ROSE SOBELL, called as a witness, having first been duly sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:-

BY MR. LANE:

- Wrs. Sobell, you had a lawyer downstairs, didn't you? A Yes, sir.
- testify here you have to tell the truth because if youdo not tell the truth you are subject to the penalties of perjury -- I think he has advised you of that, hasn't he?

 A That's right.
 - Q How old are you? A 56.
 - Q Where were you born? A In Russia.
 - @ What part of Russia? A Ukraine.
 - Q Ukraine? A Yes.
- Q Do you remember the town or the village?

 A Belezorca.
- Q That is in the southern part, is it? A thekso.
 - Q Towards the Black Sea? A I don't remember.
- Q When did you come to the United States? A In the early part of September 1906.
- Q When did you -- are you an American citizen?

 A Yes, sir.
 - Q Naturalized? A Through my husband.
- Q When did you become naturalized? A I am naturalized through my hus mand.

- Q Through marriage to your husband? A That's right
- Q Was he born in this country? A No, sir.
- Q Where was he born? A In Russia.
- Q That part? A The same city, the same town.
- Q When did you meet him for the first time? A Well, when we came here.
 - Q Did you come on the same boat? A No, sir.
- Q You met him after you came to this country?

 A That's right.
 - ¿ Did you meet him in New York? A That's right.
 - Q Were you married to him in New York? A Yes, sir.
 - Q When? A May 22, 1915.
 - Q 1915? A Yes, sir.
 - Q How many children do you have? A Two.
 - Q Who are they? A Morton and Beverly.
- Q When were they born? A Morton was born on April 11, 1917, and Beverly was born on May 7, 1924.
- Q Morton was born when, in 1918? A Morton was born in 1917.
 - Q And Beverly was born in 1924? A Yes.
 - Q Are they both married? A Yes, sir.
- Q They both have children? A No; my daughter is expecting a child.
- Q Has your son Morton been married more than once?

 A No; just once.
 - Q Whom did he marry? A Helen.

- G Helen who? A Helen Guerowitz.
- When was he married? A March 10th, 1945.
- Q How many children does he have? A He has one child and a child by her first marriage.
 - Q She was married before? A That's right.
- Q Where did Morton go to school? A He went to Public School 138, and then he went to Junior High School, and then he went to Stuyvesant High School, and then he went to City College.
- Q When did he get through City College? A Through with City College?
- Yes; when did he graduate? A I think it was in 38. I am not sure of the dates.
- Q Do you know what he did after he finished City College? A Yes; he got a job and he went away from home.
- Q He went away from home? A Yes; he got a job in Washington.
 - Q Whom was it with, do you know? A I don't remember
- Q Has he contfibuted to the support of you and your husband? A He has been very good. He didn', have to. He helped us sometimes when we needed help. He was a very good boy, very good, the best there is.
- Q Is there any way that you can account for his becoming affiliated with the Communist Party? A I beg your pardon?
 - Q Is there any way, any reason you can give, why he

became affiliated with the Communist Party? Do you know any reason for it? A I refuse to answer. I don't know.

Q Let me explain to you. You cannot refuse to answer, you have no right to refuse to answer that question. A I would like to see my counsel.

MR. LANE: Will you excuse her for a minute or two? I will ask further questions, but in the meantime I will call for her counsel.

(Mr. Lane leaves room and then returns.)

(Mr. Lane, resuming:)

- Q When did your son go to Mexico? A I don't know when, sir.
- Q Now you are under oath. You have no idea when he went to Mexico? A No, sir.
- Q Did he tell you he was leaving for Mexico? A He called me up that he was leaving for a vacation.
 - Q For a vacation? A That's right.
- Q Didn't he tell you that he had left his work?

 A No, he did not, sir.
- Q A little louder. A He did not. He called me up and he told me he was leaving for a vacation.
- When called you up and told you he was leaving for a vacation? A That's right.
- Q When did he call you up? A Sometime -- I do not remember what day; on the week of June 21st.
- Q What time was it? A In the morning. It was about 8:30, between 8 and 8:30.

- Q who was there when he called you? A I was alone.
- Q What number did he cail? A Cypress 2-3535.
- and se are going away."
- Q Did they take the children with them? A Well, I assume they did.
 - Q Don't you know? A They did.
 - Q Did he tell you where he was going? A No, sir.
 - Q Did he tell you when he was coming back? A No, sir.
- Q Did you ask him when he was coming back?
 A I did not ask.
- Q Were you interested? A I was interested but I don't ask. He's a grown man.
- Q A little louder now. A He's a grown man and he does things. He's been away before. He's been away from home twelve years now.
- Q Did he ever introduce you to Mr. Rosenberg?

 A No, sir.
- © Do you know Rosenberg, Julius Rosenberg?

 A No, sir.
 - Q Never saw him? & No, sir.
- Did he communicate with you while he was in Mexico? A No, sir.
 - Q Not at all? A We have one letter.
- q When aid he write that? A I don't remember. My husband has it. I don't remember the date.

What fild he say in that? A That they are on the vacation and they are having a good time, and the baby is walking --

MR. LANE: Excuse me. Will you excuse the lady for a moment?

THE FOREMAN: You are excused for a moment. (Witness leaves and then is recalled.)

MR. LANE: Will the stenographer go back to the question I asked that the lady refused to answer?

- Q (Question read to witness, as follows: "Q Is there any way, any reason you can give, why he became affiliated with the Communist Party? Do you know any reason for it?") A I do not.
- Q You do know that your son was affiliated with the Communist Party? A I did not.
- Q Eid you yourself -- were you yourself affiliated with the Communist Party? A I refuse to answer.
- Q On what ground? A On the ground or incriminating myself.
- Q Did you ever sign a petition for the Communist Party? A I did.
 - Q That's for elections and things? A Yes.
- Since your son left the United States in June have you visited your son's house? A Yes, sir; we were there.
 - Q When were you there? A We were there on Sunday.
 - Q Do you recall the date, Mrs. Sobell? A It was the

end of that week of June 21st. We went there and collected some food, some perishable food, and took it home.

- Q When you say "we", whom so you mean? A My hus bans and I.
- on your son's house? A I did, sir.
- Q What was that? A I made the monthly payment for his house.
 - Q Was that a mortgage payment? A Yes, I believe so.
- Q Whom did you make it to? A To the County Trust Company in Tarrytown, N. Y.
 - Q Did your daughter make payment also? A My daughter
 - Q Yes. A No, sir.
 - Q Who is Edith Levitov? A That's not my daughter.
 - Q Who is that? A My daughter-in-law's sister.
 - Q Your daughter-in-law's sister? A That's right.
 - Q Where does she live? A She lives in Washington.
 - Q Edith Levitov? A That's right.
- Q Where does she live in Washington? A I don't remember the address; in Arlington, Virginia.
 - Q Does she work for the Government? A Does she?
 - Q Yes. A She does not.
 - Q Is she married? A No, sir.
- your daughter-in-law -- you are referring to the wife of your son Morton? A Yes, sir.

- Q You know that she made a payment in August on the a ortgage on the house, you know that, don't you? A I made a payment in August, sir. I do not know whether she made a payment.
 - You made a payment in August? A Yes.
- Q Who made the July payment on the house? A She
 - Q That was \$79? A That's right.
 - Q Did she tell you about that? A Yes, sir.
- Q When did she tell you about it? A I don't remember.
- Q Well, in the last few weeks, do you think? A Well, she told it to me, yes.
- andid she tell you that Morton told her to make the payment for him? A She did not.
- Enw was it that she made the payment? A I do not know, sir, but she did.
- wanted the house for him.
 - Q Was that the \$79 payment? A Yes, \$79.29.
 - W How much does your husband make a week? a \$75.
 - \mathbb{Q} And I don't suppose he is too wealthy, is he? He hasn't got too much money? A No, sir.
 - Q Do you own your own house? A We live in an apartment house.

- Q You rent it? A That's right.
- @ How muchdo you pay forrent? A \$45.
 - Q Do you have money in the bank? A Yes.
- Q Very much? A Not very much.
- Q How much would you say? A We have about \$2500.
- Q Did you have to draw on that money to pay for your son's mortgage? A Yes, sir.
- Q What is the house worth, that is, your son's house? A My son's house?
- What's the value? A What it's worth? I wouldn't know.
- Q Did your son tell you to make that payment on the house? A No, sir.
- Q You weren't sure when he was coming back, were you? A That's right.
 - Q Did he borrow any money from you when he left?

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(Mr. Lane)

A No, sir.

Q Did he ever discuss the Rosenbergs with you or your husband? A No, sir.

Member of the Communist Party or the Young Communist League?

A I do not know.

Q The answer is no, as far as you know - - are you sure of that? A I would like to see my attorney.

THE FOREMAN: What was the answer?

MR. LANE: She would like to see her attorney.
Will you excuse her for the moment?

THE FOREMAN: Yes, she is excused temporarily.

[Witness leaves Grand Jury room with Mr. Lane,
and they return.]

MR. LANE (To Reporter): Will you repeat the question once again?

[Reporter reads: "Has your son, to your knowledge, ever been a member of the Communist Party or the Young Communist League?"]

THE WITNESS: I do not know.

Q Now, I want to get back to that payment on your son's house. If you thought that he was only on vacation, what prompted you to make a payment on your son's house?

A The payment was due, and I wanted to keep the house for my son.

- How did you know it was due? A Well, I know my son.
- Q Louder, please. A I know my son made monthly payments.
- Q Well, how did you know he hadn't made payments before he left? A I did not know.
- Q Then what prompted you to inquire? A The girl, Edie, made a payment, and she said the next payment is due on the first of August.
- Q When did she tell you that she had made this payment? A I can't recall now when it was.
- Q Well, some time within the last few weeks, I take it? A That was prior to the payment.
- she made the July payment in August, didn't she? A I don't know, sir, when she made the payment.
- you or did she write you or did she see you personally, to tell you that she made this payment? A She had seen me.
 - Q Where did she see you? A I met her.
 - Q Where? A We were in the country.
- Q Whereabouts in the country? A I refuse to answer on account of incriminating myself.

MR. LANE: Will you excuse her again, Mr.

Foreman?

THE FOREMAN: Certainly.

[Witness leaves Grand Jury Room with Mr. Lane, and they return.]

MR. LANE: (To Reporter) Will you repeat the question, please?

[Reporter reads: "Whereabouts in the country?"]
THE WITNESS: In Wingdale, New York.

- Q Wingdale, New York? A Yes, sir.
- Q What was up at Wingdale, New York? A A country place.
 - Q Whose country place? A Whose?
 - Q Yes who owned it? A I don't know.
- well, whose place was it? A It was a summer resort in Wingdale, New York.
 - Q What is the name of the place? A (No answer)
 - Q Do you recall? A I don't remember.
- Q Who was up there with you your husband?

 A Yes, sir.
- Q And how long ago was that? A My husband went up there the last part of June and the first week in July
- days and then forthree days. I did not stay all the time.
 - Q You went up for two days and then you went

home? A Yes, sir.

- Q And then you came back for three days more?
 A Yes, sir.
 - A My husband.
 - Q Your husband and Edith? A Edith Levitov.
 - Q Edith Levitov? A Yes, sir.
 - Q What does Edith Levitov do? A She is a typist and stenographer.
 - She works in Washington? A I don't know that
 - Q She lives in Washington? A Yes, sir now.
 - What is her telephone number? A I wouldn't know, sir.
 - Whomdoes she work for? A She is not working now.
 - Whomaid she work for? A I wouldn't know, sir
 - Q Is she in New York now? A She is in Washing-ton now, to my knowledge.
 - Q When is the last time you communicated with her, either by telephone or in person or by letter?

 A By person. She came into New York. I wouldn't know exactly what time.
 - Q When was it? A A couple of weeks ago.
 - met her.

- Q Where? A Downtown.
- Q Whereabouts, downtown? A In the union, my husband's union.
- What was that what is the union? A On 50th Street.
 - Q What union is it? A The Pharmacy Union.
 - Wou met her at the union hall? A That's right.
- Was anybody else there? A Yes; there were workers there. We had to pay the dues, and she came down there.
- Q She is not a member of the union, is she?

 A No. sir.
- You had a little conference there? A (No answer.)
 - € You had a talk, a chat? A Well, --
- Up at Wingdale did you talk about your son, Morton? A No, sir.
- Well, the usual thing, about the baby and things like that.
- A Well, we were talking about a lot of things.
- Q Did she ask you to meet them up there? A I beg your pardon?
 - We How did you happen to meet at Wingdale? A Oh,

we went to the country together.

- Q The three of you went up there? A No -- yes, sir.
- Q The three of you went up there together?

 A Yes, sir.
- Q Was that by pre-arrangement - did you decide to go up there together? A Well, it so happened that my husband's vacation was arranged a long time in advance. The last week in June and the first week in July that was his scheduled time for vacation, and that was the arrangement.
- Q How did she happen to join you? How old is she, by the way? A I wouldn't know, sir.
- Q Well, is she twenty or thirty? A She is more than twenty, I think.
 - Q And less than thirty? A Probably.
- Q How did she happen to join you there? A Well, we said we were going up and she said she would like to go, too, and she came.
- Q And did you talk about the Rosenberg case while you were there? A No, sir.
- Q You read about Julius Rosenberg being arrested, didn't you? A I read in the papers.
 - Q You read about it? A I read about everything;

I read the papers.

Let us stick to one thing: You know what I am talking about, Mrs. Sobell. I am talking about Julius Rosenberg. He was in your son's class at City College.

You knew that, didn't you? A I didnot, sir.

- Q You knew he knew your son? A No, sir.
- Q Did Edith Levitov talk about Julius Rosenberg?

 A No, sir.
- Q There was nothing mentioned about that at all?

 A No, sir.
 - G Is she a Communist? A I don't know that, sir.
 - Q Did she ever say she was? A No, sir.
- Q Did she ever say she was a member of the Young Communist League? A No, sir.
- of the Young Communist League? A I do not, sir.
- Do you know whether he is a member of the Communist Party? A I do not, sir.

MR. LANE: Mr. Foreman, do you have any questions, or the members of the jury?

THE FOREMAN: I don't remember - did you answer that question, "Are you a member of the Communist Party?"

THE WITNESS: I refused to answer on grounds

of incriminating myself.

A JUROR: Did you receive any mail while you were at Wingdale?

THE WITNESS: No, sir.

A JUROR: Did anyone?

THE WITNESS: No, sir.

A JUROR: Did you ever go there before?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

A JUROR: Did you ever receive mail while you were there before?

THE WITNESS: Well, I don't remember.

- Q Do you know a man by the name of Elitcher?

 A Yes, sir.
 - Q Do you know him well? A I wouldn't say well.
 - Q Has he been to your house? A No, sir.
 - Q Is he a friend of your son's? A Neighbors.
 - Q They live next door? A Yes.
 - Q Q To your son? A That's right.
 - Q Has Elitcher ever visited your home? A No, sir.
- Q How long have you known him? A They worked in Washington together.
- Q Did your son ever talk about him? A Matter of fact.
 - Q Is there anything else you can tell the Grand

Jury about your son's activities? A My son is a very god boy, and he was always honest and kind and good, and he did — he was the best son there is, and he always helped us. When he was twelve years old, he had fifty dollars saved up from nickels and dimes in the drug store, carrying prescriptions, and my husband needed a suit, and he said, "Ma, take that money, I don't need it. I really don't need it. You can use it — "

- a group of Communists? A I don't know, sir.
- Q It is a little inconsistent, isn't it? A He is honest and he is good. There must be some mistake.
 - Q Was he in the Army? A No, sir.
 - Q Was he drafted? A No, sir.
- Q Why? A I don't know. He gave more than a gallon of blood to the blood donations.
- Q But he didn't get into the service himself?

 A No, sir.
- And you have no explanation as to why you and your daughter-in-law's sister took care of that mortgage, when you knew that your son was only on vacation? A We wanted to keep the house until he comes back.
 - When was he coming back? A I didn't know, sir.
- Q How long a vacation had he taken before, in any year? A I don't know, sir. He was away from home a long

time.

- Q Did you know he had given up his job, at the place where he worked? A No, sir, I didn't know that.
 - a bid he tell you that? A No, sir.
 - Q Did anyone ever tell you that? A No, sir.
- Q Are you sure you never heard that before?

 A No. sir.
- He had been away for two months or more, hadn't he, and you knew he couldn't afford that on his salary that kind of a vacation didn't you? A (No answer.)
- As a matter of fact, didn't you know he was never coming back? A I did not, sir.
- Q Did you hear he was never coming back? A I did not know, sir.
- Q Did he ever tell you he wasn't coming back?
 A No, sir.
- Q How did he leave the country? A I don't know sir.
- Q Where did he get the money to leave? A I don't know, sir.
- or by plane or by automobile? A No, sir, I didn't ask him.
 - Q Do you know how he did go? A He didn't tell me
 - Q Did his wife ever tell you about it? A No, sir

- Q Have you conferred with her within the last few days? A Yes, I have seen her.
 - Q When was that? A The last three days.
- What did you talk about? A Well, we were talking about Morton.
 - What did she say? A We were talking.
- Q But what did she say about Morton? A (No answer.)
- Q Did you ask her where they were bound for when they left the United States? A Yes; she told me.
- Q what did she tell you? A That they took a plane and went to Mexico.
 - Q What for? A For a vacation.
 - Q Did she say that? A For a vacation.
 - Q Did she say that? A My daughter-in-law.
 - Q Did she say that? A Yes, sir.
- Q Did she say how long they intended to be gone on the vacation? A She told me that yesterday.
 - Q That they had gone for a vacation? A Yes, sir
- Q And did she say how long they intended to be on that vacation? A She did not, sir.
- Q Did she say when they intended to come back?
 A she did not, sir.
- Did she say why they came back? A She did not, sir.

- Q Did she tell you what they were doing in Mexico?

 A Yes; they were living there.
- Q Did she tell you that your son tried to arrange passage on a ship for a foreign port, out of Mexico?

 A No, sir.
 - Q Did you discuss it with her? A No, sir.
 - Q You didn't mention it? A No, sir.
- Q What did she say about that? A That they were having a good time.
- Q Is that all? A They were living there and cooking and eating.
- Q And that is all she talked about? A That's right
- Q She didn't tell you about the arrest of her husband? A No, sir.
 - Q She said nothing about that? A No, sir.
- I must remind you again. I don't like to press you. After all, I realize you are a mother and - A Well, she told me how they came back.
- Well, that is what I am getting at - what did she say? I withdraw that. What I want to know now is the name of the place where you stayed in Wingdale.

 A Can I see my attorney?

- Q Yes; but that should not be hard for you.

 Wait a minute. First you have to refuse to answer on the ground that it will incriminate you. A I refuse to answer on the grounds that it will incriminate me.
- Giving the name of the place where you stayed in Wingdale will incriminate you? A Yes, sir.
 - Q You understand that? A Yes, sir.

MR. LANE: May she be excused?

THE FOREMAN: You are excused.

[Witness leaves Grand Jury room with Mr. Lane, and they return.]

MR. LANE (To Reporter): May we have that question repeated, please?

[Reporter reads: "What I want to know now is the name of the place where you stayed in Wingdale."]

THE WITNESS: Camp Unity.

- Q Camp what? A Unity.
- Q Did you have to pay to stay there? A Yes, sir.
- Q How much? A Forty-three dollars a week.
- And who runs Camp Unity? A It is Lake Ellis Corporation.
 - Q Who is the manager? A Louis Pasternack.
 - Q Louis Pasternack? A That's right.

- Q Is he the one that runs it? A He is the manager.
- Q What did you have to pay to stay the re?

 A Forty-three dollars.
 - Q For how long? A A week.
 - Q Apiece? A That's right.
- Q Do you go up every summer? A No, not every summer.
 - Q Do they have meetings up there? A (No answer!)
 - Q Do they have talks? A They have.
- Q Did they have any talks or meetings while you were up there? A I don't know, I wasn't paying any attention.
- Q Did you talk to anyone else up there about your son or the Rosenbergs, except Pasternack? A No, sir.
 - Q Did you talk to Pasternack? A No, sir.
 - You talked to no one? A No, sir.
 - Q Except this girl? A I didn't talk to a nybody
- Q Did you talk to this girl, Edith, about your son? A About my son?
- A Yes, sir.
- You saw her yesterday. What did she say about your son

Mortan and his trip to Mexico? A Well, they had a nice trip and they had a good time there.

- Q Is that all? A That's all.
- We How long were you with her? A A few hours.
- Q And that is all you said in a few hours? A That's all; that's right.
 - Q Who else was there? A My husband.
- Whereabouts was this meeting? A It was not a meeting, it was in my house.
 - Q What time? A She stays in my house.
 - Q But what time? A She is with us.
- Q I know that, but what time did this conversation take place? A I don't know; some time during the day.
- Doesn't your husband work during the day? A One week he works late and one week he works early. He is a pharmacist.
 - Q And this week? A He works late.
- Q And you had this talk in the morning? A That's right. He goes to work two-thirty.
- And what did she say, for instance, about when they were coming back, or planned to come back? A They are back.
- Q I know that, but what did she say - did she say anything about their plans for coming back? Did she

say anything about how long they had planned to stay in Mexico? A No, sir, she didn't.

- Q How long were they in Mexico? A They were away a long time, I guess; I don't know how long.
 - Q A couple of months, maybe? A I guess so.
- Q How about the mail when your son was away?

 Did you go over and collect his mail? A No, sir, I did

 not.
 - Q What happened to the mail? A I don't know, dr.
- Q Let me ask you this question: I assume that they get milk at that house that your son lived at they get milk delivered every day? A I don't know, sir.
- Q Haven't you been there? A Yes, I have been there.
- Q Don't they have young children? A Yes, they have a baby.
 - Q Don't they get milk? A I guess they do.
- Q Don't they have a man delivering milk? A I suppose so.
 - Q Don't they get newspapers? A I don't know.
 - Q Do you get milk? A No, 1 don't.
 - Q Do you get newspapers? A I buy newspapers.
- Q Well, did anyone order the gas or electricity shut off? A I don't know, sir.

- As far as you know, they didn't? A No, sir.
- Did you collect any mail at your son's house, at any time? A No, sir.
- Uid you go over to your son's house while he was away? A I was there once.
 - Q Did your husband go over? A No, sir.
 - Q Did anyone go over? A I don't know that.
 - Q Who had the keys to his house? A E dith Levitor.
 - Q She had the key? A Yes, sir.
- Q Dic sne live there while they were away? A No.
- Q where did sne get the key? A She lived with them.
- Q She stayed there all the time they were gone, is that right? A No, sir.
- Q Where did she go when they left? A Sne went with us to the country.
- Q But she came back after a week what did she do when she came back? A She went to Washington.
- I thought you said she was working in Washington before that. A She was not, sir. She lived with her sister.
 - Q Did she work in New York? A Yes, sr.
 - Q Whereabouts? A I don't know that, sir.

- You say she is in Washington now? A Yes.
- Q You don't know where she is? A She is home.
- We Oh, she lives in Washington? A That's right.
- Whereabouts? A I don't know the address off-
- Q What street is it? A It is in Arlington, Virginia.
 - Q When did she go home? A I don't know, sir.
- Q Do you know whether she had the gas or electricity cut off? A I donot know, sir.
 - @ But you didn't do it? A That!s right.
- And you didn't collect any mail at all? A No.
- And you only received one letter from your son? A That's right.
 - THE FOREMAN: You received one letter. Now, you are a mother, and have a supposedly very devoted son, and I would like to say, too, that this group here have children some may and may not and we are rather intelligent, I think; and with all that devotion you didn't write your son a letter at all down there in Mexico?

THE WITNESS: I didn't know where to, sir.

THE FOREMAN: You did not know?

THE WITNESS: No, sir.

THE FOREMAN: As a mother with such a devoted son you weren't interested in knowing where he was?

THE WITNESS: I was interested, sir.

THE FOREMAN: You were interested but not to the extent of getting his address to write to him?

THE WITNESS: I knew he would take care of himself. He's a grown man. He's been away from home a long time; he has always taken care of himself.

THE FOREMAN: Isn't it quite natural for a parent or mother, after two months, to write to the child?

THE WITNESS: I did not know we had to write, sir.

(Mr. Lane, resuming:)

- Q Did you have his address in Mexico? A No, sir.
- @ Well, he wrote to you from there, didn't he?
- A He wrote only the last week.
 - O From Mexico? A Yes.
- Q He gave you his address then, didn't he? A No, sir.
 - Q No address on the letter? A No.
- \mathbb{Q} You did not know where he was all this time? A No,sir.
 - Q As a matter of fact, didn't he communicate with

you while he was away? A No, sir.

- Q You are sure? A Positive.
- Q You are positive, and you know this is under oath? A Yes.

MR. LANE: You are excused temporarily and you are still under subpoena, and the Foreman will tell me when they want you to come back again. Tell your husband to wait a minute. We'll have him in for a second. You can go now.

(WITNESS EXCUSED)

LOUIS SOBELL, called as a witness, having first been duly sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:-

BY MR. LANE:

- Q Mr. So cell, how old are you? A 61.
- Q Are you a citizen? A Yes, sir, that's right.
- Q You are the father of Morton Sobell? A Yes.
- Q You have a lawyer outside too, haven't you?

 A That's right.
- Q He has advised you of your constitutional rights and so forth? A Yes.
- Q You received some mail from your son, did you, in the last few weeks? A I did.
- Q Where was it from, Mexico? A I got a letter. I have no envelope.
- Q Did you get a letter with no envelope? A It is not worth asking where it is from.
- Q Will you produce that letter so we can mark it for identification? A Yes.
- Q This is the only letter you received? A That's the only letter I have got.

(MARKED GRAND JURY EX. 1, this date.)

- Q Did you receive any telephone dalls from him?
 A No, I did not.
- Q Or did you receive any messages of any sort while he was away? A No.

THE FOREMAN: You did not receive any?

THE WITNESS: I said I did not receive any.

- Q Did you know what he was away for, the reason why he was away? A All I know is, as my wife told me, he spoke to her and said he would be away for a vacation, took a vacation, a lengthy vacation somewhere.
- Q A little louder now. A I said, all I know is what my wife told me. I didn't get it. He will be away for a lengthy vacation.
- Q Who is Bob -- Bob's baby -- who is Bob? This letter says Bob. A That's Babs. That's my daughter. She is pregnant and she is due.
- Q This is from Evelyn, isn't it -- "Love" -- is this Evelyn, what does that say, what is the signature on that? Evvie, is that it? A Evvie, is that what it is? I don't know.
- Q It looks like it. But that is your son's handwriting? A I assume it is. I don't know.
- Q You know your son's handwriting? A I didn't correspond very much with him.
- Q That looks like it, doesn't it? A It looks like it.
- Q You say you received that when? A Well, let me see. About -- did I say last week? Yes, last week, Tuwsday I got home and opened the box and found this letter in there
- Q Do you know Edith Levitov? A Do I know Edith Levitov? Yes, that's the sister.

- Q Does she live with you people? A She lives with us for a short while.
- Q Well, did you go away with her up to the country?

 A Well, I don't know whether I should answer that question or not.
- Q I might save time by telling you I asked your wife the same question and she went out and consulted with her attorney and she came back and answered it after consulting with him. The answer is Camp Unity. Does that relieve your mind any? A All right, if you want it that way.
- Q Did you go to Camp Unity with your wife? A Yes, I was on vacation at that time.
 - Q And Edith Levitov was up there? A Yes.
- while you were there you discussed your son Morton, didn't you? A I don't know what you mean by discussed.
- Q You discussed what he was joing in Mexico and the fact that he was away, didn't you? A I don't know what I should say. How do I know he was in Mexico? I couldn't discuss anything. I didn't know where he was so I couldn't riscuss anything about Mexico or any other place.
 - w You didn't know where he was? A No; of course not.
- gure I did not know where he was? A I am sure I did not know where he was.
- where he was? A Nobody did and I didn't know.

- Q Was this the first indication that you had that he was in Mexico, when you got this letter? A I do not know whether this was the first. This is the only letter I ever got from him since he was away.
 - Q This was sent from Mexico? A I do not know.
- Q You got the envelope, Mr. Sobell. Don't be too reluctant. A Well, I haven't got the envelope.
- Q You read the envelope that it/came in. You saw there was a stamp on it. Was there a United States stamp on it? A I don't remember.
 - Q You don't remember? A That's right.
- Q Did you look at it? Here/your son that was away for quite some time. You say you did not know where he was. The letter itself doesn't indicate where he was, but there is a stamp on the envelope and there's a postmark on there, and here is a son that's been away, you do not know where he is, the letter comes in and you do not take the pains to look at it? A No, I did not.
- Q For your information, your wife told us the letter was from Mexico. You are being a little too reluctant. I realize you are the father, but at the same time you are a citizen of the UnitedStates and you are bound to answer any questions which do not tend to incriminate you the answers to which do not tend to do so. When I ask you a simple question like that, you even try to evade that. A I am not trying to evade anything.

- interested in prosecuting you. You are in here as a witness and a father. I have nothing against you. But, on the other hand, if you are going to be reluctant and you are going to insist upon refusing to answer questions and to me this is a studied refusal, this isn't just the average refusal to answer because you do not know. You do know the answers to these questions and you should answer. I am going to be patient but not too patient. A Well, I don't know the answer.
- Q Did you discuss with your wife the fact that he was in Mexico? A I did not discuss anything.
- Q Did you ever hear your wife say he was in Maxico? A No, I did not.
- Q When the letter came in, who received the letter did you receive it? A I took it out of the box, yes.
- Q Did you look at it? A I opened it up and I read the letter.
- Q What did you say to your wife then? A I showed her the letter.
- Q Did you show her the envelope? A I did not show her the envelope.
- Q Was Edith Levitov there? A Maybe. I do not think so.
- Q Did you talk to her about the letter? A No, sir, I did not.

- Q Did you tell her that you received a letter from your son? A No, I did not.
 - Q Why? A Why should I talk to Edith Levitor?
- Q She lived with you, didn't she? A She didn't live with us at that time when I got the latter.
- Q Have you seen her sime you got the letter?
 - Q You haven't seen her at all? A No.
 - Q Have you talked with her? A No.
- Q You haven't talked with her at all? A No, I did not.
- Q When is the last time you paid your dues for your union? A I do not remember when.
- Q How long ago, a month, two months, three months?

 A I paid this month's dues.
 - Q This month's dues? A Yes.
 - Q When did you pay it? A I do not remember when.
- Q Was it after you received this letter? A I do not remember.
- Q Did your wife go down with you when you pid your dues? A I don't remember.
- Q Do you remember ever talking with Edith Levitov down at the union headquarters? A Do I remember?
 - Q Yes. A Yes.
 - Q When was that? A That was on Monday.
 - y Yes, and yet you just said tha you never talked

with her before. You discussed this whole case -- A Just take it easy now. Wait, just a minute. I got this letter on Tuesday after two FBI men came down and accosted me where I was working on the prescription counter.

- Q When was this? A That was on Tuesday, Tuesday about one o'clock.
- Q My dear man, this says August 8th on this letter. A week ago last Tuesday was the 22nd of August.

 A You can find out when two FBI men were down my place where I worked and stood in front of me and interfered with my work.
- I had that letter in the letter box.
 - o When did you talk with Edith? A That was Monday.
 - Q Last Monday, wasn't it? A Yes.
- Q That was the 20th, wash't it, August 20th? A Yes, and the letter I got Tuesday, Tuesday, after I got home from work.
- Q You did what? A The letter I got the next day after I got home from work.
- Q The letter is dated August Sth. A I do not know about the date, Mister.
- Q How did it come, was it an air mail letter?

 A I do not remember. I don't think it was.
- Q The letter is dated August Sth; your conference with Edith was on August 20th; and you are telling me that

you got the letter on August 22nd. The conference with

Edith was on August 21st, and you are telling me you got the

letter August 22nd? A That's right. I got it on Tuesday.

I am telling you I got it when those two men saw me in the

store, and whenever I got home. They accosted me and told me

I should tell them where Morton is. I told them I did not

know, and when I got home I found the letter.

- Q You found the letter on the 22nd? A That was Tuesday.
- Q I do not want to remind you that you are lying, because you are. The letter could not possibly have been sent in that time because yourhusband was in custody. He was arrested last week. I am sorry, your son was arrested last week. But I do notice you catch these little mistakes in here very readily; you are quick to note them. Your son was in custody and it would have been impossible for him to write a letter dated August 8th that you got on August 22nd. It would have been impossible to have sent the letter. How would he send it? He was in custody. He wasn't in Mexico at that time at all. He was in Texas, in custody. So I think you are telling a lie. A I am not lying.
- Q And I must remind you that you are under oath and you are subject to the penalties of perjury. Are you a Communist? A I refuse to answer that question.

(Cont. by IFG)

(Re: John Doe)

(Mr. Lane)

Q On the grounds it may tend to incriminate you?

A That's right.

Q Have you ever been affiliated with the Communist Party? A The same answer. I will go out and ask my lawyer.

We No, you gave the answer, and I am not pressing it. A Then if you are not pressing me, don't ask me the question.

THE FOREMAN: You answer the question here.

- Q The only answer that you can give is that you refuse to answer on the grounds it will tend to incriminate you? A That's right.
- gest that you get fresh with this jury. A I am not fresh.
- as I personally am concerned, that does not matter, what you say; but as far as these jurors are concerned, it does matter. These jurors are going to pass upon your testimony. You can't insult their intelligence, even though you think you can. So please at least be civil in your answers.

 A I am civil. Look, mister, I have a blood pressure of 250, and I have a damaged heart, and if you want to press me any more go ahead and do it.
- I am not pressing you. A I am answering you all I know.
 - why did you destroy the envelope? A Not for

any reason.

envelope was mailed from? A No, nobody asked.

MR. LANE: Mr. Foreman, will you excuse this man until next Wednesday, one week. A week ago yesterday - next Wednesday, you will return here, at eleven o'clock.

THE FOREMAN: I want to ask you one question:
Why does it incriminate you to answer as to whether
or not you are a member of the Communist Party?
Are there any tenets in the Communist Party that
make you think it would be a crime if you answered
the question?

THE WITNESS: I don't know how to answer that.

THE FOREMAN: You know pretty much about the

Communist Party, and you know not to answer.

THE WITNESS: I suppose I do. You can't help knowing it, by reading the papers and so on.

THE FOREMAN: Supposing I asked you if you were a Republican or a Democrat or a Socialist, how would you answer that?

THE WITNESS: The answer would have to be the same.

THE FOREMAN: The same answer?

THE WITNESS: Maybe I am wrong.

Q You are excused until next Wednesday, and you are still under subpoens. A All right. May I go now?

Q Yes.

(WITNESS EXCUSED)

ANN H. SIDCROVICH, called as a witness, having first been duly sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:-

BY MR. LANE:

- g You live in Clevelani; A Yes.
- Q How old are you? A 32.
- Q Where did you go to school? A What school?
- Q I mean any school. What is your education, high school and college? A Grade school, high school -- grade school in New Haven, Conn., high school in New Haven, Conn. Some college in Cleveland.
- Q What college? A Cleveland College; some night courses there.
 - Q When were you married? A 1941.
 - Q And to whom? A Michael Sidorovich.
 - Q You have a child? A Yes.
 - Q What is her name? A Andrea Ann Sidorovich.
 - Q How old is she? A 15½ months.
 - W Born when? A May 9, 1949.
 - Q You are married to Michael Sidorovich? A Yes.
 - What does Mike do? A He's a draftsman.
- Q Whom does he work for? A Gas Machinery Company in Cle weland.
- Q what does he make for a salary? A \$275 a month base salary, and then there's additional.
 - Q Do you work at all? ANo, not right now.

- Had you worked prior to the birth of your child?
 A Yes, I had.
 - Q Where did you work? A Lindner Coy, Cleveland.
- Q What is that? A Specialty shop, department store.
- Q What did you do? A Sales person and then assistant buyer.
- Q Did you work in New York City at all at any time?

 A Yes, I did. I worked in clothing factories, as a maid --
- Q You worked where? A I worked as a maid first and then in the clothing factory --
 - Q As a maid? You mean housemaid? A Yes.
- Where do they live? A I think it was Washington Heights, New York.
 - Q What is their name? Spell it. A T-o-o-m-a-k-k-i-r
- Where do they live in Washington Heights? A It was a street that wasn't called a street but a Place. I do not remember the name.
 - Q Some Place in Washington Heights? A Yes.
- Q When did you work there? A The first year I came to New York, and that was in 1939, I believe.
- Q I assume you were born in New Haven, is that correct? A Yes.

- When did you meet Mike? A When I went to New You.
- way not have been until '40.
 - @ Around 139 or 140? A Yes.
- You knew him for about five or six years before you married him? A No, I knew him for -- we were married in '41 -- just several months or a year at the most.
- Q You bought a place here in New York, didn't you?

 A Yes, in Chappagua.
- Q When did you purchase it? A It was the very early spring of '42, I think, or '43.
 - Q What did you pay for it? A I think it was \$2500.
- $\mathbb Q$ And did you finance it through some bank? A $\mathbb N_0$, it was financed through the previous owners.
- Q Who were they? A They took a mortgage on it. Their name was Felgenhauer.
 - Speil it. A F-e-l-g-e-n-h-a-u-e-r .
- $\label{eq:chappaqua} \mbox{\mathbb{Q} Where were they located? A They lived in $$C_{happaqua}$.}$
 - Q Do they live there now? A No, I don't know where
- Q They lived in this house? A Yes, before we purchased it.
- I am going to show you some pictures and ask you if you can identify these pictures as pictures of the house and the general surroundings outside the house up at Chappaqua. A Yes.

- Q Do you recognize it? A Yes.
- Q where's the aqueduct? A That's it.
- Q Those are the hydro-electric stanchions that are up there? A Yes.
- Q Do you recognize them? A Yes, definitely. The pictures are definitely the house. Some of them look a little different now.

MR. LANE: May the record indicate that Mrs. Sidorovich has identified the house and the surroundings.

- Q Do you recall when you received the deed to the place? A Well, I don't know whether -- no, I don't. I don't know whether we ever got a deed because it was sort of a tenant contract thing. We were just paying monthly.
- Q You eventually received a deed to it? A A deed to it, yes. I do not remember. I remember a search that was made. We got that. I do not remember when we got the deed.
- Q I have here a certified copy of the deed. Do you see, that's January 18th, 1945 -- do you see? A Yes.
- Q Mike Sidorovich residing at 10 Monroe Street,

 New York City, and Rose Martin and Mildred Martin, residing
 at 106 -- A Those are the people whom we sold it to.
- I see. Do you recall when you gave that deed?

 A This is a deed?
- Q Yes, that is a certified copy or a photostatic copy. You see, I am pointing to the signature. Do you

recognize that signature? A Yes, that's Michael's.

- This is the dedd which you gave at the time you sold the place? A Yes.
- Q Were you in New York at that time? A When we sold the place?
 - Q Yes. A No, we were in Chappaqua.
- Q Were you in New York Uityat the time that you sold the place or were you living at Chappaqua? A We were living at Chappaqua then.
 - Q Do you own an automobile? A Yes, we do.
 - Q What kim is it? A Studebaker.
 - Q What year? A 1941.
- Q When did you purchase it? A I think it was "ugust of 1948, just before we went on a vacation.
- Q How muchdid you pay for it? A Around eight hundred.
 - Q Do you know where you purchased it? A In Cleveland
- Q How did you happen to purchase it? Whom did you purchase it from? A A private person. We saw an ad in the paper I think.
- Q You saw an ad in what paper? Was it the Plain Dealer? A I couldn't tell you what paper it was. We were looking in all papers.
- Q At the time you purchased the automobile you say you looked in a lot of papers, you were looking for a car, you looked for the Want Ads, ads for automobiles, second-hand cars, and I suspect that you probably looked at several

cars before you picked this one out. A We were looking for a long time, yes.

- a car from other people: A I think we went around different places. We went to a lot of parking lots and things like that.
- Q Do you remember some of them? A I can't tell you where they are. We just walked around and looked.
 - Q Do you remember any names? A No.
 - @ None at all? A No.
 - Q None at all? A No.
- Not a single one? A All I can think of is the Smiling Irishman, and we didnot go to him.
 - Q Do you remember any that you went to? A No.
 - Q None at all? A No, I can't think of their names.
- who was with you when you went around to look at these cars, did you take you# husband? A Mike and I generally.
- Yes, and who else sometimes? A No one that I can think of.
 - what? A No one that I can think of.
- Q No one that you can think of? A No: I do not quite understand your question.
- Q You being serious now or are you trying to be funny? A No, I am not trying to be funny.
 - C Because at this time, after that answer, I must

remind you that you are testifying under oath. A Yes.

- Q And you are subject to the penalties of perjury if you tell a lie. Now, think hard. You saw that man out there in the anteroom, didn't you? A I saw several people, yes.
- Q Ind you ever see him before? A Which one are you talking about?
- Q That's M_T . Pfleger whom you bought the car from. A Which one was that?
- Q The man sitting out there on the left hand side.

 A Right close to us?
 - Q Yes. A He's the man we bought the car from?
- Q Yes, he's the man you bought the car from,
 Robert Ffleger. n I didn't recognize him.
 - Q Does he look different? A 1 didn't recognize him.
 - Q He recognized you? A Did he?
 - Q Yes. A I am afraid I did not recognize him.
- Think hard now and get your thoughts together, because this is important, no need for you to be hiding anything. ... No.
- Less I don't want to bring two or three people in here who were present -- who may not be right on the spot,

 I can bring people in here who ctually saw that transaction take place. I don't want you to suddenly remember that you weren't there or that certain people weren't there with you.

 A We purchased a car, there is no denying that.

- Q No question about that? A Not at all.
- Q When you purchased the car your husband was there and someone else was there. Now, what I want to know, I want you to tell me in your own words who else was there with you?

 A When we purchased the car was someone with us?
- get the car? A Well, we must have read the ad in the paper.

 I think it was a day when Mike was not working because we decided to go out and see it. I think we called first to find out that the price was. I don't know whether the ad mentioned price in the newspaper or not. And then we went out to see it.
- What happened when you got there, whom did you see, the owner? A Yes. Ithink this fellow was standing right in the driveway, right next to the car.
- a private home. Wasn't it? A Yes, it was
- Q Didn't you get into the car and try it out? Didn't he take you for a little ride in it? A Yes, I think we did.
- Q As a matter of fact there is no question about it. A Yes.
- Q You tried it out and came back. Then what happened? You didn't buy it right away, did you? A We looked at the machinery, we opened up the hood, and looked at the upholstery I remember; it was a little shabby.

- was there and I was there and Mike was there.
- Q Was he the only one -- just those three? A I can't remember anyone else being there. There were some people in the back yard. We said hello to them when we paid the money for the car.
- exactly. Ithink there were several women. There might have been a child. And I think there was an elderly gentleman, I am not sure.
- Q Didn't you leave and come back before you bought the car that day? You didn't buy it right away. You went and saw some other cars in the meantime and came back in about two hours and then you bought the car, do you recall that? A We did see several other cars. I don't remember whether it was that day or not.
- Q That wasn', so very long ago. About a year ago, wasn', it -- two years ago? A Two years.
- The day you bought the car, what happened, who was with your bid anyone ver go around with you and your husband to look at these cars to help you decide whether you should buy them, or did you ask anybody to go round with you, or did they wifer ever go around with you? A No, no one went around with us when I was with Michael. I think there may have been someone with Michael when he went several times.
 - Q The de you suppose was with him? A I do not know

one of the boys with him.

- g What boys, their names? A I do not know. I can't say names because I do not know who did.
- Q Mrs. Sidorovich, you are being very very reluctant. A I do not know whether --
- Q Look, you are either going to cooperate or you are not going to cooperate, and I think you know what I am talking about, so let's get down to brass tacks and start cooperating. I am not going to stand for this too long. You tell what you know about this. A I am telling you.
- Q You are not telling everything because I am going to bring people in to prove you are not telling everything. You are going to have a chance to tell the truth now, or else. Have you talked to anknone since you received the subpoens? A We visited one or two people on the way in to New York. We drove.
- Q Whom did you visit? A We stopped at my brother place in Pittsburgh.
 - Q What's his name? A Michael Hanusiak.
 - Q Where does he live? A In Pittsburgh.
- Yes, I know. What's the address? A 509 Noblestown Road.
- Q When did you stop at his place? A Late evening We wanted to break our trip up.
- & What day? A It was last night -- no, night before last.

- Q And did you tell him why you were coming here?
 A Yes, we did.
- what did you tell him? A We said we had a subpoena to come in to the grand jury because we knew these people, Rosenberg and Greenglass. We thought it was in reference to the espionage trials.
- what did he say, if anything? A Well, he told us not to worry about it.
 - What does he do? A He works for the IWO.
- Q IWO? What's that? A International Workers Order an insurance group; they sell insurance.
- Q Whom else did you see since yougot the spbpoena?

 A Well, then we rode down to Frenchtown. We have our home summer cottage there. We thought out parents would be there at this time. We stopped thereto see them. We found they weren't there, so we visited the Markowitzes; they have a permanent home there.
- Q The Markowitzes? Who are they? What's the first name? A Simon, I believe.
 - Q What does he do? A I don't know.
 - Q Whom does he work for? A I don't know.
- Once or twice when we purchased that particular tract of land down there.
- Q Frenchtown, is that in Pittsburgh? A No, it is New Jersey.
 - Q Frenchtown, N. J.? A That's right.

- Q Where is it located? A Right on the Delaware River across from Bucks County.
- Q What large city is it near? A Flemington I think is close by.
- Q Did you tell him what you were coming to New York for? A No, we did not.
 - Q You did not discuss it at all? A No.
- Q Have you talked to a lawyer since the FBI talked to you in Cleveland? A No, not at all.
- Q Have you talked to the Rosenbergs or any of their representatives? A No.
 - Q Do you recognize that picture? A No.
 - 2 Do you know William Perlmutter? A No.
 - Q Do you know William Perl? A No.
- been shown a picture of William Perl, also known as William Perlmutter, and the witness has denied that she has ever seen that man, is that correct? A Not that I ever know of, yes. I saw him in pictures that the FBI showed me.

QBut you do not know the man? A No.

- Q You never talked with the man? A No.
- Q Did thisman accompany you when you purchased the car from Mr. Pfleger? A No, I would say no.
- \mathbb{Q} You say positively he did not? A I would say so, yes.
- Q Did anybody accompany you the day that you purchased the car from Pfleger in 1948? A I don't think so.

MR. LANE: Mr. Foreman, would you excuse
Mrs. Sidorovich temporarily and admonish her not to
talk to anyone until she appears here again this
morning?

THE FOREMAN: Did you hear what Mr. Lane said

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE FOREMAN: You are temporarily excused

and you are not to talk to anybody.

THE WITNESS: All right.

(WITNESS EXCUSED)

ROBERT E. PFLEGER, called as a witness, having first been fully sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:-

BY MP. LANE:

- $_{\rm Q}$ Mr. Pfleger, what is your business? A I $_{\rm SM}$ in the advertising business. I $_{\rm SM}$ an Account Executive for Meldrum & Fewsmith Advertising Agency in Cleveland.
 - @ You reside at 4202 -- # 5202.
 - & Albertly Ave., Ohio? A Yes. It is Palmer, Ohio.
 - Q Do you have a telephone number there? A Yes.
- Q In the early part of July of 1948 you owned a Studebaker car? A That's correct.
 - Q What model was it? A It was a 1941 club coupe.
 - Q Champion, wasn't it? A Champion, yes, sir.
- Q Did you have occasion to advertise for the purpose of selling that car? A I did.
- Q What did you do with respect to the advertisement?

 A Do you mean where did I insert it?
- Q That's right. A There were two ads inserted.

 One was in the Cleveland Press and a later ad in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.
- placed those ads in the newspapers? A I can't swear to the exact dates; they were approximately these: the ad in the Sunday Plain Dealer ran I believe on the 10th and the 11th of July.

- Now did you receive a visit -- Iwill withdraw that. Did you eventually sell the car? A Yes, sir, Idid.
- to your selling the car? A Yes, sir. The car was advertised on a Saturday and Sunday. I had a number of calls by telephone, several people to see it, and I sold it to one of these prties. One -- do you want me to go into all of the details?
- name of Sidorovich. Those people came -- they came in a party of three. There was a man whom I later learned his name was Perl although I did not learn his name at that particular time, and Mr. and Mrs. Didorovich. There was a minimpeculiar circumstance at the time of the man whom I now know bythe name of Perl, came in and looked at the car, and I assumed he was the prospect; Mr. and Mrs. Sidorovich seemed to stay in the background. He examined the car, and this man Perl drove it around the block, and he seemed to be the man that knew the most about an automobile and seemed to me to be the prospect. For instance, Mr. and Mrs. Sidorovich rode in the back seat of the car.
- Q Did you ride in the seat with him, the front seat?

 A Yes.
- $\mathbb Q$ And this man Perl drove the car, is that correct? A Yes, sir.
 - Q Did he have some talk about automobiles with you?

A He seemedto know a great deal about an automobile, and I do not know a great deal about them, and I commented on that fact at that time, and obviously in two years some of these things are just a little bit vague, and as I remember, he said something, "I don't know a great deal about automobile engines; I know something about airplane engines."

- Q will you describe this man Perl? A He's tall, has bushy dark hair, rather his features, I would say, were rather angular and sharp, dark, walked just a little bit stooped.
- Q About six feet? A I'd say he was six feet or a little bit over six feet.
 - @ Have you seen bim recently? A Yes, sir.
- Q When did you see him? A I have seen him on two occasions in the last two weeks. A week ago this Tuesday Special Investigator Fernandez from the FBI took me out to the NACA Laboratories in Cleveland and I observed this man entering his car and then identifiedhim as the man who accompanied the Sidoroviches. Did you want me to tell when I saw him later?
 - Q Yes. A Then I saw him again this week with a Special Investigator, Meeth, from the FBI. At that time we passed him several times in his automobile and we saw him also as he entered hiscar at the NACA Laboratories again.
 - Q Do you recall what the price was? A \$750.
 - Q How did they pay it? A \$100 on the day that they

agreed to buy the car, which was the Sunday I spoke of earlier, and \$650 on the day of transfer.

- A Yes, sir. The agreement was that Mr. Sidorovich agreed to buy the automobile. However, I was awating delivery of a new car, and because I lived in a section where an automobile is necessary, I made -- we agreed, mutually agreed, that I could have the use of the car until I received delivery of the new car.
- Q Did he give you a deposit at that time? A At that time he gave me \$100.
- an greement restricting me from selling the car to any other person, and that the only way that the deal could be cancelled would be if the delivery of the new car would fail, or I did not get that, then the deal would be called off.
 - Q who drew that agreement up? A I did.
- \mathbb{Q} who was present at that time? A $M_{\mathbf{T}}.$ and $M_{\mathbf{T}}s.$ Sidorovich.
- Q was Perl present at that time? A No, sir; he was not.
 - Q Was that drawn on the same day that he purchased the car? A Yes.
 - Where was this drawn? A Most of the transaction took place in the driveway of my home, the car was parked out there, and when I came back the situation seemed to reverse itself. Perl dropped into the background. The

Sidoroviches then became the prospect. There was some bickering over the price and I finally agreed to sell the car for \$750, and then we entered my home and at the request of the Sidoroviches I drew up this agreement.

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- Q Was there anybody else present besides the Sidoroviches' A No. sir.
- Q What did they want to give you originally for the car? A Well, I --
- Q What was their offer? A Their offer was \$750. I wanted \$825.
- Q You had some argument there at the time? A Some discussion?
 - Q A discussion. A No, sir.
- Q Not at all. Now, you say they came there in the morning; is that right? A No. They came there in the afternoon.
- About what time? A 1 would estimate the time at about 2 or 2:30 in the afternoon, or it might have been a little bit later than that, and returned within about an hour.
 - Q And you say they drove up in a car? A Yes, sir.
 - Q Who was driving that car? A Mr. Perl.
- Q What kind of a car was it? A As I recollect it, I believe that it was a Chevolet of a somewhat earlier model. I thought it was about a '36, a '38; along in there.
- What color? A It seemed to me it was either a dark blue, dark green -- the car was in pretty shabby shape.
- Q Was it a two-door, four-door? A It was a sedan.

 I can't say with any certainty whether it was a two-door or four-door.
 - Now, after they tried the car out and took it around

A No, sir; they left, and gave me no indication whether they would buy the car or not, with some kind of remark, "Well think it over." And of course several other people had done the same thing and I just let it pass at that time. They returned I would say in an hour or a little bit less. All of this transpired between our noon-day meal and the evening meal.

- Q Now, were the members of your family out in your back yard? A Yes, sir.
 - Q And they returned, you say, within an hour? A Yes, sir.
- Q Now, at the time they left did they say they were going to look over some othercars? A They didn't tell me what they were going to do.
- Q And had they dickered over the price before they left? A No, sir.
 - Q They hadn't talked price? A No, sir.
 - Q But they said they would return, did they? A Yes.
 - O Did they ask you to hold the car? A No. sir.
 - Q Did they ask you about the price? A No.
- Q They didn't ask you about the price? A No. It developed later in the conversation. The car was advertised without a price and that's one of the reasons they asked for the \$750 price. I had quoted a \$750 price over the telephone, and after several other people had looked at the car they seemed to think it was worth eight hundred and a quarter,

so when he came I asked that much money and he held me to the price that I quoted over the telephone.

- Q Did his wife enter into the discussions very much?

 A Except in the drawing up of the contract.
- Q what did she do in that? A Oh, she suggested several things that should be put into it, oh, how the car should be held for them and to protect them.
- Q Was the agreement typed or was it -- A It was hand-written.
 - Q And did you make a duplicate? A No, sir, I didn't.
 - Q And you gave them the agreement? A Yes, sir.
- Q Did they ever give it back to you? A It was destroyed.

 If I remember correctly, it was destroyed the day we made
 the transfer.
- Q Did your wife see these people at all or any members of your family? A In the last couple of weeks we have tried to find out if my wife could remember any of these people. She did remember Mr.Sidorovich. She could not identify Mrs. Sidorovich and she could not identify Mr. Perl.
 - Q Do you have a small child: A Yes, sir.
- The reason I askedthat is, there was some -- there was something said by Mrs. Sidorovich that she recalled having waived goodbye and she saw several people in your backyard, including a small child. A Well, my mother and father-in-law-that's right, my baby was out there, and my mother-in-law and father-in-law, in the back yard.

- Q How old was the child? A The child at that time was three years old. He is five now.
- Q Now, is there anything else you can recall, Mr.Pfleger, about the entire proceeding? A That's all that I can remember
- Q And when did they make the final payment on the car?

 A On the day of the transfer, which was July 22.
- Q And what happened on that day? A I met only Mr. Sidorovich at the County Recorder's office. I had the bill of sale from my car which I turned over and he turned over the balance of the money.
- Q And at the time that you met the Sidoroviches, that is, when they came to your house to purchase the car, did Sidorovich introduce these other two people to you?

 A No, he did not; because in the beginning it looked as though Perl was the purchaser and not until we went into the house to draw up the agreement did I learn any of their names and that Mr. and Mrs. Sidorovich, and he then of course introduced me.
- Q Now, I have a photograph of William Perl. Is that the man that you have identified? A Yes, sir.
 - Q And is that your signature on the back? A Yes, sir.

 MR. LANE: May the record indicate that the witness
 has identified William Perl.

Well, now, Mr. Foreman, I think that's about all I have to ask mr. Pfleger. If you or any of the Jurors have --

BY THE JURY:

- Q Just the one question: whether or not when you identified Perl last week he had the same car in which he drove up to your house? A No, sir. He has -- he is now driving a new Dodge.
- Q Did Perl go into your house when the agreement was drawn up? A No, sir. Perl remained on the side yard.

 BY MR. LANE:
- Q Did Perl tell you where he was working at that time?
 A No, sir, he didn't.
- Q Did Sidorovich tell you? A I don't believe he told me where he worked. But he did tell me at the time or some-where along the line I got the impression that he was a drafts-man.
- Q At that time? Or is it something you learned since then through the FBI? A I have since learned where he worked. But at that time when the FBI first questioned me about this they wanted to know then if I knew where he worked. I couldn't remember and I told them that I thought he was a draftsman, and they have never told me whether he is or he isn't.
- Q At the time you saw Mr. Perl was he wearing a hat?

 A No. It was in the summer time, warm weather, July, and they were cressed very informally. Neither of the men had coats and did not have hats.

THE FOREMAN: If there are no further questions, you may be excused. And thank you very much, Mr.Pfleger, for your testimony.

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MICHAEL SIDOROVICH, called as a witness,
having first been duly sworn by the Foreman, testified
as follows:

BY MR. LANE:

- Q Your full name? A Michael Sidorovich.
- Q Your address? A 8706 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Chio.
- Q Occupation? A Draftsman.
- Q Whom do you work for? A Gas Machinery Company.
- Q How long do you work there? A Since the latter part of June.
- Q What salary? A Base salary of two seventy-five a month.
- Q Whom did you work for before that? A Bower Surveys Company.
 - Q Cleveland? A Cleveland.
- Q During what period of time? A Ten weeks. I don't recall exactly. I got a statement from him. I know it was --
- Q Well, approximately what time, what months? A I think April, May and June.
 - Q 1950? A This year.
- Q And before that whom did you work for? A Before that I worked for the Gafford Corporation.
 - Q Cleveland? A Cleveland; business brokers.
- Q How long? A Oh, I worked for the Gafford Corporation, oh, I believe I started working for them in about July or August of 1949.

- Q As a draftsman? A No.
- Q As what? A As a licensed real estate salesman.
- Q And what was your remuneration for that job?
- A Strictly on a commission basis.
- Q Well, what did you make, on the average, a year?

 A Oh, I believe I did around \$1500.
- Q \$1500 a year. Is that all? A Well, I wasn't with them a full year.
- Q You were with them ten months, weren't you?

 A About ten months.
- Q Well, what did you live on during that time?

 A Well, I had to live on whatever money I had put aside before that.
- Q How much was that? A Well, we had bonds and my mother sent us some money and my wife managed the money and I don't know exactly how much we had, I mean in round figures; in round figures I couldn't tell you.
- Q Well, roughly, in round figures what did you have, altogether, counting the bonds and the money your mother sent you? A Oh, possibly three thousand, maybe more.
- Q How much did you have in the way of bonds?

 A I don't recall.
 - Q Roughly. A I can't. I couldn't say.
- Q Give me an approximation. A I couldn't give you an approximation because I don't recall how much I had.
 - Q You don't know how many bonds you had? A That's righ

- Q Didn't you look at them? A I looked at them, but I didn't count them.
- Q That's a little unusual. What did you do before that? A Before what?
- Q Before you worked for this real estate company?

 A Before that I tried selling furnaces.
- Q For whom? A There was a furnace company -- I wasn't with them long. I believe I was with them for about a week or so and I collected no compensation.
- Q And prior to that whom did you work for? A Prior to that I worked for the Tucker Industries.
 - Q Cleveland? A Cleveland.
- Q What period of time? A From about the middle of '45 to about Thanksgiving of '48.
 - Q As a draftsman? A As a draftsman.
- Q And what did you get for a remuneration there?

 A Well, it varied, but my average -- but my base rate was \$2.10 an hour.
- Q Well, what was the average? A I believe I did better than \$90 a week.
- Q Did your wife work at that time? A My wife worked at that time.
- Q What was she making? A Well, she was getting, I think -- as I recall, she was making about \$35 a week.
- Q Whom was she working for? A The Lindner Company of Cleveland.

- Q How old are you now? A Well, I have to figure that-
- Q Do you want my pencil? A Thirty-four.
- Q Were you in the service? A No.
- Q Why? A I was deferred.
- Q Why? A 4-F.
- Q Well, I know; but what's the reason? A Eyes.
- Q Did you have a punctured ear, or what? A My eyes.
- Q What was your Draft Board? A I believe it was number 11 or number 12, down on Astor Place, here in New York.
 - Q Do you own an automobile? A I do.
 - Q What is it, what year? A It's a '41 Studebaker.
 - Q When did you purchase it? A In the summer of '48.
 - Q From whom? A The name I don't recall.
 - Q You got a bill of sale, didn't you? A That's right.
 - Q Did you ever look at it? A Not recently.
 - Q But you have looked at it? A That's right.
- Q Do you recognize the man that you purchased it from? Have you seen him today? A I saw him today.
- Q Robert Pfleger; that's his name. A I don't recall the name.
- Q Now, when did you decide to buy this car? A The day I saw it.
- Q The day you saw it, yes; but when did you decide to buy a car? A Well, I had been looking during the summer of '48 for a car, I wanted to purchase a car. I had put in a bid for a new car for some time since and I hadn't heard

anything from the dealer with whom I had put in the order.

- Who is the dealer? A I believe it was Cole Motors.
- Q Cole Motors in Cleveland? A Not Cole. It was Erdlac.
- Q And where are they located in Cleveland? A They are located on Broadway. And when I put my order in they had -- this was before they moved to the quarters they now occupy.
 - Q Where are they now? A Now they are on Broadway.
 - Q The same place? A No. They are on Broadway now.
- Q Where were they before? A Before, they were someplace on 79th Street. I don't recall the location.
- Q And whom did you deal with there? A Well; I spoke to Mr. Erdlac himself.
 - Q When was this? A Oh, this was I think in '46.
 - Q '46? A Yes.
 - Q You put an order in then for a car? A Yes.
 - Q What kind of a car? A A studebaker.
 - O A new one? A A new one.
- Q And then what happened? A Well, then he wouldn't take any deposit. He said he would just keep me in mind. And he sent me -- once or twice he sent me an invitation to come down and look at new cars that were in, just as a -- that were just on display, to keep up my interest. I didn't go down, although I called him on several occasions. I called him once or twice and I couldn't get to speak to him. I spoke to whoever was in charge there and he said they.

 were all filled up, all their orders -- all their cars were

on order and they couldn't promise me anything at all. And I believe I went down to Cole Motors and spoke to them, too, and they were busy too. So that when I -- in '48 I got disgusted waiting and I also figured that the market might drop down and I might be able to get a car without too much waiting, and, well, nothing happened and when nothing happened I started looking around used cars and so I answered many ads and made many telephone calls and inspected many used car lots, looking for a car.

- Q Well, what used car lots did you visit? A Specifically, I couldn't give you the names, because --
- Q Well, you must remember some of them. A You could walk down Euclid Avenue not far from where I live and you could find -- one, two miles, you could find five or six used car lots.
- Q Well, what were some of them? I don't live in Cleveland, so I don't know the answer to that. A I don't remember any of their names.
- Q You don't remember any of the names where you went?

 A No.
 - Q Why? A Well, there was no reason to remember.
- Q Well, as you walk down the street now you remember some of them you went to before. As you pass by them now in Cleveland you look at some of them and say, "That's the place where I went before." A I don't say that to myself. There is no reason for me to say that to myself.

- Q There is, now; I'm asking you. A Well, I'm telling you.
- Q Well, now, refresh your memory, see if you can't remember one of those places, at least one; you can remember one of them. A Well, there is numerous ones coming up all the time.
- Q What? A There is new ones springing up or did spring up all up and down the street there, one of them right, I think, within about two blocks of where I live; I believe it's called Elkhart.
- Q Elkhart. Did you try that place? A 1 believe I walked around there a lot.
- Q Was there anyone with you when you went to Erlac?

 A Erdlac?
- Q Yes. A Yes, I went down with somebody who knew Erdlac.
- Q Who is that? A A fellow by the name of Joseph Chilenko.
- Q A friend of yours? A He was working with me at the time.
 - Q Where does he live? A "e lives in Cleveland.
- Q whereabouts? A Well, he has moved and I have heard that he -- his father died and he had bought a home or something like that and I haven't seen him, although I have spoke to him over the telephone.
 - Q You called him up? A He called me up.

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- Q What's his telephone number? A I don't remember.
- Q If I wanted to get in touch with him where would I communicate with him? A I could find him in the telephone book.
 - Q Do you know where he works now? A Now, no.
- Q Now, you looked in the newspapers, I imagine, before you purchased this car. A That's right.
- Q On the day that you purchased it, tell me what you did. You looked at the paper first that morning?

 A That's right.
 - Q A plain dealer, wasn't it? A That's right.
- Q And what did you do after you saw it? You spoke to your wife? A Well, I called several different ads and -- to find out what they have for sale and what they wanted for it. Then I -- then my wife and I went out and we went to look at some of those that I had called.
- Q Whom did you visit? A Well, there was -- there were others I saw which I don't recall at all.
 - Q You don't remember the names of the people? A No.
 - Q Where they lived? A No.
- Q How did you go out to these places? A By public transportation. I didn't have a car. I had to use the street car or the bus, one or the other.
- Q Well, at this stage of the proceedings I think it's my duty to warn you, advise you, that you are testifying under oath and that you are subject to penalties of perjury

which includes the possibility of being indicted for perjury if you are not giving truthful answers. Now, I realize it's two years ago, but you certainly know how you went out to Pfleger's house. Now, once again I repeat the question: How did you go out to Pfleger's house on the day that you bought the car? A You mean the man from whom I bought the car?

- Q Yes. A As I recall, I took a bus, a street car and bus or a bus and street car out there.
- You talked to him outside here this morning, didn't you? A Yes.
- Q Didn't that refresh your recollection as to the events of that particular day? A Well, what do you mean by "refresh"?
- Q Well, couldn't that recall to your mind what took place on that day? A I recall that I bought the car on that day.
- Q Yes. Now, tell us what happened. Your story is that you went there by public bus. What bus did you take to go out there? A Well, I hadn't ever been out there before and I had to go through the Cleveland transit system map and pick out a route and follow the route to get out there.
- Q What time did you leave your home that day? A I believe it was after lunch.
- Q What time? A I couldn't tell you whether it was lo'clock or 2 o'clock or 12:30.

- Q You and your wife left home? A That's right.
- Now, where did you go from the time you left home and the time you got out to Pfleger's place? A I can't recall whether we stopped to see any other cars or not. I don't recall that we did.
- You had a list in your pocket, didn't you? You have just testified that you telephoned several people.

 A That's right.
- Q You made appointments, didn't you? A I didn't say
 I made appointments.
- Q Well, did you make appointments? A I don't recall that I made any appointment.
- Q You made an appointment with Pfleger. A I told him that I -- that his ad was interesting and that, if possible, I would be down to see him.
- Q Did you talk price over the telephone? A I asked him -- let's see. If I recall, I asked him what he was asking for it. I must have spoken price with him.
- Q What did he say? A Let me think. Yes, I believe yes, he told me that he wanted \$750 for that car.
- Q And you told your wife, did you, what he said he wanted? A I don't recall.
- Q Well, what cars were you interested in, just Studebakers? A Well, I looked at other cars, I mean I looked at Chevrolets and I looked at Fords and I looked at Willys. But it was my understanding that a Studebaker was

a good car.

- Q So, when you were looking at these ads in the papers, did you restrict yourself to telephone calls to people who had Studebakers for sale? A I wouldn't say restricted myself, but I favored them because I found, in inspecting the ads, that you could get a more reasonable price quoted on a Studebaker than you would for, say, a Chevrolet or a Ford; they apparently were more popular, and so were the Plymouths, and so you could get a better buy on a Studebaker.
- Q Now, had you looked at cars prior to that day?
 A Oh, yes.
- Q Do you know anything about an automobile? A What the average fellow knows.
- Q Did you know anything about it in those days?

 A Well, I had had two cars before that.
- Q Did you? When did you have them? A When I was living up in Chappaqua, New York.
 - Q What type of car? A Well, one -- I had a Chevvy.
- Q what year, what model? A Oh, I don't remember the model. It was an old car.
- Q Whom did you sell it to? A I didn't sell it. I gave it away.
 - Q Whom did you give it to? A My brother-in-law.
 - Q What's his name? A John Hanusiak.
 - Q Did he live in Pittsburgh? A No.
 - Q "here? A New Haven, Connecticut.
 - Q When did you give the car to him? A Shortly after

I bought it.

- Q Shortly after you bought it? A Yes.
- Q When did you buy it? A + bought my first car, I believe, around '42.
 - Q What did you pay for it? A Fifty dollars.
 - Q Did he ever visit you in Cleveland? A No.
- Q When you were -- and you owned the second car, you say? A Yes.
- Q When did you purchase that? A I purchased that, I think, about half a year later.
- Q Where? A Through my brother-in-law, John Hanusiak. He purchased it for me in New Haven and I went down to New Taven and bought the car.
 - Q How much? A believe I paid \$135 or \$145.
 - Q What kind of a car was it? A It was a DeSoto.
- Q And did you turn in the Chevvy as part of the deal?

 A No.
- Q And did you take that car out to Cleveland with you?

 A No.
 - Q What did you do with it? A With what?
- Q With the DeSoto? A The DeSoto, I brought it from New Haven to Chappaqua, New York, where I used tt for transportation from the house to the railroad station.
- Q Well, when did you purchase it? A Shortly -- about half a year after I bought the other one.
 - Q Well, you said you bought the other one in 1945.

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A Which other one?

- Q The Chevvy. A No, I did not. I said I bought that around '43.
- Q '43. And you bought the DeSoto after you moved up to Chappaqua? A I had the Chevvy when I was already in Chappaqua.
- Q When did you go to Chappaqua? A In Chappaqua, I believe I went up there either in '42 or '43. I believe it was in '43.
- Q And you bought the car? A No; I bought the car after I had already been in Chappaqua.
- Q But you say you gave the Chevvy away? A I gave it
 - Q To your brother-in-law? A That's right.
- Q Was that before you purchased the DeSoto? A That was before I purchased the DeSoto.
- Q What did you use for transportation after you gave it away? A I walked.
- Q How long a walk is it from the railroad to the bus station? A The railroad. There is no bus station. It's about a mile and a half from my home to the railroad station.
- Q You walked that every day? A Every day except when I could get a lift.
- Q In the winter, too, in the winter? A Well, in the winter I was lucky. One of our neighbors used to go to work and he used to give me a lift. I would walk down the road a

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piece and I used to pick him up at his home. He used to pick me up at work and he dropped me down at the railroad station.

- Q Where were you working then? A At the Koll-Morgen Optical Corporation.
 - Q Where is that? A Brooklyn, New York.
 - Q As what? As a draftsman? A As a draftsman.
- Q And what were you making? A I believe I was making about \$2 an hour.
 - Q Well, how much a week? A Oh, \$80.
- Q And what time did you have to get up in the morning to get to work over there? A Well, I had to catch the 6:15 at Chappaqua which would get me in about 8 o'clock at Koll-Morgen, and I used to have to get up about a quarter to five or five.

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- Q A quarter to five. What time did you get home at night? A We used to knock off at five, used to get home pretty late, used to get home around about eight o'clock in the evening.
- Q Then you would walk a mile and a half to and from the station, right? A Yes.
- Q Before you moved up to Chappaqua, you were living at Knickerbocker Village, weren't you? A That's right.
- Q What were you paying for rent? A We were paying I am not sure.
- Q No, roughly; you do not have to be accurate.

 A I believe we were paying about \$42 or \$42.50.
- Q Was your wife working during this period?

 A Up at 10 Monroe Street?
- Q When you were at Chappaqua? A Up at Chappaqua she was working.
- Q Where was she working? A She was working at Tailored Woman.
 - Q What was she making? A I don't know.
- Q She get up every day with you and tak an early train? A That's right.
 - Q 3She wait for you at night? A That's right.
- Q She have to make that trip too? A In the morning and at night.
- a she walk with you in the morning? A No, we used to grab a car.

- Q When, in the morning? A In the evening.
- G What about the morning, she walk to the station with you? A No, she called up and the fellow used to pick us up and take us down to the station.
- Q The days he didn't pick you up. A No, he always picked us up.
 - Q Every day? A Every day.
- Q Who was he? A His name was George. I do not know his second name.
- Q Where does he live? A I do not know where he lives now. At that time he was living at Campfire Road.
 - Q You do not remember his second name? A No.
- Q Did he give you a ride every day? A Every day. His wife's name was Peggy. She also worked and she used to ride with him too.
- Q Wou were kindof lucky you had George and Peggy.

 A We really were lucky.
- Q To get back to the car business that was a little aside. On the day we got to the point where you had discussed the purchase of the car with your wife and you talked with Mr. Pfleger over the telephone and he told you that the price was \$750; then you say you left the house some time after lunch and you proceeded to Mr. Pfleger's house. Now, tell me exactly what you did from the time you left your house until you got to Mr. Pfleger's? A Exactly I couldn't tell you.

- Q What was the route you took, what bus did you take? A If you had a map I'd tell you.
- Q Can't you tell me without a map? I am not supposed to be a walking encyclopedia, I can't carry these things around with me; you are from Cleveland, I'm not. A I never had occasion to go back there.
- Q Can't you remember where you went that day, what bus you took? A No.
- Q Did you take a bus? A As I recall it, I took a bus.
 - Q Your wife was with you? A That's right.
 - Q You stop anywhere en route? A I do not recall.
- Q Where did you get off the bus? A At the, I believe it was the end of the ride.
 - Q At the end of the ride you got off? A Yes.
- Q What did you do when you got off? A I started look. ing around for where he lived.
 - Q Did you walk somewhere? A Walked.
- Q Very much of a walk was it from the end of the ride to where he lived? A I got lost a couple of times trying to find the place, and I had a map at the time. I do not know how much of a walk it was.
- Q You walked up to his place, is that right? What sort of a home did he have? A I don't remember.
- Q You do not remember the home? You know nothing about it? A I do not remember. I mean, I might have seen it

and I might have spoken to him about it. I don't remember.

- $\mathbb Q$ When you got to his house did you go in the house right away? A No.
- where did you see him? A I believe he was, if I recall there was somebody there when we got there, and we passed the place, and then we came back, as I recall it, some! body was already there, and when we came back down the block again, after we had already passed the place, the car was standing in the driveway and I believe he was by the car or he was near the car or -- I don't recall.
 - Q You went up to him, did you, with your wife? A Yes.
- Q Did you introduce yourself? A No, I do not believe I introduced myself.
 - Q You did not? A No.
 - Q Did you introduce your wife? A No.
- Q Isn't that a little unusual? A Well, 'I wanted to find out what he wanted for this car because I did not want to spend \$750 if I could get it for \$650.
- Q I know that. But you walked up to a man. Don't you identifyyourself? A I went up to him and I probably asked him, as I think I would normally, asked him if he had this car for sale.
 - Q Didn't you say that "I am so and so and I called you this morning and we talked about price over the tele-phone"? A I don't believe I did.
 - Q Y_{OU} did not say that? A No. Because as I recalled later, he wanted more money for it.

- Q I understand that. A I already had called him and he said, "Areyou the one that called?" I said, "Yes, and you quoted me a price of \$750."
- Q You did not tell him your name and you did not introduce yourself? A I didn't know the man. I don't have to introduce my wife or myself.
- Q I suppose your wife knows/about it than you do then? A I don't know. I haven't spoken to her about it.
 - O Then what happened. A Then we spoke about the ogr.
 - Q What did you say? A I don't know.
 - Q You don't remember? A No.
- Q What did he say? A But we talked about other thing; besides the car. I think we talked about the general situation
- Q What was the general situation? A Yes, yes, I remember what I did. I believe I asked him whether it was burning oil and what kind of mileage he was getting, and asked him to of course after I asked him to he picked up the hood. Then I asked him if I could take a look in the trunk. He told me about the tires he had; theyweren't in very good shape; and we talked about the cars and how hard they were to get. He told me he had ordered another car and he did not know whether he would sell this because he did not know whether the car was coming through, I recall. When I asked him price and he quoted me \$500, I told him "I already called you once before and you had quoted me \$750." He said, "Well, I have had so many people looking at the car, I think it's worth more."

Q What else? A What else what?

what else what? What are we here for? This is not a clambake. A We agreed on the price. I told him, "I will offer you --" no, I offered him less, and after we got to talking he says he wanted to get more, and I believe I said, "Well, I will offer you the price that you quoted me over the phone." And he hesitated about that and he said, "Well, all right." But he set some conditions to the sale, namely, that if he could not get this car, he would let me know before the week was out, this new dar that he had ordered, would let me know before the week was out, and that the deal wouldn't stand because --I believe I put up a deposit of \$100 or maybe it was \$50, for the car, and we signed an agreement, and I do not believe there were any witnesses to the agreement.

Q Where was the agreement signed, in the driveway? A $N_{\rm O}$, no, no. We went into his house, into the kitchen.

Q When was that done? Xou see, you are telling a lot of these things and you haven't even tried the car out. Did you try the car out? A Yes, yes, I tried the car out.

Q Tell us about it, don't be bashful. A After we had been talking a while, after we looked at the car, he says, well -- I asked him if I could try it out, and he says all right. He pulled it cut of the driveway, and I know he pulled it cut of the driveway, that's definite.

- Q How do you know? A Because I found out later that he had no emergency break so he must have had the car in gear and kept the emergency break off because I had to put in a new emergency break at my own expense.
- would have noticed it and I wax didn't know when I bought the car that he had no emergency break at all.
- around -- he told me which blocks to drive it around, and I drove it around and the car responded well.
 - O Did you try the emergency? A No.
 - Q Why? A I didn't have to try the emergency.
- Q You were buying a new car, weren't you? A Yes; because I was worried aboug the clutch and what I did was step on the foot-break, the hydraulic break, and let the clutch out fast, and there was no slip there, so I knew the clutch was in good shape.
- Q You did all this? A That's right. I was also a subscriber to the Consumers UniOn which had a whole list of things which you should do to a car, and I amsorry I did not do all those things to this car because I found out subsequently --
- Q How could you have if you did not drive the car?

 A You asked me whether I drove the car and I told you

 I had driven the car.

- Q You said you did, but I am trying to help you out before you get in too deep. Who drove that car that day?

 A I drove that car.
 - Q No one else was with you? A My wife was with me.
 - Q Anybody else? A No.
 - Q Anybody else? A No.

FOREMAN: I want to remind this gentleman again of his oath.

- you are under oath and you are subject to the penalties of perjury. If your testimony differs from somebody else's who has been in here, or other people who have been in this room, I have no other recourse but to ask the Foreman and the grand jury for a perjury indictment against you. Do you appreciate that fact? A I heard you telling me.
 - Q You understand English? A Yes, I do.
 - Q Exactly.

THE FOREMAN: Do you remember when I said to you, You swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help you God, you said I do?

THE WITNESS: That's right.

- Q Here's a picture. Do you recognize that person?
 - Q You do not recognize him? A No.
 - Q hat's William Perl, also known as William

Perlmutter. For your information, Perlmutter was before this grand jury less than ten days ago. You say you do not know him? A I do not recall him.

- Q Never saw him before? A I do not recall him.
- Q I ask you pointblank, was William Perlmutter or William Perl as he is now known with you on the day that you went to Mr. Pfleger's house to purchase that car? A I do not recall.
- Q Do you know such a man? A I don't remember having met him.
- Q Again I remind you that you are under oath. You do not recall that man, you do not know who he is, you never saw him before? A He's not familiar.
- Q And he was not with you on the day that you went to purchase that car? A As far as I recall he wash't.
- Q You did not drive up to Mr. Pfleger's place in an automobile? A No. As I recall it, I took the public transportation.
- Q You say you never saw this man before? A I do not recall him even.
- Q You do not know who William Perl is? A I do not recall meeting him.

THE FOREMAN: Answer yes or no.

THE WITNESS: I am answering.

- Q Do you know William Perl? AKNow him how, socially?
 - Q Any way. A No. I do not know William Perl.

- Q Did youever meet William Perl? A I do not recall having met William Perl.
- Q Did you ever converse with William Perl? A I don't recall.
- Q Was there a third party with you the day that you went to Mr. Pfleger's home -- I believe it was in July of 1948 -- to purchase that car, was there a third party with you on that day? A I do not recall a third party being with me.
- Q Just you and your wife go there? A That's the way I remember it.
- Q You did not drive up in an automobile when you came to Mr. Pfleger's house? A As I recall, I came up by public transportation.
- Q You haven't answered the question. Answer Yes or No. A Well, I do not remember having done these things. I mean, I might have met the man in the street, but I do not remember meeting him.

THE FOREMAN: I might remind you that this is rather an intelligent jury. Now, come clean, you are fooling nobody.

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BY MR. LANE:

- Q Now, what have you got to say? Do you want to tell the truth? A I don't recall having met Mr. Perl.
- Q Did you ever talk with him? A And I don't think he was with me when I went to buy the car.
- Q Was there anybody with you when you went to buy the car? A I don't recall anybody being with me except my wife.
- Q Did you ever talk to Mr. Perl over the telephone?

 A Where?
- Q Anywhere? A I don't remember.
 BY THE FOREMAN:
- Q Excuse me a minute. You say you don't think that he was with you. But if he hadn't been with you would you recognize him? You just said you don't think Mr. Perl was with you. Well, now, who is this Mr. Perl? A I don't recall having met Mr. Perl.
- Q Yes; but you said you didn't think Mr. Perl was "with me." When I say I don't think Mr. Lane was with me, when I say "Mr. Lane," I must have known Mr. Lane, to be able to say "Mr. Lane." Now, you just said you don't think Mr. Perl was with you. How do you say he wasn't with you? Did you know him before? A No, I didn't know him before. BY MR. LANE:
- Q Well, all right; we'll get back to this point. You say you tried the car out. But after having read this article as to what you should do when you buy a secondhand

car you neglected to try the emergency brake. When you pulled up in front of the house, as you say you did after you tried the car, when you came to a stop did you put the emergency brake on then? A No.

- Q Do you usually put the emergency brake on whem you stop? A No.
 - Q You don't? A No.
- Q Where was your wife during this ride? A She was sitting in the back.
- Q And where was Mr. Pfleger? A He was sitting beside me.
- Q And after you tried the car out did you then immediately purchase it? A No. We talked.
- Q You talked. Did you go away or did you buy it at that time? A No; we bought it at that time.
- Q You purchased it right there? You didn't leave the premises at all? A I don't recall leaving the premises at all
- Q And you say you went inside there, into his house?

 A believe we went into the kitchen.
- Q Into the kitchen. And who drew up the agreement?

 A He did.
- Q Did you and your wife talk at all? A I don't even remember whether she was in the kitchen with me.
- Q And what did you agree upon as the purchase price of the car? A \$750.
 - Q Did you make a down deposit, a down payment?

A I did.

- Q You did. What was that? A I believe it was about \$50. It might have been 75 or it might have been 35.
- Q Did you meet anybody else at Pfleger's place that day? Did you see his wire or any of his relatives?

 A He had some people sitting in the back.
- Q You waived to them? A No, I didn't waive to them.

 I didn't know them. He didn't introduce me to any of them.
 - Q But you saw them? A They were sitting in the back.
- Q Did your wife waive to them? A I only saw them, I believe, when I came into the kitchen.
 - Q You saw them. Did they see you? A Probably.
- Q. Who was in back there? A I don't remember. There were a number of people there.
 - Q Any children? A I don't recall.
- Q And when did you eventually get full possession of the car -- title to it, rather? A I believe the following week he called me, during the week, and he told me that he was going to get delivery on his other car and that he will go through with the agreement.
- Q You got the agreement, did you, in writing?

 A I believe we both had a copy of the agreement.
- Q Well, then you must have introduced yourself at the time you signed the agreement. A Well, yes, we put down our names.
 - Q Yes. And didn't you introduce him to your wife then?

- A I might have.
 - Q Well, did you? A I don't remember.
- Q Is your memory this poor every time that you are asked to talk? Do you have a bad memory? A Normally, yes.
 - Q Where did you go to school? A I went to high school.
- Q What high school? A Stuyvesant High School, here in New York.
 - Q Oh, you went there, too? Where else? A High school.
- Q No; after high school. A Then I went to Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.
- Q When did you meet Julius Rosenberg? A Oh, Julius I met when I was in high school, over in Seward Park, after I transferred from Stuyvesant.
- Q How well did you know him? A We were in two classes together.
- Q You were in the same Communist cell together, too, weren't you? A What Communist cell?
 - Q Well, you tell me. A I didn't tell you.
- Q Weren't you interested in Communist activities?

 A Are we talking about meeting Julius Rosenberg?
 - THE FOREMAN: Yes, he is asking you another question. And you answer it, too.
- Q This is like cat-and-mouse, isn't it? A I feel like a mouse.
- Q Well, you are acting like one. Where did you meet Julius Rosenberg? A In high school.

- Q Now, you knew he was i terested in Communistic activities, didn't you? A When?
- Q Well, some time in the past. A When I went to high school with Julius Rosenberg we were two kids going to high school. He was in my chemistry class and he was in my music class.
- Q When for the first time did you know he was interested in Communistic activities? A I met Julius Rosenberg after high school when I went to a social given by the Young Communist League and Julius Rosenberg was there and I saw him again.
 - Q When? A I don't remember.
- Q That was the first time you knew he was -- A This was around \$35, \$36 or \$37.
- Q Well, now, you were interested in the Young Communist League, too? A I was.
- Q Yes. You went to meetings; right? A That I won't answer.

THE FOREMAN: Why?

- Q On what grounds? A Well, I understand I don't have to answer any questions that may tend to incriminate me.
- Q Do you think that would, because you went to a meeting of the Young Communist reague? A I really do.
- Q You really do? You are serious about that? You think that in itself -- there is something critical in that?

 A Well, I believe, in the hysteria today any admission like

that on my part wouldn't help me at all.

Q Well, it's not a question of helping you; it's a question of incriminating. How would that incriminate you, just the fact that you attended meetings? Do you think that any court in the land would convict you because you attended a meeting, or something? If I attended a meeting of the Democratic or Republican Club, am I going to be convicted for that, just for attending a meeting? Is that your idea, just attending itself is enough to incriminate you?

A No. But associating with people like that would tend to incriminate me.

Q Not necessarily. You could know Stalin, if you know him, that doesn't incriminate you; even if you know him personally, that doesn't incriminate you. Plenty of people, reputable people, have met Stalin. Our Ambassador -
A I never met Stalin.

Q -- our Ambassador, when he goes to Russia, meets
Stalin. But if I asked him if he ever met Stalin he couldn't
very well say the fact that he met him tends to incriminate
him. Do you follow me? I mean, the fact that you know
somebody doesn't incriminate you, necessarily. Of course,
if you did things with him, if you went out and conspired
with him, that's something else. But if you know a person
I think I have met people who afterwards have gotteninto
trouble, but the fact that I have known them doesn't incriminate me. I have done nothing wrong. I happen to be

unfortunate to know certain people, but that doesn't incriminate me. I have no control over people that come up and speak to me, that I meet, but that doesn't incriminate me. You follow me? I'm just trying to find out what might incriminate you or would not. In my opinion, now, the fact that you happened to belong to something, I don't see how that could incriminate you. If you think it does, tell me in what manner it would you. A Well, there are bills up before Congress right now that says anybody who associates with a Communist or knowing a Communist or suspected of being a Communist should be put in a concentration camp.

Q No, that's not the billat all.

JUROR: Where did you get that information?

THE WITNESS: That's the Mundt-Nixon Bill.

JUROR: Who told you all about that.

THE FOREMAN: Where is that, in the Daily Worker?

THE WITNESS: It's in the papers.

Q The Daily Worker? A I don't read the Daily Worker, for your information.

JUROR: Do you ever read The Times?

THE WITNESS: No. I read The Plain Dealer.

- Q Did The Plain Dealer say that? A And I read The Pres.
- Q Do they say that? A They mentioned that.
- Q Concentration camp? A They may not have used the word "concentration camp."
 - Q Well, why did you use it? A They used the word

"forced labor camps."

- Q Why did you use it? A Because it means --
- Q Who used "forced labor camps"? You mean the Cleveland Plain Dealer? A That's right, there was an article in the paper.
- Q Oh, stop. A There is also a bill where people associating with Communists should be compelled to work -- since they can't trust them any other way, should be put into forced labor battaliens.

JUROR: Where is there a forced labor camp in this country?

- A (Cont'g) Apparently you don't read The Cleveland Press.
- Apparently I don't. But if you have read the bill carefully, the bill as it's proposed, it proposes to have all Communists registered; if you are a Communist, you register "I'm a Communist," you register as that. That's legal. That doesn't mean to say that because you are a Communist you can be indicted, if you legally register and let the world know what you are. So when you say the fact that you belonged to the Young Communist League incriminates you, I don't see how, unless you can explain to me how.
- A I don't say I belonged to the Young Communist League.
- Q I asked you if you did and you said you can't answer that because it would incriminate you. A That's right.
- Q Well, as a matter of fact, you did belong to it.

 I know that. You don't have to hide it from me. I don't

care whether you did or not. I know it from other sources. I can put somebody else in here where you are now to prove that you belonged to the Young Communist League.

- A Well, you are going to get the proof from them, not from me
- Q I can see that you are not going to cooperate at all.
 A In what sense?
 - Q In any way. A I have told you everything I know.
- Q You haven't. You have lied here today. A In what way?
- Q Your story is different from your wife's. A I haven't lied.
 - Q Did she lie? A I don't know what she said.
- Q You appreciate the fact that if your testimony differs from the witnesses in here before, I have no alternative but to indict you, or ask the Grand Jury to do that; you understand that? A You told me that.
- Q And with the understanding of that you still say that no one came up to Mr. Pfleger's house on that day that you bought the car? A As I recall, there was nobody with me except my wife.

MR. LANE: Will you excuse him momentarily? But he is still under subpoena.

THE FOREMAN: You are excused temporarily.

[WITNESS EXCUSED]

- ROBERT E. PFLEGER, recalled and again duly sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:

 BY MR. LANE:
- \mathbb{Q} Mr. Pfleger, will you tell us what bus line or car line you take from the center of Cleveland out to your home? A You told me that the man walked from the end of the car line.
- is where the car line ends. To walk from the end of the car line to my home would be at least a three mile walk.

 Now, he could have taken a bus up State Road, which I forgot to tell you while out here, and the bus would be about a mile walk and a mile back, and then he would have had to make that walk four times because he made two trips.
- The testimony given by Sidorovich was that he went to the end of the line and then he walked from there to your home. A It would be about a three mile walk four times; well, at least twice would be six miles.
- and in territory with which he wasn't familiar, so it was almost impossible to have found it then? A That's right; the street is not a well known street.

THE JUROR: The witness said bus.

THE WITNESS: There is a bus line that serves the street known as State Road, from the end of the car line out for several miles. He could have taken the street car to the end of the line, got on the bus and got off at my street.

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JUROR: But the bus does not terminate near your house?

THE WITNESS: No, sir.

JUROR: How far is the walk from the bus to your house?

THE WITNESS: A mile.

JUROR: And the bus terminal is at the end of the car line?

THEWITNESS: It has changed since then, but at the time it was true.

BY MR. LANE:

- Q So at the end of the bus line it is a mile to your house? A Not from the end of the bus line. It is a mile from my house to a bus stop.
- Q What is the distance from the end of the bus line to your house? A That would be several miles.
- Q Rhat is the distance from the end of the car line to your house? A I would estimate at least three miles.

 BY JURORS:
 - Q Did your in-laws meet this man Perl? A No, sir.
- negotiations for thecar were carried on in the driveway of my home, and the car was somewhat to the front of the yard. Perl did not -- theywere sitting in the back part of the yard, under the trees, Suniay afternoon.
 - Q Do you think they could recognize him? A They

have been unable to identify any of his pictures, and my wife tried to identify Mr. erl this week and was unable to do so.

- Q Are any of them in a position to say whether there were two or three people there? A Yes, sir.
 - Q Andthey say there were three? A Yes, sir.
- In signing the agreement -- was there anything wrong with your hand-break, emergency break? A Yes, I believe there was.
- Q Was that discovered at the time they were driving the car around? Was mention made of it? A No; at least I do not recall it, if there was. But the thing is that this third party drove the automobile and Sidorovich never drove the car until I delivered it to him.
- Q Did you back the car out of the driveway?or Perl?
 A Perl backed it out.
 BY MP. LANE:
- Q You say there are people there who saw three people but could not identify them? A Yes, sir.
- Q Your wife could testify there were three people there? A Yes, sir.

BY JURORS:

- A In the house.
 - @ In the kitchen? A Yes.
- Q Who was there? A Mr. and Mrs. Sidorovich and myself and I believe my wife came in to get some writing materials and just walked in and walked out.

Q Did you ride in the car when Perl drove it around? A Yes, sir. I rode in the front seat alongside of Perl, and Mr. and Mrs. Didorovich rode in the back seat.

Q When you returned from that drive with Perl, where was the car parked? A In the same place in the drive-way, in the same position approximately that we had taken it out.

(WITNESS EXCUSED)

August 30, 1950 (By Mr. Lane.)

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MICHAEL SIDOROVICH, recalled.

BY MR. LANE:

Q You are still under oath.

(To the Foreman) Will you admonish him of that fact?

THE FOREMAN: Yes, you are still under oath.

- Q (Cont'g) Now, Mr. Sidorovich, tell us once again what transportation you took out to Mr. Pfleger's house on the day that you purchased the car. A I repeat, as I recall, I took public transportation, street car and a buscor several street cars and a buscor several street
- Q You say you took a street car and a bus? A I believe that's what I took.
- Q How far did you take the street car; to the end of the line? A I don't recall.
- Q Well, you said you went to the end of the line and you walked. A On the bus I went to the end of the line.
 - Q And you walked from there? A I walked.
- Q Now, why did you leave your work at the optical company in Brooklyn? A Well, I was commuting, I was commuting a lot, and I was fed up with the job.
- Q They didn't fire you, by any chance, did they?

 A No, I was not fired.
- Q Where did you look for work after you left the optical company? A I took a long rest. I didn't look for work. I tried -- I put up a property in Chappaqua for sale and I thought -- I spoke to my wife, I believe, about getting

out of New York and going somewhere else.

- Q Why did you go to Cleveland? A No particular reason.
- Q Why did you select the Tucker Company to go to work for? A I didn't select the Tucker Company to go to work for. When I came to Cleveland I went to several firms, looking for employment, and the first firm I found employment with was the A. W. Hecker Company.
- Q I know; but when you worked for Tucker how did you happen to work for them? A Well, there was one fellow I was working with who told me about Tucker. At that time they weren't known as Tucker. At that time they were known as the International Aviation Corporation.
- Q Why did you go to work for them? A And I couldn't get a raise that they had promised me up at A. W. Hecker, so I decided to go to work to find other employment and then I got this lead from Tucker or, rather, International Aviation Corporation and I went up to see the man in charge up there.
- Q Who was this man that gave you the lead? A A fellow I worked with. I'm trying to remember his name. I can't remember his name.

MR. LANE: Gentlemen, and Mr. Foreman, will you excuse this man until tomorrow? And admonish him not to discuss his testimony with anyone else.

JUROR: Can I ask him one question?

How long a walk was it, would you judge, from the end of the car line to purchase this -- to the man who

was selling this car?

THE WI TNESS: You mean in miles?

JUROR: Yes.

- Q No, not in miles, necessarily; in yardage. How far from the house -- how far a walk was it? A Well, as I say, as I recall, I got lost trying to find --
- Q You went to the end. You say you took a car line. You went to -- you got off the car line somewhere and you took a bus and you went to the end of the bus stop.

 A I got off the end of the bus stop and I walked around looking for --
- Q Was it close to the bus stop, the place where he lived, in that vicinity, a couple of blocks away?

 A I don't remember exactly where he was. I remember that we walked around quite a bit trying to find the street.
- Q Circled around there. Well, his place is fairly close to the bus stop, wasn't it, the end of the bus line, in that vicinity somewhere? A It was in that vicinity somewhere, yes.
- Q Say -- A But whether it was three blocks or four blocks or five blocks --
- Q Well, within eight or ten blocks, somewhere in that vicinity? A It was the only way to get there that I knew of, except by taking a taxi.

JUROR: How many blocks would you estimate his house was from the end of the car line?

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THE WITNESS: I don't know. I was only there once and, as I say, I was lost.

JUROR: Well, you know how much you had to walk. How much did you have to walk when you left there?

THE WITNESS: Well, we just strolled along.

JUROR: About how many blocks?

MR. LANE: Well, we'll take that up tomorrow.

If there are no further questions, you may be excused until tomorrow.

THE WITNESS: I'm coming back tomorrow?

THE FOREMAN: Yes. And you are cautioned not to discuss any of this conversation.

THE WITNESS: With anybody?

THE FOREMAN: With anybody.

MR. LANE: Well, if he wants to talk to a lawyer about it, give him that permission.

THE FOREMAN: Right.

MR. LANE: If he wants to tell a lawyer what he told to the Jury today.

[WITNESS EXCUSED]

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ANN SIDOROVICH, recalled.

MR. LANE: Will you advise the witness that she is still under oath and subject to the penalties of the oath?

THE FOREMAN: Do you know what Mr. Lane told you?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE FOREMAN: You are still under oath to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

BY MR. LANE:

- Q Now, on the day when you went out to Mr. Pfleger's place—did you recognize him outside, incidentally, outside the Jury room? A When you told me, yes.
 - Q You recognized him? A Yes.
- Q On that day your husband looked at some ads in the Cleveland paper, is that correct, on a Sunday? A Yes. I think we always do.
- Q Did he talk to you after he saw the ad about this Studebaker? A Well, I don't remember. He may have.
- Q Well, at any rate, you had decided to go out and see this man, didn't you? A Yes, I think so.
- Q And did you telephone him before that, or did your husband? A Well, yes, I think we phoned him about the price.
 - Q You phoned about the price? A Yes.
- Q And who talked with this man; your husband?

 A I think so. I'm not sure.
 - Q And what did your husband tell you that the man said?

- A I don't remember what he said.
- Q You don't remember? You don't remember what the price was? A (No answer.)
 - Q What's the answer? A I'm not sure.
- Q Well, didn't he say \$750? Didn't he say this Mr. Pfleger has a car he wants to sell for \$750; wasn't that it?

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- Q Didn't he say \$750? Didn't he say, "This Mr. Pfleger has a car he wants to sell for \$750"? Wasn't that it? A He coul n't have said Mr.Pfleger because he did not know the person.
- Whether he did.
- Q Didn't he introduce himself over the telephone?

 Didn't he tell Pfleger who it was that was calling? A Yes,
 he did, I imagine; they generally do.
- Q Yes, that's what I say. Nothing wrong with it. Didn', Pfleger tell him what his name was? A I don't know.
- 7 In other words, your husband did not tell you
 that? A Didn't tell me what?
- Q Didn't tell you whom he was going out to see?

 A Well, we must have been going out to see a car. I don't remember.
- Q Didn't he tell you the address? Didn't your husband tell you where you were going to see this car? Didn't he write it down? He must have written down the name and address of the man he was going to see or else how could ne find him? A Re could take the paper along, I guess.
 - ; bid he take the paper along? A 1 don't know.
- $_{\rm q}$ You went with him. A 1 do not remember these little things.
- a car. This is the man you bought thocar from. A Yes.

- A It was some time in the afternoon, I think.
- now, 8706 Ournegie.
- and it was after lunch, was it? A I don't know; it might have been.
 - Q Was the child born at that time? A No.
 - and how and you go out there, take a cab? A No.
 - & How did you go? We must have gone by street car.
 - what street car did you take? A 1 don't know.
- g You know there you went. Here you a ver out that section pefore? A No. 1 don't think we were.
- That street car would you normally take to go out there: A We usually go by car I guess.
 - Where did youget off? A I don't know.
- think so. We got off and took a bus, I think.
- Q Where did you go on the bus, to the end of the line?
 A It might have been. I don't know. Michael did all the
 directing. He knows Cleveland tesser than I do.
- You were wish him. You know where you ent, the end of the line or what street you got off. What street did you get off? A 1 io not know. Iden't even remember where this man lived.
- You went with your husband? A Yes, I did, but I did not pay attention to what street.

- the end of the car line on the trolley car? Or did you go to the end of the car line: You know that. A I don't think we went to the end of the car line:
- A No.
 - y You got off somewhere? A Yes.
 - You take a bust A Yes.
- where you took the bus and the end of the bus line? A I don't remember whether it was the end of the line or not.
- After you got off the bus where did you walk to?

 A We walked down a broad street, it looked like an avenue,
 and we kept looking for the street. I think we got lost and
 walked around a bit.
- We how far was it from the place you got off, how many blocks? A 1 don't remember. We just walked around because we lost --
- thow far a walk, how long were you walking before you found the house, five minutes, an hour, two hours? A It might have been closer to a half hour.
- Half an hour it took you to walk? A 1 am not sure about that.
- g You were los. Youwent around several different streets. A Yes, sir.
 - Q On the way back how did you get back to Cleveland

the same way? A Yes, 1 think so.

Lt didn't take you any half hour to get back to she bus? A No, I think the man told Michael how to go and the bus line he used.

house to the bus line on the way back, three or four minutes? A I don't think we went directly back to the bus. I think we stopped for a snack.

Q I know that, but how many blocks was it? A I don't know.

Nas it a few, was it two or three? Would you say it was about five minutes from where he lived to the bus line, taking out the time that you had the snack?

A It might have been a little more than five minutes, I think.

(Not verymuch more, was it? A Probably not.

g Between five and six and seven, eight minutes,
is that about correct? A 1t might be, I am not sure.

Q To the best of your recollection is it? A Yes, I would say so.

took a trolley car, is that right? A Yes.

what time fid youget back to your home? A I don't know whether we went directly home. We usually do not when we are out for the afternoon.

a Did you me t anybody, any friends? A I don't think so.

- \mathbb{Q} Did you me t William Perl? A No, I don't think so. That's the man on the picture?
 - Q Yes. A No.
 - Q You don't know him? A No.
 - Q Newer met him? A No.
 - a Do you know the Rosenbergs? A Yes.
 - Q Very well? A We were quite friendly.
 - Q Do you know Vivian Glassman? A Glassman?
 - Q Yes. A No.
- \mathbb{Q} Never heard of her? \mathbb{R} Never heard of her. Vivian Glassman?
 - O Yes. A No.
 - Q Vivian Glassman. A No.
 - Q Never heard of her? A No.

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BY MR. LANE:

- Q Here is a picture of Vivian Glassman. Do you recognize her? A No.
 - Q You never saw her before? A I don't think so.
 - Q You never talked with her? A I doubt it.
 - Q You never heard her name mentioned? A No.

MR. LANE: May the record indicate that the witness has seen three pictures of Vivian Glassman.

- Q Do you know a man by the name of Morton Sobell?

 A No. I have seen a picture in the paper.
 - Q You never saw him? A No.
 - Q Do you know A No.
 - Q You never/saw that picture before? A No.
 - Q Do you know Joel Barr? A No.
 - Q Here is a picture. You don't recognize him? A No.
 - Q Do you know Alfred Sarant? A No.
- Q Do you know the Greenglasses? A Well, I have met Ruth, I cannot remember meeting David.
- Q Now, think hard. Weren't you in their apartment in December or January, rather, of 1945? A In the Greenglasses' apartment?
- Q No; in Rosenberg's apartment when the Greenglasses were there. A I have been trying to remember that meeting since Mr. Harrington told me of it and I do not remember meeting Ruth and David together at any time. I remember meeting Ruth once -- I don't remember the date or the year --

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at the Rosenbergs.

- Q Is that the only time you ever visited the Rosenbergs, was once? A No. We visited them frequently. We were neighbors.
- Q You lived upstairs over their apartment over in 10 Monroe Street? A That's right.
 - Q So you saw a lot of them? A Fairly frequently.
- Q Were you sick in the spring of 1945? Were you ill after January of 1945? Did you have a breakdown of some sort? A Yes, I was very close to a breakdown. I don't think it was as late as '45. I think it was a little earlier. It was when I was working for The Tailored Woman.
- Q What happened? A Well, I just sort of overworked and got too tired and had to quit working.
 - Q And did you see your doctor? A Yes.
 - Q What doctor? A His name was Dr. Hart.
- Q And what's his address? A Oh, I don't know. He lives miles -- a long distance out of New York.
- Q Well, whereabouts? What's the name of the place?
 A I can't tell you.
- Q Oh, come; oh; you can remember something.

 A If I had my address book I would be happy to give you the address.
- Q Well, how far out of New York is it? A It took almost an hour and a half to get there.
 - Q Is it Long Island? Is it Westchester? Where is it?

- A It might have been out in Jamaica.
 - Q Dr. Hart. How do you spell it? A H-a-r-t.
- What's his first name? A I don't know. I have always called him Dr. Hart.
 - Q You don't know his first name? A No.
- Q Did he charge you any money? Did he charge you for the visits you made to him? A he charged me regular doctor's fees.
- Q now much did you pay? A I think it was \$3 a visit, and it may have been more when I was getting shots.
- Q Now, once again, did you -- oh, by the way, you have that address book with you, don't you? A Yes.
 - Q Where is it? A In my purse out in the other room.
- Q Would you go out and get that address book and find out what that address is? A Surely.

[The witness leaves room and returns.]

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A Dr. Max Hart.

- and the address: A 6345 Wetherole Drive.
- to get here.
- to 63rd Drive.
- Take what? A The GG train. That's the subway; 63rd Drive. That's all I have.
- What's the GG train, that Lexington Avenue?
 A I den't remember.
 - Q It is one of the local subways? A Local?
- Q Yes, it is the subway system? A It is the subway, yes. I do not remember whether it was local or not.
- Q You say it is out in Jamaica? A I think it is in that direction.
 - Q It is in New York City, isn't it? A Yes.
- car located at that time, in the driveway? A I think it was in the driveway.
- where were you sitting and where was your husband sitting, beside him? A I think I was sitting in the back; it was a small car; and my husband must have been sitting with him.
- he drave it out of the driveway? A 1 think he did, yes.
 - U He drive it around the block for you? A Yes.

¿ Because he had a license? Your husband didn't have a license, hid her A Mike has always had a New York license.

He did not have an Ohio license. A I don't know.

- when Mr. Pfleger drove it around the block and came back, what if anything did Mike do? A Well, we looked, I think we picked up the hood and they looked around in there at the motor, because I didn't know anything about it.
- Q You're sure Mike wasn't in the back seat with you, your husband? A I don't believe so.
- Q He was sitting beside the driver, is that right?
 I think so, yes.
- Q Try and get those positions fixed. You are sure he wasn't in the back seat? A I don't think so, no.
 - Q He was in the frong seat? A Yes.
 - Q Next to the driver? A Yes.
- the back seat? You ought to know that. You are sure he wasn't in the back seat? You ought to know that. You are sure he wasn't sitting in the back; you are sure he was up front with the driver? A 1 think he was up front with the driver.
- the driver? A I think there was some about the mechanics of the car.
- Q You sure Mr.Pfleger was in the car as it went around the block? A Yes, I am sure of that.
 - You are sure of that? A Yes.

- . You are sure he drove the car too; you are sure of that? A Yes.
 - & That was that enswer? A Yes.
- place then and come pack? A You mean the place where the car was?
- Q Yes. Did you buy it right away or did you leave and then come back? Did you look at some other cars that day?

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- A Well, I don't think we purchased it right away. I think we went out.
 - Q And came back? A And came back, yes.
- Q And did you go for a snack, or did you look at some other cars in that vicinity? A We may have stopped for a cup of coffee. I don't remember.
- Q And you came back. How long after did you come back; about an hour after? A I don't know. Some time during the afternoon.
- Q And at that time you dickered about the price; he wanted a little more than 750? Was there some conversation about that? A Yes, I believe some body had convinced him that he could have gotten a lot more for it.
- Q Then there was some dickering back and forth?

 A There might have been.
- Q And then you went into the house? A Yes, we went in the house to sign an agreement.
 - Q Where was it signed; in the kitchen? A Yes.
- Q And it was drawn up in longhand? A Mr. -- the gentleman draw it up, yes, and we signed it.
 - Q Mr. Pfleger? A Yes.
- And while you were there you looked out the back window and you saw people in the back yard; is that correct?

 A Yes. I think we admired his place.
 - Q He had a nice place? A Yes, it was quite nice.
 - Q A big place? A Well, I don't think it was big, no.

It was small, a single-family home, I think; it was a small single-family home.

- Q Well, who was in the back yard, that you waived to?

 Do you remember you said you waived to somebody in the back

 yard and they waived to you? A I didn't waive to anyone,

 because I didn't know anyone.
- Q I thought you beckoned to somebody or they waived to you. I thought you said that before. A No.
 - Q Are you sure? A Yes.
- Q Well, then you talked about the price. And there were conditions there, weren't there; that he wanted to hold the car until he got a new one, or something like that?

 A Yes. Well, the market was bad and he wasn't sure of getting a new one; and that was why we went into the kitchen to write up this agreement, I believe.
- Q And then after you had written the agreement up you then left? A Well, that was the end of the deal.

MR. LANE: Well, now, I think it's quite late; it's 1:30. Could you excuse Mrs. Sidorovich?

THE FOREMAN: Yes.

But I want to ask you one question. You said someone convinced Mr. Pfleger of the price. Who was that someone?

THE WITNESS: No. I said --

THE FOREMAN: You said someone convinced Mr. Pfleger of the price, and then you went in. Who was the someone?

THE WITNESS: Convinced Mr. Pfleger of the price?

THE FOREMAN: Yes, about the price.

THE WITNESS: About the price we paid for it?

THE FOREMAN: Yes, 750. Your testimony is that someone convinced Mr. Pfleger that he would sell it for 750. Now, who was that someone?

THE WITNESS: Well, we did, I and my husband.

THE FOREMAN: Oh, you are the someones? When you say "someone," you mean your husband and yourself?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

MR. LANE: There was nobody else there, you say?

THE WITNESS: No.

MR. IANE: Is she excused now, Mr. Foreman, until tomorrow?

THE FOREMAN: Yes, until tomorrow.

[WITNESS EXCUSED]

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Sidorovich

MICHAEL SIDOROVICH, recalled as a witness, having first been duly sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:

BY MR. LANE:

- Q Mike, you know the Rosenbergs, don't you? A Yes.
- Q You were at their house one night in January?

A January when?

- Q 1945. A I believe so.
- Q Did you meet the Greenglasses there, too?
 A I don't recall.
 - Q Do you know the Greenglasses? A I know Dave, yes.
 - Q Do you know him very well? A Fairly well.
- Q To get back to the day you bought the car -- you say that you went out there and you went out there alone. Now, look; if you want to say anything different, say it now, will you, for your sake. A No.
- Q You don't want to change your statement at all?

 A I told you -- what I told you, I believe that's the way it happened.
 - Q Nobody with you? A My wife.
- C How long did it take you to go back from Pfleger's house to the bus line? You got a bus back, did you?

 A I don't even remember how we went back. I think we started out in another direction. I don't recall.
- Q How far was it from Pfleger's house to the bus line?

 A Oh, I don't know. I reall y don't remember.

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- Two or three blocks? A No, I didn't pay any attention to the time. Te just walked and walked and walked and walked and you go direct from Ffleger's house to the bus line? A I don't remember.
 - Q Did you stop anywhere? A I don't remember.
 - Q You do not remember whether you stopped or not? A No.
- You do remember that you bought the car as soon as you took it around the block and tried it, you do remember that? A Not as soon as I took it around the block and tried it. After I spoke to the man a while.
 - Q You dickered a while? A Yes; and then I bought it.
- Q You said before you did not leave the place and came back an hour later? A No, 1 do not remember doing that.
- Q Why didyou drive that car if you did not have an Ohio license? A I had New York license.
- Q Did you have an Ohio license? A No, I had a New York license.
- Q Why were you driving an Ohio car with a New York license, you know that's against the law, don't you? A It may be against the law but I did it at the time.
- Q why did you do it; that doesn't make any sense.

 A Asfar as I know there is no law that says you cannot drive somebody else's car if you have an out of state license
- Q You sure Pfleger did not drive the car around the block? A No.
- Q You say you ere not sure? A No, I am sure he did not.

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- \mathbb{Q} You are positive he did not drive the car? A That's right.
 - Q You positive you drove the car? A That's right.

 THE FOREMAN: You are excused until tomorrow.

(WITNESS EXCUSED)

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Mildred Pfleger

MILDRED I. PFLEGER, called as a witness,

having first been duly sworn by the Foreman, testified
as follows:

BY MR. LANE:

- Q Mrs. Pfleger, you live in Cleveland? A Yes, that's right.
 - Q And what is your address? A 5202 Albertly Avenue.
 - Q And your husband's name is what? A Robert.
- Q Do you recall the sale of a car back in 1948?

 A Yes, I do.
- Q What sort of a car was it that you sold? A It was a 1941 Studebaker club coupe.
- an ad in one or two of the Cleveland newspapers. A Yes, that's right.
- Q And as a result of that ad your husband received several inquiries by telephone? A Yes.
- Q Now, do you recall the party that purchased that car?
 A Yes, I do.
- Q And do you recall the date when the -- or, the day when the car was purchased? Was it a Sunday? A Yes, it was a Sunday afternoon.
 - Q And do you recall the month? A Yes, Suly.
- Q And the date? A I'm not sure of the date. I think it was the 11th.
 - Q That's on a Sunday? A Yes, it was on a Sunday.

- Q Now, can you tell me what transpired with reference to the sale of the car, to your recollection, what you saw? A Well, there were three people that came to look at the car, there were two men and one woman.
 - Q And did you actually see them? A I saw them, yes.
- Q And where were you? A I didn't talk to them, but I saw them.
- Q What time was it in the day? A It was in the afternoon. I would say around two, three o'clock; something like that. I can't be sure of the time.
- Q And where were you at the time that you saw them?

 A I was in the back yard, sitting out relaxing, and I saw all of the people.
- Q And were there some other people in the back yard with you? A Well, they didn't come back where I was, but it all transpired on the side of the house.
- Q No; I say were there other people in the back yard with you? A Oh, yes, there was.
 - Q Well, who was there? A My mother and my father.
 - Q And what are their names? A Mr. and Mrs. Kessner.
- Q And your little son or daughter was there too with you? A I think my son was napping at the time. I don't recall.
 - Q How old is he? A He is five.
- And was there anyone else in the back yard?

 A No, there wasn't.

- Q And did you have a view of the driveway from the back yard? A Yes, I did.
- Q And where was your car parked? A In the driveway, about half way up the driveway.
- Q Now, could you describe these people? A Well, all I know is -- I have identified the one gentleman. The other one, all I know is that he was a tall, dark-haired man. I couldn't say any more than that. And there was a woman with them.
- Q Now, you saw in my office a few minutes ago two people who are Ann and Mike Sidorovich? A Yes.
- Q Do you identify those two people that were there?

 A I do.
 - Q And then you say there was a third man there? A Yes.
- Q Who is tall and dark? A Yes, that's right. That's about all I can say.
- How far were you away at the time? A I should say from here about probably up to the end of that ladder or whatever that is back there.
- Q Say about, oh, it must have been about 30 yards away?
 A I would say about that.

JUROR: No; that's between 30 and 40 feet.

A (Cont'g) I would say roughly --

Q About the length of the courtroom here? A That's right; maybe. I'm not a very good judge of distance. I don't know.

- Q And the other man, could you tell about how old he was? Was he youngish? A Yes, he was a young man.
 - Q Tall? A Yes.
 - Q Dark? A Yes, dark.
- Q His features were -- A I really couldn't tell about his features. I saw the man from the side. I saw him bending over the car. But that's all I could say about that gentleman.
- Q Was he conversing with your husband at that time?

 A Yes, he was.
- Q Do you recall whether the hood was up at that time?

 A No. I don't recall that.
- Q Well, now, I'm going to show you a picture, two people on the left; and does that refresh your recollection?

 A Yes. I saw these people in Cleveland, too, this same picture of these two people.
 - MR. LANE: May the record indicate that Mrs.Pfleger has identified the pictures of the Sidoroviches, Mike and Ann.
- on that day again? A Yes, they did.
- Q About how long after? A Well, they took the car out for a little drive. Is that what you mean?
 - Q Yes. A And then returned.
 - Well, did you see them get into the car? A Yes.
 - (The four of them? A Yes.

- Q And do you recall who drove the car? A Yes. It was the tall man, I believe.
- Q And your husband, where was he sitting; next to him?

 A I think he was next to him.
- Q And the Sidoroviches were in the back? A In the back. I'm not absolutely positive of that, but I think that's the way it was.
- Q Did you notice how they came up to your place? Were they talking or in a car? A They were in a car.
 - Q Did you see the car? A Yes, I did.
- Q Do you recall what sort of a car it was? A No. It was parked in front, that's all I know about it.
- You don't know the model or anything? A No, I really don't.
- Q Did you see them leave in that car? A Well, I can't say I saw them.
- Q The other car, the old car. A No, I can't say I saw them leave.
- Q But after they took the spin around the block did they then leave and come back: A Yes, they did.
- Q And came back how long afterwards? A I can't -- I don't recall exactly. But it wasn't very long.
 - Q And the three of them came back again? A Yes.
 - Q Did you see them again? A Yes.
- Q Now, do you know if anyone else in the back yard saw them? A Yes, yes, my folks saw them.

- Q They saw the three of them? A Yes, they did.

 MR. LANE: Now, if there are no more questions -BY THE JURY:
- Q I would like to ask a question. Do you remember how this tall dark man was dressed? A No; except that he was in casual clothes, that's all.
 - Q Did he wear a hat? A I don't believe so.
- Q Is there a place in close proximity to your home where a person could drop in and geta cup of coffee or something to eat? A No, there isn't.
- Q About how far would you think it would be for them to find some place to eat? A Well, I would say a mile, at least, either way.
- Q On this Sunday in July in '48 that you have been talking about how many people or groups of people came to your house to look at the car for the purpose of considering its purchase? A They were the only people that came on that day, these three.

BY MR. LANE:

- Q The only ones you saw. A The only ones that I saw.
- Q Did your husband tell you there were others that day?
 A I don't remember. I really couldn't say.
- Q Because he told me yesterday there were one or two other people who came that day, but no group of three.

 A No; I know we had calls, but, as I say, I don't remember certain people coming that day.

Q I neglected to ask your husband this yesterday:

Do you know whether or not when the Sidoroviches called in
the morning, whether they gave their name to your husband?

A I don't recall that. I don't believe they did.

MR. LAME: Well, I haven't any more questions.

THE FOREMAN: You are excused, Mrs. Pfleger; and thank you very much.

[WITNESS EXCUSED]

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MICHAEL SIDOROVICH, called as a witness, having first been sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:

BY MR. LANE:

Q Mr. Sidorovich, you may recall that in my office a few minutes ago you said to me that you thought that this Grand Jury had already indicted you for something. Do you recall that? A I do.

Q Well, now, in your presence I'm going to ask the Foreman of the Grand Jury if there has been any indictment at all as far as you or your wife is concerned.

Is there, Mr. Foreman?

THE FOREMAN: There has been no indictment whatseever. We just want you to tell the truth.

Q That's on the record now. I told you I would assure you of that as a testimonial of my good faith -- do you recall that? -- downstairs. A I do.

Q So, it being a part of the record, there can't be any question about that. There has been no indictment. There has been no discussion, as yet, as to what this Jury is going to do with respect to your testimony.

Now, let me get back again to the occasion in 1948 when you purchased the car from Robert E. Pfleger. That was in the early part of July, 1948. You testified that you went out to his home on a Sunday afternoon; is that correct?

A That's right. That's my recollection. That's correct.

- Q And will you tell the Jury once again how you went to the home of Mr. Robert Pfleger? A I believe that I used public transportation in reaching the home of Robert Pfleger, and that consisted of a street car or street cars and bus, and that when I arrived at the end of the bus line I walked to the home of Mr. Pfleger.
- Q Who accompanied you? A I recall only that my wife accompanied me.
- Q Are you positive that nobody else accompanied you?

 A I'm quite sure that nobody else accompanied me.
- Q Are you sure there wasn't a third person with you?

 A I can't recall any third person.
 - Q Was there another man with you on the occasion?

 A I can't recall any third person, any man or anyone.
 - Q Your best recollection is that just you and your wife went out to this Mr. Pfleger's house? A That's correct.
 - Q And where was Mr. Pfleger's car parked: A As I recall, the car was parked in the driveway.
 - Q And where did you discuss the purchase of the car with Mr. Pfleger? A In the ariveway.
 - Q And who was present during the course of that discussion? A Mr. Pfleger, my wife and I.
 - Q Just you three? A That's my recollection, just us three.
 - Q Did you drive up to the house, Mr. Pfleger's house, in an automobile that day? A No.

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- Q Were you in an automobile that day when you came up to Mr. Pfleger's house? A No.
- Q Did you leave Mr. Pfleger's house in an automobile?
- And when I say leave his house in an automobile, I mean after you had finished your conversation about the car did you leave in any car other than Mr. Pfleger's. You may recall you took a trip around the block in Mr. Pfleger's car; but that's not what I'm referring to. I specifically refer to your leaving at the conclusion of your conversations relative to the purchase of the car; how did you leave his place?

 A On foot.
 - Q And who accompanied you? A My wife,
- Q Do you know a Mr. Perl or Mr. Perlmutter? A I have heard the name and I have seen the picture, but I don't recall ever meeting Mr. Perlmutter.
- Q Was he present on that Sunday during your conversation with Mr. Robert Pfleger and your wife? A No.
 - Q You are positive of that? A Quite positive.

THE FOREMAN: What's the answer?

THE WITNESS: Quite positive.

Q How did you return to Cleveland on that day after you had talked with Mr. Pfleger? A I'm not -- I don't recall just how we returned. I don't recall whether we returned by the same route or whether we took a street car. I know we walked quite a while going back.

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- Q How long did you walk, going back? A Well, you mean duration?
 - Q Yes. A I couldn't give you a positive answer to that.
 - Q How many blocks did you cover? A Going back?
- transportation. A Well, that's difficult for me to answer, because as we walked we were chatting and we weren't paying too much attention to distance. It was really an afternoon stroll. We had done some business and we were returning home.
- Q On that Sunday afternoon when you went to Robert

 Pfleger's home you said that you took a ride around the

 block and you said that you drove the car around the block;

 is that correct? A That's correct.
- Q And you said that Mr. Pfleger was in the front seat beside you; is that correct? A That's correct.
- Q And you said that your wife was in the back seat; is that correct? A That's correct.
- Q And you said there was nobody else in the car; is that correct? A That's correct.
- Q Now, when you returned from that brief drive around the block did you then consumate the deal with Mr. Pfleger for the car? A My recollection is that I didn't even drive it up the driveway again and that he got in and drove it back into the position that it was in before. I believe there was another car that was sitting there or had pulled into the driveway and had pulled out before he could pull in

again. And I remember I talked to him about the car. looked at the tires of the car. I asked him to open the trunks so I could look in the back, and asked him about the radio and I might have spoken about a lot of items. I mean those are that I recall. And we talked and I asked him what he wanted and he quoted me a price and I offered him, I believe less, and we haggled back and forth -- rather, "haggled" is a bad word; we dickered back and forth about the price and I believe we finally came to an understanding on the price when I mentioned to him that I had telephoned him and that he had quoted me a figure which was greater than the one I offered him but less than the one that he was asking for. And then he didn't accept immediately. He told me that he had other people look at the car and that his friends, I believe, had suggested to him that the car would probably be worth more than he was asking for it. And he was reluctant to accept my offer. Well, we sat around there and talked about other things. But I don't remember -- I mean just chit-chat, without talking about the car at all. then I believe we started talking about the car again. I made him another -- I made him the same offer and he told me his circumstance, being he had ordered another car but he didn't know whether he would get delivery and that if he made any -- if he sold the car it would have to be with that understanding, that if he couldn't get the car within a specified period of time, for my protection and his, I would

have to release him from any promise of selling me the car. So then I believe we decided to put that in writing. I don't remember whether I suggested it or he suggested it. But we went into the kitchen of his home and while there he wrote out two copies of an agreement and after we had both signed it we left, and that was that.

- Q In other words, there was no break between the time you took the car around the block and the time that you actually consummated the deal? A I can't recall any break.
- Q Did you and your wife leave the premises after you had returned from the short drive and before you consummated the deal? A I can't recall that we left at all.
- Q Now, you say there was a car in the driveway when you returned from the short drive. A 1 believe there was a car in the driveway.
- Q What sort of a car was it? A It was a pretty big car, big and I think it was a pretty old car. I don't remember just what the circumstances were.
- Q That's when you came back from the drive around the block, wasn't it? A That's right.
- Q How long did that drive around the block take; a few minutes? A Yes. I think we only rode around -- well, it wasn't just one block. I think we rode around three or four blocks in a circle there -- rather, in a square there. There is an area there which he pointed out was free of traffic, it was good testing, because, he said, that occasionally the

Ohio State Patrol used that area for testing applicants for drivers' licenses. And I recall that because at that time my wife didn't know how to drive and I thought to myself if I had a space like that closer to home, it would have been a good place to take my wife out and teach her to drive.

Now, was that big old car in the driveway when you reached the house before you talked to Mr. Pfleger at all?

A That I don't recall. I remember that he was parked in the driveway not very far from the sidewalk.

- Q Is it a long driveway? A I don't remember. I don't even remember whether he had a garage or not.
- Q What sort of a house did he have? A I don't remember the house. But I remember he had a fence separating his driveway from the house, through which we had to pass in order to get to his kitchen.
- Q Did you see the people in the back yard? A There were some people in the back yard, yes.
- Q Did you talk with them? A No, I don't believe I talked to them.
 - Q Did they waive to you? A No.
 - Q Did your wife talk to them? A To these people?
 - Q Yes. A I don't recall.
- Q Did you look at each other? A We must have looked at each other, because we walked by them. I mean they -- as I recall, we had to walk through a fence in the back of the house in order to get into the kitchen; we entered

through the rear, not through the front.

- Q You went through the back yard? A That's right.
- Q And those people were out in the back yard?

 A They were out in the back yard.
- Q How far away were you from those people in the back yard? A Well, we didn't have to pass right by them, that I remember.
- Q How many feet away were you? From where you are to where I am? A Oh, I think it was much further than that.

 I really can't --
- Q Well, roughly. A Even roughly I hesitate to make even an approximation, because I don't recall it very clearly.
- Q Now, on your way out there, your testimony was -up to the Pflegers' house -- that you went by trolley car a
 certain ways and then you got off and took a bus and you
 went to the end of the line and then you walked; is that
 correct? A That's correct.
- Q And you said that you got lost out there for a while, you walked for about half an hour or so. How far did you walk? A Well, I have been thinking about that since one of the Jurymen asked me about it yesterday, and I think that I would venture a guess that it was ten blocks or less that I walked, altogether.
- Q From the end of the bus line? A From the bus to where Mr. Pfleger lived.
 - Q Now, when you returned to Cleveland did you go to the

same spot, the end of the bus line, to get the bus?

A That I don't recall. I don't recall that we took that same route. I believe we walked in a different direction.

- Q Well, was there any reason for you walking in a different direction? A Yes. Because we weren't in any hurry to get home.
- Q How far did you walk before you got the bus, how many blocks? A Well, I don't recall whether we went back by bus or not. I don't recall going back by bus.
- Q Well, I think you said, yesterday, that you did.
 A Returning?
 - Q Yes. A I don't believe I said that.
- A I don't recall going back the same way.
- at Chappaqua? A I believe I bought that house in Chappaqua in -- I'm not positive as to whether it was in '42 or '43. I believe I bived there two years and that's why I say I believe I bought it in '43.
- Q Where did you get the money to buy this automobile?

 A It was money which I had been putting aside over a period of time towards a new car which I hoped to get. I couldn't -- I hadn't expected to pay out_right for the car; I had expected to buy it on the installment plan.
- Q Where was the money, in the bank? A No. I believe it was -- part of it was probably at home and part of it I

believe I kept in a safe deposit box.

- Q Where? A In the "ational City Bank of Cleveland.
- Q You still have it? A I still have the box.
- Q What else did you keep in the box? A Some insurance policies which I had and my bonds.

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- Q How much -- where did you get the money to buy the house at Chappaqua? A That was a shoe-string affair. I cansed in my insurance policy, and my wife --
- Q How much did you get/that? A Oh, I believe I got about -- better than \$250.
- Q With what company was the policy? A I don't recall.
- Q You don't recall the insurance company? A No.
 You see, it was a policy that my parents had taken out for
 me, and they had been making the payments on it.
- Q Where did you cash it in? A At the office, and the office was in Brooklyn.
- Q Whereabouts in Brooklyn? A I don't remember.

 I mean, I don't know what company it was. I don't think
 it was the Metropolitan. It could have been --
- went down during my lunch period, and while I was working for the Koll-Morgen Optical Corporation, and I took a street car and I was able to do it in my lunch period without losing any time. That is, I got to the office and returned before my half hour expired.
- Q You don't know the name of the company? A I don't recall the name.
 - Q Why did you move up there? A Where?
- Q To Chappaqua. What was the purpose of going way up there in the wilderness? A It wasn't in the wilderness. Chappaqua is in Westchester County.

O That's my conclusion in my question. I will still word it that way. Why did you go way up there in the wilderness of Chappaqua, a mile and a half from the railroad, in a place where you had to get up around five or five-thirty in the morning to get to work and you did not get home until late at night, when you were at that time working in Brooklyn, and at the time you purchased the house you were living in Knickerbocker Village? What's the reason for going away up there? A It is hard to explain the reason, but I will try. You see, I was working, and of course I never owned any property, and I had a friend who was looking for a place for himself, and he told me apout this place which he had seen but which was unsuitable for him. He invited me one time, I and my wife and some other people, to take a ride out with him and look at it. so we rade out and looked at it and it was very attractive. Of course we hadn't had any experience in matters like this. but it was a very reasonable proposition. It was one acre of land and a small five room bungalow on that one acre of land. It had an inside toilet and it had a system for washing water and there was a pump in the back. and the price was very reasonable. The price was only \$2500 and it could be bought on a land contract, for \$500 down, and we didn't have the \$500, so I tried to interest my family in it, and my parents, in loaning me the money. but they thought I was young and inexperienced, and I

man could lose everything if he did not know what he was doing. That was of course before many of these inequities were corrected. And so they were reluctant to loan me the money, but I spoke it over with my wife and this friend who showed me the place, and he thought it was a good deal, and it was very attractive, and we went ahead and bought it, and we had to raise that \$500, which was very difficult, but we managed to raise that.

- Q Where did you get the balance of the money other than your insurance? A Then my wife cansed in her policy.
- Q What company was that with? A That I do not know either.
- got about -- well, when we combined our bonds and our insurance money we had just about enough, but we figured that we needed about \$100 to take care of any incidentals such as moving and what not, and we borrowed that from her kid brother.
 - Q Who was that? A Paul.
 - Q Paul what? A Hanusiak.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{Q}}$ Where did he live? A He lived at that time with his parents in New Haven, Conn.
 - Q This was in nineteen forty what? A 142 or 143.
- Q And you purchased bonds after that, more bonds?

 A Yes, I had the -- not the checkoff -- this withholding

system at the plant where I worked where they kept back a certain amount for bonds every pay day.

- Q How much bonds do you have now? What's the round figure? A I have one bond now.
 - Q One bond, is that all? A Yes.
- Q What's the denomination? A I paid \$75 for it.

 It is a \$100 bond.
 - Q Is that all you have? A Right now that's all.
- Q How much of a bank account do you have now?

 A Now I believe I have better than \$200 in the bank.
- Q That comprise all your assets in the world?

 A No; I believe we had about -- we came here with about \$200.
- Q So that you have less than a thousand dollars now? A Yes.
 - That's you and your wife? A 'hat's I and my wife.

 MR. LANE: Mr. Foreman, can he be temporarily
 excused and directed to come back tomorrow -- to wait
 outside, and if he doesn', come back today, to come
 back tomorrow.

THE FOREMAN: You are temporarily excused. (WITNESS EXCUSED)

ANN H. SIDOROVICH, recalled and again duly sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:

THE WITNESS: Mr. Lane, before we get started I would like to clear up a point that was made yester-day by the Foreman.

MR. LANE: Yes, go right ahead.

THE WITNESS: The last point that was discussed before the adjournment yesterday. You quoted a statement I made, and then you questioned me about it. I wonder if I can have my statement read from yesterday's record?

MR. LANE: What is your recollection of the statement?

THE WITNESS: It had to do with the sale of a car. The Foreman said that I had said that Mr. Pfleger -- someone had convinced Mr. Pfleger on the price of the car.

THE FOREMAN: That's right -- someone.

THE WITNESS: Someone. I recollect saying that someone had convinced Mr. Pfleger that he could get more, much more for the car than he had quoted to us on the telephone, and that is what I was referring to.

Now, if we might have that read, I should like to have it read.

MR. LANE: Just give us again your best recollection of what transpired in reference to a discussion about the moneys.

THE WITNESS: Well, when we did get there, when we were discussing price, Mr. Pfleger quoted a higher price to us after we got there than the one that had been quoted to us on the telephone, and I think that was what made us hesitate about the purchase of the car, and then there was some haggling to pring the price down to what he had quoted us on the telephone. I think in the interim, between our getting to his home and the time we had telephoned, someone had talked to him and convinced him that his price was low according to the car market prices.

THE FOREMAN: And it was that someone you had reference to?

THE WITNESS: Yes. I hope that is clear. Is it?
BY MR. LANE:

- July of 1948, when you went out to Mr. Pfleger's house with your husband to purchase the car. I ask you once again, what method of transportation in it you use ingoing out to Mr. Pfleger's house on that Sunday in July?

 A Well, I believe it was a street car and a bus.
- Q Who accompanied you? A No one. Michael and I were alone.
 - Q You say you and your husband went alone? A Yes.
 - Q No one accompanied you? A No.
 - Q And did you go to the end of the bus line? A I

don't remember whether we did because we didn't know how to get there actually. We went somewhere in Palmer, I believe it is.

- Q Did you by any chance drive up in an automobile accompanied by a third party when you went to Mr. Pfleger's house that afternoon? A We had no automobile. I don't think we did.
 - O What is the answer, yes or no? A No, we did not.
- Q Was there a third party with you when you were talking about the automobile with Mr. Pfleger on that Sunday afternoon? A No; just the three of us, Mr. Pfleger, Mike and I.
 - Q You are certain there was nobody else there?
 A I am fairly certain, yes.
 - Q You are fairly certain? A Yes.
 - Q Well, are you certain? A I said "fairly" because you insisted there was someone. I am sure there was not
- Q As far as you know, what is your best recollection?

 A As far as I can recall, we were alone.
 - Q The three of you? A Yes.
- Q Mr. Pfleger, you and your husband? A That's right.
- Q Did you discuss the automobile at the time?

 A Yes, we looked at it.
- Q Where was the automobile that you were discussing at that time? A Alongside the house in the driveway.
 - Q Was there any other austomobile around there at

- that time? A Yes, I believe there was. I think there was another one.
- Q Where was the other car located? A I don't remember whether it was in the driveway or somewhere close to the driveway.
- Q What sort of a car was it? A I get the impression of a car, large old car, I think.
- Q There were two cars in the driveway? A I believe so, yes.
- Q Where was the car that you were looking at located in relation to the second old car, was it in front of the old car or behind it? A I think it was in front going toward the back of the house. I am not positive but I think we had to go around this large car to get to the other car.
- Q The car, the Studebaker that you were looking at, was in front or inback of the old car? A I can't say for certain. It was there. I do not know whether it was back or ffont, definitely.
- Q So you and your husband and Mr. Pfleger discussed the automobile and after you finished talking about the automobile was there some suggestion about trying the carout? A Yes; we don't usually buy a car without rading it around.
- Q I didn't ask that. The question was: (Question, "So you and your husband and Mr. Pfleger discussed the automobile and after you finished talking about the auto-

mobile was there some suggestion about trying the car out?" read by the stenographer.) Will you please give me a yes or no answer? A I don't remember exactly, but I suppose there was because we did get into the car and rode around.

- Q When you got into the car where were you located?

 A You mean in the car?
 - Q In the car. A I was sitting in theback seat.
- Q And where was your husband? A He was sitting beside the driver, Mr. Pfleger.
 - Q And who drove the car? A Mr. Pfleger did.
- Q Did he back the car out of the driveway? A I don't remember how he got it out of the driveway.
- Q After the car came out of the driveway how great a distance did Mr. Pfleger drive the car? A I think it was a matter of four square blocks or something of that sort.
- Q How long a period of time was consumed in that drive? A Not very long. I don't suppose it was more than about five or ten minutes.
- Q When you returned did Mr. Pfleger drive the car into the driveway? A I believe it was back in the driveway, yes.
 - Q And then you got out of the car? A Yes.
- Q And then what did youdo? A Well, I remember his lifting the hood and showing Michael the inside of the car, the mechanisims and the motor and things.

- Q And then did you leave the place for a while?

 A Yes, 'think we did. I think we did because Mr. Pfleger wanted more money and we were hesitant about paying more for it.
 - Q He wanted more money, so you left? A Yes.
- Q Where did you go when you left? A I don't remember where. I think there was a broad avenue close by and I think we probably went and stopped for coffee in one of the small restaurants or something.
 - Q Right close by? A Close by.
- Q A few blocks? A I would say not more than about five blocks.
- Q You subsequently returned on that day? A Yes, we went back the same afternoon, yes.
- Q Why did you return? A Well, we decided itwas a good car. We had seen many others that had not compared to this one, and we thought if we could convince Mr.

 Pfleger to sell it at his original price quotation we would be able to purchase it.
- Q During this interval that you were, as you say, having coffee, did you see any other cars? A No, I don't believe we went shopping for other cars at that particular time.
- Q and when you left Mr. Pfleger's house that day for the first time did you and Mike proceed on foot? A Yes, we walked.

- Q Were you in any automobile that day outside of Mr. Pfleger's automobile? A Well, I don't remember what we did after we left Mr. Pfleger's the second time. We mak may have gone looking at others to convince ourselves it was a good buy, but I don't remember that. I don't remember what we did.
- Q Hadn't you made a down payment of \$100? A We made a down payment. I don't remember the amount.
- Q So that you probably did not look at any other cars that day. A Well, you do sometimes when you buy something.
- Q Well, did you? A I don't remember what we did.
 I say, we may have.
- Q When you came back the second time, find you meet Mr. Pfleger In the driveway or where was he when you came back the second time? A I believe he was further back in the back yard or some place.
- Q Were there other people in the back yard? A Yes, I recollect that there were other people.
- Q Did you see other people back there? A Yes, I think there were other people there.
 - Q Did you enter Mr. Pfleger's house? A Yes.
- Q And who accompanied you? A Just the three of us, Mike, I and Mr. Pfleger waked into the kitchen.
- Q Did you go by way of the back foor? A You had to go along the sideof the house and through a little yard.

- I think, and into the kitchen.
 - Q Through the back door? A I would say so.
- Q And there were some people inthat back yard at that time? A Yes, I believe there were.
- Q Do you recall who was there, can you describe the people? A No, I couldn't describe them. There were a number, possibly three or four, maybe five, but I don't remember what they looked like.
- Q How far away were you from those people when you went in through the kitchen door? A It would be from about here to --
- Q To the jury box? A No, it was a little further than that. I would say that the first row of seats behind -
 - Q About twenty or thirty feet? A Something like that.
- Q You could see them all right and they could see you? A Yes.
- Q Did you talk to them? A I believe there was some exchange of conversation.
 - Q Where was Perl all this time? A Who is Perl?

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- Q You don't know who Perl is? A No.
- Q You never saw him? A I'm quite sure I haven't.
- Q Do you know Perlmutter? Was he there? A No.
- Q In fact, was there anybody there except you and your husband? A No.

MR. LANE: Mr. Foreman, would you excuse

Mrs. Sidorovich for the day and request her to return

here tomorrow at a quarter to eleven?

THE FOREMAN: You are excused. And report tomorrow at a quarter to eleven.

[WITNESS EXCUSED]