
 CC: New York
 CC: [illegible]

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J. G. WILLYER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Birmingham Alabama
August 22, 1936

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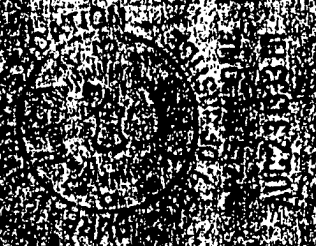
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NEW YORK, N.Y., AUGUST 1, 1935 - 10:45 A.M.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

RE: ALABAMA POWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA
ADVISE DALLAS OFFICE



BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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THE QUICKEST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

205 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 22, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed a letter received from [redacted]
[redacted] wherein he requests a photograph of George
Kelly, one of the suspects in the Grachel kidnapping case.

While the greater part of the letter of [redacted] is
illegible, it is believed that he may have information of value
in that case and it is suggested that personal contact be had with
him and at that time a photograph of Kelly can be displayed or left
with him.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
W. C. [redacted] FILE

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220 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

August 23, 1935.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director of Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
101 Liberty National Bank Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama.

Re: George S. Kelly, with aliases; et al;
Charles F. Brundage - Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of 8-22-35, and your letter of the same date, relative to the tracing of Thompson Sub-machine Gun #4907 through [redacted] Colt Revolver salesman, Loan Office, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
AUG 25 1935
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FILE

Confirming information furnished to your office yesterday by telephone regarding this matter, you are advised that [redacted] of Reiner's Loan Office, was interviewed by Agent [redacted] and advised that he is well acquainted with [redacted] representing the Colt Firearms Company; that [redacted] when he is in New Orleans, hangs around [redacted] office and makes that his headquarters; that [redacted] appears in New Orleans frequently in connection with his position with the Colt Company; that he has not been here recently and might appear at any time, although he is not advised concerning [redacted] itinerary or just when he will arrive. [redacted] stated that as far as he knows, [redacted] home and official headquarters are in Atlanta, Georgia, although he does not know his address there and that [redacted] can probably be located either through Atlanta or through the home office of the Colt Firearms Company.

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[redacted] advised that in the event [redacted] appears at his place of business or he receives any information concerning his whereabouts he will communicate with this office immediately.

Upon receipt of your letter today, further contact was made with [redacted] by Agent [redacted] relative to the machine gun factory. [redacted] recalls having received a package during the early part of February 1935 which was expressed to [redacted] care of Reiner's Loan Office, 114 South Rampart Street, New Orleans. [redacted] advised that [redacted] upon his arrival in New Orleans subsequent to the receipt of the package, took possession of same; that he, [redacted] did not know the contents of the package and has no idea what disposition might have been made of the gun by [redacted]

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[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] is in [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] is in [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was also requested to [REDACTED] communicate with this office immediately upon his arrival in New Orleans, and [REDACTED] indicated that he will be cooperative in this respect.

Since it is not known how soon [REDACTED] will arrive in New Orleans, it is suggested that efforts be made to locate him through Atlanta, or, if necessary, through the home office of the Colt Company.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division
Dallas
Kansas City
Oklahoma City
New York City

1800 BANKERS BUILDING
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

AUGUST 22, 1933.

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

RE: GEORGE W. KELLEY with
aliases- et al
CHARLES F. URSCHEL, Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a photograph of Mrs. George W. Kelley alias Delores Whitney alias Katherine Thorne. As you will notice this photograph bears Fort Worth No. 6025, and it is assumed that the negative of this picture is located in the Fort Worth Police Department. It is therefore requested that a quantity of copies of this photograph be obtained at the earliest possible date from that source, and forwarded to the Oklahoma City office for their use in connection with this case.

There is also enclosed photostatic copy of newspaper picture of EDWARD BENTZ and his reputed wife. It is believed that Bentz and possibly his wife were occasionally either traveling with or contacting George W. Kelley.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH,

Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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August 24, 1933.

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

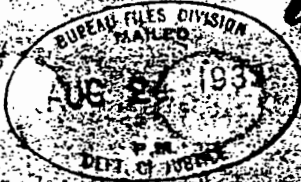
Dear Sir:

From the Philadelphia Public Ledger of August 18, a clipping has been received showing a photograph of Harvey Kelley and stating that guards had found three bars had been sawed through in an escape plot and as a consequence extra guards had been placed on duty.

The Bureau has received no official word of such a plot and desires that you promptly advise if there is any truth whatever in this statement.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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U.S. ACTS TO LINK BAILEY TO LINDY BABY TRAGEDY

2 AGENTS GIVEN CASE FOR LIFE CHECKING MOB

3 Bars in Cell of Oil
Kidnap Gang Chief
Found Sawed

GUARDS SET FOR RAID

Denver, Aug. 18 — (AP) — The Rocky Mountain News today said two Federal agents are attempting to connect Harvey Bailey and his associates with the abduction and murder of the infant son of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh in March, 1932.

The newspaper said it has learned the agents have been assigned to the Lindbergh case for life or until the abductors are apprehended.

Harvey Bailey, accused of the kidnapping of Charles F. Unkel, Oklahoma City oil man, is under arrest in Dallas and another alleged member of the gang, Albert E. Bates, is held here.

Federal authorities declined to comment.

A hasty check of records indicated both Bates and Bailey were at large the day the Lindbergh baby was kidnapped. Bates escaped from the Paw Paw (Mich.) jail in December, 1931. Bailey's prison record goes to April, 1932.

LINDY SUSPECT'S BREAK FOILED



Harvey Bailey, held for kidnapping Charles Unkel, oil man, and under United States probe in the abduction and murder of the Lindbergh baby, is shown in Dallas, Tex., jail in which guards found three bars had been sawed through in escape plan.

*Dallas
8/24/33*

Public Ledger August 19, 1933

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Bates, Tex., Aug. 12. (AP)—The kidnapping and slaying of the youngest son of Colonel James Earl Charles A. Lindbergh in 1932 and an attempt to escape jail had become intertwined today in the roundup of a wide-spread kidnap and slayer gang whose reputed leader, Harvey Bailey, is in jail here under heavy guard.

Federal operatives tonight confirmed not denied reports that two of its agents had been assigned for life, if necessary, to the Lindbergh case, and are seeking to determine whether Bailey or Albert L. Bates, confederate held in Denver, had any connection with the abduction and slaying.

Three Cell Bars Out

The police guard over Bates was increased to eight machine gunners after Chief of Police Albert T. Clark discovered three bars of his cell had been hacked through and a weapon-like metal pipe was within his reach.

Clark ordered a careful check of every prisoner to determine if any confederates of Bates had caused themselves to be arrested to aid him.

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in a jailbreak, but said none was found.

Prompted by rumors that an attempt might be made to escape, Bailey, Bates and other gang leaders were held under unusual precautions.

Extra guards were on duty at the jail and officers watched closely for any suspicious movements around the jail.

Bailey, charged with the abduction of Charles F. Urschel, 311 millionaire, also has been named by the Department of Justice as the operator of a machine gun which mowed down four officers and their prisoner, Frank Nash, at Kansas City June 17 in an attempt to free Nash.

Prosecution of Five Speeded

Speedy prosecution of Bailey and four other suspects held here for the Urschel kidnapping was anticipated. Special Assistant Attorney General Leslie Salter was sent to Oklahoma City to press the case.

The four held with Bailey are R. G. Shannon, at whose isolated farm Bailey was arrested Saturday; Shannon's wife; their son, Armon, and Armon's wife.

The Shannons were anxious to make the \$50,000 bond set for each but protested they could not. Bailey's bond was set at \$100,000.

Trenton, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Major Charles H. Schoeffel, of the New Jersey State police, said today no information had been forwarded here as to Harvey Bailey's possible connection with the Lindbergh kidnapping.

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420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas

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August 21, 1933.

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

RE: George R. Kelly,
with aliases - FUGITIVE; et al.
Charles F. Urschel - Victim.
O KIDNAPPING.

Dear Sir:-

Relative to the publicity given by certain newspapers to the matter of airplanes flying over the place where Mr. Urschel was held; from inquiries made by me as to the source of this publicity, I am inclined to the opinion it emanated from Oklahoma City. I have carefully guarded this information at all times and have repeatedly denied to reporters and representatives of news agencies that there was any foundation for the story. I am still persistently denying it.

Relative to the report that Mr. Urschel himself was in Dallas, I have denied this and am still doing so. A reporter on the Fort Worth Star Telegram credited the source of that information to Oklahoma City.

Reporters and representatives of news agencies have been rather exasperated with my persistent denials of these stories, but I have maintained that there was no truth in either.

I regret that information of that character has been made public, but I feel confident it did not originate here.

RECORDED 7-115-314
Very truly yours, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

AUG 30 1933

F. J. Blake
Special Agent in Charge. AUG 28 1933

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

FILE NO. 7-7

REPORT MADE AT: DATE WHEN MADE: PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: REPORT MADE BY:

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE NAMED IN THIS REPORT:
 O. K. KING, alias GEORGE DAVIS, alias BOY HARRIS, alias
 BERNARD McLAUGHLIN, alias BERNARD HUGHES - FUGITIVE;
 KATHRYN THORNE KELLY, alias CATHERINE KELLY,
 alias MRS. R. G. SHANNON - FUGITIVE;
 ROBERT G. SHANNON - FUGITIVE; ARNON CRANFORD
 SHANNON - FUGITIVE; ORA L. SHANNON - FUGITIVE;
 OLETA BROWN SHANNON - FUGITIVE; HARVEY J. BAILEY,
 alias J. J. BRENNAN, alias JOHN BROWN - I.O. #1189 -
 FUGITIVE; CHARLES B. URSCHEL (Victim).

Synopsis of Facts:

On August 16 information received Cadillac Sedan, Ohio License 891985, and Cadillac Coupe, Texas License F-24752, passed Huntsville, Texas, headed North. Roads covered. Cars did not arrive in Dallas or Ft. Worth. Ft. Worth National Bank checked for accounts and deposit boxes in various names, without result. No deposit boxes found in banks at Decatur, Bridgeport or Paradise, Texas. On June 28 R. G. Shannon withdrew \$1000.00 from Paradise bank. On August 9 Ora Shannon deposited \$1500.00 by New York Exchange Draft to R. G. Shannon's Account, Paradise Bank. R. G. Shannon's present balance in Paradise - \$3987.06. On July 22 George Bates, George Kelly and Kathryn Kelly were at T. M. Coleman's home near Stratford, Oklahoma, where Kelly and Bates took a Buick Sedan from the garage and left a Chevrolet Sedan or Coach bearing Indiana License. Copies of telegrams sent and received by Shannons through Bridgeport and Paradise, Texas, quoted. Harvey J. Bailey denies participation in Kansas City Union Station Massacre; claims obtained machine gun from [redacted] Kansas City. Admitted FBI Automatic Winchester his property.

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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UNITED STATES

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated August 18, 1933.

Dallas, Texas,

DETAILS:

On August 18, 1933, [REDACTED] Chief of the State Highway Patrol, telephoned Special Agent in Charge Blake at 1:20 PM, that his patrolmen at Huntsville, Texas advised that two Cadillac automobiles, - one a Sedan, bearing Ohio License 691-955, the other a coupe, bearing Texas License F-34752, - passed Huntsville on that date at about 1:00 PM, and advised [REDACTED] that his information originated with [REDACTED] of Huntsville. Mr. Blake called [REDACTED] by telephone who verified the report and said the two cars with only the drivers visible had passed there and were headed toward Madisonville, Texas on Highway 55.

Immediately the Police Departments at Ft. Worth, Waco and Dallas were notified, and all roads leading into these cities were covered; also an airplane was dispatched South as far as Centerville, Texas, but the cars never arrived and were never located by the airplane on the highways.

A telephone call was placed from Dallas No. 2-0339, Hamilton's Pharmacy at 115 South Lancaster Street, to [REDACTED] in Ft. Worth, by a man giving the name of [REDACTED] who stated "I see the boys' names in the paper; we will take care of them." It is thought that this refers to Ft. Worth City Detectives [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who are on this date - August 22, 1933 - taking "care" of [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] Peoples State Bank, Paradise, Texas, informed Agent that a draft drawn by the First National Bank, Madison, Wis., signed [REDACTED] dated August 7, 1933, payable to R. G. Shannon, on the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, was brought to his bank on August 9, 1933, by Mrs. Ora Shannon and deposited to the credit of R. G. Shannon; that his remittance sheet for August 9 shows that this draft was forwarded by the Paradise Bank to the Ft. Worth National Bank, Ft. Worth, Texas. [REDACTED] stated at the time this deposit was made Mrs. Shannon stated to him "\$1000.00 of this is Boss' and the other \$500.00 mine". Mr. Peek stated that on June 28, as reflected by R. G. Shannon's ledger [REDACTED] Shannon withdrew \$1000.00 and purchased a draft payable to the Cadillac Motor Sales Company, Cleveland, Ohio, and that Mrs. Shannon stated that \$1000.00 \$1500.00 draft was to pay Boss back the \$1000.00 he had loaned on June 28. [REDACTED] also stated that Mrs. Shannon said to him once, "I do not carry an account here because I keep my money in a Ft. Worth Bank", and suggested that it would be well to check the First National Bank of Ft. Worth for an account in her name which received checks, apparently for the rent of a house in Ft. Worth, which was signed by a [REDACTED] (?) as nearly as he can recall.

The ledger sheet in the name of R. G. Shannon in the Peoples State Bank at Paradise, begins with a balance on April 19, 1933, of \$3222.42; June 25 - \$2741.00; withdrawal June 25 - \$1000.00; balance August 9, 1933, \$2222.42; balance August 9 after deposit of \$1500.00 - \$3722.42; balance on August 25 - \$3722.42. b7C b7D

This Agent in company with Agent [redacted] through [redacted] b7C b7D
[redacted] Ft. Worth National Bank, checked the records of that bank and it was found that Ft. Worth National Bank Cash Letter, dated August 10, 1933, to the New York Trust Company setting out several items of a total of \$8668.93, includes an item of \$1500.00 drawn on the Guaranty Trust Company of New York. The New York Trust Company credits the above cash letter August 12, 1933. It is probable that the draft referred to in favor of R. G. Shannon has before this been returned to the First National Bank at Madison, Wis., and is in the records of that bank now.

There is no record of an account in the Ft. Worth National Bank of an open account, a savings account, certificates of deposit account or safety deposit boxes in the following names: Ora L. Shannon, Pauline Fry, J. B. Brook, Kathryn Kelly, George Kelly, R. G. Shannon. b7C

This Agent and Special Agent [redacted] also checked the records at the Post Office and bank at Bridgeport, Texas. There is no box or forwarding orders at the Post Office for any of the individuals concerned in this investigation. Two telegrams transferring money through the Bridgeport Bank in the name of Ora Shannon in March and June of 1933, were found but these apparently have no bearing in this matter and are of no value. No safety deposit box in the name of Mrs. Shannon could be located at the First National Bank of Decatur.

Memorandum of Interview with HARVEY J. BAILEY by
Special Agent in Charge Jones

Several interviews were had with Harvey Bailey in the Dallas County Jail since his arrest on August 12, 1933. The substance of information obtained from Bailey during these interviews, is as follows:

Bailey admitted his participation in the Lansing, Kansas, State Prison break, however, denied that he had planned the break, stating that he was invited to participate in the break just two or three days prior to the day it occurred.

Bailey admitted that he had visited the Shannon Place on several occasions prior to the date of his apprehension there; however, refused to furnish specific dates or state who was with him. He stated that he had just arrived at

the Shannon Place shortly before midnight Friday, August 11. He denied being at the Shannon Place at any time during the time that Orschel was held there, and stated he knew nothing of the kidnapping prior to its occurrence. When reminded of the \$700.00 ransom money found in his trousers' pocket and asked where he had obtained that particular money Bailey stated that money was left at the Shannon house for him in a plain white envelope with my name on it. When asked who left it there Bailey replied, "I would hate to tell you that", and positively refused to say.

Bailey denied participating in the Kansas City Union Station shooting, his argument being that while he knew Frank Nash personally he had not seen him for over two years, and was not personally interested in Nash to the extent of participating in a shooting in an effort to release him from custody. Bailey's further argument was that he was laid up with a broken leg at the time of the Kansas City shooting; that this broken leg was a result of a gun shot wound received during the escape from Lansing State Prison. Bailey was then reminded that the Warden and two guards of Lansing Prison who Bailey and the other escapes carried with them in an automobile practically all day, had all three stated that the wound Bailey received in the leg was merely a flesh wound and that his leg was not broken. To this Bailey argued that the leg was not broken at the time he received the wound, however, that the ball must have grazed the bone and weakened it as after they had released the warden and guards, in jumping from the car when they reached their destination in Northeastern Oklahoma, his leg bone snapped on him; consequently he was laid up for over a month. He was then reminded that he had signed a letter together with Bob Brady, Wilbur Underhill, Jim Clark and Ed Davis, wherein each of them affixed his right thumb print for identification; that this letter had been sent to the Governor of Oklahoma, and recited that the five of them had robbed "The Black Rock, Arkansas, Bank, on June 18, 1933, and that if this was true it absolutely discredited his claim of being laid up with a broken leg at the time of the Kansas City shooting, which occurred on June 17, 1933. To this Bailey replied that while he did sign the letter he did not participate in the robbery of the bank; however, that Bob Brady, Jim Clark and Ed Davis did rob the bank as they had told him they did and brought him part of the money to a place where he was laid up with his broken leg. Bailey refused to state where this place was.

When asked as to where he obtained the machine gun taken from his possession at the time of his arrest at the Shannon Ranch, Bailey stated that he had only had this gun for about three or four days; that it was sent to him at Shawnee, Oklahoma. He refused to state who had delivered the gun to him, but he did state that it was sent to him by Ferris J. Anthony, a Kansas City Gangster, who was recently killed at that place at the time Sheriff Bass killed two other gangsters.

It was quite apparent in this interview that Bailey was worried concerning the machine gun, and his attempt to place its ownership in the hands of the dead Kansas City Gangster further indicates that he is afraid of this gun and that it may have been used in the Kansas City shooting.

Bailey is of the type that no amount of punishment or third degree tactics could bring forth any information from him. He is of the cold-blooded type that will talk only about things that are of no material consequence concerning his

personal operations. It is apparent that he is considerably worried over the Kansas City affair, although he denies any participation or any knowledge of who did participate in that affair. It may be that later interviews with this man will bring forth some information of consequence.

The following copies of Western Union Telegrams were obtained by the Dallas Bureau Officer:

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Dla 5 P. M.
Denver Colo 16
R. G. Shannon Will Call

Bridgeport Texas

Will arrive Biltmore Hotel Tuesday

George 3 40 A

Delivered to Ora Shannon
by BER 18th called in person

R. RD. W. 3
Chicago Ill 1155 AM July 19, 1933

R. G. Shannon
Paradise, Texas.

Waiting for call

LANG....1242 PM

H. C. Chicago, Ill

YOURS 19, SUE DATE H. C. SHANNON SIGNED LANG CALLED ON SHANNON
FOR QA PROMISED ANSWER AS SOON AS CAN GET DETAILS

PARADISE TEXAS 8 - 21 - 33

D. ED. W. 35
PARADISE TEXAS

DEC 19 R.G. SHANNON SIGNED LANG

N. G. CHICAGO ILL JUNE 21, 1933..
1257 PM.

D. ED. W. 9 XC
Chicago ILL 1159 AM June 19, 1933

R. G. Shannon,
Paradise, Texas

Details by air mail souvenirs by express at once.

Lang 1247 PM.

D. ED. W. 35
Denver Colo 325 PM June 18, 1933
R. G. Shannon RFD Phone 1606 F 11
Paradise, Texas

Message just received delayed account address impossible for
me to make trip at once anyway awaiting word from Chicago re-
garding finances write me same address give full particulars,
if and when drilling is to start.

George --- 440 PM

Paradise, Texas, 3 PM May 1:

L. E. Lang,
State Hotel
Kansas City, Mo.

Will call Tuesday night at eight thirty after seeing Davis.
Shannon.

Denver Colo 944 am 5-13-33

R. G. Shannon
Will call
Decatur, Texas.

Will meet you Marshallman Hotel Wichita Falls
Tuesday night

George

1129 am

D. RD. W. 6
Kerrville, Texas, 210 PM April 10, 1933
R. G. Shannon, Phone 1606 F. 11
Paradise, Texas.
Feeling fine will see you soon.

Cleo 226 PM

D. RD. W 8
Clearwater, Florida 105 PM February 11, 1933

R. G. Shannon, Has Phone,
Paradise, Texas.

Will call you at 730 tonight

L. E. Lang 1241 PM.

It will be noted that on June 19, 1933, telegram was sent from Chicago, signed Lang, and that apparently Lang asked for a reply. Also that on June 19, 1933, a telegram was sent by Lang from Chicago. Also that on May 15, 1933 a telegram was sent from Paradise to L. E. Lang, State Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri. That on February 11, 1933 from Clearwater, Florida, L. E. Lang sent a telegram to Paradise, Texas. Telegram from Kerrville, Texas, signed Cleo is evidently from subject Kathryn Kelly as she is also known as Cleo.

While guarding Harvey J. Bailey at the County Jail, Agent talked with him quite a bit. In one conversation he stated to this Agent that Antone had brought him the \$700.00 in twenty-dollar bills which he had in his trousers' pocket at the

time of his arrest to a point near Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he (Bailey) was staying; that he had an appointment for August 3 at Tulsa with Antone but Jim Clark did not come for him until August 4 and that he actually met Antone and obtained the money from him on August 5. In this same conversation Bailey stated to this Agent that Antone had sent him the machine gun which was at the Shannon Home when he was arrested. He denied that he is acquainted with George Kelly, but stated that he has known George Kelly for several years as he (Bailey) was operating an alcohol plant in Chicago in 1939, and George Kelly and Tommy Holden were hauling alcohol from his plant to Minneapolis; that after he (Bailey) had to leave his farm in Wisconsin because he had been identified as participating in a bank robbery in Indiana, "which was a bum rap" and had been notified by two State Officers that they would have to arrest him, the following Sunday he left and went to Chicago; that there he contacted George Kelly, and George brought him down to Texas with him where they contemplated setting up an alcohol still on the Shannon Farm; that everything was all right except his test of the water showed that it contained too much iron to make good liquor; that he then went on as far South as Brownsville, Texas, where he remained a short while and then went back to Oklahoma and thence to Kansas City. He also stated that the .551 Calibre Automatic Winchester Rifle found in his bed at the Shannon Farm, belongs to him and that it is the best deer gun he ever used.

Bailey also stated that when the Black Rock, Arkansas, Bank was robbed by Bob Brady, Jim Clark and Ed Davis, he was laid up with a broken leg caused from the shot received when he was escaping from Lansing, Kansas, Penitentiary, and that the rest of the boys told him the details of the robbery and their get-a-way; that they were at that time staying about 7 miles Northwest of Tulsa, Oklahoma. He later changed this to Northeast of Tulsa. He declined to say, at whose place they were staying at that time but did say it was a pretty nice place and is reached by going out Tulsa to the divergence of highways 11 and, he believed, 66, and following 66 a short way to the house he was staying near Tulsa.

Not much credence is placed in this information, however, Bailey stated it was at this place Dewey Shipley brought the letter which he and the other members of the gang signed, admitting that they robbed the Black Rock Bank. Dewey Shipley stated to this Agent shortly after his arrest at Oklahoma City, that he had just come to Oklahoma City from Tulsa. Morris Hirsch, who was arrested with Shipley in Oklahoma City, stated that Shipley picked him up on the highway near Sapulpa, en route to Oklahoma City and told him he was coming from Tulsa.

This information is incorporated in this report for the reason that it may have some foundation in fact.

[REDACTED] Oklahoma City Police Department, informed this Agent the day before Agent left Oklahoma City for Texas, that a motorcycle officer in the Oklahoma City Police Department, knew an ex-convict (name unknown), who has a woman in the same apartment house where the motorcycle officer's lady friend resides; that the motorcycle officer and the ex-convict got on a drunk together and had a fight, then got real friendly and while still intoxicated the ex-convict stated to the motorcycle officer in effect, "You are the only man who wears a badge that I ever had anything to do with, but I like you pretty well and I am going to tell you something that may do you some good." "I was a cell-mate in the penitentiary with

a boy named George Kelly. Two days before those officers and Frank Nash were killed in Kansas City, I met George Kelly and another man in Tulsa. They went to a house where they cleaned and oiled two machine guns and said they were then on their way to Kansas City.

[redacted] was requested to obtain the name of this ex-convict and order that he might be questioned, and if he has not furnished that information to the Oklahoma City Bureau Office efforts should be made to get the information and get a hold of this ex-convict who so well knows George Kelly, and endeavor to make him tell where the house is in Tulsa and any other facts concerning George Kelly and his outlaw gang.

At Coleman, Texas, Sheriff [redacted] informed Agent that Kathryn Kelly and her mother - now Mrs. Ora Shannon, then known as Mrs. Brooks - some nine or ten years ago lived in Coleman where the old lady operated a restaurant and Kathryn bootlegged; that she was then Mrs. Thorne; that Charlie Thorne was killed by Kathryn, in Coleman, but finally it was decided that he committed suicide and no prosecution was ever had; [redacted] and does not know the details. [redacted] also stated that Kathryn has had two very close friends in Coleman, namely, [redacted] and [redacted] sisters; that [redacted] now resides at San Angelo, Texas on South [redacted] Street where she either operates or resides at the Miniature Apartments; that [redacted] is supposed to be married to one [redacted] who is in the trucking business in East Texas Oil Fields - probably at Gladewater; that the [redacted] girls' father, old man [redacted] (initials unknown) still lives at Coleman, Texas; that Fred Coleman, who was tried and convicted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act in Federal Court, San Angelo, several years ago, is a brother of Mrs. Ora Shannon, and that there are two other Coleman boys - brothers to Mrs. Ora L. Shannon, still residing in the vicinity of Coleman, Texas.

Sheriff [redacted] then put Agent in contact with a confidential informant who furnished Agent with the following information:

[redacted] Coleman Farm, which is located about one half mile east, one mile north and about three quarters of a mile east of the church at Moon, Oklahoma, some four or five miles from the town of Stratford.

[redacted] George Kelly and George Bates, in a Chevrolet, maroon color with Indiana License Plates, either a Sedan or a Coach, and George Kelly's wife Cleo, in a model A Ford Roadster. [redacted] arrived at the T. M. Coleman Farm.

[redacted] George Bates and George Kelly; that they were all there at Moon and had dinner at the Coleman Farm [redacted] that these men left the Chevrolet bearing the Indiana License Plates, in the Garage

at the Coleman Farm [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] saw where Mr. Orschel had been kidnaped in Oklahoma City and that he suspected immediately that Bates and Kelly had done the kidnaping, but was afraid to say anything about it to anyone. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Informant stated that old man Coleman is 72 years old; that besides the two sons who reside near Coleman, Texas, [REDACTED] lives one quarter of a mile East and one half of a mile South from old man Coleman near Stratford; and [REDACTED] lives about one quarter of a mile East of the old man's place in Oklahoma. He also has two daughters.

[REDACTED]

On August 18, 1933, subject Ora L. Shannon wrote to her husband subject R. G. Shannon asking if he had not a lawyer, stating in her note that she talked with [redacted] and was trying to contact [redacted] and if she did not get him she would get [redacted] to defend him. Subject R. G. Shannon replied to this note as follows:

"I had a chat with [redacted] will get him and [redacted] for home defense and [redacted] of Oklahoma City as we will be tried in Western Division of Oklahoma."

On August 18 she [redacted] Ft. Worth, Texas, called on R. G. Shannon at the County Jail and stated he was an old friend of Shannon.

The following are descriptions of subjects Shannons:

Name	Ora Lillian Shannon
Race	white
Dallas PD	No. 11,410
Age	43
Height	5' 3 1/2"
Weight	160
Hair	black (dyed)
Eyes	blue
Complexion	fair
Build	medium
Occupation	housewife
Residence	RFD #1, Paradise (Wise Co.), Texas.
Nativity	Saltillo, Miss
Birthmark	of 1 in. at alb. in. III. 1 lower left frt tooth GC.
F.P.C.:	16/ 17 M 17 19 M 16
8-12-33	Arr. at Paradise (Wise Co.) Texas and transferred to Dallas County Jail; conspiracy to kidnap - held.

Name	Robert Green Shannon
Race	white
Dallas PD	No. 11,412
Age	32
Height	5' 7 1/2"
Weight	155
Hair	gray
Eyes	blue
Complexion	M. dark
Build	medium
Occupation	farmer

Residence RFD #1, Paradise (Wise Co.) Texas
 Nativity Franklin County, Ark.
 Wife Ora L. Shannon
 I. Ind. finger cracked; III. Vert. Pt. No of 1 in
 below 1st to left.
 8-12-33 Arr. at Paradise (Wise Co.) Texas; con-
 spiracy to kidnap - transferred to Dallas
 County Jail.
 F.P.C.: 15/ $\frac{25}{19}$ $\frac{1}{0}$ $\frac{11}{10}$

Name Oleta Shannon
 Race white
 Dallas PD No. 11,411
 Age 18
 Height 5' 3 7/8"
 Weight 109
 Hair D. Chestnut
 Eyes slate
 Build slender
 Occupation housewife
 Resident RFD #2, Paradise (Wise Co) Texas
 Nativity Paradise, Texas.
 III. Face temporary discolored due to pregnancy
 F.P.C.: 15/ $\frac{21}{17}$ $\frac{-}{R}$ $\frac{I}{00}$ $\frac{18}{17}$

Husband Armon Crawford Shannon
 8-12-33 Arr. at Paradise (Wise Co) Texas and
 transferred to Dallas County Jail;
 conspiracy to kidnap.

Name Armon Crawford Shannon
 Race white
 Dallas PD No. 11,413
 Age 22
 Height 5' 4 1/2"
 Weight 120
 Hair B. Ch.
 Eyes brown
 Complexion sallow
 Build small
 Occupation farmer
 Residence RFD #2, Paradise (Wise Co.) Texas.
 Nativity Paradise, Texas.
 F.P.C.: 16/ $\frac{17}{2}$ $\frac{-}{R}$ $\frac{I}{10}$ $\frac{17}{16}$

Son of Robert Green Shannon.
 8-12-33 Arr. Paradise (Wise Co.) Texas; and transferred
 to Dallas County Jail; conspiracy to kidnap.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

b7c KANSAS CITY and CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICES will endeavor to ascertain the identity of [REDACTED] mentioned in the above-quoted Western Union Telegram, keeping in mind in all probability this individual is Richard Phillips.

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE at Stratford, Oklahoma, will make appropriate investigation.

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SERVICE DESK	
FORM 1	
IN	PAID RATE CABLE
OUT	DEFERRED CABLE
MY MESSAGE	MY CABLE LETTER
MY LETTER	MY CABLE LETTER
MY RADIOGRAM	MY RADIOGRAM

Should check class of service desired, otherwise will be assumed as a follow-on communication.

Postal Telegraph

THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

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Cables



All America
Cables

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Radio

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Portland, Oregon
August 19, 1933

R. H. COLVIN
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

HAVE COVERED STATE AUTO REGISTRATION BUREAUS FOR POSSIBLE REREGISTRATION KELLYS
CARILLAS THIS DISTRICT STOP IF NOT DONE SUGGEST SIMILAR ACTION OTHER DISTRICTS

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
1206 Law & Finance Bldg
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

August 24, 1933

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

RE: GEORGE R. KELLY with aliases -
I. O. # 1203; et al;
CHARLES F. OURSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Referring to report of Special Agent [redacted]
[redacted] Pittsburgh, Pa., August 23, 1933, in the above
entitled matter, it is noted in the Synopsis that refer-
ence made to Chevrolet Sport Coupe, Ohio License 82-17210,
was set forth through inadvertence.

This number applies to Iowa license, which
was submitted to law enforcement officers in this district,
and is based on wire received from the Kansas City Office
dated August 21, 1933.

Very truly yours,

C. D. McKean
C. D. MCKEAN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Oklahoma City
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New York
Philadelphia
Dallas
Kansas City
Charlotte
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DALLAS TEXAS AUGUST 21 1934

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
1000 BUREAU AVENUE
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

URGENT 8-21-34
TO DIRECTOR
FROM DALLAS
RE: [illegible]



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A. G. WILKINSON, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

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Cincinnati, Ohio
August 23, 1933

Mr. J. Blake,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas

REURTEL 8/23/33 RE: REAL EXAMINATIONS NO RECORD FOUND THROUGH TELEPHONE COMPANY OF
CALL FROM INDIANAPOLIS DISCLOSED TELEPHONE CONVERSATION FURNISH ADDITIONAL
DETAILS IF POSSIBLE

CONNELLY

NO TREAT
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Salt Lake City, Utah.
August 21st, 1933. 1:10 P.M.

F.B.I. DIVISION
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
300 FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

EDWARD KELLY NEAL KIDNAPPING BARRAIGNED BEFORE USC DENVER THIS MORNING
PRELIMINARY HEARING SET FOR SEPTEMBER FOURTH BOND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS
DETAINED DENVER COUNTY JAIL DENVER.

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URGENT CASE FORWARD PHOTOGRAPH KATHERINE THORNE KELLY

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INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE=

BLAKE

Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
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Mr. Nathan
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August 24, 1933.

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CALL - MR. KEENAN,
Ft. Worth.

Mr. Keenan stated they were at Fort Worth on removal proceedings; that the lawyers for the Shannons are offering to deliver Kelly to the authorities provided they will agree to let Kelly's wife and Mrs. Shannon go free; that they declined this offer; that the lawyers requested to be advised what proposition the authorities would agree to; that he, Mr. Keenan, refuses to allow himself to get in the position of making any recommendations along this line; that, however, he believes if we get Kelly they will hang Kelly and Bates, as the penalty in Oklahoma for highway robbery is hanging; that the lawyers agreed to deliver Kelly on a plea of guilty; that he had talked with the prosecutor in Oklahoma, who seems to be very clever, and that the prosecutor wants to go ahead with this angle of the case; that he does believe if Kelly and Bates are hanged we could make some concession for Mrs. Shannon and Mrs. Kelly. I advised that it appeared to me that the most we could do would promise to recommend to the Court that all possible clemency be extended these women for the service rendered. Mr. Keenan requested that I discuss this matter with the Attorney General, and I stated I would do that this afternoon, and send him a telegram outlining the results of this conference.

Mr. Keenan stated he is going to see the matter through and see if they cannot get at least Bates indicted for highway robbery.

I advised Mr. Keenan of the identification of the latent prints as those of [REDACTED] in the [REDACTED] case, which ties it in with the [REDACTED] case.

Mr. Keenan stated he thought he would proceed to Minneapolis and then to Washington.

Subsequently, I contacted Mr. Keenan by telephone and advised that I had discussed the matter with the Attorney General and that the Attorney General was very emphatic in his statement that of course we could make no promises, but that he thought it would be entirely proper to state that if these people gave us this information and it was productive of any results it would receive in their being given careful and generous consideration.

Mr. Keenan advised these individuals are resisting removal and that they were having a hearing before the Court, but that he thought they would remove them all, including Bailey, under \$100,000 bonds.

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420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

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

August 21, 1933.

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

RE: George R. Kelly,
with aliases - FUGITIVE;
et al.
KIDNAPPING.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with telephonic request of
Mr. Vincent Hughes on this date:

There is transmitted herewith a com-
plete set of eight photographs taken of the R.G.
Shannon farm home and surroundings at Paradise, Texas.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Beane
F. J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,

Kansas City, Missouri.

August 22, 1935.

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DIVISION ONE

AUG 25 1935
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: GEORGE KELLEY, with aliases, et al
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - Victim
Kidnaping

Reference is made to your telephone call of the 19th instant regarding an interview with [REDACTED] to ascertain if he was the party who took the trip to Oklahoma City and returned the night the intermediaries came here to pay the ransom.

Please be advised that [REDACTED] is still out of the city, and is expected back, no doubt, August 23rd. I will attend to this matter as soon as he returns.

Regarding the individual at Mc Pherson, Kansas, this matter will have early attention.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

REV- [REDACTED]
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1806 Law & Finance Bldg.,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

AUG 25 1933

Division of Investigation,
1405, 1403, 1401 Lexington Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed herewith copy of communication dated August 14, 1933, received from the St. Paul Division Office, bearing the above caption. You will please note that this office is requested to conduct immediate inquiry to ascertain the identity of the person or persons possessing or receiving communications through Post Office Box 631, in an effort to locate persons involved in the above matter.

Our investigation has developed that the box in question was rented July 8, 1922, to one [redacted] who has continuously held said box up to and including the present time. Investigation has also developed that very little mail is received in this box; that the Post Office clerks have no recollection of mail being so received other than in the name of the box holder. It was further learned that [redacted] since July 8, 1922, has been employed by several concerns in various cities. During the year 1921 [redacted] worked for [redacted] Chicago, Ill., wholesale grocer; 1922 and 1923 for the Garabedian Grocery Company, Chicago; the years 1923 to 1924 with one [redacted] in the brokerage business in Pittsburgh; 1924 to 1926 was employed by J. Grandinetti and Company, Williamsport, Pennsylvania. At the present time [redacted] is in the employ of the Wesson Oil and Snowdrift Sales Company, 160 East 22nd St., Bayonne, New Jersey, presumably in the capacity of salesman.

It is suggested that this matter receive attention at once and that appropriate inquiry be had to determine whether any of the individuals suspected of the Urschel kidnaping are known to [redacted]

Persons acquainted with [redacted] in Pittsburgh have been shown the Identification Order of George E. Kelly, and all state positively that the photograph of Kelly appearing thereon is not that of [redacted]

Very truly yours,

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McK [redacted]
CC Division
St. Paul

C. D. McKEAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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H
1806 First National Bank Building
Charlotte, North Carolina

August 23, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Hurley-Wright Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In Re: GEORGE R. KELLY, with aliases,
et al; CHARLES F. IRSCHEL, (Victim);
Kidnaping.

Letter from the Dallas, Texas, office dated August 19, 1935, requests that this office make a check of all safety deposit boxes rented in this district between July 22nd and August 14th, 1935, inclusive, by persons whose true identity is questionable, and in the event such boxes are located, the contents examined if possible. No doubt your office received a similar letter.

On August 2, 1935, at the time the Oklahoma City office requested the first circularization of banks in connection with this case, you advised this office over long distance telephone that you were making arrangements with [redacted] of the Federal Reserve Bank at Richmond, Virginia, to have circulars transmitted through the Federal Reserve System, and that your circularization would extend through North Carolina and South Carolina, both states being within the jurisdiction of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.

In the present instance, it is felt that a circularization through the Federal Reserve Banks would be much more effective than any inquiries directed from this office. Accordingly, it is kindly requested that your inquiries at the present time be extended to the states of North Carolina and South Carolina in the event that you have followed a similar procedure at the present time.

I would be pleased to hear from you regarding the above.

Very truly yours,

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

L. E. CONROY, *Dist. Off.*
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc/Oklahoma City
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1420 Enquirer Building
Cincinnati, Ohio

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minn.

Re: GEORGE E. KELLY, with aliases, et al.
Charles F. Urschel - Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to your letter of August 15, 1933 wherein is quoted wire received by Subject Kelly at Cleveland, Ohio, reference being made to Box #631. Inquiry at Indianapolis indicates that Box #631 has not been rented or used by anyone since October, 1932.

Box #631 Dayton, Ohio, according to the Postmaster there was rented previous to May 1, 1926 by the Mud River Sand and Gravel Co., who released this box on June 28, 1933 their mail being forwarded to 651 Industries Building, Dayton, Ohio, and the box has been vacant since that date.

The Postmaster at Evansville, Indiana advises us that Box #631 is used by [redacted] traveling salesman for Swift and Company, who has used such box for the past seven years.

The Postmaster at Columbus, Ohio advises us that Box #631 is not rented at the present time, the W. C. Dumber Company formerly having used this box up to April 1, 1931.

The Postmaster at Lexington, Ky. advises us that Box #631 has been rented for the past four years to [redacted] P.M. Lexington, Ky., a very high class lady who has been a resident of Lexington all her life. The box is now vacant and has been for the past five months.

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The Postmaster, Louisville, Ky. advises no mail box #451 Louisville, Ky. is rented and has not been used by anyone for some time past.

Postmaster at Burns Auto, Indiana advises they do not have a Post Office Box #451.

It was ascertained through the Postmaster at Cincinnati, Ohio that Box #451 has been rented for a number of years to Perry and Derriek Company, Paint Manufacturers, 906-908 Central Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio; also inquiries at this company indicated that subject Kelly is unknown there under his name or aliases.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Division ✓
Dallas
Oklahoma City (2)

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: George R. Kelly,
with aliases - FUGITIVE;
et al.
KIDNAPPING.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with request contained in your tele-
gram of this date:

A photograph of KATHRYN THORNE KELLY is being
forwarded your office today by the Fort Worth, Texas
Police Department.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.



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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,

Kansas City, Missouri.

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

Dear Sir:

I have today received a letter from [REDACTED] warden of the Kansas State Penitentiary, regarding the payment of reward for the capture of Harvey Bailey. The letter reads as follows:

"I have your letter of the 21st inst. relative to paying the reward for the capture of Harvey Bailey. I am glad to have your recommendation in this so that we can know who is entitled to the reward.

I am sending your letter to Judge Foulks in the Governor's office for his information. Part of the reward will come from the Governor's contingent fund. I trust the men will receive the money in the very near future.

I certainly appreciate your letter and our very pleasant relations."

Accordingly, it appears favorable action will be accorded the payment of this reward.

Very truly yours,

H. E. VERMILL
Special Agent in Charge.

REV- [REDACTED] b7c
cc-Division

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W
311 Hurley-Wright Building
Washington, D. C.

Mr. E. E. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1806 First National Bank Building,
Charlotte, North Carolina.

RE: GEORGE E. KELLY, with aliases,
et al. CHARLES F. DUNNICKEL
Victim. Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 23rd, please be advised that I did not circularize all the banks in this district through the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond concerning the safety deposit box, but sent a direct communication to all banks in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

I am forwarding under separate cover a number of circulars which I had left over, and although they bear no name you are welcome to use them in your district if you so desire.

Also attached is a copy of the circular which I sent to all law enforcement officials in this district concerning the sixteen cylinder Cadillac and the Chevrolet sport coupe, in either of which Kelly may be traveling.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KRITZ, BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Special Agent in Charge

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Salt Lake City, Utah.
August 22, 1933. 11:45 A.M.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
200 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING,
KANSAS CITY, MO.

URGENT KANSAS REAL KIDNAPPING BY INFORMATION KELLY IS AN ITALIAN FORMERLY
HAWK LIVING INTO KANSAS HAS FRIENDS PHONETIC SPELLING AS ITALIAN
REPORTED IN AND ABOVE COAL CAMP NEAR COLEMAN KANSAS STOP FREQUENT THAT IT
IS KIDNAPING KANSAS WITH [REDACTED]

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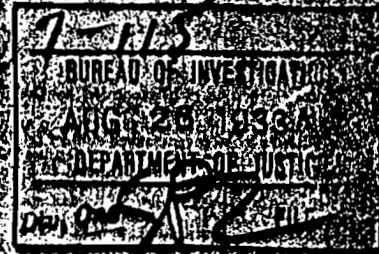
DALLAS TEXAS AUGUST 28 1936

TO DIRECTOR
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

RE: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
SUB: BREMER, EDWARD
RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE
AUGUST 27, 1936

RE: BREMER, EDWARD
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THANK YOU FOR ETAL KIDNAPING YOUR SUBPOENA FOR MONEY HERE SHOULD BE
[REDACTED] CHIEF POLICE AND [REDACTED] CUSTODIAN
POLICE DEPARTMENT DRIVER STOP EXPEDITE TRANSMISSION SUBPOENA
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IN CASE YOUR DISTRICT STOP BATES STILL IN POLICE CUSTODY HIS
JOURNAL ADVISES IN EVENT GOVERNMENT SECURES CUSTODY BATES HE WILL
OPPOSE REMOVAL STOP SUGGEST YOU FURNISH ME NAMES ADDRESSES
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