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December 15, 1945

Director, FBI

N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER,
with aliases, et al;
ESPIONAGE - R

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S)
DATE *8/31/83*

Re: MICHAEL ENDELMAN, with aliases

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Dear Sir:

With reference to the investigation of MICHAEL ENDELMAN, it is noted that Informant GREGORY, in her signed statement dated November 30, 1945, furnished the following information with regard to ENDELMAN:

She was introduced to ENDELMAN by JOSEPH ECKHART in January, 1938, and she had the impression that ENDELMAN was working for ECKHART in the United States and was probably connected with the Russian espionage system here at that time but was in her opinion "small fry." She stated that ENDELMAN left the United States in May, 1938, and she received some post cards from him from Hendaye, France, which is located on the Spanish border.

Informant GREGORY in her signed statement also advised that in November of 1944 she discussed both ENDELMAN and ECKHART with JACK, her Russian superior at the time, and he indicated that he knew these people and told the informant, "If you ever run into them, run like hell." She also stated that at her first meeting with GOLOS, when she told him of her background, GOLOS interrogated her concerning ECKHART and ENDELMAN, as well as JULIET STUART POINTZ GLASER, and GOLOS stated that ECKHART and ENDELMAN were traitors to the Communist movement.

A physical surveillance of ENDELMAN was instituted in New York Field Division on November 20, 1945, and has continued since that date. This surveillance has failed to reflect that ENDELMAN has contacted or has been contacted by any other subject in this case during that period of time, nor has there been any indication that during that period of time he has contacted any possible Russian espionage agent. He resides in a rooming house and does not have a telephone. He has no known present employment. We presently have a mail cover on him, but to date no results have been received which would indicate that ENDELMAN is engaging in any Russian espionage activities.

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- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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New York, N. Y.
December 5, 1945

In view of the above, it is suggested that this physical surveillance be discontinued.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY,
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DATE: December 11, 1945

TO : The Director
FROM : D. M. Ladd
SUBJECT: M. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated December 6, 1945, regarding the theory under which investigation was proceeding in the instant case. Since November 20, 1945, a physical surveillance has been in effect on Michael Endelman in New York City, who was first brought in contact with the informant in this case in January, 1938, and has travelled outside the United States since that time.

A careful analysis of the information furnished by the informant indicates that Endelman is no longer connected with the Soviet espionage system or at least is not connected with such Soviet activities as are being supervised by the NKVD headed by Anatole Gromov.

A physical surveillance of Endelman has failed to reflect that he has contacted or has been in contact with any other subject in this case and there has been no indication that he has contacted any possible Soviet espionage agent. He resides in a rooming house and does not have a telephone.

It is, therefore, respectfully suggested that you authorize discontinuance of the physical surveillance on Michael Endelman. Investigation with regard to Endelman will proceed as a separate "Internal Security - inquiry."

ACTION:

If you approve the discontinuance of the surveillance on Endelman, the New York Office will be promptly advised so that the Agents now occupied with this surveillance can be used elsewhere.

*Approved by
Director*

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Washington Field Division, 1435 K Street, N. W.

Washington 25, D. C.

December 5, 1945

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Director, FBI

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

Handwritten: 12/5/45
ADVISED BY SLIP(S) OF DATE 12/5/45

Dear Sir:

(Re: CHARLES KRAMER, wa Charles Krivitsky)

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ON 1-14-88

Subject CHARLES KRAMER came into this case as a result of information furnished by Confidential Informant ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY, who states that EARL BROWDER early in 1944 made arrangements for her to meet members of the VICTOR PERLO group at the apartment of JOE [unclear], in New York City. Those at the meeting were VICTOR PERLO, CHARLES KRAMER, who she said was associated with Senator KILGORE's Committee in Washington, HENRY TAGDOFF, who she said was with the War Production Board, and EDWARD FITZGERALD, also of the War Production Board.

Miss BENTLEY states that conversation was about their paying Communist Party dues to her, and the type of information which these people would be able to furnish her thereafter on her trips to Washington. (The Washington Field Office by investigation has determined that CHARLES KRAMER lives at 4621 South 34th Street, Fairlington, Virginia, and is employed on the Subcommittee of Senator CLAUDE PEPPER's Committee, Washington, D. C.)

KRAMER has been under physical surveillance from November 20, 1945, to the present time.

Physical surveillance of subject HAROLD GLASSER in this case has revealed that on November 25, 1945, an automobile bearing a license issued to CHARLES KRAMER stopped at the home of GLASSER and the occupant stayed in the GLASSER home from 8:30 to 9:00 P. M.

Nothing has been observed which would prove or disprove that KRAMER is involved in Soviet espionage, or that he is in contact with Soviet espionage agents.

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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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A mail cover was placed on KRAMER on November 28, 1945, but all results to date from this cover have been negative. *lu*

A technical surveillance of KRAMER has not been instituted because of technical problems involved, inasmuch as KRAMER lives in Fairlington, Virginia. *lu*

It is suggested that this physical surveillance be discontinued.

Very truly yours,

Gay Hottel

Gay HOTTTEL
Special Agent in Charge

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Director, FBI

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ON 5/14/83

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

Dear Sir:

(Re: BELA GOLD, wa Bill Gold)
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ON 4-2-86

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Subject BELA GOLD, alias Bill Gold, came into this case as a result of information furnished by Confidential Informant ELIZABETH BENTLEY to the effect that he is a member of the SILVERMASTER group engaged in furnishing information. Miss BENTLEY stated that in the spring of 1944, BELA GOLD obtained a position in the Foreign Economic Administration, and thereafter supplied SILVERMASTER and WILLIAM LUDWIG WILLMANN with information concerning what was going on in the Foreign Economic Administration. BELA GOLD is the husband of SONIA S. GOLD, another member of the SILVERMASTER group. SONIA GOLD is on maternity leave from the Treasury Department at the present time.

Investigation by the Washington Field Office has developed that BELA GOLD and his family reside at 3007 North Pershing Drive, Arlington, Virginia, and that he is employed with the Foreign Economic Administration, Temporary Building T, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

A physical surveillance of GOLD was instituted November 19, 1945, and has continued to date. The only pertinent information developed by this physical surveillance is that on November 27, 1945, BELA GOLD went to Room 3886-B of the Foreign Economic Administration building, which is the office of NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, another subject in this case, where he remained for some time. This would substantiate the information furnished originally by Confidential Informant BENTLEY.

GOLD has also contacted Mrs. SASULY, Director of the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing, and Allied Workers of America. She resides in apartment 436, Alben Power Apartments. SASULY spent the evening of November 26, 1945, at the home of BELA GOLD. It is known that Mrs. SASULY is a contact of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. Mrs. SASULY has also contacted Mrs. GREGORY SILVERMASTER telephonically and it appears that they are very friendly with one another.

ELIZABETH SASULY

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No technical surveillance has been instituted because of technical problems involved due to BELA GOLD's residence being located in Arlington, Virginia. (S) (K) (X)

A mail cover was placed November 27, 1945, and only negative results have been had from such cover to date. (S) (K) (X) (u)

Since instituting the physical surveillance on November 19, 1945, no action has been observed on the part of BELA GOLD which would prove or disprove that he is involved in Russian espionage. No action has been observed on his part which would prove or disprove whether he has been in contact with any Soviet espionage agent.

It is suggested that this physical surveillance be discontinued.

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
GUY HOTTEL '8
Special Agent in Charge

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TO : The Director

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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DATE: 12-7-45

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- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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WFO advised 5-20/77 12-8-45

Reference is made to my memorandum of December 6, 1945, regarding the theory under which investigation is proceeding in the instant case.

You will recall that it was pointed out that once contact was established between individuals mentioned by the informant that further surveillance of the lesser of the two individuals would only result in cumulative contacts and that therefore the more important of the individuals should be covered rather than the lesser.

In this regard I wish to call to your attention at this time the physical surveillance being conducted with regard to Charles Kramer and Bela Gold. Charles Kramer, according to the informant is one of the members of Victor Perlo's group. Kramer has been under physical surveillance since November 20, 1945. To date he has made but one significant contact. Kramer's automobile stopped at the home of Harold Glasser, an important subject in this case, on the night of November 25, 1945, and the occupant of the car stayed at the Glasser home for a period of 30 minutes.

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Bela Gold is the husband of Sonia Gold both of whom were named by the informant. Bela is employed with the Foreign Economic Administration and Sonia is on maternity leave from the Treasury Department. A physical surveillance has been on Bela Gold since November 19, 1945. On November 26, 1945, Elizabeth Masuly, a local Communist and a known contact of N. Gregory Silvermaster's wife, visited the home of Bela Gold. On November 27, Bela Gold visited the office of N. Gregory Silvermaster in the Foreign Economic Administration Building. RECORDED & INDEXED

A technical surveillance which has been proposed on Bela Gold was not installed until this date because of technical difficulties in Virginia. With the installation of this technical coverage over both Bela Gold and Sonia Gold and since his relationship with Silvermaster has been verified by physical surveillance, it is respectfully requested that you authorize discontinuance of the physical surveillance on him. C U

ACTION: If the foregoing meets with your approval, the Washington Field Office will be promptly advised to discontinue the physicals of Kramer and Gold in order that the personnel may be used more effectively elsewhere.

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TO : DIRECTOR, Federal Bureau of Investigation DATE: December 8, 1945

FROM : SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE, Philadelphia 3042 put-Dtc
1/14/88 #254, 209

SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases, ET AL SP 7 Mac 17c 4/27/46
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Reference is made to the letter from New York to this Office, dated November 30, 1945, concerning the above captioned case in which one JOSEPH W. ECKHART was mentioned as one of the subjects in this case.

A request was made in that letter for a check of the records of the Central Office of Immigration and Naturalization Service at Philadelphia concerning JOSEPH W. ECKHART. You are advised that a check of the complete indices of the Central Office was made, according to Mrs. HARRIET E. DAYTON, Information Clerk, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Mrs. DAYTON made available four applications for Re-Entry Permit and their four respective permits as the only record included in the Central Office files.

The first application, #1066643, dated December 18, 1935 at New York City, gives JOSEPH W. ECKHART'S full name as JOSEPH WITOUT ECKHART, who originally entered this country at Detroit, Michigan, on March 2, 1921. His description, as it appears on his application, is as follows:-

Birth date	February 2, 1895
Place of Birth	Kovno, Lithuania
Height	5'10"
Weight	180 lbs.
Eyes	Hazel
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark
Marital Status	Single
Identifying Marks	Nons
Residence	Hotel Vanderbilt, Park Ave. & 34th Street, New York City
Employment	Chemist, employed by JOSEPH DEWYCKOFF, Ramsey, New Jersey
Relatives	Father - ADAM ECKHART Mother - MARIE GORSTEIN

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At the time of this application, ECKHART indicated his temporary address abroad would be the American Club, London, England. He indicated that he proposed a two month absence from this country with the intention of visiting England and France for the purpose of business. The application reflects the fact that, when originally ECKHART was admitted to this country, his nearest "relative or friend" in the country.

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from which he had come, which was designated as Lithuania, was one ANTHONY SELBART, 28 Alexander Str., Kovno, Lithuania. Likewise, upon his original entry into this country, he was destined to one PHILIP ROSENBLATT, 93 West 119th Street, New York City.

Permit #1067386, issued at Washington, D.C. on December 20, 1935, shows that ECKHART re-entered the United States on May 25, 1936 at New York City, having come as a passenger on the Normandy.

The second application for Re-entry Permit, #1107889, dated July 20, 1936 at New York City, included the following additional information:-

It indicated that his last permanent residence abroad had been London, England, and that the relative or friend in the country from which he came at the time of his last entry was JOSEPH DeWYCKOFF, Aldford House, Park Lane, London, England. ECKHART proposed to depart August 8, 1936 at New York City on board the Georgia, for the purpose of visiting England on business for approximately three months.

Permit #1109744, executed July 30, 1936, at Washington, D.C. shows that ECKHART arrived in the United States September 21, 1936, having come on the airplane Douglas of the Pan American Airways and landing at the Brownsville Municipal Airport.

Application for Re-entry Permit #1115090, dated September 28, 1936 at Washington, D.C., disclosed the fact that ECKHART was now employed as a chemist for JOSEPH DeWYCKOFF, BEYER INTERNATIONAL, London, England. In his application, ECKHART indicated that his proposed temporary residence abroad would be the Hotel Ontario in Mexico City. He proposed to depart from the Brownsville Airport September 30, 1936 to visit Mexico on business.

Re-entry Permit #1116710, dated September 28, 1936 at Washington, D.C., shows that ECKHART arrived in this country at the Brownsville Municipal Airport on October 2, 1936, having again come as a passenger on board the airplane Douglas.

The fourth and last application for Re-entry permit #1118367, issued October 29, 1936 at New York City, gave his proposed temporary address abroad as BEYER INTERNATIONAL, Brentford, Middlesex, England. ECKHART proposed to depart from New York City on November 4, 1936 on board the Queen Mary for a three month business visit to England and France. In

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this application, it was noted that ECKHART gave his nearest relative as JOSEPH DeWYCKOFF, Ramsey, New Jersey.

It is further noted that in all four applications ECKHART'S marital status was designated as single and his American residence as the Hotel Vanderbilt.

Re-entry Permit #1119996, dated October 31, 1936 at Washington, D.C., shows that ECKHART arrived in New York City on February 24, 1937, having come as a passenger on board the steamship Paris.

The above applications and their respective permits are the only records pertaining to ECKHART in the files of Immigration and Naturalization Service. It is particularly to be noted that the Alien Registration Files contain no references to ECKHART. Mrs. DAYTON also advised that no Immigration Visa was issued to ECKHART, in view of the fact that he had originally entered this country prior to 1924.

This case is being considered Referred Upon Completion to the Office of Origin.

ENCLOSURES TO NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

Two photographs and two negatives of JOSEPH WITOUT ECKHART, as taken from applications for Re-entry Permit #1066643 and #1118367.

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cc:- New York

Enclosures

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **WASHINGTON FIELD**

FILE NO. **65-3153 MFA**

REPORT MADE AT BOSTON, MASS.	DATE WHEN MADE 12-6-1945	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-27 thru 12-5-1945	REPORT MADE BY BRENTON S. GORDON
CHARACTER OF CASE Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, was, et al.			ESPIONAGE-R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY SLIP(S) DATE 1-6-54 WAA [unclear]

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Identities of holder of 1945 Mass. motor plates #723,819 and #101,375 set forth. **MAURICE HALPERIN** did not visit Boston. Information available locally concerning him set forth herein. **MICHAEL GREENBERG** registered at Local Draft Board #7, Cambridge, Mass. Available background information and description of **GREENBERG** set forth herein.

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References:

Washington Field Office teletypes to Boston dated November 27, 28, and 30, 1945; New York City teletype to Boston dated November 28, 1945.

Details:

MASS. MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRY #723,819

Reference teletype from Washington Field dated November 27, 1945 requested that the Boston Field Division ascertain to whom 1945 Mass. motor vehicle plate 723,819 had been issued, and that any information concerning the individual be forwarded to the Washington Field Office.

At the Registry of Motor Vehicles, 100 Nashua Street, Boston, Mass., it was ascertained that the instant plate

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#7 motor plates #254,269

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was issued to EDWARD W. ANDREWS for use on a 1940 Ford convertible coupe. In the application for registration, ANDREWS listed the principal place of garage, 19 Frisbie Place, Cambridge, Mass., but reflected his residence as 69th and 10th Streets, Oak Lane, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The indices of the Boston Field Division were checked with reference to ANDREWS with negative results.

City Directories and Telephone Directories were checked with reference to him with negative results.

MASS. MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRY #101,376

Reference Washington Field Division teletype, dated November 30, 1945, requested that the identity of the holder of instant plate be determined, and that any information concerning him be furnished to the Washington Field Office.

At the Mass. Registry of Motor Vehicles, 100 Washua Street, Boston, it was ascertained that 1945 motor vehicle plate 101,376 was issued to LAWRENCE FOSTER. LAWRENCE FOSTER'S residence and principal place of garaging of the vehicle was shown as Smith Point, Manchester, Massachusetts. This plate was issued to cover a 1941 Lincoln Zephyr Coupe.

The indices of the Boston Field Division were checked with reference to FOSTER with negative results.

It was ascertained through a review of available sources of information in the Boston Field Division Office that LAWRENCE FOSTER was born in 1898, attended Yale and Harvard Law School, and was admitted to the Mass. Bar in 1924. He has had offices at 735 Exchange Building (53 State Street) Boston, Mass. in a firm in which ROBERT DODGE, one of the Deans of the Mass. Bar Association is the principal partner.

FOSTER is a member of the Board of Managers of the Children's Hospital, and a Director of the Northeastern Supply Company in Boston.

In the Martindale Hubbell Directory, his rating as an attorney is "high".

It was further ascertained that FOSTER has been for at least the last two or three years in "the Service of the Government". It is not known what branch of the Government Service FOSTER has been in.

It was further ascertained that his home telephone is Manchester, Mass. 55, and that his business telephone number is Capital 2670. A pretext telephone call to this number revealed that the telephone is held by the law firm which FOSTER is associated. The writer was advised that FOSTER is in Washington and in Government Service, and that the firm did not know his plans for the future; i.e. it was not known whether he would return to this office to practice law.

MAURICE HALPERIN

Reference Washington teletype dated November 28, 1945 advised that Subject MAURICE HALPERIN and his family were leaving Washington on December 1, 1945 via plane for Boston, Mass. The HALPERIN party was to attend Aunt Thelma's wedding. HALPERIN had made reservations to stay at the Parker House, School Street, Boston, Mass. and planned to return to Washington December 3, 1945 via train.

The necessary arrangements were made to effect a discreet surveillance but HALPERIN did not arrive in the city, because all plane flights along the east coast were cancelled on December 1, 1945. In preparation for the surveillance, it was ascertained discreetly at the Parker House through Resident Manager ROBINSON that a reservation had been made for December 1, 1945 to cover MAURICE HALPERIN, his wife, and two minor children. The reservation was made through the Parker House Agency at Washington, D.C. by the Office of Strategic Service which identified MAURICE HALPERIN as one of the Office of Strategic Service representatives.

It was subsequently ascertained that the reservation was cancelled on December 1, 1945 through the New York Office of the Parker House.

With reference to "Aunt Ethelma", marriage licenses for a period covering November 9 through November 26, 1945 were checked at the Vital Statistics Bureau, City Hall, Boston. It was ascertained at that office that marriage license can be issued at any time within sixty days before the wedding. A license is valid for sixty days, but cannot be used ^{until} five days have expired from the date of issuance. It is necessary to secure a Court Order in order to waive the five-day waiting period.

It was also ascertained that the vast majority of licenses are used by the parties within two weeks of the date of issuance. During the period indicated above, which would have been the most likely period for the issuance of a license for a wedding on December 1, 2, or 3, 1945, only two licenses were issued in which the bride's given name was "THELMA". The first of these was issued to THELMA RUTH SIEGAN, aged eighteen, of 25 Adams Street, Roxbury, Mass. Her groom was ROBERT SPENCER HAMER of the same address. Both parties were Jewish. The bride's parents were born in New York City and the groom's parents in England.

The second license was issued to THELMA S. ROSMARK, aged twenty-one of 57 Supple Road, Boston, Mass. Her Father was born in Russia and her Mother in England. The groom was to be DAVID GREEN, aged twenty-three of Malden, Mass., who did not otherwise complete the license application form. There are no references to any of the four last named persons in the indices of the Boston Field Division.

It is to be noted that it would have been possible to obtain a wedding license in any of the surrounding communities which would have been valid for a wedding in Boston.

The Vital Statistics Bureau was checked for any reference to THELMA HALPERIN with negative results.

The indices of the Boston Field Division reflects that Dr. MAURICE HALPERIN (who may possibly be identical with the Subject of instant case) was the Subject of an Espionage-C case, Oklahoma City origin. The Oklahoma City case was predicated upon information received that Dr. MAURICE HALPERIN on May 17, 1940 cashed a check in Norman, Oklahoma, which had been drawn on the Bank of Foreign Trade, Moscow, USSR. The check was dated April 13, 1940 and was in the amount of \$436.01. The check cleared through the Chase National Bank in New York City.

At the Kirstein Library, Boston, the writer checked the Directory of American of American Scholars published by the Science Press at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1942. In this source, it was found that Dr. MAURICE HALPERIN was a professor at the University of Oklahoma located in Norman, Oklahoma. Dr. HALPERIN was born in Boston on March 5, 1906 and received his BA degree at Harvard in 1927. He received his MA degree at the University of Oklahoma in 1929. Dr. HALPERIN represented the American Field Service in Paris in 1930-1931 and was associated with the University of Oklahoma in 1931. In the same year, he lectured at the Sorbonne, Paris, France. From 1931 through 1939, he was the Assistant Professor of Romance Languages at the University of Oklahoma.

Shortly thereafter, he was appointed to the Office of the Coordinator of Information as a Latin American Analyst. He was described as being an expert in French Literature, Latin American Literature, and Civilization, the Social Background of Contemporary Mexico, the Literature of Mexico, and the Foreign Policy of Mexico.

According to this source, he is still employed by the Government.

It is not known that the Subject of the Espionage-C case, Oklahoma City, is identical with the instant matter. It is clear that the individual whose biography is set forth above is identical with the Subject of the Oklahoma Case.

The Harvard Directory was reviewed, and the only additional information provided was that Dr. HALPERIN'S full name is Dr. MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN.

MICHAEL GREENBERG

Reference teletype from New York City advised that Subject MICHAEL MENEHAN GREENBERG was reported to have resided at the John Winthrop House, Harvard University, from October, 1939, to June, 1941.

Pertinent background information was determined from Subject GREENBERG'S file at Local Draft Board #47, Cambridge, Mass., and is being set out below in chronological order.

GREENBERG is registered with Local Draft Board 47, under the name of MICHAEL GREENBERG and at that Board, he has Order Number 1,048 and Serial Number 1,596. The Board is located at 689 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and GREENBERG registered on October 16, 1940 from the Phillips Brooks House, Harvard University. His residence address at the time of registration was 644 Winthrop House, Harvard University. His registration card set forth that he was a Subject of Great Britain and had been born in Manchester, Lancashire County, England, on November 28, 1914.

GREENBERG'S nearest friend in the United States was Mr. JOHN B. RACKLIFFE, 359 Harvard Avenue, Cambridge, Mass. His employment was as a Fellow at Harvard University.

Subject completed a questionnaire for Local Draft Board #47 under date of December 23, 1940. In it, he advised that he had spent six years at the University of Cambridge in England and two years at Harvard University; that he had entered the United States on September 30, 1939, and that he had complied with the Alien Registration Act of 1940. He stated that he was employed in research on international relations.

It is to be noted that he avoided answering many of the questions on the questionnaire, and that this file is in no means complete.

In December, 1941, the Board prepared to induct GREENBERG. On January 26, 1942, he addressed a letter to the Board in which he appealed his I-A classification. He gave as his address 814 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and requested that his file be transferred to a Board in Washington covering that area.

In his letter to the Board, GREENBERG stated that he had succeeded Dr. OWEN LATTIMORE on the Institute of Pacific Relations Staff and also on the staff of the publication "Pacific Affairs". asserted further that he was employed on the War Trade Staff of the Board of Economic Warfare, and in this position, had the sole responsibility for the handling of economics questions concerning relations between China and the United States.

In his letter he referred, but did not directly state, that Dr. LATTIMORE was in some way responsible for his holding the positions enumerated. He pointed out that Dr. LATTIMORE was then at Chungking as a representative of President ROOSEVELT on economic matters to General CHIANG-KAI-SHEK. (It is noted that OWEN LATTIMORE was later the head of the Far Eastern Division of Office of War Information and is the author of "Salvation in Asia", Little Brown, Boston, 1945. In his book, according to NDBOS 520, LATTIMORE subtly urged that domination of the Orient be left to the USSR, and that the United States and Great Britain abandon their interest therein.

Through the same informant, it was ascertained that LATTIMORE counseled ANDREW ROTH to the effect that it was permissible to use confidential Government material in writing books for private gain. Similar counsel is alleged to have been given CHARLES SEIFMANN now affiliated with the F.O.C., who is preparing a book on radio to coincide with the publication of an FCC. report.

In a separate and subsequent communication in January, 1942, GREENBERG advised Local Draft Board #47 that his rating as a Government employee was "Senior Economic Analyst", Board of Economic Warfare, on a special assignment to the Executive Office of the White House. His salary was \$5,000 per year, and he was registered with the National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel.

On June 4, 1942, GREENBERG filed his vocational questionnaire which has been maintained in the file of the Draft Board. In it, he described his qualifications as "research expert on Far Eastern Matters, especially on Malaya, Burma, and India. He stated that he had been employed at the Institute of Pacific Relations at 129 East 52nd Street, New York City, and gave as his then present address 51 West 12th Street, New York City.

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On March 4, 1942, GREENBERG advised his Board by letter that he was seeking their permission to visit Canada. He desired to visit the United States Consul at Montreal concerning his Alien status. Permission was granted, and it is noted that his address in March, 1942, was West 11th Street, New York City. It would appear, but it is not stated, that GREENBERG visited Canada in order to re-enter the United States under a quota of some description other than the one he had enjoyed upon entry to the United States in 1939 as a student. It is to be noted that his original Port of Entry is not shown anywhere in the file.

On September 27, 1942, GREENBERG was married to MARION ESTHER GELIN. He completed his license application reporting that this was his first marriage; that his occupation was Editor; that his Father was ANSEL and his Mother CLARA GREENBERG. He again described his birth statistics. He was then aged twenty-four and resided at 75 Whittier Street, Springfield, Mass. His wife was born in Boston, the daughter of DAVID E. and ROSE (nee LEVINE) GELIN. The marriage was performed by Rabbi SAMUEL PRICE at Springfield, Mass. on September 27, 1942.

The GELIN family were checked against the indices of the Boston Field Division with negative results.

The September, 1945, Springfield Telephone Directory reflects that the GELINS are still residing at 75 Whittier Street, Springfield, Mass., and that DAVID E. GELIN operates a retail shoe store at that address.

Under date of February 16, 1945, Local Draft Board #47 received a letter signed by REK A. ANDERSON enclosing copies of letters signed by LAUGHLIN CURRIE and MILO PERKINS requesting a six-months' deferment in 2-B for GREENBERG. Mr. LAUGHLIN CURRIE'S letter was addressed to MILO PERKINS under date of January 28, 1945 and requested that Mr. PERKINS secure from President FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT a letter on White House Stationery, addressed to Local Draft Board #47, requesting a deferment for GREENBERG because of "the nature of his work and his highly specialized qualifications".

GREENBERG is described as the liaison between CURRIE'S office and PERKIN'S office on "all Chinese matters" and was described as being "well along on a complete study of all Chinese resources, an estimate of (CHINA'S) staying power and economic reconstruction in the Post War World".

CURRIE described GREENBERG as having the following qualifications for the position, and it was noted that CURRIE was not aware where he could find an individual with similar qualifications to replace him in the event that he were drafted. His qualifications as enumerated were:

1. Seven years post-graduate training in the China Field, including study of the Harvard-Yenching Institute.
2. Research Associate of the Institute of Pacific Relations and member of its secretariat.
3. Editor of "PACIFIC AFFAIRS".
4. Former Assistant to EDWARD C. CARTER and through CARTER knows the leading international personnel in China.
5. Member of Executive Board of INBUSCO, INC., "has inside knowledge of China's Industrial Cooperative Movement".

CURRIE signed his letter as Administrative Assistant to the President, in charge of Chinese Matters. PERKINS was addressed as the Chairman of the Board of Economic Warfare.

Under date of February 10, 1943, PERKINS addressed a letter to the "Agency Committee" requesting GREENBERG'S deferment and noting that he was a graduate of Cambridge and Harvard University and held BA, MA, and PhD degrees.

Under date of February 11, 1943, WILLIAM H. MOREYNOLDS, on White House-stationery, addressed a letter to the Agency Committee requesting a deferment for GREENBERG because of the communications of PERKINS & CURRIE. MOREYNOLDS indicated that he was making this request upon the direction of President FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT and signed his letter as "Administrative Assistant to the President."

Under date of July 30, 1943, GREENBERG advised his Draft Board that he was employed by the Board of Economic Warfare in the Office of Administrative Management at Washington, D. C.

Under date of August 4, 1945, he advised the Board that his residence address was 814 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. On December 25, 1945, he was given a physical examination in preparation for induction at Washington and was rejected because of weak vision. On February 10, 1944, GREENBERG advised this Board that he was employed by the Foreign Economic Administration as an expert on Chinese Matters at Washington, D.C.

Under date of September 25, 1944, the Foreign Economic Administration requested the Board's permission in order that the Subject might travel to China. The Foreign Economic Administration stated that in China, GREENBERG would analyze all economic data and report same to the Agency. On January 8, 1945, the Foreign Economic Administration returned GREENBERG'S permit to leave the United States issued by the Draft Board advising the Board that his trip to China had been cancelled.

On June 4, 1945, GREENBERG applied to the Board for permission to travel to Mexico on a vacation. A permit was issued which expired on July 20, 1945.

On May 30, 1945, GREENBERG addressed his Local Board advising that his present address was 2700 Eighth Street, South, Arlington, Virginia, and that he contemplated a trip to Mexico. His employment remained unchanged at the Foreign Economic Administration.

The indices of the Boston Field Division reflect that in 1940, while a student at Harvard University, GREENBERG was a member of the American Student Union and was elected a delegate from the Harvard University Branch to the National Citizenship Institute held in Washington, D.C. in February, 1940. This information was secured from a highly confidential source having access to the records of the American Student Union.

It is to be noted that no where in records completed by the Subject did he show himself as having a middle name. In all records, his name was reflected as MICHAEL GREENBERG.

GREENBERG'S description as obtained from a review of the file including the physical examination is as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	Jewish
Citizenship	Subject of Great Britain.
Age	51 (Born 11-28-1914 at Manchester, Lancashire County, England)
Height	5'-10 1/2"
Weight	170
Eyes	Brown, right eye 20/400; left eye 20/200; corrected to 20/20.
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark, ruddy
Build	Medium
Posture	Good
Parents	ANSEL and CLARA GREENBERG Manchester, England
Marital status	Married; wife MARION ETHEL nee GELIN, aged 27, of Springfield, Mass.
Occupation	Economic Analyst Foreign Economic Administration Washington, D. C.
Residence	2700 Eighth Street, South Arlington, Virginia.

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FILE No. 65-1280 MKP

Case Originated at NEW YORK
Report Made at CHARLOTTE Date 12-12-45 Period 11-29; 12-2, 3, 4, 5-45 Report Made by GEORGE E. TAYLOR

Title N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al Character ESPIONAGE - REFERRED RECORDS

SYNOPSIS: MARY PRICE arrived Greensboro, NC, in August 1945 from NYC and is presently engaged as Secretary - Treasurer, Committee for North Carolina, Southern Conference for Human Welfare. PRICE spoke before YWCA Club Group, Greensboro, on social subjects and informant advises PRICE, in informant's opinion, did not express Communistic ideas. PRICE maintains small checking account at Bank of Greensboro and informant advises PRICE is organizing SCHW activities in North Carolina and soliciting membership for this organization.

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REFERENCE: New York letters to Bureau dated November 26 and 27, 1945

DETAILS: AT GREENSBORO, N. C.

The reference New York letters advised that MARY PRICE, former secretary of WALTER LIPPMANN, columnist for the New York Herald-Tribune, had been reported active in Communist dominated groups and probably engaged in Russian espionage. It was further said that MARY PRICE departed from New York City in September 1945 for Greensboro, N. C., where she planned to reside

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until the week of December 1, 1945, at which time she was expected to return to New York City. The letters requested a discreet investigation at Greensboro, N. C., to determine her activities.

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that MARY PRICE had come to Greensboro during the latter part of August 1945 and is presently engaged as Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee for North Carolina of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare with offices located at 235 North Green Street.

Informant T-1 related that MARY PRICE had spoken before the YWCA Club Group at Greensboro during October of 1945 at which time she discussed several social subjects such as better living conditions for workers, better living standards for Southern Textile Employees, and miscellaneous subjects regarding employment practices, health legislation, and social security. T-1 continued that she was present at the above-mentioned meeting, and MARY PRICE in her opinion did not express nor advocate any Communistic principles. T-1 informed that MARY PRICE engaged in discussion of these social topics with other members of the Club Group, but that she did not note that PRICE took a dominant position in the discussion of these matters.

T-1 said that she understood MARY PRICE had come to Greensboro and established her headquarters as Secretary of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare for the purpose of organizing the Committee for North Carolina, and further to solicit memberships in this organization. T-1 continued that MARY PRICE had held one meeting which she believed was of an organizational nature in Raleigh, N. C., on or about November 5, 1945, at which time members of the Executive Committee of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare in North Carolina were chosen. T-1 stated that she did not know any of the members chosen with the exception of Dr. FRANK GRAHAM, President of the University of North Carolina. T-1 also advised that she had had some literature distributed by MARY PRICE and would attempt to locate and furnish the same to the writer at a later date.

Informant T-1 said that MARY PRICE was presently residing at 903 Courtland Street, Greensboro, which was the residence of Mrs. JENNIE S. WILSON.

Mr. JULIAN JOHNSTON, manager of the Guilford Building, said that MARY PRICE had come to him in the latter part of August 1945 to inform him that she was subleasing a portion of the accommodations in that building directly leased to the United Cokes and Chemical Workers of America - CIO, located in Room No. 525. JOHNSTON advised that MARY PRICE remained in this office space a period of approximately three weeks, and when she was unable to secure additional space in this building, she moved to her present location at 235 North Green Street.

Mr. JOHNSTON informed that MARY PRICE said she was with the Southern Conference for Human Welfare and that it was the aim of this organization to

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improve the living and working conditions among the laboring and poorer classes of people in the state of North Carolina. She further advised JOHNSTON, according to him, that her work was done through personal contact and mainly through organizations of a civic, religious, and educational nature.

Mr. ELMER D. YOST, Dixie Realty Company, 117 West Gaston Street, Greensboro, related that MARY PRICE rented a second floor front room of the Scott Building located at 235 North Green Street on November 5, 1945, at a monthly rental of \$25. Mr. YOST informed that MARY PRICE advised him she was with the SCHW and that the initial organization of this conference was held in Raleigh, N. C., in the early part of November 1945. According to YOST, MARY PRICE said that her activities were merely concerned with selling memberships and soliciting contributions for the furtherance of the conference's work. YOST continued that MARY PRICE advised that money received was utilized in their educational program for the betterment of the social standards of the southern laboring people.

Mr. YOST informed that on December 3, 1945, MARY PRICE gave him notice that she was moving from her present office location, 235 North Green Street, to the Long Apartments on Church Street in Greensboro, and that this moving would take place on approximately January 1, 1946.

Mr. J. B. MIMS, Vice President of the Bank of Greensboro, informed that MARY PRICE had an account with that bank under the title "Committee for North Carolina, Southern Conference for Human Welfare." He said that this account was opened on November 5, 1945, and that it maintained an average monthly balance varying from \$200 to \$400. Mr. MIMS stated that he had no additional information concerning this account at this time.

Mr. B. R. TROSPER, Secretary, Merchants Association, 927 Guilford Building, advised that the credit report on MARY PRICE reflected an initial inquiry of her credit status on August 23, 1945. A credit report contained in Miss PRICE's file from the Credit Bureau, Greater New York, under date of August 29, 1945, reflects that Miss PRICE's address in that city was 207 West 11th Street. Her business occupation was listed as the SCHW and her previous business connection as "Business Week Magazine." It is further noted from this report that Miss PRICE had the following credit accounts in New York City: Lord & Taylor, B. Altman, Best & Company.

On the morning of Sunday, December 2, 1945, a telephone call was received by SAC EDWARD SCHEIDT, Charlotte, from ASAC G. E. HENNRICH of the Washington Field Office to the effect that a telephone call had been received shortly after midnight, December 1, 1945, by subject GEORGE SILVERMAN. This call was received by SILVERMAN at Adams 1044 in Washington, D. C., and was placed from Pinehurst 9-4604 by JERRY AUERBACH (phonetic).

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In this telephone conversation AUERBACH made arrangements to come to Washington, stating that he would arrive around 6, apparently meaning 6 p.m., December 2, 1945. He stated that he would have BILL GURNEA (phonetic) with him. He also said later in the conversation that he was bringing "MARY JANE" along. Mr. HENNRICH said that this might have meant that the words "MARY JANE" had some significance other than being a person. Mr. HENNRICH stated that it was desired that an immediate investigation be made to ascertain the identity of the person who made the telephone call at Pinehurst and that this information should be furnished telephonically to the special squad which was working on instant case in Washington. He stated that the investigation should be handled very discreetly and that consideration should be given to the possibility of placing AUERBACH under surveillance on his trip to Washington in the event he had not already left.

SAC SCHEIDT immediately telephoned the above information to Special Agent MYER A. LEWIS, JR., resident agent at Southern Pines, N. C., and furnished him with the above information. The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent LEWIS at Southern Pines and Pinehurst, N. C.:

An examination of the Southern Pines - Pinehurst Telephone Directory revealed that telephone 4604 was listed as the telephone at the Dunes Club located midway between Pinehurst and Southern Pines but there was no telephone 9-4604 listed in the directory.

Through Confidential Informant T-2 it was ascertained that a telephone call was made from telephone 9-4604, Pinehurst, to telephone Adams 1044, Washington, D. C., at 12:35 a.m., December 2, 1945, by a person named "ORBANK" (apparently phonetic); that the conversation lasted for a period of two minutes and that telephone 9-4604 was a pay-station coin telephone located at the Dunes Club.

Through RICHARD TUFT, President, Pinehurst, Inc., it was ascertained that a Mr. ORBACH (phonetic) played golf at the Pinehurst Country Club November 30 and December 1, 1945; that this individual was accompanied by a man and a woman; that he was described as being approximately 40 years of age, 5' 11" in height, 160 to 170 pounds, swarthy complexion, appeared to be of Italian descent, and was reputed to be an excellent golfer. He stated that ORBACH was said to belong to the Wing-foot Country Club in New York City, to have a home at York Harbor, Maine, and to have two children and a nurse who generally cares for them although the nurse and children were not with him at the Pinehurst Country Club on November 30 and December 1, 1945.

It was ascertained through Confidential Informant T-3 that no person by the name of AUERBACH, ORBANK, or GURNEA had been living at any of the hotels in Southern Pines or Pinehurst, N. C., but that a Mr. ORBACH, believed to be identical with the above-named person, had been stopping at the Carolina Chambers

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Hotel, Pinehurst, N. C., but had checked out at 9:15 a.m. on December 2, 1945, and that this person was connected with or was the owner of Orbach's (phonetic) apartment Store, New York City.

Mr. LEWIS, Manager of the Carolina Chambers Hotel, declined to reveal to Confidential Informant T-3 who was in ORBACH's (phonetic) party but indicated that he had left to go to New York City. Inasmuch as the management of the Carolina Chambers Hotel was not known to Agent LEWIS, he did not contact the management of this hotel.

Special Agent LEWIS ascertained that no train would have left Southern Pines or Pinehurst, N. C., which would enable ORBACH to get to Washington, D. C., by 6 p.m., and it was presumed that he was probably traveling by automobile, but no other information was developed which would confirm this.

Special Agent LEWIS further ascertained that the New York City Telephone Directory lists a JEROME K. ORBACH, business address 48 East 14th Street, residence address 895 Park Avenue.

In Special Agent LEWIS' discreet inquiries at Pinehurst he was unable to develop any information whatever concerning BILL GURNEA.

The above mentioned information concerning ORBACH was telephoned by SAC SCHEIDT of the Charlotte office to ASAC HENNRICH of the Washington Field Office on December 2, 1945.

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At Greensboro, N. C., will recontact Confidential Informant T-1 for any additional information concerning MARY PRICE's activities in connection with the SCHW.

Will secure facts concerning MARY PRICE's moving to a new location in the Long Apartments and the further establishment of the SCHW organization in the state.

At Raleigh, N. C., will secure a newspaper clipping from the News and Observer under date of November 11, 1945, concerning the organization of the SCHW in this state.

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- CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS -

Confidential Informant T-1



Confidential Informant T-2

GEORGE THOMPSON
Manager, Carolina Telephone Company
Southern Pines, N. C.

Confidential Informant T-3

WESLEY LYON
Manager, Holly Inn
Pinehurst, N. C.



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RE: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS., ET AL
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a teletype from the New York Field Division to the Philadelphia Office, dated November 28, 1945, requesting that a photograph of MICHAEL MENEHAN GREENBERG be forwarded to the New York Field Division immediately. This photograph, together with some background information concerning GREENBERG, was forwarded to New York by letter dated November 30, 1945.

Further background information concerning GREENBERG, as contained in the files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Philadelphia, Pa., is being set forth below:

According to an Immigration and Naturalization report made at Ellis Island, N. Y., dated September 30, 1939, information is set forth that MICHAEL GREENBERG entered the United States at New York on the SS Manhattan with visa #163, issued at the American Consulate at London, England, dated August 26, 1939, and actually arrived in the United States on September 30, 1939. The report states that he was to go to Harvard University at Cambridge, Mass. In his file there is also a letter from the President of Harvard University, dated November 27, 1939, reporting the fact that GREENBERG was attending Harvard University and was staying at Winthrop House, Cambridge, Mass., and was carrying a full course of study at the University. The reference given by the University for GREENBERG, was one Professor R. M. FERRY, Winthrop House, Cambridge, Mass.

There is also an application by GREENBERG for an extension of his stay in the United States, dated May 27, 1940. In this application, GREENBERG stated that his last foreign residence was at Trinity College, Cambridge, England and that he had passport #245421, issued at Great Britain, on July 17, 1934. He stated that he had been at Harvard College from October 1939, until June 1940. His source of income was listed as \$1800 per year from Harvard University as a result of his obtaining the J. H. Choate Memorial Fellowship there. The Immigration Authorities authorized an extension of his stay in the United States, until September 30, 1941.



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A letter from Harvard University, dated November 19, 1940, informed the Immigration and Naturalization Authorities that GREENBERG was again taking a full course of study at the University and was living at 359 Harvard Street, Cambridge, Mass., and Mr. JOHN B. RACKLIFFE of that same address was listed as a reference.

On November 25, 1940, GREENBERG registered as an alien at Boston, Mass., and was given Alien Registration #5100328. His Alien Registration file reflects that he re-registered as an alien on April 7, 1942, when he again entered the United States at St. Albans, Vermont. According to the Alien Registration regulations, GREENBERG informed the Authorities of the following changes of address:

June 17, 1941 - he moved from 359 Harvard Street, Cambridge, Mass., to 42 Perry Street, New York, N. Y. On February 11, 1942, he moved from 42 Perry Street, New York, N. Y., to 107 W. 11th Street, New York, N. Y.

Harvard University, in a letter dated November 21, 1941, notified the Immigration and Naturalization Service that GREENBERG, who was previously enrolled at the University the past year, was not attending the University in the fall session of 1941.

As a result of a letter directed to GREENBERG's reference namely, JOHN B. RACKLIFFE, 244 W. 12th Street, New York City, information was received on December 9, 1941, that GREENBERG was living at 107 W. 11th Street, New York City and that he had applied for permanent residence in the United States. There was also a notation in the file that as of March 20, 1942, GREENBERG was living at 129 E. 152nd Street, New York City.

On January 29, 1942, GREENBERG made application for a pre-examination preparatory to re-entering the United States as a permanent resident. In so doing, he made out a general information form which contains the following information:

His name at the present time was MICHAEL GREENBERG and his name given at birth was MENEHAN. His previous places of residence were: Manchester, England, from November 1, 1914, to 1933, Cambridge, England, from October 1933, to June 1939, and Cambridge, Mass., from June, 1939, to June, 1941 and New York City from June, 1941, to date. Friends in the United States were listed as: BARCLAY PRESTON SCHOWEYER, 159 E. 82nd Street, New York, N. Y., SAMUEL CAUMAN, 75 Charles Street, Boston, Mass., and HILDA AUSTERN BRETHOLTZ, 360 E. 55th Street, New York City. His education was the Manchester School, Manchester, England, Cambridge University, Cambridge, England, and Harvard University Graduate School, Cambridge, Mass. His degrees were: an M.A. and B. A. from Cambridge University, Cambridge, England and from Harvard University Graduate School a research and fellowship scholarship.

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His employment was listed as Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., research and fellowship work, \$45.00 per week, from October, 1939, until June, 1941, and also the Institute of Pacific Relations, at 129 E. 52nd Street, New York City, N. Y., where he was a research associate and editor, at \$50.00 per week, from June, 1941, until present. His employment abroad was listed as - Cambridge University, Trinity College, research work and instructor at \$35.00 per week, from October, 1938, until June, 1939. His assets in the United States were listed as The Corn Exchange Bank and Trust Co. - \$893.89, and the value of an automobile bought in 1941, \$150.00. His assets abroad were The National Provincial Bank of England, \$1400.

GREENBERG, as a result of this application, was issued a quota Immigration Visa #1369, dated April 7, 1942, and he entered the United States with the visa as a permanent resident, at St. Albans, Vermont, April 7, 1942. There is also a letter in GREENBERG's file, dated January 29, 1942, from HILDA AUSTERN, assistant treasurer, Pacific Council, at the Institute of Pacific Relations, in which it was stated that GREENBERG's employment there began on June 1, 1941, at the rate of \$2500 per year, and that he received an increase in salary on January 1, 1942, to \$2750 per year.

In GREENBERG's naturalization file information was set forth that he made his petition for naturalization, #17947, on April 7, 1942, and his address at the time was 814 - 17th St., N. W., Washington, D. C. He listed his occupation as an economist and mentioned therein that he was married on September 27, 1942, at Springfield, Mass. and that his wife's name is MARION. The following were listed as his witnesses on this petition: MERVIN N. BACHMAN, a lawyer at 4520 MacArthur Boulevard, Washington, D. C., and ALVIN BARBER, an economist, at 1916 R Street N.W., Washington, D. C. He was naturalized at Washington, D. C., on June 6, 1944, and was given naturalization #6370980, under the name of MICHAEL GREENBERG. His address thereon was 814 17th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. There is also a letter in the Immigration file dated May 5, 1945, to Immigration and Naturalization Service from one, R. B. SHIPLEY, Department of State Chief of Passport Section, Washington, D. C., which letter states that the State Department had received an anonymous call in which mention was made that GREENBERG had made false statements concerning his arrival in the United States and requested the Immigration and Naturalization Service to verify his entry. In a letter to the State Department, dated June 9, 1945, the Immigration and Naturalization Service Authorities stated that GREENBERG was legally admitted to the United States on September 30, 1939, at New York, on GREENBERG's presentation of non-quota Immigration Visa #163, issued at London, England, and that thereafter GREENBERG had entered the United States in 1942, as a legal resident and was finally naturalized on June 6, 1944, at Washington, D. C.

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The following is a composite description of MICHAEL GREENBERG, as obtained from the files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service:

Date of birth: 11/29/14
 Place of birth: Manchester, England
 Height: 5'10"
 Weight: 165 to 170 lbs.
 Hair: Black
 Eyes: Brown
 Father's Name: ANCHEL GREENBERG, born 1889, at Manchester, England, and his address is 39 George Street, Manchester, England. He is an English citizen.
 Mother's Name: CLARA GREENBERG, born 1892, at Salford, England and she is living also at 38 George Street, Manchester England.
 Marital Status: Married on September 27, 1942, at Springfield, Mass.
 Wife's Name: MARION, born 10/15/17, at Boston, Mass.
 Relatives: HELEN GREENBERG and ESTHER GREENBERG, sisters, both living in England.
 Selective Service: Registered with LB #47, from Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Square, Cambridge, Mass. Order #1048.
 Closest Friend In U. S.: Mr. S. CAUMAN, 75 Charles Street, Boston, Mass.
 Identification: Issued passport #245421, at the British Foreign Office, London, England, July 17, 1934.

This case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin with this letter.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher
H. B. FLETCHER, SAC

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
Attention: Mr. D. M. Ladd
FROM : SAC, New York
SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER
ESPIONAGE - R

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DATE: November 27, 1945

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Reference is made to letter from the New York Field Office to the Bureau and Charlotte, dated November 26, 1945, wherein the Charlotte Field Office was requested that the present whereabouts of MARY PRICE be ascertained and discreet coverage be maintained for the purpose of determining her present activities.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and offices receiving copies of this letter are photographs of MARY PRICE, which are furnished as a possible assistance during the course of this investigation.

According to information appearing in the September 1945 edition of "The Southern Patriot", published by the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE, headquarters, Memphis, Tennessee, MARY PRICE was listed as Secretary of the North Carolina Organizing Committee of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE, 525 Guilford Bank Building, Greensboro, North Carolina. As set forth in reference letter, MARY PRICE departed from her residence, 207 West 11th Street, New York City, early in September 1945 and it is believed she will return to 55 Barrow Street, New York City, on or about December 1 next.

For the information of the Memphis Field Office, information has been received that MARY PRICE has long associated with Communist dominated groups and was allegedly engaged in Russian espionage activity. It is, therefore, requested that the Memphis Field Office review its files in the matter entitled "SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE. INTERNAL SECURITY - C" and furnish the New York Office copies of such reports therein, made subsequent to the report of Special Agent WILLIS A. TURNER, dated September 4, 1945 at Memphis in the investigation referred to.

Enclosure

cc - Charlotte (encl.)
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ENCL attached

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MARY PRICE - photo copy

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

NAME MARY PRICE

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DATE ABDT 1946

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SEX FEMALE NATIONALITY U. S.

BIRTH DATE 3/3/09 HEIGHT 6'5"

WEIGHT 120 BUILD SLENDER

COMPLEX SALLOW RACE WH.

HAIR DK. BR., Wavy EYES HAZEL, DEEP
HEAVY EYE BROW

USUALLY WEARS
MANNISH ATTIRE.

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Mary Price

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TO THE DIRECTOR

FROM MR. D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: M. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

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- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Mumford
- Mr. Jones
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

With regard to possible technical installations desired in this case on subjects resident in Arlington, Alexandria, and Fairfax areas, in Virginia, I thought you would want to know the problems presently involved. *(u)*

There are three technicals at the present time approved for the Virginia side of the river but they have not yet been installed for the following two reasons:

1. It is impossible to use the cable under the river from the Virginia side in order to permit coverage in the central plant operated by Washington Field. The telephone company will not permit this use. *(u)*
2. The second difficulty is the fact that the plant now being used by the Richmond Office on the Virginia side of the River is in a building about to be torn down and Richmond and Washington Fields are both exerting every effort to locate a new building in which the technicals presently in operation, as well as those approved, can be installed without further delay. *(u)*

This matter is being followed closely with the Washington Field Office and you will promptly be advised of the installation of the Virginia technicals. *(u)*

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MR. TAMM
MR. LADD

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK

GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. AUTHORIZATION TO PLACE
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YORK CITY, (u)

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, New York URGENT AND CODE

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United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 26, 1945

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER
was, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

Name (inc. aliases)	City, Police Arrest, or Other Number.	Approximate date Fingerprints forwarded Federal Bureau of Investigation.	Fingerprint Classification.
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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

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with aliases:
E. Silvermaster
Nathan Masters
Serge Komov
Nathan Gregory Masters

Age:	47 years
Born:	November 27, 1898
Place:	Odessa, Russia
Citizenship:	Naturalized American
Height:	5' 10"
Weight:	175 pounds
Complexion:	light
Eyes:	grey
Hair:	black, greying, bushy
Build:	stocky
Occupation:	Market Analyst, Surplus Properties Division, RFC
Mustache:	small, black.

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Very truly yours,

[Handwritten signature]
GUY HOTTEL
Special Agent in Charge

Reply
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SAC, Washington, D.C.

Re: **NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER** 2042 put/DAC 1/14/88
was, et al
ESPIONAGE - R
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Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication dated November 26, 1945 regarding the following:

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

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In reply thereto, please be advised that from the information furnished it has not been possible to locate any record in the fingerprint files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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- Coffey
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- Ladd
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TO: D. E. LADD
FROM: J. G. STRICKLAND
SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases
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ASAC J. F. Buckley phoned from Ottawa, Canada, at 3:40 P.M. and advised Supervisor Whitson in your absence that

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this was confirmed by Supervisor Whitson. (S) 4

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SUBJECT: M. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was et al
ESPIONAGE - R

At 11:50 AM on November 28, 1945, Special Agent R. E. Newby of the Washington Division telephonically advised me that the following technical surveillances had been installed in the above captioned base:

Name: A. GEORGE SILVERMAN
Installed: November 23, 1945 - 5 PM
Address: 2523 15th Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.
Telephone: Adams 1044
Location of Plant: Apartments 127, 129
Chapelton Apartments
Symbol Number: CONF IN [REDACTED]
Summary Designation: MI

Name: DONALD WHEELER
Installed: November 27, 1945 - 10 AM
Address: 6400 MacArthur Boulevard,
Brookmont, Maryland
Telephone: Oliver 4324
Location of Plant: Apartments 127, 129
Chapelton Apartments
Symbol Number: CONF IN [REDACTED]
Summary Designation: MI

Name: HARRY B. WHITE
Installed: November 27, 1945 - 10 AM
Address: 6810 Fairfax Road, Edgemoor,
Bethesda, Maryland
Telephone: Wisconsin 6896
Location of Plant: Apartments 127, 129
Chapelton Apartments
Symbol Number: CONF IN [REDACTED]
Summary Designation: MI

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Mr. A. J. [unclear]

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DATE: November 28, 1945

Time of call: 2:25 p.m.

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Mr. E. H. Walker

W. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS., ET
ESPIONAGE - R

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Special Agent Alvin E. Ostholthoff of the New York
Division requested that the Bureau forward immediately letters
requesting leased lines as follows:

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- (1) On Mary Price, telephone Watkins 9-1223
Address: 55 Barrow Street, New York City,
to "Sutco"
- (2) Lauchlin Currie, telephone Atwater 9-8637
Address: 55 East 86th Street, New York City,
to "Sutco"

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Special Agent Ostholthoff stated that he had sent a teletype to the
Bureau requesting authority for the installation on Currie.

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LW:LP

TO : The Director

DATE: November 29, 1945

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
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- Miss Beahm
- Miss Gandy

The Washington Field Office advised at 12:15 p.m., November 29, that through pretext a Bureau Agent had obtained access to the basement of the Silvermaster residence and noted therein a copy camera and a photographic enlarger.

I thought you would be interested in this because it substantiates the statement regarding the basement equipment made by the informant in this case.

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TO : E. A. Tamm
FROM : D. M. Ladd
SUBJECT: GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al.
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DATE: November 29, 1945

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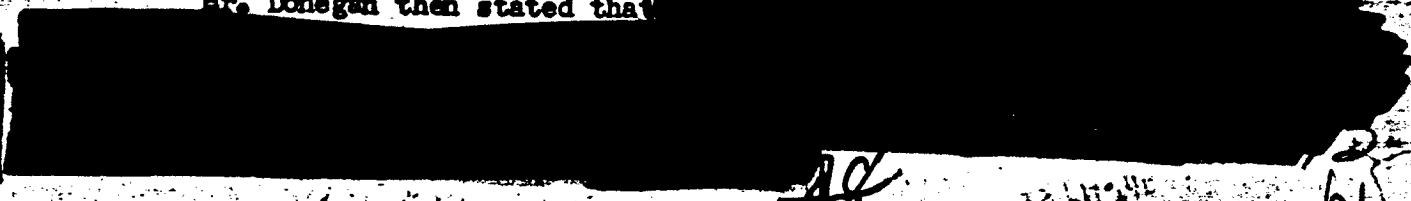
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- Mr. Tolson
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At the above time, ASAC Donegan called from the Washington Field Division to advise they are attempting to put a plant on Elson (phonetic) in New York and the only way such can be done is by making an expenditure for alterations on an office which will require about \$250. Mr. Donegan stated he believed this expenditure is justified. He stated he will send in the full details by letter.

I granted Mr. Donegan authorization for this expenditure.

Mr. Donegan then stated that



I advised Mr. Donegan we would do some checking at the State Department. He stated he is returning to New York this afternoon.

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 Washington Field Office, 1435 K Street, N. W.
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December 6, 1945

Director, FBI
 Attention: Mr. D. M. LADD

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Dear Sir:

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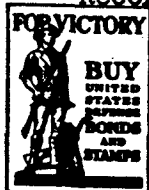
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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER
 with aliases et al
 Espionage - R

On November 29, 1945, Special Agent C. DALLAS MOBLEY of this office gained entrance to the basement of the residence of NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER and WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMAN at 5515 30th Street, N. W. Entry was made through a suitable pretext and without suspicion on the part of Mrs. SILVERMASTER and her colored maid who were both at home on this date.

This basement is divided into three rooms: a furnace room, a shop room, a rumpus room, and a washroom which has been converted into a photographic dark room. The work shop was complete with machine tools of various types along with a large stock of woods, metals, paints, and varnishes. It appeared this work shop was in constant use. The dark room contained a standard enlarger, a time clock, drying frames, and complete developing equipment along with a large supply of developing fluids, paper, etc. This room was untidy and presented a disorderly appearance. In a drawer in the dark room was found an unusual quantity of negatives apparently of photographs made by ULLMAN. It was noted that these negatives were of different sizes, it being specifically noted that 35 mm film was being used in this dark room. No documents were found among these negatives with the exception of ULLMAN's Army discharge and the discharge of ANATOLE VOLKOV, Mrs. SILVERMASTER's son by her first marriage.

No cameras were found in the dark room, and a cursory examination of all three basement rooms failed to disclose cameras. However, in two drawers in the dark room were found stands or rods similar to the type of stand used on the Bureau's Photo Record camera equipment. No base for this equipment was apparent. In a drawer in a work cabinet in the furnace room was found a bellows which appeared similar to the bellows on the Photo Record camera used by the Bureau.



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Director

December 6, 1945

In the rumpus room there was found a lamp similar to the lamp used as a source of light in the Bureau's Photo Record camera necessary for focusing. Two tripods were located in the rumpus room. Several reflectors were scattered in different parts of this basement. Two reflectors with bulbs attached were located on a shelf beneath the work bench in the furnace room. The mountings on these reflectors were similar to the mountings used on the Bureau's Photo Record camera. In other words, the above two reflectors were designed to fit on a suspension rod of some type. A large stock of photo flood bulbs was observed in the rumpus room.

The wastepaper basket in the dark room of this basement contained wet blank negatives indicating that the dark room had been used on the previous night. Scraps of photographic prints were located in this waste basket indicating that prints were being cut and trimmed. Empty cartons from film packs and film rolls were observed in the wastepaper basket.

Photographs of the above described basement, the dark room, work shop, and other equipment, were made with a concealed camera, copies of which are being enclosed herewith for the Bureau's information. Identifying data has been placed on the back of each photograph.

Very truly yours,

Guys Hotel
GUY HOTEL 18
SAC

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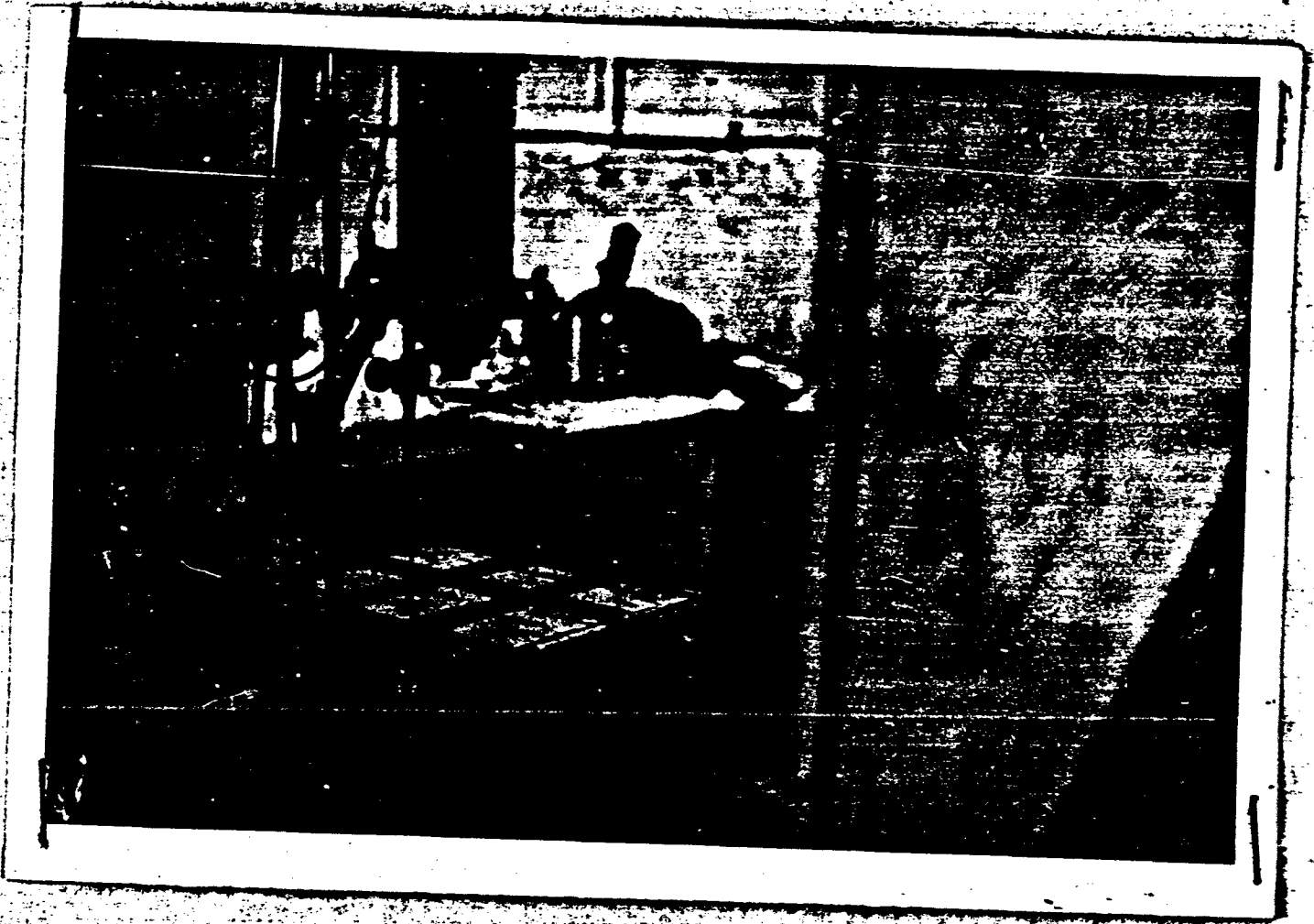
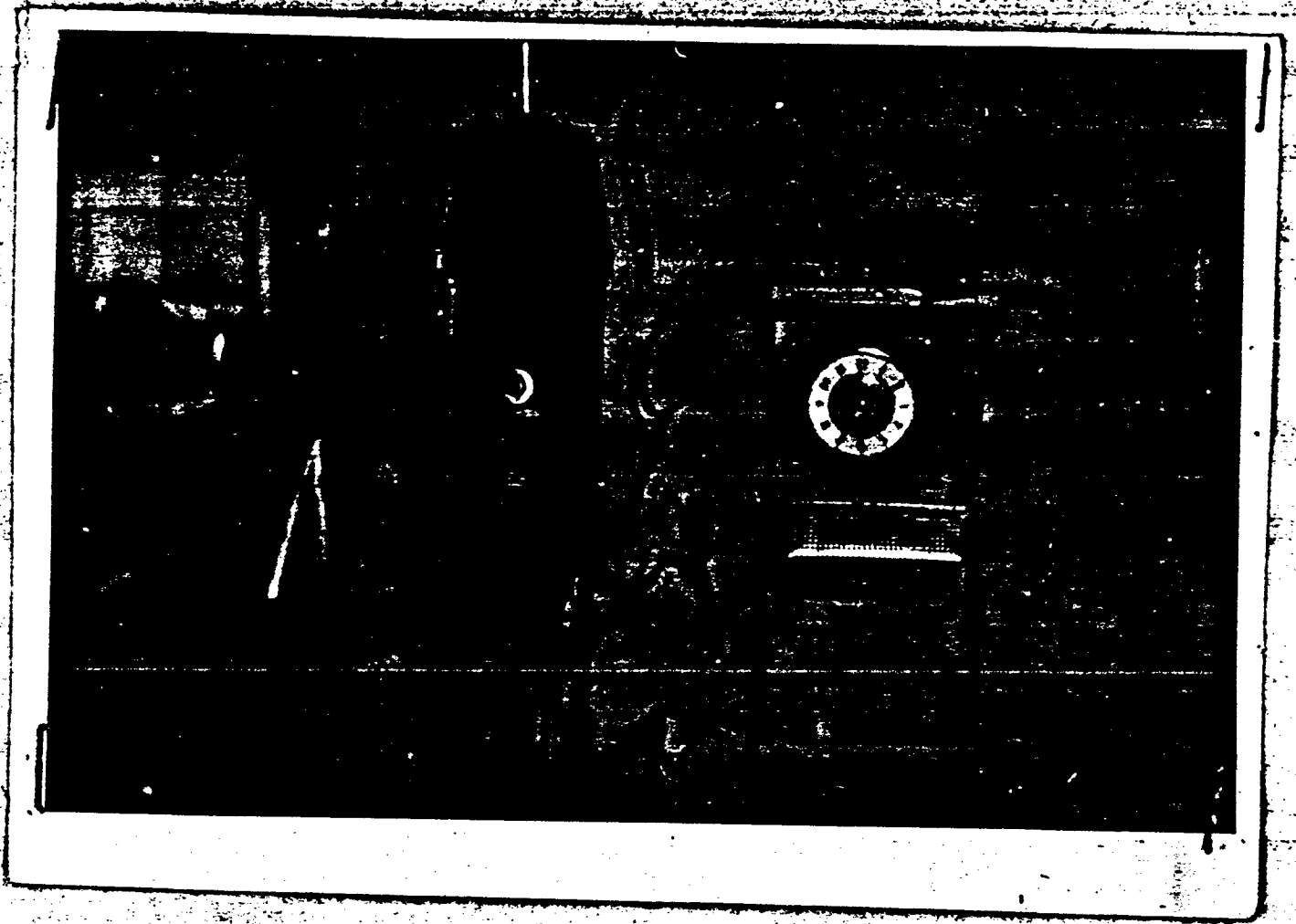
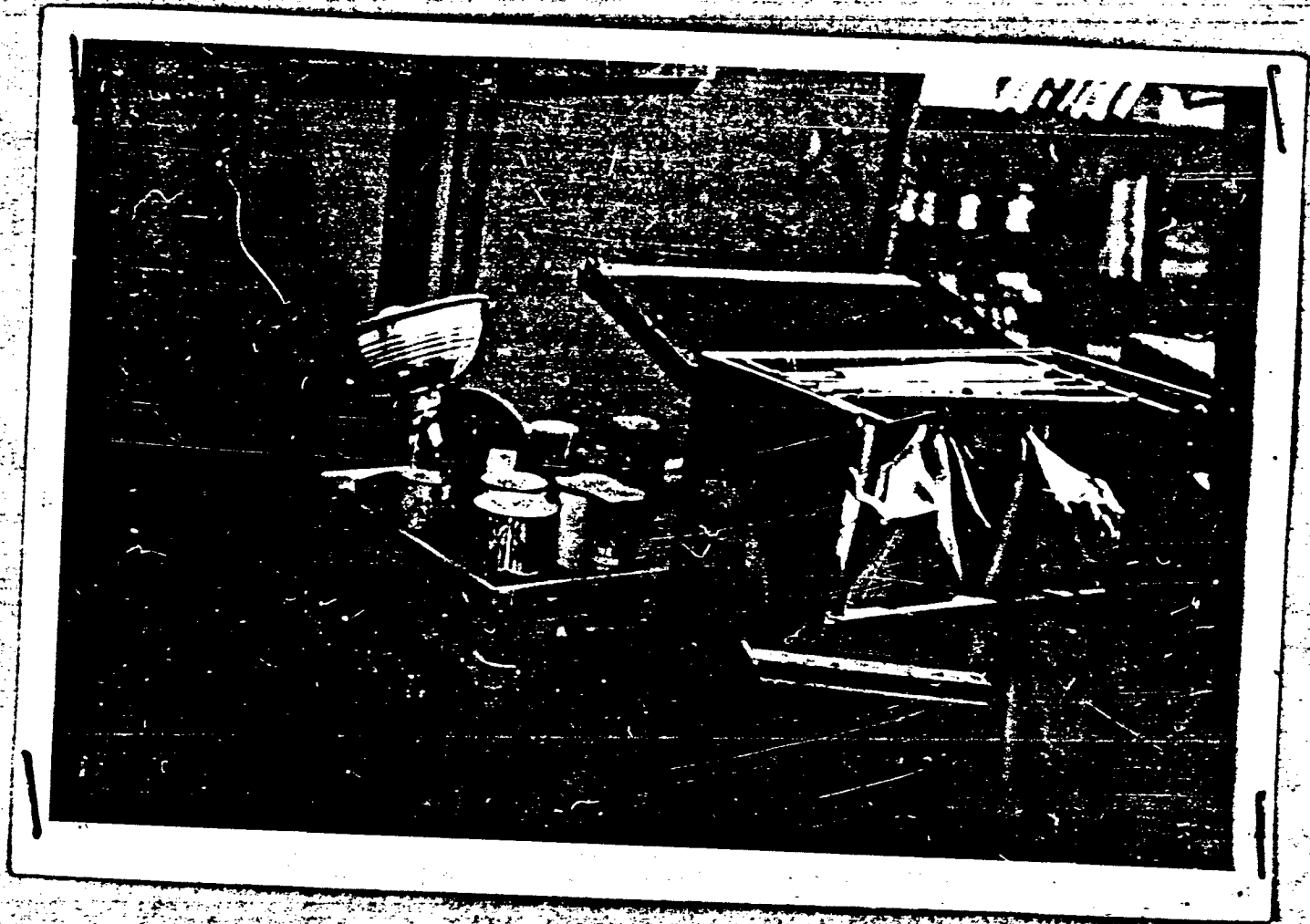


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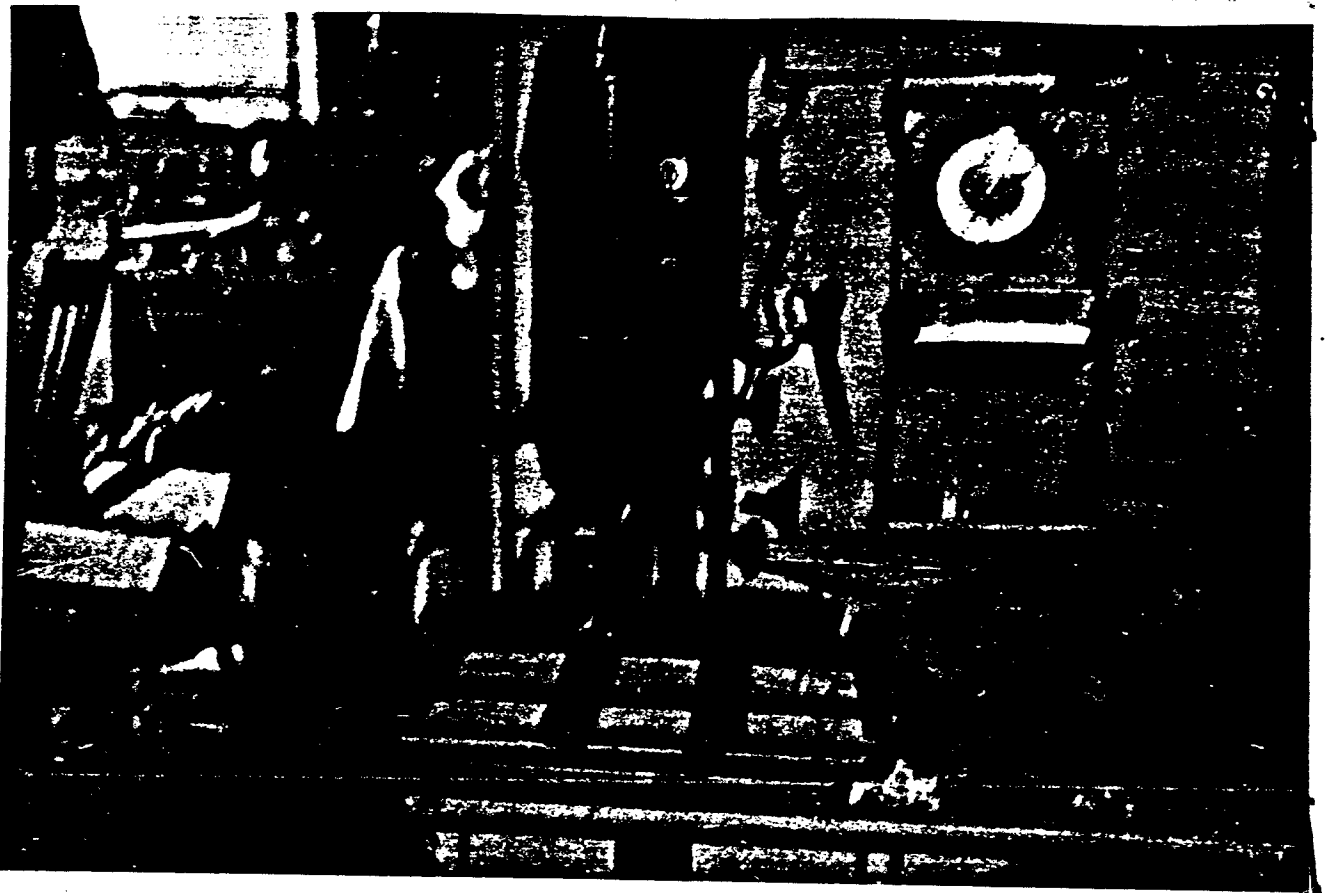
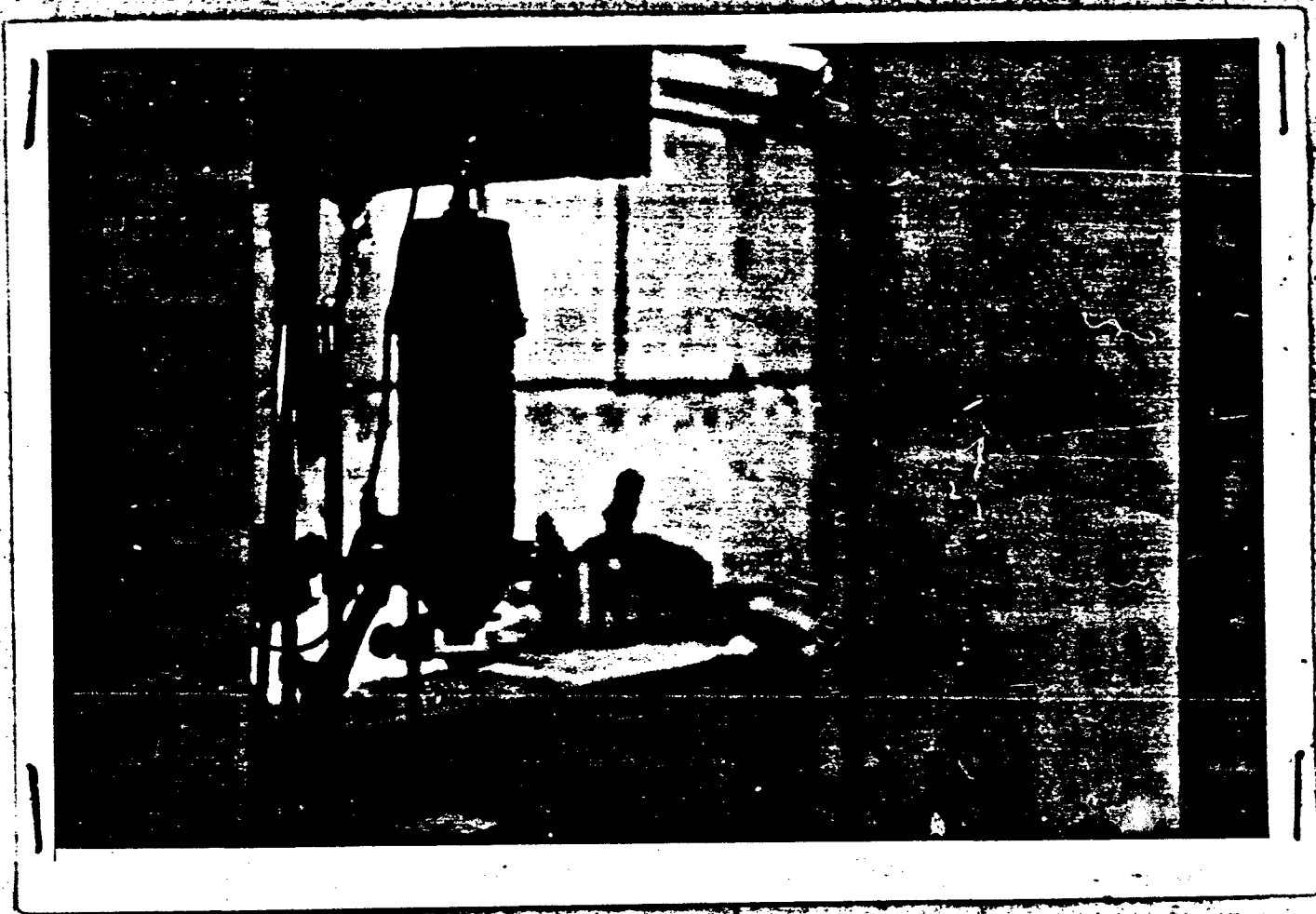
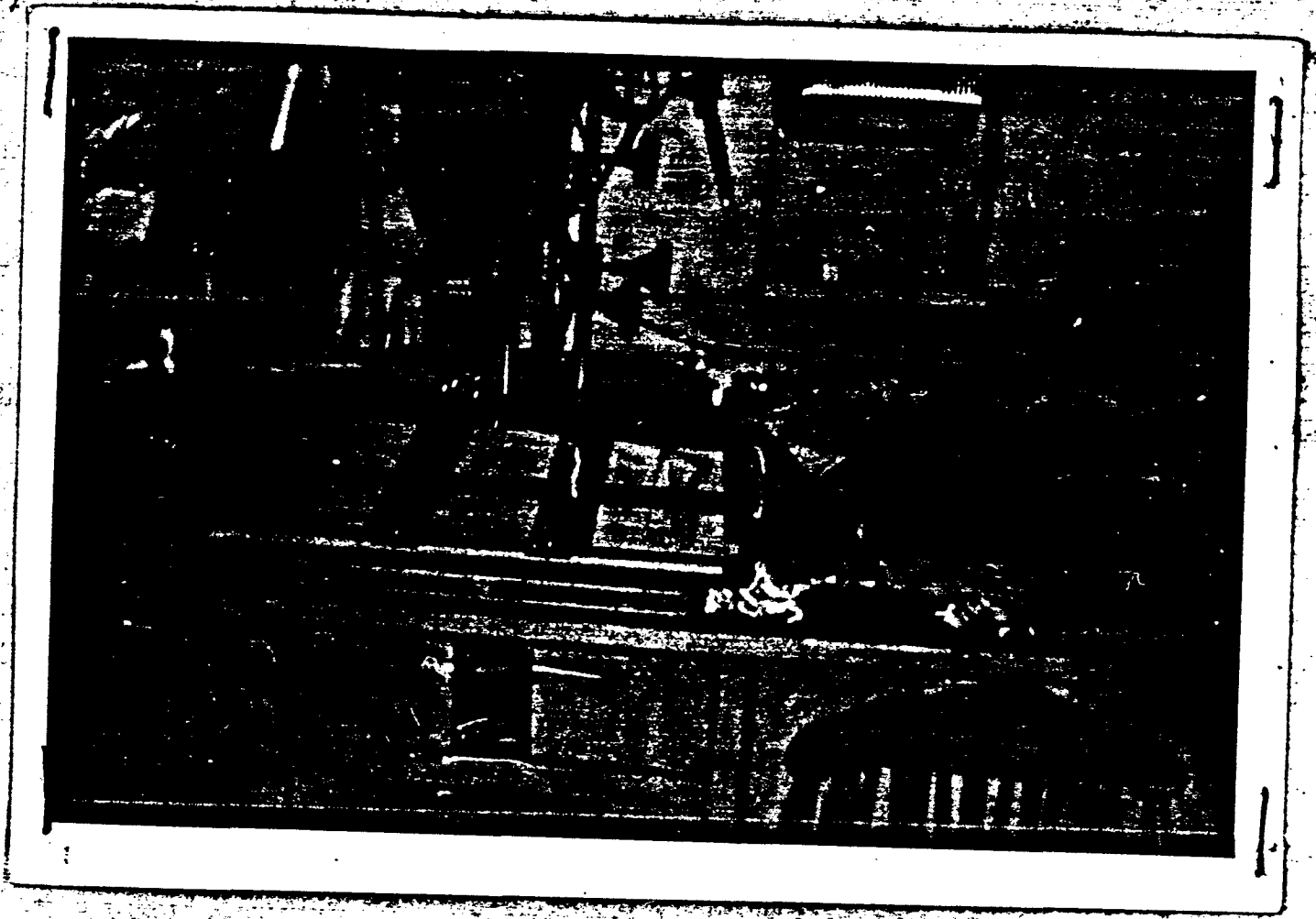


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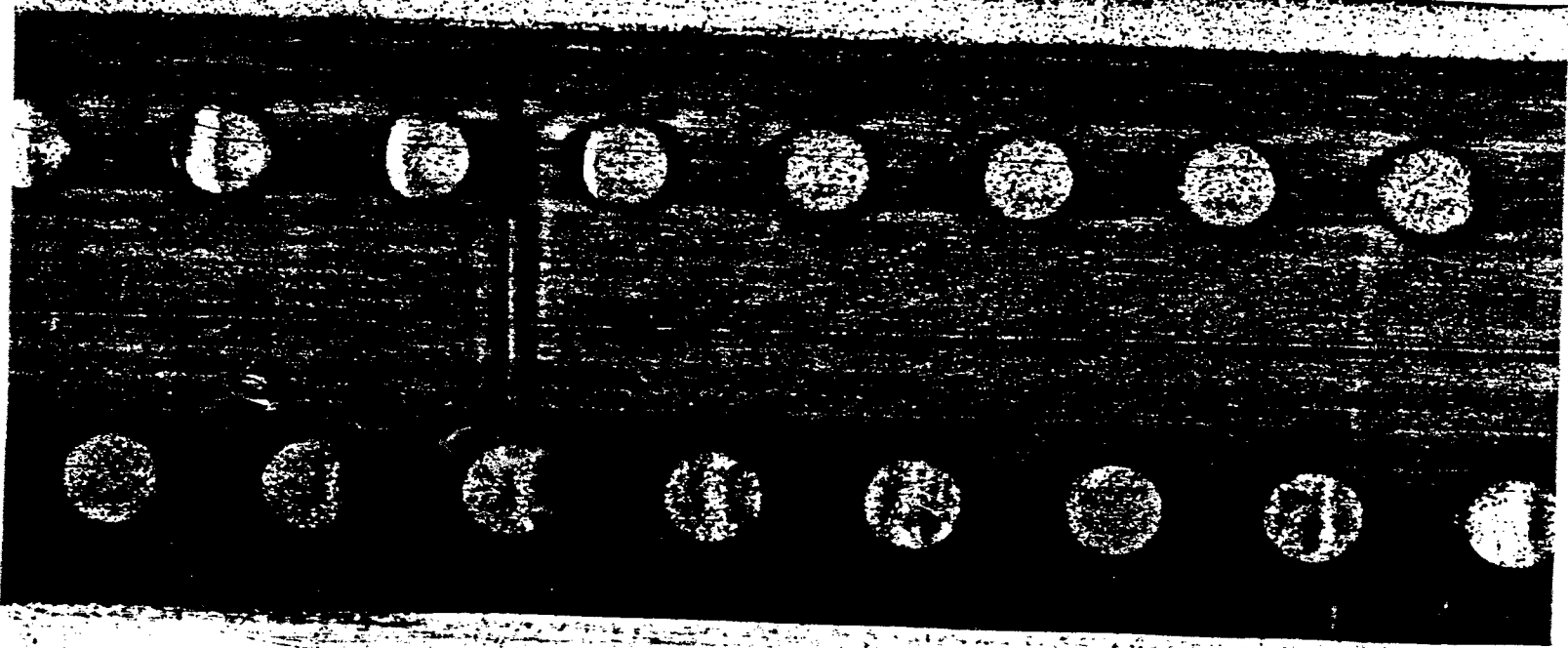
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Clandestine photo made in the basement of Silvermaster residence
at 5515 30th Street, N. W., by SA C. DALLAS MOBLEY on 11/29/45.

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER
Espionage - R

View of rumpus room showing 2 light reflectors on small
table adjacent to trunk. This trunk contained ULLMAN's Army
uniform.

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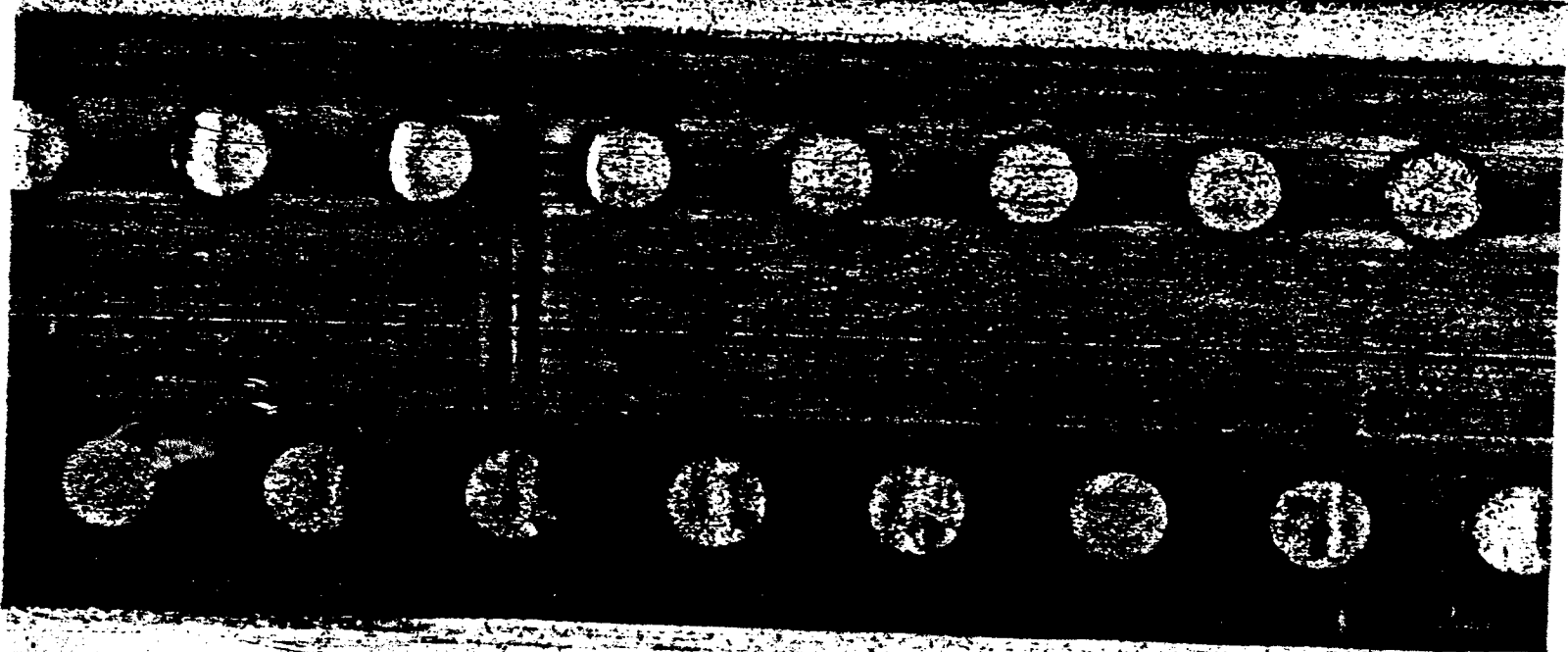
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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER
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View of rumpus room showing camera tripod adjacent to
radiator. Note window covered with black out oil cloth.
On a desk in foreground can be seen a black jar used
for developing fluid.

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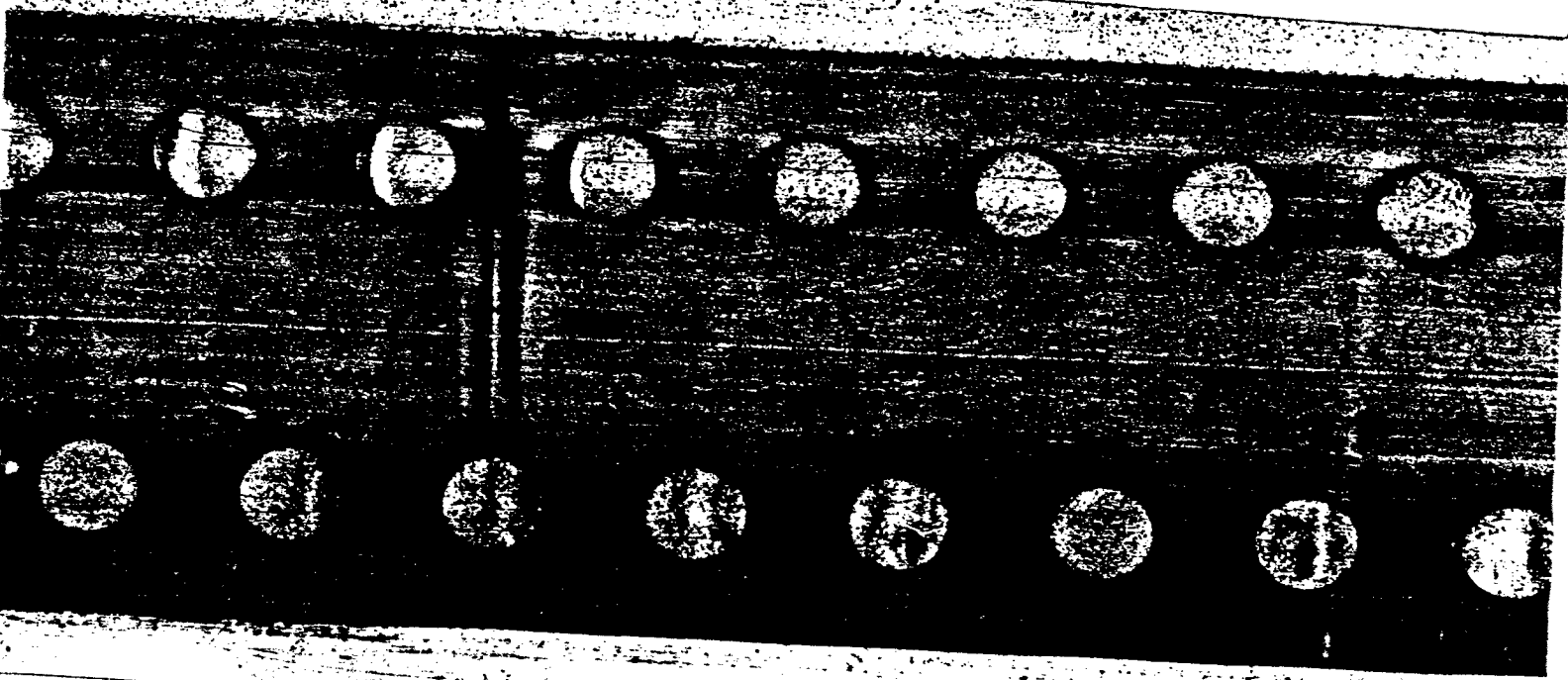
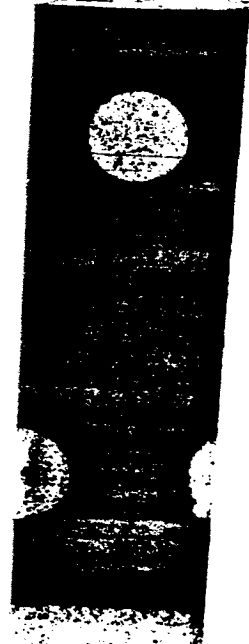
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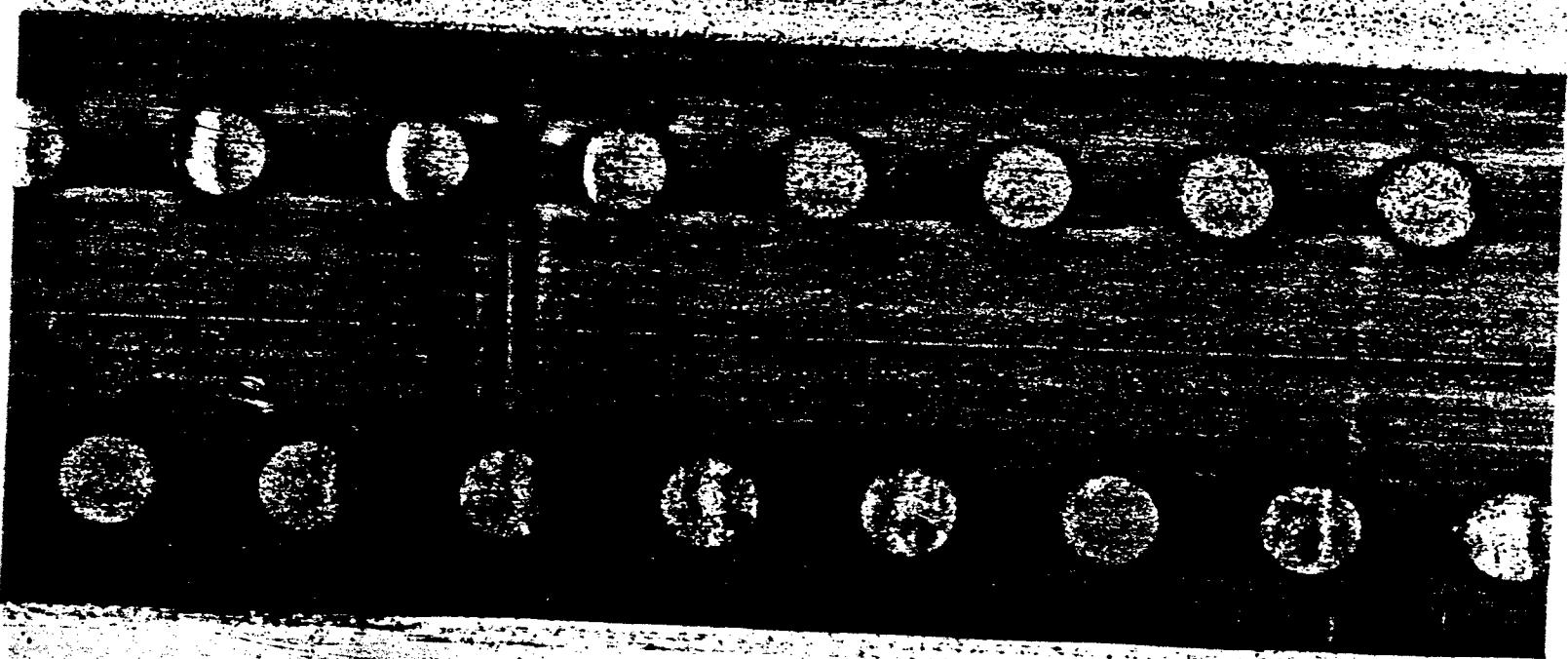
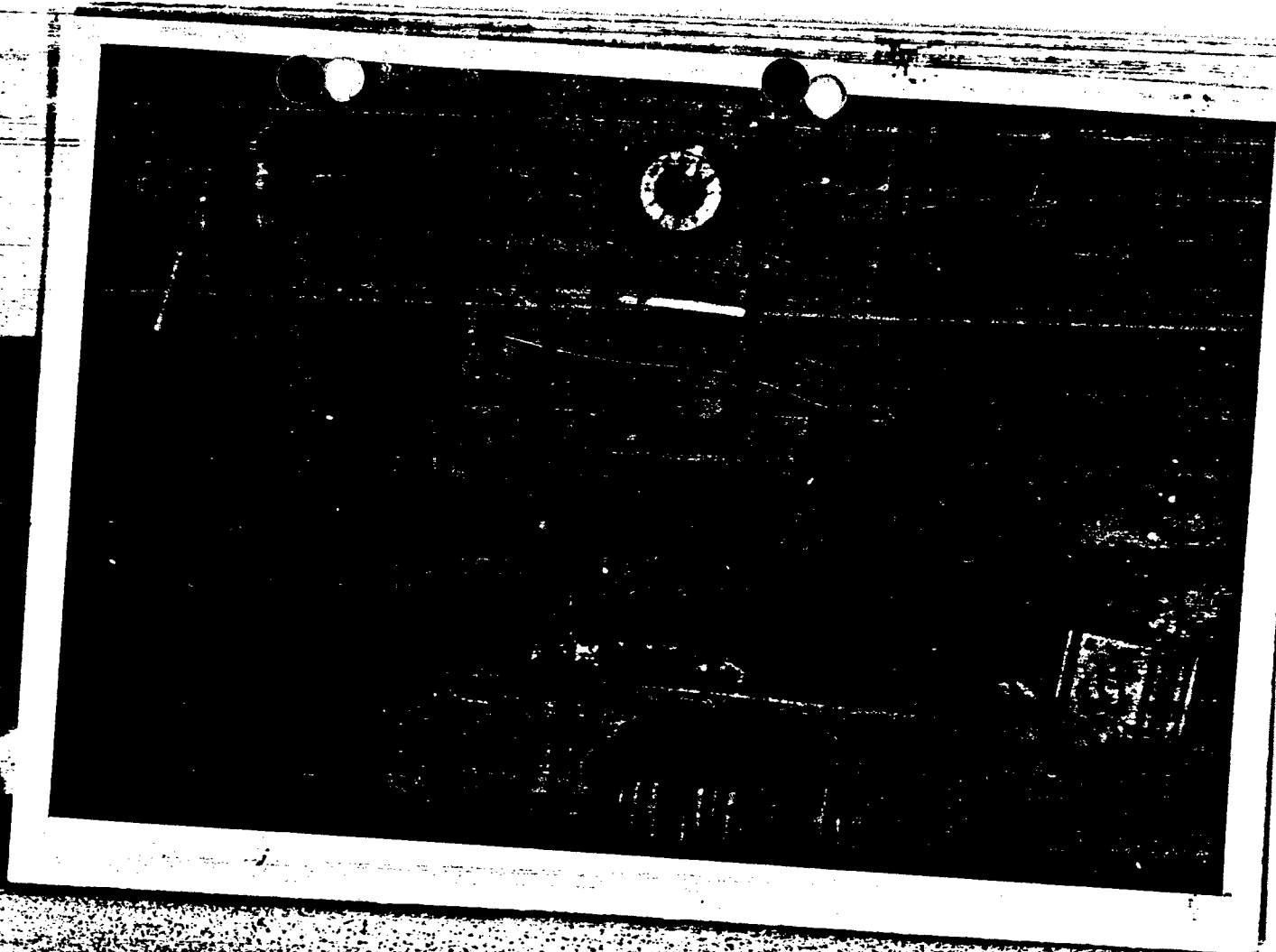
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View of dark room, enlarger, time clock, paper cutter, and
a large reflector. Note disorder in room.

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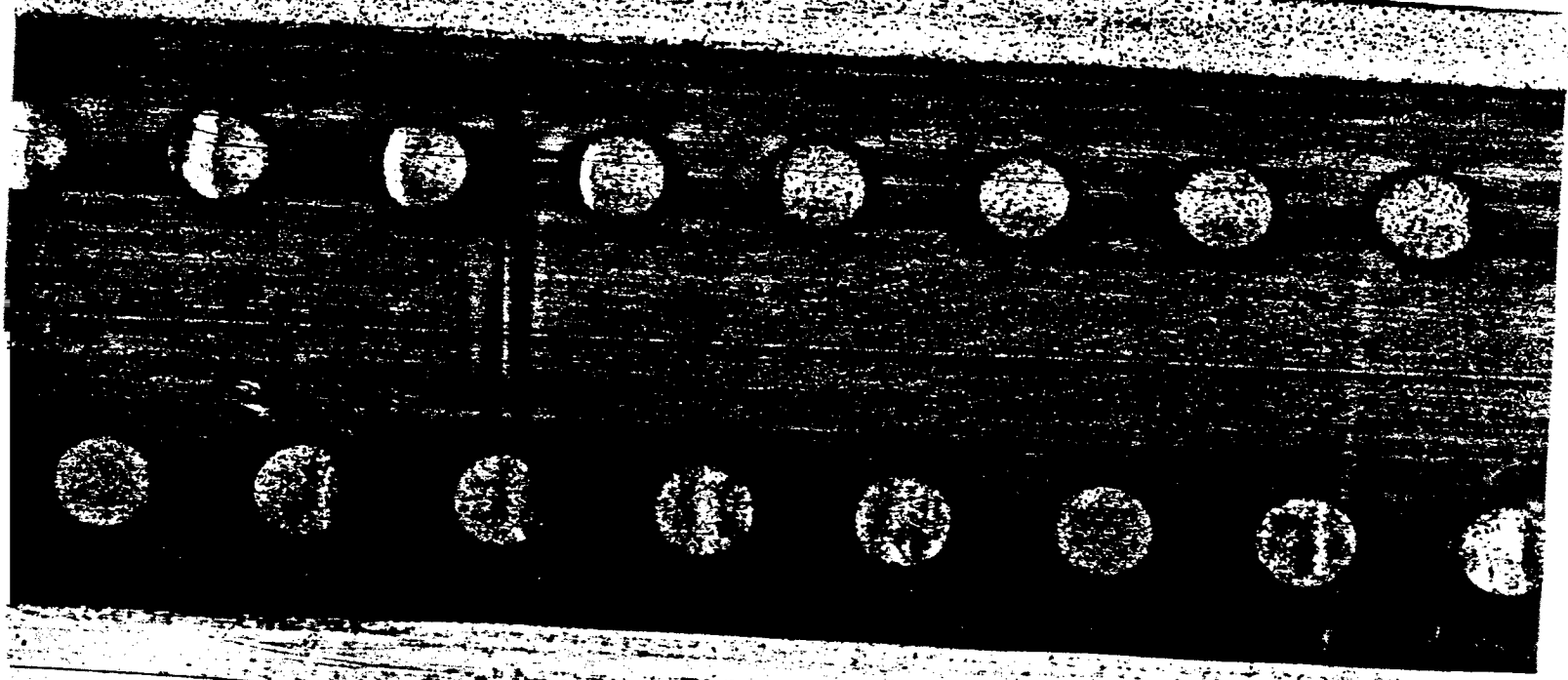
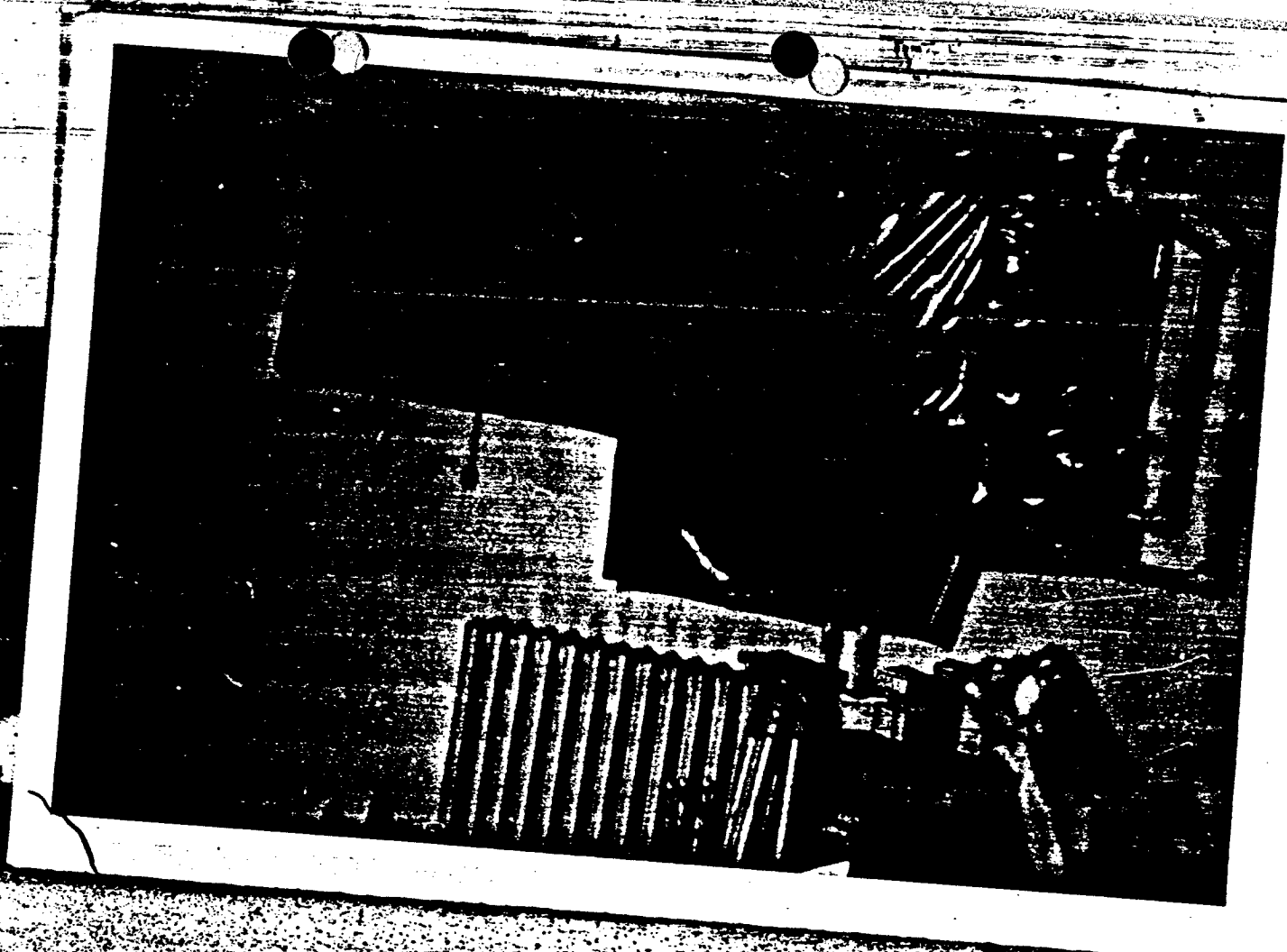
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Photo of rumpus room showing black out curtains on window.

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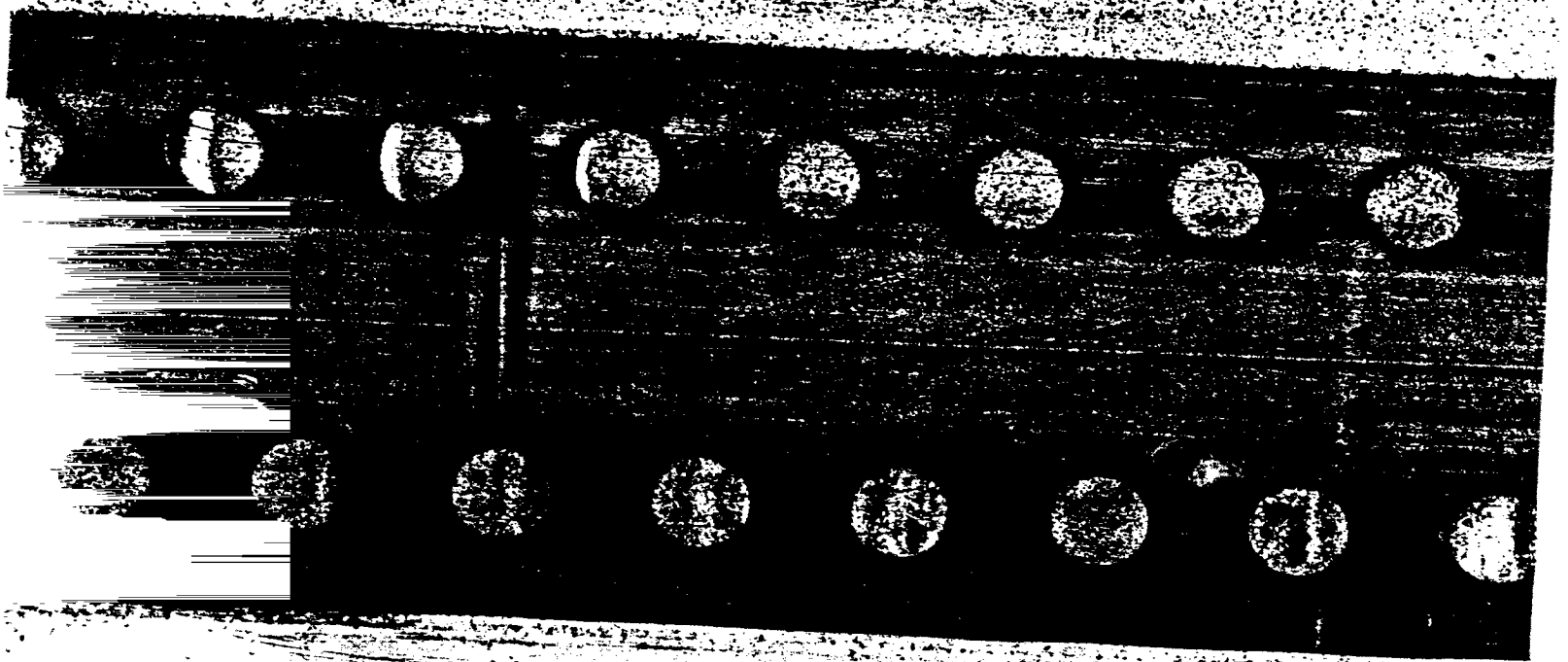
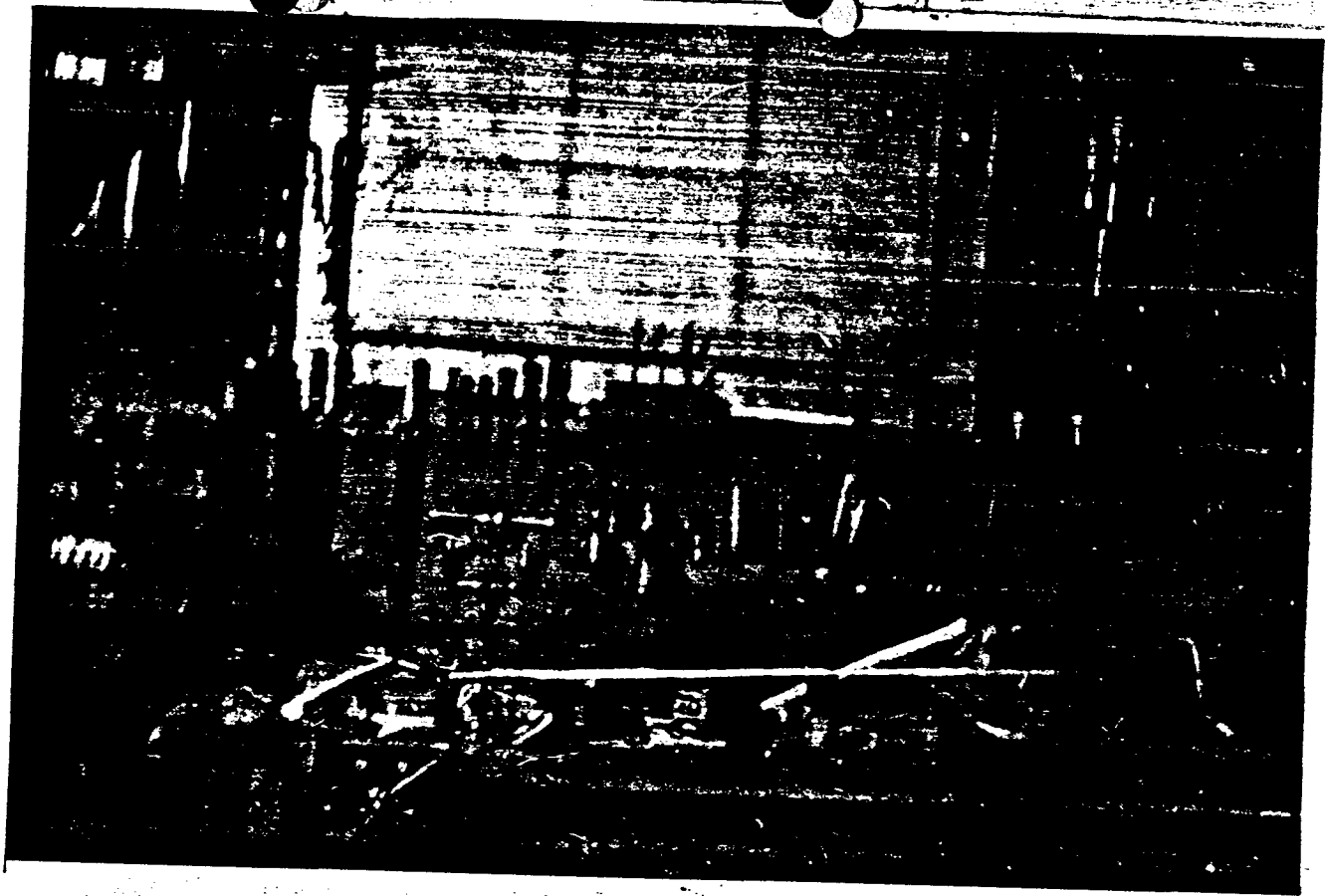
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View showing work bench in furnace room with tools in background.

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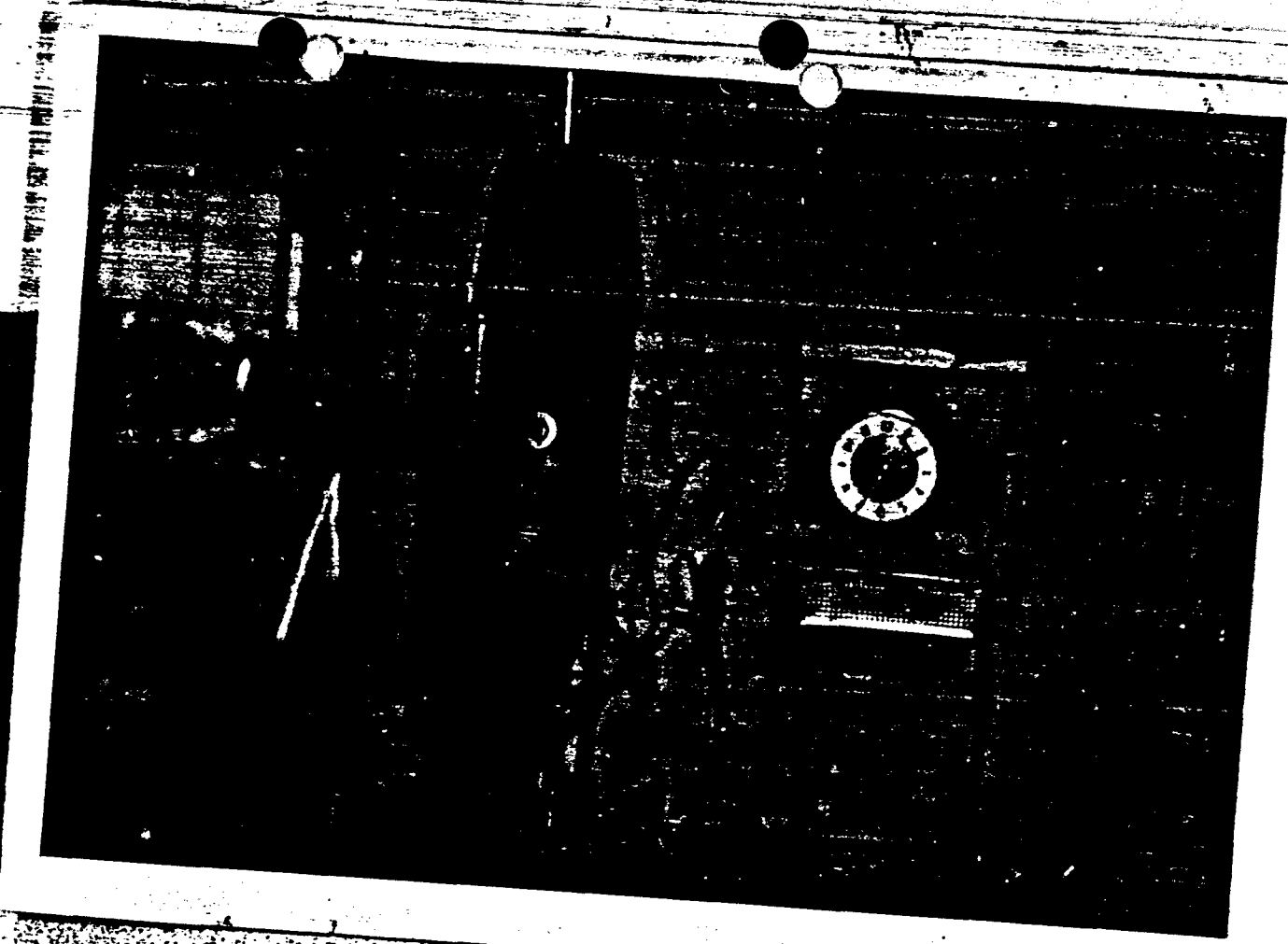
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Photograph showing closeup of enlarger in dark room.

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View showing enlarger in dark room. Note general disorder in
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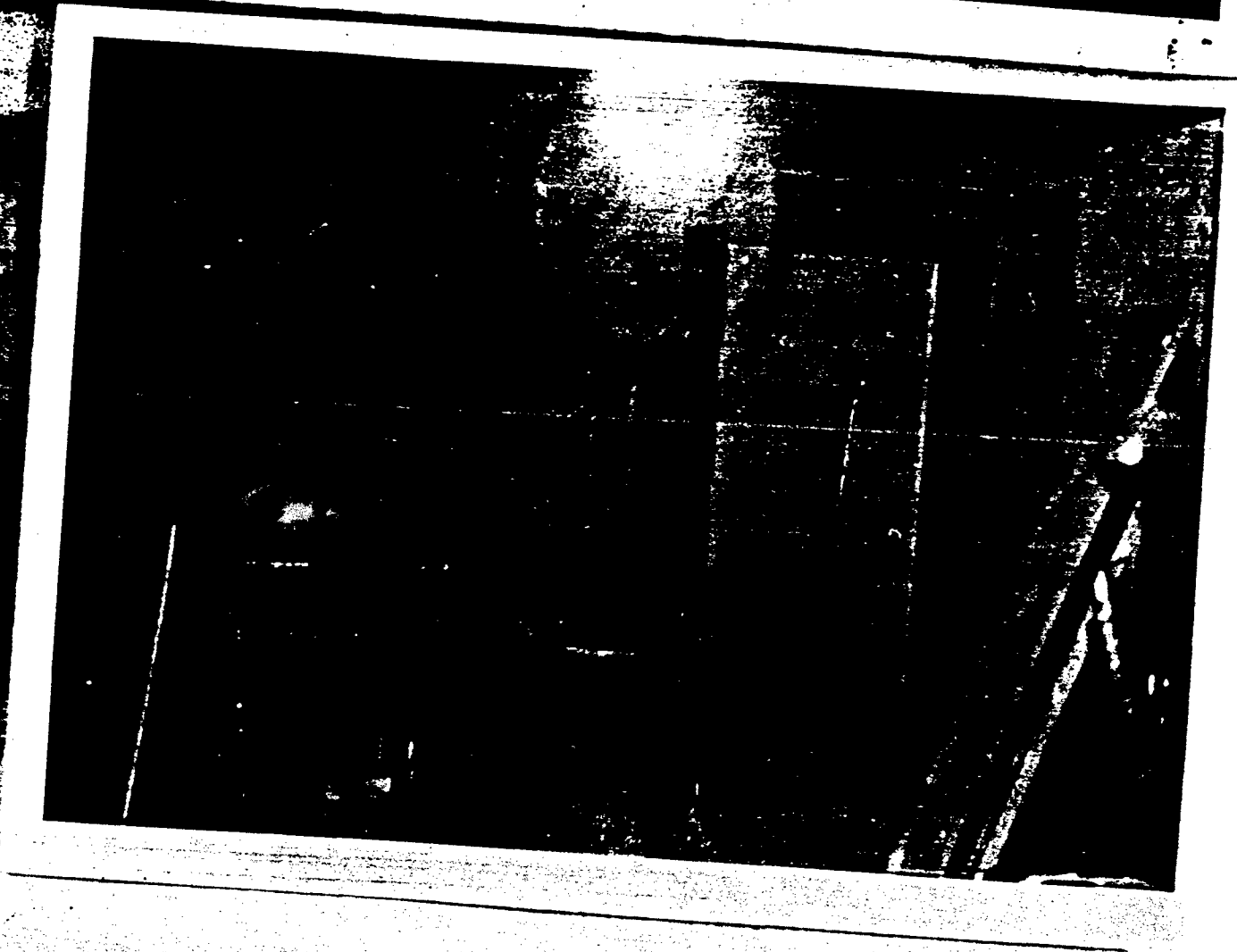
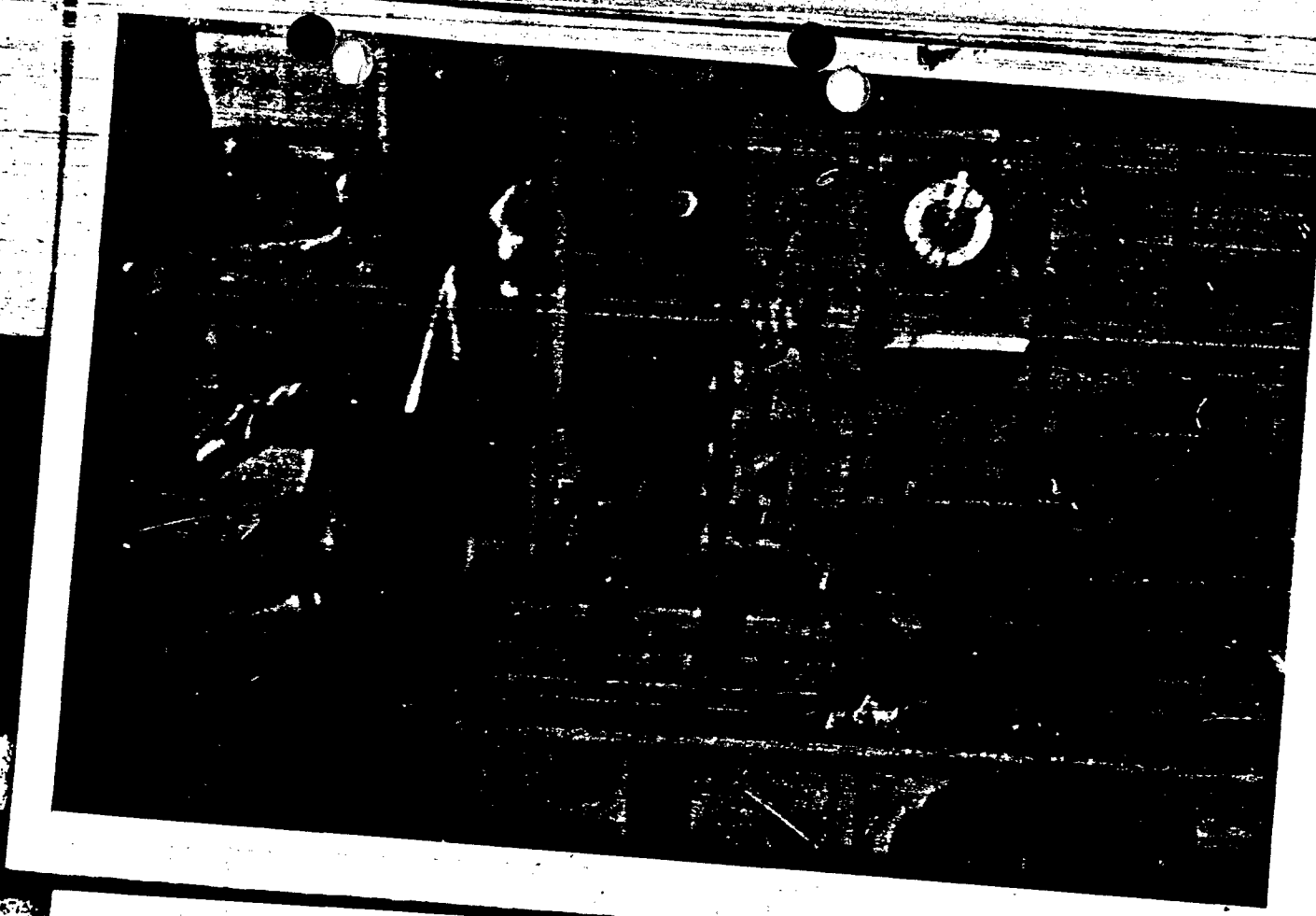
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View showing entrance to dark room at foot of stairway
leading from the basement into the kitchen.

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Photo of shelving under work bench in furnace room. Note
reflector on bottom shelf. This reflector has an attachment
for fastening on to a rod. This attachment is identical with
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record camera. There were 2 of these lamps on the shelf.

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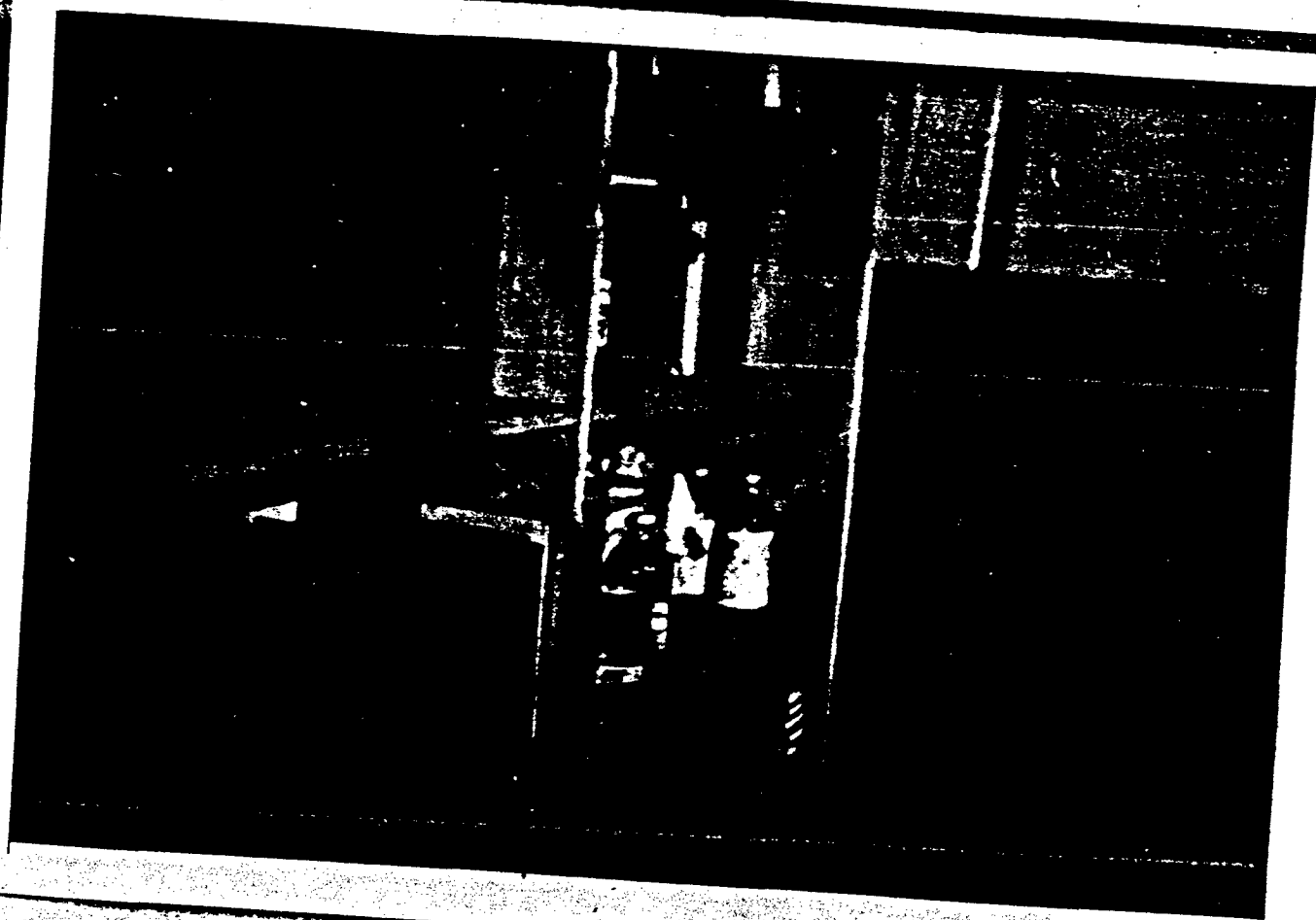
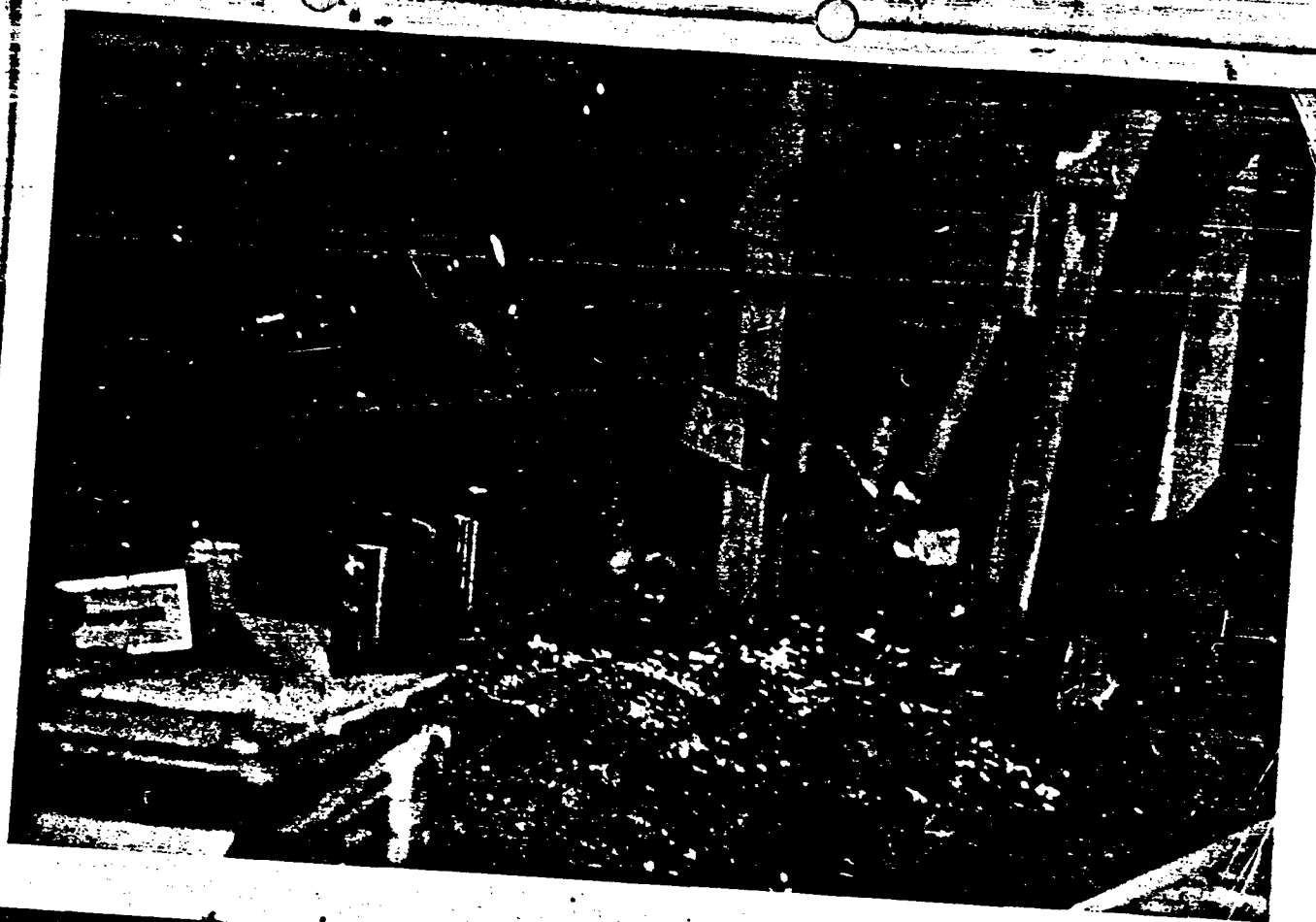
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View of rumpus room showing book shelving containing books and
miscellaneous can goods.

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View showing outside basement entrance with drawn shades over
window and door. Light in foreground is attached to a jig saw.

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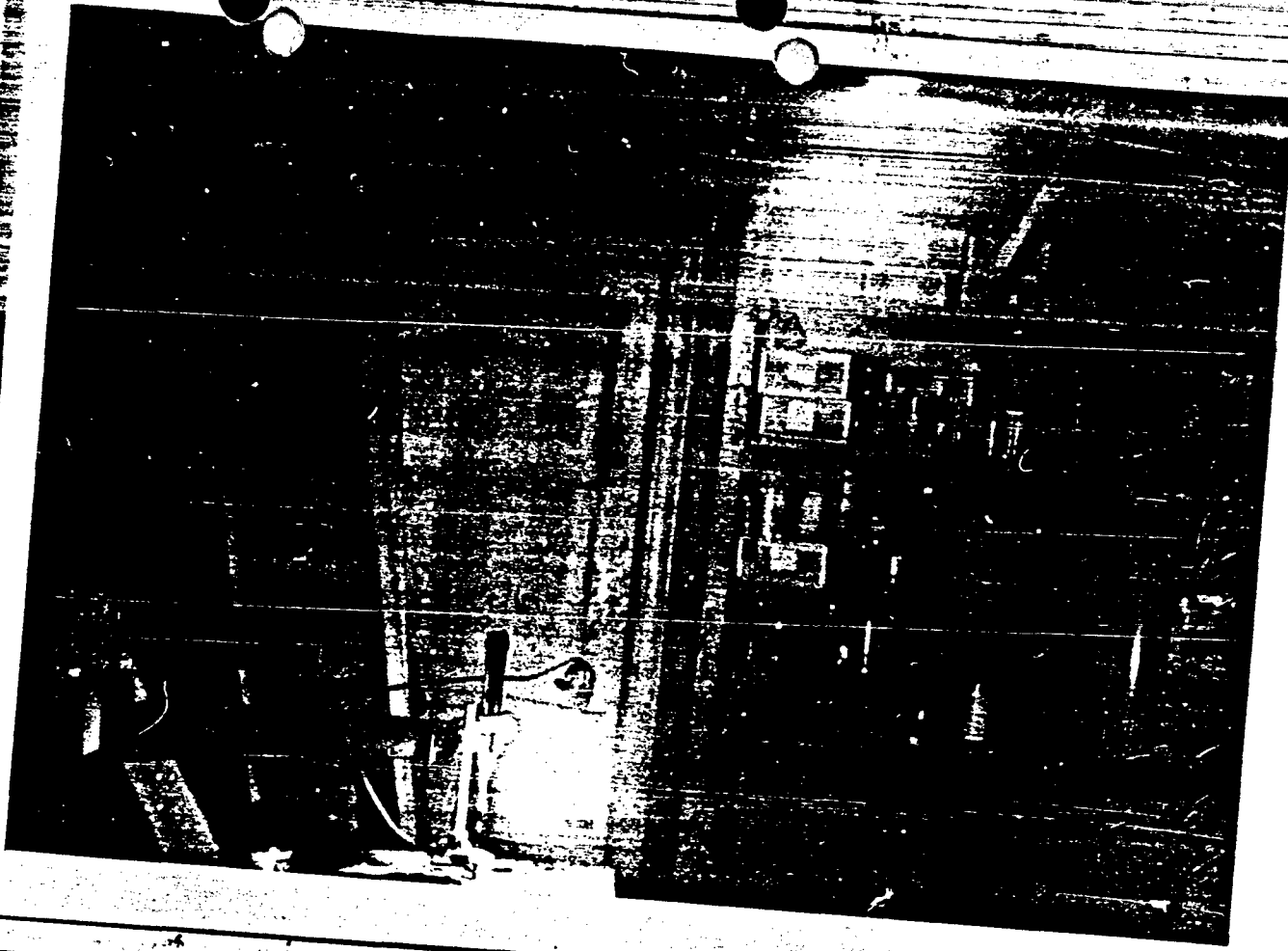
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View showing closeup of work bench.

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View showing additional tools and work shop.

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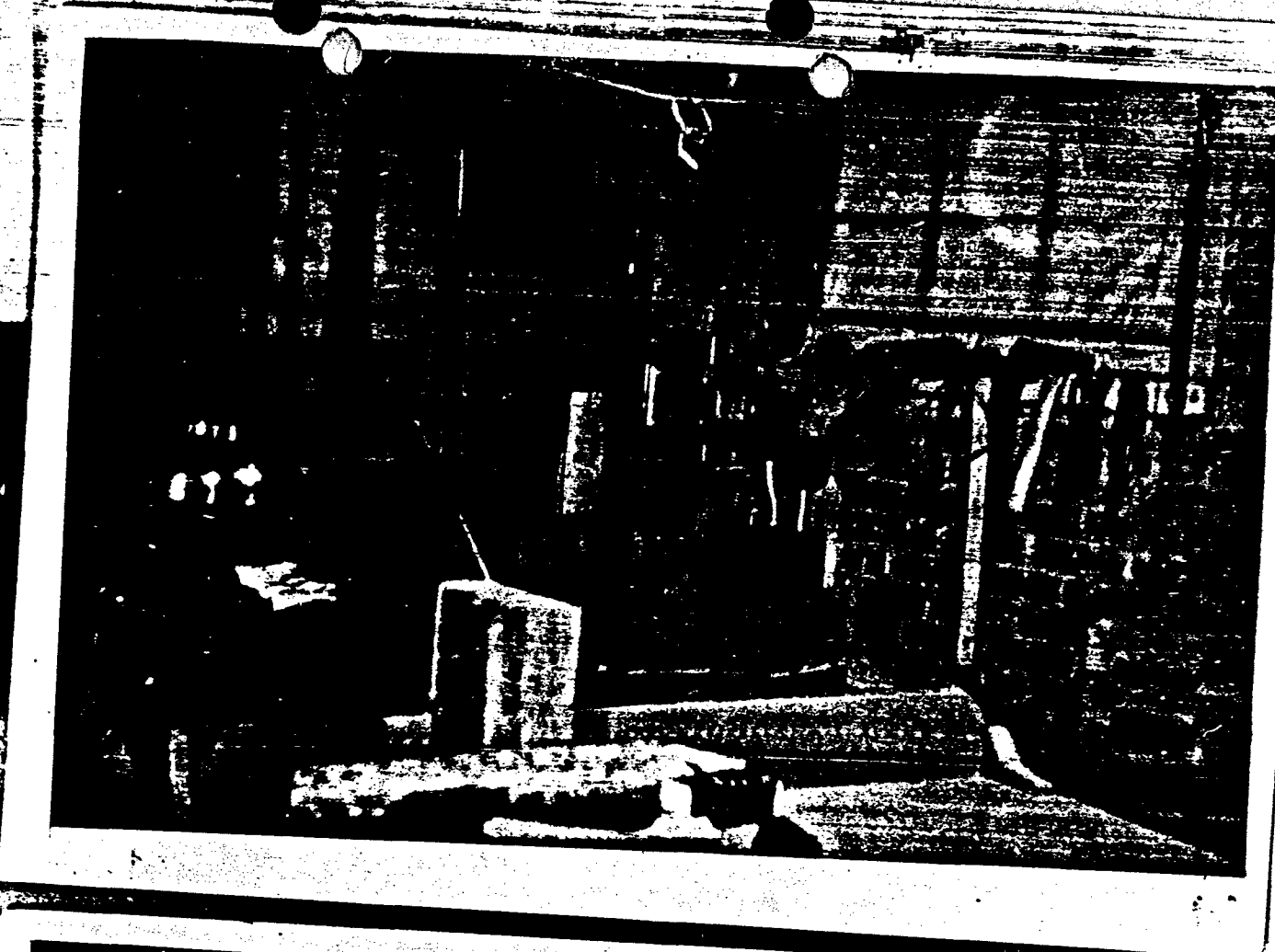
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View of work bench showing disorder of room.

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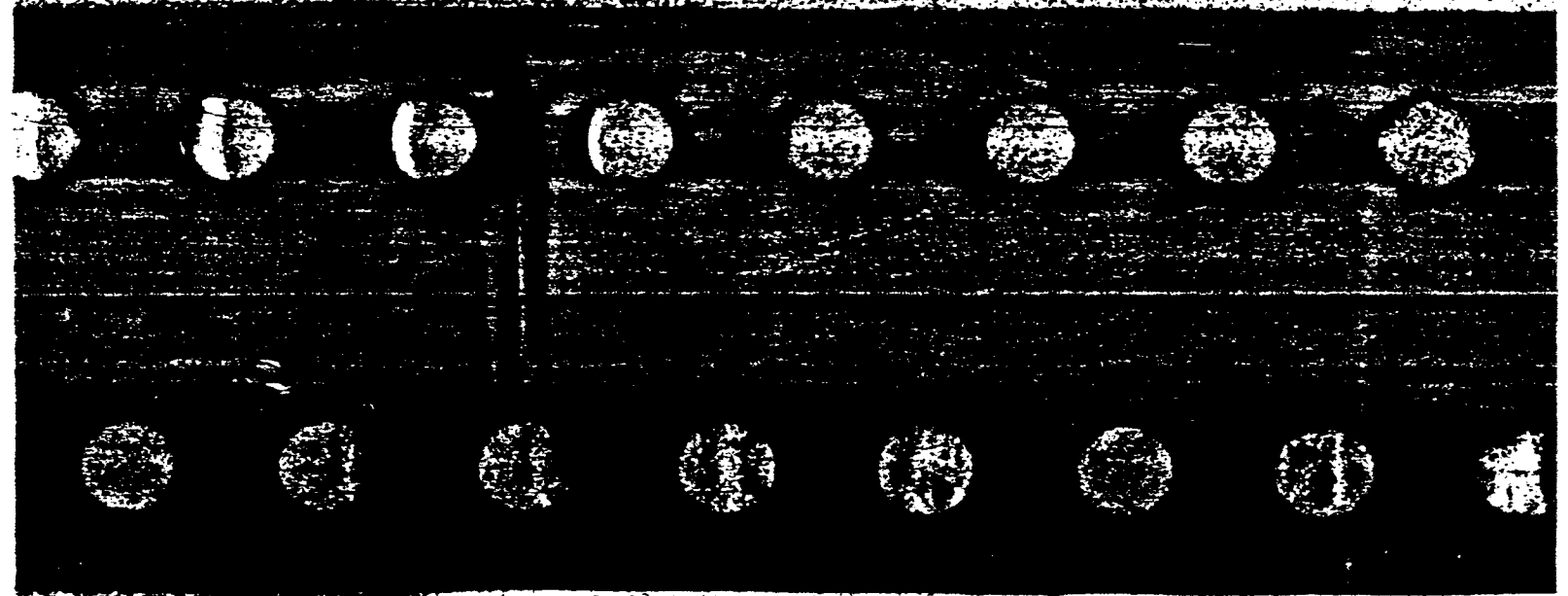
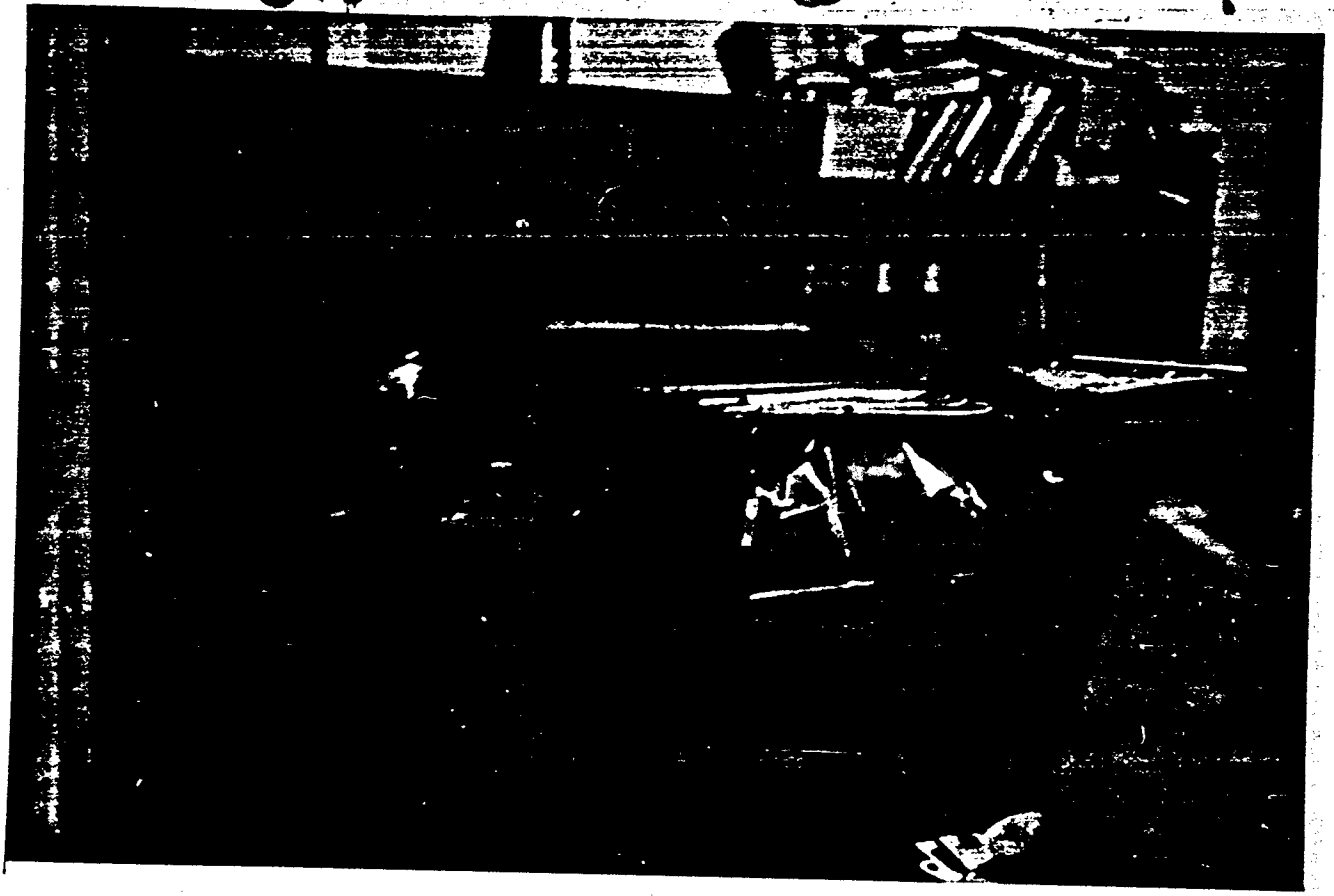
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View of rumpus room showing ping pong table in rear, bookcase,
photo flood equipment.

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View looking into dark room showing enlarger.

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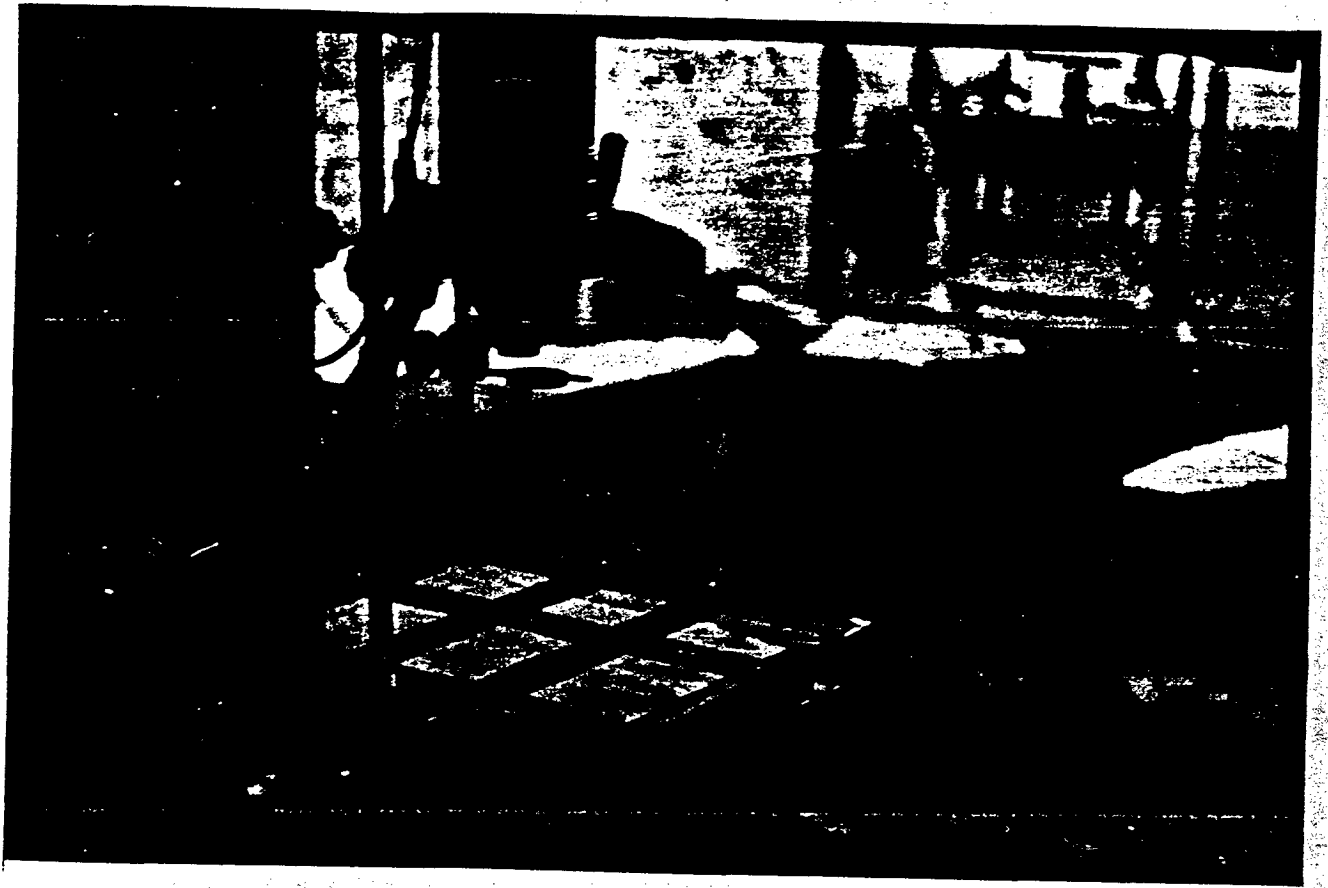
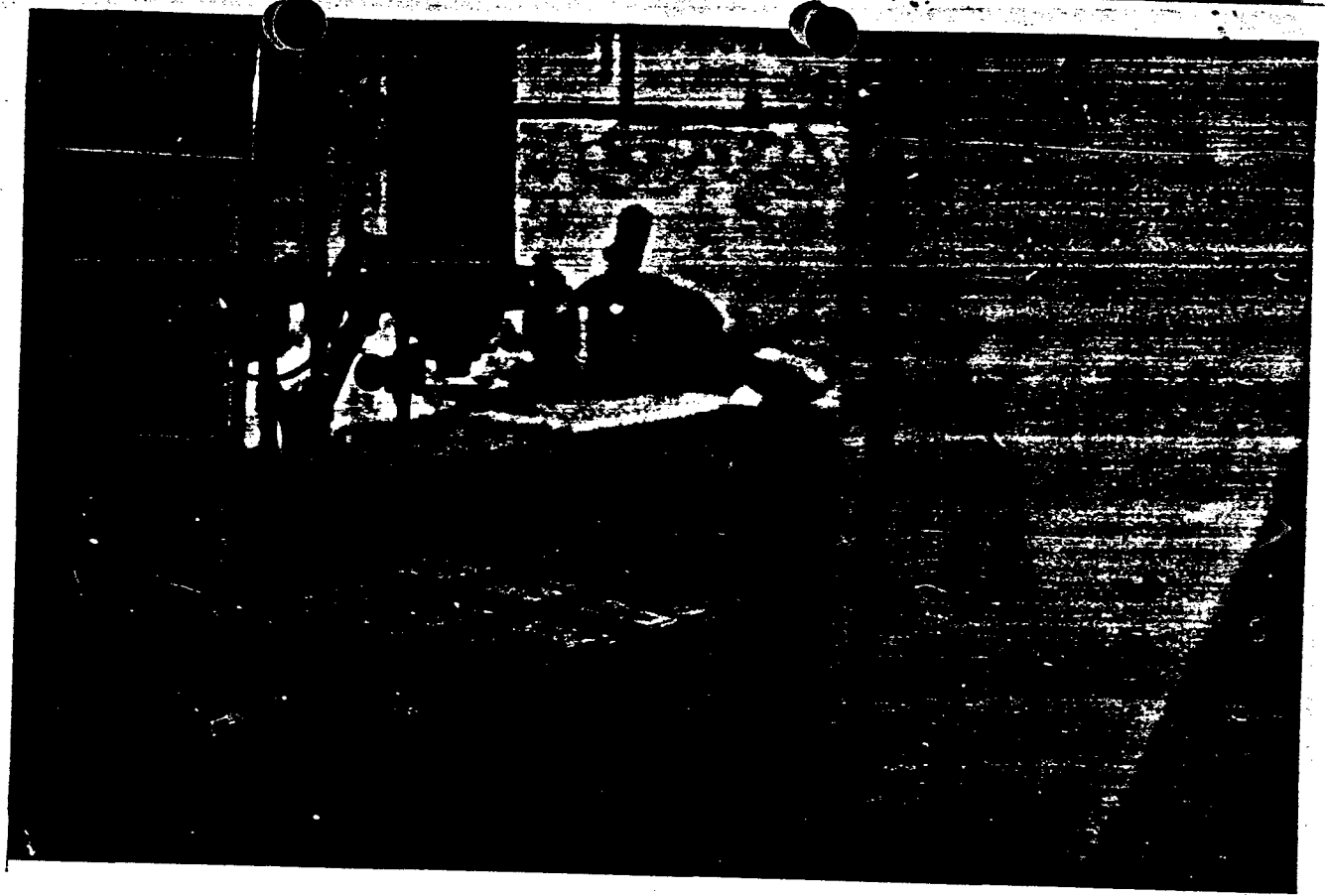
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View of dark room showing enlarger. Note laundry tubs in background.

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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER
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Re: HELEN B. TENNEY

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4/10/86
Dear Sir: # 254, 269

The following information was obtained through interview of ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY in connection with the above subject:

"With respect to HELEN TENNEY, my first information concerning her was from GOLOS who informed me some time, as I recall, in 1942, that he was being supplied by her with certain material to which she had access in the course of her duties with a shortwave unit of OSS in New York City. I recall that this concern was interested in persons of almost every nationality and HELEN TENNEY'S work apparently consisted for the most part of compiling biographical data concerning persons whom OSS was considering employing. Such data were turned over to GOLOS by HELEN TENNEY and I recall having seen some of this material.

"By way of background with respect to HELEN TENNEY, I learned that she was the daughter of wealthy parents who had separated while she was rather young, and that she had been reared by her mother and married when she was very young, subsequently was divorced and as far back as the early '30s had become associated in some fashion in this country with communist individuals, particularly some Spanish Communists. Some time later in 1942, it is my recollection that the shortwave unit of OSS was disbanded and thereafter I believe HELEN TENNEY was employed by "CUE", a magazine in New York. GOLOS then got the idea that she perhaps could secure a position with OSS in Washington, and I recall that she did proceed to Washington, probably in the late Summer of 1943. As I recall, she took over from MARY PRICE the apartment the latter had been occupying, the address of which I believe is 2038 I Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

"She did, in fact, secure a position with OSS in Washington, and it was hoped by GOLOS that she could be assigned to the Latin American Division, inasmuch as MAURICE HALPERIN was already established in that Division and could, of course, facilitate her work for GOLOS. She was not, however, assigned to this Division, but rather to a 'hush-hush' Spanish Division where she saw reports being submitted to OSS in Washington from its agents in Spain.

"At first, HELEN TENNEY simply made it her business to read I as much of this material as she could and either memorize it, or make notations thereof, in order that she could type up rather comprehensive reports of it at her home. Later, however, she was able to supply written material in the

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form of OSS reports and memoranda which I recall having seen, and further recall that such written material included notations as to the dissemination to be made of it, as well as the various OSS officials whose attention was to be directed to it. It is my further recollection that some of this material was labeled 'Secret' and some of it 'Confidential'.

"Upon GOLOS' death in November, 1943, I proceeded to Washington and met HELEN TENNEY for the first time, although I had considerable information concerning her activities. I explained the reason for my visit was the fact that GOLOS had died and that I was taking over his duties and, accordingly, would receive from HELEN TENNEY such information in the manner she had been supplying GOLOS in the past. This, of course, was agreeable to her, and I therefore continued to see HELEN TENNEY on my periodic visits to Washington and she would continue to supply me with information coming to her attention in connection with her activities.

"I recall that probably in early 1944, as a result of a conflict between CARLTON HAYES, US Ambassador to Spain, and OSS, the functions of the latter agency in Spain were considerably curtailed, and thereafter HELEN TENNEY was not able to supply me with the quantity and quality of the information previously furnished by her. I recall also at that time that HELEN TENNEY's duties began to include some work in connection with an OSS broadcast monitoring station somewhere on Long Island, that she had access to OSS digests prepared in connection with her monitoring activities and made them available to me. She was able to supply a considerable quantity of written data reflecting the activities of OSS personnel in virtually all sections and all countries of the world, and I recall that these data were prepared by Ditto machines and indicated the persons in OSS who were to see these copies, as well as other governmental agencies to whom these reports were directed.

"During the time I was contacting HELEN TENNEY in Washington, she was residing alone at the address mentioned above. I recall having seen her occasionally in New York City when she would make visits to her mother who, I believe, is Mrs. MABEL A. TENNEY, 150 E. 52nd St., New York City. I do not believe she was acquainted with nor aware of the activities of any of the individuals identified in the SILVERMASTER group.

"My last meeting with HELEN TENNEY occurred in December, 1944, when I saw her in Washington, and told her that I would no longer be functioning in the manner I had, and gave her some specific reasons why I was ceasing my activities. I told her that someone else would replace me and I subsequently learned, I believe from JACK, that she had in fact been contacted subsequent to my breaking off relations with her.

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"With respect to HELEN TENNEY's knowledge of the actual ramifications of the work she was doing for GOLOS, myself and the others, it is my opinion that she did not know the true identity of GOLOS; however, I am of the opinion that she may well have known or at least strongly suspected that data being supplied by her eventually went to the Russians, because she had had considerable experience back in the 1930's working with the Spanish Communists and at that time I know had mailed various materials to Russia at their request.

"During the time that both GOLOS and myself were dealing with HELEN TENNEY, I recall that she was known to the Russians merely as 'HELEN'.

"In connection with HELEN TENNEY, she was introduced to GOLOS by GRACE GRANICH who was, I believe, in the editorial department of 'INTER-CONTINENTAL NEWS' which is located somewhere in New York City."

On November 17, 1945, a physical surveillance was begun on HELEN TENNEY and has been continued to the present date. This physical surveillance indicated that HELEN TENNEY resides at 2038 I St., N.W., Washington, D.C., telephone REpublic 5789, and is employed at the Office of Strategic Services in Washington, D. C.

On November 26, 1945, a technical surveillance was placed on HELEN TENNEY and, to date, has indicated nothing pertinent to the instant case. *FW*

On November 27, 1945, a mail cover was placed on HELEN TENNEY with negative results to date. *FW*

No action has been observed on the part of the subject to prove or disprove that she is involved in Russian espionage, neither have any activities been observed to indicate that the subject has been in contact with Soviet espionage agents. *FW*

It is suggested that the physical surveillance be discontinued.

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
GUY HOTTEL
Special Agent in Charge

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Re: BERNARD SIDNEY REDMONT
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The following information was obtained through interview of ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY in connection with the above subject:

"In connection with BERNARD REDMONT, this individual was born, I recall, in Brooklyn, New York, and is about 26 or 27 years of age. He attended Columbia University, School of Journalism, and won the Pulitzer Prize and traveled through Russia and Mexico in the course of his studies as a result of winning this prize. When he returned to the United States, he was a reporter for a short time on a small town newspaper located, as I recall, somewhere in Herkimer County, New York. He eventually went to Washington, D.C., where he obtained a position with the Office of Inter-American Affairs in the Press Division, where he worked with JAMISON, who, I recall, was head of the Press Division of the Office of Inter-American Affairs. (u)

"In the Spring of 1943, WILLIAM REMINGTON told me that REDMONT was working in the Press Division of the Office of Inter-American Affairs, and might be an individual whom I would be desirous of contacting. When I returned to New York after this particular visit to Washington, I told GOLOS of the possibilities of REDMONT, and he instructed me to have REMINGTON solicit REDMONT's assistance. Apparently REMINGTON was successful in inducing REDMONT to offer his services, as I recall about this time GOLOS told me that REDMONT was coming to New York and he was scheduled to meet him in the New York Public Library on 5th Avenue and 42nd Street. (u)

"I accompanied GOLOS to the library and we subsequently met REDMONT and GOLOS told him that he was desirous of obtaining any information that came into his, REDMONT's, possession, and indicated that this information was to be turned over to EARL BROWDER. As a result of this meeting with GOLOS, I added REDMONT's name to the list of people that I visited when I went to Washington, D.C., and I continued to see him from sometime in the late Spring of 1943 until the latter part of this year, at which time REDMONT was drafted and went into the Marines as a combat correspondent. (u)

"In connection with the information that REDMONT supplied to me which I later turned over to GOLOS, it concerned principally information from (u)

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cable intercepts and other such material concerning Latin America that would normally pass through the Press Division of the Office of Inter-American Affairs. GOLOS indicated to me on several occasions that this information was not of much real value. (U)

"After REDMONT was attached to the Marine Corps, I, of course, had no contact with him and did not next see him until some time in the Summer of 1944, at which time I learned that he had been invalidated out of the service because of shrapnel wounds that he had received while overseas. In about November or December, 1944, he again took up a position with the Office of Inter-American Affairs in the Press Division. REDMONT had my telephone number, and I recall that when he was discharged from the Marines and in New York City, he called me and informed me he was going to return to his old job at the Office of Inter-American Affairs, and in the event that I traveled to Washington, I should ring him up and we would probably have dinner together. (U)

"When I ceased my activity in December of 1944, it is my opinion that the people that I had been contacting were turned over to other Russian contacts and I would assume that REDMONT's name was turned over to one of these contacts. In this regard, I recall that in the Spring of 1945 on an occasion of one of my meetings with my then Russian contact, JACK, he informed me that he had no present need for REDMONT and apparently had not decided to contact him further." (U)

On November 19, 1945, a physical surveillance was placed on BERNARD REDMONT which revealed that he is residing at 3814 10th Place, S.E., Apartment 2-C, Washington, D. C., telephone FRanklin 8700, and is presently employed at the Office of Inter-American Affairs. This physical surveillance has been conducted to the present date. [There is at the present time no technical surveillance on BERNARD REDMONT due to the fact that his telephone runs off a switchboard in an apartment development, and technical difficulties have prevented the installation of a technical surveillance.] JXU

On November 27, 1945, a mail cover was placed on BERNARD REDMONT, and to date has produced nothing pertinent to the instant investigation. XU

No action has been observed on the part of REDMONT to prove or disprove that he is involved in Russian espionage; neither have any activities been observed to indicate that REDMONT has been in contact with Soviet espionage agents. QU

It is suggested that the physical surveillance be discontinued. (U)

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
GUY HOTTEL
Special Agent in Charge

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Re: MAURICE HALPERIN

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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DATE 9/3/83 bm

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above subject, ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY stated that her first meeting with HALPERIN was in Washington, D. C., at the residence of another subject, WILLARD Z. PARK. (PARK recently left the United States to be the UNRRA representative in Ethiopia). Miss BENTLEY says on that occasion she discussed with HALPERIN and PARK the work they were doing; that she told HALPERIN and PARK that BRUCE MINTON had sent her to see them, and that they were pleased to make the contact. It was arranged she would collect Communist Party dues from HALPERIN on that occasion.

Miss BENTLEY further states she did not ask HALPERIN for any information coming to his attention in the course of his Governmental duties. She recalls that some weeks later GOLOS made a trip to Washington, where he met HALPERIN and PARK at the home of MARY PRICE, and apparently made arrangements with them on that occasion to be supplied by them with certain information to which they had access in their respective offices.

After this meeting, according to informant BENTLEY, HALPERIN began to supply GOLOS with various information and made it available to him by giving it to MARY PRICE by whom Miss BENTLEY would take it on her trips to Washington. This arrangement continued for a few months and thereafter Miss BENTLEY got the information directly from HALPERIN.

With respect to the type of information HALPERIN furnished to BENTLEY she says HALPERIN delivered to her mimeographed bulletins and reports prepared by OSS on a variety of topics, and also supplied excerpts from State Department cables, to which he evidently had access. HALPERIN'S contributions were gratefully received by GOLOS who appeared to attach considerable

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importance to them. Miss BENTLEY continued to see HALPERIN until December, 1944, during which period he continuously gave her information of this nature. She states HALPERIN made occasional trips to New York City where she and GOLOS would take him to dinner or to a show. On those occasions in New York City, HALPERIN and GOLOS used to discuss the work HALPERIN was doing for him, but at no time did she indicate any indication on HALPERIN'S part which would indicate knowledge by HALPERIN of the true identity of GOLOS. She explained that at the time HALPERIN'S services were enlisted, he was told that such information as he furnished was being transmitted to EARL BROWDER, and Miss BENTLEY stated she did not know whether HALPERIN knew or suspected any further disposition of such material.

Miss BENTLEY states her last meeting with HALPERIN was in 1944, at which time he was still employed by OSS. Early in 1945, she recalls that "JACK", the Russian contact at that time, told her that HALPERIN had been accused by General WILLIAM DONOVAN of being a Soviet Agent and that after this accusation had been levelled at him, according to "JACK", HALPERIN had failed to appear two or three times to meet his contact.

A cover was placed on the mail going to MAURICE HALPERIN on November 28, 1945. There have been no results obtained from this mail cover to date which are of any pertinent interest to this case. (u)

Physical surveillance was placed on MAURICE HALPERIN as of November 19, 1945, and has been pursued continuously up to the present time. On the evening of November 24, 1945, the car of DAVID RALPH WAHL, of Kensington, Maryland, was parked near the home of HALPERIN.

On November 30, 1945, the car of EARL WOODROW WILCHER, of 1905 Locust Grove Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland, was parked near the HALPERIN residence. It is thought that this WOODROW WILCHER is probably a business associate of HALPERIN'S, inasmuch as the technical surveillance being maintained shows he is in frequent contact with a man at his office whom he refers to as WOODROW, and that their conversations mostly concern office business. (u)

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Technical surveillance has been had on HALPERIN from November 23, 1945, up to the present time. The only conversation noted to date which might be of interest to this case was at 10:20 P.M., on November 26, 1945, which was from HALPERIN to a man named GREGG, in which they discussed State Department matters, and their conversation touched upon various persons and personalities in the State Department. GREGG asked HALPERIN for his support of his (GREGG's) bulletin program. HALPERIN said he would give whole-hearted support to GREGG'S program, but it would be necessary to prove the project would cost very little money. It was at first thought that this call might be to subject JOSEPH B. GREGG, another subject of this case, but technical surveillance on JOSEPH B. GREGG'S phone showed that there was no call to GREGG'S phone at that time. It was also thought possible that this call to the person named GREGG might be to subject NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, who is sometimes called GREGG; however, a check on the technical surveillance now on SILVERMASTER disclosed that there was no such call to SILVERMASTER at that time.

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During the time of this physical surveillance no action on the part of subject HALPERIN has been observed which would establish that HALPERIN is engaged in Soviet espionage, or is in contact with any Soviet espionage agent. The Bureau's consideration is, therefore, requested toward authorizing discontinuance of the physical surveillance on HALPERIN.

(H) (W)

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
GUY HOTTEL
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RE: EDWARD J. FITZGERALD

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Dear Sir:

It will be recalled that the informant, Miss ELIZABETH BENTLEY,
referred to EDWARD FITZGERALD in her signed statement dated November 30,
1945, as follows:

"On the date specified, I went to the apartment of JOHN ABT,
was admitted by him to his apartment and there met four individuals, none
of whom I had ever seen before. They were introduced to me as VICTOR
PERLO, CHARLIE KRAMER, HENRY MAGDOFF and EDWARD FITZGERALD. They seemed
to know, at least generally, that they could talk freely in my presence,
and I recalled some conversation about their paying Communist Party dues
to me, as well as my furnishing them with Communist Party literature.
There followed then a general discussion among all of us as to the type of
information which those people, excepting ABT, would be able to furnish.
It was obvious to me that these people, including ABT, had been associated
for some time and that they had been engaged in some sort of espionage
for EARL BROWDER.....EDWARD FITZGERALD at that time also in the War
Production Board indicated he would be able to furnish me with miscellaneous
statistical information coming to his attention in the War Production Board."

Miss BENTLEY identified FITZGERALD as a member of the PERLO
group. She further referred to FITZGERALD as follows:

"It is my recollection that I had a subsequent meeting at the
apartment of JOHN ABT and probably another meeting subsequent to this,
but I am not definitely sure about the total number of meetings I had in
the apartment of JOHN ABT with members of the PERLO group. I do recall
that on about the second meeting I had at ABT's apartment, PERLO and
FITZGERALD were present and some conversation was had concerning the
collection and payment of Communist Party dues by the members of the PERLO
group, and I noticed that from their conversation, the PERLO group appeared
to be in a rather disorganized state, and was suffering somewhat from
internal strife as well as lack of leadership."

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"With reference to the individuals of the PERLO group whom I met at MARY PRICE's apartment and who turned over information to me, I would state that VICTOR PERLO represented this group in meetings with me more often than the other members of the group; FITZGERALD about four or five times; KRAMER about three times; and ROSENBERG and WHEELER once each.....FITZGERALD's information concerned general information concerning production figures that he is able to obtain through his employment with the WPB....."

Miss BENTLEY further described FITZGERALD as a native born American who was employed in some governmental capacity in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and subsequently, in the early 1930's, came to Washington and at some later date became associated with the War Production Board and later on with the FEA. She described him as a Communist Party member. Informant stated that in the Spring of 1945, EDWARD FITZGERALD visited her in New York and complained about disliking PERLO and wondered if some other could not be arranged for him.

Through investigation by the Washington Field Office, it has been determined that FITZGERALD is presently head of the Information, Inquiry, and Publications Section, Department of Commerce, with offices in the Darby Building, 905 E Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. He resides at 114 Little Falls Street, Falls Church, Virginia.

A physical surveillance was instituted by the Washington Field Office on November 22, 1945, and has been continuously conducted to date. This surveillance has failed to reflect that FITZGERALD has contacted any of the other subjects in this case, nor has there been any indications that he has contacted anyone who can be regarded as a Soviet espionage agent.

As yet, no technical coverage has been placed on the residence of FITZGERALD because of technical difficulties in the area serving his residence. Technical surveillance will be placed as soon as this technical difficulty is removed.

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It is suggested that this physical surveillance be discontinued.

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
GUY HOTTEL
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RE: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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(Re: SOLOMON A. LESCHINSKY, was
Sol Leschinsky, Sol Leschinsky)

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above subject, ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY stated that in the early part of 1944 she went to the apartment of JOHN ABT on Central Park West, near 90th Street, New York City, and there met four individuals, none of whom she had ever seen before. They were introduced to her as VICTOR PERLO, CHARLES KRAMER, HENRY MAGDOFF and EDWARD FITZGERALD. BENTLEY stated that they seemed to know, at least generally that they could talk freely in her presence, and she recalled some conversation concerning their paying Communist dues to her, as well as furnishing them with Communist Party literature.

BENTLEY stated that she subsequently learned that in addition to the above described persons, there were three other persons identified with the PERLO group, namely SOL LESHINSKY, HAROLD GLASSER and one, GEORGE, whose last name she could not recall. BENTLEY stated that LESHINSKY was employed by UNRRA, but although he was a member of this group, he never furnished any material, and that she had no further information in connection with the past history or activities of SOL LESHINSKY.

On November 26, 1945, a physical surveillance was placed on SOL LESHINSKY and has been continued to the present date. During this time it has been ascertained that LESHINSKY is employed by UNRRA at its Dupont Circle Building and resides at 2002-B Fort Davis Street, SE, Washington, D. C. During this time no actions to prove or disprove whether the subject is involved in Soviet espionage has been noted. Neither have any activities been observed to indicate that the subject has been in contact with Soviet Espionage Agents.

There is no technical surveillance on SOL LESHINSKY due to the

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fact that his telephone is an extension off a main switchboard in
an apartment house development. (S) 4 & (u)

On November 28, 1945, a mail cover was placed on the above
subject. To date its results have been negative. (S) 4 & (u)

It is suggested that this physical surveillance be
discontinued.

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
GUY HOTTEL, SAC *is.*

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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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(Re: HARRY S. MAGDOFF, wa Henry Magdoff)

Dear Sir:

¹ In connection with the above subject, ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY stated that in the early part of 1944 she went to the apartment of JOHN ABT on Central Park West, near 90th Street, New York City, and there met four individuals, none of whom she had ever seen before. They were introduced to her as VICTOR PERLO, CHARLES KRAMER, HENRY MAGDOFF, and EDWARD FITZGERALD. BENTLEY stated that they seemed to know, at least generally, that they could talk freely in her presence, and she recalled some conversation concerning their paying Communist dues to her, as well as furnishing them with Communist Party literature.

BENTLEY stated that MAGDOFF had just returned from a period of approximately six months hospitalization; that he expected to return to the War Production Board and was uncertain at that time as to what specifically he would be able to furnish. BENTLEY stated that as far as HENRY MAGDOFF was concerned, she had no knowledge of his background, but recalled that he, like KRAMER, came to Washington in the early 1930s and is a Communist Party member. It was her understanding that MAGDOFF is presently employed in the Department of Commerce in Washington, D. C. According to BENTLEY, MAGDOFF was associated with the PERLO group.

On November 26, 1945, a physical surveillance was begun on HARRY S. MAGDOFF and has been continued to date. During this surveillance it has been ascertained that HARRY S. MAGDOFF is employed in Room 3024, Department of Commerce Building, as Chief of the Analysis Section, Current Business, and resides at 3226 Ravensworth Place North, Parkfairfax, Alexandria, Virginia.

On December 2, 1945, at 8:29 P. M., the subject and his wife left home and proceeded to the Center Theatre on Seminary Road, where they

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entered and viewed the entire show which included "The House on 92nd Street". Two surveilling agents sat directly behind the subject and his wife during the movie and during a scene involving the bringing out of secret writing on a postage stamp, the subject's wife said to the subject, "Do you do things like that?" The subject made no answer. At the conclusion of the picture, the subject's wife expressed opinion that the FBI record of no sabotage was a "creditable record". The subject replied, "Yeah".

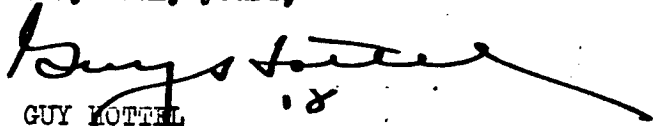
During the time of this physical surveillance, no other actions to prove or disprove whether the subject is involved in Soviet Espionage has been noted, neither have any other activities been observed to indicate that the subject has been in contact with Soviet Espionage Agents.

The mail cover placed on this individual will be kept in effect. (S) (u)

There is as yet no technical surveillance on HARRY S. MAGDOFF due to the existing technical problem in the area where he resides. Technical surveillance will be placed as soon as this technical difficulty is removed. (S) (u)

It is suggested that this physical surveillance be discontinued.

Very truly yours,



GUY HOTTEL
Special Agent in Charge

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TO: The Director

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DATE: December 11, 1945

FROM: D. M. Ladd

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Reference is made to my memorandum of December 6, 1945, which discussed the theory of the investigation in this case.

The following individuals have been under physical surveillance without such surveillance establishing any contacts of interest to this Bureau of which would tend to prove or disprove the informant's statements. Accordingly, these individuals are being brought to your attention at this time for your approval as to discontinuance of physical surveillance on them:

- Harry S. Magdoff
- Solomon A. Leschinsky
- Edward J. Fitzgerald
- Maurice Halperin
- Bernard Sidney Redmont
- Helen B. Tenney

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Harry S. Magdoff was reported by the informant to be a member of the so-called Perle group. Physical surveillance has revealed no contacts by Magdoff with any of the subjects in this case. A technical surveillance has now been installed on Magdoff. The physical has been in effect since November 26, 1945.

Solomon A. Leschinsky was said by the informant to be a member of the Perle group. Physical surveillance since November 26, 1945, has revealed no contacts with any subject in this case. A technical surveillance on Leschinsky is impossible for technical reasons.

Edward J. Fitzgerald. A physical surveillance on Fitzgerald since November 22, 1945, has revealed no contacts with any subject in this case. Technical surveillance has not been installed due to technical difficulties.

Maurice Halperin was named by the informant as a direct contact of Gogos. A physical surveillance has been in effect on him since November 19, 1945, without revealing a contact with any subject in this case. Technical surveillance has been in effect on Halperin since November 23, 1945.

Bernard Sidney Redmont was named by the informant as a direct contact of Gogos. Physical surveillance since November 19, 1945, has revealed no contacts with any subject in this case. A technical surveillance has not been installed because of technical difficulties.

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Helen B. Tenney was named by the informant as a direct contact of Golos. Physical surveillance on her since November 17, 1945, has revealed no contact with any of the other subjects of this case. A technical surveillance has been in effect on Tenney since November 26, 1945. JFW

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Inasmuch as the physical surveillance of these individuals has proved negative, it is respectfully suggested that you approve their discontinuance at this time. It is felt that through the coverage on the more important individuals in this case and particularly those known to be in direct contact with Soviet representatives, that any pertinent meetings affecting these persons will be determined thereby. [Those having technical coverage will, of course, continue to receive such technical coverage.] JFW

ACTION:

In the event you approve of the discontinuance of physical surveillances on the above-named persons, the Washington Field Office will be promptly advised so that the Agents now engaged on such physical surveillances may be used to better advantage elsewhere.

OK.
H.

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- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
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- Miss Beahm
- Miss Gandy

This memorandum has been prepared for the purpose of acquainting you with the investigative possibilities and prosecutive possibilities in this case as shown by the investigation to date.

Modus Operandi of the Subjects

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Elizabeth Terrill Bentley, the informant, has named numerous individuals including a large number of persons presently employed by the United States Government in Washington, D. C., and in New York City as engaged in espionage for the Soviet Government. These persons, according to Miss Bentley, are acting under the direction of the Soviet NKVD.

It has been established through physical surveillance that Bentley met Anatole Gromov, First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy, on the evening of November 21, 1945, in New York City. You will recall that Gromov was suspected by this Bureau of being the successor to Vassil Zubilin reported head of the NKVD in North America.

You will recall that Miss Bentley, by her own statements, has had no direct contact with the subjects of this case since the Winter of 1944-45. All of the Government employees who were furnishing material to the Soviets were taken away from her sphere of activity and were turned over for direct guidance and contact by Soviet representatives.

During the time that she had contact with these persons, espionage information was furnished by them in some instances orally, in other instances by written memoranda and a third means utilized by Silvermaster and William Ludwig Ullman was the photographing of documents in the basement of the Silvermaster residence.

As you may recall the technique with regard to photographs involved the passing of the exposed but undeveloped film to the Soviet representative. It is known that the film at the time of passing is wrapped in such a way that it can be readily exposed should the meeting be interrupted by a possible arresting officer.

Evidentiary Problems.

You will recall that in the case of Philip Jacob Jaffe, in 1946, there were literally hundreds of documents originating in Government Departments found in the possession of Jaffe. Considerable difficulty was involved in

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regard to the declassification of documents prior to their receipt by Jaffe. You will recall that various officials in Government Departments had the authority to declassify information contained in documents and to actually pass such documents to outsiders, particularly representatives to the press. Many of the principal figures in this investigation are high officials who presumably would have such authority within their particular departments. A second difficulty which was brought to the Bureau's attention in connection with the Jaffe investigation was the impossibility of locating the original documents from which excerpts had been obtained or from which digests coupled with comments had been made.

Bentley has stated that the NKVD was primarily interested in political information but was also willing and anxious to obtain any type of intelligence data regarding the United States Government. The most prolific furnishers of information according to Bentley were two individuals employed in the War Department. One, William Ludwig Ullman has now been discharged from the Army Air Forces and is again employed in the Treasury Department. The other, A. George Silverman, who formerly was a civilian employee of the Army Air Forces, is now employed by the French Mission in Washington, D. C. These two individuals are therefore removed from positions in which they could obtain up-to-the-minute vital military information.

Another evidentiary problem is presented in the case of the United States vs Edmund Carl Heine. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reversed a conviction of conspiracy to violate Section 32 of Title 50, United States Code, the Espionage Statute.

The Heine Case

Edmund Carl Heine was a native of Germany who was naturalized in 1920. After a visit to Germany in 1940 he returned to the United States and sent back to the Volkswagenwerke information about the aviation industry in the United States. The Court of Appeals held that the information sent by him to Germany was not "relating to the national defense" because it was material which had been disseminated within the United States, and therefore whatever could be lawfully disseminated in the United States was lawful to send abroad. The Court further said even though it was evidenced that Heine misled the individuals who furnished him information as to the motives he had in requesting it such misrepresentations were not relevant to the Espionage Statute. "whatever the wrong done to his correspondents that motive did not make the spread of information criminal, which it would not have been criminal to spread, if he had got it fairly."

The court further stated that Heine combed out the information, arranged it and compressed it into convenient form and the court pointed out that the espionage section was aimed at the substance of prosecutive information and not at the act of making it more readily for use.

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This again comes right back to the problem of declassification of Government documents by the subject prior to the transfer of their contents to Soviet agents.

Theory of the Case

Inasmuch as the information regarding the Government employees furnished by Miss Bentley is practically a year old, and it is impossible for her to positively identify at this time any specific document transmitted during her employment by the Soviet as a courier and likewise physically impossible to obtain at this time without admissions on the part of one or more subjects any verification of her general allegations that vital information was passed, it is respectfully suggested that the Bureau's investigation follow this particular line; namely, the activities of the subjects in Washington and New York should be followed for the purpose first of verifying Bentley's allegations that these various subjects are in contact with each other or with Soviet representatives. [Secondly, when these allegations have been substantiated by physical or technical surveillance consideration should be given to presenting the entire matter to the Department of State and placing all further responsibility directly in its lap.] *W*

Obviously after contacts have been verified between the various subjects and Soviet representatives, any further investigation of the entire group would be cumulative and could well continue for months without an opportunity arising for surveilling Bureau Agents to note and make an apprehension upon the actual passing of a document or a roll of film. In such an instance there would be positive evidence as to the individual subject and his Soviet contact but very likely nothing which would tie in the other individuals under investigation. Naturally the one arrest would make it difficult if not impossible for us to continue our investigations of the others in the group. The contents of the document or the roll of film would still be usable only under the limitations set out heretofore in this memorandum; namely, that they might have been declassified by one of the high ranking subjects prior to the transmission.

ACTION: It is accordingly respectfully suggested therefore that as soon as the general allegations of contacts made by the Bentley woman are verified with regard to the individuals named that the entire matter be referred to the Department of State and that the key individuals in the groups under investigation still be followed by this Bureau from an intelligence standpoint but that the case as a whole be referred as quickly as possible to the State Department.

A photostatic copy of the opinion of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in the matter of the United States vs Edmund Carl Heine is attached.

Enclosure

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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, Et AL
ESPIONAGE - R

Attention: Assistant Director D. M. LADD

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith for the Bureau two copies each of photographs of BELA GOLD and VICTOR PERLO.

The New York Field Division is also being furnished herewith two copies of the photograph of VICTOR PERLO.

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Victor Perlo attached



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Informant Gregory stated RUTH RIVKIN comes from a wealthy Jewish family in New York City and was employed by one of the Jewish relief agencies in New York City. She said she was a dues paying Communist Party member and was associated with the Book and Magazine Guild in connection with her communistic operations. She was a friend of HELEN TENNEY, and the informant recalls both HELEN and RUTH attended the same prep school in New York City.

Informant stated when RUTH first went to Washington she obtained a position with CFFNA which was the predecessor of UNRRA. She said CFFNA was disbanded at the time UNRRA was organized, and RUTH continued on with UNRRA. She advised RUTH was turning over the information she obtained to HELEN TENNEY at the time HELEN TENNEY arrived in Washington, and when the informant would go to Washington, she would pick up this material in the regular course of her collection. She said she recalls she met RUTH RIVKIN on one or two occasions when she visited Washington. She said the material the RIVKIN woman was producing was not of much importance and consisted chiefly in determining what the policies of UNRRA were at that time and giving prepared digests of what happened at the various conventions of UNRRA that she attended during the course of her official duties. She said she recalls a great deal of information was regarding the liberation of moving the displaced persons in Europe at that time.

Informant stated in December, 1944, she indicated to HELEN TENNEY it would probably be a good idea to stop obtaining information from RUTH RIVKIN.

Investigation by the Washington Field Office reflects RUTH RIVKIN is still employed at UNRRA, and that she resides in McLean Gardens at 3665 38th Street, N. W. The section of McLean Gardens where she resides



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is referred to as Hancock Hall and is inhabited entirely by women residents.

A thirty-day mail cover was placed on the residence of RUTH RIVKIN on November 28, 1945, and to date this mail cover has not produced anything of value to this investigation. This mail cover will be maintained in the future. *RU*

A surveillance was instituted on the activities of RUTH RIVKIN on November 26, 1945, and to date there is no indication she has contacted anyone who has any bearing upon instant investigation. Her most frequent contact is with an individual named THEODORE LAZARUS who is also employed at UNRRA and who resides at 3815 Rodman Street, N. W., telephone Ordway 4817. LAZARUS and RIVKIN reside in the same neighborhood, and he transports her to and from work almost daily. *RU*

LAZARUS has been in Washington for four years and prior to that was engaged in the manufacturing business in New York City manufacturing fireplaces.

No technical surveillance has been established on the telephone used by RUTH RIVKIN inasmuch as this is a pay phone in the dormitory which is used by at least fifty other people, and therefore it is not believed practical to establish a technical surveillance on her. *RU*

During the course of the physical surveillance maintained on RIVKIN, no actions have been observed which would prove or disprove that she is involved in Soviet espionage or that she is in contact with anyone believed to be a Soviet espionage agent. *RU*

It is suggested that the physical surveillance be discontinued.

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TO : Director, FBI

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DATE: December 10, 1945

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases, et al
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Re: MILDRED PRICE, also known as
Mrs. Harold Coy

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With reference to the investigation of MILDRED PRICE, also known as Mrs. HAROLD COY, it is noted that informant GREGORY, in her signed statement dated November 30, 1945, furnished the following information with regard to her.

Informant GREGORY first met MILDRED PRICE in or about June, 1943. Subsequent thereto she had contacts with MILDRED for the purpose of determining the whereabouts and other activities of MARY PRICE, who was in Mexico at that time. MILDRED PRICE was employed by the China Aid Council, New York City and JACOB GOLOS. He told informant GREGORY that MILDRED PRICE would probably be in a position to turn over information that might prove to be of some value, and he, therefore, requested informant GREGORY to solicit her assistance in this matter. Informant GREGORY talked to MILDRED PRICE and told her that EARL BROWDER was the person desiring the information suggested above, whereupon, MILDRED PRICE furnished informant GREGORY with some information, but according to informant GREGORY, it was not of great importance and could be classed as political information with MILDRED PRICE obtained through her knowledge of Chinese activities in the United States as well as information she obtained from her correspondence with such persons as Madame SUN YAT-SEN and other individuals active both in China and the United States in connection with the China Aid Council. Informant GREGORY last received information from MILDRED PRICE in November, 1944 and though the informant has seen her several times since November, 1944, she has never received additional information. Informant GREGORY further stated that MILDRED PRICE also suggested to JACOB GOLOS that MICHAEL GREENBERG might be useful to him in furnishing information.

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A physical surveillance was instituted in the New York Field Division on MILDRED PRICE on December 1, 1945 and has continued since that date. This surveillance has failed to reflect that MILDRED PRICE has contacted or has been contacted by any other subject in the present investigation during that period of time, nor has there been any indication that MILDRED PRICE has contacted any possible Russian espionage agent.

MILDRED PRICE has been associated as Executive Secretary with the China Aid Council, 1790 Broadway, New York City, and this association continues

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as of this date. She resides at 420 West 118th Street with her husband, HAROLD COY. Mail covers have been requested on her residence and business addresses and will be maintained for a reasonable period of time to ascertain her present pertinent associations.] (u)

It is to be noted that MILDRED PRICE is a sister of MARY WOLFE PRICE, concerning whom an investigation is presently being conducted in the instant matter.

It is suggested in view of the foregoing, that the physical surveillance of MILDRED PRICE be discontinued at the present time.

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- JULIUS JOSEPH JOSEPH, wa.: J. Julius Joseph;
- GEORGE PERAZICH;
- WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON;
- WILLIAM H. TAYLOR;
- JOSEPH ECKHART, wa.: Joe
- MICHAEL NICHOLAS DELMAN, was.: Michael
Endelman and Marcel;
- COLONEL JOHN H. REYNOLDS;
- HELEN SILVERMASTER, wa.: Mrs. Gregory
Silvermaster;
- RAY ELSON, wa.: Mrs. Joseph Elson;
- PETER C. RHODES;
- PAULINE ROSEN, was.: Pauline Rosin,
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Pauline Bickman, Pauline Rogers,
Pauline Royce, Pauline Weir,
Pauline Usher, Pauline Uscher,
Mrs. Edward Royce, Mrs. Oscar Rosin,
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- ALBERT EUGENE KAHN;
- FERRUCCIO MARINI, was.: Fred Alpi,
Frank Alpi, Mario Alpi, Frank Brown,
Fred Brown, Max Favre, Max Farvo,
Max Favia, Emilio Pissie, Amalia Pissi,
F. Brown Marini, F. Morini and F. Brown;
- ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, wa.: Abe Brothman;
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Confidential Informant GREGORY on 11/21/45 had meeting with contact AL at Cavanaugh's Restaurant, NYC. AL's actions cagey and only general discussion engaged in. Appointment made for GREGORY and AL to meet at same time and place 1/21/46. AL identified as ANATOLI B. GROMOV, First Secretary of the USSR Embassy, Washington, D. C. He returned to Washington after this meeting. Background information on LAUCHLIN CURRIE, former Administrative Assistant to PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, set out. He presently is engaged in business as head of International Industrial Development Co., NYC.

CURRIE now under surveillance. PETER F. HELLER, alleged FBI agent impersonator, who struck up acquaintance with Informant GREGORY in 4/45, is described as "crackpot" and "bag of wind" and is a former New York State Parole Commission Investigator who is not pro-Communist or pro-Russian. Background data on HELLER secured and reported. RAY ELSON, C.P. member in NYC, has a contact, identity unknown, through whom she communicates with AL. She is a former contact of JACK, AL's predecessor. She is unemployed at present but was formerly vice-president of U. S. Service and Shipping Corp., NYC. Background data reported. MARY WOLFE PRICE, now in Greensboro, N. C. as employee of Southern Conference for Human Welfare, is believed to be C. P. member. She is a contact of LOUISE BRANSTEN and HELEN TENNEY. PRICE is expected to return to NYC about 12/1/45. Background of MILDRED PRICE, THOMAS JOHN BENNETT, BRANSON PRICE, JOSEPH ZAK and SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE set forth. ABE BROTHMAN, former contact of GOLOS, is consulting engineer, NYC. Biographical data recorded. He is presently being physically surveilled. PETER C. RHODES, C.V.I. employee with whom JACK and AL both sought contact is a newspaperman and writer by profession and maintains his residence in NYC. Identity and history reported. Contacts of MICHAEL ENDELMAN reported.

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including contact with ADAM ZAYIDMAN, who departed NYC. for Mexico City on 11/23/45, Russian Music Co., Inc., which GROMOV visited on 11/21/45, has sole proprietor, JACK RAYMOND, naturalized U. S. citizen, signer of 1942 C.P. nominating petition, NYC. History of Music Co. and RAYMOND set out. (u)

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent THOMAS G. SPENCER, New York City, 11/16/45 in the case entitled ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY, was., et al., ESPIONAGE - R.

DETAILS:

The title of this case is being changed to reflect additional aliases for the following individuals:

The alias, PAUL, is being added as an alias for ANATOLI B. GROMOV. Informant GREGORY stated that this name was used by him when he met COLONEL JOHN H. REYNOLDS in New York City.

The alias, GREEN, is being added for JOSEPH B. GREGG since informant stated he also used that name.

The alias, MAC, is being added as an alias for MAURICE HALPERIN by which he was also known to informant.

The alias, PAT, is being added for MAJOR DUNCAN C. LEE by which informant also knew MAJOR LEE.

The alias, SAM, is being added for ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN.

The alias, LYNN, is being added for subject WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMANN since informant also knew him by that name.

The name MARY WOLFE PRICE is being set out in full as well as the alias, MARY WATKINS PRICE, by which name MARY PRICE is also known.

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The alias, MARCEL, is being substituted for the alias, MARCELLE, as an alias for MICHAEL NICHOLAS DELMAN.

The alias, JOE, is being added for subject, JOSEPH ECKHART.

The following subjects are being added to the title:

RAY ELSON, wa. Mrs. Joseph Elson;
PETER C. RHODES;
PAULINE ROSEN, was.;
ALBERT EUGENE KAHN;
ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, wa.: Abe Brothman;
FERRUCCIO MARINI, was.;
CEDRIC BELFRAGE.

These subjects are being added inasmuch as informant GREGORY has furnished information concerning their activities.

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During the initial interviews with Confidential Informant GREGORY whose identity is known to the Bureau, this informant advised Agents of the New York Field Division that on the occasion of informant's contact with AL in New York City on October 25, 1945, he arranged a meeting with informant to be held at 4:00 PM on the afternoon of November 21, 1945 at Bickford's Restaurant on 23rd Street near 8th Avenue in New York City. Consequently, arrangements were made to cover this prearranged meeting between informant and AL. It will be recalled that Confidential Informant GREGORY in discussions with the Agents was unable to furnish any additional identifying information concerning informant's contact AL, other than this name under which informant knew him, and a physical description. However, during the course of the interview with informant on November 20, 1945, informant was shown a photograph of ANATOLI N. GROMOV, First Secretary of the Embassy of the U.S.S.R., Washington, D.C. Upon viewing this photograph which was displayed to informant together with a number of other photographs, informant immediately identified the photograph of GROMOV as the individual known to her as AL. The identity of this individual was, of course, not made known to Confidential Informant GREGORY.

It may be here noted that during the interview with GREGORY on November 20, 1945, she furnished considerable information concerning her previous association and contacts with AL. She described AL as one of the top men in the organizational set-up and as the most important person she met while engaged in her Russian espionage activities. With reference to her statement that AL was one of the top men in the set-up, she recalled that he never acted as a courier (at least in his dealings with GREGORY), but rather seemed to function in the capacity of a trouble-shooter.

GREGORY met AL for the first time in November of 1944 at a meeting arranged by JACK, one of the informant's Russian contacts at that time. GREGORY believes that this meeting was arranged by JACK and that AL was brought into the picture because of difficulties which had arisen between the informant and JACK, which will be explained hereinafter. Around November of 1944 JACK was attempting to take over all of GREGORY's contacts. GREGORY greatly resented this action on the part of JACK and openly expressed her displeasure to him. It is GREGORY's belief that when JACK encountered this resistance he probably told AL that she was becoming increasingly difficult to handle and was not at all in sympathy with the idea of turning over her contacts to JACK. GREGORY believes that this precipitated her first meeting with AL.

GREGORY had about ten meetings with AL, which occurred both in Washington, D.C. and in New York City. She last saw JACK in May of 1945

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and subsequently lost all connection with Russian espionage with the exception of the fact that she has remained in contact with AL, whom she last met in New York City on November 21, 1945, as will be hereinafter noted.

Shortly after her last meeting with JACK in May of 1945, GREGORY met AL in New York City. On the occasion of this meeting she became quite intoxicated and denounced AL and the entire Russian set-up in this country. In subsequent meetings with GREGORY, AL made overtures to her, apparently designed to placate her attitude. He offered to buy her a fur coat and other gifts. He suggested that she quit her job and take a long vacation. He frequently mentioned his willingness to set her up in a small business, such as a hat or dress shop, which enterprise would be financed by him and which would be located outside of New York City, perhaps in Philadelphia or Washington, D.C. It is GREGORY's recollection that AL first mentioned setting her up in business in December of 1944. On another occasion, and probably coincident with his offer to set GREGORY up in business, AL suggested that she be wholly inactive as far as her Russian contacts were concerned for perhaps six months, and that during that time she operate only as a legitimate business woman. AL mentioned that at the end of the six-months period she would then resume her activities along lines designated by him.

It will be recalled that at the meeting between GREGORY and AL which took place on October 25, 1945, AL gave GREGORY \$2,000 in cash and stated that the money was given her "with no strings attached". It appeared to GREGORY that this money may be intended as payment for her past activities on behalf of the Russians as well as an attempt on the part of AL to recapture her good will. AL had told her sometime before that he wanted to be sure she was eating well, living comfortably and not worrying about money.

It is noted that the \$2,000, above mentioned, which was given to GREGORY by AL, was voluntarily turned over by the informant to Agents of the New York Office and is retained as an exhibit in the instant case.

GREGORY recalls, however, that at all of her meetings with AL after JACK dropped out of the picture, AL would discuss espionage activities and point out that this type of work got into one's blood, so much so that life for a person who was thus engaged for any period of time would be dull and uninteresting if he broke away from the work. It is GREGORY's opinion, therefore, that at all times AL was definitely maintaining the attitude that if GREGORY underwent a change of heart and wanted to re-establish herself in the Russian espionage field she could do so and that there would be no suspicion that her attitude toward the Russians had changed.

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In accordance with her prearranged plan with AL, on Wednesday, November 21, 1945, shortly before 4:00 PM, GREGORY stationed herself on the southeast corner of 23rd Street and 8th Avenue. At that time the following Special Agents of the New York Office were stationed in this vicinity:

NICHOLAS M. KAIMES
WILLIAM J. ROWE
MICHAEL M. O'BOURKE
JOSEPH P. GARVEY
WALTER H. NELSON

At 4:20 PM, AL was observed walking westward on West 23rd Street, east of 8th Avenue. He walked to the southeast corner of 23rd Street and 8th Avenue, where he met GREGORY. Informant and AL together then walked southward on 8th Avenue about fifty yards. They then turned and walked to 23rd Street, turned right on 23rd Street and proceeded in an easterly direction to Cavanaugh's Restaurant, which is on 23rd Street between 7th and 8th Avenues. Informant and AL entered Cavanaugh's Restaurant shortly after 4:20 PM. They remained in the restaurant until 5:45 PM, when they came out together and walked west on 23rd Street to 8th Avenue, proceeding south on 8th Avenue to 21st Street and east on 21st Street to 7th Avenue. At 21st Street and 7th Avenue, informant and AL parted.

Pursuant to a prearranged plan, GREGORY subsequently contacted the New York Office and arrangements were made to interview her concerning the results of her discussion with AL. Informant subsequently furnished Special Agents THOMAS G. SPENCER and JOSEPH M. KELLY the following information concerning the results of her conversation with AL earlier in the day:

Informant GREGORY advised that AL's actions on occasion of the above-described meeting were very "eager". Informant stated that AL appeared to be somewhat suspicious, although informant noticed no attempts on his part, while in informant's company, to determine if anyone might be observing him. AL asked the informant how she was getting along in her shipping business and his conversation generally was innocuous.

In accordance with the discussion had with Confidential Informant GREGORY on the day preceding her meeting with AL, informant indicated to AL that she was restless and somewhat dissatisfied with the routine nature of her activities in the recent past. According to informant GREGORY, however, AL answered simply by remarking that informant had said she wanted a normal, peaceful, settled life and that now she had it. AL appeared to be wholly unresponsive to occasional hints informant gave indicating a desire on her part to resume her former activities with the Russians.

Informant and AL had what informant described as a very general discussion about world events and informant remarked that judging from recent press accounts, it appeared that the United States might become involved in

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another war. AL thereupon asked informant with what nation she believed the United States might become thus involved and she stated that, of course, she meant Russia. Thereafter, according to GREGORY, AL indicated his complete agreement with her belief.

Confidential Informant GREGORY told AL that in view of the likelihood of such a contingency arising, she felt rather useless. Informant pointed out to him that she was doing nothing to aid the cause and she asked AL specifically whether she should rejoin the COMMUNIST PARTY. AL in answer to this question told GREGORY definitely not to do so but he gave her no reason for his opinion.

According to Confidential Informant GREGORY, AL again manifested considerable interest in PETER HELLER, it being recalled that Informant had told him on prior occasions that she was seeing this individual but was unable to figure out for herself who he actually was and what his real occupation was. Informant attempted to dismiss HELLER by stating that she had made some little investigation of HELLER and had found out that he was married and had three children. AL asked informant if she had seen HELLER lately, and informant replied in the negative, telling AL that she would stick a knife into HELLER the next time she saw him.

It will be recalled that AL failed to appear at a previously scheduled meeting with Confidential Informant GREGORY. He explained that it had been impossible for him to keep this appointment because he was on the West Coast at this time. On the occasion of their meeting of November 21, 1945, AL advised informant that he would not be able to see her again until January 21, 1946, when it was arranged that they would meet at the same hour and at the same place. AL told informant that he could not schedule another meeting until January 21, 1946, inasmuch as it will be necessary for him to spend considerable time on the West Coast in the near future.

After being advised by AL that he could not see her until January 21, 1946, informant asked AL how she might communicate with him in the event something very important arose. AL told her that in such event informant should indicate to RAY ELSON that she desired to contact AL. In this connection, AL remarked that RAY ELSON sees her own contact quite often and AL thus indicated, as was previously known to informant, that RAY ELSON through her contact would be able to get a message to AL.

As is above noted, GREGORY and AL parted at the corner of 21st Street and 7th Avenue shortly after leaving Cavanaugh's Restaurant. AL walked to 18th Street and 7th Avenue where he boarded an up-town local IRT subway.

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He got off at the 28th Street station but immediately boarded the following train, which he rode to 66th Street and Broadway. He walked south on Broadway to 65th Street, doubled back to the corner of 66th Street and Broadway where he took a cab and rode by cab to 28th Street and Lexington Avenue. He then entered the Russian Music Shop, 121 Lexington Avenue, at 6:30 PM. While in this shop AL was observed walking about and apparently examining objects in the shop.

At 7:05 PM, AL came out of the Russian Music Shop carrying a package and proceeded by cab to the Hotel Roosevelt, 45th Street and Madison Avenue. At the Roosevelt he attended a reception and dinner sponsored by the Spanish Freedom Committee. He was listed as a speaker at the dinner.

At 11:10 PM, AL left the Hotel Roosevelt and entered a Russian Consulate car (New York license No. 22-FC), where he was driven to LaGuardia Airport, arriving at the airport at 11:35 PM. At 12:05 AM, November 22, 1945 he boarded an Eastern Airlines plane, Flight No. 79, scheduled to fly to Washington, D.C.

In connection with the surveillance maintained on AL during the time he was in New York, it is to be noted that it was obvious to the surveilling Agents that he made vigorous and extensive efforts to lose anyone who might be surveilling him. This appeared to be a routine procedure on his part rather than any present belief that he was under surveillance.

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LAUGHLIN CURRIE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE on November 23rd, 24th, 26th, 27th, 28th and 29, 1945.

Confidential Informant advised that GOLOS said that LAUGHLIN CURRIE was one of the Washington group that supplied varied and sundry types of information to him which he would in turn pass on to an unidentified agent of Russia. The Informant stated that CURRIE is just a liberal, maybe on the Leftist side. He used to be a professor in Canada and the Informant thinks HARRY WHITE knows what he is doing. The Informant further advised that in the spring of 1944 CURRIE came rushing to SILVERMAN and told him that someone in the American government was on the verge of breaking the Soviet code, they almost had it, and SILVERMAN rushed to SILVERMASTER and he told the Informant.

A review of the files and a check of the "New York Times" Morgue reflected the following background information concerning CURRIE:

Biographical

LAUGHLIN CURRIE was born in West Dublin, Nova Scotia on October 8, 1902, the son of LAUGHLIN and ALICE (EISENHAUER) CURRIE. He received a B.S. degree in 1925 from the London School of Economics. He first came to the United States in 1925. He married DOROTHY YORK BACON, who is reported to be a sister of Mrs. PHILIP LA FOLLETTE, in 1927 and has two sons, LAUGHLIN MORGAN and RODERICK BORNICH, ages 11 and 16. He was an instructor and tutor at Harvard University from 1927 to 1934 and a professor of International Economics at Fletcher Graduate School of Law and Diplomacy, West Medford, Mass., 1933 - 1934. During this same period of time he was employed as a consultant by the KENDALL COMPANY, a cotton products concern in Boston, Mass. In 1931 he received a P.H.D. from Harvard University. He was naturalized in 1934.

During the latter part of 1934 he was appointed analyst for the United States Treasury Department and was later made Assistant Director of Research and Statistics for the Board of Governors for the Federal Reserve System, which position he retained until 1939. He became administrative assistant to the President in July, 1939 and in 1941 he was named head of the Economic Mission to China. He went to China as personal envoy of the President in the early part of February, 1941 and returned to the United States on March 10, 1941. It is reported that while in China, CURRIE conferred with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and other leading executives of the Chinese government. He also found time to study Chinese arsenals, military training schools and industrial cooperatives. In 1942 CURRIE went to China as the President's personal representative on a diplomatic mission to confer with

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Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. During the same trip CURRIE also spent a few days in New Delhi, India and returned to the United States on August 20, 1942. CURRIE was listed as one of the individuals who attended the Institute of Pacific Relations Conference held at Mont Tremblant, Canada from December 4th to December 14, 1942.

In the early part of September, 1943, CURRIE was appointed as Acting Deputy Administrator with the Foreign Economic Administration where he remained until the early part of 1945. He then resumed his former White House duties.

In February, 1945, CURRIE went to London as head of the American Mission conferring with British officials. At this time he was also reported as heading a mission to Switzerland for the purpose of curtailing Swiss exports to Germany. On February 11, 1945, CURRIE was reported to be in Berne, Switzerland and returned to the United States on March 19, 1945.

In July, 1945, it was reported that the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, headed by LAUCHLIN CURRIE, opened offices at 19 Rector Street, New York City.

General Activities, Associations and Comments

CURRIE is listed as a Director of the WILLIAM ALANSON WHITE Psychiatrist Foundation, Member of the American Economic Association, an officer of the China Defense Supply Corporation in Washington, D. C., on the active mailing list of the Washington committee for Spanish Refugee Aid (a branch of the United American-Spanish Aid Committee inspired and dominated by the Communist Party, U.S.A.) and Mrs. LAUCHLIN CURRIE is listed as a member of the Board of Directors of the Washington Chapter, Russian War Relief.

CURRIE is author of a book entitled "The Supply and Control of Money in the United States" published in 1934. In 1938 CURRIE put forth a plan to solve railroad trouble by lend lease procedure through which the railroads would get equipment in much the same way that Britain gets war goods under the Lease Lend Bill. In May, 1939, CURRIE gave testimony before the temporary Economic Committee.

During the Hatch Act investigation of NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, CURRIE was interviewed. CURRIE stated that inasmuch as SILVERMASTER was an advocate of war prior to that time he did not regard

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as a Communist and stated he was a "Liberal" and "New Dealer" in his political leanings.

CURRIE was listed as a sponsor for the Visa application of CARL BORROMEUS JOSEPH FRANK, better known as PAUL HAGEN. HAGEN is the subject of a pending Internal Security (R) investigation at the present time and has been alleged on numerous occasions to be a secret agent of the Soviet government. CURRIE appeared as a witness in behalf of FRANK's Visa application on April 30, 1942. CURRIE stated that he knew FRANK was a member of the Communist Party at one time. However, he did not feel that there would be any danger to this country through admission of FRANK. CURRIE was one of the Federal employees listed as an affiliate of subversive organizations by the Dies Committee in a memorandum submitted to the Attorney General. It was stated that he was a member of the Washington Committee to aid China. Governor BRICKER in a speech is recorded as stating that LAUCHLIN CURRIE was an employee with a subversive record.

CURRIE spoke at the opening session of the International Student Assembly held in Washington, D. C. from September 2nd to September 5, 1942 on "The End of Imperialism". Many known Communists and Communist sympathizers participated in the International Student Assembly.

WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, a former affiliate of the Soviet Secret Intelligence Service in Washington, D. C. for the purpose of developing a government underground, stated that LAUCHLIN CURRIE was a "fellow traveller"; he helped various Communists but never went the whole way.

OWEN LATTINGRE wrote a letter of introduction for HAAKON CHEVALIER to LAUCHLIN CURRIE, Room #228, Department of State, Washington, D.C. CHEVALIER is a known Soviet Secret Intelligence Service (NKVD) Contact and has been associated with numerous members of the Communist Party on the West Coast and is allegedly a party member himself.

During December, 1944, when the Russian War Relief Children's Clothing Campaign was opposed by the President's War Relief Control Board, EDWARD G. CARTER, President of the Russian War Relief, sent two telegrams to CURRIE on December 2, 1944.

Information Obtained from Confidential Source by Bureau letter dated 11/16/45.

CURRIE travelled to Chicago, Illinois by plane to interview OSKAR B. LANGE, shortly after his return from the Soviet Union. LANGE is

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Ambassador to United States from Poland and is believed to be presently in Washington, D. C. LANGE recently renounced his U. S. Citizenship in Warsaw, Poland. CURRIE had close connections with the magazine "Amerasia" and wrote several articles which were published in "Amerasia". CURRIE was present with SUMNER WELLES at the time he interviewed BROWDER and MINOR. In November, 1942, an unverified allegation was made that CURRIE was the contact man for the Communist Party with President ROOSEVELT and the State Department.

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X Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that the INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, 19 Rector Street, Room 1902, has as its President and principal, LAUCHLIN CURRIE. The Informant advised that the company will engage in industrial advisory engineering and management export business with representation at various points abroad. The service supplied by the company includes the planning of new plants or the remodeling of old ones to actual engineering production management and the developing of the international industrial field. The Informant listed the bank as a Chemical Bank and Trust Company. The Informant stated that the following were active in company affairs:

DAVID E. SCOLL, age 39, married, graduate of Harvard University and Law School, admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in 1932, following which he associated with the law firm of ELDER, WHITMAN and CROCKER, Boston, Massachusetts. He was subsequently employed by R.F.C. at Washington, D. C. from 1937 to 1944, assistant to the Administrator of the Maritime Commission, Washington, D. C.; Executive at the Henry Kaiser Ship Building Company (main office, Oakland, Calif.) until January 29, 1945, when he established INTERNATIONAL ENTERPRISE, INC., Exporters and Importers at Rector Street, which company was chartered on December 1, 1944, under Delaware Laws and SCOLL is listed as Active Manager and Executive Vice President.

ARNOLD M. GRANT, Economist and legal council, plans activities in London, Paris and all key cities throughout the world.

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The Informant advised that the INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION intends to open offices in key cities throughout the world to show the American "know how" methods of manufacturing and processing. The Informant further advised that the INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION was closely associated with the INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRADING COMPANY and that both outfits are part of the plan to develop the international industrial field.

The Informant advised the following information concerning the INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRADING COMPANY: Incorporated December 1, 1944 under Delaware Laws, authorized capital - ten thousand shares, par value \$.10 (originally INTERNATIONAL ENTERPRISE, INC., changed April 7, 1945.)

The Informant listed the following officers:

DAVID E. SCOLL, Executive Vice President.
 JACK I. LONDON, Vice President and Treasurer.
 ARNOLD M. GRANT, Secretary
 DANIEL BERTRAND, Assistant Secretary
 Directors and Officers: LAUCHLIN CURRIE

The Informant advised that DANIEL BERTRAND was previously with the United States Corporation and later with various governmental bureaus. The Informant also advised that the INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRADING COMPANY lists "President" as vacant.

Investigation disclosed that LAUCHLIN CURRIE resides at 61 East 86th Street, New York City, and subscribes to telephone ATwater 9-8637, and goes to business at the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, 19 Rector St., New York City, Room 224. Investigation further disclosed that Room 1902, 19 Rector Street, New York City, lists this room as the offices of the INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY and that Room 224 simply lists the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY. The telephone listed for the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY is Bowling Green 9-3426.

Physical surveillance was instituted on LAUCHLIN CURRIE on November 26, 1945. The results of this surveillance will be set forth in subsequent reports. The following is a description of LAUCHLIN CURRIE obtained from observation.

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Name:	LAUGHLIN CURRIE
Age:	48
Born:	10/18/03
Height:	5' 5"
Weight:	139 lbs.
Hair:	Gray
Complexion:	Fair
Marital status:	Married
Wife's name:	DOROTHY YORK BACON
Children:	LAUGHLIN MORGAN and ROBERTICK BORNICK, 11 and 16 years old.
Residence:	51 East 86th Street, NYC
Business address:	INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CO. 19 Recter Street, Room 824 New York City
Business associates:	DAVID E. SCOLL JACK L. LONDON ARNOLD M. GRANT DANIEL BERTRAND

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent DONALD E. SHANNON:

At the time the Informant in this case was interviewed by Special Agents FRANCIS K. PLANT, DONALD JARDINE, and EDWARD BUCKLEY on November 8, 1945, she gave the following information with regard to PETER F. HELLER:

She stated that on the last day of April, 1945 she met PETER HELLER at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn, New York. From that time and up until August of 1945, she remained very friendly with HELLER. In the course of this friendship, she stated that HELLER told her that he was a lawyer, an investigator, a salesman, and he intimated on occasions that he was an investigator employed by a Federal agency; that furthermore, he had conducted important investigations that resulted in successful apprehensions of enemy agents in the United States. Specifically, he told her that he was the one who broke the KUNZE case. The Informant in this case got the impression that HELLER was an FBI agent. In other conversations, she got the impression that HELLER might have been employed by the Russians, and she was in fear that perhaps he had been planted in the Hotel St. George to meet her, to watch her and to try to obtain from her information relative to the work she was engaged in. She advised him that she was Vice-President of the United States Service & Shipping Corporation, 212 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York. She also told him that her business dealt with Russia.

The Informant in this case said that she had advised AL, her superior, that she was going out with PETER HELLER, and AL questioned her about this individual. The Informant told AL all about her relation with HELLER, and in this regard AL became very inquisitive regarding HELLER, and appeared to be rather upset for fear HELLER might have been planted by the FBI to obtain information from the Informant.

PETER HELLER advised the Informant that he stayed at the Towers Hotel, Brooklyn, New York and that he was well-known there. He further told her that he attended St. John's College, and that he had campaigned in behalf of JONAH GOLDSTEIN in the recent Mayoralty campaign.

On one occasion Informant stated to HELLER, "I have this problem. What would you do if you were mixed up in this, like espionage?"

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HELLER told her, "I'd forget about it. That's my unofficial opinion". The Informant requested the official opinion of HELLER. He said, "Officially, I don't know you." The following night HELLER called the Informant and stated, "Are you still suffering from hallucinations?" In regard to this, the Informant said, "What do you mean?" HELLER stated, "What you were talking about the other night." The Informant stated, "I have forgotten all about that." HELLER stated, "Has it to do with the Communist Party members?" In this regard he said, "Stop worrying, the Navy will pick them up." The Informant also said that HELLER told her that he was connected in some fashion with the New York State Guard in Brooklyn, New York.

The following information was obtained from a Declaration of Intention filed January 20, 1913, by one SOLOMON HELLER, the father of PETER F. HELLER. SOLOMON HELLER was born at Bialystock, Russia, on August 15, 1869. At the time he filed the Declaration of Intention he resided with his family at 174 Throop Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. He came to the United States together with his wife and five children on January 23, 1911, from Rotterdam, Holland, on the SS New Amsterdam. He listed his last foreign residence as Bialystock, Russia.

The following information was obtained from the Petition of Naturalization filed September 6, 1916, in the Kings County Supreme Court, Kings County, New York. At that time, SOLOMON HELLER resided at 817 Park Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, together with his wife and five children. SOLOMON HELLER's wife's name was listed as ROSE, and she was stated to have been born in Russia. The five children, together with their birth dates, were listed as follows:

JENNIE	June 20, 1896
NATHAN	December 15, 1900
PHILIP	April 10, 1904
IDA	September 28, 1907
BESSIE	March 20, 1910

A notation alongside the names of the children stated that all were born in Russia. The witnesses to the Petition of Naturalization were NOE WOJAT, 184 Rutledge Avenue, Brooklyn, New York and LOUIS HORBAKIN, 14 Messersals Street, Brooklyn, New York.

SOLOMON HELLER was naturalized and became a citizen of the United States on May 9, 1917. It should be noted that PHILIP HELLER, listed

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as a child of SOLOMON HELLER and born on April 10, 1904, is one and the same with PETER F. HELLER, concerning whom this investigation was conducted. SOLOMON HELLER's petition for naturalization listed his occupation as that of a Hebrew teacher.

The following information was obtained from the records on file in St. John's College, Brooklyn, New York:

PHILIP FRANK HELLER entered St. John's College in September, 1934, and at that time he resided at 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn, New York. His date of birth is April 9, 1904, at Bialystock, Russia. His father was listed as SOLOMON. He stated that he attended Bushwick High School and also Eron Prep, prior to attending St. John's College. He listed his occupation as Sales Manager at 543 Broadway. At the time PHILIP FRANK HELLER attended Bushwick High School he resided at 307 Throop Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. This was from 1919 to 1922. The time he attended Eron Prep, that is, from September, 1933 to June, 1934 he resided at 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.

The following information was obtained from the records at St. John's Law School, Brooklyn, New York:

The application for admission to this law school was made in the handwriting of PETER FRANK HELLER, with alias PHILIP HELLER. He is registered in the law school under the name of PHILIP HELLER, and his address is listed as 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn, New York. He entered the law school in September, 1936 and graduated with a Bachelor of Law degree in June, 1939. He listed his employment at that time as Advertising and Sales Manager of ROSENTHAL BROTHERS, 543 Broadway, New York, New York. He listed as his reason for the study of law, "I have been interested in civic activities for many years, and I also believe it would be of great assistance to myself to better my economic position."

The following information was obtained from the Selective Service file of PETER FRANK HELLER on file at Local Board #162, 44 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York:

The file reflects that HELLER resided at 172 Pulaski Street and was employed by ROSENTHAL BROTHERS, 543 Broadway, New York, New York, at the time he filed his questionnaire on September 22, 1942. There is no

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not. Of a change of address in the Selective Service file. The file further reflects that PETER FRANK HELLER was married on June 23, 1927, to MARTHA B. HELLER; that he attended St. John's University and was a graduate of St. John's Law School; that he was preparing to take the New York State Bar examination in March, 1943. He listed his occupation as a Sales Manager with a textile and novelty concern, ROSENTHAL BROTHERS, 543 Broadway, at which position he stated he had fourteen years of experience. According to this file, he holds the rank of 2nd Lieutenant in Company K, 13th Regiment Armory, New York State Guard.

In the questionnaire, HELLER stated that he has two sons, AVROM, age 13, and MICHAEL, age 5, and one daughter ERNESTINE, age 3. In 1942 his father SOLOMON HELLER, age 75, was living, but no address was stated for SOLOMON HELLER. He listed his earnings as over \$5,000 per year. His social security number is [REDACTED] b7c

In his Occupational Questionnaire, HELLER stated he is best suited to write publicity, take photographs, plan various campaigns, and that he is next best suited for investigations.

Major A. J. WEBBER, an officer in the New York State Guard, who has an office in the office of the New York State Guard, 100 Center Street, New York, New York, advised that PETER F. HELLER has been a member of the 13th Regiment Armory, New York State Guard, since 1942, and that at present he holds the rank of a First Lieutenant in this regiment. Further, that he is in good standing as an officer in the New York State Guard. According to Major WEBBER, the file on PETER F. HELLER at the New York State Guard reflects that he can read and write Spanish, Jewish, Hebrew, and German. Also, according to the file, he was employed as of September, 1944 as an executive clemency investigator by the State of New York Executive Department, Division of Parole.

JEFFREY J. ROBERTSON, District Supervisor, Parole Commission, New York State, advised that PETER F. HELLER was employed as an executive clemency investigator by the Parole Commission from June, 1944 to January 31, 1945, and that at that time he resigned as of his own accord. The file of PETER F. HELLER disclosed that he was employed from 1921 to 1922 as a reporter for the Brooklyn Daily Times, and from 1922 to 1924 as a reporter for the Brooklyn Eagle. From 1924 to 1925 he was a reporter for the Daily Mirror, New York newspaper. From 1925 to 1928 the file disclosed

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that he was employed as an Assistant City Editor for the Tampa Telegraph. From 1928 to 1944, he worked as Advertising Manager for ROSENTHAL BROTHERS, 543 Broadway, New York, New York.

Mr. ROBERTSON advised that PETER F. HELLER was appointed as Executive Clemency Investigator by the Governor's Office at Albany, New York; that further, this was a political appointment, made by the Governor's office. Mr. ROBERTSON advised that all investigation concerning HELLER would be made through the Governor's office at Albany, New York, and that no investigation of him was made by the Parole Commission in New York City. While employed as an investigator by the Parole Commission, HELLER worked directly under Mr. JEFFREY J. ROBERTSON.

As to his ability as an investigator, Mr. ROBERTSON advised that he considered him a fair investigator, but [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who was wont to tell continual untruths. At the time he first came to work for the Parole Commission, he told Mr. ROBERTSON that he would be unable to devote his full time to the position as investigator, since he had another job that would necessitate his spending much of his time in that regard. Mr. ROBERTSON recalled that HELLER was engaged in some business at 543 Broadway, New York, New York, and that he believed HELLER told him that it was because of this business connection at 543 Broadway that he would be unable to devote his full time to the job of investigator. In this regard, Mr. ROBERTSON told HELLER that they had certain rules and regulations that all investigators had to abide by, and that he could be no exception. ROBERTSON wrote to the Governor's office in Albany, New York concerning this, and advised them of the fact that HELLER stated he would be unable to devote his full time to the job of investigator. b7c

There appeared to be much misunderstanding between ROBERTSON and HELLER, and as Mr. ROBERTSON stated, from time to time HELLER was inclined to tell him things that he later found out were not true. In any event, sometime in January, 1945, according to Mr. ROBERTSON, HELLER made a trip to Albany, New York and returned sometime in January, 1945, and resigned from his job as investigator.

During the time that he was employed as an investigator, HELLER often told Mr. ROBERTSON that he was well-known to several big men

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in the Republican Party in and around New York City, and that he stood pretty well in the Republican Party. Mr. ROBERTSON stated he often bragged about his connections in the Governor's Office in Albany, New York, and about his connections in the Republican Party in general.

As to his nationalistic feelings, Mr. ROBERTSON stated that he had reason to suspect PETER HELLER of anything other than good Americanism, and he said he would be very much surprised to hear that PETER HELLER was anything but a good loyal American citizen. He stated that in looking at PETER HELLER's personnel file, that he saw that HELLER was born in Russia, but as he stated, he never exhibited any pro-Russian or pro any other foreign country sentiments during the time he was engaged as an investigator by the Parole Commission.

Mrs. ANNA GORMAN, Assistant Manager at the Towers Hotel, Brooklyn, New York, informed that their records disclosed that PETER HELLER resided at the Towers Hotel on the following dates: From May 6, 1945 to July 19, 1945. On May 27, 1945 PETER HELLER was joined by his young son, who was described as about 12 to 14 years of age. On May 29, 1945 PETER HELLER was joined by his wife, who remained with him until June 8, 1945. HELLER himself moved out of the hotel on July 19, 1945, but returned again on September 8, 1945, and remained to September 20 of the same year. On September 18, 1945 he was joined by his wife and two children, who were described as a son about 12 to 14 years of age, and a daughter about eight years of age. The wife and children remained at the hotel from September 18, 1945 to September 22, 1945. Since PETER HELLER left the hotel on September 30, 1945, he has returned on two occasions to pick up mail from the hotel.

JOHN FURTH, who is the room clerk at the Towers Hotel in Brooklyn, New York, advised that he recalled PETER HELLER at the time he resided at the Towers Hotel. He labeled him a big bag of wind. He stated that he was a braggard and an annoying type of fellow in that he was wont to make rash statements concerning most any subject, but he did state that he had never heard him make any statements that he could consider pro-Russian and radical. He stated that personally he himself did not like HELLER because as he stated, HELLER was rather an annoyance in the hotel, in that he was never sure how long he was going to remain and from time to time his wife and children would show up unexpectedly and HELLER would demand that the hotel make room for them, and since he was a regular guest

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at the hotel, they felt that they should make an effort to accommodate their guests family, but that on many occasions they felt that HELLER could have notified them far in advance and caused them less inconvenience than he did cause.

As to his habits at the time he resided at this hotel, Mr. JOHN FURTH stated that HELLER left for business the same time every day and seemed to be just an ordinary businessman. He further stated that HELLER often spoke about his textile business located at some place up along Broadway, New York City.

Mr. E. M. BELLEN, Assistant Manager at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn, New York, advised that he had never heard of PETER HELLER. He checked their register for the year 1944 and 1945 under the name of both PETER F. HELLER and PHILIP HELLER, and advised that this check was negative for these names, and that it could be concluded that HELLER never resided at the Hotel St. George during this period.

Mr. E. M. BELLEN questioned the bartenders in the bar of the Hotel St. George and also other employees at the desk of the Hotel St. George relative to any recollection of a party by the name of PETER HELLER, and he advised that all of these employees had answered in the negative.

Mr. C. GORDON, letter carrier who covers the address of 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn, New York, advised that he had known PETER HELLER and his family for the past fifteen years, and that during this period he had been the letter-carrier in that neighborhood. He gave the following information with regard to PETER HELLER:

He stated that PETER HELLER owned the house located at 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn, New York and that he had resided in that house for over ten years, up until sometime in 1944, at which time Mrs. HELLER, PETER HELLER's wife, was taken with a heart attack and that she has been sick off and on since that time, and for this reason she had to leave New York because of the climate. She now resided, he advised, some place in Florida, together with the children.

At the time Mrs. HELLER and the children moved to Florida, PETER HELLER remained for a short time at 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn,

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New York. Then, sometime in the Spring of 1945, according to Mr. GORDON, HELLER moved to some place closer to the business section of New York City, but he was unable to furnish this address. About two months ago, according to Mr. GORDON, HELLER moved to 173 Pulaski Street, where he has a room in the house which is owned by a Mr. WAX. This house is located directly across the street from the house owned by HELLER at 172 Pulaski Street.

Mr. G. GORDON advised that PETER HELLER is the Republican Captain of the district that includes his home address, 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn, New York. Mr. GORDON believed that he is a member of the Sixth Assembly District of the Republican Club in Brooklyn, New York. He further advised that he is quite active in Republican politics in that district.

Mr. GORDON stated that he has spoken with Mr. HELLER on many occasions during the more than ten year period that he has known him, and that he considers him a man of good character and integrity. He advised that he believed Mr. HELLER was a lawyer at one time, but that he was now engaged in his own business at 543 Broadway, New York, New York. He stated further that he considered him a good loyal American citizen and that on no occasion had he ever heard Mr. HELLER utter any statements that could be considered pro-German, pro-Russian, or pro any other foreign country.

Mr. L. BUTTOLPH, a clerk in the Loan Department of the Manufacturers Trust Company, 29 Broadway, New York, New York, advised that they had on file a list of three loans made to MARTHA HELLER, 172 Pulaski Street, Brooklyn, New York. On all of these loans, the co-maker was PETER F. HELLER. The loans are listed as follows:

July 24, 1935 - A modernization loan of \$276 which has since been paid off.

July 8, 1938 - A modernization loan of \$2,299.99 which has since been paid off.

October 15, 1940 - A modernization loan of \$783.59 which has also been paid off.

NO other loans have been made to either MARTHA HELLER or PETER HELLER since October 15, 1940.

Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, reflected the following information:

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PETER F. HELLER, age 40, married, is listed as an alternative trustee and sales manager in the firm of ROSENTHAL BROTHERS, 543 Broadway, New York. The only other officer of this concern was SAMUEL J. ROSENTHAL, age 39, married, trustee and general manager of said firm. ROSENTHAL BROTHERS was registered as a trade-style on June 21, 1938 by SAMUEL J. ROSENTHAL, and carried on business as manufacturers of silk cords, tassels, and textile trimmings. The enterprise was originally established August 1, 1898 by ABRAHAM and LOUIS ROSENTHAL. On July 22, 1937 ABRAHAM L. ROSENTHAL died and his widow, ERNESTINE, succeeded to his interest. She also acquired the interest of LOUIS ROSENTHAL on May 2, 1928.

The said ERNESTINE ROSENTHAL died on May 18, 1938, and in her will named SAMUEL J. ROSENTHAL as executor and also stated that he should be General Manager of the business known as ROSENTHAL BROTHERS. It was also provided in the will of ERNESTINE ROSENTHAL that PETER F. HELLER, whom she described as a son-in-law, should participate equally in the first \$5,200 income realized per annum. Thereafter, the income was to be divided annually among various named heirs.

Further, according to this report which was dated August, 1935, SAMUEL J. ROSENTHAL is native born and has been associated with the above-mentioned business since 1927. PETER HELLER, brother-in-law of SAMUEL ROSENTHAL, was stated to assist in the management of the business, and had been connected with the concern for the past ten years. The present net worth is listed as \$22,068.

Mr. B. WHELAN and Mr. C. G. HOFFMAN, of CHARLES FREDERICK ESTATE, 258 Broadway, which estate owns the building located at 543 Broadway, New York, supplied the following information with regard to PETER HELLER:

He stated that ROSENTHAL BROTHERS had been tenants of that building for more than ten years, and that they recall that PETER HELLER had been employed there all during this period. They both informed that the last of the ROSENTHALS died in the Spring of 1945, and that PETER HELLER was now the sole owner of the company and was in sole control of the company at 543 Broadway. They further stated that the firm employed four to five employees, and was engaged in some kind of a business that made tassels. They had a lease that would expire in January, 1946 and they were not certain as to whether or not the lease would be renewed, as no conversation had taken place between them and HELLER concerning this lease.

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Mr. WHEATHAM advised that he frequently contacts PETER HELLER with regard to the collecting of the rent and so forth, and that he has spoken with him on several occasions. These conversations, he stated, relate principally to the business in connection with the leasing of the premises at 543 Broadway, but on other occasions he has spoken with him concerning other topics. In this regard, he informed that he had never heard PETER HELLER make any statements that he considered un-American or in favor of any foreign country. He stated that he did not know HELLER intimately, but that he did feel that he could state that in the time he has known him and from the conversations he had with him, that he considered him a loyal American citizen.

A check of the indices of the New York office with regard to the name of PETER F. HELLER and PHILIP F. HELLER disclosed the following information:

The only mention of a PETER F. HELLER who fits the description of the party under investigation was that a PETER F. HELLER, 543 Broadway, was listed as a person who, during the Summer of 1940, had examined various books dealing with explosives at the New York Public Library. This list was requested by the Secret Service Treasury Department, a copy of which was supplied to the New York Office.

No other references with regard to PETER F. HELLER or PHILIP F. HELLER were found in the files of the New York Office. There is no mention in any of these files of Communist activities or pro-Russian activities on the part of a PETER F. HELLER or a PHILIP HELLER. Likewise, the indices check was negative for the name of SOLOMON HELLER and MARTHA HELLER, the father and wife of the party under investigation.

Both Special Agents MORGAN J. LACEY and JOHN J. DIXON advised that they were classmates of PETER F. HELLER at St. John's Law School, in New York. MORGAN LACEY advised that he recalled PETER HELLER as a rather heavy-set, red-headed fellow who was slightly bald. He recalled little of any contacts he had with HELLER. JOHN J. DIXON, who was President of the Student Council at St. John's College during the time he attended St. John's Law School, stated that he had spoken several times to PETER HELLER, and that he did not recall any radical statements or Communistic sentiments having been expressed by HELLER. He further stated that he knew that no complaints had been received by the Student Council concerning radical sentiments on the part of HELLER during the time he attended the law school from 1936 to 1939. Both Special Agents

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MORGAN LACEY and JOHN DIXON advised that they would recognize PETER HELLER on sight.

The following description of PETER HELLER, also known as PHILIP FRANK HELLER, was obtained from his Selective Service file at Local Board #162, 44 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York:

Name	PETER FRANK HELLER, aka PHILIP FRANK HELLER
Born	April 9, 1904
Place	Bialystock, Russia
Height	5'10"
Weight	169
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Red
Complexion	Light
Scars and marks	Scar on back of neck
Peculiarities	Wears glasses
Marital status	Married
Citizenship	United States - naturalized by father's papers.

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Re: RAY ELSON, also known as
Mrs. Joseph Elson
161 West 16th Street
New York, New York

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent HOWARD ROBERT HAWKINS, and is reported by him.

RAY ELSON became a subject in this case as a result of information furnished by a confidential informant of the New York office. This informant advised that RAY was born in the United States of Polish-Jewish parents, and at the present time is approximately thirty-four years of age. She attended college and also a secretarial school located somewhere in the Middle West. This informant could not advise when RAY first came to New York City, but since her arrival here she was employed for a considerable period of time in charge of a department of the CIVIL RIGHTS COMMITTEE at 160 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

According to the informant, RAY has been a dues-paying member and active in COMMUNIST circles for the past ten years. She has close connections with Russian espionage as evidenced by the fact that she not only has her own Russian contacts, but in addition is able to arrange meetings for others in this espionage group. RAY became known to the informant through JACK, who was at one time the informant's Russian contact. RAY had been selected by JACK to replace the informant in the UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION, 212 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and their first meeting took place in New York City sometime in February, 1945. Prior to the first meeting between RAY and the informant, JACK had advised the informant that he had investigated RAY and found that she was a good, loyal COMMUNIST who would be an adequate replacement for the informant in the UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION. The informant was, however, to continue to look after RAY as far as her business duties were concerned, and JACK informed RAY that she should look to the informant for assistance. Negotiations continued for about one month with respect to RAY going with the firm. It was agreed that RAY, with money furnished by JACK, was to acquire from Colonel J. H. REYNOLDS stock certificates held by him and his wife.

RAY actually began her duties as Secretary with the UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION in March, 1945, after terminating

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her employment with the CIVIL RIGHTS COMMITTEE, 160 Fifth Avenue. RAY had not as yet been able to acquire the stock in the firm. To arrange this transfer, the informant at JACK's suggestion arranged a meeting with EARL BROWDER, REYNOLDS, RAY ELSON, INFORMANT, and BROWDER met at the home of FREDERICK V. FIELD, 16 West 12th Street, New York City. REYNOLDS agreed to dispose of his interest to RAY if BROWDER felt that he should. On May 8, 1945, the informant resigned as Vice President of the firm, to which position she was succeeded by RAY.

With respect to Russian contacts, RAY was seeing JACK privately until JACK disappeared from the scene about the middle of May, 1945. Before JACK left he had on one occasion advised the informant that RAY had done some sort of courier work among members of the COMMUNIST PARTY underground. RAY's present Russian contact is described as a tall man. Nothing else is known concerning him at this time.

The stock transfer to RAY became stalemated, and RAY requested the informant to transfer to her the UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING COMPANY stock. It was on this occasion that RAY advised the informant that she had been given \$500 by her Russian contact for the purpose of acquiring REYNOLDS' stock. Later in September the informant returned to the firm because of RAY's inability to acquire any stock in the firm, and apparently because REYNOLDS was not favorably inclined toward RAY. However, RAY continued to be associated with the firm on a full-time basis until the first week of October, 1945, at which time she advised the informant that she had decided to resign because she was dissatisfied with the type of work she was doing in the office. Also, her husband would return in the immediate future, and so she wanted some time to herself. RAY stated she was making this move on her own initiative and had not told her Russian contact of her plans.

With respect to participation in Russian espionage, RAY, at the informant's request, arranged a meeting with AL on June 6th or 8th, 1945, in Washington. RAY also arranged a second meeting for the informant with AL in New York about two months later. A subsequent meeting was arranged by RAY between AL and the informant on October 17, 1945, at which time AL advised the informant she should meet him again on November 21, 1945. It later developed the informant wanted to meet AL before November 21, 1945. She contacted RAY who advised she could arrange the meeting. This meeting did not materialize because AL was on the West Coast at the time; however, AL did apologize to the informant on November 21, 1945, for his inability to keep the meeting arranged by RAY ELSON.

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On November 23, 1945, RAY met the informant for lunch at RAY's suggestion. They spent approximately one hour in conversation, principally of a social nature, but with some discussion of the affairs of the UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION. The informant ascertained that ELSON had not seen her Russian contact since some time before November 9, 1945; had no present plans to meet him; and claimed to be unable to make contact with him. She also stated the meetings could be scheduled only by the Russian contact. It was further stated by RAY at this meeting that she was considering securing employment of some kind, which employment she believes will be on orders of her Russian associate.

The following is a description of RAY ELSON as obtained from the informant and from observation:

Name	RAY ELSON, also known as Mrs. Joseph Elson
Age	34
Height	5' 6"
Weight	135
Hair	Black; Combed Straight Back
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Fair
Build	Thin; Wide Hips; Heavy Legs
Appearance	Jewish
Face	Small with fairly large nose and slightly receding chin
Marital Status	Married; Husband, JOSEPH ELSON
Employment	Unemployed
Citizenship	United States Citizen
Residence	161 West 16th Street, New York City
Dress	Usually does not wear a hat, but has worn a white kerchief over her head; wears black cloth coat and usually carries a black, flat, rectangular purse.

A review of the files of this office reflects the following information concerning RAY ELSON. The membership records of the GREENWICH VILLAGE CLUB of the COMMUNIST POLITICAL ASSOCIATION on June 15, 1944, reflected the name of RAY ELSON. These records further reflected that she was at that time employed as a stenographer by the CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE; that she was a member of the CIO Union; and that she edited a legislative bulletin in the GREENWICH VILLAGE CLUB.

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The records further reflect that RAY ELSON attended a conference of Inter-Faith and Inter-Racial Councils, called by the West Side Council of Religious and Civic Organizations, which was held at the RIVERSIDE PLAZA HOTEL on June 14, 1944. RAY attended this conference as a delegate from the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, 205 East 42nd Street, New York City. The conference met at this time principally in the interests of the FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE COMMITTEE to advance a resolution to urge the United States Senate to concur with the favorable action of the House of Representatives regarding the National War Agencies Appropriation Bill, H. R. 4879, which included appropriations for the FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE COMMITTEE.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, 31st Street and 7th Avenue, reflected a credit report on JOSEPH and RAY ELSON dated April 6, 1936. This report reflected that JOSEPH ELSON was employed as a Production Manager by L. H. HARTMAN AND COMPANY, INCORPORATED, 444 Madison Avenue, New York City.

Previous residences of JOSEPH and RAY ELSON were listed as 338 East 15th Street, 335 East 17th Street, and 200 West 16th Street, all New York City.

The records of Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, were checked by Special Agent F. R. O'DONNELL. The records of this informant reflected that RAY ELSON's telephone was connected on August 3, 1943, and that bills for telephone service go to her at 161 West 16th Street. Her employment was listed as secretary to the NATIONAL FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES which, until recently, was located at 1123 Broadway, New York City, but which is now located at 205 West 42nd Street, New York City. RAY's telephone number is Watkins 9-8559, which is listed in the Manhattan telephone directory under the name of RAY ELSON.

S. A. WEISNER, agent for the JOSEPH MASSOIT REAL ESTATE COMPANY, 175 West 72nd Street, New York City, advised that their records reflected that RAY ELSON had resided at 200 West 16th Street in Apartment 5B from October 1, 1937 until September 14, 1938. From that address she moved to 636 West 136th Street, New York City, giving for a reason that she had lost her job and so it was necessary for her to move to a less expensive apartment.

The records of Selective Service, Local Board No. 38, 583 Riverside Drive, New York City, reflected that JOSEPH ELSON, Order Number

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1640, registered for Selective Service on October 16, 1940. He was born on January 21, 1909, in Chicago, Illinois, and his address at the time of registration was 636 West 136th Street, New York City. He was employed by the L. H. HARTMAN COMPANY, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City.

JOSEPH ELSON's Selective Service Questionnaire reflected that he had eight years of elementary school, four years of high school, and one and one-half years of college at NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, specializing in fine arts and advertising. He described his duties with the L. H. HARTMAN COMPANY as type specifying, layout, displays, and the purchase of engraving, printing and paper. He held the position of Advertising and Production Manager. He had no other occupational experience, having worked for this company since 1933. He was married on September 21, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois to his present wife, RAY ELSON. He listed as dependents his wife, RAY, age 29, in April, 1941; and SHEINDEL SHUCHTER, his mother-in-law. His questionnaire reflected that RAY ELSON had earned \$300 in the twelve months preceding April, 1941. The questionnaire also reflected that he owned no property; that he was a United States citizen; and that he had no conviction for treason or a felony. He had no previous military experience.

On September 12, 1940, JOSEPH ELSON enrolled at NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, and at the time he filed his questionnaires he was pursuing a course of study involving eight hours of attendance per week, leading to the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. He stated that his wife had no other means of support or source of income, and requested a "3" classification, which classification was granted by the local board on June 2, 1941.

On January 4, 1943, he was reclassified 1-C, subsequent to his induction into the United States Army. He has Army Serial Number 32702735. His parents were listed as PAUL and MINNIE ELSON, residing in Chicago, Illinois. The records of this local board further reflected that JOSEPH ELSON was discharged on October 29, 1945, from the United States Army at Fort Dix, New Jersey, by reason of over age. His present address was listed as 161 West 16th Street. His description, as obtained from observation and from selective service records, is as follows:

Name	JOSEPH ELSON
Age	36
Born	January 21, 1909, Chicago, Illinois
Height	5' 10"
Weight	173

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Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Light
Posture	Fair
Appearance	Jewish; Aquiline Nose
Marital Status	Married; Wife, RAY ELSON
Employment	Discharged From U. S. Army 10/29/45
Citizenship	United States Citizen
Residence	161 West 16th Street, New York City
Dress	Usually wears black overcoat, olive-green hat, and presents a neat appearance

The records of Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, reflected a report dated October 20, 1944, concerning the L. H. HARTMAN COMPANY, INCORPORATED, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City. This report stated that this company was an advertising agency which was controlled by persons with several years' experience, doing a substantial volume of business, and adequately financed for ordinary commitments. The officers of the company are as follows:

- LOUIS H. HARTMAN, President, Age 54, Married, United States Citizen
- THEODORE ROSEWALD, JR., Treasurer, Age 42, Married, Presently in Armed Forces
- SIMON A. HALPERN, Vice President, Age 43, born in Russia, but a Naturalized United States Citizen
- JOHN H. EYDELER, Secretary

This advertising agency employs a staff of twenty-four persons and occupies almost the entire top floor of the fifteen-story Associated Press building in Rockefeller Center.

A physical surveillance has been instituted to cover the activities of RAY ELSON, the results of which will be set forth in the next investigative report.

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Re: MARY WOLFE PRICE, with alias
Mary Watkins Price

The investigation concerning MARY WOLFE PRICE set forth hereinafter, was conducted by Special Agent Robert F. I. O'Keefe. A review of information available to the New York Office reflected the following information concerning her background and activities.

She was born March 3, 1909 at Madison, North Carolina, and from September, 1926 to December 1930, attended the University of North Carolina.

Employment

A list of employments as set out on the personnel security questionnaire dated October 27, 1942, on MARY WOLFE PRICE and compiled by the United States Army Signal Corps, Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Virginia, included:

March 1933 to December 1933
FRED F. FRENCH MANAGEMENT COMPANY
New York City

December 1933 to April 1939
INSURANCE BROKERS ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK
New York City

April, 1939 to May, 1939
E.P. DUTTON COMPANY
New York City

June, 1939 to June, 1943
NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE
(In connection with this last mentioned employment, MARY PRICE was secretary of WALTER LIPPMANN, with offices in the National Press Building, 1523 35th Street N.W., Washington, D.C.)

June, 1943 to January, 1945
McGRAN-HILL PUBLISHING COMPANY
330 West 42nd Street, New York City
Employed on editorial staff of publication "BUSINESS WEEK"

January, 1945 to September, 1945
UNITED OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS OF AMERICA, CIO,
1860 Broadway, New York City

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In connection with this employment, a news item appeared in the publication "Office and Professional News" dated March, 1945, wherein it was recited that MARY PRICE had been appointed director of the legislative and educational department of the UNITED OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS OF AMERICA. This article further stated that MARY PRICE had been vice president of Local 16 of the UOPWA, and had worked on the staff of the OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL NEWS.

From September, 1945 —
Secretary of the North Carolina Organizing Committee of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare
525 Guilford Bank Building
Greensboro, North Carolina

According to a news item appearing in the "SOUTHERN PATRIOT", publication of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare dated September, 1945, the last mentioned employment was confirmed. Headquarters of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE was listed as 506 Presbyterian Building, Nashville, Tennessee

Residences

September 1945 —
Greensboro, North Carolina
(Further information concerning her present residence will be set forth hereinafter).

February, 1944 to September, 1945
207 West 11th Street,
Apartment 3-A
New York City

December 18, 1942
2038 I Street N.W.
Washington, D.C.

June, 1941 - May, 1942
1905 Balorama Road N.W.
Washington, D.C.

September, 1940 - July, 1941
2921 Olive Street N.W.
Washington, D.C.
(resided with one VIRGINIA PAYNE)

About one year prior to 1940
2434 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C.

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(Dates Unknown)
3 West 15th Street
New York City

June, 1936 - October, 1936

55 Morton Street

New York City

(resided with sister CAROLINE and RACHEL LIPSCOMB GRAVES,
secretary employed by DAVIS DORLAND, 280 Broadway, New York City)

EUGENE V. SNYDER, 207 West 11th Street, New York City, who has previously cooperated with Agents of the Bureau, stated that MARY PRICE resided at 207 West 11th Street from February, 1944, to September, 1945.

A lease for the aforesaid premises on a month-to-month basis is still maintained in her name. The premises, however, are presently occupied by Mrs. JOSEPH ZAK, a niece of MARY PRICE, and her husband JOSEPH ZAK.

According to SNYDER, Miss PRICE was presently residing in Greensboro, North Carolina, but during the week of November 26, 1945, had plans to reside with friends and relatives for a few days in Burlington, North Carolina. On or about December 1, 1945, Miss PRICE intended to return to her residence at 207 West 11th Street. He indicated, however, that there was some doubt in her mind, and she may possibly take up residence with her sister, BRANSON PRICE, at 55 Barrow Street, New York City, New York.

Telephone WAtkins 9-1225 is still listed in the name of MARY PRICE, but has been removed from 207 West 11th Street to 55 Barrow Street. Mr. E.V. SNYDER advised he would immediately notify the New York Office of Miss PRICE's return.

The Charlotte Field Division has been notified of the above information, and requested that her activities be discreetly ascertained.

Travels

Mr. EUGENE V. SNYDER stated that MARY PRICE was in Mexico from May, 1945 to July, 1945, according to her own statements, on a business trip for the publication "BUSINESS WEEK."

According to information set forth in the Personnel Security Questionnaire of MARY PRICE, referred to above, the following additional travel was mentioned:

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June, 1943 to September, 1943
Mexico

July, 1936 to August, 1936
Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Russia, Poland, Germany and France

Relatives

JAMES VALENTINE PRICE, father
(Deceased)

PATTIE FRANCES MOORE, mother
(Deceased)

Dr. JAMES VALENTINE PRICE, brother,
Born December 15, 1893, Madison, North Carolina
Residence 35-33 83rd Street, Jackson Heights, Long Island

BRANSON PRICE, sister
Born November 26, 1901, Rockingham County, North Carolina
Residence 55 Barrow Street, New York City

Mrs. HAROLD COY, nee MILDRED PRICE, sister
Born October 10, 1909, Rockingham County, North Carolina
Residence 420 West 118th Street, New York City

HAROLD COY, brother-in-law
Born September 24, 1902, LaHabra, California
Residence 420 West 118th Street, New York City

Mrs. NEIL McMILLAN, nee CAROLINE PRICE, sister
Residence: 10 Monroe Street, New York City

RUTH PRICE, sister
Residence Greensboro, North Carolina

Mrs. JOSEPH ZAI, neice
207 West 11th Street
New York City

MARY PRICE, 2nd, neice
55 Barrow Street
New York City

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TOM MOORE PRICE, brother
 Address Unknown
 (believed associated with KKK interests in California)

WRIGHT PRICE, brother
 Address Unknown
 (formerly worked on Boulder Dam Project)

J. PAUL PRICE, brother
 Residence: Route 5, Greensboro, North Carolina

ENOCH PRICE, brother
 Residence: 807 Church Street, Greensboro, North Carolina

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Activities and Contacts

As set forth in the Personnel Security Questionnaire referred to above, a loyalty and character report dated November 27, 1943, was prepared concerning MARY PRICE by the office of the Provost Marshal General, Army Service Forces, War Department. At that time, MARY PRICE was residing at 2038 I Street N.W., Washington, D.C. The report indicated that the investigation was not completed because it was discovered that MARY PRICE had taken a position with "BUSINESS WEEK", in New York.

One reference advised that MARY PRICE, while employed with R.P. DUTTON COMPANY, New York City, was "out-spokenly an exponent of Communism." It further reflected that while in attendance at the University of North Carolina, she was interested in "leftist" movements.

Information received from informants at the University of North Carolina also showed that MARY PRICE upon her return from a trip to Russia, displayed great enthusiasm regarding certain aspects of Soviet life. While registered at the University of North Carolina, the records reflected the name of MARY WATKINS PRICE rather than MARY WOLF PRICE, but investigation indicated that the two persons were identical.

In 1940, the name of MARY PRICE, 2434 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W., and the name of MILDRED PRICE, 1612 K Street, N.W. appeared as members on the index card system of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action. In 1941, an index maintained at the headquarters of the Socialist Party in the District of Columbia under the label "Capitol City Forum" contained the name of MARY PRICE, 2434 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W.

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In a conversation on April 22, 1943 at New York City between JAKE EPSTEIN, presently head of the Waterfront Section of the Communist Party, and another individual, whose identity is unknown, EPSTEIN was asked if he had any one in mind who he thought should join the Party. EPSTEIN replied that the only one was MARY PRICE who had just joined. It is not known whether this MARY PRICE is identical with MARY WOLFE PRICE, subject of the present investigation.

The following information was set forth in the matter entitled: "Mrs. HAROLD COY, with aliases, et al; Security Matter (C)," New York Origin. Certain correspondence addressed to MARY PRICE, sister of MILDRED PRICE, 420 West 118th Street, New York City, was made available. A letter dated November 28th, addressed "Dear Miss PRICE", read as follows:

"I am having a few telephone calls for you and have been saying that you are out of town, I am subleasing from you, and will take messages if they wish.

"The only message so far is DONALD HENDERSON, 1505 Race Street, Philadelphia, who says he has been trying to reach you for several months and wants you to get in touch with him at that address.

"Do you want to give me further instructions on what you would want me to say to anyone who calls? If you are not going to be in Washington next weekend, it might be best for you to do so by letter.

Sincerely yours,

"HELEN TENNEY

"P.S. If you don't come but write, please tell me what to do about locating the mail box and about disposal of trash."

Another letter addressed to Miss PRICE, 420 West 118th Street, New York City, dated Saturday, and postmarked December 11, 1943, read as follows:

"Dear MARY,

"I was glad to get your note. Well, it is good you have a job you like and which has a future to it.

"The news depressed me just a little because it sounds like

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"severing relations with Washington. When they finally get around to offering you a P-5, you will come back, won't you?"

"The enclosed came to me the day after you wrote. I had forwarded them to you in Mexico (in another manila envelope) last August. No explanation on the envelope of the delay. All I hope is it has caused no difficulty in your personal affairs.

"Will look forward to seeing you one weekend soon. Please tell MILDRED and HAROLD hello.

(Signed) "Tony"

"P.S. Don't fail to let me know if I can do anything for you in Washington."

Another envelope addressed to Miss PRICE at 420 West 118th Street, is maintained in the files of the New York Field Office. It bears the return address of the Office of War Information, Washington, D. C. On the reverse of the envelope appeared the return address: MENNETT, 1508 O Street N.W., Washington, D.C.

Re: MILDRED PRICE

MILDRED PRICE, also known as Mrs. Harold Coy, is the sister of MARY WOLFE PRICE and the subject of an investigation by the New York Field Office, entitled: "Mrs. Harold Coy, with aliases, et al; Security Matter -C". She taught at the Commonwealth College, Mena, Arkansas, in 1935. It is to be noted that the charter of the Commonwealth College was rescinded in 1941 for anarchist teachings and display of the Hammer and Sickle.

MILDRED PRICE was reported by Confidential [redacted] to have performed "secret service" for the Communist Party for ten years. She is on the mailing list of numerous Communist Party publications and recently attended a luncheon sponsored by the JOINT ANTI-FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE. b2
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In October, 1943, one "Milly" PRICE, was in close contact with GRACE GRANICH, who is the husband of MAX GRANICH.

According to [redacted] MILDRED PRICE was in telephone conversation on several occasions with PHILIP JACOB JAFFE. b2
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Her husband, HAROLD COY, also taught at Commonwealth College, Mena, Arkansas, and was reported to be a Communist.

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MILDRED PRICE was born in Madison, North Carolina, 1899; graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1922; is presently executive secretary of the CHINA AID COUNCIL, which organization is allegedly Communist controlled. As of September, 1941, she was a statistician at the Labor Research Association, 799 Broadway, which organization was known to be an important Communist-front organization.

Re: THOMAS BROWN BENNETT

As set forth above, MARY PRICE was the recipient of correspondence from a person by the name of BENNETT, address 1528 O Street N.W., Washington, D.C. This person is undoubtedly identical with THOMAS BROWN BENNETT who resides at the address given, and who was subject of an applicant investigation for the Office of Emergency Management, as set out in a memorandum in the New York Field Division dated November 16, 1945. BENNETT was applicant for the position of assistant information research technician, O.E.M. His Government employment was listed as follows:

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
1932 - 1934

FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION
1934 - 1935

WORKS PROJECT ADMINISTRATION
1935 - 1937

NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION
1940

MILITARY SUPPLY SECTION,
Army Engineers, War Department
1940 - 1941

Information Division
Rural Electrification Administration
St. Louis, Missouri
1941 - 1942

During part of the year 1937, BENNETT served with the 17th Battalion, 15th Brigade, Spanish Republican Army, Albacete, Spain as an ambulance driver, rifleman and machine-gunner. He stated he had been wounded, and his Selective

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Service file showed he was 4-F and confirmed that he had war wounds on both thighs.

BENNETT is also said to be a member of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

On December 16, 1943, BENNETT was interviewed and stated he was then employed as news editor of the Foreign Service Division of the Office of War Information.

BENNETT's first wife LILLIAN BENNETT, whom he divorced has admitted being a member of the Communist Party. One LEONA WHITAKER with whom BENNETT lived as man-and-wife in Washington, D.C. has fairly indicated in correspondence her Communist Party membership.

DONALD HOUP, 1608 19th Street N.W., Washington, D.C. has stated BENNETT attempted to enlist him as a volunteer in the Loyalist Army in Spain, and that BENNETT told him he had connections with the Russian Embassy.

Count ALFRED KRZYVSKI, 1232 East 56th Street, Chicago, Illinois, an agent of Russian Intelligence during World War I and director of General Semantics Institute, Chicago, Illinois, which BENNETT attended in 1941, stated that BENNETT was a firm believer in the absorption of more power by the Federal Government during the course of World War II. He said that BENNETT would not be dangerous while United States was involved in the war, but would not miss any opportunity to air his beliefs to his fellow employees. This was one of the reasons for his securing employment by the Government.

Re: BRANSON PRICE

A review of the New York Files reflected that BRANSON PRICE, sister of MARY PRICE, presently residing at 55 Barrow Street, Apartment 6, New York City, was under a Hatch Act inquiry commencing January, 1942. At that time she was employed as an inspector by the Wage and Hour Division, Region #2, United States Department of Labor.

The name of BRANSON PRICE had appeared on the active indices of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action.

The name BRANSON PRICE, 1207 M Street, also appeared on the address list of a Washington organizer of the Washington Peace Mobilization.

On March 25, 1942, information reflected that BRANSON PRICE was on

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an indefinite leave from the Wage and Hour Division, and during said leave, her address was 1905 Kalorama Road N.W., Washington, D. C., which was also the address listed for MARY PRICE as of that time.

Re: JOSEPH ZAK

As set forth above, JOSEPH ZAK is married to a niece of MARY PRICE, and presently resides at 207 West 11th Street, New York City.

A review of the New York Indices reflects that a JOSEPH ZAK, 4825 36th Street, Queens, New York, was a delegate of the AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS in 1941.

During the course of the investigation, the following description was obtained:

Name	JOSEPH ZAK
Age	22 to 25 years
Height	5 feet, 6 inches
Weight	155 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Build	Stocky
Complexion	Dark
Occupation	Unknown, recently discharged radar man, first class, United States Navy
Features	Sharp, pointed, coarse
Dress	Usually hatless; usually wears dark blue jacket

Re: SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE

As set forth above, MARY PRICE was listed as secretary of the North Carolina Organizing Committee of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE, Greensboro, North Carolina.

A review of the New York Files reflected that in the matter "Southern Conference for Human Welfare; Internal Security (C)"--Memphis origin, that this organization is active in fighting against the poll tax, favors the establishment of a permanent Fair Employment Practices Commission, is active in inter-racial problems, and in the improvement of Southern labor conditions.

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The New York office of the organization is maintained at the MURRAY HILL HOTEL, 112 Park Avenue, New York City.

At an executive board meeting, July 3, 1945, a plan of the Washington Committee for the Southern Conference of Human Welfare as drawn for presentation to the Conference, contained the following language:

"Suggest also the further addition of a 'surplus profits' subcommittee with Dr. GREGORY SILVERMASTER as chairman."

A description of MARY WOLFE PRICE obtained during the course of the investigation is as follows:

Name	MARY WOLFE PRICE, with alias Mary Watkins Price
Born	March 3, 1909 Madison, Wisconsin
Height	5 feet, 5 - 6 inches
Weight	120 - 125 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, wavy
Eyes	Hazel, deep-set
Complexion	Heavy prominent eyebrows Sallow
Marital Status	Single
Peculiarities	Wears heavy, dark-rimmed glasses occasionally
Dress	Wears Mannish and tailored clothes
Occupation	Writer, secretary
Residence	Formerly 207 West 11th Street New York City
Nationality	United States

As set forth above, MARY PRICE was presently residing in Greensboro, North Carolina, but contemplated returning to New York on or about December 1, 1945. At that time, further investigation will be conducted to determine the present activities of the said MARY PRICE.

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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph Wohl, on November 26 and 27, 1945.

Confidential Informant advised that ABE BROTHMAN was introduced to Informant in May of 1940 by GOLOS and at this time BROTHMAN was allegedly an engineer in the employ of REPUBLIC STEEL in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Informant met BROTHMAN approximately ten times from the summer of 1940 up until the fall of 1940 after BROTHMAN had advised informant that he wanted some blueprints copied and the copies transmitted to GOLOS. At times ABE BROTHMAN gave the blueprints to GOLOS and at other times to informant. On the occasions of most of these meetings between BROTHMAN and informant they met in front of the MOSLER SAFE COMPANY at 52nd Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City. Informant also advised that on several occasions blueprints were obtained from BROTHMAN by informant, copied, and the copies given to GOLOS and the originals returned to BROTHMAN. Informant was not sure as to what the blueprints contained. However, informant felt that the blueprints were of commercial value. In the Fall of 1940 GOLOS advised the informant that he was disgusted with ABE BROTHMAN and that he was turning BROTHMAN over to someone else. However, informant never ascertained to whom BROTHMAN was turned over.

The following information was secured from the files of the New York Field Division.

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN is actively engaged in the consulting engineering firm of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES, a partnership, with offices in Room 1606 at 114 East 82 Street, New York City. The partnership consists of the following individuals:-

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
GERHART WOLLAN
OSCAR J. VAGO
JULES KORCHIEN

This partnership began operation on August 15, 1944.

The files likewise reflect that JULES KORCHIEN is considered by the New York Office to be a Key Figure in the Communist Party; that he is International Vice President of the FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS, AND TECHNICIANS, a Communist dominated union; that ABRAHAM BROTHMAN signed the 1943 Communist Party nominating petition in New York City. OSCAR VAGO is a member of the Communist Party in Queens, New York, and GERHART WOLLAN is a member of the Communist Party of Brooklyn, New York.

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At the New York County Clerk's Office, the certificate of doing business of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES, which was filed on February 26, 1945, gave the following information, indicating that the partners in this organization were ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, 41-08 42nd Street, Long Island City; JULES KORCHIEN, 40 Washington Square South, New York City; OSCAR J. VAGO, 86-07 99th Street, Forest Hills, Long Island; GERHART H. WOLLAN, 28 Reeva Place, Brooklyn.

A search of the Queens Telephone Directory reflected listing to Mrs. A. BROTHMAN, 41-06 42nd Street, Sunnyside - phone, IRONSIDES 6-7769. In connection with this listing, Special Agent Thomas G. Spencer exhibited the phone book to Confidential Informant of the New York Office, who recognized the exchange IRONSIDES 6 as that of ABE BROTHMAN, whose number informant had checked in the phone book at the time of their meeting in 1940.

Investigation disclosed that ABRAHAM BROTHMAN was registered at Local Draft Board No. 245, located at 30-97 Steinway Street, Long Island City. At Local Board No. 245, the Selective Service file of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN bore Order No. 52, Serial No. 4012. This file was examined and reflected that he resided at 41-08 42nd Street, Long Island City and at the time of registration in 1940 he was employed by the HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY, 30 Church Street, New York City, which company had its factories at Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

The Selective Service file reflected that ABRAHAM BROTHMAN was born on August 15, 1915 at New York City and was married to NAOMI METT on June 15, 1937. They have one child, ELSA HARRIET BROTHMAN, who was born on July 27, 1941 at the New York Hospital. His wife's mother, ANNA K. METT, who was sixty-two years of age resided with the family at 41-08 42nd Street, and was dependent upon ABRAHAM BROTHMAN for her support. Other relatives listed were HARRY BROTHMAN, father, fifty-six years of age, and BEATRICE RUTH BROTHMAN SCHNEE, a sister, twenty-seven years of age, both residing at 1565 Townsend Avenue, Bronx, New York.

The Selective Service file further reflected that ABRAHAM BROTHMAN was educated at the following schools: John Winthrop Experimental School; De Witt Clinton High School, Columbia College - Academic, Columbia University - Chemical Engineering.

The Selective Service file further reflected that on April 5, 1945 a letter was sent to the Local Board by OSCAR J. VAGO of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES, setting forth an appeal on behalf of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, chief engineer and showing the work of A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES to be that of consulting engineers to the following concerns:-

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1. BRIDGEPORT BRASS COMPANY of Bridgeport, Connecticut - Manufacturers of aerosol bombs for protective measures against disease to the Armed Forces of the United States.
2. GRAVER TANK AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. - Manufacturers of D-D-T, Water treating, etc. for Army, Navy, and Maritime Commission of the United States.
3. PALESTINE POTASH, LTD. - D-D-T Plant in the Near East.
4. COMMISSION ON AERONAUTICAL AFFAIRS OF REPUBLIC OF CHINA - setting up plants for the production of plywood glues and bomber noses, turrets, and domes.

The Selective Service file for ABRAHAM BROTHMAN likewise contained a letter asking for his deferment, dated November 15, 1940, from HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY of Carbondale, Pennsylvania, setting forth facts that BROTHMAN was vitally employed by that company and was the inventor of many features for equipment for the production of aviation gas, artificial rubber, plastics, and general processing.

The description of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN obtained from the Selective Service File is, as follows:-

Age	32
Born	August 15, 1913, New York City
Height	5'8 1/2"
Weight	165 Lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Light
Marital Status	Married
Wife	NAOMI BROTHMAN, aged 33
Daughter	ELSA BROTHMAN, aged 3
Residence	41-08 42nd Street, Sunnyside, Long Island City, N. Y. Apartment 5F
Business	A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES, Engineers, 114 E. 52 Street, New York City, Room 1608.

At 41-08 42nd Street, Sunnyside, Long Island, an inspection of the hall registry reflected that A. BROTHMAN - METT occupied apartment 5F at that address. This residence is in a six story apartment house, which is located

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on the corner of Skillman Avenue and 42nd Street, with the entrance to the building approximately fifty feet off the corner of 42nd Street.

A check at the Motor Vehicle Bureau reflected that ABRAHAM BROTHMAN owns a 1940 six cylinder Pontiac sedan bearing New York license 5N-8976. It was ascertained that the color of the Pontiac is dark tan.

Investigation reflected that the telephone number for A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES at 114 East 52 Street, New York City, is MURRAY HILL 3-9670.

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Re: PETER C. RHODES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalms on November 23 and 27, 1945.

The informant in this case advised agents of the New York Office that in the latter part of 1942 she first heard of PETER RHODES. His name was mentioned to her by JACOB GOLOS. RHODES was stated to be a newspaper man and a writer by profession. The informant stated that she could not tell the type of information, if any, that was being supplied to GOLOS by RHODES but that it was her impression that GOLOS was definitely interested in RHODES.

The informant advised that she met RHODES' wife whom she described as a Belgian and whom she believed resided as early as 1943 at 40 Monroe Street, Knickerbocker Village, New York. The informant recalled that MRS. RHODES occasionally communicated with GOLOS through the medium of the informant's home telephone, but she could not state what the nature of the conversation was. RHODES and his wife are stated by the informant to be Communists.

The informant stated that some time in early 1945 "JACK" requested that she get in touch with MRS. RHODES to determine the whereabouts of MRS. RHODES' husband. MRS. RHODES constantly brushed off the informant and made it obvious to her that she did not want to see the informant.

The informant stated that it is her impression that the Russian in the person of "AL" attached considerable importance to RHODES because both JACK and AL continued to request that she attempt to arrange a meeting with MRS. RHODES.

There is being set out below information obtained in the files of the New York Office concerning PETER RHODES:

A memorandum reflecting that one PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES arrived at La Guardia Airport, New York City from Newfoundland on November 17, 1941.

PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES produced a Special Passport No. 12241 issued by the State Department at Washington D. C. November 12, 1941 and renewed by the American Embassy at London November 13, 1944. This passport reflected that his permanent residence address was 40 Monroe Street, New York City and that he was born December 30, 1911 of American parents. RHODES advised that he was attached to the O.W.I., being with the Psychology Warfare Department, attached to the Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces. His immediate designation was the headquarters of the Psychological Warfare Department located at 250 West 57th Street, New York City.

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RHODES advised he had left the United States in November of 1942 for the United Kingdom and North Africa and that he had spent some time in Egypt, Italy and France. RHODES is classified 2 A by Local Board 1, New York City.

A letter from the Bureau advising that the DIES COMMITTEE files reflect the following. "PETER RHODES, International Coordinating Committee for Aid to Republic Soviet (Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy affiliated with above organization), Delegate, Daily Worker, May 13, 1938 page 2."

The DIES COMMITTEE files further reflect that one CHRISTOPHER RHODES, 47 Attorney Street, New York City signed the Communist Party Petition for the State and City Elections, New York District, 1939 - 1940 and also signed the Communist Party Petition for the general elections of 1940. The New York Office was requested to discreetly ascertain if CHRISTOPHER RHODES, 47 Attorney Street, New York City, was identical with PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES who was employed by the Federal Communications Commission at that time.

The New York Office, by letter dated June 25, 1942, advised it was unable to establish any such identification at that time.

Subsequent thereto, the Bureau advised by letter dated October 30, 1942 that it had received from a confidential source information to the effect that one JOHANN KAZER had assumed the identity of PETER RHODES and entered the United States during 1939 or 1940. This individual was declared to be Communist, of German Nationality, born in Hamburg, and to be active with one FREDERICK THOMPSON, 260 California Street, San Francisco, California, in connection with the American Emergency Committee for American Wounded.

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PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES met his wife IONE BOULENGER in Brussels, Belgium where he was married in 1936. At the present time PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES resides at 40 Monroe Street, New York City and the mother of PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES resides with B. LINKFIELD, 51-06 215th Street, Bayside, Long Island.

From Mr. J. R. PACKARD, Office Manager at Knickerbocker Village in New York, it was ascertained that PETER C. RHODES and his wife IONE RHODES leased a four room apartment in Knickerbocker Village on September 1, 1940. They moved to Knickerbocker Village from an apartment at 241 East 77th Street in New York. At that time RHODES advised that he was employed by the UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATION and stated that he did banking business with the National City Bank, Central Branch at Wall Street, New York.

In 1941, RHODES and his wife renewed their lease on the four room apartment at Knickerbocker Village and RHODES again stated that he was employed as a correspondent by the UNITED PRESS.

In October 1942, the lease was again renewed, but this time in the name of MRS. PETER RHODES, who at that time stated that her husband was occupied as Foreign Editor for the Federal Communications Commission and that he was abroad in London most of the time. At that time, one CHARLES BOULENGER, a boy, twelve years old, reportedly a brother of MRS. RHODES, was residing with her at their apartment in Knickerbocker Village.

In 1943 their lease was again renewed, but this time MRS. RHODES moved to a five room apartment, leasing it in her name and stating that her husband was in Africa with the Federal Communications Commission. This lease was to run for a period of two years from October 1943 to October 1945.

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In October 1945 the lease was again renewed in the name of both MR. and MRS. RHODES. They presently reside in Apartment A-H-8 at 40 Monroe Street, Knickerbocker Village, New York.

In the files of Knickerbocker Village there is a letter from the Office of War Information indicating that MR. RHODES was employed by the OWI since March 16, 1944 at \$6500 per annum. There is also a letter from the Federal Communications Commission dated August 19, 1942 indicating that MR. RHODES was employed from August 16, 1941 as Chief Field Correspondent at London for the Federal Communications Commission, his salary being \$5600 per annum. The writer of the above letter is one T. J. SLOWIE.

MR. PACKARD advised that MR. and MRS. RHODES presently have two children, a girl approximately six years of age named ANNE and a girl approximately four years of age named ALICE and that MRS. RHODES is presently expecting another child. He advised that RHODES pays \$69 per month for his apartment.

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Re: MICHAEL ENDELMAN, with aliases:
Michael Nicholas Delman, Marcel

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE as a result of information obtained from a physical surveillance of the above-captioned individual instituted by Special Agents of the New York Field Division on November 20, 1945:

On November 20, 1945, ENDELMAN was identified by Special Agents JOHN H. DOYLE and FRANCIS J. GALLANT as a tenant of 49 West 83rd Street, New York City. On this date he was observed by these Agents mailing a package reportedly containing food to Mrs. SOPHIE KRAMSTYK, Sanatorium AD Ostra Vence, Alpes Maritimes, France. Mrs. SOPHIE KRAMSTYK was previously reported as ENDELMAN's sister.

ENDELMAN was further surveilled to the Ansonia Hotel, 74th Street and Broadway, New York City, where he met a man at 6:30 P.M., who took ENDELMAN to the 16th Floor of this hotel. This man was later identified as ADAM ZAYDMAN and further information is set out on a subsequent section of this report.

ENDELMAN was later observed by the above Agents entering Loew's Lincoln Building, 1947 Broadway, New York City, at about 7:45 P.M. He left this building at 9:20 P.M. accompanied by an unknown woman. It was also observed that a number of men were seen leaving this building at approximately the same time as ENDELMAN. ENDELMAN and the unknown woman were surveilled by the above Agents to 36 or 38 West 74th Street, New York City.

An examination of the tenants registered at Loew's Lincoln Building, 1947 Broadway, New York City, was conducted by Special Agent LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE, and it was noted that ERNA SVADRON occupies Room 414 in this building. An examination of Room 414 revealed no information, inasmuch as there was not a sign or a notation of any kind on the door to indicate the type of business or the names of the occupants. It was further observed that this room appeared vacant during regular business hours.

An examination of the tenants registered at 85 West 74th Street, New York City, revealed that ERNA SVADRON and FRED LEDERER reside in Apartment 2A.

In a previous report it was indicated that ENDELMAN stated he was employed by Mrs. ERNA SCHWADRON, 150 Riverside Drive, New York City, in 1941.

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Due to the above circumstances it is possible that the unknown woman observed with ENDELMAN at 36 or 38 West 74th Street is ERNA SVADRON. Further efforts will be made to possibly identify this unknown woman.

On November 21, 1945, at approximately 2:55 P.M. ENDELMAN was observed by Special Agents J. WESLEY DOMINEAU and DONALD P. ADAMS entering the National City Bank of New York at West 57th Street and Broadway, New York City. ENDELMAN left this bank upon the transaction of his business and proceeded to 2565 Broadway, New York City, where he entered the State of New York Department of Labor, Director of Placement and Unemployment Insurance. Investigation is being conducted to obtain information regarding these contacts.

On November 21, 1945, ENDELMAN was observed by Special Agents JOHN H. DOYLE and FRANCIS J. GALLANT at the Ansonia Hotel, 74th Street and Broadway, New York City, where he met ADAM ZAYDMAN accompanied by three unknown men. It was noted that one of these men was called MENENDEZ (phonetic).

On November 22, 1945, at about 7:30 P.M. ENDELMAN, ADAM ZAYDMAN and an unknown individual were observed at the Western Union Office, 75th Street and Broadway, New York City, where ZAYDMAN prepared several telegrams. Information regarding these telegrams was obtained from Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, and this information is being set out as follows: b2
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The first telegram was sent to HUGHES GUERLAIN, Saint Saens 12, Corbevoie, Paris, France. This telegram is signed by ZAYDMAN, Ansonia Hotel, and a literal translation from French is as follows:

"Your point of view if there exists a legal possibility in order to produce your brand in New York. I expect to remain for a week. Cable Hotel Reforma, Mexico City. Greetings."

The second telegram was sent to ELIDA SOSA, Tola de Flores 1134, Montevideo, Uruguay. This telegram is signed "DAN", and a notation revealed that it was sent by ZAYDMAN, Hotel Ansonia. This telegram reads as follows:

"I send you heartiest congratulations for your birthday."

The third telegram was sent to Hotel Reforma, Mexico City, and is signed by Doktor ZAYDMAN with the address of 231 West 74th Street or 76th Street, Apartment 4. This telegram reads as follows:

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"Please reserve one room for two person November 25."

The fourth telegram was sent to the Hotel Maria Christina, Mexico City, and is signed by ADAM ZAYDMAN, Hotel Ansonia. This telegram reads as follows:

"Please reserve two single or one double room for November 25."

The fifth telegram was sent to the Hotel Senova, Mexico City, and is signed by Doktor Zaidman. This telegram reads as follows:

"Please reserve two single or one double room for November 25."

On November 23, 1945, ENDELMAN was surveilled by Special Agents DONALD R. ADAMS and JAMES T. DUGGAN to 8 West 40th Street, New York City, at which address he entered approximately 11:25 A.M. and proceeded to the 10th Floor. He was further observed by the Agents entering 15 West 34th Street at 11:55 A.M. and ENDELMAN proceeded to the 3rd Floor, where IRVING W. RICE AND COMPANY is listed as tenants. At about noon ENDELMAN returned to the street and was observed standing in front of the entrance of 15 West 34th Street and at 12:25 P.M. when he was greeted very cordially by an individual who is believed to be ADAM ZAYDMAN. ENDELMAN and the individual believed to be ADAM ZAYDMAN then proceeded to West 29th Street and Fifth Avenue, where they boarded a taxi bearing New York License #028-065, and at that time the surveillance was discontinued. Investigation is being conducted to ascertain ENDELMAN's associations at the above-noted addresses.

On November 23, 1945, Special Agents FRANCIS J. GALLANT and JOHN H. DOYLE surveilled ENDELMAN and ZAYDMAN to the Ansonia Hotel, where it was observed that ZAYDMAN made preparations to leave the hotel. It was ascertained that ZAYDMAN intended to board a plane at LaGuardia Field, New York, on November 24, 1945, and he gave his destination as Mexico City. ENDELMAN then left ZAYDMAN at 6:35 P.M. and proceeded to 95 Christopher Street, New York City. At approximately 8:45 on this date ENDELMAN was observed leaving 95 Christopher Street and he was surveilled to the Ansonia Hotel, where he again met ZAYDMAN and another unknown man.

After a social meeting, ENDELMAN was observed by the above Agents returning to the Ansonia Hotel with ZAYDMAN and at approximately midnight ENDELMAN said "Good-by" to ZAYDMAN and it was noted that there was an interchange of papers between ENDELMAN and ZAYDMAN.

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On November 23, 1945, a teletype was sent to the Bureau and to San Antonio, advising that ADAM ZAYDMAN was leaving New York City aboard the Eastern Airlines plane at 8:10 A.M. on November 24, 1945, arriving at Brownsville, Texas, at 9:02 P.M. November 24, 1945. ZAYDMAN was then scheduled to leave Brownsville, Texas, by the American Airlines at 10:30 P.M. November 24, 1945, arriving at Mexico City at 12:50 A.M. November 25, 1945. The San Antonio Field Division was requested to make discreet search of ZAYDMAN's effects and papers and to ascertain the purpose of his trip. The Bureau was also requested to ascertain ZAYDMAN's activities in Mexico City through their available sources. The information regarding ADAM ZAYDMAN's flight to Mexico City was obtained through a representative of the Eastern Airlines at LaGuardia Field, New York.

A check of the indices in the New York Field Division revealed that ADAM ZAYDMAN, Monte Carlo, left Lisbon via Spain and sailed to Montevideo on CAP DE BUENA ESPERANZA on August 25. It was noted that ZAYDMAN's correspondent in Montevideo is HUGO HAN. Before he left he dispatched by the "WINNIPEG" and "WYOMING" 36 cases of essences and one case of labels. These goods were reported to be in New York City. It was further indicated that ARTHUR WEIL traveled to Cuba and Mexico to see part of these goods.

Mr. BALDOMERO DEL CASERO, Manager of the Ansonia Hotel, examined his registration records which revealed that ADAM ZAYDMAN registered at this hotel for a single room and his address was listed as Hildalgas 535, Montevideo, Uruguay. He advised that ZAYDMAN was observed on numerous occasions with various individuals, but he was sure that none of these individuals resided at the Ansonia Hotel. He further stated that ZAYDMAN spoke very poor Spanish, and it was his opinion he is a Jewish refugee from Europe. He further indicated that ZAYDMAN had never been a resident of the Ansonia Hotel in the past.

On November 24, 1945, ENDELMAN was surveilled by Special Agents JOHN H. DOYLE and FRANCIS J. GALLANT, and it was observed that ENDELMAN entered 2277 Andrews Avenue, Apartment 6D, in the Bronx, which apartment is listed to ROSE K. MARGOSHES. It was further observed by these Agents that ENDELMAN attended a party, which consisted to approximately twenty to thirty men and women.

Further investigation is being conducted to ascertain information regarding ENDELMAN's contacts.

An examination of the files in the New York Field Division regarding MARK S. LULINSKY, a naturalization witness for ENDELMAN, revealed the following information:

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LULINSKY is the President of the UNION BOOT MANUFACTURING COMPANY, 54-60 Lafayette Street, New York City. He is a native of Russia, married, a United States citizen, and is last known to have resided at 622 West 141st Street, New York City. LULINSKY was formerly employed at the RUSSIAN BANK OF FOREIGN TRADE in Constantinople and at the Irving National Bank in New York City. These files further reflected that on October 15, 1942, LULINSKY attempted to contact JESSIE RUBIN, who was formerly employed by the AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION and the Soviet Purchasing Commission. LULINSKY was also listed as the Vice-President and General Manager of SELSKOSJNS, INCORPORATED, exporters and importers in New York City and reported closely affiliated with the Soviet Government. He is also President in charge of the Financial Department of the AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION. It was further indicated that for several years LULINSKY operated as an export agent, representing American manufacturers for sales abroad. LULINSKY was also listed as a member of the Ambijan Committee, 103 Park Avenue, New York City.

An examination of the files in the New York Field Division regarding ARTHUR POLLOCK, a naturalization witness for ENDELMAN, revealed the following information:

POLLOCK was listed as a sponsor of the Harry Bridges Committee sponsored by ORSON WELLES. Information was also received that POLLOCK received an invitation from ANNA SEGHERS of Mexico City to see a private showing of the "SEVENTH CROSS" on September 17, 1944, at the Roof Studio, 1514 Broadway, New York City. It was further indicated that MABEL POLLOCK (Mrs. ARTHUR POLLOCK), 470 West 24th Street, New York City, was listed as a clerical employee or a volunteer assistant in the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, also known as the Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.

An examination of the files of the New York Field Division regarding ROSE E. MARGOSHES, who was also listed as a naturalization witness for ENDELMAN, revealed no information. It is noted that she resides at 2277 Andrews Avenue, Bronx, New York.

The files of the New York Field Division were examined for a record of the following individuals, who were listed as second cousins by ENDELMAN, and no information was available:

Captain JOSHUA H. BERNSTEIN
Lieutenant ALEX HARELL
Technical Corporal MAXIM JOHN GURNEY

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The files of the New York Field Division revealed that MICHALINA MISHIA/FABIAN registered under Alien Enemy Registration #5276758 while living at 149 Manhattan Avenue, New York City. It was further indicated that the Alien Enemy file had been forwarded to the Kansas City Field Division and it was noted that she presently resides at the Menninger Klinik, Topeka, Kansas.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent FRANKLIN W. SCHMIEGE on November 23 and November 26, 1945:

In view of the fact that GROMOV, on Wednesday, November 21, 1945, after his meeting with the informant, proceeded to the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY, INC., 121 Lexington Avenue, New York City and spent a half hour there before returning to the Roosevelt Hotel, the following information was obtained concerning the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY, INC.:

Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY, INC. was incorporated under New York laws on April 2, 1938 with an authorized capital of \$5,000 common stock at a par value of \$10 per share. The officials of the company at that time were listed as ALEXANDER IVANOFF, President; SIMON ZYBULSKY, Vice President; and JACK RAYMOND, Secretary and Treasurer. The business was located at 155 Second Avenue, New York City. In May of 1938 the business was moved to the present address at 121 Lexington Avenue, New York City, and at that time RAYMOND was elected to the office of President. As of October, 1941, RAYMOND stated that he was the only officer in the corporation. RAYMOND was described as being 36 years of age, single, and a native of Germany of Russian descent. He was formerly employed as a salesman for the INTERNATIONAL MUSIC COMPANY in New York City. RAYMOND is looked upon as being the principal stockholder of the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY.

The organization retails sheet music and balalaika instruments, string far instruments, and accessories; sells on a cash basis and principally to the local trade comprised largely of wage earners. As of 1941 it was indicated that only one clerk was employed. A checking account is maintained at the Corn Exchange Bank and Trust Company, Astor Place, New York City.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York failed to reflect any record on the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY at 121 Lexington Avenue or on JACK RAYMOND, the President. Likewise a check of the indices failed to reflect any information on the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY or on the address at which it is located.

An examination of the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, revealed that JACK RAYMOND was born on August 25, 1902 at Pillkahn, Germany under the name of JACOB REMENS. His mother's name is listed as LIBE SALUTZKY and his father as ISRAEL REMENS, both citizens of Latvia. JACK RAYMOND resided at Grodno, Poland from 1919 to 1923 and at Riga, Latvia from 1923 to 1925. He entered the United States on

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March 7, 1925 at New York City, having sailed from Hamburg, Germany aboard the SS WESTPHALIA of the Hamburg-American Lines. He was destined to his cousin, KUSIEL RAYMON, at 504 East 151st Street, New York City.

On August 28, 1925 he filed a Declaration of Intention to become a citizen, Number 182795 in the U. S. District Court, for the Southern District of New York. His Petition for Naturalization, Number 199218, was filed on August 26, 1932 in the Supreme Court, Bronx, New York, and he was admitted to citizenship on February 16, 1933 in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York. His Certificate of Citizenship is Number 3679118. The witnesses to RAYMOND'S Petition for Naturalization are ABEL GOLDSTEIN, 116 Elliott Place, Bronx, New York, whose occupation is listed as salesman, and ALEXANDER GOLDSTEIN, 853 Seventh Avenue, New York City, also listed as a salesman. It was indicated that he had known both of these individuals since August 1, 1927. At the time of his naturalization the address for JACK RAYMOND is listed as 1284 Grant Avenue, Bronx, New York, and this is the most recent address appearing in the file. His name was officially changed from JACOB REMENS to JACK RAYMOND at the time of naturalization. The names of two other witnesses appearing in the file, but who were not called are IRVING BROWN, a painter at 1269 College Avenue, Bronx, New York, and JACK WEISBERG, a printer at 950 St. John's Avenue, Bronx. RAYMOND listed his employment as of 1928 at 1121 Amsterdam Avenue, New York City for KUSIEL RAYMON. As of 1930 he was employed by LOUIS WALLACH at 99 West 100th Street, New York City, and as of May, 1931 he was employed by ALKI SKLEIN, at 57 West 57th Street, New York City. The only absence from the United States was for a period of six days when he sailed aboard the SS REIGENLAND to Halifax as a musician. A check of the records failed to reflect any subsequent exit from or entrance to the United States at the Port of New York.

Mr. A. KARL PONS, Assistant Manager of the Corn Exchange Bank and Trust Company, Aster Place, New York City, advised that the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY currently maintains an account at that bank. JACK RAYMOND, as of April, 1938, filed papers with the bank indicating that he was President and Treasurer and listing WILLIAM RAYMOND as Vice President and JEAN BROWN as Secretary. The account is currently active, but a less than \$100 balance is maintained.

FANNIE YARRAGANO, Chief Clerk at Local Draft Board 88, 578 East 161st Street, Bronx, New York produced the Selective Service file on JACK RAYMOND reflecting that he registered twice on February 16, 1942 while in the City of Washington, D. C. Both registrations were effected by JOSEPHINE G. OSSO at Local Board T.R., Washington. One registration card reflects a registration

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with Local Board 9, Washington, D. C., Order Number 11276. The address for RAYMOND is given as 1833 M Street, N.W., Washington. However, the mailing address for RAYMOND is listed as 1221 College Avenue, Bronx, New York, telephone JKroms 7-2144. On this registration RAYMOND lists IRVING BROWN at 259 College Avenue, Bronx, New York as the person who would always know his address. He lists his employer as "The Balalaika", Connecticut Avenue and M Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. The second registration card is with Local Draft Board 88, Order Number T 10423 A. RAYMOND lists his address as 1221 College Avenue, Bronx. This address was subsequently changed to 1329 College Avenue, Bronx, and as of April, 1943 to 3321 Eastern Boulevard, Bronx, New York. This is the most current address appearing for RAYMOND in his Selective Service file. On this registration RAYMOND lists Mr. IRVING BROWN as the person who would always know his address and lists his employment as the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY, 121 Lexington Avenue, New York City. A review of the Selective Service file reveals that the two registrations were consolidated and Local Board 88 has jurisdiction over the registrant. RAYMOND claims his mother, LIBA, age 71, as a total dependent since 1928, and an affidavit executed on September 29, 1942 by LIBA RAYMOND gives her address as 1329 College Avenue, Bronx. On this affidavit the name of JEAN BROWN at 1259 College Avenue, Bronx appears as the person who acted as interpreter for the dependent.

The following is a description of JACK RAYMOND obtained from the Selective Service file:

Age	42 (43)
Date of Birth	September 7, 1903 (August 25, 1902 according to Immigration Records)
Place of Birth	Pillkain, Germany
Sex	Male
Race	White
Height	5'7"
Weight	170 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Light
Scars	Operation scar under right chin
Marital Status	Single
Occupation	Musician and salesman
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Education	4 years of high school
Relatives	Mother - LIBA RAYMOND, 1329 College Avenue, Bronx;

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Relatives

Brother - WILLIAM RAYMOND, 1329
College Avenue, Bronx;
Sisters - Mrs. JEAN BROWN, 1259
College Avenue, Bronx;
Mrs. SONIA RANIER, 2528
Broadway, New York City.

A check of the telephone directory for the Bronx, New York reflects that a JACK RAYMOND resides at 1780 Eastburn Avenue, telephone TREmont 2-0543. It is not known whether this individual is identical with the JACK RAYMOND of the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY.

A check of the New York Field Division indices reflects that JACK RAYMOND at 1329 College Avenue, Bronx, New York signed the 1942 petitions for candidates for the Communist Party in the New York State elections. b7c

Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, likewise advised that at 121 Lexington Avenue there is a company known as the RUSSIAN AMERICAN MUSIC PUBLISHERS, INC., which has office space with the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY. Mr. DAVID J. GRUNES was listed as President of this corporation, it having been incorporated on August 13, 1943 under New York State laws. A check of the current telephone directories, however, reveals that DAVID J. GRUNES resides at 353 East 52nd Street, New York City, and that the RUSSIAN AMERICAN MUSIC PUBLISHERS COMPANY is presently doing business at 19 West 44th Street, New York City. The telephone for this company is listed as VANDerbilt 6-0834, and it is noted that the telephone was installed as of June, 1945. Accordingly it is believed that the RUSSIAN AMERICAN MUSIC PUBLISHERS, INC. no longer maintains space with the RUSSIAN MUSIC COMPANY at 121 Lexington Avenue. DAVID JACOB GRUNES is registered with Local Draft Board 31, New York City.

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