

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)

DATE: 12-26-63

FROM : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) (P)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING -
OO:OC

Remylet to Bureau 10-30-63.

On 11-26-63, AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, advised that captioned matter is still inactive and unassigned to a judge in USDC, Oklahoma City.

LEADS

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will continue to follow this matter with the USA, WDO, and report any developments.

② - Bureau
2 - Oklahoma City

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 1/28/64

FROM : *XX* SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) P*

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY ~~BARNES~~, aka; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

(OO Oklahoma City)

Re Kansas City let to Bureau 9/18/63.

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For the information of the Bureau and Oklahoma City, a check of the file of HARVEY BAILEY, inmate #3045 Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, was made 1/13/64, and there is no change in his status. His conditional release date remains 5/30/91, with eligibility for parole 1/30/68. His attorney is listed as [REDACTED] Kansas City, Missouri.

There is no indication in the inmate's file that any further step has been taken by him or others to seek executive clemency. [REDACTED] on 1/16/64, advised that nothing has come to his attention that would indicate BAILEY has made any attempt to obtain executive clemency or otherwise seek his release for his application for executive clemency was denied 9/9/63. *e*

This matter will be followed by the Kansas City Office and the Bureau and Oklahoma City will be promptly advised of any developments.

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1 Oklahoma City (7-6)
2 Kansas City
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 2-19-64

FROM :

SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) -P-

SUBJECT:

GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Signature

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 4/17/64

FROM : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) -P-

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO:OC

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LEADS

THE OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 5/1/64

FROM : *JS* SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8)

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SUBJECT: *O* GEORGE KELLY BARNES, aka; ETAL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

OO: Oklahoma City

RE Kansas City letter to Bureau, 1/28/64.

The file of HARVEY BAILEY, #3045, Kansas State Penitentiary (KSP), has been regularly reviewed and as of 4/28/64, there has been no change in status since the Governor of the state of Kansas in 1963 had denied his application for clemency.

The file fails to reflect any further action has been taken to affect BAILEY's release in any way.

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1 Oklahoma City (7-6)
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

[REDACTED]
Detroit, Michigan 48235
May 12, 1964

Gentlemen:

Recently, while doing research for a term paper, I encountered a magazine article which told of a kidnapping case in 1933, that of George and Kathryn Kelly. They were convicted of kidnapping multimillionaire oil man, Charles F. Urschel. Until 1958, when a trial opened for them, Kathryn kept insisting that she was innocent. Their lawyer at the 1958 trial, Edward Williams, said that in 1933, the FBI handwriting expert, Charles A. Appel, had said that the signatures on the ransom notes were not those of Mrs. Kelly but could have been those of Mr. Kelly. This finding, which was not reported by the FBI in 1933 or in 1958, could have saved Mrs. Kelly from many years in jail. Why wasn't Mr. Appel's finding (about the fingerprints not being Mrs. Kelly's) reported to the court in 1933 or in 1958?

Yours Truly,
[REDACTED]

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and
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5-11-64 [REDACTED]

~~CORRESPONDENCE~~
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May 18, 1964

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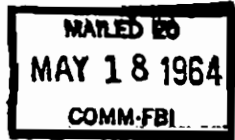
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Detroit, Michigan 48235

Dear [REDACTED]

I have received your letter of May 12, 1964.

While it would be improper for me to comment concerning a matter currently under appeal, I would like to point out that the letters referred to in the article were not the ransom notes but were threatening letters mailed to Mr. Urschel and to an Oklahoma newspaper after the ransom had been paid and the victim released. These letters, therefore, had no direct bearing upon the actual kidnap plot for which Kathryn Kelly was tried and convicted. Furthermore, the examination of the notes in question and the testimony at the trial were furnished by a private handwriting examiner who was in no way connected with the FBI.



Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

**John Edgar Hoover
Director**

1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent with cover memo)

NOTE: See M. A. Jones to DeLoach memo, 5-15-64, captioned "Inquiry Re Handwriting Examination in Urschel Kidnaping Case."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 5-15-64

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: INQUIRY RE HANDWRITING EXAMINATION
IN URSCHER KIDNAPING CASE

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By letter 5-12-64, [redacted] of Detroit, Michigan, indicated while doing research for a term paper he came across a magazine article concerning the Urschel Kidnaping Case. This was the article in the 6-16-62 issue of "The Saturday Evening Post" by Edward Bennett Williams in which he stated that the Federal Government willfully withheld evidence in connection with the trial of Kathryn Kelly in 1933. [redacted] states that the findings of the FBI handwriting expert could have saved Mrs. Kelly from many years in jail and asked why these findings were not reported to the court.

The article, of course, referred to the two threatening letters written by the Kellys following the release of Urschel and actually had no direct bearing on the kidnaping plot itself for which the Kellys were tried and convicted. The handwriting examination and the testimony concerning these letters were furnished by a private handwriting expert who had no connection with the FBI.

A search of Bureau indices concerning [redacted] was negative. Inasmuch as Mrs. Kelly's case is presently under appeal, it is not felt that we should comment; however, [redacted] should be set straight on the fact that the handwriting examinations concerned threatening letters "after the fact" and not ransom notes. There would, therefore, appear to be no point in running a field check on [redacted] since we do not plan to answer his question.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter be sent to [redacted]

Enclosure sent 5-18-64
1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
[redacted] (4)

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7-115-2706

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CRIME RESEARCH

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 6/18/64

FROM :

SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)

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SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO OC

Remylets 10/30/63 and 4/17/64.

On 6/17/64, AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, advised that the status of this case remains unchanged in the USDC, Oklahoma City, in that it is still inactive and unassigned to a judge.

On 6/18/64, Mr. KLINE further advised that he has received no response from the Department of Justice to Mr. KLINE's recommendation to the Department that ORA SHANNON and KATHRYN KELLY be granted a parole.

LEADS

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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2-Oklahoma City

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE:

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages 18638-18641. Congressman Libonati, (D) Illinois, paid tribute to James V. Bennett, Director of the Bureau of Prisons. He included an article written by Eve Edstrom entitled "A Further Outlook," which appeared in the Washington Post on August 9, 1964. This article states "A very few inmates serve out their lives in prison. One was an early public enemy No. 1—swaggering, big-talking George R. (Machine Gun) Kelly, who was sent to Alcatraz in the early 1930's for the kidnapping of an Oklahoma City oilman. Legend has it that he dubbed his machinegun 'The Little Stenog' because he could write his name with its bullets. He also is credited with coining the 'G-man' label for FBI agents. Yet before Kelly died of a heart attack in prison on his 39th birthday, he wrote some highly sensitive letters to Bennett."

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In the original memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)

DATE: 8/31/64

FROM : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) P

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO. OC

Remylet 6/18/64.

On 8/31/64, AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, advised that the status of this case remains unchanged in the USDC, Oklahoma City, in that it is still inactive and unassigned to a judge.

Mr. KLINE further advised that he has received no response from the Department of Justice to Mr. KLINE's recommendation to the Department that ORA SHANNON and KATHRYN KELLY be granted a parole.

LEADS

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will continue to follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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Date: 10/7/64

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) (P)

RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ETAL;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL-VICTIM
KIDNAPING

OO: OKLAHOMA CITY

Re Oklahoma City letter to Kansas City, dated
9/17/64.

[REDACTED] Kansas State
Penitentiary (KSP), Lansing, Kansas, on 9/22/64, advised IC
[REDACTED] that HARVEY BAILEY, KSP# 3045, will become
eligible for parole consideration in February of 1968, how-
ever, BAILEY was to apply for Executive Clemency on 9/24/64
to the Governor of Kansas.

[REDACTED] KSP, on
9/30/64 advised the KSP was not in receipt of the results
of the Executive Clemency Hearing afforded BAILEY on 9/24/64.

[REDACTED] on 10/6/64, advised the KSP still was not
in receipt of the results of this hearing. [REDACTED] advised that
additional information concerning this hearing may be obtained
by contacting [REDACTED] of the Kansas Board
of Probation and Parole, 11th Floor, New State Office Building,
Topeka, Kansas.

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

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[REDACTED] made available on 9/30/64, a copy of a letter dated 9/28/64, addressed to the Warden of the KSP, from the Assistant County Attorney for Hennepin County, Minnesota, concerning a detainer that county has against BAILEY pertaining to indictment of BAILEY by the Grand Jury of Hennepin County on the 5th day of April, 1932.

One copy of the aforescribed letter is enclosed to the Bureau and Oklahoma City for information.

LEAD:

KANSAS CITY DIVISION:

At Topeka, Kansas:

Will immediately contact [REDACTED] of the Kansas Board of Probation and Parole, 11th Floor, New State Office Building, and ascertain results of the Executive Clemency Hearing afforded HARVEY BAILEY, KSP #3045, on 9/24/64, and advise the Bureau and Oklahoma City.

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ENCL. TO BUREAU FROM KANSAS CITY (1)

Copy of letter dated 9/28/64, addressed to Warden, KSP, from Assistant
County Attorney for Hennepin Co., Minnesota.

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KC AT BUREAU, DATED 10/7/64.

ENCLOSURE

7-115-2709

George M. Scott

HENNEPIN COUNTY ATTORNEY

400 COURT HOUSE

MINNEAPOLIS 15, MINNESOTA

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September 28, 1964

FIRST ASSISTANT
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EUGENE BERNATH

Mr. S. H. Crouse, Warden
Kansas State Penitentiary
Lansing, Kansas

Attention: Mr. William R. Barker
Record Clerk

RE: BAILEY, Harvey - KSP 3045
Our Miscellaneous Criminal Files (PML)

Gentlemen:

Your letter dated September 18, 1964, addressed to the Chief of Police, Police Department, Minneapolis, Minnesota, relative to our detainer against the above named individual, has been referred to the undersigned for attention.

We have read with considerable interest the third and fourth paragraphs of your letter, which read as follows:

" This inmate was sentenced to this institution August 17, 1932 to serve a term of 10-50 years for Bank Robbery. He escaped in May 1933 and was returned in November 1962, however, during this time he was sentenced to Life in Oklahoma on a Federal charge of kidnaping. He was paroled from this sentence back to Kansas in November, 1962 and is presently serving his Kansas term. He will be eligible for parole consideration in February, 1968, however, he has applied for Executive Clemency for hearing this month, and your detainer will have some bearing on the Clemency Board's recommendation.

" Inmates present age is 78 years old. Due to this advanced age, does your office still desire

Mr. S. M. Crouse, Warden
Attn: Mr. Wm. R. Barker

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September 28, 1964

to prosecute in the event that he is released.
It will be helpful if you could notify this
institution as soon as possible, whether you
desire this detainer to remain in effect."

From your letter we understand that Mr. Bailey will be eligible
for parole in the month of February, 1968.

Under the facts and circumstances, Mr. Bailey is now 78 years of
age and will be eligible for parole in 1968, and the further fact
that he was indicted by the Grand Jury of Hennepin County on the
5th day of April, 1932, for a crime alleged to have been committed
in the City of Minneapolis, on the 29th day of March, 1932, it is
unlikely that the State of Minnesota will apply for extradition of
Mr. Bailey from the State of Kansas to the State of Minnesota. We
are however, checking our files for witnesses who may still be
available. We assume, at Mr. Bailey's hearing for Clemency, his
record, behavior, physical and mental condition will be considered,
and for that reason, taking into consideration, Mr. Bailey's
advanced age, we believe it proper and justifiable to leave the
matter of Mr. Bailey's application for Clemency to the authorities
who are to act upon his application.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE M. SCOTT
COUNTY ATTORNEY

Chester Durda
Chester Durda
Assistant County Attorney

CD:ds

cc: Minneapolis Police Department

FBI

Date: 10/12/64

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Belmont ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. DeLoach ✓
Mr. Casper ✓
Mr. Callahan ✓
Mr. Conrad ✓
Mr. Evans ✓
Mr. Gale ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Sullivan ✓
Mr. Tavel ✓
Mr. Trotter ✓
Tele. Room ✓
Miss Holmes ✓
Miss Gandy ✓

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) -P-
RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ETAL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

(OO-Oklahoma City)

Re Kansas City airtel to Bureau, dated 10/7/64.

The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT TOPEKA, KANSAS:

On 10/9/64, [redacted] of the Kansas Board of Probation and Parole, advised that a hearing on the subject's executive clemency was afforded the subject on 9/24/64, and he said the Kansas Parole Board has made its recommendation to the Governor of the State of Kansas, however, he said as yet the Governor has not taken any action in regard to HARVEY BAILEY's executive clemency.

JOHN ANDERSON, JR., Governor of the State of Kansas, advised on 10/9/64 that as yet he has not reviewed the proceedings in regard to HARVEY BAILEY's executive clemency hearing which took place on 9/24/64. He said, however, it was his understanding that the Kansas Parole Board had recommended executive clemency for HARVEY BAILEY due to the

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subject's advanced age, and the fact that in all probability they can find suitable employment for him if he is paroled in the near future.

Governor ANDERSON noted that BAILEY is now about 78 years of age, and he said it was his understanding that the Parole Board had recommended executive clemency. He said he has not acted in this matter as yet, however, he said he doubted very seriously that he would rule contrary to the recommendation of the Parole Board, and that this means that in all probability he will grant BAILEY executive clemency. He related that in the event he does grant BAILEY executive clemency, this will merely mean that he will become eligible for parole at an earlier date. He said when he recommends executive clemency, he merely shortens the minimum amount of time that is to be served on an individual's sentence. He said, in BAILEY's case, as he recalls, he was to serve from ten to twenty years, and in this case, he said, he would shorten the ten year period to five years, thus making BAILEY eligible for parole at a much earlier date.

Governor ANDERSON stated that he will keep the FBI advised of all pertinent developments in this matter.

The Kansas City Division will continue to follow this matter with Governor ANDERSON at Topeka, Kansas, and the Bureau will be advised regarding all pertinent developments.

Date: 10/14/64
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Harvey J. Bailey, currently incarcerated in Kansas State Penitentiary, was one of the participants in the 7/22/38 kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel. Bailey was convicted for his part and given life sentence in Federal penal system. On 11/15/62, Bailey was paroled by U. S. Board of Parole and released to Kansas authorities, where wanted for 1933 prison escape. Bailey will become eligible for state parole consideration in February, 1968 according to information received earlier from Kansas penal authorities.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)

DATE: 11/23/64

FROM : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

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EX-117

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Date: 12/2/64

Transmit the following in _____
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Mr. Sullivan	_____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) (P)

RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ETAL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER-VICTIM
KIDNAPING

OO: OKLAHOMA CITY

Re Kansas City airtel to Bureau, dated 10/12/64.

Contact has been maintained with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Kansas State Penitentiary (KSP),
Lansing, Kansas, on a weekly basis by IC [REDACTED]
to insure that any change in the status of inmate HARVEY
BAILEY, KSP# 3045 is immediately brought to the attention of
the FBI. There has been no change in BAILEY'S status
subsequent to re airtel.

The Kansas City Division will continue to follow
this matter with Governor ANDERSON at Topeka, Kansas and with
[REDACTED] KSP, and the Bureau and Oklahoma City
will be advised regarding all pertinent developments.

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2-Oklahoma City (7-6)
2-Kansas City
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7-115-2712

DEC 4 1964

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. DeLoach _____
Mr. Casper _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Conrad _____
Mr. Felt _____
Mr. Gale _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sullivan _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 1/13/65

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) P

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ETAL;
CHARLES F. URSHEL - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OKLAHOMA CITY

Re Kansas City airtels to Bureau, 10/12/64 and
12/2/64.

[REDACTED] Kansas State
Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, on 1/8/65, advised SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that he had on this date been officially
notified that the Governor for the State of Kansas has
granted commutation of sentence as to HARVEY BAILEY
reducing his sentence of 10 to 50 years to 5 to 50 years,
making him eligible before the February, 1965, Parole
Board, for parole consideration.

It was noted from a review of inmate BAILEY's
file, that [REDACTED] on 1/8/65, had directed a letter
to [REDACTED] U. S. Probation Officer, Oklahoma
City, Oklahoma, advising him of the above. It was further
noted that [REDACTED] informed [REDACTED] that at this time
there was nothing definite as to whether or not BAILEY
would be paroled, but it was felt that due to his advanced
age he would be granted a parole in the near future.

The Bureau and Oklahoma City will be advised
regarding all pertinent developments and this matter will
be followed closely with Kansas State Prison authorities.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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*See memo
Kramer to Belmont
1/21/65*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 1-19-65

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *Wor*

FROM : A. Rose *R*

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES
ET AL.;
CHARLES F. ⁰URSHEL - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING

DATE: January 21, 1965 *Wor*

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Shroder
1 - Mr. McInerney

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As a matter of information the Kansas City Office has advised that on 1/8/65, officers at Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas were officially notified that the Governor for the state of Kansas has granted commutation of sentence as to Harvey Bailey reducing the sentence of 10 to 50 years to five to 50 years, making him eligible to appear before the Parole Board, for parole consideration during February, 1965.

From a review of Bailey's prison file it was indicated that due to his age he might possibly be paroled in the near future. Bailey originally was to become eligible for State Parole consideration in February, 1968.

Bailey on 5/30/33, while serving a 10 to 50 year sentence for bank robbery escaped from the Kansas State Penitentiary and subsequently became involved as one of the participants of the 7/22/33, kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel. Bailey was convicted for his participation in the abduction and given a life sentence in the Federal penal system.

On 11/15/32, Bailey was paroled by the U. S. Board of Parole, on condition that he be released to Kansas penal authorities where he was wanted for the 1933 escape.

Kansas City Office is following this matter closely and the Bureau will be kept advised of developments.

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January 19, 1965

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Harvey J. Bailey, currently incarcerated in Kansas State Penitentiary, was one of the participants in the 7-22-33 kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel. Bailey was convicted for his part and given life sentence in Federal penal system. On 11-15-62, Bailey was paroled by U. S. Board of Parole and released to Kansas authorities, where wanted for 1933 prison escape.

Baily originally was to become eligible for state parole consideration in February, 1968, according to information received earlier from Kansas penal authorities.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115) DATE: 2/26/65

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) (P)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ETAL
CHARLES F. URSCHER-VICTIM
KIDNAPING

OO: OKLAHOMA CITY

Re Kansas City letter to Bureau, 1/13/65.

[REDACTED] Kansas State Penitentiary (KSP), Lansing, Kansas, on 2/24/65, advised IC [REDACTED] as follows re HARVEY BAILEY, KSP #3045:

The Hennepin County Attorney's Office, 400 Courthouse, Minneapolis, Minnesota, by letter dated 1/13/65, advised the KSP that the detainer for their office was being lifted and they would not extradite BAILEY, however, the Criminal action alleged in the indictment was not being dismissed and should BAILEY return to Minnesota, he may be brought before their District Court for possible prosecution by reason of said indictment.

BAILEY appeared before the February 1965, Kansas State Parole Board and he was "continued."

[REDACTED] stated that "continued" means the Parole Board is in the process of investigating BAILEY's release plans before they take any final action on his possible parole.

[REDACTED] stated that BAILEY has accumulated approximately \$5000 during his confinement which is in the form of U. S. Savings Bonds and cash.

[REDACTED] stated that up-to-date information concerning the status of the Parole Board's investigation pertaining to BAILEY's possible release plans may be obtained by contacting [REDACTED] Kansas Board of Probation and Parole, 11th floor, New State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas.

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- 2 - Oklahoma City (7-6)
- 3 - Kansas City

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AT TOPEKA, KANSAS

Contact [REDACTED] Kansas Board of Probation and Parole, 11th floor, New State Office Building, for up-to-date information re possible release of BAILEY from the KSP. If the Parole Board's investigation is not completed, contact should be maintained with [REDACTED] and the Bureau and Oklahoma City should be advised of all pertinent developments in this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) P

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

DATE: 3/5/65

OO: Oklahoma City

Re Kansas City letters to the Bureau, dated 1/13/65 and 2/26/65.

On January 28, 1965, [REDACTED] Kansas State Probation and Parole Board, Topeka, Kansas, advised SA [REDACTED] that as yet no action had been taken in regard to the parole of HARVEY BAILEY. He said in all probability this matter will be presented to the Board sometime in February, 1965.

On February 25, 1965, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that as yet no action has been taken by the Board in regard to HARVEY BAILEY's parole. He said that at the present time they are still attempting to work out a suitable parole plan for BAILEY and he did not anticipate that any action would be taken by the Board in this matter until the latter part of March, 1965.

LEAD:

KANSAS CITY DIVISION:

At Topeka, Kansas:

Will contact [REDACTED] Kansas Board of Probation and Parole, during the latter part of March, 1965, to determine what action, if any, has been taken in this matter.

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- 2 - Oklahoma City (7-6)
- 2 - Kansas City

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3 MAR 8 1965

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)

DATE: 3/17/65

FROM : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO OC

Remylet 1/19/65.

On 3/16/65, AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, said the status of this case is unchanged in the U. S. District Court, Oklahoma City, in that it is still inactive and unassigned to a judge.

Mr. KLINE stated he has received no response from the Department of Justice to Mr. KLINE's recommendation that ORA SHANNON and KATHRYN KELLY be granted a parole.

LEAD

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will continue to follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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Date: 4/2/65

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AIRMAIL

Via _____
(Priority)

Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Mohr	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
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Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Miss Gandy	

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)
 FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) (P)
 RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ETAL
 CHARLES F. URSCHER-VICTIM
 KIDNAPING
 OO: OKLAHOMA CITY

Re Kansas City letter to Bureau, dated 3/5/65
 and Kansas City teletype to Bureau, dated 3/30/65.

[REDACTED] Kansas State
 Penitentiary (KSP), Lansing, Kansas, on 3/31/65, at 12:10PM
 telephonically advised as follows:

HARVEY BAILEY, KSP #3045, was paroled from the KSP
 at 7:30 AM, 3/31/65. BAILEY was taken to Joplin, Mo., by
 officials of the KSP in a KSP vehicle. BAILEY is to be
 employed by [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED], Joplin, Mo. He is to reside at the YMCA,
 Joplin, Mo. He is to be supervised by Missouri Probation
 Officer, [REDACTED], Carthage,
 Mo.

[REDACTED] advised that the Kansas State Board of
 Probation and Parole, Topeka, Kansas, prohibited him from
 furnishing any information concerning the release of BAILEY,
 prior to the actual release of BAILEY and prior to the public
 announcement of BAILEY'S release by the Board.

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 2-Kansas City
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7-115-2719

12 APR 6 1965

C. C. Wick

Approved: Wick
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAR 30 1965

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Mr. Tolson	
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530 PM CST URGENT 3/30/65

TO DIRECTOR 7-115 AND OKLAHOMA CITY 7-8

FROM KANSAS CITY 7-8

GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ETAL, CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM. KIDNAPING
OKLAHOMA CITY.

RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL TO BUREAU MARCH FIVE LAST.

[REDACTED] KANSAS STATE PROBATION AND PAROLE
BOARD, ADVISED TODAY HARVEY BAILEY WILL BE PAROLED BY KANSAS BOARD
OF PAROLE TOMORROW ON INDEFINITE PAROLE TO RESIDE IN JOPLIN,
MISSOURI. KANSAS PAROLE BOARD WILL MAKE PRESS RELEASE REGARDING
BAILEY'S PAROLE ELEVEN AM TOMORROW.

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CC-MR ROSEN



MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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In January, 1965, the Governor of Kansas commuted Bailey's state sentence of ten to fifty years to five to fifty years making Bailey eligible for parole at this time.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 5-17-65

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

Remylet 3/17/65.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will continue to follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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1 - Oklahoma City

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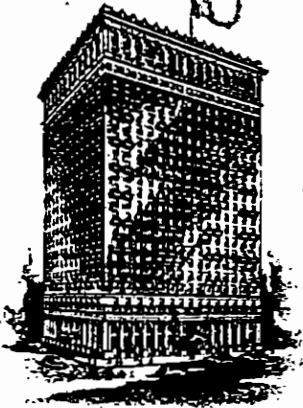
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SIX HUNDRED ROOMS EACH WITH BATH

TULSA 1, OKLAHOMA

July 18, 1964

Mr. Belmont
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Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Evans
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
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Miss Gandy

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director F. B. I.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,-

Enclosed copy of your recent letter to my brother reminds me that I should have made it plain that my activities regarding the Charles Urchel case were at Oklahoma City, when the late Judge Vaught was active.

Copy of my letter of May 16, 1964 explains more fully and enclosed herewith.

I still hope to see you President of The United States. No man that I know is better qualified or so badly needed.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

Phone [Redacted]

C C Hon. Carl Albert, one of my finest and best friends.

ENCLOSURE

REC-42

5-25-65
3 JUL 20 1964

C/o The Mayo Hotel
Tulsa, Oklahoma

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CORRESPONDENCE

May 10, 1964

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director F.B.I.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,-

Enclosed copy of Tulsa Daily World recalls very vividly the Charles Urchel case. I was told by our Federal Judge to call you. It was after midnight but I called and you told me to wait until two of your men from Shawnee arrived.

Forty years ago seems like only a few years. As usual, Charles got back safely and the kidnaper went to jail.

All this is to try to tell you how sincerely I wish you all the happiness you so richly deserve.

Very truly yours,

Phono [REDACTED]

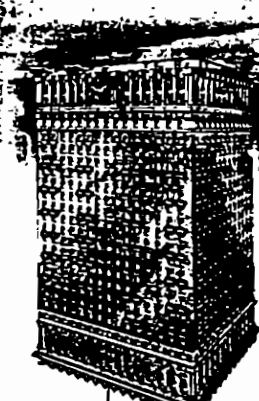
C C Hon. Carl Albert, M. C.

TULSA, OKLAHOMA

SIX HUNDRED ROOMS EACH WITH BATH



c/o The Mayo Hotel
Tulsa, Oklahoma



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



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

May 27, 1964

6-2-64
[Redacted]
[Redacted]
Pan American Petroleum
Corporation
Box 1654
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101

Dear [Redacted]

It was indeed thoughtful of you to remember my Anniversary as Director of the FBI, and I want to thank you for the congratulations and best wishes you extended. Your complimentary remarks are most encouraging.

President Johnson's Executive Order waiving mandatory retirement in my behalf was indeed an honor.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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ENCLOSURE

7-11-2722

July 22, 1964

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The Mayo Hotel
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101

Dear [REDACTED]

I have received your letter of July 18th, with enclosures, and want you to know how much I appreciate your kind comments. I am honored to know that you consider me qualified for the position of President but I have no intention of running for any political office. It is my desire to continue in my present capacity for as long as I can be of service to our country.

It was good of you to remember my Anniversary in your communication of May 10th; however, that letter must have gone astray since a thorough search of records fails to indicate that it was received.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: There is no indication that the letter dated May 10th was received. It appears to be in recognition of the Director's Anniversary. Even though correspondent indicates he called the Bureau regarding the Charles Urschel kidnaping case, there is no record of him in Bureau indices. The Urschel case is 27 volumes and no effort was made to review it to determine if his name is mentioned in that file. The Director wrote [REDACTED] on May 27th and Bufiles indicate there were 2 prior [REDACTED] communications from that individual prior to the correspondence in May.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 5-28-65

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (7-8) -RUC-

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

OO: OKLAHOMA CITY

Re Kansas City airtel to Bureau dated 4-2-65.

In view of the information set forth in referenced airtel reflecting the release of HARVEY BAILEY from the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, no further check will be made by this office as to his status or current whereabouts UACB.

[Handwritten signature]

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7-115-2723

21 JUN 1 1965

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2 - Oklahoma City (7-6)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

FROM : *in* SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

DATE: 7-20-65

Remylet 5/17/65.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will continue to follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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7-115-2724

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

FROM : *Bo/μ* SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6)

DATE: 9/20/65

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

Remylet 7/20/65.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

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7-115-2725
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 11/22/65

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) -P-

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

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8 NOV 24 1965



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115) DATE: 1/18/66

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) -P=

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

Remylet 11/22/65.

On 1/18/66, AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, stated the status of this case is unchanged in the U. S. District Court, Oklahoma City, in that it is still inactive and unassigned to a judge.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 3/21/66

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) -P-

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

Remylet 1/18/66

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LEAD

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will continue to follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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7-115-2728

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)

FROM : *not g* SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) (P)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO:OC

DATE: 5-25-66

Remylet 3-21-66.

On 5-25-55, AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, stated the status of this case is unchanged in the U. S. District Court, Oklahoma City, in that it is still inactive and unassigned to a judge.

Mr. KLINE said he has received no response from the Department of Justice to Mr. KLINE's recommendation that ORA SHANNON and KATHRYN KELLY be granted a parole.

LEAD

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will continue and follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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7-115-2729

8 MAY 27 1966



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 7/20/66

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) -P-

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING.
OO: OC

Remylet 5/25/66.

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Mr. KLINE said he has received no response from the Department of Justice to Mr. KLINE's recommendation that ORA SHANNON and KATHRYN KELLY be granted a parole.

LEAD

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will continue and follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 9/19/66

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) -P-

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES; ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

Remylet 7/20/66.

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Mr. KLINE said he has received no response from the Department of Justice to Mr. KLINE's recommendation that ORA SHANNON and KATHRYN KELLY be granted a parole.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will continue and follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report all developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 11/18/66

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) - P -

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
(OO:Oklahoma City)

Remylet 9/19/66.

On 11/16/66 AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised the status of this case remains unchanged in the USDC, Oklahoma City, and is still inactive and unassigned to a judge.

Mr. KLINE further advised he still has received no answer from the Department of Justice re KLINE's recommendation that ORA SHANNON and KATHRYN KELLY be granted a parole.

LEAD

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Will follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report further developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)

FROM : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) (P)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
et al;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO OC

DATE: 1/24/67

Remylet to Bureau 11/18/66.

On 1/16/67 AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, OC, advised that there has been no change in the status of this case in the USDC, OC. AUSA KLINE stated he believed the matter is presently in the hands of Judge RIZLEY but that he does not expect Judge RIZLEY to take any action in this case. AUSA KLINE stated in the absence of some type of assistance from some quarter, the status of this case will remain unchanged.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report any further developments.

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11 JAN 26 1967

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 3/30/67

FROM : *SL* SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) P*

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
(OO:Oklahoma City)

Re Oklahoma City letter 1/24/67.

On 3/28/67 AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDC, Oklahoma City, was again contacted re the status of this case in USDC, Oklahoma City. AUSA KLINE stated that the status of this matter is unchanged.

In view of the above and prior communications in which the status of this matter in USDC, Oklahoma City, has been reported as unchanged and the expressed opinion of AUSA KLINE that the status of this matter in all probability will remain unchanged, this case is being placed in a P* status for a period of six months.

2 - Bureau
1 - Oklahoma City
[REDACTED]

(3) *b7C*

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Date: 11/14/67

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) P
GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO OC

Remylet to Bureau 1/24/67.

On 11/13/67 AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised there has been no change in the status of this case in the U.S. District Court, Oklahoma City. AUSA KLINE further advised that he does not expect any action to be taken in this case. However, it still remains technically in the hands of the USDC, Oklahoma City.

LEADOKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report any further developments.

3-Bureau
2-Oklahoma City

(5)

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EX-102

REC-21

7-115-2735

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

F B I

Date: 3/13/68

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) P*
GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO OC

Re Oklahoma City airtel to Bureau 11/14/67.

On 3/13/68 AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised there had been no change in the status of this case in USDC, Oklahoma City. AUSA KLINE further advised that no action is anticipated, however, should any action be taken he would immediately notify the Oklahoma City Office of the FBI.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report any further developments. *de*

③ Bureau
1-Oklahoma City

EX 101

REC-23

7-115-2736

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Approved: Bishop

Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

FBI

Date: 6/24/68

PLAINTEXT

Transmit the following in

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via TELETYPE

URGENT

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, AND SACS BALTIMORE, CLEVELAND AND JACKSON

FROM: SAC, WFO

Unknown Subject

UNSUB; [REDACTED]

Office of Origin

- VICTIM; KIDNAPPING, CO: WFO

RE WFO TELETYPE JUNE TWO THREE LAST.

SOURCES: [REDACTED] - SCLC REPRESENTATIVE ADVISED FBI TWO-TWENTY P.M.,

TODAY, THAT HE HAD RECOVERED VICTIM FROM UNKNOWN NEGRO FEMALE AGE ONE EIGHT AT FOURTEEN AND U STREET, N. W., IN FRONT OF SCLC TRANSPORTATION HEADQUARTERS. VICTIM'S HAIR HAD REPORTEDLY BEEN CUT. [REDACTED] STATES VICTIM EXAMINED BY DOCTOR AND FOUND TO BE IN GOOD HEALTH. VICTIM RETURNED TO CUSTODY OF MOTHER WHO REPORTEDLY HAS LEFT BY BUS TO RETURN TO MARKS, MISSISSIPPI. UNITED STATES PARK POLICE AND AFD NOTIFIED.

WFO UNABLE TO INTERVIEW VICTIM'S MOTHER OR WITNESSES DUE TO CURRENT DISTURBANCES AT 2204AM AND FOURTEENTH AND U STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C. WFO WILL INTERVIEW PERTINENT WITNESSES WHEN

- ② - Bureau (7-115)
- 3 - Teletype Unit
- 2 - WFO (7- [REDACTED])

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Approved:

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

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Per

All b7C

F B I

Date:

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Via _____
(Priority)

WFO 7- [REDACTED] b7C

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SITUATION STABILIZES.

JACKSON REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW VICTIM'S MOTHER UPON RETURN
TO MARKS, MISSISSIPPI.

PENDING.

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

FBI

Date: 10/24/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (7-115)

FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) P*

GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHEL -
VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO OC

Re Oklahoma City airtel to the Bureau 3/13/68.

On 10/24/68 AUSA DAVID A. KLINE, WDO, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised there had been no change in the status of this case in USDC, Oklahoma City. AUSA KLINE further advised that no action is anticipated, however, should any action be taken he would immediately notify the Oklahoma City Office of the FBI.

LEADOKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will follow this matter with USA, WDO, and report any further developments.

③-Bureau
1-Oklahoma City

(4)

REC 45

7-115-2727

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

All b7C

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 12/4/69

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) (C)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ET AL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OKLAHOMA CITY

Re Oklahoma City airtel to Bureau, 10/24/68, and
Bureau 0-1 Form, dated 12/1/69, attached.

For the information of the Bureau, this matter was
closed administratively by this office, 6/26/69, due to
lack of pending action. As noted in re airtel, the USA's
Office, Oklahoma City, does not anticipate any action
will be taken in this case in the U. S. District Court,
Oklahoma City.

On 12/3/69, AUSA JEFF LAIRD, Western District of
Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, advised there has been no change
in the status of this case in USDC, and said he does not
anticipate any action will ever be taken by the court.
AUSA LAIRD said that in the event any action is taken,
he would immediately notify this office.

In view of the above, this matter is being closed,
UACB.

EX-117

REC 25

7-115-2738

DEC 8 1969

(2) - Bureau (Enc. - 1)
1 - Oklahoma City

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ENCLOSURE
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DEC 21 1969

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1-Mr. Rosen

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DeLoach _____
Walters _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Soyars _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

TO : Mr. Mallett *AM*

DATE: March 13, 1970

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

SUBJECT: URSCHEL KIDNAPING CASE

Re Kathryn Kelly, she is alive and employed at the present time under the name of [REDACTED] in the capacity of a bookkeeper at the [REDACTED]

Her residence is given as [REDACTED]
She is known as Kay at her place of employment.

Her mother would be 80 years of age, if living. Further effort made to get more specific information without disclosing our interest. The Oklahoma City Office, according to [REDACTED] Supervisor, advised the telephone directory lists one Mrs. Ora Brooks in 1969. It is not known whether Mrs. Ora Brooks is actually Ora Shannon, who has previously been identified as mother of Kathryn Kelly. *OK. J*

ACTION:

This is for information and should be filed.

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EX-117

REC-47

7-11-2739

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (7-115)

DATE: 4/25/73

FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (7-6) (P)

SUBJECT: GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ETAL;
CHARLES F. URSCHER - VICTIM
KIDNABING
OO: Oklahoma City

Oklahoma City office is currently retaining original ransom note in this matter addressed to E. E. KIRKPATRICK. Inasmuch as this matter received heavy publicity at its inception and because it has become one of the Bureau's more famous cases, Oklahoma City requests the Bureau to advise whether the Bureau would prefer to retain the original ransom note at FBI Headquarters.

2 - Bureau
2 - Oklahoma City
(4)

EX-111

REC-21

7-115-274

APR 27 1973

Letter to SAC,
5/3/73

All b7C



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

SAC, Oklahoma City (7-6)
REC-128

5/3/73

EX-111
Acting Director, FBI (7-115)-2740

1 - Mr. Adams

GEORGE KELLY BARNES;
ET AL.
CHARLES F. URSCHEL - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
OO: OC

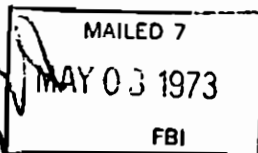
ReOClet 4/25/73.

At the present time, FBIHQ prefers the original ransom note in this case be retained at the Oklahoma City Office. In the event the time arises when your file in this matter is to be destroyed, you should once again consult FBIHQ as to the disposition of the original ransom note.

NOTE: Referenced letter pointed out that original ransom note in this matter which is one of the Bureau's most famous kidnaping cases was presently being retained in the Oklahoma City Office. Oklahoma City requested Bureau's opinion as to where original ransom note should be retained. Above instructions being furnished Oklahoma City.

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Mr. Felt _____
Mr. Baker _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Cleveland _____
Mr. Conrad _____
Mr. Gebhardt _____
Mr. Jenkins _____
Mr. Marshall _____
Mr. Miller, E.S. _____
Mr. Soyars _____
Mr. Thompson _____
Mr. Walters _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Kinley _____
Mr. Armstrong _____
Mr. Bowers _____
Mr. Herington _____
Ms. Herwig _____
Mr. Minix _____
Mrs. Neenan _____



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MAIL ROOM ☒ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. McDermott *JD/DA*

FROM : W. L. Bailey *WLB/AB*

SUBJECT: UNSUBS.
CHARLES F. URSCHEL
(BUFILE 7-115)

DATE: 7-3-75

During a survey conducted of all file material in the Filing Unit to establish a data base for the proposed File Automated Control System (FACS), an extensive number of enclosures behind file which bore no serial number were detected. Most of this material is very old and some may possibly be destroyed when time permits a review of these enclosures by the appropriate substantive desk supervisors. However, the immediate objective is to record this material in the data base now being prepared. A serial number is necessary to provide a means of entry and recall of such enclosures in the proposed automated file request system. Attached is one of these enclosure behind file envelopes which should be assigned the same serial number that is given to this cover memorandum to be placed on record in above-captioned case. It is to be noted this form is for internal use only within the Records Section and is to be filed without further routing after being placed on record and the enclosure detached. When the enclosure is detached for appropriate filing, this action should be clearly noted under the word "Enclosure."

RECOMMENDATION:

That this cover memorandum be placed on record as a not recorded "green" serial in above-captioned case in order to assign a serial number to the attached enclosure as indicated above.

ENCLOSURE FILE
Enclosure



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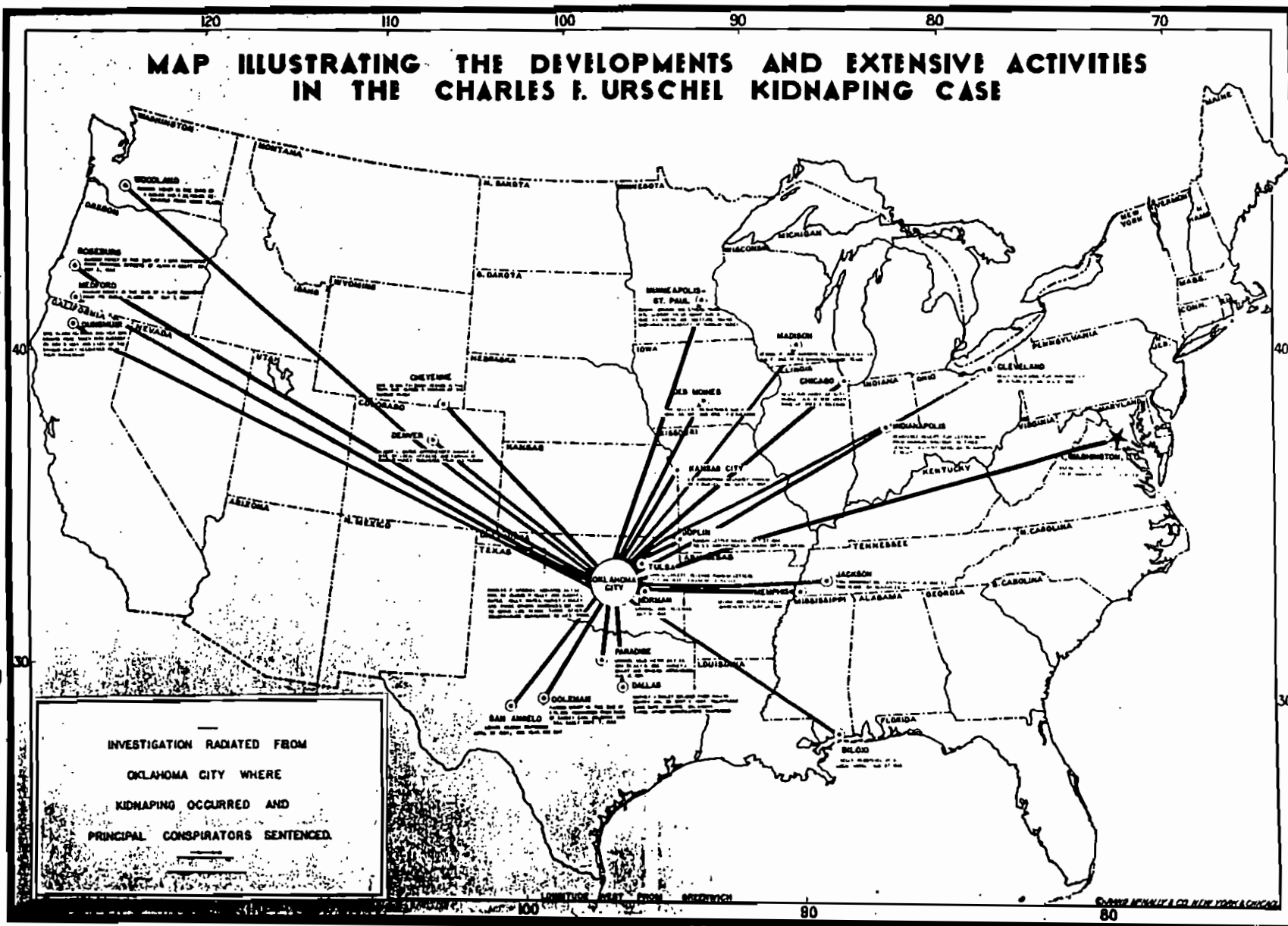
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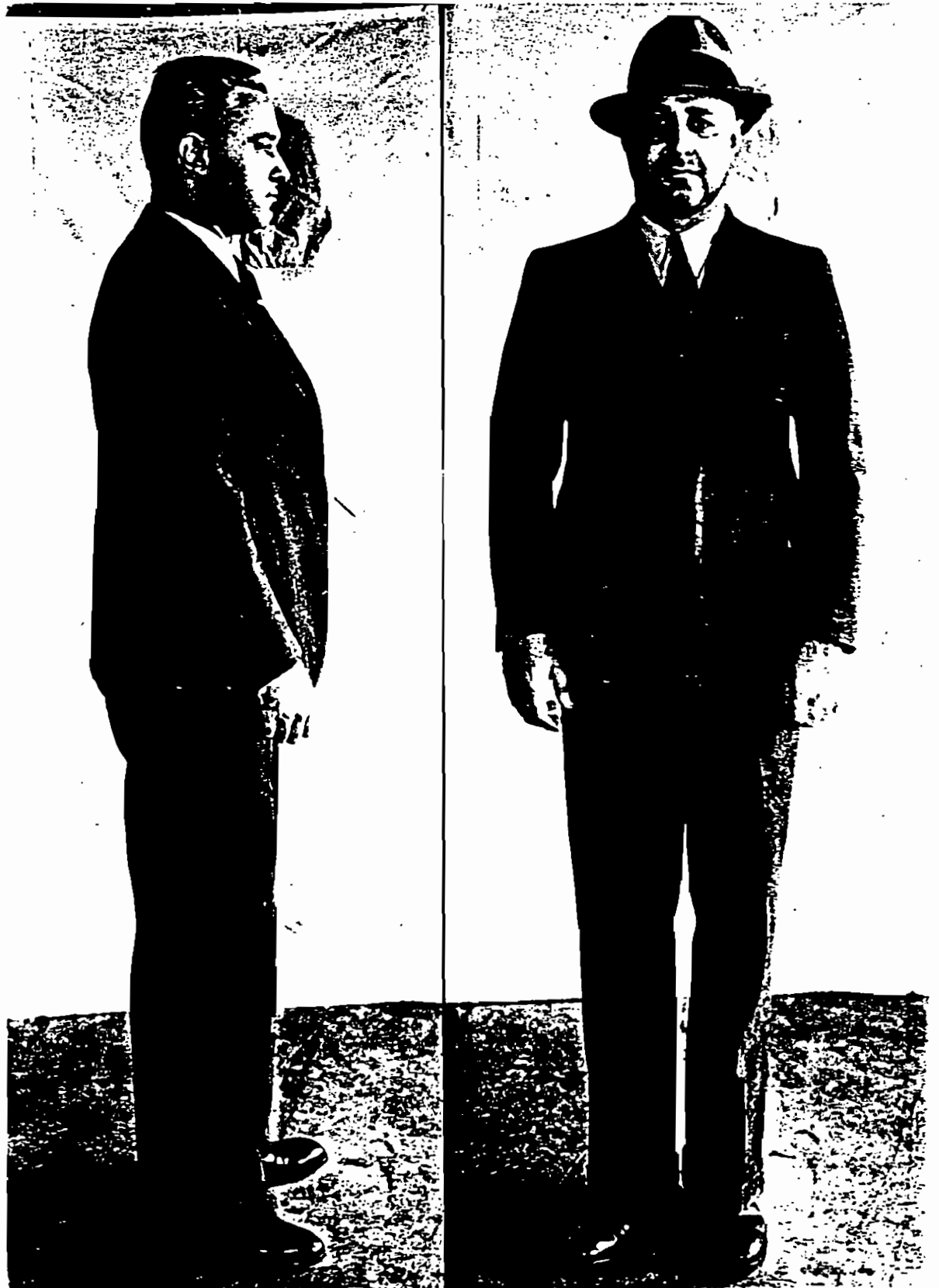
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**MAP ILLUSTRATING THE DEVELOPMENTS AND EXTENSIVE ACTIVITIES
IN THE CHARLES F. URSCHEL KIDNAPING CASE**





#D-4hschel-3

IDENTIFICATION

WOMAN IDENT with aliases.

Age 37
Height 5' 0"
Weight 127
Build medium stout
Complexion fairly
Hair blonde (brown at back) brown
Eyes blue
Teeth good
Occupation none
Marital status married
Scars simple in chin
Residence Fort Worth, Texas
Relatives George F. Barnes, father, Memphis, Tenn.
Nationality American (born Seattle, Wash., July 17, 1896)
Police number-Memphis, Tenn. P.D. # 15395

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BIRMINGHAM FILE

GEORGE KELLY with aliases
 Age 37
 Height 5' 9 1/2"
 Weight 177
 Build medium stout
 Comp ruddy
 Hair blonde(naturally dark brown)
 Eyes blue
 Teeth good
 Occupation none
 Marital status married, wife, Katherine Kelly with aliases
 Scars dimple in chin
 Residence Fort Worth Texas
 Relatives George F. Barnes, father, Memphis, Tenn.
 Nationality American(born Seattle, Wash, 7-17-1896)
 Police number Memphis, Tenn. P.D. # 15595
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POLICE DEPARTMENT
 BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION
 DETECTIVE DIVISION
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Modus Operandi

DISPOSITION

REMARKS

No. 15595

Name George Kelly Barnes with
 Alias aliased
 Alias _____
 Crime Kidnaping
 Age 37 Height 5' 9 1/2" Weight 177
 Eyes Blue Build Med. st.
 Hair Blond (Natural Complexion Ruddy
dk. brown)
 Occupation None
 Nativity Seattle, Wash., 7-17-96
 Arrested Memphis, Tenn., 9-26-33
 Officer _____

EDWARD A. PARKER - DEPUTY INSPECTOR

123441
 Geo Kelly

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R I G H T - Palm Print of GEORGE R. KELLY,

Alias "Machine Gun Kelly", Kidnapper and
Gangster, arrested at Memphis, Tennessee
September 26th 1933. Wanted in connection
with the Charles F. Urschel Kidnapping.

Palm Print taken Sep. 27th 1933 by E.A. Parker.



PD Memphis Tenn

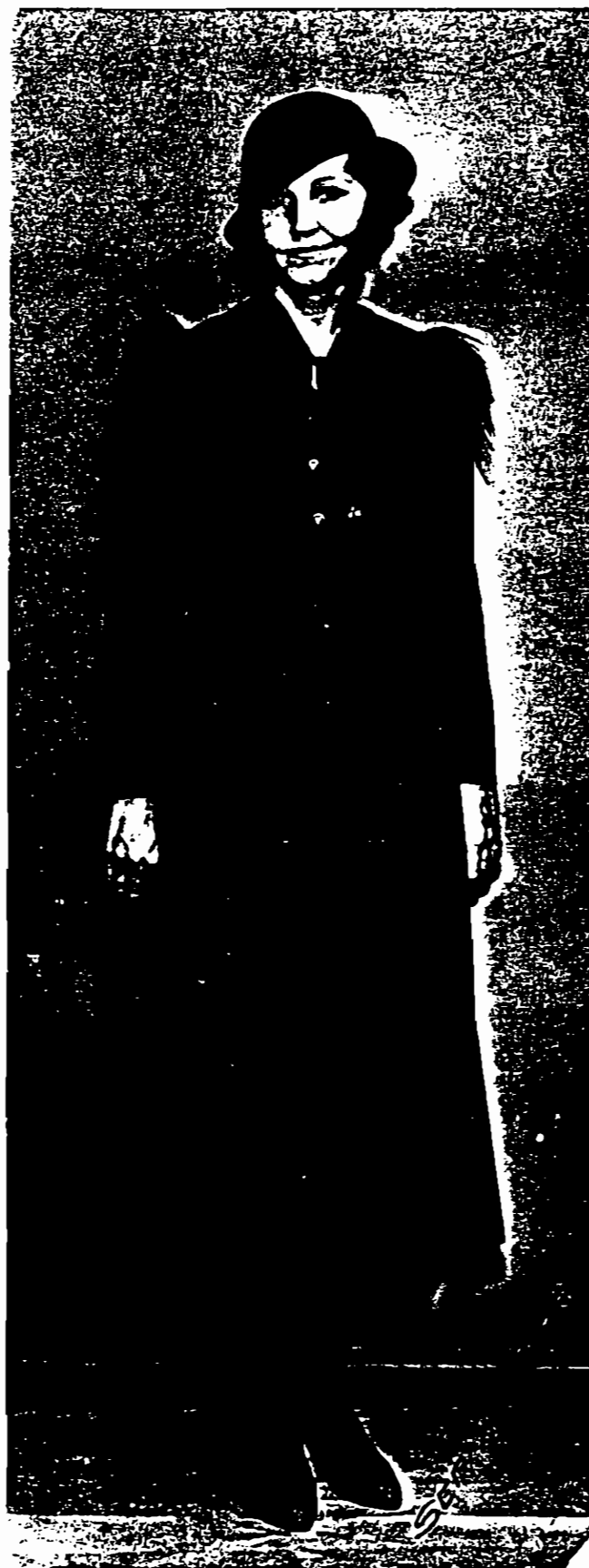
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Palm Print taken Sep. 27th 1933 by E.A. Parkor.

PCO Memphis Tenn.





BIRMINGHAM FILE NUMBER

KATHERINE KELLY with aliases

Age: 29
Height: 5' 6 3/8"
Weight: 130
Build: Slender
Complexion: Fair
Hair: Auburn
Eyes: Dark slate grey
Teeth: Good
Occupation: None
Marital status: Married
Scars: Faint cut sc., rt cheek bone;
faint vert. cut sc., inner end
rt. eyebrow; dimple in chin
Residence: Fort Worth, Texas
Relatives: J. E. Brooks, father, Fort
Worth, Texas
Mrs. R. G. Shannon, mother,
Paradise, Texas
R. G. Shannon, stepfather,
Paradise, Texas
Arman Shannon, half-brother,
Paradise, Texas.
Nationality: American (Born Chicago, Miss
issippi, 5-18-04)
Police Number: Memphis T. D. #15593

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MEMPHIS - - TENNESSEE

Finger Print Formula

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Modus Operandi

No. 15596

No. 15596

Name Katherine Kelly
Alias _____
Alias _____
Crime Kidnapping
Age 29 Height 5' 6" Weight 130
Eyes Dark slate grey Build Med. S.
Hair Auburn Complexion fair
Occupation none
Nativity Tupelo, Miss. 3-18-04
Arrested _____
Officer _____

DISPOSITION

REMARKS:

EDWARD A. PARKER - DEPUTY INSPECTOR



DESCRIPTION

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arrested Po
Texas, Nov
shoplifting



Valores Whitley

LIVES:

aliases George Kelly,
husband, fugitive,
Order No. 1203,
t address,
1, Street, Ft. Worth, Texas
in, mother,
stepfather,
nnon, stepbrother,
n a farm, Rural Route, Paradise, Texas.

Thorne Kelly was indicted in the Federal Court at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and George R. Kelly, and others.

No. 15596
Name Katherine Kelly
Alias Thorne
Alias Katherine Kelly
Crime Kidnapping
Age 29 Height 5' 6" Weight 130
Eyes Dark slate grey Build Med. S.
Hair Auburn Complexion fair
Occupation none
Nativity Tupelo, Miss. 3-18-04
Arrested Memphis, Tenn., 9-25-33
Officer _____

EDWARD A. PARKER - DEPUTY INSPECTOR

POLICE DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION
DETECTIVE DIVISION
MEMPHIS - - TENNESSEE

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Modus Operandi

POSITION

REMARKS:



BIRMINGHAM FILE NUMBER

LANGFORD POLAND RAMSEY alias L. P. RAMSEY alias "LANG"

Age: 26

Height: 5' 8"

Weight: 173

Build: Stocky

Complexion: Dark

Hair: Dark brown

Eyes: Greenish grey

Teeth: Good

Occupation: Attorney

Marital status: Divorced

Residence: 1930 Mignon, Memphis, Tennessee

Relatives: Della Ramsey, mother 1930 Mignon, Memphis.

George, Morgan, Zola Ramsey, brothers " " "

Eleanora Ramsey, sister " " "

Mrs. John Linder, sister " " "

Mrs. F. X. (Geneva) Trimbach, sister " " "

Nationality: American (Born Mineral Wells, Texas; July 24, 1907)

Scars: Faint vert. sc., forehead H. line; edge hair.

Police Number: Memphis, Tennessee Police Department #15600

F. P. C. 9 R O 15 (Memphis, Tennessee Police Department
26 U 00 14 Bureau of Identification)



BIRMINGHAM FILE

Name LANGFORD POLAND RAMSEY a. L. P. RAMSEY a. LANG

Age 26

Height 5' 8"

Weight 173

Build stocky

Comp. dark

Hair dk. brown

Eyes Greenish grey

Teeth good

Occupation attorney

Marital status divorced

Residence 1930 Mignon, Memphis, Tenn.

Nationality ~~122~~ American (born, Mineral Wells, Texas 7-24-07

Scars, faint Vert. sc. forehead, M. Line; Edge hair

Police, No. Memphis, Tenn. P.D. 15600

FFC 9 R 0 15

26 U 00 14 Bu. of Identification, Memphis, Tenn. P.D.

7-1105



BIRMINGHAM FILE #

SEYMOUR EATON TRAVIS

Age: 26
Height: 5' 10"
Weight: 172
Build: Medium large
Complexion: Medium
Hair: Dark chestnut
Eyes: Blue
Teeth: Good
Occupation: Grocery clerk
Marital status: Single
Residence: 1408 Rayner, Memphis
Scars: Small cut sc., 1" above inner
end rt. eyebrow; crease in
chin
Relatives: Cozette Tichenor, sister,
1408 Rayner, Memphis.
Nationality: American (Born Marshall
County, Kentucky; 1-17-07
Police Number: Memphis PD #15598

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BIRMINGHAM FILE #

JOHN CALVERT TICHENOR alias "TICH"

Age: 30
Height: 5' 4⁵/₈"
Weight: 105
Build: Slender
Complexion: Dark
Hair: Very dark brown
Eyes: Blue
Teeth: Poor; three upper front out
Occupation: Auto Salesman
Residence: 1408 Rayner, Memphis
Relatives: Cozette Tichenor, wife,
1408 Rayner, Memphis
Mrs. Tichenor, mother,
Buffalo General Hospital
Buffalo, New York.
Nationality: American (Born Calvert
Kentucky; 12-8-02)
Scars: Paralyzed, left side; hair
mole center rt. cheek
Police Number: Memphis PD #15597

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UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO
AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300

7-115

Pictures of trial of Michael case.
Mr. Lester has six copies each larger size pictures.



THE MACHINE GUN CAPTURED WITH BAILEY AND
THE COV CHAIN USED TO TIE WRSCHEL.....



A GENERAL COURTROOM SCENE SHOWING ALL
OF THE CROWD AND SOME OF THE DEFENDANTS.



ALBERT BATES AND HARVEY BAILEY AS THEY
ENTERED THE COURTROOM IN HANDCUFFS

Sir M. Tamm's Memo
dated Aug 10, 1934
re this.

7-115

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

December 5, 1934

Time - 3:47 P.M.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schick
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy

I telephoned Mr. Lamm with regard to the sending of the 15 Agents to San Francisco and informed him that due to the fact that about \$30,000 of the ransom money in the Urschel case had been recovered and about \$15,000 more due to be recovered within a short time, it would not be a good idea to take any men from the Portland Office; that, however, he could take the five men from the Chicago Office, the two men from Miami, and the others from Los Angeles and Oklahoma City; that he could also take Agent [REDACTED] from the New York Office.

J. E. H.

1 copy

June 15, 1935.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Charles F. Brachel, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was kidnaped on July 22, 1933, by George H. Kelly and Albert L. Bates, and held for payment of \$200,000.00. The ransom was paid at Kansas City, Missouri, on July 30, 1933. Bates was taken into custody at Denver, Colorado, on August 12, 1933. He was removed to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where he was tried and convicted on September 30, 1933, and sentenced to life imprisonment. Bates was represented by Ben H. Aska, an attorney of Denver, Colorado. Kelly was taken into custody at Memphis, Tennessee, on September 23, 1933. He was removed to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where he was tried and convicted, and on October 12, 1933, was sentenced to serve life imprisonment. Kelly was represented by James H. Mathers, an attorney of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. A number of other persons identified as participants in this kidnaping were tried, convicted, and received severe penalties.

On November 6, 1934, Alvin W. Scott was taken into custody by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at Roseburg, Oregon, and a considerable portion of the ransom money was recovered. Clara Feldman, wife of Albert L. Bates, and her son, Edward Feldman, were taken into custody by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at San Luis Obispo, California, on November 9, 1934, at which time a large portion of the ransom money was recovered. Following the arrest of these individuals, evidence was obtained implicating attorneys Aska and Mathers as recipients of portions of the ransom money, representing attorney fees.

The Federal Grand Jury at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on December 14, 1934, returned an indictment charging Clara Feldman, Edward Feldman, Alvin W. Scott, James H. Mathers and Ben H. Aska with conspiracy to violate the Federal Kidnaping Statute, approved June 22, 1932. Aska was charged with accepting from Edward Feldman, at Denver, Colorado, on August 16, 1933, \$8,000.00 of the ransom money. Mathers was charged with accepting from Aska, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on September 16, 1933, \$2,000.00 of the ransom money. Aska and Mathers were taken into custody by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at Denver, Colorado and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, respectively, on December 17, 1934. They both entered pleas of not guilty, upon arraignment. On December 17, 1934, Clara Feldman entered a plea of guilty to the indictment, and Edward Feldman and Alvin W. Scott entered pleas of guilty to the indictment on January 2, 1935.

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James C. Mathers and Ben B. Laska were tried in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the trial commencing June 10, 1935. On June 14, 1935 Mathers was acquitted by a directed verdict. On June 15, 1935 Laska was found guilty by a jury verdict.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300.

Report on
Ben B. Laska

12-15-34

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7-115-896

December 15, 1934

BEN B. LASKA

Ben B. Laska, a Denver, Colorado attorney, has for many months been given attention by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, in connection with his activities in defense of various criminals throughout the middle west.

Laska served as counsel for Reo Verne Sankey, his wife, Fern Sankey, and Ruth Kohler in their prosecutions for the kidnaping of Charles Boettcher II.

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Laska defended Albert L. Bates in his trial for the abduction of Charles F. Urschel, for which crime Bates is now serving a life sentence in the Alcatraz Federal Penitentiary.

Laska was taken into custody at Denver, Colorado by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice on December 15, 1934 to be held for prosecution on an indictment returned in the United States District Court at Oklahoma City, charging him with conspiracy to violate the Federal Kidnaping Statute in connection with the abduction of Charles F. Urschel.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: UNIT #1 & UNIT #3

1934.

TO: ☐ Director
☐ Mr. Nathan
☐ Mr. Tolson
☐ Mr. Edwards
☐ Mr. Quinn
☐ Unit Two

Unit Four

☒ Files Section
☐ Personnel Files
☐ Equipment Section
☐ Chief Clerk's Office

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St Paul Sep. 24 1932.

Dear Judge —

If you got any regards for your self or youre family you better go easy and not convict them Minneapolis boys that handld that money from Mose Barnett and Bates. We will take good care of you and youre family if them boys dont get free. And we are going to take good care of Sheeney Wolke for the squawking he done, dont worry about that he is going to get the 1 way ride pretty soon so he will never stat again any more.

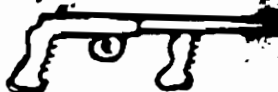
Your turn is next if you dont turn them boys loose we will turn on the heat for you and youre hell dumb family and we dont mean maybe. If you dont want a machine gun pitcher tattoo on your hide just remember our warning and let them boys loose in a hurry becaus we aint going to wait long to do our stuff judge.

Lemmer the Minneapolis police chief can tell you them boys is all right and just gamblers and bootleggers that is good friends of his and wouldnt mess up in any kidnaper job while they is good easy money around here without going out of town and taking chances on the big house.

Now remember we mean killing if you dont leave them go becaus enough of us is out to raise plenty hell if you dont.

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Remember judge —





Federal Judge Edgar S. Vaught
Oklahoma City,
Oklahoma.

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Chico Texas.

Jan. 22 1934

Charles F. Orschel
Washington City.

Dear Charles

Well old friend how
are you coming?

I am wondering if you
would be kind enough to help
an old pal. I have been
a good friend to you. I have
troubled you in everything
I ever did never told you things
now that I am in trouble
and need help would you
at least have \$10,000.00 I know
you can do it and if not
just you one bit for

if I should tell you all
that I know. I am afraid
to tell you my name but
you will likely remember
me by Bill. If you will
be kind enough to help me
just send it to Mrs. H. O.
Orschel and she will give
it to me.

Yours as ever
Bill Orschel

address

Mrs. H. O. Orschel
Chico Texas

P.S. Charles please do this for
me. If we could exchange
places I would gladly do it for
you now please.

Date: 7-15-70
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