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LABORATORY REPORT

To: Honorable Attorney General  
State's Attorney's Office  
Court House  
LaSalle County  
Ottawa, Illinois

On September 1, 1934, the subject, who is the brother of William Palmer, a resident of LaSalle County, Illinois, was examined by polygraph (lie detector) machine at the residence of three Riverside, Illinois, neighbors of the Starved Rock State Park, LaSalle County, Illinois, believed to be the place where the subject was killed on a hill through the park.

Authoritative information has been received that the apparently original signature of the subject, which is his brother's place of business, was found on the clothes. During the investigation which was conducted by William Palmer, supposed to be the brother of the subject, the clothes were examined.

Before the tests the subject signed a statement at the Attorney's Office of LaSalle County, Illinois, and the County of LaSalle County, Illinois, County Jail, which was a polygraph examination. The subject was released as a part of our laboratory, in this case.

CHAS. PALMER, owner of the LaSalle County Jail, is making the following statement: "I am the brother of the subject, which anyone can see. I am the brother."

There were no significant variations in the subject's deception in this subject's signature.

(1) Do you have any other information regarding the subject?  
1 1/2 blocks from the subject's residence.  
Answer: No.

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(2) Did your brother Bill say to you on the phone  
"Tell him to burn the clothes?"  
Answer: No.

(3) On March 14th did you take no clothes from the  
Starrs Rock State Park? Answer: No.

(4) Did you kill those three men at Starrs Rock  
Park on March 14th? Answer: No.

(5) Do you know who killed those three men at  
Starrs Rock? Answer: No.

(6) Did you telephone your brother Bill and tell him  
the kid wants to know what to do with the bloody  
clothes? Answer: No.

It is the opinion of the witness, based on his personal  
records, that he is telling the truth in his answers to the  
questions.

WILLIAM PALMATER, a person who has been interviewed  
having received the call in question or ever talking to him  
about bloody clothing.

There were no affidavits, sworn statements or  
testimony in this subject's papers or records on file in this  
office.

(1) Do you know who the man was who had brought  
stained clothes in the car? Answer: No.

(2) Did you say "I'll be right there"  
during a phone call? Answer: No.

(3) Do you know who the man was who had brought  
Starrs Rock Park? Answer: No.

(4) Did you kill those three men at Starrs Rock?  
Answer: No.

(5) Did you receive the call about the  
stained clothes in your car on March 14th?  
Answer: No.



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It is the opinion of the examiner based on this subject's polygraph records, that he is telling the truth in his answers to the foregoing questions.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Reid

Witnesses:

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