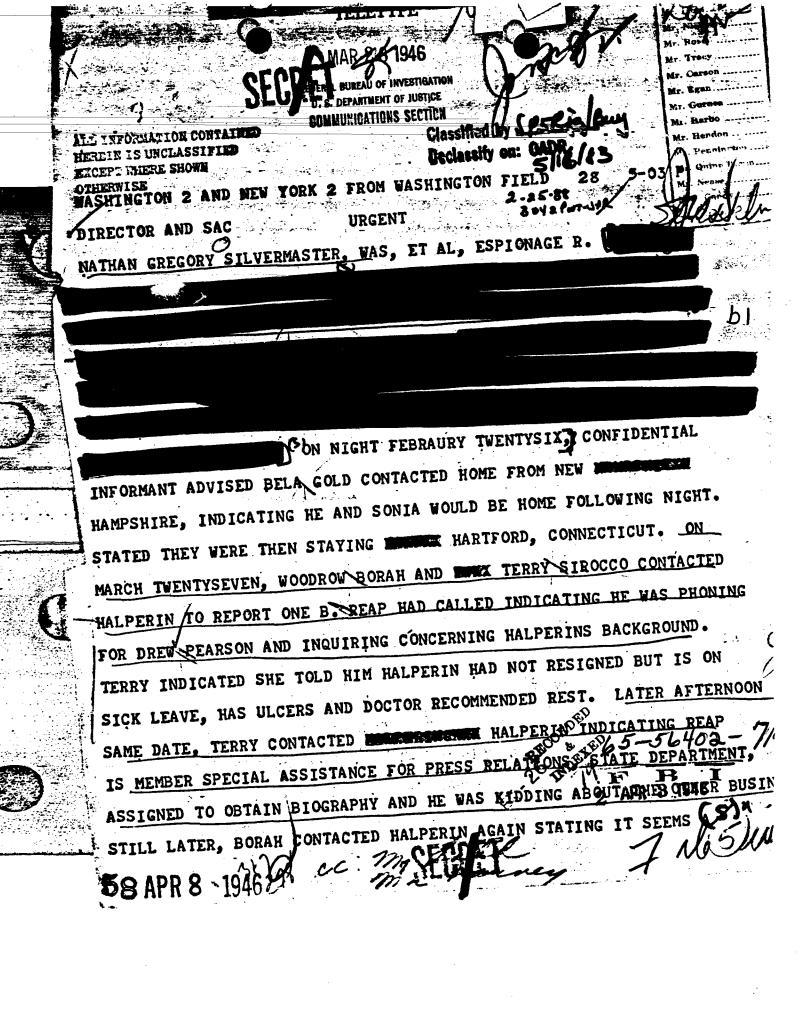
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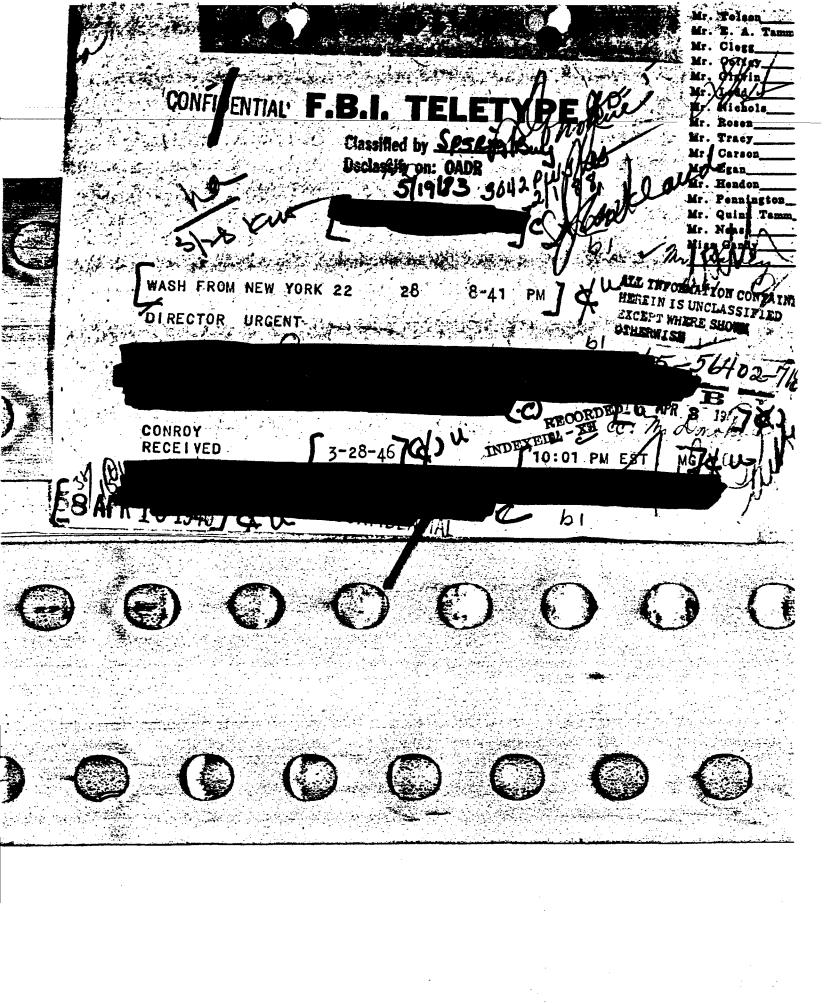
ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYSEVENE, INFORMANT ADVISED MRS ELIZABETH MOOS, MOTHER ANNE REMINGTON, CONTACTED MRS. ARRANGING TO MEET LATTER AT ADAMS HOME, LANGLEY COURT, AND THEN GO TO DESCRIPTION TEACHERS COLLEGE. MOOS STATED SHE HAD TO STOP BY EMBASSY TO GET SOME MATERIAL. AT NINE TWENTYFOUR AM, INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED MRS. MOS CHARRAMME OBSERVED ALIGHTING FROM AMERICAN CAN AND ENTERED EMBASSY CHANCERY AFTER ATTEMPTING ENTER MAIN ENTRANCE. SHORTLY THERAFTER DEPARTED IN DIAMOND TAXICAB, DRIVER OF WHICH ADVISES ONE ONE LANGLEY COURT. HE DROVE THIS WOMAN COMEN TO THREE NINE COURY, WESLEY ADAMS, WHICH IS RESIDENCE J. WESLEY ADAMS, JR., LISTED NINETEEN FORTYTHREE CITY DIRECTORY AS DIVISION ASSISTANT, STATE DEPARTMENT. IN CONNECTION ABOVE, TREESENCE MADE TO NEW YORK LETTER TO DIRECTOR IN CASE EMERIE ENTITLED NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN SOVIET FRIENDSHIP, INC., IS C, CONCERNING ELIZABETH MOOS 145

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According to information received from the intial technical sources as reflected in the MI summary dated March 23, 1946, the following sonversation transpired between Abraham George Silverman, Harry 1 ite, Sar Silverman and Lieutenant Colonel Bernard Bernstein on that date

At 9:32 a.m., Harry White contacted Abraham George Silverman, also a subject in this case, and Silverman told White that he would come over White's residence at about 11:00 a.m. the following day in order to "play some 3 6 7 6 3 O ball or if no one is around to just drive around.

At 3:45 p.m. on the same date, Silverman contacted his wife, Sarah, and told her that he had to see Jean Monet, a representative of the French, that afternoon and he told her he would be home at about five o'clock. Silverman said that he had talked to Harry White and they had decided to get together the following mornings (

At 12:18 p.m., on Sunday, March 24, 1946, Lieutenant Colonel Bernard Bernstein contacted Mrs. Anne White, the wife of Harry White and told her he dasired to speak to Harry and she said that she knew where he was but that he could not be reached the was out of doors. She said she expected him to return at about 2:00 p.m STOP D

At 8:40 p.m., on Sunday, March 24, 1946, while Mrs. Sarah Silverman, wife of Abraham Silverman, was discussing matters with a woman named Marjorie Simon, Mrs. Silverman said that her husband had spent an hour with Harry White on that morning; that Harry "met him in a field, rode around and walked and then Harry brought him home." She said that her husband had told her that he had not visited the Whites' residence. She said that Harry White was exceptionally disappointed about not getting the job at Savannah, referring to the International Monetary Conference. Mrs. Silverman said that Harry White did get a job for two years at \$25,000. She said that the Whites now want to sell their home and move into an apartment (1)

It should be recalled that Abraham Silvermin is presently employed by the French Supply Council which is a part of the French Covernment and that his wisit with Harry White under peculiar circumstalies, in all probability had se thing to do with the French loan since Jean Monet of France is interested in taining the loan and he had been in contact with Silverman and had an appointment to see Harry White at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday subsequent to Silverman's visit with White

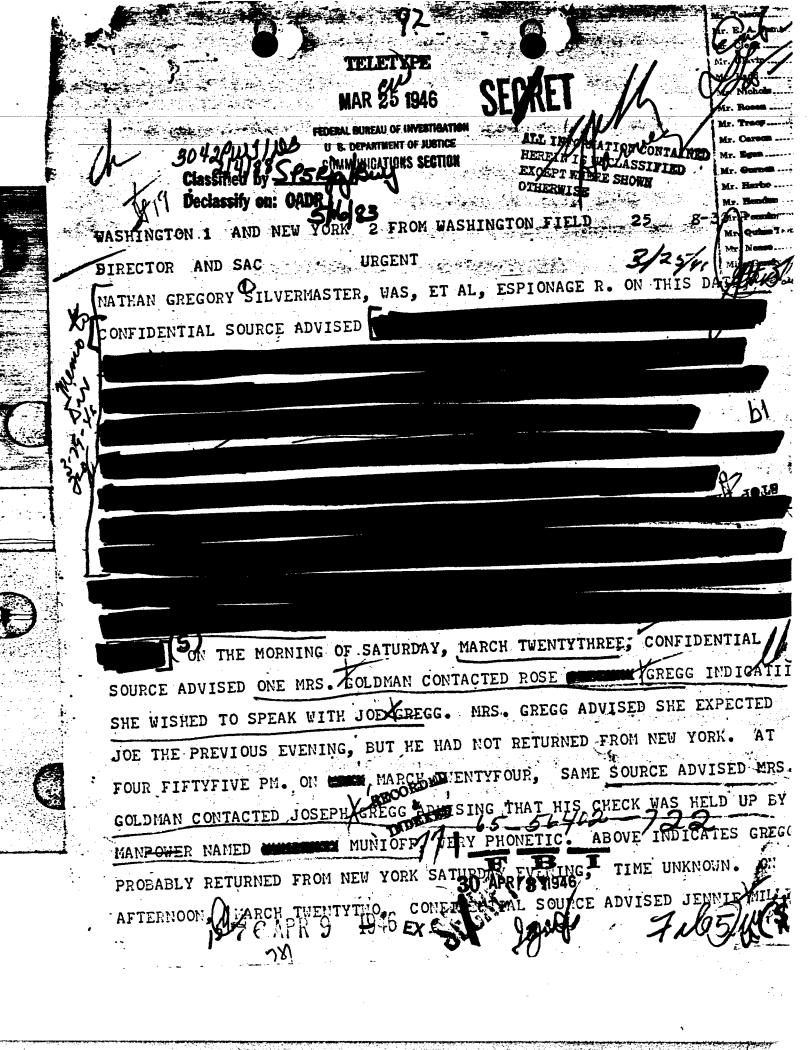
Hone. The above date are for your information and should you so desire, summary of the above information will be made available to the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treesury. The technical logs covering the above conversa-

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CONTACTED MAURICE HALPERIN WHO STATED HE WAS WELL AS A SICK MAN COULD

BE. JENNIE WAS SURPRISED HE WAS SICK AND HALPERIN STATED QUOTE WELL,

SICK IN A SPECIAL WAY UNQUOTE, AND JENNIE ADDED QUOTE OH, YOU MEAN THE

INFICTION IN UNQUOTE, AND BOTH LAUGHED. A FEW MINUTES THEREAFTER,

MRS. MILLER CONTACTED ROSE GREGG WHO MENTIONED JOSEPH GREGG HAD LEFT

WEDNESDAY NIGHT AND WOULD ADVISE WHEN HE WOULD RETURN. SHE

STATED HE STATED HE STATED WORK ON TWO MORE ROOT TEETH, ALTHOUGH DENTIST

FINISHED MAJOR WORK LAST TIME. ROSE STATED HE IS GETTING SILVER

FILLINGS. ON LATE AFTERNOON, MARCH TWENTYFOUR, MRS. MILLER CONTACTED

HALPERIN ADVISING BOB WOULD BRING HALPERIN CHILD TO MEET HALPERIN

AT AGREED LOCATION. JENNIE STATED BOB WANTED TO TALK WITH HALPERIN.

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ON AFTERNOON, MARCH

TWENTYONE, CONFIEDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JANE WEAVER CONTACTED BEATTIF MAGDOFF ADVISING THE TWO HUNDRED FIFTY REPRESENTATIVES OF FIFTYNINE NATIONAL WOMENS ORGANIZATION WERE REPRESENTED AT MEETING. JANET STATE HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS WAS VERY GOOD , AND THEY SAW SENATOR BYRD AND HOWARD SMITH. SHE STATED THE SENATE BILL WOULD PROBABL BE VOTED OUT TUESDAY, POSSIBLY REFERRING BILL ON ATOMIC ENERGY. JANET SAID THEY WANT SHOWER OF TELEGRAMS SENT TO PRESIDENT ARGUING AGAINST VANDENBERG AMENDMENT, ALSO TELEGRAMS TO SENATOR MCMAHON RE -QUESTING HEARINGS BE REOPENED ON VANDENBERG AMENDMENT BEFORE BILL IS BROUGHT TO FLOOR. THEREAFTER, BEATTIE MAGDOFF CONTACTED NUMBER HER GROUP LEADERS RELAYING ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS. ON EVENING, MARCH TWENTY-THREE, BETTY COULTER CONTACTED MRS. MAGDOFF ON RUSSIAN MEETING, ADVISING SHE HAD TAKEN POLL AND IT SHOULD OCCUR BETWEEN APRIL FIFTEEN AND NEXT GROUP MEETING. BETTY SUGGESTED MR. HARRIMAN, WILLIAM BARTON PERRY, ALSO JEROME DAVIS. SHE STATED THEY SHOULD NOT CONSIDER DAVIES, PRESUMABLY AMBASSADOR TO THE JOSEPH E. DAVIES, BECAUSE HE IS A DOPE AND COMPLETELY PRO - RUSSIAN. BETTY SUGGESTED AVOIDING INFLAMMATORY SUBJECT CALLY AT PRESENT TIME. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTY-THREE MRS. MAGDOFF CONTACTED LEONARD NIERENBERG, ADVISING SHE TRIE

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PAGE FOUR TO CONTACT CAREAGREEN TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE TAYLORS OR TAILORS. ON MORNING MARCH DECLARED HE INTENDED CALL GREENS FRIEND, DAVED WAHL. TWENTYFOUR, MRS. MAGDOFF CONTACTED ANNE FREED TO ASK HOW LATTERS MEETING WENT. ANNE STATED FORTYFIVE PEOPLE TURNED OUT. SPEAKER SPOKE ON UNO AVOISDING CONTROVERSIAL TOPICS. BEATTIE STATED SHE PLANNED LUNCHEON EGEORGE MASON HOTEL WITH SPEAKER TO TALK ON RUSSIA, AND IS THINKING OF CONGRESSMAN HUGH DELACY, AS SPEAKER. BOTH AGREED HE WOULD BE EXCELLENT. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, BEATTIE CONTACTED SUBJECT KRAMER, ADVISING THEY ARE PLANNING TO HAVE GUEST SPEAKER ON RUSSIA, APRIL TWELVE, FOR LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, ARLINGTON AND KRAMER STATED DELACY IS EXCELLENT SPEAKER, ALEXANDRIA. VERY ABLE BUT HAS PRIMARY COMING UP AND HAND MAY BE OUT OF TOWN. KRAMER ALSO SUGGESTED CONGRESSMAN ADOLPH

BERY GOOD. ALSO SUGGESTED CONGRESSMEN CHET HOLIFIELD AND ELLIS

E. PATTERSON OF CALIFORNIA, BUT THOUGHT LATER HAS PRIMARY FIGHT AND

NOT AVAILABLE. BEATTIE STATED SHE WANTED TO BE SURE AND HAVE GOOD MAN

BECAUSE THERE IS LOT OF FEELING EVEN WITHIN LEAGUE AND SHE WANTS SOME—

ONE WHO WILL CALL A SPADE A SPADE AND WILL NOT BE STRADDLING THE

FENCE. KRAMER INDICATED HE WOULD TALK TO SOMEONE ON HOUSE SIDE

AND BALL BEATTIE. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYTHREE, HELEN SCOTT

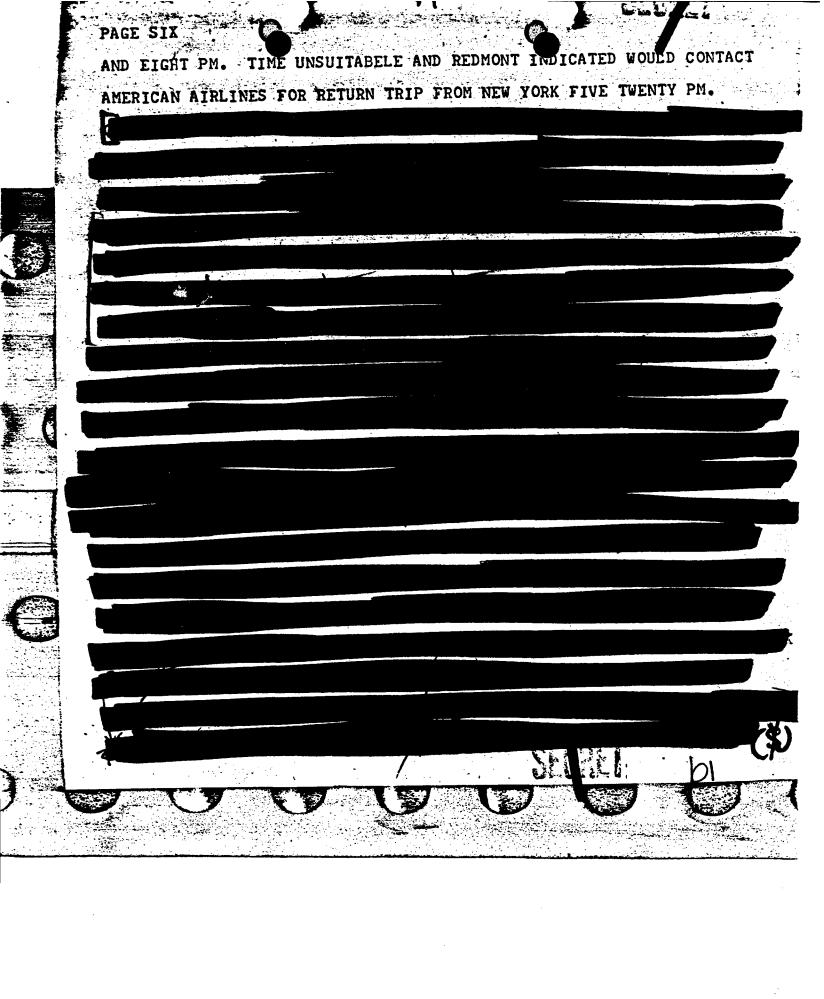
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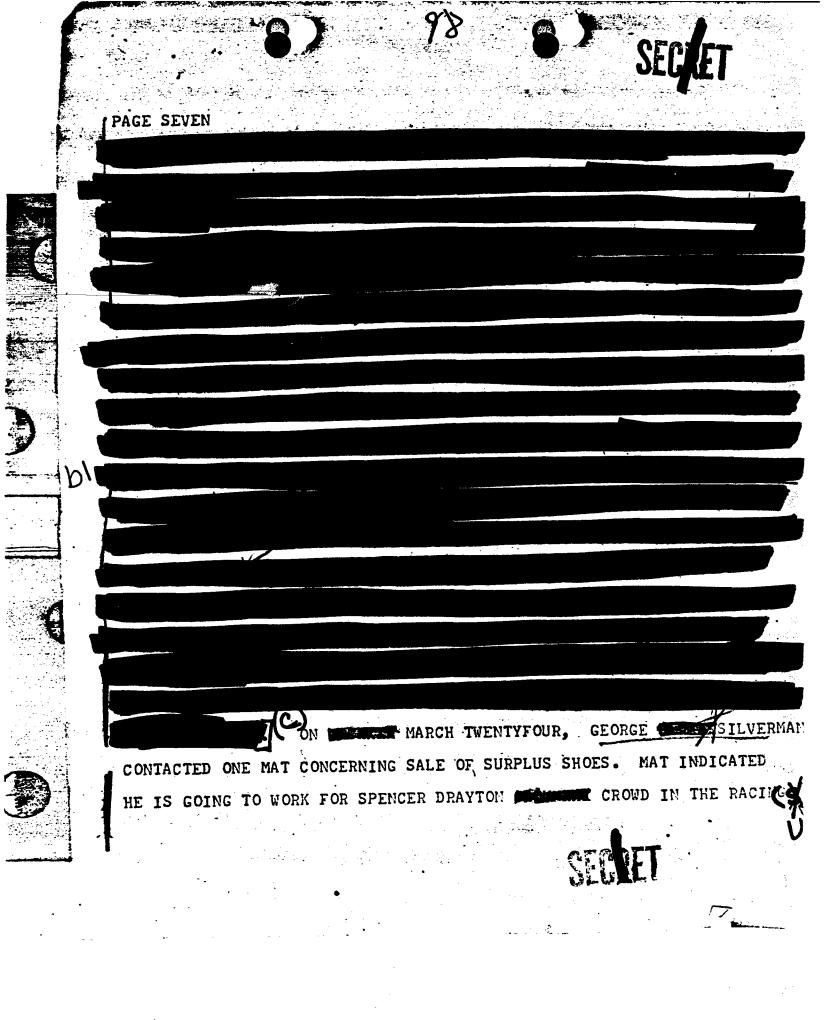
PARTY FRIDAY EVENING AND WAS PARTICULARY IMPRESSED WITH BORIS KRYLOW.

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TASS REPRESENTATIONE. HELEN STATED HE REALLY CARRIED THE PARTY AND SHE WAS GLAD TO FIND SOMEONE WHO WOULD ANSWER HER QUESTIONS. SHE HOPED SHE DID NOT PICK ON HIM TOO MUCH. JOAN STATED COMMISSION NE WAS PROBABLY GLAD FOR NIGHT AWAY FROM RED BAITERS. HELEN REFERRED TO BOB, PROBABLY ROBERTA KLEIMAN, WHEN WAS PRESENT, STATING SHE WAS A BIT AFRAID TO EXPRESS HERSELF TOO FREELY. JOAN STATED SHE DID NOT KNOW TOO MUCH ABOUT KLEIMAN BUT BELIEVES HIM TO BE MORE THAN A PROGRESSIVE GUY, THAT HE IS GOOD FRIEND OF THEIRS AND SHE FEELS HE IS ALL RIGHT. ON , SAME DATE, JOAN WAS CONTACTED BY SHIRLEY ELLENBOGEN, WHOM SHE ADVISED REDMONT PLANS TO LEAVE IN TWO WEEKS. INTENDS TO FLY TO MIAMI AND TAKE ANOTHER PLANE FROM THERE. JOAN STATED THEY MIGHT VISIT NEW YORK NEXT WEEKEND. ELLENBOGEN JUST RETURNED FROM FLORIDA. HAD GOOD TIME BUT STATED FLORIDA IS SUPERSENSITIVE TO REDS. ON EVENING JERRY ASKUITH CONTACTED SUBJECT DESIGNATION REDMONT. MARCH THIRTY . DURING CONVERSATIONG SHE STATED DWIGHT MALLON, HIS BROTHER HOB AND ONE NEAL, PHONETIC, HAD SUPPER WITH BROTHER OF CHARACTER NAME OF CONTRACTOR OF CONTRAC AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN WHO STATED HARRIMAN HAD INDICATED RUSSIA WHOULD MARCH ON CHARGE TRURKEY. REDMONT TOLD JERRY TO READ PM SUMMARY ON IRAN AFFAIR, WHICH MAKES THE NEW YORK TIMES LOOK BURNESILLY. ON AFFERNOON, MARCH TWENTYFOUR, REDMONT CONTACTED EASTERN AIRLINES MAKING RESERVATION PARTIES FOR PLANE TO NEW YORK SATURDAY MARCH THIRTY, NINE FORTYFIVE AM, AMD INQUIRED ABOUT RE-WAS ADVISED RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE FO TURNING SAME MICHT.





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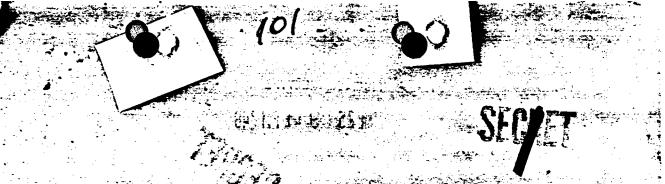
TWENTYTWO, MARY JANE LENEY CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER ARRANGING ONE PM LUNCHEON AT QUOTE PLACE SPECIFIED UNQUOTE.

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ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYTHREE, ONE DOUGLAS CONTACTED SILVERMASTER FOR SOME INFORMATION ON SOMEONE AND SILVERMASTER ADVISED HIM TO CONTACT IRVING FRIEDMAN, FAIRFA X VILLAGE APARTMENTS, WHOM GREGORY DESCRIBED AS THEIR FAR LASTERN MAN. HE ALSO STATED JOHN W. GUNTER, WHO WENT TO IRAN IN MINETEEN THIRTYTHREE AS FINANCIAL ADVISER. SILVERMASTER COMMENT SUGGESTED DOUGLAS LET FRIEDMAN MIGHT KNOW HIM. KNOW HE WAS CALLING AT SILVERMASTER'S COLOR SUGGESTION. ON MARCH TWENTYTHREE, HENRIETTA, BELIEVED HENRIETTA KLOTZ, CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER, WHO ADVISED SHE HAD NISSED HENRIETTA VERY MUCH. LATTER AGREED TO COME TO DINNER THAT NIGHT. HENRIETTA STATED SHE MUST SEE GREGORY SILVERMASTER AS SHE WARRY HAS, SO VERY MUCH TO TELL HENRIETTA EXPRESSED DISGUST FOR LIVING THE AND WORKING HTM. CONDITIONS IN WARK NYC. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HENRIETTA KLOTZ CONT-ACTED ANNE WHITE WHO WAS DISTURBED THAT HENRIETTA HAD NOT WRITTEN HER

PAGE NINE IN NEARLY SIX MONTHS. SHE AGREED TO VISIT ANNE ABOUT TWO PM. MORNING, MARCH TWENTYTWO, ELEANOR WHEELER CONTACTED MARY WHEELER WHO INDICATED SHE HAD TO BE AT WASHINGTON BOOK SHOP AT THE FIVE PM AS -NORA WAS SPENDING WEEKEND WITH HENRIETTA AND ELEANOR WOULD TAKE HER OVER THERE. ELEANOR STATED SHE HAD RECEIVED CABLE FROM GEORGE WHEELER IN GERMANY AND GEORGE WAS SENDING MARY AND DON CONTROL ONE HUNDRED DOLLARD BORNAMARA DOLLARS FOR MORE CIGARETTES. EXPLAINED THE STATEMENT IN CABLE QUOTE CONTINUE TREATMENT UNQUOTE MEANT CONTINUE SENDING CIGARETTES. SHE STATED SHE JUST SENT GEORGE FIFTEEN CARTONS OF CIGARETTES AND HE WAS ABLE TO SECURE ZEISS CAMERA WITH THREE LENSES WHICH WOULD SELL HERE FOR THREE OR FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS. INDICATED SHE WAS GOING TO VISIT ANNE STEIN THAT AFTERNOON, WHO IS THE WIFE OF COMMUNIST ARTHUR STEIN. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYTHREE, CON-FIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED HARRY WHITE CONTACTED GEORGE SILVERMAN, HAVING LEARNED GEORGE WENT TO BOSTON. SILVERMAN STATED FATHER SILVERMAN SALER ADVISED MONNET CEMERAR CAME NOT BEEN WELL. BACK THE DAY BEFORE. WHITE STATED SAVANNAH CONFERENCE WENT NICELY. THEY AGREED TO MEET ABOUT ELEVEN AM NEXT DAY AND RIDE OR PLAY VOLLEY AT NOON, MARCH TWENTYTHREE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JOHN BALL. CROWDER CONTACTED WHITE, STATING HE WANTED TO HAVE TALK ABOUT THIS FINANCING AND SO FORTH UNQUOTE. HE ASKED IF HARRY. HEARD ABOUT DOUGLAS BEING RECOMMEDNED AS PRESIDENT OF THE HARRY STATED THERE WERE PRETTY STRONG RUMORS, BUT NOTHING

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DEFINITE. WHITE STATED THAT THE PRESEDENT OF THE BANK WILL HAVE TO HAVE THE CONFIDENCE OF THE INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THE BANKS AND THAT THE PRESIDENT BETTER NOT HAVE ANY QUOTE NEW DEAL TAINT UNQUOTE IF THAT IS THE CASE. ON MARCH TWENTYFOUR, BERNIE, PROBABLY COLONEL BERNARD BERNSTEIN, CONTACTED WHITE STATING HE TRIED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH RANDY FELTUS TO SEE IF ANY FURTHER PROGRESS ON DINNER HAD BEEN MAD BERNIE INQUIRED WHAT HARRY THOUGHT OF APPOINTMENT OF DOUGLAS AND STATED HE WASNT REALLY APOINTED, BUT THERE WAS STORY ABOUT IT ON FRONT PAGE OF TIMES. BERNIE STATED APPARENTLY IT WAS GIVEN OUT BY VINSONS PEOPLE. BERNIE SAID THAT HE WAS VINSONS COUNSEL AND WOULD DIRECT THE BANK.

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE - R. RECORDS STANFORD UNIVERSITY DO NOT REFLECT NAMES OF HARRY DEXTER WHITE'S PARENTS. WHITE USING THAT NAME, MATRICULATED STANFORD UNIVERSITY JUNE 19, 1923. OBTAINED A.B. OCTOBER 9, 1924 AND M. A. JUNE 22, 1925. CLAIMED BIRTH BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OCTOBER 29, 1892. GRADUATED EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL, EVERETT MASSACHUSETTS NINETEEN TEN, ATTENDED MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURE COLLEGE, SEPTEMBER NINETEEN ELEVEN TO FEBRUARY NINETEEN TWELVE AND COLOMBIA UNIVERSITY, FEBRUARY NINETEEN TWENTY TWO TO JUNE NINETEEN TWENTY THREE. FIRST LIEUTENANT U. S. ARMY, INFANTRY, MAY 6, NINETEEN SEVENTEEN TO FEBRUARY 19, NINETEEN NINETEEN. DATE OF COMMISSION AUGUST 15, NINETEEN SEVENTEEN. WHITE FURNISHED TRANSCRIPT OF CREDITS FROM COLOMBIA UNIVERS BY LETTER DATED MARCH SEVENTEEN, TWENTY THREE, ON LETTERHEAD QUOTE THE CORNER HOURLY UNQUOTE, 19-21 CHARLES STREET, NEW YORK CITY, TELEPHONE WATKINS 0040. ADDRESS OF WHITE WHILE AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY CARE OF ADDRESS SEPTEMBER NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE INDICATED GENERAL DELIVERY. 5 CHANNCEY STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASS. ALUMNI DIRECTORY, STANFORD UNIVERSITY REFLECTS WHITE MARRIED FEBRUARY TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN EIGHTEEN TO ANNE TERRY, MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE, 1923, AMFORD UNIVERSITY.

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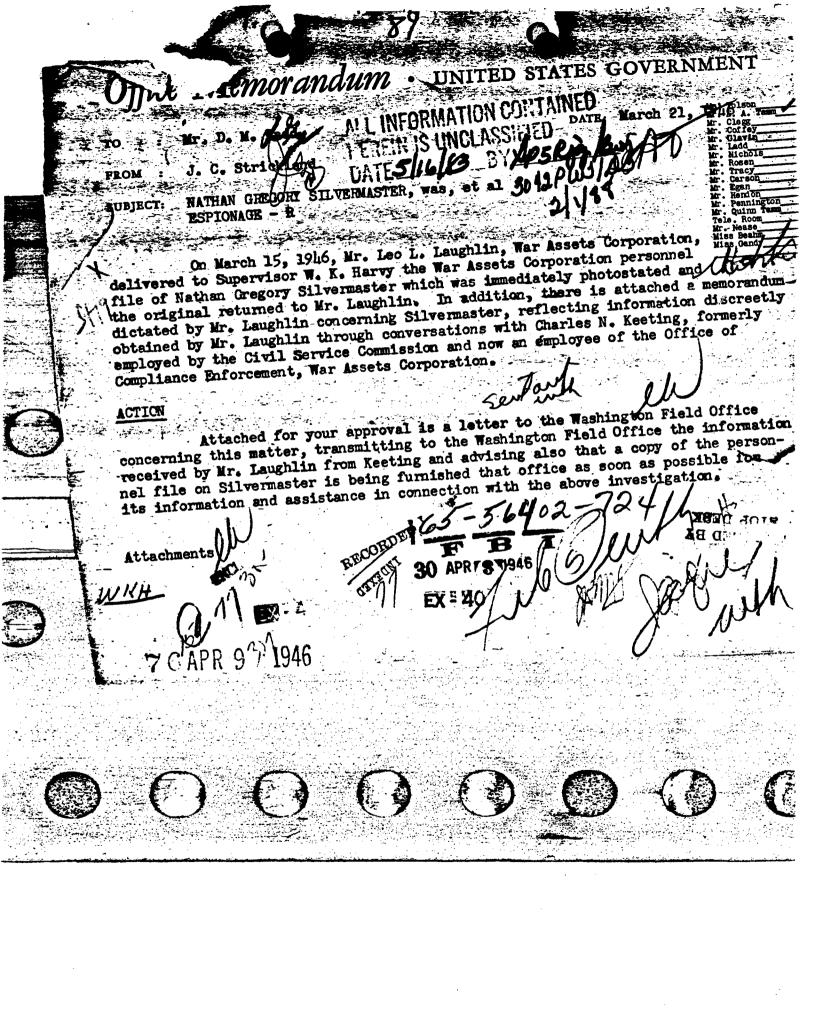
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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

The following information concerning Silvernaster was obtained discreetly through several conversations with Charles N. Keeting, formerly with the Civil Service Commission and now employed as an agent in the Office of Compliance Enforcement:

Around 1943 Silvermaster was employed by the Department of Agriculture, and he went from there to the Foreign Economic Administration on a reimburseable basis. He refused to transfer until cleared by Civil Service Commission. Keeting gave them a hearing. However, Silvermaster sensing what was in the air went back to Agriculture and Civil Service lost jurisdiction. Keeting insisted that if he had transferred to FEA Civil Service probably would have had him removed because of un-American activities on the theory that all appointments to FEA were subject to investigation by Civil Service.

Alfred Klein, Council for the Civil Service Commission, indicated by an informal memorandum that even if the Civil Service Commission had jurisdiction over Silvermaster, he probably would have retained his eligibility because the Commission had been unable to prove recent activities on the part of the subject.

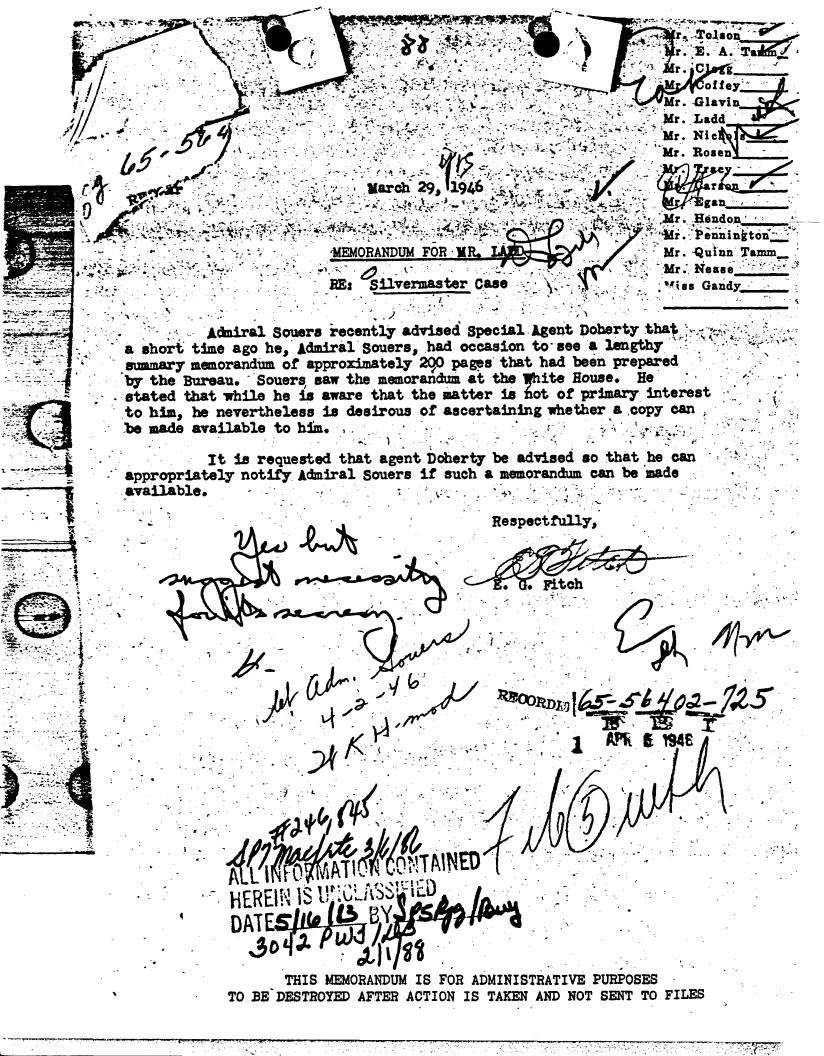
According to Keeting, the Department of Agriculture conducted quite an extensive investigation on Silvermaster. This inquiry was handled by an Investigator named Johns, who was attached to the office of the Chief Investigator Forester.

Keeting also alleges that the American Legion in the State of California has a large file on Silvermaster and have been insisting from time to time, when his name arises in connection with Government employment, that he be removed from Government service.

While Silvermaster was in FEA, according to Keeting, he was closely connected with the "Bureau of Areas" and as such had access to all confidential information concerning the movement of ships, troops, etc. In view of his position MID wanted an investigation conducted on everybody in the Bureau. MID investigated Silvermaster during the course of which they obtained copies of Bureau reports. MID furnished a copy of its report to the Administrator of FEA and in some manner the report found its way into Silvermaster's hands. He prepared a several page answer to the various allegations in the report, and the report with Silvermaster's answer was referred to Secretary of War Patterson. He ruled that in his opinion a case had not been made against the subject.

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Keeting states that Silvermaster's alleged Party name is Serge Komov and that he was a member of the Professional Section of the Communist Party in San Francisco, California. Keeting says, according to investigation conducted by Civil Service, Silvermaster has been underground since about 1935. He added that the Civil Service Commission has a 200 page report on this individual. He also stated that Silvermaster is an extremely close friend of Bruce Minton, whose real name is Richard Brancenstein, alias Richard Branston, the editor of "New Masses."



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Beer Admiral Sidney W. Son Director Central Intelligence Group Room 4253, Kew Var Department Building Elst and Virginia Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C.

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For your personal and confidential information there is attached a copy of a secret memorandum dated Pebraury 21, 1916, entitled Tumperground Soviet Espionage Organization (MKVD) IN AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES COVERENCETT which you recently se-Consted.

In view of the extremely confidential character of the information ecutained in the attached summary monorendon, and in view further of the volumerability of the informant Gragory, it will be deeply appreciated if this memorandum is maintained by you on a strictly confidential basis and that no action be taken on the basis thereof which might Jeopardise the informat Oregory.

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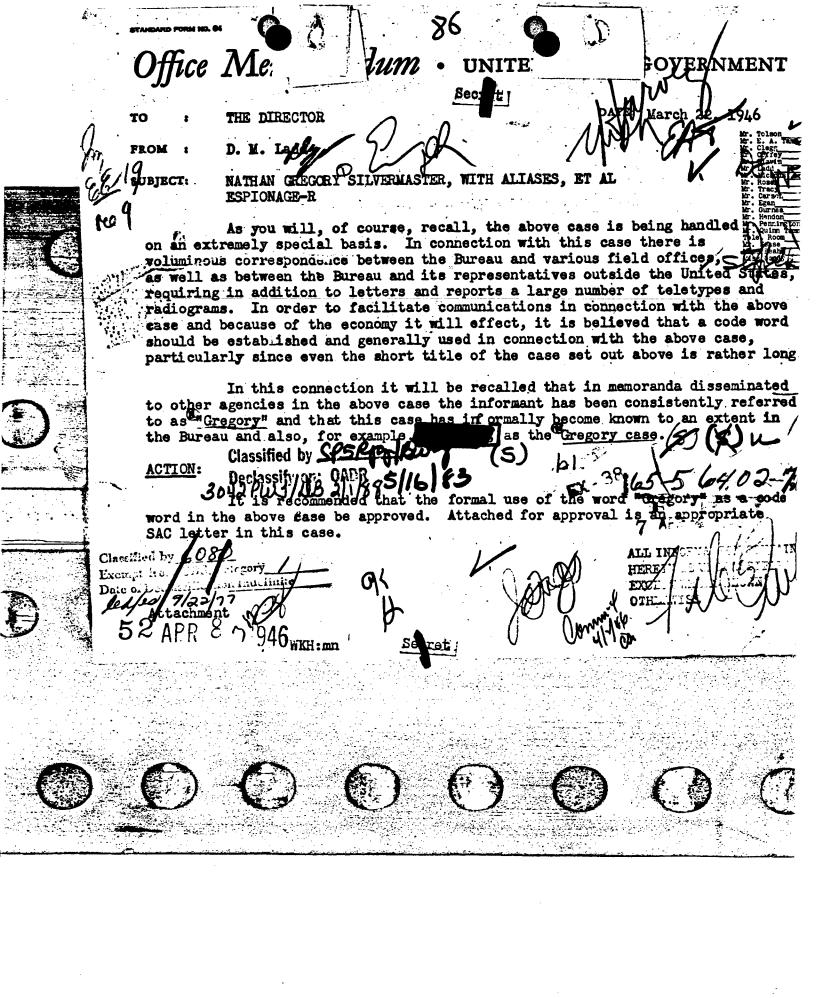
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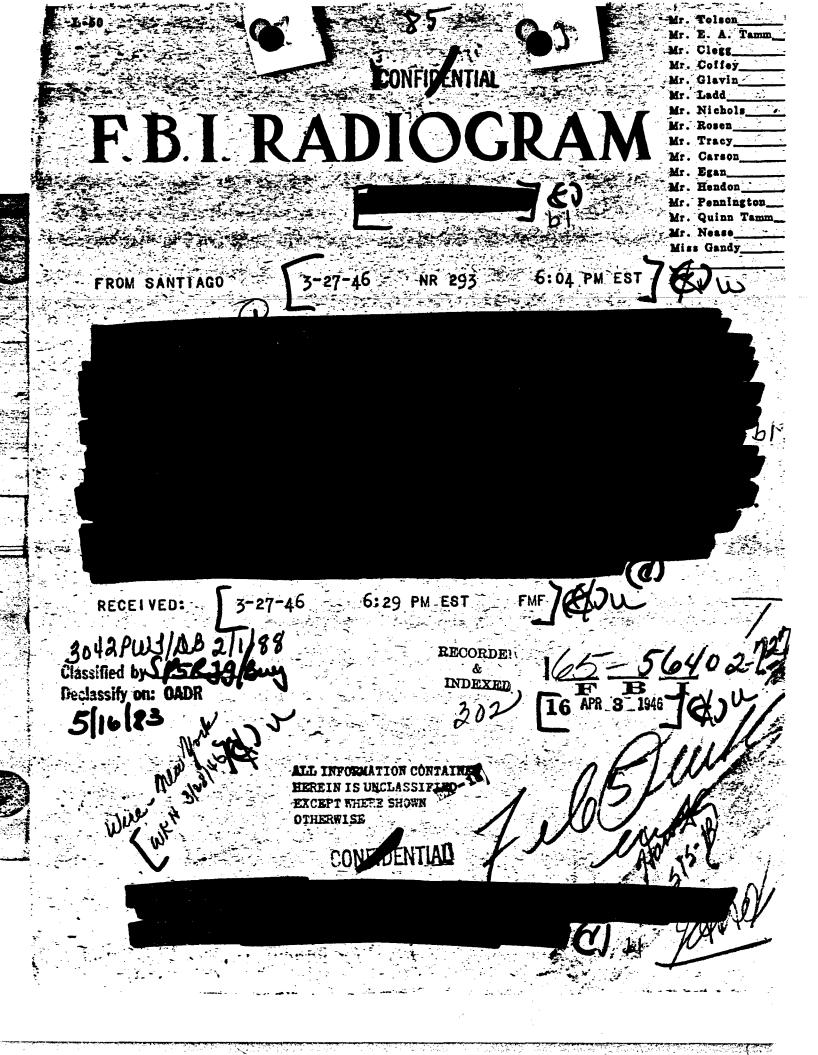
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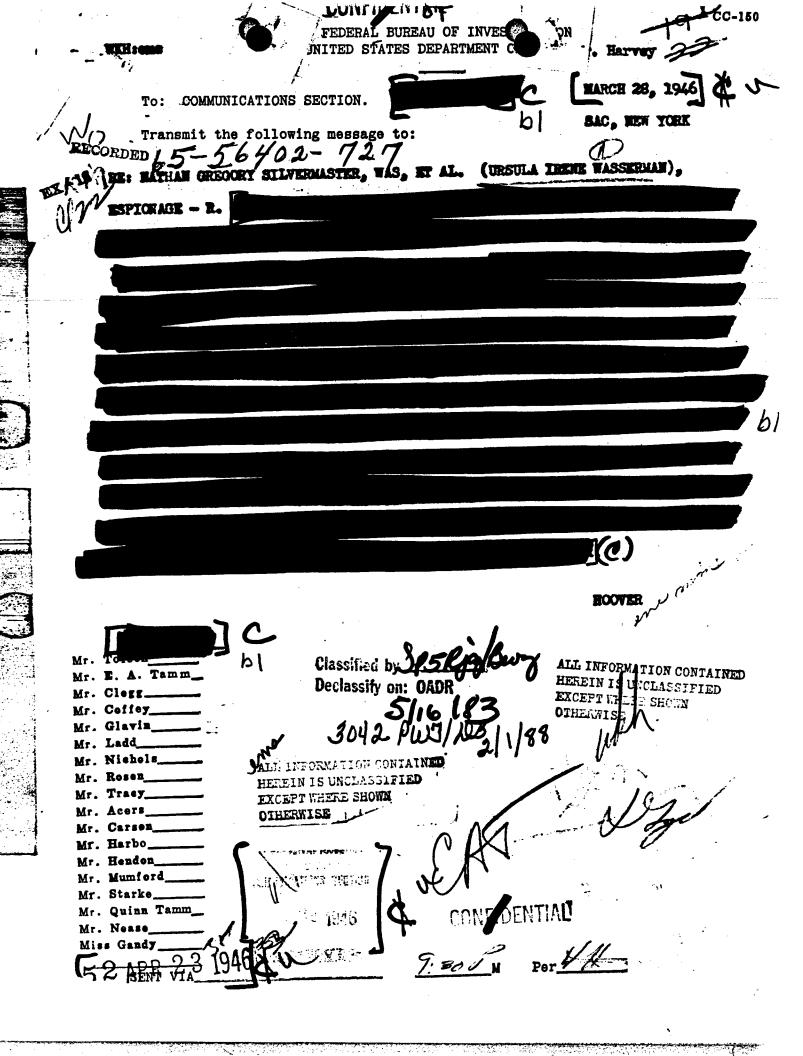
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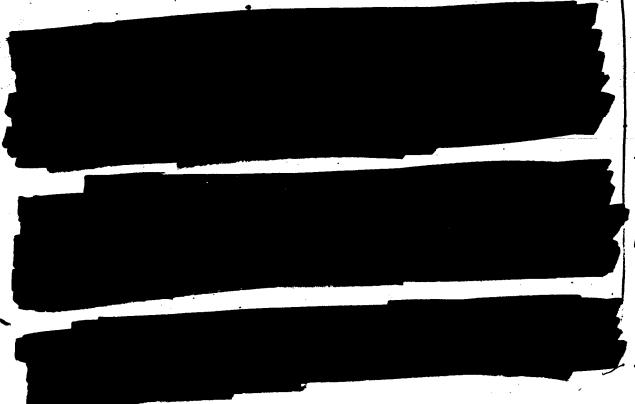
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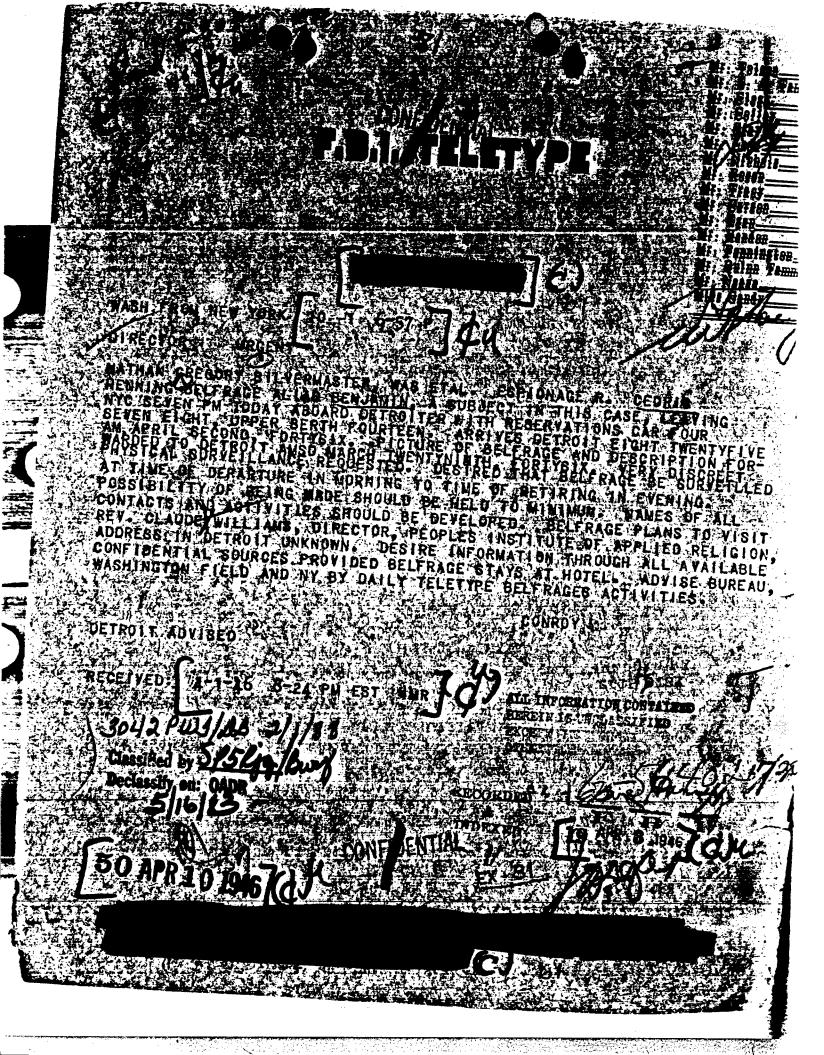
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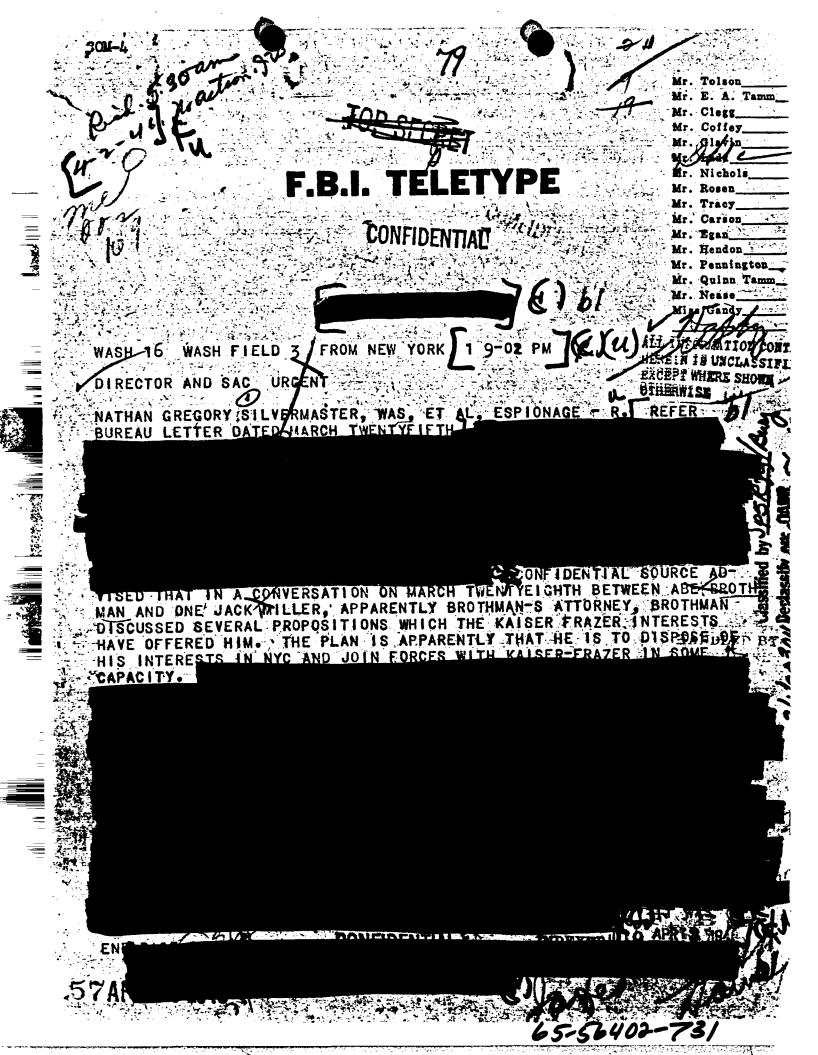
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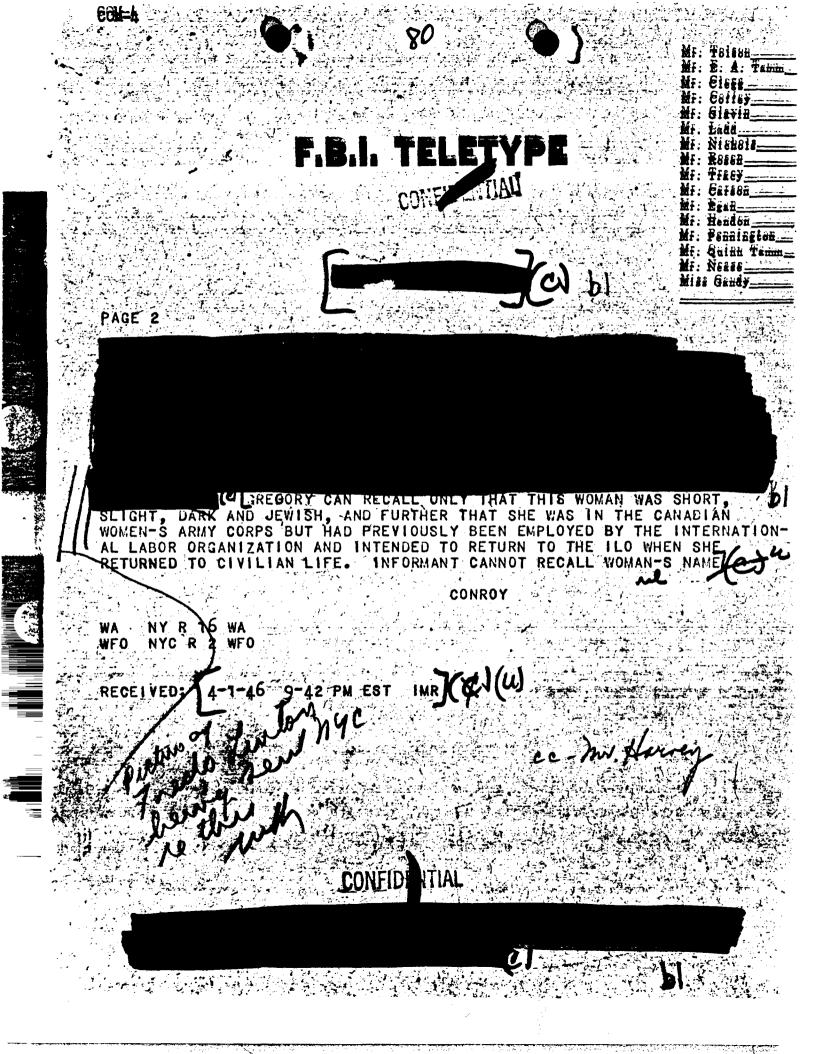
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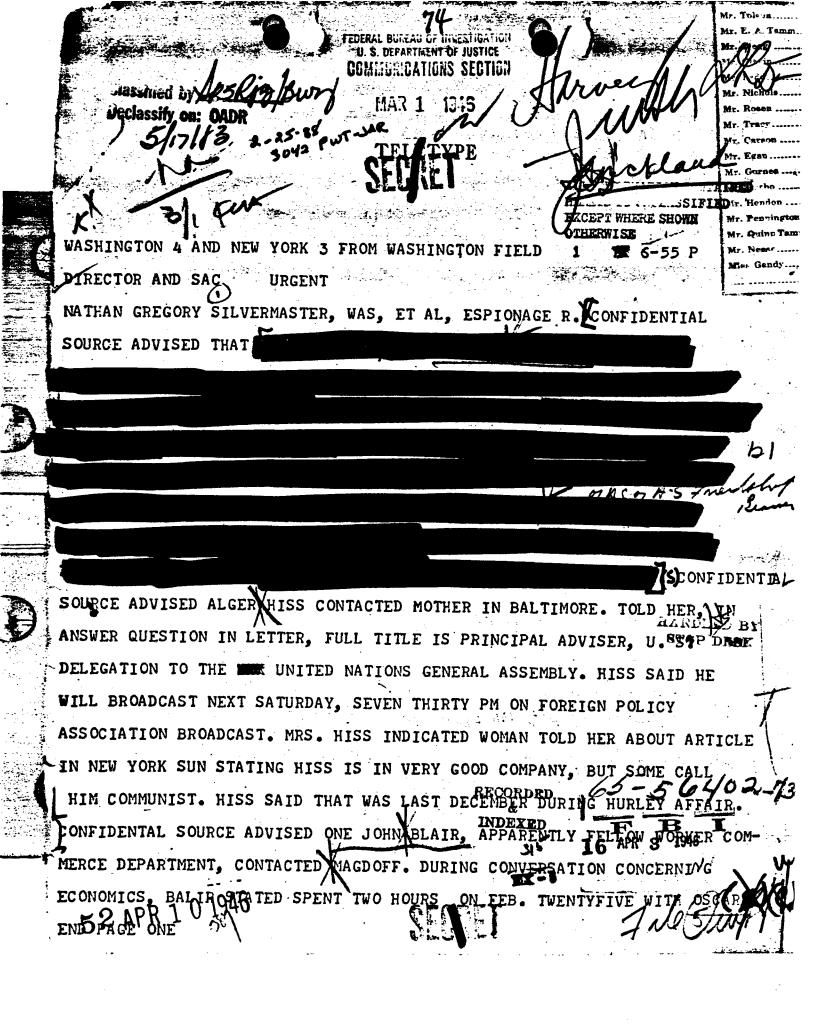






R. LADDA MEMMAN AND HERBERT SCHARKS) Reference is made to the memorandum dated March 19, 1946 to you from kr. R. R. Roach concerning the information furnished by Fr. Joseph A. Panuch, alleging that at the resent time a number of high Government officials, including Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson, Secretary of Commerce Henry Agar Wallace and a number of others are presently engaged in an enormous Soviet espionage ring for the purpose of furnishing all information regarding atomic energy and the atem bomb to the Soviet You will recall, also, that on the basis of this remorandum the Director instructed that a discreet investigation be instituted with regard to Herbert S. Marks, Assistant to the Undersecretary of State, and James R. Newman, an official of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion and according to Panuch, a close contact of Nathan Gregory Sivermaster. 61637 ACTION: In connection with this investigation it is requested that Mr. R. R. Roach recontact Mr. Joseph A. Panuch for the purpose of procuring from him any and all additional or substantiating information regarding these allegations with particular stress on the sources of the allegations made by Panuch and the exact sources of the information which he has furnished to this connection. Any further information which can be obtained along these lines wi of course, be of extreme value in connect on with this investigation.

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LANGE, POLISH ASSENCE AMBASSADOR TO THIS COUNTRY DISCUSSING ECONOMIC THEORY. BALIR HAS WRITTEN FIVE HUNDRED PAGE BOOK WHICH HARRY MAGDOFF THOUGHT GOOD. BALIR INDICATED HE MIGHT GO INTO REGIONAL ECONOMIC DIVISION FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE, AND MAGDOFF STATED HE IS ALSO INTERESTED AND THE SECRETARY IS MUCH INTERESTED IN IT ON EVENING FEB. TWENTY SEVEN LAST, REMINGTONS INVITED TO DINNER AT RESIDENCE SPENCER BARNES, FOUR FIVE ONE NAUGHT THIRTENTH ST, NORTHWEST. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE INDICATED SPENCER GOING AWAY TO RUSSIA CONFIDENTIAL DEFENDENT INFORMANT ADVISED FRANCES EDELSTEIN CONTACTED ANNEWHITE YESTERDAY. THEY DISCUSSED FACT ANNE AND HARRY WHITE HAVENOT BEEN IN FRANCES HOME FOR THREE YEARS. ANNE STATED FRANCES HAD NOT ÍNVITED THEM SINCE FRANCES LIVED ON R STREET ON AN OCCASSION WHEN FRANCES HAD ASKED HELEN TO COME. FRANCES REMEMBERED IT WAS THE NIGHT BORIS HAD TALKED ABOUT GOING TO ALASKA. ANNE SAID SHE COULD NOT RECALL THE TOPIC, BUT THE ACHENSTEINS, PHONETIC, WERE PRESENT. HELEN SILVERMASTER AND HER BROTHER BORIS WHOLE WITTE, BELIEVED THE MAKE INDIVIDUALS DISCUSSED ABOVE, WHICH REFLECTS INTIMATE ASSOCIATION IN PAST. SAME SOURCE ADVISED ON EVENING FEB. TWENTYEIGHT, LOUIS BLOCK, PHONETIC, CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER STATING THERE IS RUMOR IN SAN FRANCISCO THAT BRUCE MINTON ISSUED A STATEMENT HE IS THROUGH WITH HIS FORMER IDEAS. HELEN STATED THE HAD NOT HEARD NOT

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REGORY OR HE WOULD HAVE TOLD HER. LOUIE SAID TELI EREGG QUOTE THAT RUMOR HAS BEEN GOING AROUND A STATEMENT SIMILAR TO BROWDER YOU KNOW UNQUOTE. ABOVE INDIVIDUAL MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH COUIE REFERRED TO MANK MY TELETYPE FEB. THE MANAGEMENT WHO WAS INVITED TO SILVERMASTERS WITH MARGARET HEREN THAT NIGHT. ON LATE EVENING, FEB. TWENTYEIGHT, HERMAN KLOTZ CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER MENTIONING HE SAWYLUD THIS DATE AND IS THE LEAVING FOR NEW YORK MRACH FIRST. SAME SOURCE ADVISED A FEW MINUTES THEREAFTER KLOTZ CONTACTED ANNE WHITE. HE INDICATED HE HATES, HIS JOB AND MAY LEAVE FOR PARIS IN WEEK OR TEN DAYS. HERMAN STATED MAXILOWENTHAL WAS IN WASHINGTON BUT MK LAST WEEK. IT IS RECALLED LOWENTHAL. FORMER FEA EMPLOYEE WELL KNOWN TO BUREAU, WAS IN TOUCH WITH AALPERIN ON THIS VISIT. HERMAN MENTIONED NEW YORK POST HAD HIRED ICKES FOR FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. ANNE WHITE COMMENTED RUTH GRUVER HAD OBTAINED JOB WITH NEW YORK POST TO COVER PALESTINE CONFERENCE IN LONDON. ACCORDING TO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE. ANNE WHITE CONTACTED UNKNOWN WOMAN FEB. TWENTYEIGHT TO REQUEST ADDRESS PROFESSOR F. P. BYSTROV. SPC. AND WAS FURNISHED ADDRESS SOME ONE SIX TWO SEVEN NEWTON, NORTHWEST, ON AFTERNOON FEB. TWENTYEIGHT, HARRY WHITE ADVISED ANNE WHITE HE JUST LEARNED LEON BLUMS PLANE WAS DELAYED AND HE WILL NOT BE HERE IN TIME FOR FRIDAY NIGHT SO IT WAS MADE FOR SUNDAY NIGHT EIGHT PM HOTTEL

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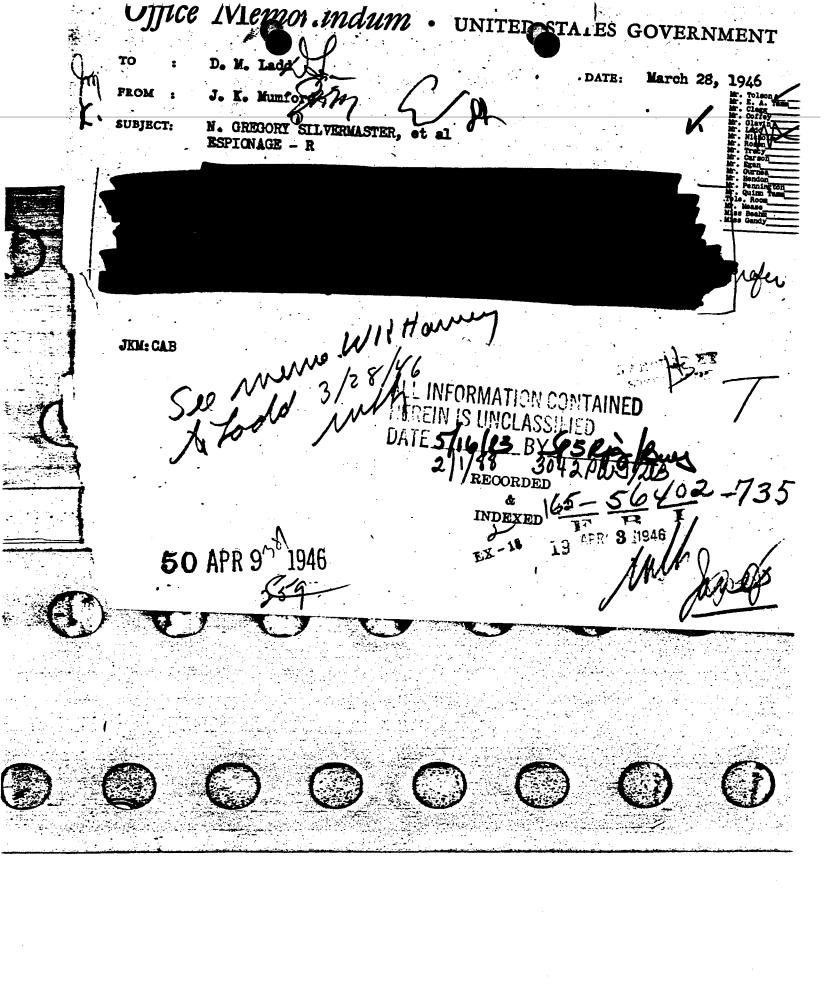
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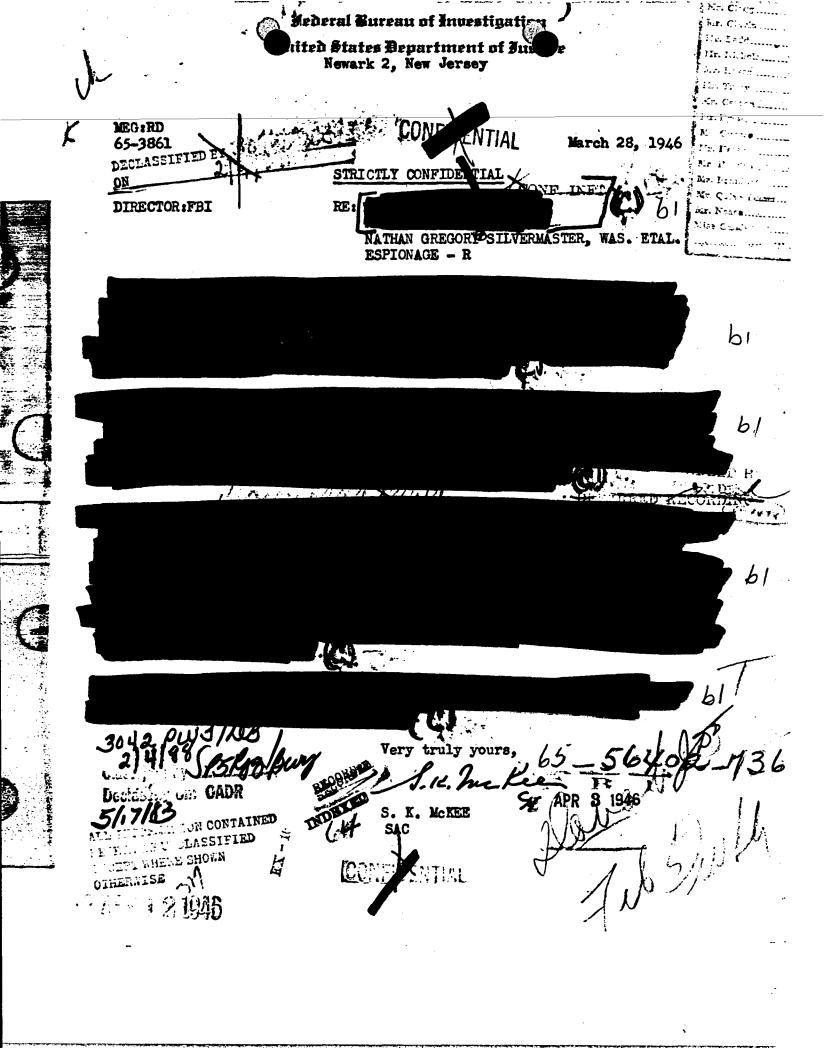
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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED YESTERDAY THAT CATHERING DUFFY WAS PAID IN ADVANCE FOR ONE MONTH BY THE PRAVDINS BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE AND ALSO THAT SHE WAS GIVEN THE USE OF THE PRAVDIN APARTMENT FOR THE SAME #PERIOD. YESTERDAY THAT SHE HAD GONE TO RYE, NY, LAST SATURDAY WITH THE PEOPLE WITH WHOM SHE WILL START TO WORK. IT IS PRESUMED THAT THIS REFERENCE IS TO ANDREW AND ZINA YOYNOW, WHO ARE KNOWN TO HAVE A RESIDENCE AT RYE, AT PRESENT TIME VOYNOWS NAVE A SMALL APARTMENT IN MANHATEN APPARENTLY HAVE NO ROOM FOR DUFFY. DUFFY SAID THAT ALTHOUGH SHE WILL BE PAID FROM APRIL FIFTEEN BY HER NEW EMPLOYER, THERE WILL BE NO ROOM FOR HER UNTIL MAY FIFTEEN, AT WHICH TIME DUFFY WILL APPARENTLY START TO LIVE WITH HER NEW EMPLOYERS, PRESUMABLY AT VOYNOWS, AT RYE, NY. BY TELETYPE YESTERDAY FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO. JUDITH COLDSTEIN, NEEX GOLDBERG, BORN AUGUST SIX, NINETEEN TWENTYTHREE, VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA. RECEIVED DERIVATIVE CITIZENSHIP THRU MOTHER JUNE TWELVE NINETEEN THIRTY-

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ATTENDED GIRLS LATIN AND BROOKLING MASS. HIGH SCHOOLS, GRADUATING JUNE FORTYTWO. RESIDED AT SEVEN NETHERLAND ROAD, BROOKLINE WITH JACOB AND GERTRUDE GOLDBERG. NO RECORD OF HUSBAND ARTHUR ALLEN GOLDSTEIN. GARATION RECORDS AT BOSTON REFLECT MOTHER JENNIE WEINSTEIN GOLDBERG GAVE AS WITNESSES MARIZISTERN ONE FOUR FIVE BABCOCK ST., BROOKLINE AND BEATRICE WEINSTEIN, FOUR TWO THREE WASHINGTON ST., BROOKLINE. FROM HUSBAND ALEXANDER GOLDBERG IN NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN. JENNIE A. GOLD-BERG ADVISED REGISTRAR OF VOTERS BROOKLINE, MASS, THAT SHE RESIDED AT NYC SINCE FEB. NINETEEN, FORTYFOUR, AND FURNISHED FORWARDING ADDRESS IN CARE OF BENENSON, EIGHT EIGHT FIVE WEST END AVENUE, NYC., AND SHE WAS WORKING FOR U. S. GOVERNMENT. MANHATTAN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY, NYC, REFLECTS MRS. JENNIE GOLDBERG, FIVE SEVEN FOUR WEST END AVE., NYC. INVESTIGATION BY THIS OFFICE FOR YEARS NINETEEN FORTYFOUR AND FORTYFIVE FAILS TO REFLECT THAT JUDITH GOLDBERG GOLDSTEIN AND ARTHUR ALLEN GOLDSTE WERE MARRIED, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THOSE YEARS. FURTHER CHECKS OF OTHER BOROUGHS WILL BE MADE BUT IT IS SUGGESTED THAT MARRIAGE MAY HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN WASHINGTON D. C.

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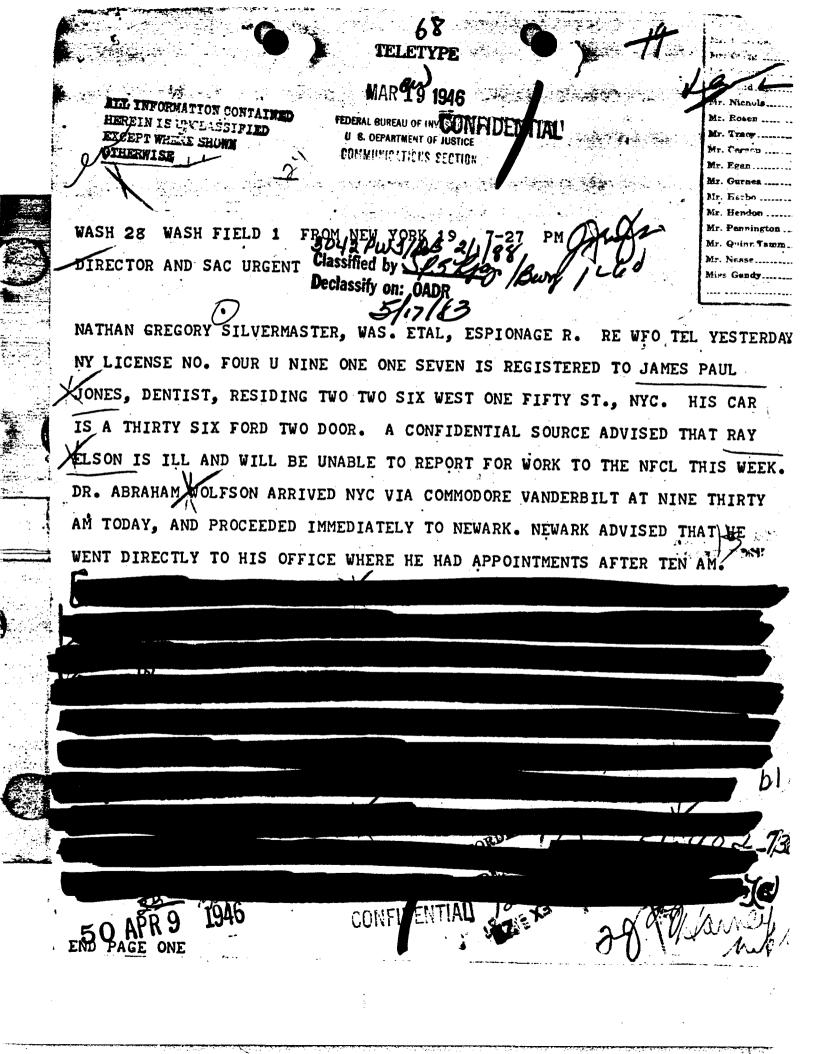
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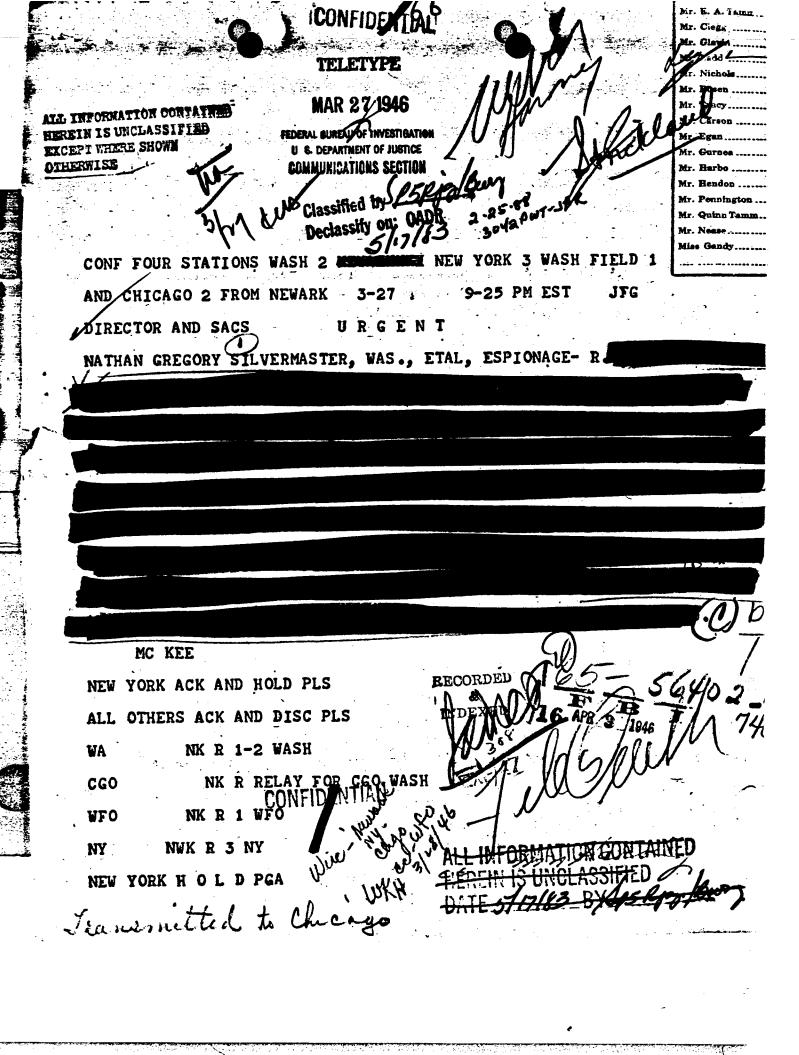


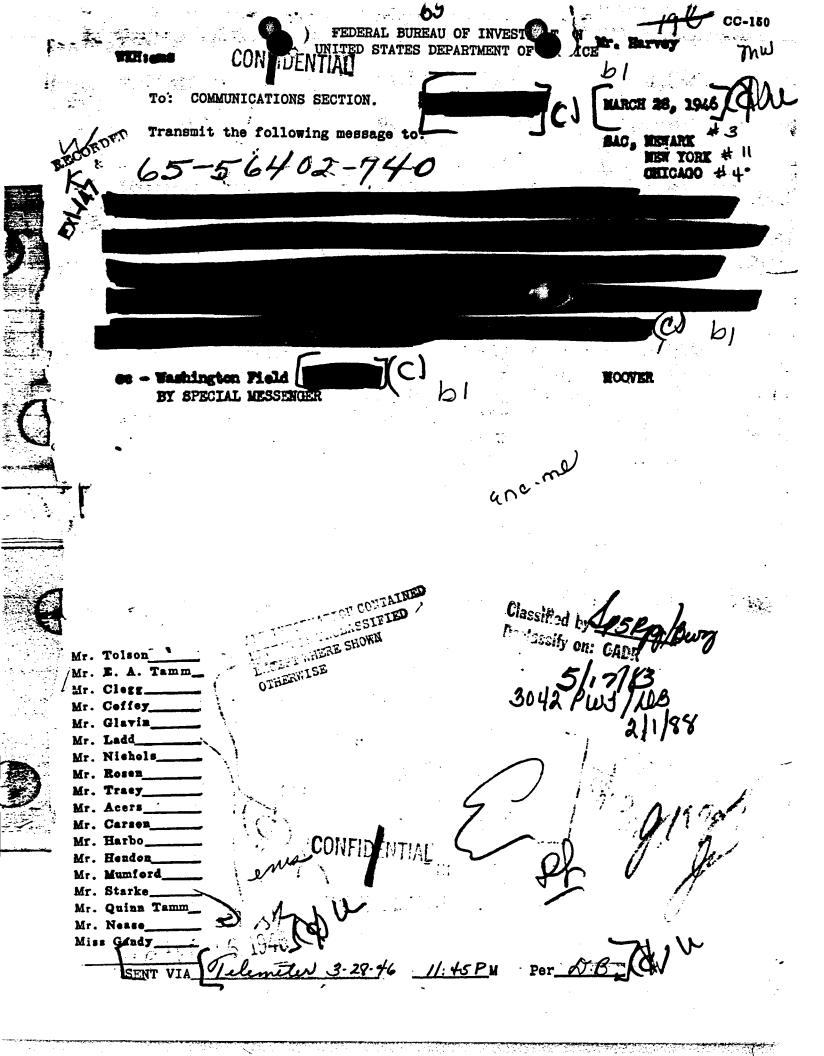
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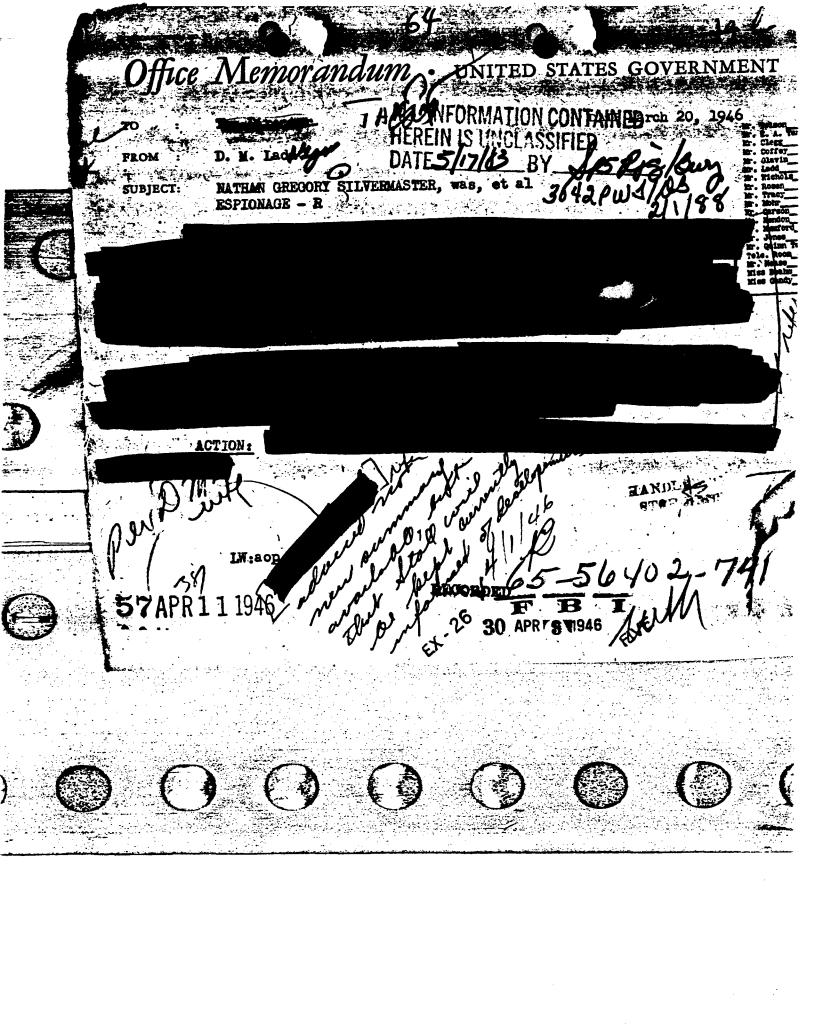
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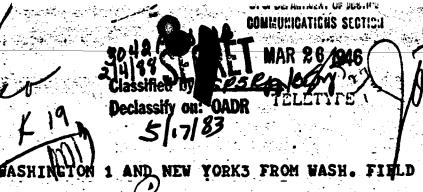
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FRONTS SAW THE WAR. WE SAW NAZISM AND THE JAPANESE WAR MACHINE SMASHED

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TOO WERE SHOCKED BY PRESIDENT TRUMANS IMPLIED AGREEMENT UNQUOTE.

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March 26. 1946

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Dear Siri

On March 26, 1946, Mr. J. C. SPRICKLAND of the Bareau telephonically advised Mr. COLHOY that the Director was desirous of having WHITTAKER CHARRERS of the editorial staff of Time Magazine, interviewed in connection with infermation previously furnished by CHAMBERS concerning ALSER HISS of the State Department. It was desired that this office ascertain whether CHARGERS would object to the use of his name in the further development of information conserning HISS and his activities and also to determine if CHAMBERS would be willing to testify as to his knowledge of HISS' connections with the Communist Party. It will be recelled that WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was interviewed by ADOLF BERLE of the State Department during September of 1939 at which time CHAMBERS revealed sertain information concerning the Communist underground movement in Washington, D. C. and identified certain persons actively associated with the Communist Party. Among those named was ALGER HISS. A typewritten copy of Mr. BERLE's motes was furnished to the New York Office and the information thereon compern Declassified by Spskga 18 ing HISS is characterised as follows: w 5717183

Alcer Hiss. Ass't. to Sayre - OP - 1939 Member of the Underground Com. Baltimore boys -Wife - Priscilla Hiss - Socialist -

Barly days of Hew Boal.

Donald Hiss, (Philippine Advisor) Number of G.P. with Freeman & Witt - Labor Depit. - Assit. to Frances Perkins - Party wanted him there to send him as arbitrator in Bridges trial -Brought along by brother.

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CHANGERS was first interviewed by Agents of the New York Office on March 13, 1942 and the result of this interview is set forth in the New

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Yerk Office letter to the Bureau, dated March 14, 1942, entitled: WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ESPIONAGE - R. In this initial interview with CHAMBERS, he stated that ALGER HISS and DOWALD HISS were also members of the underground erganisation as secured by WARE. He stated that these men also left the AAA erganisation as secured by WARE. He stated that these men also left the AAA entrement investigations and later became Assistant Solicitor General of the United States after which he left there and became Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State. DOWALD HISS was in the Labor Department where seconding to CHAMBERS, Miss PERKINS thought a great deal of him. He further stated that the party planned to have DOWALD HISS handle the BRIDGES Case in California in view of the influence which he might have, after which he went to the Philippine Davision of the Department of State.

In New York Office letter, dated June 26, 1945, captioned: WHITTAKES CHAMBERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - R, information was set forth concerning the results of the second interview with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by Agents of this office. On this occasion CHAMBERS elaborated on the information he eriginally supplied concerning HISS. On this occasion he remarked as follows:

Employed by the State Department and presently general secretary of the United Nations Conference international organization in San Francisco With reference to HISS, CHANNERS recalled that while he was in the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, he had met en several occasions with HAROLD WARE's group, and that he had usually attended when the group meetings were held at HENRY COLLIES' house. He added that when HISS went into the Mye Committee Investigating Armamente, he was segregated from the group and had no more official contacts with them, but would meet socially with a let had no more official contacts with them, but would meet socially with a let of them and was particularly close to JOHN ABT's sister MARIAN BACHRACK.

have broken with the Communist Farty, he stated he had no reason to believe that he may have dropped out, and as a reason for this belief, explained that he may have dropped out, and as a reason for this belief, explained that after he had broken with the Communist Party, he had made a special trip after he had broken with the Communist Party, he had made a special trip to HISS! home in Georgetown, Washington, D. C. with the purpose of talking the HISS! have in Georgetown, Washington, D. C. with the purpose of talking the HISS into breaking away from the Party. CHAMBERS explained that when the arrived that HISS! wife PRISCILL! was the only one there, and while CHAMBERS momentarily excused himself to go to the bathroon, he observed Mrs. HISS immediately go to the telphone obviously to get in touch with Party members. CHAMBERS immediately returned to the room and swaited the arrival of ALGER HISS.

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talled with him all might long in an effect to persuade him to lieve the Party. He stated that with tears streaming down his face, HIBS had refused to break with the Communist and had given as his reason for not breaking going to HIBS in order to get him to break away from the Communist Party an intelligent and decent young man whose better judgment should have led spinion, one of the strongest reasons for HIBS! maintaining contact with the Communist Party was the Communist Party was the fanatical loyalty to the Communist Party on the Communist Party was the fanatical loyalty to the Communist Party on 61634

"DONALD HISS is a brother of ALGER HISS, and otherwise not identified

The interview of CHAMBERS as requested by Mr. STRICTIAND was delayed it having been learned that Mr. CHAMBERS was at his country place mean westminster, Meryland and would not return to his offices in new York City until March 28, 1946. On March 28, 1946, CHAMBERS was interviewed by Special Agent THOMAS G. SPENCER in his office, Recm 2816, 9 Reckefeller Plans, New York City.

After preliminary discussion relative to information previously supplied by CRAMBERS concerning HIDS, he related that his actual knowledge of MISS: setivities concerned the period shortly preceding 1937 and he was unable to elaborate on any information concerning HISS! Commention with the Communist Party or Communist front organisations other than what he reported at the time he was interviewed on Merch 13, 1942 and again on May 10, 1945. The information developed from CHAMBERS in these two cases are set forth above. He recalled that after 1937 he was of course no longer actively associated with the Communist Party and since he was actively engaged in his association with the Time Magazine he had lost all contact with ALOER HISS and the only information that he has concerning him is that which has appeared recently in the Various memspapers which have attempted to attach him in someway to the Communist Party. We stated that as a matter of fact he has absolutely no information that would esaclusively prove that HISS held a membership eard in the Communist Party or that he was an actual dues paying member of the Communist Party even while he was active prior to 1937. He volunteered that he knew that in 1937 MISS was favorably impressed with the Communist movement and was of the present epinion that HISS still was of the same beliefs. He indicated that he did not

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have any documentary or other proof to substantiate this belief and based is solely upon semments made by various Washington and New York newspaper writers.

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Whose identity is known to the Bureau, on March 18, 1946, indicating
that HOWARD RUSHKERE of the New York Sourcel-American is alleged to have stated
that "some Commis in the State Department had released the information and
that he wanted to go on record that it was Alger Hiss. That Hiss was probably
running the State Department and that Emphases had a witness the worked at
Time Magazine who would get on the witness stand and state that Hiss paid
dues to the Communist Party for a pariod of three years", CHARDERS was again
asked if An any of his past activities he had any documentary evidence or any
independent recollection that HISS was a two paying masher of the Communist
Party. He again stated that he had so such information and that if he did have
this information he would be more than glad to supply it to this Sureau. He
further remarked in previous interviews with Agants of this effice that he
had never purposefully held out any information and had always been forthright
in relaying any information that he had in which the Sureau had shown an interest.

CHAMSIBS was then asked whether he would shiedt to the use of his mans in the further development of information concerning ALGER HISS' alleged Communist activities and be was desirous of knowing if we had any particular person in mind who we intended interrogeting in which the use of his next might be beneficial. He was informed that at the present time we did not have anyone in sind but were simply desirous of knowing whether he would consecu to the use of his name in the event an investigation of MISS activities was instigated semetime in the future. He then stated that if a sertain special of discretion was used in the use of his name he did not see key he goold object to this procedure. He volunteered that he of course that made a mistake in his youth in embracing Communism and that ever since 1937 when he breke wear live this type of activity, he felt that he empletedrious debt to this weekly and that the only may take as sould pay it off was to do everything in his proper to expose Communism in this country. He stated that he has since 1537 decounted Communism to the point that whosever his none is mentioned in certain simples he is referred to as a fred buiter". He volunteered that in his own organization there are some people who have a liberal attitude towards Russia and that him name is "poison".

CHAMBERS then stated that if the Bureau was of the opinion that as his time the use of his name might be besefficial in obtaining definite information

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regarding EDS' Communist connections he would not object to this precedure; however, he strongly suggested that if we did contemplate this that we so inform him. He again stated that this he would leave to the discretion of the Buress.

Information he had previously supplied the Bureau with reference to his knowledge of BISS' activities and any subsequent information regarding BISS that came to his attention. He replied that if he were called to testify he did not see how he could refuse to do so. He remarked, however, that he was happful that if this eventuality came to pass the hearing would be a closed one. The conclusion he stated that he has a great amount of respect for the confidence which the Bureau has exhibited in information which he has already furnished. He stated that he is of course extremely auxious to keep his position with Time Magazine and would appreciate it if the Bureau would consider his position if the Bureau decided to use his mane in connection with an investigation of HISS or in the event he was called upon to testify. CHARBERS was receptive, condict and cooperative and it is felt that if the Bureau decided to conduct an investigation of HISS' Communist activities that CHARBERS will agree to anything within reason.

Very truly yours,

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UNITED 'ES GOVERNMEN THE DIRECTOR DATE: March 29, 1946 TO Mr. D. M. Ladd SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al ESPIONAGE - R Information has previously been furnished to you concerning the contacts made between Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., former Secretary of the Treasury, and Silvermaster. An additional contact was made between Mr. Morgenthau and Harry White of the Treasury Department on March 28, 1946, according to information received from a technical source which it at out in the attached MI Summary. () (W) At 6:45 p.m. on March 28, 1946, Mr. Morgenthau who was in Washington first contacted Mrs. Harry White and then talked to Harry White. During a lengthy conversation Morgenthau told White that he was going to see the President the next day concerning an agricultural program. He also referred to a letter which he had written to Vinson, meaning the present Secretary of the Treasury. Harry White said that he didn't see the letter and then Morgenthau said, "Well, (laughs) does he play it close. Haven't you heard about it?" White said that he hadn't heard anything about it and then Morgenthau invited White to stop by his hotel room at the Shoreham Hotel on the following morning. Harry White agreed that he would see Morgenthau at that time. Later in the conversation Mr. Morgenthau stated that he was having dinner on the night of March 28 with ! Acheson, Assistant Secretary of State. 4 The Washington Field Office advised by teletype on March 25, 1946, that information had been received through all None. The above is being brought to your attention to show the further association between Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and subjects in the Silvermaster case as well as his pro-Russian activities and contacts. His dinner engagement with Dean Acheson is believed to be especially interesting in view of the allegations made concerning Acheson who has been referred to as being extremely pro-Russian Classified by > Declassify on: OADR Enclosure AL Information contained HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN **OTHERWISE**

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FROM : J. C. STRICKIA

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERWASTER, With Aliases, Et Al

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Reference is made to a memorandum from Mr. Harvey to you dated March 28, 1946, concerning the proposed dismissal of several employees of the State Department, including Joseph Gregg.

According to information received through a technical source on March 29, 1946, Joseph Gregg contacted his wife at 2:45 p.m. that date and talked to her about his leaving the State Department. Gregg said he contacted "him," probably referring to some superior at the State Department and gave him the wold song and dance about his wife and kids, buying a house, et cetera -- and tried to get him to come around to what comes of the charges." Gregg said that "he" would give no positive commitment that he would not press charges if Gregg resigned. Gregg stated if he resigns he would get sixty days which was plenty of time and all the time that he wants. He said if he doesn't need sixty days he will be free to leave sooner. Gregg said that he wants it on the record that he is resigning; that he is afraid if he does not resign immediately "it" will get past the charge of "false statement." Gregg said he is afraid of a double-cross by "him." Gregg stated that if he resigns the charges may be pressed anyhow. He concluded by saying that he would either resign this afternoon (March 29, 1946) or the first thin on Monday morning

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The above is for your information. The MI Summary covering the above

conversation is attached hereto.

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John Rigar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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MATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;

REPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to the New York teletype dated March 15, 1946, in the above-captioned matter wherein advice was required that Dr. A. G. Neinstein sent a telegram on March 12, 1946, to John Weber, 919 La John Hollywood, California, which contained the following messages Lucille Hollywood, California, which contained the following messages Lucille Highlywood, referred to you by close friend of mine.

The indices of the Bureau reflect that John Weber mentioned above is apparently identical with one John Weber, 9192 North Ia Haya, Hollywood, California, who is President of the Screen Reader's Guild, Hollywood, Californ and who has been mentioned in connection with the Comrap investigation.

Edward H. MacKensie, New York, New York, dated November 15, 1942; in the case entitled "Sabine Rismann, Espionage - G." During the investigation conducted by the New York Field Division in November, 1942, Incille Elfenbein was associated with Minyette Ullman and was believed to be connected with the Larchmont Realty Board at Larchmont, New York. The residence address of Elfenbein is not known but Minyette Ullman at that time resided at 150-A Boston Post Road, Larchmont, New York.

The New York Field Division should make a discreet inquiry at Larchmont, New York, in order to determine if Lucille Elfenbein mentioned above is identical with the individual referred to by Dr. Weinstein and if so, to determine the reason for her name being referred to Weber as set out in the above telegram.

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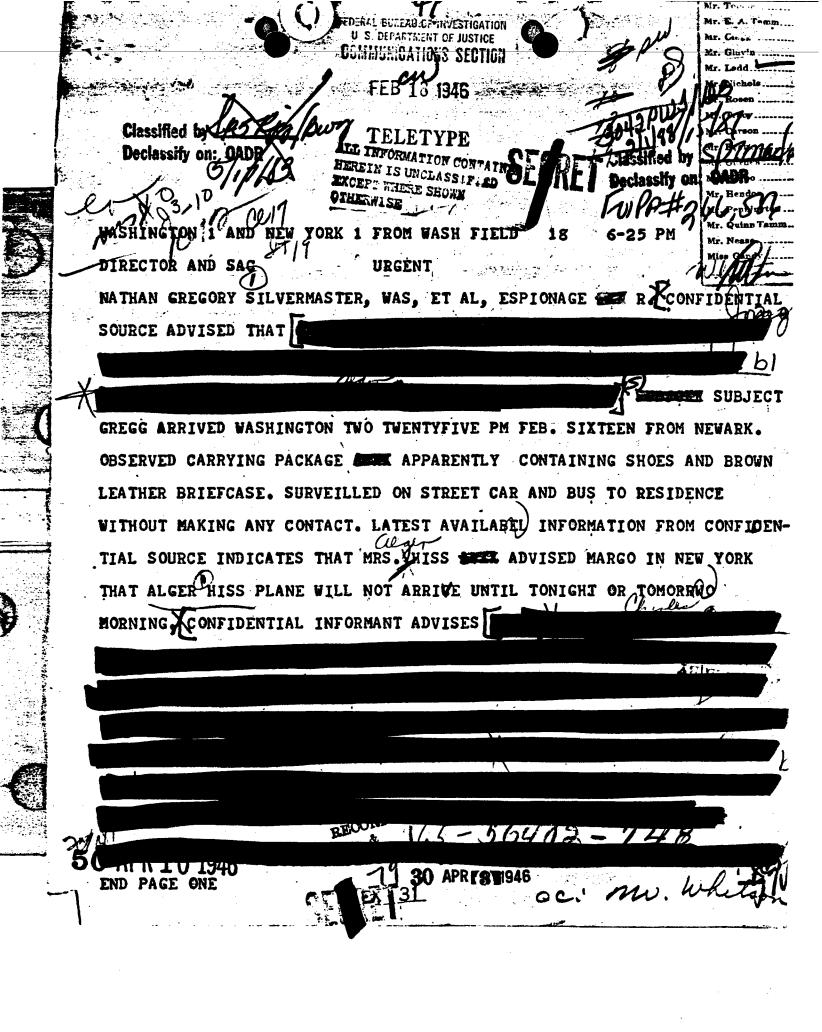
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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED LILLIAN AURASCH CONSULTED BEATTIE

MAGDOFF CONCERNING PLAN TO FORM BRANCH OF LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OR
LEAGUE OF WARR WOMEN SHOPPERS IN HER RESIDENCE DEVELOPEMENT. BEATTIE
FAVORED LEAGUE OF VOTERS BECAUSE THEY REALLY PRESSURE CONGRESS AND
THE PRESIDENT. HER ONLY OBJECTION WAS THE NATIONAL OFFICE WAS ANTI
FEPC. MRS. MAGDOFF ENDEAVORED TO SECURE PHOTOGRAPHER AND REPORTER TO
PUBLICIZE A VOTING SURVEY THEY ARE CONDUCTING IN ALEXANDRIA, VA.
SUCCEEDED IN MAKING APPOINTMENT WITH DON CORSON, DESCRIBED AS RESEARCH
CHIEF, WASHINGTON POST. MRS. MAGDOFF ALSO CONTACTED BY ONE TEEGE
KAUFMAN, PHONETCC, WHO ADVISED A FRIEND IS ENDEAVORING ORGANIZE WHITE
DC TEACHERS INTO CIO. TEEGE WANTED LIST SUGGESTED NAMES. BEATTIE
CONSULTED SUBJECT MAGDOFF EXPAVINING INFORMATION FOR THESE TEEGE
WHOM THEY MET AT BETTY AND LEO LISHMANS, AND THEN FURNISHED NAMES

A THE RESERVE THE PARTY OF THE PAGE THREE FOLLOWING WOMEN. MRS. FAYE GLASSER, MRS. HARRY PARE PINESTS BESS PARENTHESIS CLOSED MILLER, MRS. BEN HANDLER, MRS. EDWIRD WEINTRAUB, MRS. ARNOLD TOLLES, MRS. VICTOR MRS. DAVID PERLO AND MRS. SOLOMON LISCHINSKY. BEATTIE ALSO SUGGESTED MRS. MERRIAM, PHONETIC, AND SHEETS SUGGESTED MRS. ARTHOUSETEIN COULD FURNISH HER FULL MANE AND ADDRESS. ON FEB. SIXTEEN, MRS. MAGDOFF CONTACTED LARRY POTAMKIN WHO DISCUSSED BANQUET OF LAWYERS GUILD AT MAYFLOWER HOTEL PREVIOUS NIGHT. CAROLINE POTAMKIN ALSO SPOKE TO BEATTIE, ADVISING ALL THE LIBERAL FORCES LEFT IN THE GOVT. WERE AT THE DINNER. CONFIDENT INFORMANT ADVISED ELEANOR DREISEN INQUIRED IF JOAN AND BERNIE REDMONT WOULD JOIN THEM MONDAY, APPARENTLY TO ATTEND BALTIMORE COMMUNIST MEETING. JOAN STATED BERNIE DID NOT LIKE THE LONG TRIP, BUT SHE WOULD TRY AND PERSUADE HIM TO ATTEND. ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY WONT BE DOING THAT SORT OF THING IN ARGENTINA. JOAN INDICATED SHE THE WAS DETERMINED TO ACCOMPANY HIM EVEN IS SHE COULD NOT SECURE A PASS-PORT TO ARGENTIAN SHE WOULD GO TO URUGUAY. TODAY ELIZABETH SASULY IDENTIFIED AS ONE OF LARGE CHARACTER GROUP PICKETING IN FRONT OF WHITE HOUSE. GROUP REPRESENTED FOOD, TOBACCO AND AGRICULTURAL WORKS UNION CIO!

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ONE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JOE GREGG CONTACTED ROSE HE ARRIVED THIS MORNING AND FIRST THING SHE SAID QUOTE WE HAVE NO JOB FOR YOU, NO MONEY FOR YOU. YOULL HAVE TO GET ANNUAL LEAVE TODAY UN-QUOTE. JOE STATED HE GOT MAD, BUT EVIDENTLY SHE HAD INSTRUCTIONS FROM MCCOY. HE STATED HE COULD TRY AND BLUFF MCCOY TO RECEIVE KEEP HIM ON PAYROLL, BUT BOTH DECIDED THERE WAS NOT MUCH THEY COULD DO. STATED SHE THOUGHT THEY WOULD JUST GO HOME, AND JOE INDICATED HE DID ON THISEER CHAPLE NOT WANT TO SHOCK THEM, APPARENTLY FAMILY. DATE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ROSE GREGG MADE RESERVATION FOR SELF PCA, DEPART WASHINGTON NINE FIFTEEN AM TOMORROW, ARRIVE DETROIT ELEVEN FIFTYFIVE, THENCE TO LONDON, CANADA, MARKE VIA CANADIAN NATIONAL RAIL-WAY, LEAVING DETROIT ONE NAUGHT FIVE PM, ARRIVING LONDON FOUR THIRTY TENTATIVELY ARRANGED RETURN APRIL EIGHT REVERSING TRIP. PM TOMORROW. ON SAME DATED, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ERNA ROSENBERG CONTACTED BY UNKNOWN WOMAN, BELIEVED FAYE CLASSER. ERNA INDICATED SHE AND ALLAN AT HAVING DOMESTIC TROUBLES AND ALLAN WOULD HAVE TO MAKE UP THIS TIME

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SILVERMASTER INQUIRING IF HELEN IS FREE

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ON APRIL ONE, ADVISED PEARL AXELROD REQUESTED BEATTIE MAGDOFF TO ACCOMPANY HER TO HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING ON FARM LABOR FOLLOWING DAY, STATING CY AXELROD MAY TESTIFY. BEATTIE DECLINED BECAUSE OF MEETING. PEARL THOUGHT CONGRESSMAN SABATH WAS CHAIRMAN AND BEATTIE EXPRESSED HER APPROVAL. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ON APRIL ONE, ADVISED

CONCERNING HER PASSAGE TO VALPARAISO, CHILE, WHIEH ADVISED MAY BE JU

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OR AUGUST BEFORE SERVICE AVAILABLE. SUGGESTED SHE ENDEAVOR SECURE PLANE RESERVATIONS IN MEANTIME. APPARENTLY JOAN STILL INTENDS TO FOLLOW SUBJECT REDMONT SERVERAL MONTHS LATER. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ON APRIL ONE, ADVISED JENNIE MILLER GIVING PARTY SEVEN THIRTY PM FRIDAY CELEBRATING BORMILLERS BIRTHDAY. INVITED SILVERMASTERS AND HALPERINS. ACCEPTED

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HARRY MAGDOFF

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On March 12, 1946 the Washington Field Office by letter requested the Richmond Office to obtain background information concerning one HAROLD TIMEIN, 1300 Tuckahoe Street, Falls Church, Virginia in connection with the a entitled case with particular reference to one HARRY MAGDOFF.

A review of the file in the Richmond Office indicates that the HARRY WEIN mentioned in the Washington Field Letter of March 12, is no doubt identical with HAROLD HERMAN WEIN, previously investigated by this office as a departmental applicant - Economist. Accordingly, two copies of the report of Special Agent JALES F. DURKIN, JR. dated April 1, 1946 entitled HAROLD HERMAN WEIN, DEPARTMENTAL AFPLICANT -ECONOLIST are being enclosed herewith to the Washington Field Office.

This matter is being brought to the attention of the Bureau for its information.

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FROM

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: MATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al; ESPIONAGE - 2

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, New York City, dated March 1, 1946, in the above-captioned matter wherein on page 78 reference was made to a conversation between a girl named Rose who is employed in the office of Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein in New York City and Betty Heart, Dr. Word stein's secretary, on February 1, 1946, Rose told Betty that

a party named Gregg had left the office without signing ten checks and she desired to know how to contact him. Betty stated that he had left and that he lives in Washington and was leaving for Washington that might but that he would be back in two weeks or so and that he sould sign the checks at that time. It is believed that the individual referred to as Gregg is Joseph B. Grong, a subject of cinetant investigation who, it is known, was in New York

city on February 1, 1946

Further reference is made to a teletype from the Washington Field Division dated March 18, 1946, concerning a letter addressed to Joseph Gregg in Washington from the offices of Dr. Weinstein. With further reference to this letter, the Washington Field Office has advised that the following information was obtained from This informant made available by to the Washington Field Office the following letter dated February 1, 1946, 67 and which was on the stationery of Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein and bore the address of his office in New York Citys ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

"Doar Mr. Gregg:

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OTHERWISE In our great hurry to leave the office we have overlooked to give you another check book which contained ten move checks of the series of the 32 so we will hold them for you to sign when you mext come into the office.

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Yours very truly,

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The above letter was handwritten and was possibly written by one of the employees of Dr. Weinstein's office. It is further believed that the initials "R.C." may be those of the girl pamed Rose mentioned in the conversa tion on February 1, 1946, set out above (t) U

The report of Special Agent Dooley, New York City, dated March 1, 1942, further reflects that on February 15, 1946, through physical surveilland it was determined that Joseph B. Gregg visited the offices of Dr. Weinstein in Now York City and remained there from 10:00 AN until 1:10 PM. It is possible that Gregg could have cutained the above mentioned check book on the occasion of this visit.

SAC, New York

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March 25, 1946

Investigation in the past has shown that Gregg has visited Dr. Weinstein's office for dental treatment of many occasions, some of which were visits under unusual circumstances. Recently, Gregg is known to have made the remark that Dr. Weinstein has completed the treatments on his teeth. However, it is noted that he has made several visits to Weinstein's office since making such remark. According to a teletype received from the Washington Field Office dated March 19, 1946, Gregg contacted Maurice Malperin on March 18, 1946, at which time Halperin inquired concerning Gregg's teeth and they engaged in a considerable amount of discussion concerning Gregg's dental work. It appears that this criversation was genuine since they discussed the uncusual nature of the work performed by Dr. Weinstein and Gregg's ability to have show without any difficulty. Since this conversation, it is known that Gregg has again visited the offices of Dr. Weinstein, leaving Washington on ar about March 20, 1946

With respect to the checks mentioned above, it is obvious that the incident where Gregg was requested to pick up the checks is highly unusual and a transaction which is not ordinarily carried on between a doctor and a patient. It further appears that Gregg has signed other checks on schalf of or with the knowledge of Weinstein.

The New York and New Haven Field Divisions should immediately examine the bank accounts of Dr. Abraham Weinstein and his brother Norris Weinstein as well as the accounts of their wives, and the accounts of any other relatives which these offices feel would likely be used by the Weinstein's as a clearing house for their funds, in order to attempt to locate the checks signed by Gregg referred to above

The Washington Field Office should attempt to locate the bank account of Joseph Gregg and his wife in Washington and examine same for the purpose of locating these checks.

Efforts should be made by all offices to attempt to determine the meaning of the "checks of the series of the 32" mentioned by Weinstein which may assist in further investigation of this case or in the location and identification of these checks.

The New York Field Division should attempt to identify the individual who signed the above letter on behalf of Meinstein using the initials "R.G." An effort should also be made to identify Betty Heart and determine her background since it is apparent that she has knowledge of the transaction and the activities being carried on between Meinstein and Grego. U

The Washington Field Office should furnish to the Bureau a copy of the letter between Dr. Weinstein and Joseph Gregg dated February 1, 1946, in order that appropriate examination of the handwriting contained thereon might be made by the Laboratory.

It is expected that this matter will be afforded immediate attention and a report be forwarded to the Bureau in the near future.

cc - New Haven Washington 1-22



IN REPLY, PLEASE REPER TO FILE NO. 100-17493 JMG:MCP

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Muited States Department of Justice Washington Field Office, 1435-37 K St.,N.W. Washington 25, D. C.
April 5, 1946



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MAURICE HALPERING SECURITY MATTER

Dear Sir:

It is recommended that a Security Index card be prepared relative to the individual named below:

Name: MAURICE HALPERIN Aliases: "Maury", Maurice Halpern

Residence Address: 9956 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, Maryland

Business Address: \ Unemployed (formerly with State Department)

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Dear Sir:

Please be advised that a security index card has been prepared at the Bureau, captioned as follows:

MALPERIN. MAURICE With aliases: "Mury Murice Halpern

9956 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland (Res.)

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The above caption should be checked immediately for accuracy against the information contained in your files, and the Bureau should be informed of any discrepancies. You will prepare without delay a 5" x 8" white card captioned as above and reflecting your investigative case file number for filing in your Confidential Security Index Card File. In the event the above caption is not correct, the card you prepare should be correctly captioned, and the Bureau should be informed of the correct caption.

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Very truly yours,

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INVESTIGATION REVEALS MRS. MICHAEL GREENBERG RESIDES AT FOUR EIGHT EIGHT FOUR MAC ARTHUR AVENUE, N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C. SHE TOLD INFORMAL THAT HER HUSBAND WORKS FOR QUOTE MR. BYRNES UNQUOTE, AND IS LEAVING FOR TOKYO IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. IN VIEW OF IMMINENT DEPARTURE, SUGGESTED WASHINGTON FIELD ATTEMPT TO SURVEILL FROM RESIDENCE TO GOVERNMENT OFFICE SO THAT PRESENT EMPLOYMENT MAY BE ESTABLISHED CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE R. REFERENCE YOUR TELETYPE YESTERDAY. KARLY LUTSCH NOW RESIDING AT MASSASOIT STREET, SOUTH SUDBURY. EMPLOYED AS TEACHER IN HISTORY DEPARTMENT AT MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

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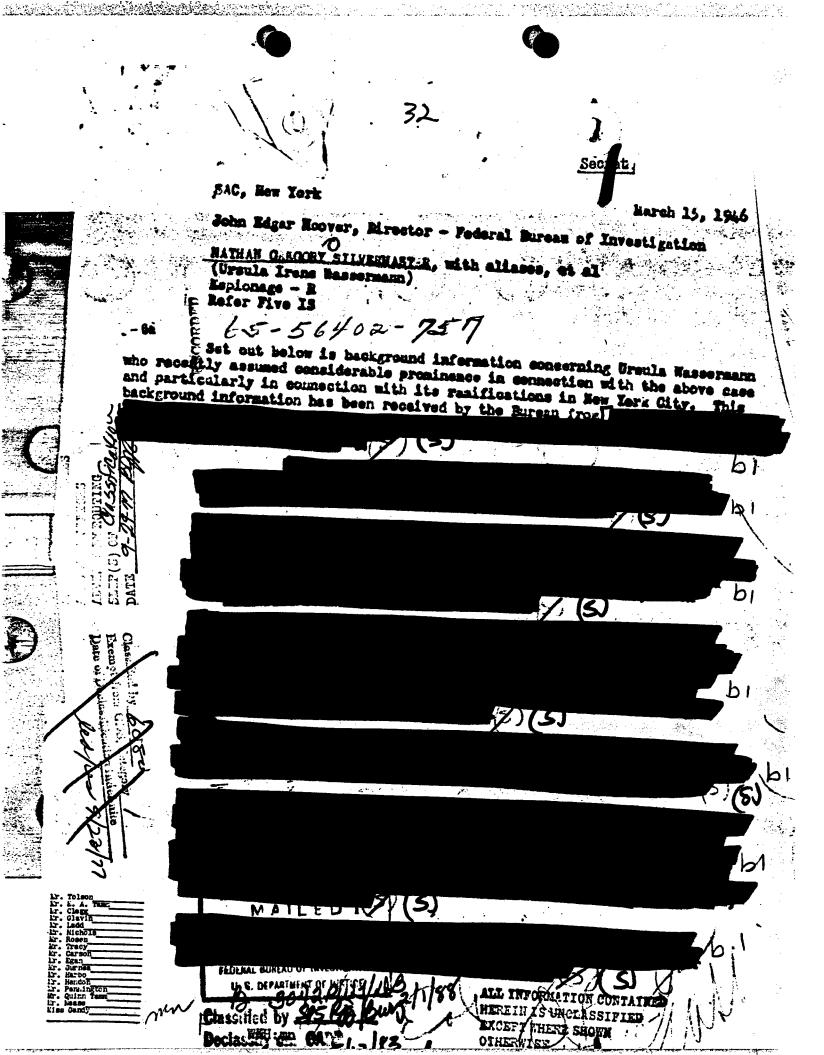


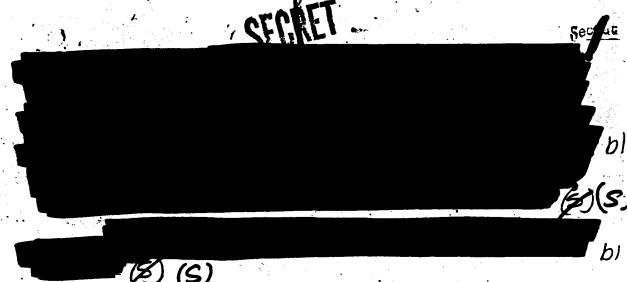




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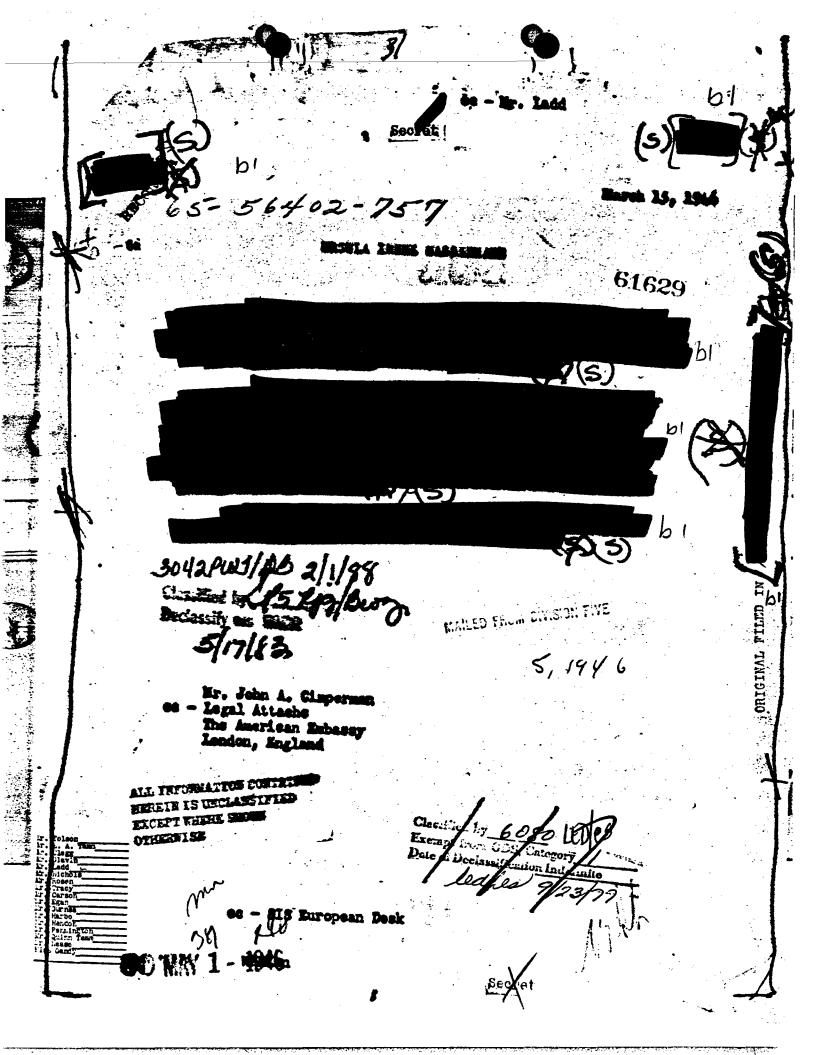


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Inited States Devartment of I Nederal Bureau of Investigation

New York, N. Y.

ON THE PERSON NAMED IN

March 5, 1946

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERWASTER, with aliases, et al; ESPIONAGE - R

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to New York teletype to the Bureau of Warch 4, 1946, setting out information to the effect that URSULAWASSERMAN, a contact of JULE KORCHIEN, associate of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, departed from the United States via the S. S. Pacific Express for Buenos Aires at 5:00 p.m., March 1 instant. Reference teletype pointed out that through the cooperation of U. S. Customs an address book and certain papers carried by WASSER-WAN were made available, and that in the address book appeared the names and addresses of ARTHUMADAMS, J. B. ARANOFF, and a number of other individuals whose names are well known to the Bureau in connection with Espiopage - R and related investigations.

At the time the address book was made available it was photoraphed by Special Agents of the New York Office. A list of the names and identifying information contained in the address book has been prepared in alphabetical order and two copies of same are forwarded as enclosures with this letter for an appropriate check against Bureau indices.

.Also enclosed herewith are two copies of a photograph of URSULA WASSERWAN which were obtained during the course of this investigation. The Bureau may desire to make copies of this photograph available to

For the further information of the Bureau, there is set out herewith additional background information and identifying data concerning URSULA WASSERMAN:

URSULA WASSERMAN was born March 10, 1913, at Hamburg, She is described as 51 4" in height, weighing 130 lbs., and as having brown hair. As is apparent from the photograph and as agents of this office have be described as having Negroid facial characteri observed, she could was

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URSUIA WASSERMAN arrived in the United States on February 23, 1939, and was naturalized August 1, 1944. She was formerly employed by the Office of War Information, by the International Labor Office - Montreal and by the British Information Service, all employment being in New York City as far as is known. She is by occupation an editor and is reported to have functioned as the editor of the "Black Book," which is described as a publication of Jewish Communists edited in the United States. The Book is uslieved to be concerned with the Nazi treatment of the Jews in Germany.

URSULA WASSERMAN travelled on passport number 128716 issued at Washington, D. C., December 20, 1945, and she has a visa which expires May 16, 1946. According to information received her brother, ERNEST WASSER-WAN, resides at 1906 Melian, Buenos Aires.

As was pointed out in reference teletype, WASSERMAN had in her possession certain letters of introduction to persons in the U. S. Embassy in Buenos Aires and to the Tass News Agency correspondent at Montevideo, Uruguay. Photographic copies of these documents and of several other documents in her possession were also obtained and they will be furnished to the Bureau as soon as additional copies can be made.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,

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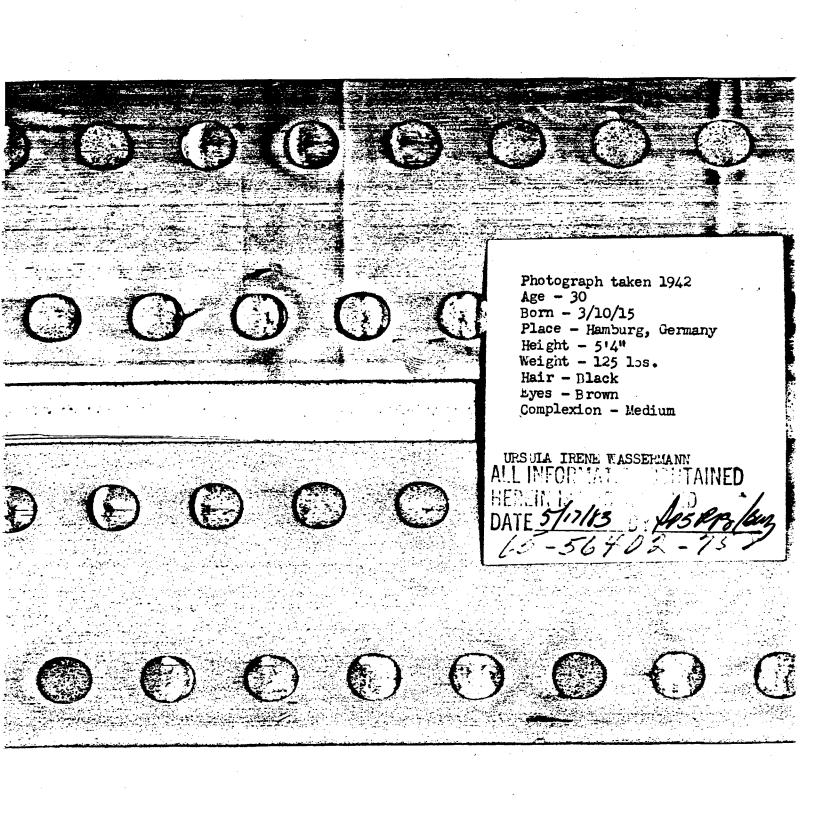
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Shere is transmitted herewith a list of manes and identifying information contained in the address book of Breula Masserman furnished by the New York Field Mivision by letter dated March 5, 1946. You will recall that this address book was in Masserman's possession at the time she dejarted from the Smited States via the S. S. "Pacific Express" for Busness Lives, Argentina, on March 1, 1946.

It is interesting to note that this list contains the manus of Cynthia and John Bierkes, 200 H Street, Southwest, Washington, D. C.; Indicated as amployees of the Treesury Department; Jack Pahy, 1042 - 30th First, Merthwest, Washington, D. C.; Ruth Gruber, Interior Department Lieutenant Colonel Bernard Bernstein, Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C., of whom have contacted subjects in this case being investigated by Washington Field Office.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the New York Office to the Bureau dated March 5, 1946, wherein it was stated that photographic copies of certain documents found in the possession of URSULAXWASSERMAN, a contact of JULES KORCHIEN, associate of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, would be forwarded to the Buréau. In accordance therewith, there are being enclosed two copies of each of the following:

Letter addressed to Mr. Charles Gutwirth, U. S. Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina, signed by Belle Mayer of the General Consel's Office, State Department.

/Letter addressed to Urgula Wasserman, 110 Christopher Street, New York, signed by Hans Freeman, on the stationery of the Tass Telegraph Agency of the U.S.S.R.

Letter addressed to Grigori Stepanian, Tass correspondent, Yontevideo, Uruguay, signed by Hans Freeman, on the stationery of the Tass Telegraph Agency.

Face sheet of a printer's copy of the Black Book." It is to be noted that Wasserman had the printer's copy of this book in her possession and it was not bound but was in loose-leaf form.

Letter to Sue Burnett, U. S. Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina,

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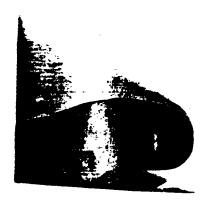
Grigori Stepanian
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Montevideo, Uruguay

Dear Grigori,

This will introduce Ursula Wasserman, a friend of mine, who is going to Argentina to do some magazine articles. You will find her a very well-informed as well as a charming acquaintance.

With warm greetings,

Han, Freman



Washington, D. C. February 6, 1946

Mr. Charles Gutwirth U. S. Embasey Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear Charles:

This will introduce to you Ersala Wasserman, a good friend of mine and of several of our colleagues.

Ersala expects to be in Argentina for awhile and I am sure you will find her most congenial. Any tips you may be able to give her on lodging, where-to-find-scotch, and whols who about town will be greatly appreciated by me.

Sincerely. Rayel

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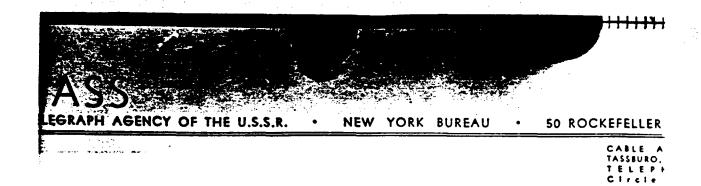
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Miss Sue Burnett U. S. Enbassy Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear Sue:

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February 16, 1946

Ursula Wasserman 110 Christopher Street New York, New York

Dear Ursula,

Here is that letter of introduction I promised to send you. Unfortunately I do not know Stepanian's address in Montevideo, but I'm sure that you'll have no trouble locating him.

With best wishes,

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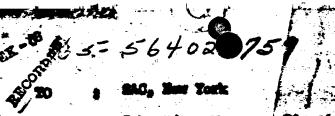
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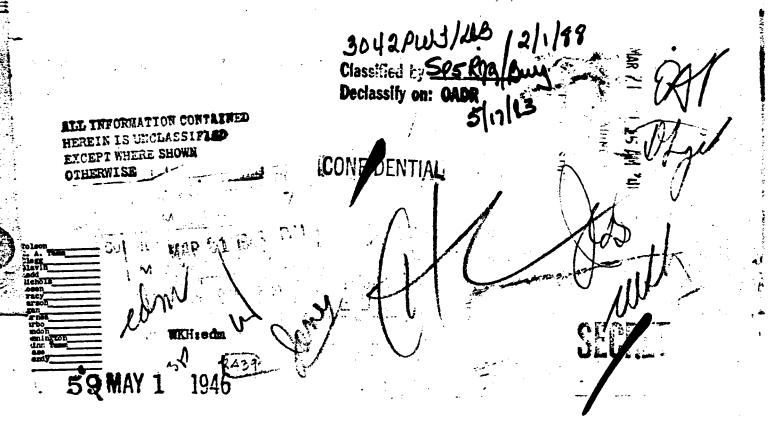
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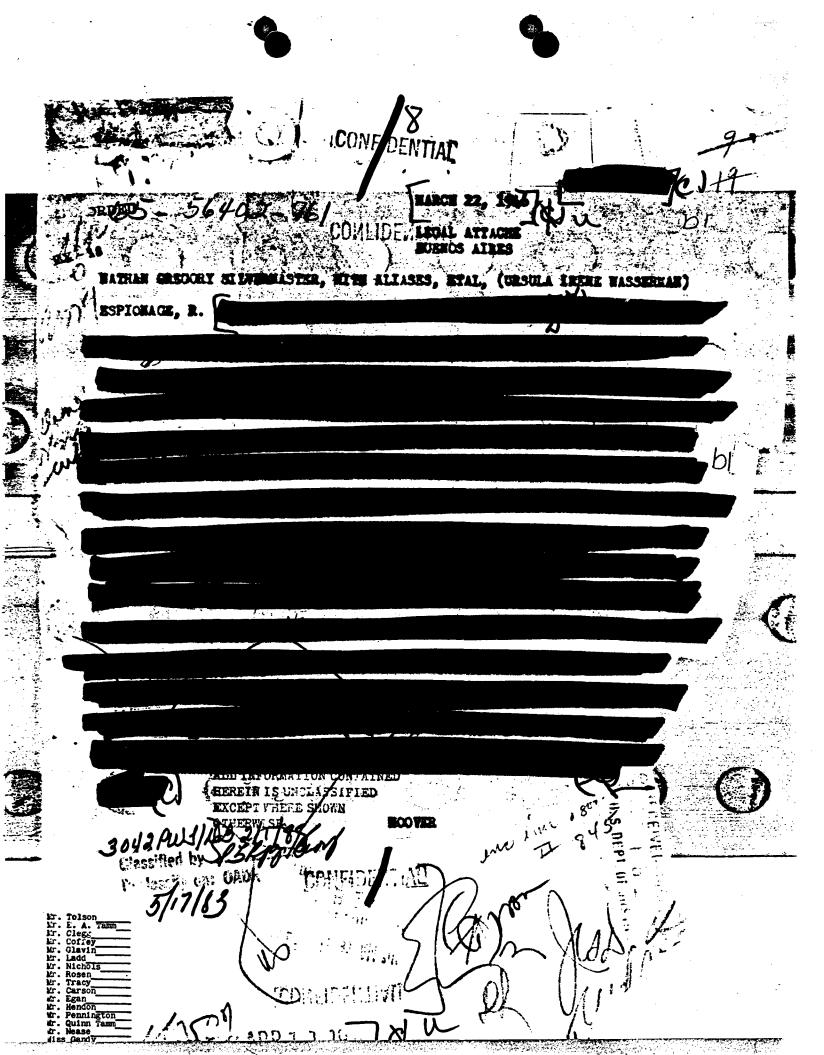
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In view of the information recently developed concerning Wasserman and her activities in connection with the above end other cases, it is desired that most intensive attention be given to this particular phase of the above case.

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SYNOPSIS:

DONALD LET WEST, GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN and LEG HUBERMAN, contacts of CEDRIC EXIFRAGE, identified. RAY EISON'S current activities apparently routine. Her recent contacts identified. RAY said she and husband receiving dental treatment from prominent dentist, a former employer of RAY, who does their work for a nominal cost because of earlier patrohage.

Confidential Informant CREGORY believes one FRANK COE, of Treative Legartment, furnished information to SILVERMASTERS sometimes via HARRY D. WHITE.

Recalls also that WORMAN FURSLER (ph.), an attorney in Anti-Trust Division of Justice Department, furnished material to HELEN SILVERMASTER. "New York World-Telegram" article, 1-29-16, attacked excessive charges on packages sent to Russia via U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. and WORLD TOURISTS. Did not name Informant or JOHN H. REYNOLDS. AMTORG has demanded copy of contract between U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING and INTOURIST; not furnished to

No significant contacts made by MAURICE HALPERIN IN NIC 1/23-25/46, although he may have registered at hotel under assumed name.

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN'S activities appear to be of business nature.

1-28-46, identified. Set accounts of JOHN H. REYNOLDS examined; also, routine small account of PETER RHODES, who is moving to Amenia, N.Y. DONALD WEST, ANNA LOUISE STRONG, BARNEY JOSEPHSON, RAY and JOSEPH ELSON, et al, have been in contact with Dr. A. B. MEINSTEIN's office, apparently in connection with dental work. TOTORY failed to identify recent photo of WEINSTEIN. LAUCHLIN CURRIE de arted for England 1-14-46. Background information on ALBERT E. KAHN and DUNCAN C. LEE set out.

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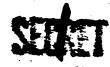
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The title of this case is being marked "Changed" to reflect the full and complete name of subject Lieutenant Colonel DUNCAN CHAPLIN LEE.

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Re: CEDRIC HENNING HELFRAGE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent
Lewrence W. Spillane:

On January 7, 1946, both the impending appearance of DOMMEST before a group meeting. At that time MOLLY HELFRACE stated that WEST is on sabbatical leave from a school at Inla, Georgia, where he is superintendent of the schools. She also stated that WEST was of original Georgian background and was presently attending Teachers' College, Columbia University, preliminary to his return to Georgia to run for Congress against Congressman Woods, of the reorganized Dies Committee.

On January 3, 1946,

BELFRACE was contacted by an individual who identified himself as CLAUDE back and that a discussion took place at that time concerning a proposed meeting with a mutual friend (EARL ERONDER), to take place at 2:00 P. M. on January 4, 1946, at 55 West 42nd Street, New York City. At that time the unidentified CLAUDE stated that he had received a telegram from DON advising of this meeting.

It has previously been reported that a physical surveillance was conducted to identify the unknown individuals who would be present with EARL * BROWDER and BELFRACE, and, as a result of this surveillance, it is noted that an unknown individual who was later identified as DONALD IEE WEST was surveilled to FURNALD HALL, a dormitory at Columbia University, New York City.

The registrar's office at Teachers' College, Columbia University, reflected that DONAID LEE WEST was a student at Teachers' College of Columbia University, where he had been since September, 1945, and that he did reside in room 427, FURNAID HALL, at Columbia University. He is registered at Teachers' College for the winter session, 1945-1946, which will be completed at the end of January, 1946. WEST is studying "Guided Professional Development," a university seminar on rural life. These records further reflect that WEST was born on June 6, 1908, at Cantecay, Georgia, and that his permanent residence is Iula, Georgia. His references were listed as Dr. ALVA W. TAYLOR, 101 Bowling Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee, and JOHN E. JONES, pos tmaster at Iula, Georgia.

A review of the files of the New York Field Division revealed that



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DONALD IEE WEST is the subject of an INTERNAL SECURITY - C file with Atlanta, Georgia, as origin. This file disclosed that WEST has long been known as a Communist sympathizer and as an active Communist in Georgia.

advised that on January 21, 1946, an individual by the name of FRIEDA contacted DONAL WEST while he was at the office of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, 20 East 53rd Street, New York City. Further information regarding DON WEST'S contacts with the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN have been previously set out under the caption "Dr. ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN."

On January 17, 1946,

MOLLY BELFRAGE contacted LOUIS FISHER and advised him that her husband,
CEDRIC BELFRAGE, had lunch yesterday with V. J. JEROME, during which time
they discussed a controversy about EARL BROWDER. She further indicated that
CEDRIC BELFRAGE told JEROME that he had two Communists, a leftist and a
rightist, in his outfit in Germany who were always complaining about each
other, and BELFRAGE was attempting to impress them of the necessity of working together. This informant further indicated that B. J. JEROME seemed
impressed with this view and he desired to have a conference between JOE
NORTH, Mr. and Mrs. BELFRAGE and several other individuals

On January 23, 1946, BELFRAGE was contacted by IEO IUBENDIN (phonetic), at which time a meeting was arranged for 1:00 P. M. on January 29, 1946, at 8 West 40th Street, twenty-first floor, New York City, which he stated is the firm of REYNAL & HITCHCOCK, INC., publishers.

On January 25, 1946, this informant stated BELFRAGE contacted Mrs. TRUDA RIENT at REctor 2-4100, at which time he indicated that he would meet her on the following Tuesday at Grand Central Station.

On January 28, 1946, advised that an unknown woman contacted BELFRAGE and indicated that Mr. HERMER went to Texas on business and she requested that their meeting for the following Wednesday be canceled and that HELFRAGE could see Mr. HERMER when he returned.

A review of the files of the New York Field Division revealed that the file entitled "ALEXANDRE SEMENOVICE FOMINE, was.; INTERNAL SECURITY - R" indicated that Mrs. GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN, with aliases TRUDA RIENT and TRUDA CANGADAREN, was employed in New York City by the British Government working as a translator in the office of the British Security Coordinator in 1943. This file further reflected that GANGADAREN was born in Czechoslovakia and that she married an individual from India and is presently

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Soviet citizen, was married in the USSR and that both she and her husband were medical students in Moscow, Russia. This file further reflected that her husband had been placed in a Soviet prison prison camp and no information has been received regarding him since that time. It is reported that she associated with a British Consul General at Moscow, Russia, in the summer of 1941 and that at that time she obtained a British passport which is believed to have been stolen, and that this passport was signed by the British Consul General while he was in an intoxicated condition. While in Moscow she lived with WILLIAM C. ARMSTRONG, who had been a clerk at the American Embassy and who was last reported as an employee of the office of Lend Lease under JOHN HAZZARD, 515 Second Street, Washington, D. C.

This file further reflected that for a short while GANGADAREN had been employed by the office of the United States Military Attache in Moscow, Russia, but that she had been discharged from this position because she was "too hot to handle." It was further reported that she has a son, PETER GANGADAREN, and that she makes frequent trips to Washington, D. C. It was further indicated that GANGADAREN was appointed as a clerk in the American Embassy at Moscow, Russia, on October 15, 1940, and she resigned on August 12, 1941. She was born on February 2, 1912, at Brunn, Czechoslovakia, and her father, FRANZ RIENT, who was born in Germany, died in 1934. It was further indicated that she came to the United States with JOHN MARSALKA, who had been a clerk in the American Embassy at Moscow, Russia.

This file further reflected that JOHN EDWARD, WHITE, who had been in Russia during the late 1930's and who had contact with alleged OGPU agents in Russia, stated that he was acquainted with TRUDA GANGADAREN in Moscow, Russia. He advised that GANGADAREN was a woman who was continuously comple about the Soviet activities and would bring up that subject with all individuals she came in contact with, and WHITE further stated that anyone feeling sympathetic with her would naturally express his opinions also. WHITE stated that later he suspected she was connected with the GPU and that her sob stories were nothing more than a front in order to obtain information. He further indicated that he was of the opinion that she was connected with the GFU and that she probably had been instructed to check on his activities during the time that she resided in his apartment. At a later date WHITE told GANGADAREN that she would have to leave his apartment and she obtained a new apartment, much to his surprise, where WHITE had met one of the GPU agents. He stated that this apartment occupied by GANGADAREN was the identical apartment where he had previously met the GPU agent.





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further indicated that it was extremely difficult to obtain an apartment in Moscow, Russia, at that time, and without some Russian official connection it was impossible to obtain an apartment in a good district.

money and he could never figure out where she was obtaining this, because she never worked. He further indicated that it was his opinion that GANGADAREN obtained a position in the American Embassy in Moscow, Russia, merely for the purpose of spying on them and reporting the Embassy activities to the GPU.

WHITE described GANGADAREN as follows:

Height: 5'4"
Weight: 130 lbs.
Build: Husky
Hair: Blond
Eyes: Very attractive
Complexion: Very beautiful

Marital status: Married
Relatives: Son, PETER
Languages: Speaks very

Speaks very good English; also speaks German, French, Czechoslovakian and Russian.

On January 29, 1946, a physical surveillance was conducted on CEDRIC BELFRAGE by Special Agents Francis D. O'Brien and Lawrence W. Spillane.

At 12:45 P. M. on this date BELFRAGE was observed entering 8 West 40th Street, New York City, at which time he was carrying a brown leather zipper case.

At 12:55 P. M. BELFRAGE and an unknown man left 8 West 40th Street and proceeded to the Champs Elysees Restaurant, Madison Avenue and East 40th Street, New York City, where they had lunch. BELFRAGE and the unknown man left this restaurant and parted at 2:50 P. M. at 8 West 40th Street, New York City, and at that time BELFRAGE went to the Life Extension Building, 7-9 East 44th Street, New York City.

Upon leaving this building, BELFRACE proceeded to the New York Public Library, 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City, where he entered at 3:14 P. M. and proceeded to the reading room, No. 315. At 4:10



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P. M. BEIFRAGE was observed talking to an unknown man in the main lobby of the public library.

At 4:20 P. M. BELFRACE left the public library and bearied by taxicab that took him to Abingdon Square, New York City, and BELFRACE was observed entering 302 West 12th Street, New York City, at 4:29 P. M.

It is noted at this time that the address of 302 West 12th Street, New York City, is the eddress of MARK J GAYN, one of the principal subjects in the PHILIP JACOB JAFFE, was., et al, file.

At 6:09 P. M. BELFRAGE left 302 West 12th Street, New York City, and boarded a subway with the final destination of Grand Central Station. BELFRAGE then entered a cocktail lounge of Churchill's Restaurant at 42nd Street and Park Avenue, where he appeared tobe waiting for someone.

At 7:00 P. M. an unknown woman joined EELFRAGE for cocktails at his table at Churchill's Restaurant and they then entered the dining room of this restaurant, where they proceeded to have dinner.

At 9:52 P. M. on this date BEIFRAGE and the unknown woman left Churchill's Restaurant and boarded a taxi with the final destination of 15 West 87th Street, New York City. BEIFRAGE and the unknown woman then entered 15 West 87th Street at 10:10 P. M. and it was noted that the letter boxes at this address revealed that RIENT and GANGADAREN occupy one of the apartments at this address.

From the personal observation and a photograph of GERTRUDE RIEM GANGADAREN, with aliases, it is believed that the unknown woman who met BELFRAGE at Churchill's Restaurant can be identified as GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN.

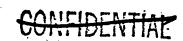
On January 30, 1946, a photograph of GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN was shown to GREGORY, but she advised that she was not acquainted with and had not seen the individual in this photograph.

Regarding the individuals who contacted BELFRAGE on January 23, 1946, and whose name is believed to be <u>LEO LUBENDIN</u>, the telephone directory was examined for the various spellings of the name LUBENDIN and it was noted that <u>LEO HUBERMAN</u> resides at 66 Barrow Street, New York City. A review of the file entitled "LEO HUBERMAN; INTERNAL SECURITY - C" revealed that

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Bureau, advised that HUBERMAN is currently the director of the PAMPHLET PRESS. A further examination of the New York telephone directory revealed that the PAMPHLET PRESS is located at 8 West 40th Street, New York City, and maintains the same telephone listing as REYNAL & HITCHCOCK, INC.

had been in almost aily contact with LOUISE ROSENBERG FRANSTEN and that ERANSTEN had lived for short periods with HUBERMAN. It is further noted that HUBERMAN resides at 66 Barrow Street, New York City, and was formerly employed by the U. S. INTERNATIONAL BOOK ASSOCIATION at 27 West 67th Street, New York City, and that he has associated with leading figures of the NMU as well as with prominent leaders of the Communist Party in the New York area.

It was further ascertained that HUBERMAN had been formerly employed as the public relations director of the NMU, 346 West 17th Street, New York City.

This file further revealed that while HUBERMAN was in San Francisco during January of 1943 he resided at the home of LOUISM BRANSTEN, during which time he was on union business, being frequently in contact with CIO and NAU officials.

A photograph of LEO HUBERMAN was obtained from the above and from an examination of this photograph by agents who observed BELFRAGE with the unknown man on January 29, 1946, it is believed that this individual who was seen with BELFRAGE is LEO HUBERMAN.

IEO HUBERMAN is described as follows:

10/17/03, Newark, N. J. Borne 5174 Height: 165 lbs. Weight: Eyes: Brown Brown Hair: Married Marital status: Writer Occupation: Residence: 66 Barrow St.

As a result of a mail cover placed on CEDRIC BELFRACE, it is revealed that he received mail from the following individuals:



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| 1/9/46 | Professor SERGE CHERMAYOFF Brooklyn College Brooklyn, N. Y. | |
| Same date | NANCY C. MANGLEY 130 North Camellia Avenue West Los Angeles, Cal. | |
| 1/21/46 | H (illegible) HOGUE 46 Fairington Road Croton-on-the-Hudson, N. Y. | |
| Same date | ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL 30 West Washington St. Chicago, Ill. | |
| 1/22/46 | WERT 40 Primrose Gardens Apt. London, North West 3 | |
| 1/23/46 | 427 Furnald Hall Columbia University | |
| Same date | The Bell Syndicate, Inc. 247 West 43rd St. New York City | |
| 1/25/46 | MARAFFNEY 2330 Valentine Avenue New York | |

Regarding Professor SERGE IVAN CHERMAYEFF, the files of the New York Field Division reveal that he was appointed as chairman of the Brooklyn College Art Department on February 1, 1942. It was further reflected that he was born on October 8, 1900, in Russia; that he spent ten years in England; that he is a British citizen; that he arrived in the United States in 1940; that he presently resides at 301 East 21st Street, New York City.

The files of the New York Field Division reflected that one WENDERD TOGUE, 46 Farrington Road, Croton-on-the-Hudson, New York, is the



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principal of the Croton-on-the-Hudson High School. This file reflected that he was born at Franklinville, New York, is of Scotch descent and is a member of the CHARLES HAFOX American Legion Post No. 505. It is not known whether this individual is identical with HOGUE who corresponded with BELFRACE.

It has previously been not. that LOUIS FISHER, who has been in frequent contact with MOLLY HELFRAGE, according to is a well known-writer. The files of the New York Field Division revealed that STEVE NELSON wrote to LILLIAN HELLMAN and stated that he met her in Valencia in 1937 with LOUIS FISHER.

An examination of Who's Who in American Jewery revealed that LOUIS FISHER, writer, was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on October 11, 1885, that he had been a correspondent for The Nation in the USSR and that he is the author of numerous books, among which are "The Soviet in World Affairs" and "Why Recognize Russia."

An examination of the New York Herald Tribune dated May 11, 1941, revealed that IOUIS FISHER wrote "Men in Politics," an autobiography which deals for the most part with the experiences he had in Europe from 1918 to 1939. This article reflected that FISHER considered himself through with Russia when the purge took place and Russia regarded the Geneva conferences very lightly. FISHER interviewed many prominent Russian leaders and he personally knew many OGPU agents and Russian Commissars. FISHER stated "I am anti-Soviet now because I think the Soviet Government is doing more harm than good" and "Stalin made a fatal blunder by aligning himself with Hitler." It is further noted that IOUIS FISHER was interviewed regarding ARTHUR ALEXSANDROVICE ADAMS.



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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

The following investigation of the activities of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN covering the period from January 7 to February 4, 1946, is reported by Special Agent Francis D. O'Brien.

Bureau, and who has observed the activities of BROTHMAN over a period of time, has advised that BROTHMAN has continued to work in his place of employment for the past month, with the exception of one week in January, which was believed to be January 7 to January 14, at which time BROTHMAN is reported to have been a guest of FRED BRIEHL, at his home in Kingston, New York. BRIEHL is a well-known Communist in the NewYork area.

In conjunction with BROTUMAN's activities of a business nature, reported that BROTHMAN held a conference with a Mr. BOWEN of the BOWEN ENGINFERING COMPANY, Garwood, NewJersey, at which time BROTHMAN advised BOWEN that he was developing resins for the Chinese Government.

This same informant advised on February 4, 1946 that BROTHMAN indicated that he was desirous of publishing some articles on work in the chemical field and that he had contacted Mr. Jelive of the McGRAW HILL PUBLISHING COMPANY in connection with this publication.

From this same informant, it was learned that a Mr. IUDWIG MUSET held a conference with BROTHMAN and during this conference, BROTHMAN indicated that he felt he had developed a polemerization method that could be patented.

On January 16, 1946,
BILL BROWDER, brother of EARL BROWDER, former Secretary of the Communist
Party, USA, had been in touch with BROTHLAN's office in an attempt to interest them in his new pamphlet entitled, "Distributors Guide". This same
informant has advised that BROTHMAN might possibly be attempting to do some
technical work for the KAISER CORPORATION inasmuch as an official of that
company had requested BROTHMAN's secretary to furnish the official with a
biography of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN.

hal /advised that on January 22, 1945, one MILLY conferred with MIRIAM MARKOWITZ, secretary to ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, and asked her if she were doing anything to better herself as

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a Communist Party member, stating that she has removed herself from the struggle. Continuing, MILLY told MIRIAM that she had no excue ow. to BROTHMAN.) MILLY told MIRIAM that she should arrange her work so that she could go to the club and help out on the picket lines and also to do combat the Christian frontists. MIRIAM agreed with MILLY and she promised activities of MIRIAM MARKOWITZ is to be conducted and will be reported in

A mail cover has been placed on the business house of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, 114 East 32 Street, New York City, and it appears that most of the mail received by the firm has been from legitimate business contacts. However, on January 22, 1946, a letter was addressed to ABRAHAM BROTHMAN BROTHMAN BROTHMAN BROTHMAN BROTHMAN SEW York City. The MUSIC ROOM is owned and operated by ERIC BERNAY and Division on ERIC BERNAY. The character of this case is Internal Security-R





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LAUCHLIN CURRIE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE from January 7th to January 14th, 1946.

SURVEILLANCE

Spot check physical surveillances were maintained on CURRIE from January 2nd until the time of his departure for England on January 14, 1946.

Physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE on January 2, 1946. CURRIE spent the most of his day at his home, 61 East 86th Street, and his office, the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, 19 Rector Street. He also visited the Sherry-Netherland Hotel. It is believed that while at the Sherry-Netherland Hotel he visited IEO SPITZ. Background information concerning IEO SPITZ has been set out in prior reports.

On January 3, 1946, the surveilling agent was Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE. On this date at 9:02 A.M. CURRIE left his apartment building, 61 East 86th Street, walked east on 86th Street to the Lexington Avenue subway which he rode to the Wall Street station from whence he walked to and entered his offices at 19 Rector Street. At 11:30 A.M. CURRIE was observed at his office seated at his desk. At 1:24 P.M. CURRIE left his office at 19 Rector Street, walked east on Rector Street to Broadway where he boarded an uptown IRT subway train and rode to 42nd Street and changed to a local train and rode to 51st Street and left the train. CURRIE proceeded on foot to the General Electric Building, 570 Lexington Avenue, where he entered at 1:57 P.M.

On January 4, 1946, the surveilling agent was Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE. On this date, surveillance reflected that CURRIE devoted his time between his office at 19 Rector Street and his home at 61 East 86th Street.

On January 10, 1946, spot check surveillance was conducted and no pertinent contacts were observed.

On January 11, 1946, spot check surveillance by Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEFE reflected that CURRIE spent his time at his home, 61 East 86th Street and at his office, 19 Rector Street, and also at the Sherry-Netherland Hotel, 59th Street and Fifth Avenue, where it is believed that



contacted IEO SPITZ concerning whom information has been set out in vious reports.

On January 14, 1946, the surveilling agent was Special Agent HOWARD C. KIERE. On this date at 11:15 A.M. Mrs. CURRIE was observed parking her car near the entrance of the apartment building on the north side of East 86th Street. The car is a 1942 cream-colored DeSoto four-door Sedan and was bearing District of Columbia license plates #659. At 9:16 P.M. CURRIE accompanied by his wife, young son and his business associate, MELVIN FAGEN, arrived at the Marine Terminal Base in CURRIE's DeSoto car. CURRIE and MELVIN FAGEN boarded a land based clipper of the Pan-American World Airways and departed at 10:00 P.M. for Hurn, England. Mr. MARCEL IAMOUR, Traffic Department, Pan-American World Airways, made available the outgoing manifest for the flight on which CURRIE was aboard for flight. The plane was scheduled to reach Hurn, England, at about 10:00 P.M. January 15, 1946.

CURRIE was travelling on United States passport #27181 and had ticket #216779. He indicated his occupation as industrial development and had two bags as luggage. MELVIN FAGEN was travelling on United States passport #27180 and had ticket #216780. FAGEN indicated his occupation as an economist and had three bags listed as luggage.

Informant advised on January 6, 1946, that CURRIE was contacted by WEREERT and that they discussed business matters. CURRIE advised HEREERT that he is going to Washington tomorrow and is not returning until Wednesday. During the course of the conversation CURRIE advised HERBERT that he has to see his Swiss bank friend and also the Italian is coming up to see him in the morning, and since he wants to leave for Washington in the early afternoon he will not have too much time to accomplish this. CURRIE mentions that he has a lease on a Park Avenue building and may be able to move in about the 15th of March or 1st of April. CURRIE refers to the building as a former art gallery.

On January 12, 1946, Informant advised that CURRIE contacted JERRY at the Savoy-Plaza Hotel. CURRIE discussed his coming trip to Europe and stated that he is leaving Monday by plane and would be back in about six







On January 14, 1946, Informant advised that CURRIE contacted HERMAN STAR and asked STAR for the address of LOBBY (ph.) LAWRENCE. LAWRENCE is presumably in London and CURRIE wants to contact him there. CURRIE indicated that he was going from London to Zurich on Saturday and that he would stay at the Savoy in London () U

On the same date, Informant advised that a MAX MERNER contacted CURRIE. MAX advised CURRIE that he was not aware of his impending trip and asked if he could see him soon. WERNER gave CURRIE some names of persons to see in Europe whom he had seen on a previous occasion and they discussed one or two of these, one of whom MAX said is the present Bavarian prime minister.

On the same date, Informant advised that PETER CARR contacted CURRIE and asked CURRIE to call his mother, HONOR CARR, in London, and also asked him to say a word at the Embassy in London to expedite matters to that HONOR CARR can get to the United States as quickly as possible

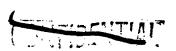
On the same date, Informant advised that Mr. SCOTT (probably SCOTT of MERRITT, CHAPMAN AND SCOTT, 17 Battery Place) contacted CURRIE and discussed the possibility of taking part in the harbor reconstruction in France. SCOTT indicated that he was not interested because they only want plans in France where SCOTT would want to do actual construction.

"Newsweek" dated January 21, 1946, on page 37 contained the follow-ing information concerning LAUCHLIN CURRIE:

"A Washington office a block from the Export-Import Bank and a New York office just off Wall Street put Currie close to the tap roots of American finance. A Detroit engineering firm contracted to furnish technical skills to his clients. Last week, with management contracts in hand for \$15,000,000 in foreign construction, he incorporated Lauchlin Currie & Co. On Monday of last week, he took a plane for Europe to give the jobs a once-over.

Currie will shortly gain a quasi-partner, Robert Nathan, recently deputy reconversion chief. Through his own firm, Nathan will provide sales representation for American firms abroad and foreign firms here, exchanging business opportunities with Currie through a mutually owned concern. Other ex-New Dealers now in the armed forces will join the firm.





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reasonably efficient and interested in his job. In business, you've got to pick those who earn more than their pay. **

The mail cover reflected the following letters sent to CURRIE

December 20, 1945

McGraw Hill Publishing Company, 330 West 42nd Street, N.Y.C.

H. R. Cary, 9 Hastings Lane, West Medford #55, Massachusetts

December 31, 1945

January 8, 1946

January 8, 1946

January 11, 1946

National Foreign Trade Council, Inc. 26 Beaver Street.

Benjadin Sonnenberg, 247 Fark Lyenue.

S. W. Leidesdorf & Co., 125 Park Avenue.

F. Coe, 2700-36th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

Council of Foreign Relations, 58 East 68th Street, New York 21, New York

American Academy of Political and Social Science, 3457 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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No further investigation will be conducted concerning IAUCHLIN
CURRIE until his return to the United States which, according to information
received from should be about March 1, 1946.

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Re: Mrs. RAY ELSON, W

The following investigative activity concerning Mrs. RAY ELSON, 161 West 16 Street, New York City, is reported by Special Agent HOWARD R. HAWKINS.

Miss HANNAH M. EGAN, Dean of the Junior and Semior Students, HUNTER COLLEGE, 695 Park Avenue, advised that Mrs. RAY SHUCHTER ELSON attended day sessions at Hunter College from 1940 to 1942. In the spring of 1941 Mrs. RAY ELSON indicated that she had attended regular meetings of the AMERICAN STUDENT UNION at HUNTER COLLEGE during 1940 and 1941. Miss EGAN advised that the AMERICAN STUDENT UNION was disbanded at HUNTER COLLEGE in 1941 and recalled that the organization at that college had followed the Communist Party line during the time that it was active there.

The records at HUNTER COILEGE further reflected that RAY EISON was first admitted to that college in February, 1936, at which time her residence was 315 West 19 Street, New York City. Subsequently she resided at 636 West 136 Street, New York City. The records reflected that she was born May 6, 1910, in Chicago, Illinois, and was of the Jewish Religion. Her father was listed as MANDEL SHUCHTER, who was at that time deceased. Her mother's name before marriage was SHEINDL PAUL, whose occupation was housewife, born in Czenstochova, Poland.

RAY EISON graduated from Hunter College on September 1, 1942, receiving an AB degree. While at Hunter College her courses of study consisted primarily of Psychology, Languages and Social Sciences. She attended there in 1936 and from 1940 to 1942. Her record there contains a transcript of her record at DePAUL UNIVERSITY and TULEY High School, Chicago, Illinois. It further appeared that on Jamary 8, 1940, she had been demied readmission to this college because of previous condition in Intermediate Algebra. This decision was changed on February 2, 1940, at which time she was allowed to re-enter the school.

As set forth in reference report RAY EISON went to the GREENWICH SAVINGS BANK, 16th Street and Avenue of the Americas on January 18, 1946. Special Agent (A) CARL L. BENNETT made inquiry at this bank. It was learned that neither RAY EISON, nor her husband JOSEPH EISON have an account or a safe-deposit box at that bank.

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On Jamuary 22, 1946, at 9:20 a.m. a person known as JACK MACMICHAEL telephoned the EISON apartment and asked to speak to Mrs. RAY EISON. JOSEPH EISON informed MACMICHAEL that RAY was not at home at that time, but could be reached at Murray Hill 4-6640 in approximately 20 minutes. MACMICHAEL stated that he is with the METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL SERVICE.

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The telephone number of Murray Hill 4-664D is that of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, 205 E. 42 Street, New York City. Information concerning the previous contact between RAY EISON and JACK MACHICHAEL is set forth in reference report.

On Jamuary 23, 1946, at 6:10 p.m. JOE EISON telephoned RAY EISON.

He informed RAY that he was going to a lecture that evening. RAY stated that she would go to a movie. Both agreed to be how about 10 p.m.

On January 21, at 1:35 p.m. an incoming unanswered call was reported. On the same date at 7 p.m. confidential informant GREGORY spoke to RAY. GREGORY told RAY not to be alarmed at anything she might see in the newspapers in the next few days. She told RAY the NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM had investigated WORLD TOURISTS. GREGORY said that as far as ahe could see this story would not involve either RAY or herself, and added that she saw it coming, but could do nothing about it. It was also stated by GREGORY that BERDANSKY is win the middle" and has been complaining to GREGORY that he got into something that he knew nothing about. RAY and GREGORY made a date for dinner on January 31 and agreed to meet at 7 p.m. at CHUMIEY'S restaurant. RAY was to be accompanied at this time by her husband.

on the same date at 8:30 p.m. RAY spoke to MURRAY KANE and inquired concerning JOSEPHINE KANE. RAY inquired if it would be all right for them to come up for about an hour. It was agreed that it would be all right and RAY said they would be up in about fifteen mimutes

On January 25 at 8:15 a.m. a person known as JEANETTE (phonetic) spoke to RAY EISON. Part of the conversation was in French and they made an appointment to meet at 7 p.m. at DuMidi Restaurant

On Mamiary 26 at 12:33 p.m. an incoming call was reported from a person known as SULIO)phonetic) to RAY EISON. He stated that he liked to visit the EISONS sometime and stated to RAY that he attends the same school that is attended by "JCE", but that he goes to school on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. SULIO stated he could be reached at the IAWRENCE FREITAG AGENCY, 149 Madison Avenue. It appeared from the conversation that SULIO lives in Jackson Heights, Long Island.

On January 27 no activity was reported by this confidential informanty

On Jamuary 28 incoming calls were reported at 2:17 p.m. and 6:10 p.m. neither of which were answered. At 9:25 p.m. on the same date an incoming call was reported from a person known as JEAN BARCLAY (phonetic) to RAY EISON. It appeared that JOE and RAY were to meet JEAN on this date and had gone to the offices of the INO, looking for JEAN, but had been informed she was not there. JEAN stated that she works on the 10th floor at IWO and that today was her first day there. RAY EISON stated that they looked for JEAN at the

EMILY BURNEISTER restaurant, but the was not there either. JEAN stated that she got tired of working for social DEMOCRATS, especially on Saturdays and Sundays and so started that she could not understand not in the Jewish Department. When RAY stated that she could not understand not finding JEAN at IWO today. JEAN said it was her first day and that "I am JEAN WALAWAN (pronetic), get it?". They made a date for next Monday evening at 6 p.m. and I was agreed that JEAN would meet RAY at RAY'S restaurant. RAY also stated during the conversation that she had worked at a different office on this date. They also discussed a JOSEPHINE, whom JEAN had known for about ten years. The JOSEPHINE referred to above is believed to be JOSEPHINE KANE, who resides in apartment 9-I at 161 West 16 Street, New York City. (**)

On the same date at 9:40 p.m., an unidentified woman spoke to RAY and informed RAY that she was working near 40th Street and Madison Avenue. They made a date for lunch on January 29 and agreed to meet at 1:15 p.m. at Stoffers Restaurant at 42nd Street, across from Grand Central Station.

On the same date at 10:05 p.m. RAY spoke to a person known as RUTH (believed to be RUTH MILLER). RUTH asked RAY to come to herapartment and get some things that belonged to RAY, to which RAY agreed.

On January 29 at 6:30 p.m. RAY telephoned a person known as LOUISE believed to be LOUISE SCHATZ. RAY stated she was waiting for JOE to come home and that they then planned to go to dinner and to a movie. She told LOUISE that she had seen RUTH and CON (phonetic) last evening for a few minutes and said she was working at the Federation on a campaign. RAY made a date with LOUISE for February 2 to go for a walk and LOUISE promised to call and tell RAY when she could meet her on that date.

On January 29 and January 30 no activities were reported by this informant.

Physical Surveillance - January 21 to January 31, 1946

On January 21, 1946, RAY EISON spent the day at the offices of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, 205 E. 42nd Street, New York City. She left this address at 5:40 p.m. and proceeded to her residence at 161 West 16 Street, making some purchases. At 6:30 p.m. an unknown man was observed in the apartment and at 6:40 p.m. JOE EISON returned home. At 7 p.m. JOE EISON and this unidentified man left 161 West 16 Street. They walked to the nearby post office and a few minutes later returned to the ELSON residence. During the evening an unidentified girl was also observed in the EISON apartment. At 10:35 p.m. the unidentified man and woman mentioned above left 161 West 16 Street. They proceeded to 349 E. 32nd Street, where they entered. After a reasonable time the surveilling agents observed a light appearing in the top floor apartment (right) at this address.

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As set out below it has been determined that these two people were ROBERT and SHIRLEY EISON, who reside at 349 East 32nd Street, New York City.

On January 22 RAY EISON left her residence at 9:20 a.m. She spent the day at the NFCL offices. She had lunch with a person of negroid features, who apparently works at and address and who has previously been described in reference report. RAY EISON left the NFCL offices at 5:30 p.m. and proceeded to her residence. During the evening an unknown woman and man were observed in the EISON apartment. At 11:15 p.m. an unidentified woman accompanied by an unknown man left the EISON residence. It was believed that they were the people observed earlier that evening in the EISON apartment. The unidentified woman is described as follows:

Age Height Weight Hair Approximately 30 yrs.

5 ft. 5 in.

110 to 115 pounds

Blond, fixed in up-sweep fashion

Wore red dress, with a threequarter length dark coat

On Jamuary 23 RAY EISON spent the day at the NFCL offices. She had lunch with confidential informant GREGORY at KLUBE'S restaurant, 158 East 23 rd Street. RAY EISON entered this restaurant at 12:35 p.m. and left the restaurant accompanied by confidential informant GREGORY at 1:50 p.m. RAY EISON returned to the NFCL offices, 205 East 42nd Street, at 2:05 p.m..

At 5:35 p.m. RAY elson reappeared and proceeded by subway to her residence. At 6:55 p.m. she reappeared alone and proceeded to a LOEW'S theater at the intersection of Greenwich Avenue and Seventh Avenue, where she entered at 7 p.m.. She left this theater at 9:30 p.m., walked to the CHEISEA market 80 Seventh Avenue, and returned home at 9:45 p.m.

On Jamuary 24 RAY EISON left her residence at 9:25 a.m. and spent the day at the NFCL offices. She left this address at 6 p.m. and proceeded by subway to her residence. At 7:05 p.m. she left her residence, accompanied by her husband and proceeded to EMILY BURMEISTER'S restaurant on Seventh Avenue, between 15th and 16th Streets. They left this restaurant at 8:15 p.m. and returned to their residence. According to information from they spent the evening with MURRAY and JOSEPHINE KANE, who reside in the same apartment building occupied by the EISONS. W

On Jamuary 25 at 9:35 a.m. RAY left her residence accompanied by her husband. They entered the subway at 11th Street and Seventh Avenue and RAY proceeded to the NFCL offices, which she entered. At 12:30 p.m. she left this address and proceeded to the intersection of 31th Street and Third Avenue, where she met aperson believed to be her brother JERRY. They had lunch together at the Bakery located at 515 Third Avenue, which they entered at 12:140 p.m. At 1:15 p.m. they left this address. The man returned, walked to and entered 151 E. 32nd Street and RAY EISON returned to the NFCL offices, entering at 1:35 p.m.

At 6:05 p.m. she left her place of employment and proceeded by street car to 48th Street and Broadway. From there she walked to 311 W. 48th Street, where she entered the DU MIDI restaurant at 6:43 p.m. She was joined at this restaurant by her husband and an unknown woman, whose first name was JEANETTE (phonetic). This unknown in is described as follows:

> Age Height Weight Hair Dress Peculiarities

45 yrs. 5.**1**t. 107 pounds Brown, cut short Black coat, black shoes, Slightly bowlegged

At 8:25 p.m. RAY, her husband and this woman left the DU MIDI restaurant and proceeded to the APOLLO theater on 42nd Street, between Seventh and Eighth Avenues, where they entered. At this theater the unknown woman purchased the tickets for admission and they saw the pictures "Merryling to Sarejevo" and "Gangplank". At 11:85 p.m. they left this restaurant and proceeded by taxi to 253 West 16 Street, where the unknown woman left the cab and entered the apartment house at that address. The EISONS continued by cab to their residence, where they entered.

On January 25 RAY EISON was observed in her apartment at various times throughout the day. At 8:05 p.m. RAY and her husband, accompanied by MURRAY and JOSEPHINE KANE, left their residence. They proceeded by taxi to the Royal Theater on 45th Street, West of Broadway, where they saw the stage production "The Magnificent Yankee." At 11:25 p.m. they left this theater and walked to the Cadillac Restaurant at 41st Street and Broadway. At 12:35 a.m. on Jamary 27 they left this restaurant and returned home by taxi.

On January 27 at 11:05 a.m. RAY and her husband left their residence and proceeded to the Jumble Shope Restaurant, 8th Street and Avenue of the Americas. They left this restaurant at 12:40 p.m. and returned to their residence. Subject was observed in herapartment throughout the remainder of the day.

On January 29 RAY EISON left her residence and proceeded to the NFCL offices. At 12:40 p.m. she left her place of employment and proceeded to the Shanty Restaurant at 12nd Street and Second Avenue, where she had lunch. From there she proceeded by bus to 112 East 19 Street, and took the elevator to the offices of SURVEY CRAPHIC, which is located on the 12th Floor at that address. She remained there until 4:10 p.m. and thereafter returned to the NFCL offices. At 6:10 p.m. she reappeared with an unknown negro woman described as follows:

> Age Weight Height Build Complexion Dress

5 to 40 yrs. 135 lbs. 5 ft. 6 in. Medium Coffee colored Brown fur coats black turban.

Glasses

Rimless type

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RAY EISON and this woman walked to the Times Square Subway Station.

The unknown woman entered the White Plains up-town subway and RAY EISON entered the downtown subway, and proceeded to her residence, which she entered at 6:45 p.m. She was observed in her apartment throughout the evening.

On January 29 at 9:25 a.m. RAY EIS.N left her residence and proceeded to the NFCL offices, which she entered at 9:50 a.m. She reappeared at 12:53 p.m. with an unknown woman, apparently employed at the NFCL offices. At 12:55 p.m. they entered SKIJEMANN'S restaurant, 237 East 42nd Street. At 2:05 p.m. they left this restaurant and returned to the NFCL offices. The unidentified woman referred to above is described as follows:

Age
Height
Weight
Hair
Race
Dress

30 yrs.
5 ft. 6 in.
110 lbs.
Dark
White
Dark blue cloth coat, with a belt
all the way around; brown shoes,
brown stockings, and light blue
turban. She carried a tan saddle
leather pocket book, similar to those
carried by members of the WAC

At 5:40 p.m. RAY left the NFCL offices andproceeded by subway to her residence which she entered at 5:50 p.m. At 6:55 p.m. she reappeared accompanied by her husband and walked to DROSSIES restaurant, 46 Greenwich Street, where they had dinner alone. They left this restaurant at 8:06 p.m. and walked to the 8th Street Playhouse, where they saw the movie "Rhapsody in Blue". They left this theater at 11 p.m. and returned directly to their residence.

On Jamuary 30 at 9:15 a.m. RAY EISON left her residence and proceede to the NFCL offices, which she entered at 9:35 a.m.. At 6:25 p.m. she left this address accompanied by a female negro fellow employee, previously seen with the subject. They proceeded to the NOM YUEN Chinese restaurant, 11 Mott Street, which they entered at 6:15 p.m. At 9:05 p.m. RAY reappeared accompanied by the same negro woman and an unidentified woman described as follows:

Age Height Weight Hair Build Dress 25 to 30 yrs.
5 ft. 5 in.
110 lbs.
Dark brown, shoulder length
Thin; narrow face and figure
Green hat; dark brown immitation
beaver coat, with tie cloth belt

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All three women proceeded by subway to RAY EISON'S residence, where they entered at 9:45 p.m. At 10:20 p.m. JOSEPH EISON was observed to enter the KISON residence. At 12:15 a.m., January 31, the negro woman and the unidentified woman, previously described, left the EISON residence. They proceeded by Seventh Avenue subway to 72nd Street, where the unidentified woman left the subway. At 12:50 a.m. she was observed to enter the apartment house located at 212 West 72nd Street.

On January 31 at 9:30 a.m. RAY left her residence and proceeded to her place of employment, where she entered at 10 a.m. She left this address at 1:15 p.m. with an unknown woman believed to be a fellow employee. They had lunch at the Famous Sea Food House, 651 Third Avenue and at 2905 p.m. they returned to the NFCL offices. The unknown womanmentioned above, with whom RAY EISON had lunch on January 31, was believed to be the same woman that she had lunch with on January 29, and whose description is set forth above.

RAY left the NFCL offices at 5:55 p.m. and returned directly to her residence. At 7 p.m. she reappeared, accompanied by her husband. They proceeded to CHUMIEY'S restaurant, 86 Beaver Street, where they spent the evening with confidential informant GREGORY.

The physical surveillance logs prepared in connection with this surveillance have been placed in the appropriate section of the case file. The Special Agents who conducted this surveillance are as follows:

L. MCRRIS BEST
H. COURTNEY CLINCH
JOHN M. COLLINS
JOHN J. DANAHY
JAMES R. SHINNERS
ROSS C. WOLCOTT

A mail cover has been maintained on all mail addressed to JOSEPH and RAY EISON at 161 West 16 Street, New York City. The results of this mail cover are as follows:

| Date | Return Address |
|-----------------|--|
| January 4, 1946 | No name; 210 W. Gate St., Wellsville, New York |
| January 7 | D. DOBKIN, 137 Witmer, Los Angeles, Cal. |
| January 12 | National Federation of Constitutional Liberties 205 E. 42nd Street, New York City |
| January 19 | Sarge Ettlinger, 2142 Lincoln Park West, Chicago |
| Jamary 19 | S. M. Halpern, 317 W. 84 St., New York City |
| January 21 | P. Psraelson, 2524 W. Division St., Chicago |
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Re: ROBERT and SHIRLEY ELSON

As set forth above two unknown people visited the EISON apartment on January 21. Also in reference report on page 19 a conversation was reported by between RAY EISON and a person known as SHIRIEY. This conversation occurred on January 17 and during the conversation RAY invited SHIRIEY andpossibly her husband to the EISON apartment for dinner some evening the following week. It was tentatively agreed that they would come to the EISONS on Monday, January 21.

Mrs. MCRRIS ALUAREZ, wife of the superintendent at 349 East 31 St., advised that ROBERT and SHIRLEY EISON resided in apartment number 21 at that address, which is located on the top floor, east, in this building. This apartment has windows facing the 32nd Street side. She advised that SHIRLEY EISON had resided there for about two years, during which time her husband ROBERT had been serving in the U.S. Navy. No explanation could be furnished concerning SHIRLEY EISON'S present employment. However, Mrs. ALUAREZ informed that ROBERT EISON was released from the Navy a few months ago and believed that he was now employed somewhere in New York City, in connection with either the sale or the servicing of radios. During the time ROBERT was in the Navy SHIRLEY EISON'S sister, Mrs. MURIEN FOSTER resided with SHIRLEY. Mrs. ALUAREZ stated that she believed Mrs. FOSTER came to New York from Wisconsin and could give no further details except to state that her husband JAMES FOSTER had served in the Navy and had been released from the Navy recently.

Mrs. ALUAREZ further stated that the rent on apartment number 21 is paid by SHIRIEY EISON by check on the NATIONAL CITY BANK, 32nd Street Branch. She described both SHIRIEY and ROBERT EISON in a manner similar to the description furnished by the surveilling agents of the two people who had visited RAY EISON'S apartment on January 21 last.

The records of the CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER NEW YORK reflected a report dated October 11, 1911, concerning Mrs. ROBERT EISON, 349 E. 32nd St., NewYork City. This report reflected that SHIRIEY EISON was employed by WILBUR RODGERS INC., 128 West 31 Street, New York, as a bookkeeping machine operator. This company was described as a large organization operating a chain of specialty shops both in the metropolitan area and in the adjoining areas. A former address for SHIRIEY EISON was listed as 612 E. Daniel St., Champaign, Illinois.

The records of this office reflected that confidential informant

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The records of the New York office further reflected that SHIRIEY EISON was born September 13, 1913, in Peoria, Illinois. She attended the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, from 1931 to 1935, where she received an AB degree. In 1944 she was a registered member of the AMERICAN LABOR PARTY. Her husband ROBERT EISON has Navy serial number 6103395 and was a radio technician in the Navy. He married SHIRIEY on November 20, 1940, in Chicago, Illinois SHIRIEY EISON was previously married to JOHN H. BAIDWIN in December, 1935, at Champaign, Illinois, and divorced him at Wankeegan, Illinois, in June 1940.

Descriptions of SHIRIEY and ROBERT EISON are as follows:

Name

Address
Color
Age
Born
Height
Weight
Eyes
Hair
Build
Nose
Glasses

Dress

Name
Address
Color
Age
Weight
Height
Hair
Complexion
Build
Facial features
Dress

SHIRIEY ELSON, WAS.,

Mrs. Robert Elson, Shirley Wentwort

319 E. 32nd St., New York City

White

32 yrs.

Sept. 23, 1913, Peoria, Ill.

5 ft. 1 in.

100 lbs.

Brown

Brown

Small

Small, upturned

Wears thick lens glasses,

heavy natural color frames

Black caricul coat

ROBERT EISON
349 E. 32nd Street, New York City
White
27 to 30 yrs.
125 lbs.
5 ft. 2 in.
Black and wavy, heavily ciled
Dark
Short
Sharp, large nose
Grey suit, brown hat, creased pork-pie
effect, tan camel hair overcoat, with
discharged serviceman's button





Re: JOHN FRANK BOETSCH

In reference report information is set forth on page 28 that an unknown person had visited RAY and JOSEPH EISON on January 14, 1946, and that JOSEPH EISON had accompanied this person to the Pennsylvania Railroad Station. Also set forth was information to the effect that Special Agent L. MORRIS BEST had ascertained under pretext that this unknown person had formerly been employed at CUSHMAN'S BAKERY SHOP in Pennsylvania Station.

WILLIAM SMITH, Manager of CUSHMAN'S Retail Shop, Pennsylvania Station, was interviewed with negative results. He referred the reporting agent to a person by the name of PETER SLOANE, who had formerly been employed at that retail establishment.

PETER JOSEPH SLOANE, 2515 Amsterdam Avenue, Bronx, NewYork, advised that he had been formerly employed at the CUSHMAN'S Retail Shop in Pennsylvania Station and while there he became acquainted with aperson known as JOHN BOETSCH. His description of BOETSCH was identical with that obtained by surveilling agents and advised that BOETSCH had worked at that store about four or five years ago. He stated that BOETSCH had served in the U.S. Army Air Forces during the War and presently resides with his parents at 3574 DeKalb Avenue, Bronx. CHARIES K. IA MOTTE, Personnel Manager, CUSHMAN'S BAKERY, 250 West 57 Street, advised that their records reflected that JOHN FRANK BOETSCH had been employed as a store salesman from June 16, 1942, until October 10, 1942. His address at the time of employment was 3418 Gates Place, Bronx, New York.

According to the records of CUSHMAN BAKERY, BOETSCH was born in Newark, New Jersey, and attended grade school and high school in New York City. He gave the following references at the time of his employment with CUSHMAN'S Bakery:

WILLIAM GRIFFIN, 558 Wells Avenue PAUL STEPHENS, 1344 University Avenue Mrs. SALLY MULLINS, 3591 Bainbridge Avenue

The indices of this office were checked for information concerning JOHN FRANK BOETSCH, with negative results.

Re: GINETTE SCHAIN

As set forth above RAY and JOSEPH EISON spent the evening of January 25 with a person whose first name was stated to be JEANETTE (phonetic). It was determined from a surveillance of RAY EISON on January 25 that JEANETTE resided at 253 W. 16 Street.

FRANK ABELIA, superintendent at 253 West 16 Street, advised that a person by the name of GINETTE SCHAIN resides in apartment 6-E at that address. She occupies a small 12 room apartment alone, for which she pays a rent of

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of the person contacted by RAY and JOSEPH EISON on January 25, 1946. AFELIA further advised that GINETTE SCHAIN was the only person whom he could recall residing at that address with the first name GINETTE and who filled the description of the unidentified woman in question. Upon further questioning ABELIA could give no additional information concerning GINETTE, except that he recalled that she was of French-Jewish nationality and spoke French. It will be recalled that a conversation between HAY and the person that she planned to meet on that date. A part of this conversation was carried on in the French language.

FRANK T. D'ONOFRIO, CHEISEA HALL CORPORATION, 551 Fifth Avenue, advised that they had previously owned and managed the apartment at 253 West 16th Street. He stated that GINETTE SCHAIN had been an occupant of that spartment house since May 1, 1940. She resided in apartment 1-B, until September, 1943, at which time she moved to apartment 6-E. He could furnish no additional information concerning this person, stating that their records concerning her occupancy there had been destroyed.

The records of the CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER NEW YORK, 32nd St. and Seventh Avenue, were checked for information concerning GINETTE SCHAIN, with negative results.

The indices of this office were checked for information concerning GINETTE SCHAIN, with negative results.

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As set forth above RAY EISON on January 28, 1946, spent a part of the afternoon at the offices of SURVEY ASSOCIATES INC., 112 E. 19 St., New York City. The records of this office reflect that SURVEY ASSOCIATES INC. is a non-profit organization formed in October, 1912, for "a charitable purpose of advancing the cause of constructive Philanthropy by the publication and circulation of books, pamphlets and periodicals, and by conducting any investigations useful or necessary for the preparation thereof."

SURVEY ASSOCIATES has its principal office at 112 E. 19 Street, New York City, and its two publications are SURVEY GRAPHIC and SURVEY MID-MONTHLY. Both publications are stated to be of a liberal viewpoint and to contain articles, affecting current social, economic and political questions. The editor and most active officer of these publications is PAUL U.KELLOGG, a well-known liberal.

According to the investigation conducted by this office, it was learned that certain other persons connected with this organization are of liberal inclinations, some having endorsed alleged Communist Front organizations. However, the organization at the present time enjoys a good reputation and no evidence of Communist or other subversive purpose or tendencies was found.

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The Jamuary, 1946, issue of SURVEY GRAPHIC reflects the following

PAUL U. RELIOGG, editor
JOSEPH P. CHAMBERIAIN, chairman of the board
RICHARD B. SCANDRETT, Jr., president
JOHN PAIMER CABIT, vice president
AGNES BROWN LEACH, vice president
ANN REED BRENNER, Secretary
WALTER F. GRUENINGER, business manager







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61 A check of the files in the New York Field Division disclosed is the subject of a closed mapper-t investigation with New York as office of origin. This is the same A check of the indices in the New York Field Office disclosed that

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Re: Confidential Informant GREGORY

The following is being dictated by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph N. Kelly:

On January 22, 1946 Confidential Informant GREGORY telephonically advised that she had just received a call from LEGG ERDANSKY at WORLD TOURISTS, INC., indicating that NELSON FRANK of the NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM had been to the office of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. attempting to get some information relative to the manner in which packages were shipped to Russia by this company. It also appeared that FRANK had interrogated BERDANSKY concerning the amount of duties that were charged on these particular shipments and a great deal of information relative to the manner in which the entire business of package shipments to Russia is carried on by this corporation.

BERDANSKY informed FRANK that U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP.
actually held a contract for the shipment of these packages to Russia and
that WORLD TOURISTS, INC. merely acted as exclusive agents for the Metropolitan New York area for U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP.

It also appears that at the conclusion of the interview between FRANK and BERDANSKY, FRANK intimated that he was going to write an expose concerning what he termed the excessive duties, insurance rates and handling charges imposed on packages sent from this country to Russia and gave the impression that the article would be highly critical.

Subsequently, Confidential Informant GREGORY again communicated with the New York Office and advised that she had received a telephone call from NEISON FRANK on that day and that he asked her several questions relative to the firm's business along the same lines as described above. He also intimated to GREGORY that he was desirous of seeing her concerning this matter, and told her he was making an effort to ascertain all possible facts bearing on the package business between this country and the U.S.S.R.

According to information supplied by
whose identity is known to the Bureau, Informant GREGORY, on Jamuary 22, 1946,
communicated with C. Ex BANNERMAN of the law firm of CIARK, CARR & ELLIS, which
handles the legal matters for U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. and explained
NELSON FRANK's interest in the affairs of both WORLD TOURISTS, INC. and U. S.
SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. According to
BANNERMAN informed
GREGORY that there was nothing that he could do and that if the newspaper
people desired to interview her and subsequently print a story regarding
both corporations there was nothing that could be done about this



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The following day NEISON FRANK appeared at the office of Confidential Informant GREGORY and asked her a large number of questions concerning the operation, of the firm; mainly they dealt with customs, insurance rates, inspection, packing and handling fees which the American shipper would have to pay to send packages to Russia. According to Informant GREGORY, FRANK obviously had done considerable investigating along this line and already possessed the information that WURID TOURISTS, INC. had been incorporated originally in 1927 by three members of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, namely, JOSEPH R. GRODSKY, ROBERT WIENER and ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG.

FRANK also told informant that he had learned one JOHN H. REYNOLDS was presently president of the U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP., asked her for some identifying data concerning REYNOLDS, and also if he were a Communist, to which informant replied that he was not a party member. This line of questioning was pursued further by FRANK who then asked informant if she is or ever has been a Communist Party member and she replied emphatically in the negative. He then requested informant to make available the books and records of U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. to him, but this request was refused.

It was the impression gained by the informant during this conference with FRANK that the latter's article would be very critical of the charges which have to be paid by a package shipper and that the firm as well as the U.S.S.R. would probably appear in a bad light.

Although FRANK appeared to have considerable knowledge of the corporate structure of both WORLD TOURISTS, INC. and U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP., he did not in any way indicate that he knew or suspected that 75% of the original investment in U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. was made by the Communist Party and neither the name of EARL BROWDER nor of LEMMARRIS was mentioned. After being told by informant that REYNOLDS was not a party member, FRANK asked no further questions about him, but did indicate that he knew REYNOLDS was presently on active duty with the U. S. Army.

After the above information had been received by the Agents from the informant, it was decided that it would be advisable if the informant immediately contacted EARL BROWDER and told him of the imminent publicity concerning her firm. It was felt that this move by her would further ingratiate her with BROWDER and when the plan was discussed with her she agreed that it would have a good effect on him.





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That same day Informant GREGORY did, in fact, meet BROWDER at Grand Central Terminal and told him of the visits received by BERDANSKY and herself. According to her, he was not at all excited about the prospect and told her "You are receiving your first public baptism of fire." Nothing further believed pertinent occurred during this conference between informant and BROWDER.

On January 24, 1946 Special Agents Francis D. O'Brien and Thomas G. Spencer met informant for a brief time and discussed with her in detail the events which had been previously reported by her on the telephone.

On January 30, 1946 Informant GREGORY was interviewed by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph M. Kelly and in discussing generally the SILVERMASTERS and the people who were associated with them during the time she was active in Russian espionage activities, she recalled one individual who was associated with the SILVERMASTER erowd who she had failed to mention at the time the signed statement of November 30, 1945 was taken. She stated that this individual is FRANK COK who, at the time she first became aware of his identity, was in the U.S. Treasury Department, though his exact title or position was not known to her. COE was, to the informant's recollection, in South America on some mission for the Treasury Department during all but two months of the time that she knew that he was in contact with the SILVERMASTERS. It was also her recollection that COE was communicating directly from South America with the SILVERMASTERS in Washington, D. C. and sending them reports and other information that he gathered while in Latin America.

The informant also stated that she is of the opinion that COE also sent information to HARRY WHITE in Washington, D. C. and while COE was in South America and also believes that he made information available to WHITE while he, COE, was in the United States. She further believes that the information supplied by COE to WHITE eventually was turned over to the SILVERMASTER group.

She could not recall definitely having seen any material that she could identify as having originated with COE, but did state that the information supplied by him in these personal communications would be digested and turned over to her for transmittal to her superiors. Informant's recollection of the type of information supplied by COE is vague, except that it was economic data and she said that he was relatively unimportant to the group.

On January 29, 1946 there appeared in the NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM an article entitled "Russia Tariff on Relief Food Curbs U.S.A.", written by

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NEISON FRANK. By letter on that date the Bureau was supplied with copies of this article. It is to be noted that the names of informant, JOHN H. REYNOLDS, and U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING COR. Hers not mentioned in the write-up, although mention was made of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. and its original incorporation by Communist Party members.

On that same date Informant GREGORY telephonically advised the New York Office that she had been greatly relieved to see that the article was not as detailed as it might have been and further that she had telephonically discussed it with Lieutenant Colonel REYNOLDS who was also pleased that the newspaper story was brief and omitted their names.

On January 31, 1946 informant telephonically advised Special Agent Kelly that she had just received a telephone call from one ISIDOP NEEDELMAN who had described himself as an attorney for the AMTORG TRADING CORP., and who requested that she furnish him a copy of the contract between U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. and INTOURIST. Informant asked the reason for the request and was told by NEEDELMAN that it was routine matter and that, as everyone knew, AMTORG is in charge of all commercial relations between this country and the U.S.S.R. Informant declined to furnish the desired copy and asked NEEDELMAN why he had not requested INTOURIST, Moscow to furnish a copy of the contract. He gave no direct answer to this, but repeated his request, which again was refused and he abruptly ended the conversation.

On February 1, 1946 Informant CREGORY advised Special Agents Spencer and Kelly that shortly after NEEDELMAN had concluded the telephone conversation above described on the previous day, she had received a call from one AGAPOV, who identified himself as the secretary of AMTORG. Informant continued that AGAPOV summarily repeated the demand made earlier by NEEDELMAN for a copy of the contract and was very curt and demanding in his tone. Informant asked him the reason for his request and he answered along the same lines as had NEEDELMAN. When asked why he did not request INTOURIST, Moscow to furnish him the paper he said that procedure would entail delay of two or three months and that it was imperative that he have this copy in 24 hours.

Informant remonstrated with him and he reminded her that AMTORG allocates all shipping space on vessels between this country and the U.S.S.R.; that naturally packages handled by her firm could not move if proper space were not provided and very plainly threatened that if the copy of the contract he had requested were not forthcoming within 24 hours U.S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. might well find itself without any shipping space. After AGAPOV became specially belligerent, informant reminded him that her firm was a corporation, and that she necessarily would have to confer with



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Colonel REYNOLDS before she could give him a definite answer and told him it would be several days before a decision could be reached. He finally agreed to give her 3 or 4 days to produce the contract.

After this conversation, according to informent, she discussed the request in detail with Colonel RETNOLDS, who has been confined to his home by illness, and learned that his reaction was to reject the request from AMTORG and to dispatch a strong cable to INTOURIST, Moscow protesting the request and asking why AMTORG should be entitled to a copy of contract.

With respect to the contract existing between INTOURIST and the U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP., it will be recalled that this agreement was originally entered into in March, 1941 for a period of 2 years; that relations continued after the expiration date for some months on the same terms, and that finally in October, 1945, after prolonged discussions between informant and AL (GROMOV), the latter promised to secure an extension of it. Five days after he made this promise to the informant the firm received a cable from INTOURIST, Moscow extending the contract under the original terms until October 31, 1946.

It was learned that since the contract was originally executed GOLOS, Colonel REYNOLDS and GREGORY all had been summoned to the Russian Consulate in New York City on different occasions to discuss the agreement; and although no outright demand was ever made by the Consulate officials that the contract be terminated, it was the informant's distinct impression that its existence was not looked upon favorably by the Consulate. She said that on GOLOS' instructions she and Colonel REYNOLDS always told the Consulate officials as little as possible about the contractual terms and the volume of profits of the business.

It will be recalled that information has previously been supplied. to the Bureau in the case entitled "SODAC, New York City; ESPIONAGE - R", relative to the interest displayed in this

Informant stated that since her recollection of FRANK COE's association with the SILVERMASTER group she had gone over in her mind all of the people that she knew or had reason to believe were connected in some way with the Russian Intelligence group while she was actively participating in it. She stated that she now recalls that one NORMAN BURSLER (phonetic) was connected with the SILVERMASTER group.

She stated that on one of the comesions when she was talking to

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MELEN SILVERMASTER in Washington, D. C., HELEN told her that she had been seeing BURSLER quite frequently and felt that because of BURSLER's connection with the Anti-Trust Division of the Department of Justice he might be a good person to bring into the group. On her return to New York City she discussed this matter with GOLOS who stated that he was somewhat skeptical of BURSLER and felt that he might possibly be a Fplant, but that if the SILVERMASTERS were favorably impressed and trusted him that the SILVERMASTER group might deal directly with BURSLER and, of course, to furnish the informant with any information that he was able to supply.

Subsequently Informant GREGORY told HELEN SILVERMASTER of GOLOS* opinion in this situation and HELEN SILVERMASTER arranged to obtain the

Informant subsequently learned that BURSLER was assigned to the New York Office of the Anti-Trust Division and was concerned with the investigation of German cartels. It also appears that shortly after BURSLER first became known to the informant he was inducted into the U. S. Army, but was released after a short time because of some physical defect and again took up his position with the Anti-Trust Division of the Department. Sometime in the summer of 1944 HELEN SILVERMASTER turned over to the informant a quantity of material and the informant noticed that some indicated to HELEN that she knew the source of this particular material, meaning, of course, BURSLER, and HELEN SILVERMASTER acknowledged that it

The informant is unable to recall that she received any other information that she could definitely ascribe to EURSLER and it will be recalled that some few months later she disassociated/from the SILVERMASTER informant advised that she has never met EURSLER and has no information as to his background or otherwise that would assist in further identifying him.

Also on the occasion of this interview it was learned that the informant had dined the preceding evening with JOSEPH and RAY EISON, and in accordance with instructions, had again mentioned that she was spending a good deal of time with her dentist. The EISONS then began a discussion of their present dental treatment and informant learned that their dentist, whom neither named, was a former employer of Mrs. EISON and apparently maintains a rather large office inasmuch as there are four or five other dentists associated with him in what appears to be a semi-cooperative or profit-sharing enterprise. Further, that this former employer had been doing

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their work for some years, and that although he was now very successful and charged high fees for his work, he continued to treat them because they had always paid him promptly when he was struggling to build up a practice and apparently appreciated their earlier patronage. Both JOSEPH and RAY EISON went so far as to display to informant the results of the dental treatment they are presently receiving and informant stated conclusively that there was no question but that they were, in fact, being treated by a dentist.

In order to foreclose any doubt, informant remarked to JOSEPH ELSON that it would have been much more economical for him if he had received dental care while in the Army. ELSON agreed that he could have been treated without charge, but said that Army dentists were too careless, their work for the most part was poor, and that he had decided to have his work done by a competent man. Informant was unable to learn from them if their dentist was a Communist Party member, but RAY mentioned that he was a "good type".

While JOSEPH KISON was temporarily absent from the company of his wife and informant, the latter learned that RAY was greatly worried at the present time because of the investigation being conducted by the Committee on Un-American Activities of the House of Representatives, particularly as it affects the FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, her present employer. She said that the FEDERATION had desired to place work on its behalf, which endeavor naturally would result in some publicity and that she had refused because she did not want to become at all conspicuous in its operations and wanted to avoid all public attention as

She seemed very concerned about the prospect of the files of the FEDERATION being seized by the Committee and was in a generally nervous amtore relative to their desire for a copy of the existing contract between that company and INTOURIST, but no significant comment was forthcoming from RAY.

A recent photograph of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN obtained by Agents of this office during a surveillance of him was exhibited to the informant; however, she was unable to identify him.

Under date of January 28, 1946 the Washington Field Division supplied the New York Office with

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RE: MAURICE HALPERIN

At 5:20 PM on January 23, 1946, Special Agent Floyd Jones telephoned this office from the Washington Field Office and furnished the following information:

The Washington Field Office learned from a confidential source late January 23, 1946 that MAURICE HAIPERIN had called his wife from the Pernsylvania Station and stated that he had reservations at the Hotel Embassy, the city not stated 1

At 8:30 AM, January 24, 1946, Mr. JONES called to say that the confidential source indicated that MAURICE HALPERIN had an appointment with General DONOVAN (presumably WILLIAM DONOVAN, formerly of 0.S.S.), at 10:30 AM, January 24, 1946. Mr. JONES suggested that we attempt to cover HALPERIN's activities through a physical surveillance

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents Joseph C. Walsh, Jr., Francis J. Gallant and Francis D. O'Brien:

On the morning of January 24, 1946, HAIPERIN was observed leaving the Hotel Embassy, 154 West 70th Street, New York City, and proceeded to 2 Wall Street, which building is tenanted by the law firm of DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON and LOMBARD. He remained in this building for approximately half an hour. During the day, HAIPERIN visited the office of FRANK FIZDALE, 1448 Lincoln Building, which firm is a public relations counsel. It is further believed that HAIPERIN contacted a CARL P. CREEN in that office. HAIPERIN spent the entire evening of January 24 at 221 East 19th Street. The surveilling Agents observed him enter this building, however, it being a large apartment dwelling, it was impossible to determine to which apartment HAIPERIN proceeded.

On January 25, 1946, HALPERIN revisited the aforementioned offices in the Lincoln Building at 60 East 42nd Street and also visited the ALFRED A. KNOPF COMPANY, INC., at 501 Madison Avenue. He contacted an unknown individual, apparently an employee of the Office of War Information, and had lunch with him at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel, 6th Avenue and 58th Street. Subsequent to that time, HALPERIN proceeded to 429 West 119th Street, which address is adjacent to the Columbia University campus, where he remained approximately a half hour. It is to be noted









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that this address, 429 West 119th Street is occupied by the Institute of Social Research, also known as the International Institute of Social Research. This organization, according to the files of the New York Office, has the reputation in Germany as being an organization of theoretical Marxists. In 1944, this organization was engaged in a symposium of anti-Semitism in Germany. According to

this organization served as an economic report center for the Comintern. This information, however, has never been substantiated through investigation of this office.

At 3:30 on the afternoon of January 25, HAIPERIN left the Hotel Embassy with his bag and proceeded to the Pennsylvania Station where he boarded the Congressional Limited, which left New York City at 4:30 PM.

Mr. THOMAS HROWN, Manager of the Hotel Embassy, made a thorough check of his records. However, they failed to reveal anyone registered at that hotel under the name of MAURICE HALPERIN. Through a process of elimination of individuals checking into the hotel on January 23 and leaving on January 25, it was determined that one PETER H. ODERGARDE, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., had registered at the hotel on January 23 and had left there the afternoon of January 25. From the meager description available from the desk clerk and the bell boy, it is believed that HALPERIN used this name in registering at the Hotel Embassy.

The following telephone calls were made by ODERGARDE during his stay:

University 4-2648 subscribed to by SCHUYLER CAWALLACE, 90 Morningside Drive, New York City.

Columbus 5-8100 subscribed to by the Rockefeller Foundation, 49 West 49th Street, New York City.

Plaza 3-4516 subscribed to by the St. Regis Hotel, New York City.

Tr. 7-1281 subscribed to by ENTL-SCHLESINGER, 322 West 72nd Street, New York City.

Plaza 5-1500 subscribed to by PEDLAR & RYAN, INC. (Advertising), 250 Park Avenue, New York City



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According to New York Field Office files, EMIL SCHIESINGER is an attorney and was, in 1944, representative of the Jewish Labor Committee, active in urging the passage of the Fair Employment Practices Act.

The New York files further revealed that SCHUYLER C. WALLACE, by according to the College of the City of New York, and was a suspected member of the Communist Party.

The files of the New York Office failed to reflect anything pertinent concerning the background of PETER H, ODERGARDE. The WWho's Who in America" reflects that PETER H. ODERGARDE is a professor of Political Science, born in Montana, April 5, 1901; that he secured a Doctor of Philosophy Degree at Columbia in 1928; and that he had been professor of Political Science in Ohio State University, Amherst and Stanford University. Since 1941, he has been a consulting expert to the Secretary of the Treasury. His home is at 61 Lincoln Avenue, Amherst, Massachusetts.

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The information regarding KAHN secured through during the period of December 19, 1945 to January 27, b2 1946 reflects principally that KAHN was invited to go to Poland as a *pro-Soviet delegate* at the World Jewish Congress; further that he had accepted the invitation and expected to go abroad on January 16, 1946. This date, however, was later postponed to sometime in February. This source of information further indicated that KAHN has made plans for speaking engagements in Los Angeles on March 4 and 5, 1946 and in San Francisco on March 7 and 8, 1946. KAHN and his wife, HARRIET, are actively interested in Communist affairs and functions, according to particularly in and about Westchester by County, New York. ()

By memorandum, the Bureau forwarded a summary of material dated December 14, 1945, setting out the following information:

KAHN claims citizenship by derivation from his father, MORITZ KAHN, who in turn had obtained citizenship by derivation from ALBERT KAHN's grandfather, JOSEPH KAHN, who was naturalized December 20, 1899 in the District Court in Jacksonville, Florida.

According to the parents of ALBERT KAHN spent considerable time in Russ adming the five-year plan. His mother was a sponsor of the Russian War Relief in Detroit in 1942 and a member of tinancial Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship. (u)

According to the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, KAHN carried a very good account in 1942 at the National Lumberman's Bank. Muskegon, Michigan, where he had done business for several years. A letter is being directed to the Detroit Field Division requesting that this account be searched and analyzed and a report be prepared thereon. (4)

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The subject delivered a speech at the New York State Convention of the Communist Political Association held on July 21 and 22, 1945, at the was made a member of the Constitutional Committee of the Convention.

At the second half of the Communist State Convention held during August 10 11 and 12, 1945, the subject spoke at one of the group panels on the question, "The Struggle for the Rights of the Negro People."

According to Informant (CAR) stated at the Convention by that the Communist Party must "execute Bolshevist diligence" to purge its in the recent period (CAR) and the Communist movement

In a special circular distributed by the Jefferson School of Social Science, it was announced that a summer camp would be held from June 16 to September 10, 1944, and that AIBERT E. KAHN would be one of the lecturers. The catalogue for the fall term of this school listed KAHN as a lecturer on history and problems of the Jewish people.

In April of 1944 he was a candidate from the Second Assembly District of Westchester County as a delegate to the State Convention of the American Labor Party, representing the Committee for a United Labor Party.

MAHN is considered to be a key figure in the New York Field

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It should be noted, however, that is considered unreliable by the New York Office.

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According to additional information furnished by this same source,

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KAHN has collaborated in many of his writings, including the well-known book "Sabotage" with MICHAEL SAYERS, also known as MICHAEL SAYERS. In reference to the latter individual advised that he had learned from that SAYERS was a memoer of the Communist Party and was sent to this country from Ireland by the Communists. He was involved in the Dublin bombings and was said to be in the pay of the Communist Party, according to this informant.

be DAVID HEDLEY, an alleged propaganda agent at that time in Connecticut for the Third International whose wife, Dr. LENN HAIPERN, formerly taught at Yale University. The SAYERS presently reside next door to KAHN on white HillRoad, Yorktown Heights, New York.



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It is said that KAHN obtained much of his information from one W. J. STEPANKOWSKY, also known as VOLODINIR STEPANKINSKY, and one STEPHEN MUSTOWY.

JOURNALISTIC ACTIVITIES

"The Hour" which KAHN edited was a confidential news weekly which was furnished to all newspapers, editors and radio stations, submitting information regarding alleged Nazi and Fascist subversive activities. Its stated purposes were to publish a confidential news bulletin with the aim of (1.) exposing activities of anti-democratic groups and (2.) publishing material of practical value in fighting such groups. The publication was regarded as being a Communist instrumentality, its principal function being to plant in places of influence stories that discredit opponents of the Communist movement.

New Currents is a Jewish monthly magazine which follows the Communist Party line and was formerly known as the Jewish Survey. It first appeared in March, 1943, and its editors besides KAHN were JOSEPH BRAININ and Professor FREDERICK EWEN. It is published by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists, an organization which has established ties with the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee in Moscow, according to B.S.S.

PARRY, KAHN was engaged in raising money for the magazine "Protestant", edited by KENNETH LESLIE. This publication is said to follow the Communist Party line also.

In 1942 the subject and the aforementioned MICHAEL SAYERS collaborated in writing a book entitled "Sabotage - The Secret War Against America" which succeeded in gaining considerable notoriety for the authors. This book has been described as a scare story which might give the reader an idea that America was literally seething with saboteurs and spies. It is interesting to note that the authors were unable to substantiate some of the allegations and accusations in this book and their royalties were accordingly withheld by the publishing company due to the threat of libel suits being filed against them, and they were forced to make several retractions.



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In late 1943, the subject wrote a book entitled "Sabotage in Russia", which was published by Little, Brown and Company. In August of 1945, SAYERS and KAHN collaborated in a look entitled "Plot Against the Peace". According to the Daily Worker, this book exposes the German master plan for world domination after the Third World War. It is understood that Little, Brown and Company will publish another book by these two authors on January 3, 1946, called "The Great Conspiracy". It is said that the purpose of this book is to prove that there has been a great conspiracy throughout the world for the past twenty years against the Soviet Union.

The subject has also written a large number of articles, including "The Knemy Within", which appeared in New Masses on December 6, 1942; "I Accuse Martin Dies", which was an attempt to discredit the Dies Committee and appeared in Scope Magazine in July, 1944; a series of articles entitled "Dangerous Americans", which appeared in Scope Magazine; "Odyssey of a New Leader Hero", attacking Henry Miller of the New Leader, which appeared in the Daily Worker on January 15, 1945; and "Women of the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R.," which appeared in the Fraternal Outlook in January 1945, this being the official organ of the I.W.O. It is also said that he wrote articles against the Organization for the Rebirth of the Ukraine, branding it as an anti-semitic and pro-Nazi organization. KAHN has also delivered a large number of bitter and vitriolic anti-Fascist and anti-Nazi speeches before various Communist Front organizations and other Left Wing groups, among them being a speech in New York before a Jewish rally for American-Soviet amity in the first part of April, 1943.

In the summer of 1943, he appeared on a radio program known as "Author Meets Critic" in which he bitterly criticized KURT SINGER's book "Spies and Traitors of World War II", mainly because of a statement in the book to the effect that the murder of LEON TROTSKY in Mexico was prompted by OGPU agents. On September 12, 1943, he was the main speaker at the Michigan State Convention of the Civil Rights Federation in Detroit. On January 19, 1944, he spoke at a meeting of the New York civic, social and educational groups called by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties during the time of the anti-Semitic outbreaks in New York. On January 22, 1944, he spoke at a conference of the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists. He was listed as one of the speakers for the Institution on Race Relations, being sponsored by the Civil Rights Federation of Detroit from February 28 to April 3, 1944. On April 2, 1944, he spoke at a dinner for racial and national unity in New York City, sponsored by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. On June 14, 1944, he spoke at the Uncensored Freedom Dinner which was sponsored by the Protestant Magazine. In this

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speech he attacked CHARIPS LINDBERGH, FATHER COUCHLIN, HENEX FORD and other elleged Nazi sympathizers. On July 22, 1944, he spoke at the People's Congress of Applied Religion, sponsored by the People's Institute of Applied Religion, which organization is said to be attempting to gain political control over the poor white class and the colored people through religion.

On October 16, 1944, he spoke at the "Salute to Young America Dinners sponsored by the American Youth for Democracy in New York. At the conclusion of this speech he asked for contributions and reportedly obtained \$7,075.00 in pledges. On October 18, 1944, he spoke at a meeting of the International Workers Order in Detroit. On November 25, 1944, he delivered a speech, entitled "The Deeds for Humanity of the Soviet Union", at a National Conference of the American Committee for the Settlement of Jews at Birobidjan, Soviet Russia. At the conclusion of this speech he called for contributions and allegedly received \$40,000.00 in cash. In the latter part of 1944 he was one of the principal speakers at a conference called by the National Council for Soviet Friendship. On February 14, 1945, he acted as chairman of a dinner sponsored by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists in New York, which dealt with the project of "The Jewish Black Book". On April 21, 1945, he spoke at the People's Institution of Applied Religion in New York City. On April 15, 1945, he appeared on the New York Newspaper, Guild radio program with EARL BROWDER, HERBERT BAYARD SWOPE, JEROME WALKER of Editor and Publisher and JAMES WHITTAKER, the Guild Vice President. On May 26, 1945, he spoke on the subject of Manti-Semitism Is Anti-Sovietism's Shadow at the rally of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order in Medison Square Garden. On October 7, 1945, he spoke at the Conference of the School of Jewish Studies. The large majority of the leaders of this group are said to be Communists or Communist sympathisers. On October 12, 1945, he was a speaker before a meeting sponsored by New Masses in New York City. It is noted that on July 8, 1943, he acted as translator from Yiddish to English of speeches made by Professor SOLOHON TICHOELS and Lieutenant ITZIK FEFFER, who were members of a Soviet Jewish delegation to the United States. This was a mass meeting in their honor in New York sponsored by the Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists.

OTHER CONTACTS (K)

The following individuals have been identified as contacts or friends of the subjects)

Magazine with the subject and is an associate editor of "The Protestant", another Party line publication. He is registered with the Secretary of State as an agent of a foreign principal.

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HOWARD FAST, who is an editor for the New Currents magazine and also associated with Readers Scope and said to be a Communist.

TEVERETT 5 CLEASON, who published "Inside Russia" and the "Truth About the Red Army". It is said that he financed Readers Scope Magazine and he is known to be in frequent contact with ALEXANDER TRACHTENEERG. He is the subject of a key figure investigation in the New York Field Division.

Mrs. JOHN J. ABT, also known as JESSICA SMITH, who was the editor of Soviet Russia Today and a prominent Communist functionary.

WILLIAM E. DODD, Jr., who has been very active in numerous Communist front organizations and who was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation.

DAVID WILES, who is employed in the executive offices of the President at the White House.

IN New York and who was once associated with "The Hour". At the present time he resides next door to KAHN in the home of MICHAEL SAYERS. Before moving to New York City, he was active as secretary and organizer of the Communist Party in Sunnyside, Long Island.

Dr. ALBERT PARRY, a former employee of O.S.S. who has been prominent in the Comrap investigation.

ALLAN JOHNSON, who was the Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party for District No. 7 in the State of Michigan.

JACK RASKIN, the Executive Secretary of the Civil Rights Federation in Detroit, who has been in constant contact with outstanding Communists in the Detroit area.

GILBERT CREEN, who was the President of the Communist Political Association for the State of New York and a National Vice President.

ALEXANDER BITTELMAN of the "Morning Freiheit", who has been described as being the outstanding Marxist dialectician in the United States and who is a subject in the Comrap case.

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WILLIAM HASKELL LEVITT, who is the Educational Director of the United Automobile Workers - C.I.O. in Detroit and a key figure in the Detroit Field Division.

HARRICARIDES, who accompanied the subject from New York to Washington on November 29, 1944, and returned to New York together with him on the following lay, after having attended a Party together given by Major RUTH GERSHON nee PIVAK, who was then employed in the Pentagon Building with the Iwentieth Air Force. She is not known to be related to JOHN GPIVAK who was connected with this case, but many of her friends are said to be members of the Communist Party or active in Communist controlled organizations.

BETTY JACQUELINE RIDGES, a daughter of HARRY BRIDGES, who was once employed by ALBERT KAHN in New York.

PHILIP JACOB JAFFE, whom the subject telephoned on May 11, 1945 for the purpose of obtaining any information that JAFFEE might have in his files on UPTON CLOSE. Subject was writing an article on CLOSE at the time

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Jewish's Peoples Fraternal Order - I.W.O., of which the subject is President. The membership in this organisation in 1944 was said to be in excess of 44,000.

People's Radio Foundation, Inc., the purpose of which organization is to coordinate the organization of various community groups where FM Radio Stations may be established. The large majority of the sponsors and the Board of Directors of this organization are key figures in the New York Field Division and the subject was listed as a member of the Preliminary Board of Directors of this group.

The Newspaper Guild of New York, in which the subject has been

The National Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism, of which the subject was a sponsor.

The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee

National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. The subject was listed as a sponsor of the Trenton, New Jersey chapter.

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The American Committee for Spanish Freedom, of which the subject was a sponsor.

Industrial Insurance Agents' Union, Local No. 30, United Office and Professional Workers of America - C.I.O., of which the subject is a member of the Executive Board.

According to recent information secured, KAHN is also a co-author of a pro-Soviet work to be entitled "The Great Conspiracy" to be published by Little, Brown and Company, Boston, Massachusetts on February 4, 1946.

An investigation was conducted by Special Agent William J. Rowe in the vicinity of KAHN's residence, which is located on White Hill Road, Yorktown Heights, New York. The residence is located in a sparsely inhabited area on a secondary road. It is one of three homes on the country estate owned by JOHN L. MURPHY, a plumbing contractor of New York City. The third house on the grounds is occupied by CECIL LUBBEL and MICHAEL SAYERS, who are associates and co-writers of KAHN. It was also determined that Mr. MURPHY resides in his house on this estate only during the Summer months. Directly across the road from the MURPHY estate is the Wilkins Apple Farm, all buildings of which are a moderate distance from the road. No other residences are located in the immediate area. It should be noted that to ream White Hill Road, it is necessary, when proceeding north, to turn left from the Saw Mill River Perkway at Mohansic Avenue.

Chief of Police KARL HAWK, of the Yorktown Heights Police Department, advised that KAHN has resided at this location since before the war. Chief HAWK states that to the best of his knowledge, KAHN is at home evenings and weekends.

Due to the physical setup and sparse settlement surrounding the residence, a physical surveillance of this place would be most difficult to conduct.



Re: DUNCAN CHAPLIN LEE

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey:

The records of Selective Service Board #42, 1632 York Avenue, New York City, reflected that DUNCAN CHAPLIN IEE, of 531 E. 84th Street, registered at that Draft Board on October 16, 1940. He was assigned Serial #324, Order #1204. At the time he was 26 years of age and stated he was born at Anking, on December 19, 1913. His citizenship was U.S.A. His telephone number at that time was Regent 7-0572 and he was employed by DONOVAN, IEISURE, NEWTON & LUMBARD, attorneys, at 2 Wall Street, New York City.

His Occupational Questionnaire, dated June 20, 1942, reflected that his Social Security number was that he was married and his occupation was that of Assistant to the General Counsel of the Office of Strategic Services, 25th and \$ Streets, Washington, D. C. A letter in the file on the Letterhead of DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON & LUMBARD, dated August 19, 1941, reflected that subject had changed his address from 531 E. 84th Street to 418 E. 84th Street.

A Questionnaire dated February 27, 1941 indicated that the subject claimed nearsightedness and astignatism; that he attended Yale and Oxford Universities and had been employed as an attorney for 12 years at a weekly salary of \$54.16. He was married on June 18, 1938 in Oxford, England to ISABELIA SCOTT LEE, and has a son, GAVIN DUNBAR LEE, born December 23, 1940. He pays \$67.50 monthly rent to his landlord, WILLIAM K. HOPE, of 533 E. 84th Street. His wife receives an independent income.

On April 12, 1943 the subject was commissioned as a 1st Lieutenant.

The records of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York reflect that DUNCAN C. LEE was admitted to the New York Bar on February 10, 1941 and his record after admission, to the present time, has been satisfactory. In his application for admission he stated he was born at Anking, China on December 19, 1913 and he resided at 531 E. 84th Street, from August, 1939 to the date of his admission, February 10, 1941. Previous addresses were: Virginia, June to August 1939; New Haven, Conn., September 1938 to June 1939; Oxford, England, September 1935 to June 1938. His father was listed as EDMUND JENNINGS LEE, residing at Chatham Hall, Chatham, Virginia and it was stated his father was born at Shepherdstown, West Virginia. His father was a clergyman and missionary from 1901 to 1927 in China. In 1927 his father became Rector of Chatham Hall, Virginia, a girls' preparatory school. His mother was listed as LUCY CHAPLIN LEE, born in New York City.



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Subject gave his educational background as: Yale University,
September 1931 to June 1935, receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree; Oxford University, September 1935 to June 1938, receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree in
Jurisprudence in June 1937 and a B.C.L. Degree in June 1938. He attended Yale
Law School from September 1938 to June 1939 and did not receive a degree because of his failure to submit a thesis. He passed the New York State Bar
examination in October 1940. He received a Rhodes scholarship from Virginia
to Oxford University from 1935 to 1938. He belonged to the Yale University
Y.M.C.A.

LEE's sponsorship for admission to the Bar were: J. EDWARD LUMBARD, of 2 Wall Street, who stated that he employed subject from September 1939 to February 1941; DAVID TEITELBAUM, an attorney with DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON & LUMBARD; GEORGE C. SEWART, an attorney with SHEARMAN & STERLING, 55 Wall Street; RICHARD L. BROWN, an attorney associated with the firm of MORGAN & LOCKWOOD, bli Wall Street, NewYork City.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, 393 Seventh Avenue, New York City, reflected a clipping in the file from the "New York Times" dated April 24, 1938, as follows:

WMrs. THOMAS GIBBS, of Oxford, England, has announced here the engagement of her daughter, Miss ISABELLA GIBBS to DUNCAN CHAPLIN LEE, of Chatham, Virginia. Miss GIBBS attended schools in Scotland and also Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University. Her father, the late THOMAS GIBBS, of Auchinlue, Cleland, Lanarkshire, Scotland, was Commissioner of Excise in Indian Civil Service in Allahabad, India. Mr. LEE, the son of Reverend and Mrs. KDMUND J. LEE, of Chatham Hall, Chatham, Virginia, was graduated from Woodberry Forest School and Yale University in 1935. He has been studying law at Oxford as a Rhodes scholar.





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Re: FERRUCCIO MARINI, was

The following was dictated by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey:

has continued to advise of the activities of MARINI at his place of business, "L'UNITA DEL POPOLO" at 13 Astor Place, New York City. However, subject's activities have been principally concerned with the publication of his weekly newspaper "L'UNITA DEL POPOLO" and also with his activities in the COMMUNIST PARTY. He frequently contacts, and is contacted by high party functionaries of the COMMUNIST PARTY at 35 E. 12th Street and some of the front organizations. His main activity in the COMMUNIST ERTY is connected with the ITALIAN AMERICAN ERANCH of the Party. No information of pertinence to this case has been furnished since the last report, and all information received from will be reported in the case file

on FERRUCCIO MARINI

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents 200279 P. CARVEY and NICHARL M. O'ROWRIE from

A latter from the Durom deted Jenuary 9, 1946 outs forth the following information economing PALVIIIA: The presents of the lauteration and Maturelisation Service, Scattle, Washington, disclose that VIADINIR PRAYDIN and his wife, GIOA PRAYDINA, arrived at Scattle, Washington, about the VSSR S. S. "Ibilial" from Vladivertek on October 19, 1941. At the time of her entry into the United States, GIOA PRAYDINA was travelling on a visa andpassport as the wife of a \$55% official and gave her ecoupation as that of becounife. At this time she stated that her next of kin wer her mether, hre, ANN MADEVERY, where address was Strastno /20, Mesegu.

It was noted that Vladimir Francis, the husband of Ciffs, on the eccasion of his entry into the United States in 1941 indicated his final destination as NewYork City, where he said he intended to join the TASS ACERCY in that sity as an editor and correspondent.

CLOA FRAYDING with Secial Security number & Twee as employee of the ARTORO TRADING CORPORATION, 220 Medican Avenue, New York City, in 1942.

She was supposed to set as an interpreter for Professor IEBEDENIO. bl (4) 4







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Re: MARY WOLFE MILDRED PRICE

The following investigation was conducted by Special agent Joseph P. Garvey:

results of a mail cover placed on MARY WOLFE PRICE reflected the

SENDER

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ADDRESSEE

Pawtucket, Rhode Island December 18, 1945

Miss MARY PRICE 207 W. 11th Street,

c/o Clay Street Central Falls, R.I.

December 17, 1945

ENOCHYPRICE 55 Barrow Street, NY

Downtown Community School 233 E. 11th Street, NIC

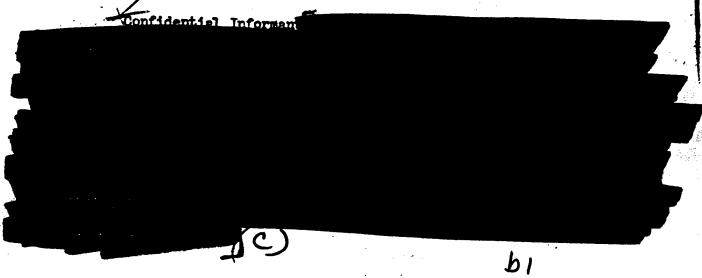
December 17, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. W.E. 55 Barrow Street, N

National Life Insurance Company 55 Liberty Street, NIC

Date obscured

WILLIAM EX PRICE c/o Branson Price 55 Barrow Street, No



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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A)

Mr. IEO KELLY, Vice President of the Chase National Bank, 18 Pine Street, New York City, advised that a search had been made of the general indices of the Chase National Bank with regard to any account in the name of MILDRED PRICE, Mrs. HAROLD COY or Mrs. MILDRED COY. The results of the search were negative. Mr. Kelly stated that if MILDRED PRICE had any account, either savings, checking or safe deposit box, this would be disclosed in the indices. He advised further that the CHINA AID COUNCIL, for whom MILDRED PRICE works, formerly had an account at the Garfield Branch of the Chase National Bank, but that this account had been transferred to the 57th Street branch of that bank. Mr. Kelly also stated that there was a CORNELIUS C. McMILLIN employed in the Investment Service of the Trust Department of the Chase National Bank. It is to be noted that McMILLIN is a brother—in—law of MILDRED PRICE.

MARY WOLFE PRICE is presently residing in Greensboro, North Carolina and is active in the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE. While in New York City during the Christmas holidays a confidential source advised that she contacted CLARY FOREMAN, President of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE, while he was in Washington, D. C.

A report dated January 11, 1946 from the Charlotte Field Division, by Special Agent Kenneth J. Haser, entitled "SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE; INTERNAL SECURITY-C", reflected that a new committee for North Carolina was organized at Raleigh on November 3, 1945 and that many prominent North Carolina people were reported to be officially connected therewith. MARY PRICE, reported as active in Communist dominated groups, was named Secretary-Treasurer of the committee for North Carolina and established offices at Greensboro, North Carolina. She is in close association with JAMES A. COMEROWSKI, Executive FRANTZ, and other Communist sympathizers.

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Re: LEONARD OUTHWAITE

On December 27, 1957 and stated that MARY (possibly MARY PRICE) was coming down to see him Monday. The subscriber to this number is listed as LEONARD OUTHWAITE, 1708 21st Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. (X)

LEONARD OUTHWAITE is a known contact of AIGER HISS, of the State Department. According to Civil Service Commission records, OUTHWAITE was employed as Executive Officer for the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION from 1943 to 1945, when he resigned voluntarily and intended to retire. He came to Washington from New York City, where he had previously resided at 943 Lexington Avenue. He was the subject of a Bureau investigation entitled "LEONARD OUTHWAITE; OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - SPECIAL INQUIRY". The investigation at that time conducted by the Bureau reflected no derogatory information. OUTHWAITE's wife's name is LUCELLE.



WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent

Reference is made to the report of Lecial Agent Edward W. Frank J. Gallant: (U) Dooley dated January 28, 1946, wherein it is stated that REMINGTON contacted Professor FREDERICK C. WILLS in Room 501-4 of Fayerweather Hall at Columbia University. The following information was obtained in connection with this

FREDERICK CECIL MILES resides at 492 Engle Avenue, Englewood, New Jersey and is a Professor of Economics at Columbia University. He was investigation: (U) born in Santa Rosa, California on March 24, 1892, and has degrees from the University of California and Columbia University. In addition to being an Instructor and Professor in Economics and Business Administration at Columbia University, he was employed by the Federal government in 1914 and 1915. He has been associated with the Economic Association, the American Academy of has been associated with the Economic association. He has written books on Arts and Sciences and the Statistical Association. Production and Productivity, Price Structure and Business Cycles (U)

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked with negative results (U)





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TR: JOHN HAZARD REYNOLDS

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A) CARL L. BENNETT on January 4 and 11, 1946:

Mr. HAROLD FRENCH, Assistant Manager of the Chase National Bank, 23rd Street and 5th Avenue, advised that JOHN REYNOLDS was introduced to this branch by a Mr. CHILDS, Vice President of the Mutual-New Netherland, 34th Street Branch of the Chase National Bank, where REYNOLDS maintains his personal accounts. REYNOLDS opened the account of UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION at the 5th Avenue Branch on March 4, 1941. At this time, REYNOLDS stated that by reason of an extended visit to Russia during 1939, at which time he came into contact with various high Russian officials, he entered into a two year contract with the Russian Authorities giving him exclusive right to export certain merchandise to Russia. He became very much interested in this business and believes that it will succeed. Further transactions in regard to UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION have previously been reported on in examination of the bank account at this branch. JOHN H. REYNOLDS is listed as President and Treasurer of UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION.

Mr. FRENCH advised that REYNOLDS spened a personal account at the 5th Avenue Branch on April 7, 1941. The balance in this account is between two and three thousand dollars and transactions occurring therein are very few.

According to the bank's file relative to this subject, it was noted that REYNOLDS was addressed in his communications as a Major on January 28, 1943 and later as a Lt. Colonel on September 26, 1945. Letters addressed to him reveal that he was assigned to 2 Lafayette Street, New York City, the Finance Office of the Army, and the bank permitted their Worth Street Branch to honor checks up to \$200. drawn on subject's 5th Avenue bank account. This same arrangement was made with the subject during May, 1944, at which time REYNOLDS was located with the Foreign Physical Affairs Branch, Office of the Physical Director, United States Army, Room 4E, 437 Pentagon Building, Washington, D.C. REYNOLDS requested the Chase National Bank of New York to communicate with the Pentagon Office of the First and Merchants National Bank, Richmond, Virginia and instruct them to honor his checks drawn on the Chase National Bank of New York up to \$500. This courtesy was extended him.



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An examination of REYNOLDS' bank account with the Chase National Bank disclosed a few checks for small amounts in the nature of expenses. The only unusual transaction was a check dated November 30, 1945 in the amount of \$300. drawn to the order of the National City Bank and endorsed for deposit to the account of MARION HUTCHINS, Sutton Place Branch of the National City Bank.

It appears from the bank's credit file that JOHN H. REYNOLDS has considerable funds in various accounts at the Chase National Bank 34th Street Branch which originated from his wife's family, her maiden name being GRACE FLEISCHMAN. Her father was a former Director of this branch and the family is well connected there. Mr. CHILDS, the Manager of this branch is very friendly socially with the FLEISCHMAN family and at the present time it is doubtful that a discreet inquiry can be made at this branch relative to these personal accounts without the subject being notified that an inquiry was made. It is not deemed advisable at this time to contact this branch and therefore it is being held in abeyance.

Mr. J. C. HEADDEN, Comptroller's Department of the National City Bank, 55 Wall Street, New York City, advised that JOHN H. REYNOLDS opened an account on September 15, 1938 with their Main Street, Flushing, Long Island Branch and deposited a thousand dollars therein. REYNOLDS gave his residence address at that time as 41-97 Parsons Boulevard, Flushing, Long Island and his business address as 825 5th Avenue, New York City. The account was a joint account for MARY L. SAXE and/or JOHN H. REYNOLDS. MARY L. SAXE was his mother and was too old to sign checks. The purpose of opening this account was to supply emergency funds for his mother while he visited Russia, and he authorized HILDA M. FARR, a nurse-companion of his mother, to sign checks on this account for her. The account was closed on October 17, 1940 and the funds were transferred to the Estate of MARY L. SAXE. The account was reopened on April 4, 1941 and closed on September 17, 1941, the reason given by subject being that Flushing was too inconvenient for him to do his banking business. The estate account of MARY L. SAXE has recently been closed because the estate has been disbursed.

According to the bank's records, JOHN REYNOLDS was the only heir to the Estate of MARY L. SAXE and the estate was estimated to be in excess of \$50,000. His family was considered one of the oldest families of the Flushing, Long Island Section of New York.

A credit report located in the bank's file disclosed that JOHN HAZARD REYNOLDS came to New York City from Albany, New York in 1906 and shortly thereafter became a member of the brokerage firm EFFINGHAM LAWRENCE & COMPANY.





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He subsequently held a membership in the New York Stock Exchange. During World War #I, REYNOLDS was in the Army and assigned to the Office of the World War #I, REYNOLDS was in the Army and assigned to the Office of the Director of Finance, General Staff, Washington, D. C. After his discharge from the Army he was associated with BELLEVILLE SHOE COMPANY, INC. and also from the Army he was associated with BELLEVILLE SHOE COMPANY, INC. and also the GUARANTY COMPANY of New York City. He was later active in the firm of GILIMAN & REYNOLDS but wound up his business affairs in 1924. He is reported to have retired in 1928 and devoted his time in managing his family affairs being the executor and sole heir of his mother's estate and managing his real estate properties in Long Island.

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RE: PETER C. RHODES

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The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Wicholas M.
Kalmes and cowers the period from January 22nd through January 31, 1946)

Through the assistance of ascertained that on January 23, 24 and 25 PETER HODES made no contacts of 670 importance.

From the above informant it was learned that on January 26th RHODES was contacted by CLAY (presumably CLAYMER SCHLUTER). CLAY was informed that RHODES would see BELLIE BECKER on this day. On this date advised by that RHODES was contacted by ARTHUR ALBERT, who gave his phone number as b) D Yonkers 3-6135. ALBERT indicated that he would contact RHODES at a later hour when he was advised by Mrs. RHODES that RHODES was not available.

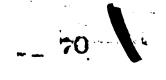
of importance on January 27th. (*) 4 advised that RHODES made no contacts by

On January 28th the above informant advised that RHODES contacted a Mr. PACKER who advised RHODES that he had dictated the letter and is sending it out

advised that on January 29th RHODES

On January 30th
RHODES contacted an unknown woman at Great Neck 2174. On this same day Mrs.
RHODES, speaking to a woman known as GRACE, advised that she and her family were going to Amenia on Saturday or Sunday, presumbly February 2nd or 3rd, depending upon when they could get transportation. Later on this same day the above informant advised that PETER RHODES contacted RELLE RECKER and advised her that he was expecting GENE (presumably GENE WARNER). JOE EBLING (ph.), JIM VAN FOUR (ph.) and others to attend a gathering at his house on the evening of January 31st. On this same day PETER RHODES contacted Miss KATHLEEN OF MALLEY in Washington, D. C. at telephone number Republic 7500.
Extension 7-3525, and asked for prompt handling of the check which he has coming.

On January 31st advised that RHODES advised that RHODES was contacted by one SEN and that REN agreed to drive RHODES and some of his





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baggage to the country tomorrow. The above informant advised that RHODES was contacted by a person named MARGARET and advised her that his address would be R.F.D., Amenia, New York, and his telephone number 193M. On this same day RHODES was contacted by one JEAN MOGERS. They discussed manuscripts and a person named ALLAN MAKES.

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RE: PETER C. RHODES

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent
Nicholas M. Kalmes and covers the period from February 1st to February 4th,
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Through the services of whose identity is known to the Bureau, it was ascertained that on Februaryl, 1946, PETER RHODES was contacted by a woman identifying herself as MINERVA, who advised RHODES that she was going to Washington tomorrow. RHODES gave her an address which is as follows: Apartment 212, CORDOVA APARTMENTS, corner of Florida and 20th Street, N.W. He also gave her a telephone number which was NORTH 1806.

RHODES said that he saw the individual in this apartment on the previous weekend and RHODES believed that he is in the Research and Analysis Department of the State Department. (This individual may be CLAYMORE SCHLUTER.)

b2 b7D advised that on February 2,

1946 there were no contacts of importance observed by this informant

On February 3, 1946

vised that Mrs. WEIS contacted Mrs. RHODES and Mrs. RHODES advised that Mr. 670

RHODES was up in the country and that she and the children were preparing to leave (1)

on February 4, 1946

vised that no contact of importance was made on this date & U

From Mr. J. F. PACKARD, Office Manager at Knickerbecker Village, 40 Monroe Street, New York, it was ascertained that PETER RHODES expects to be occupied during the coming three or four months with the writing of a book and that for the purpose of completing this book, he has borrowed the residence of Mr. LEWIS MUMFORD, a Dartmouth teacher, at Amenia, New York. During the time that RHODES is staying in the MUMFORD residence at Amenia, Mrs. EDITH WEIS and her daughter, ERIKA, will reside in RHODES' apartment at 40 Monroe Street. Mr. PACKARD advised that Mrs. WEIS is a sister of Mrs. MUMFORD's. RHODES is retaining one room in his apartment for his own use during the occasions that he is required to re-visit New York during the next two or three months.

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Re: PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent CARL L. BENNETT on January 24, 1946:

Mr. J. C. HEADDEN, Comptroller's Department, National City Bank, 55 Wall Street, New York City, advised that PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES presently maintains a regular checking account at their 57th Street Branch Office. He advised that the account was opened on August 16, 1940 as a Special Checking Account #1620 at their East Midtown Branch located at 220 East 42nd Street. At that time RHODES furnished the identity of his employment as with the UNITED PRESS of the same address and he had been with them for four years on the Cable Desk. He further advised that he had been in Europe as a War Correspondent.

On April 19, 1941 the account was transferred to the 57th Street Branch of the National City Bank and at that time he increased the balance with a \$200. deposit consisting of two checks of \$100. each drawn on the UNITED CHINA RELIEF of 1790 Broadway, New York City. At the time he increased this balance he changed the Special Checking Account to a Regular Checking Account and also changed the title to include his wife, IONE RHODES. On September 13, 1941 he changed the title of the account back to his own name, deleting that of his wife.

The Credit File of this bank reflects that on November 22, 1941 PETER RHODES flew to Europe via Clipper and requested the National City Bank of New York to establish a small emergency account for him at their 11 Waterloo Place, London Branch. His London address was the CUMBERIAND HOTEL, Marble Arch, WI. He at that time stated that he was in the service of the Federal Communications Commission and engaged in foreign broadcast monitoring. His salary checks were divided so that he was able to deposit a portion of his salary in his New York account and a portion in his London account.

The bank has a residence address of 40 Monroe Street, New York City. However, it appears that subject RHODES spends each summer at RFD Troutbeck, Amenia, New York.

A communication received by the bank from RHODES on August 30, 1945 discosed that he could be reached c/o Mrs. A. SPINGARN, Troutbeck, America, New York and he informed the bank that he had been on leave with OWI for seven weeks and hoped to purchase a summer place at this address.

According to the bank's records, a Mr. ANDERSON and ELLINOTON also established credits with the London Branch of the National City Bank at the same time RHODES did in 1911 and accompanied RHODES to London for the OSI.

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An examination of the bank account of PETER RHODES disclosed that his balance was comparatively small and had several overdrafts. During December, 1945 there was an overdraft of \$35.53. The checks drawn on this account were numerous and small and the deposits apparently were income checks from salary and all ranged around \$100.

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RE: ALEXANDER KORAL

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M.
Kalmes and covers the period from January 22nd through January 31st, 1945.

ascertained that ALEXANDER KORAL made no contacts of importance during the bicabove period.

Through contact with SALVATORE BASILE, superintendent of the spartment house in which KORAL resides, it was ascertained that KORAL and his wife were at home during the above period all the time except for departures necessary to employment and purchases.

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RE: ROBERT TAIBOT MILLER

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent NICHOLAS M. KALMES and covers the period from January 31, 1946 through February 6, 1946 (K)

On January 31, 1946 while under surveillance of Special Agents FRANK J. NOIAN, HOWARD C. KLEBE and JOHN H. DOYLE, ROBERT TAIBOTT MILLER and his wife arrived in New York City at Pennsylvania Station at 11:35 P.M. and proceeded from Pennsylvania Station by taxi eab to the HOTEL LEXINGTON at 48th Street and Lexington Avenue, New York City, where he obtained quarters.

On February 1, 1946 while under surveillance of Special Agents WALTER H. NELSON and HOWARD C. KLEBE, MILLER and his wife were observed leaving the LEXINGTON HOTEL at 10:35 A.M. and proceeding to the SAVARIN COFFEE SHOP on Lexington Avenue and 50th Street, New York City, where they had breakfast.

They returned to the LEXINGTON HOTEL at 11:21 A.M. At 12:05 P.M., MILIER and his wife left the LEXINGTON HOTEL and proceeded to Madison Avenue where they windsw shopped until 1: 40 P.M. at which time they entered the SWISS HAVILION, 38 East 50th Street, New York City, where they had lunch.

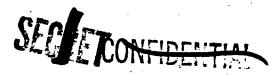
At 2:46 P.M., MILLER and his wife left the SWISS PAVILION and proceeded to 5th Avenue where they visited a number of shops, apparently on a shopping tous. At 5:15 P.M. on this day the surveillance of MILLER and his wife was discontinued.

On February 2, 1946 a surveillance of MILLER and his wife was maintained by Special Agents NEISON and KLEBE at a point near the LEXINGTON HOTEL but during the entire day MILLER was observed only once to game to the lobby of the hotel from the upper floors and on that occasion he was dressed in lounging clothes. His wife was not seen during the entire day. At 5:20 Pak. on this day surveillance of MILLER and his wife was discontinued.

On February 4, 1946 at 8:35 A.M. surveillance was taken up at a point near the LEXINGTON HOTEL by Special Agents NEISON and KIEBE. At 11:40 A.M. MILLER and his wife left the LEXINGTON HOTEL and proceeded by a taxi cab to the HOTEL CHELSEA, 226 West 23rd Street, New York City.

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They came out of the CHEISEA HOTEL at 12:24 P.M. accompanied by a woman and proceeded by eab to the IAFAYETTE RESTAURANT located at East 9th Street and University Place, New York City.

At 1:50 P.M., MILLER and his wife and the above-mentioned woman left the IAFAYETTE RESTAURANT and proceeded to the JANEWAY CERAVICS SHOP at 46 East 8th Street, New York City.

During the course of his stay at the LEXINGTON HOTEL, MILIER telephoned the number GRamercy 7-3218. This telephone number is listed to one CAROL JANEWAY who operates a ceramics shop at 46 East 8th Street, New York City and who resides at 67 West 3rd Street, New York City.

At 2:43 P.M., MILLER and his wife left 46 East 8th Street and from that time on they again embarked on a shopping tour.

At 3:30 PaN. on that day the surveillance of MILLER and his wife was discontinued.

From Mr. CLARENCE MAYHEW, Assistant Manager of the LEXINGTON HOTEL, it was ascertained that MILLER and his wife checked out of the LEXINGTON at 1:25 P.M. on Wednesday, February 6, 1946, leaving no forwarding address. Mr. MAYHEW also advised that reservations had been made for MILLER at the LEXINGTON HOTEL by one JACK GOLD who is connected with JAMES GRAY, INC., 216 East 45th Street, New York City.

Mr. MAYHEW provided the tollcall slips for the telephone calls made by MILLER during his stay in the LEXINGTON HOTEL and they are as follows:

WI 2-5900

BARCLAY HOTEL,

111 East 48th Street, New York

GR 7-3218

CAROL JANEWAY, 46 East 8th Street, New York. - Residence 67 West 3rd

Street, New York

RE 4-6681

DAVID HOWLAND,

244 East 86th Street, New York

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ANN ROSENER, 108 East 30th Street, New York

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RE: DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN

The following information with regard to the activities and associates of DR. AHRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN were ascertained by

On January 22, 1946, a MRS. MAY FRYE whose husband is PETER FRYE who is connected with show business on Broadway, N.Y. and in Hollywood, California, contacted DR. WEINSTEIN and made an appointment with him for February 3, 1946, to go to his home in Stamford, Connecticut, in order to read the recent play written by DR. WEINSTEIN'S brother MORRIS WEINSTEIN.

On January 24, 1946, MITZZ MATFAIR the Hollywood actress, contacted the office of Dr. Weinstein and made an appointment for herself for 12:30 p.m. on January 25, 1946, to have her teeth checked

On January 25, 1946, DONAID WEST who has been described as an associate of CEIRIC BELFRAGE, subject of this investigation, and who himself, is the subject of a Bureau Internal Security-C investigation, was at the office of Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein and while at the office contacted the editor of the NEW AMSTERDAM NEWS, a newspaper published in the Harlem Section of New York City. At the time DONAID WEST contacted the editor of this newspaper he told the editor that he thought his editorial with regard to the play "STRANGE FRUIT" was excellent. From his conversation it was apparent that DONAID WEST did not approve of this play. DONAID WEST in any event, made an appointment to talk to the editor again at 3 p.m. on January 26, 1946

On January 28, 1946, DONALD WEST again contacted the office of Dr. Weinstein and made an appointment to be at the office of Dr. Weinstein at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 31, 1946

On January 29, 1946, MRS. IONE RHODES contacted her husband PETER RHODES a subject of this investigation. At the time this contact was made MRS. IONE RHODES was at the office of Dr. Weinstein

On January 29, 1946, RAY ELSON, subject of this investigation contacted EETTY/NEART, secretary to Dr. Weinstein, and made an appointment for herself and her husband JOSEPH ELSON for February 7, 1946, at 2:30 p.m.

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On January 30, 1946, GREGORY BRUTZER, a Hollywood attorney, contacted the office of DR. AHRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN and advised Dr. Weinstein that he was coming to New York in February 1946, and that he wanted to see the doctor concerning treatment, at that time.

on February 1, 1946, a girl named ROSE (last name unknown) an employee of DR. WEINSTEIN'S contacted the home of Dr. Weinstein in Stamford, Conn., and advised that CREGGRAD left without signing the checks. by who was in a position to ascertain the by JOSEPH CREGG had been at the office of Dr. Weinstein on that date. It was also indicated at that time that JOSEPH CREGG would again be back at the office of Dr. Weinstein in New York in two weeks.

On February 2, 1946, a MR. FARRICIO (ph) contacted the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and advised that he wished to speak to the doctor Dr. Weinstein was not at his office at that time and MR. FARRICIO stated that he comes into town from Washington for week-ends and would like to see the doctor very much. No contact was made at that time between Dr. Weinstein and Mr. FARRICIO

On February 4, 1946, ANNA LOUISE STRONG, the subject of an Internal Security-R investigation who has recently returned to the United States after an extended visit to Moscow, Russia, was at the office of DR. WEINSTEIN. A physical surveillance was conducted at that time by Agent Brewer Wilson and it was noted that ANNA LOUISE STRONG spent approximately 12 hours at the office of Dr. Weinstein on the afternoon of February 4, 1946.

On February 5, 1946, ANNA LOUISE STRONG was again at the office of DR. AERAHAM B. WEINSTEIN and there remained most of the morning. While at the office of Dr. Weinstein she contacted a MR. LEN DECAUX, with the CIO Office in Washington, D.C. She told Mr. DECAUX at that time that she would come to see him tomorrow if he thought the CIO news could use her material. Mr. Decaux said yes, and he wanted her to meet some other people around the CIO. MRS. STRONG advised DECAUX that she would leave for Washington, D.C. on the 11:30 p.m. train on February 6, 1946. She also told Mr. DECAUX that she was going to the West Coast and from there to China and eventually back to Bussias Alle A

On February 5, 1946, HETTY HEART, secretary to Dr. A. B. Weinstein, contacted BARNEY JOSEPHSON, subject of an Internal Security-R investigation, and made an appointment for him to come in for dental work on February 11, 1946. This appointment was made for the office of DR. A. B. WEINSTEIN at 20 E. 53rd St. New York City P P No. 1941

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At New York, N.Y.:

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