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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field
SUBJECT: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was
PERJURY; INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: December 10, 1948

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Re mylet December 9, 1948, advising you of receipt of information in this office from Mr. SAM BOYKIN, State Department, in connection with a conference between Assistant to the Attorney General PEYTON FORD, and Mr. JOHN PEURIFOY of the Department of State. As you will note in this letter, it was indicated that Mr. BOYKIN advised that there were certain pieces of the material not included in that furnished to the Bureau which would be furnished on the morning of December 10, 1948.

I wish to advise that in this connection, Mr. BOYKIN was again contacted by Special Agent RAPHAEL I. NIXON of this office on December 10, 1948, at which time Mr. BOYKIN furnished four pages of photostatic material and it was definitely ascertained by the agent that this material was part of that which had been discussed by Mr. FORD and Mr. PEURIFOY.

Mr. BOYKIN volunteered the information that the House Committee had requested the State Department to make an examination of their files and ascertain the distribution within the Department as to the various division chiefs and individuals to whom the questioned documents, recently in the possession of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, had been distributed. Mr. BOYKIN stated the personal conviction, which he stated was shared by his immediate superior JOHN PEURIFOY, that no information should be furnished to the House Committee that was not also furnished to the F. B. I. or the Department. In this connection, Mr. BOYKIN stated that he felt the information concerning the distribution should be made immediately available to the F. B. I. upon completion of the State Department's examination and indicated that at such time he would contact the Bureau's representative in the State Department and inform him of this fact.

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It should be noted that there was no solicitation on the part of the agent concerning this material nor any discussion concerning it. Mr. BOYKIN, in conclusion of the interview, advised that in any way that the Department of State might be of assistance to the F. B. I. or to the Department of Justice that they should feel free to request any assistance or any information in the State Department's possession.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON D. C.

January 10, 1949

To: SAC, Washington

Trans follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on January 10, 1949.

Re: JAY WILKINSON GILBERT, with alias, et al Perjury; Espionage - R

J. Edgar Hoover John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Examination requested by:

Reference: Washington Letter dated 1-10-49 Examination requested: Document Specimens:

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1032 Typewritten letter dated June 23, 1945 on The United Nations Conference On International Organization stationery, to Vice Admiral RAJENDR JASANI, signed in ink ALGER HISS.

Result of Examination

It was concluded that the machine which was used to type 1032 was not used to type 46 through 462. The evidence 1032 was returned by special messenger to the Washington field office January 13, 1949.

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

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : *Handwritten initials* GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: JAY WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, wa. ET AL
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DATE: January 10, 1949

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ATTENTION: FBI Technical Lab.

The enclosed letter dated June 26, 1945, signed by ALGER HISS under the letterhead "The United Nations Conference on International Organization", addressed to "My Dear Admiral Jacobs" is forwarded to the FBI Laboratory so that the typewritten impressions can be compared with the questioned documents.

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It is requested that this letter be returned to the WFO when the examination is completed.

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DIRECTOR, SACS BALTIMORE AND NEW YORK

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY,
ESPIONAGE R, IS R. RE PHONE CALL AND TEL TODAY BOSTON TO NEW HAVEN
REQUESTING NEW HAVEN ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS ELEANOR NELSON SOYRING,
WAS. ELEANOR NELSON, ELEANOR NELSON PORTER, SUBJECT INSTANT CASE.
THIS TELETYPE LIKewise CONFIRMS TELEPHONE CALL NEW HAVEN TO BALTIMORE
TODAY. DISCREET INVESTIGATION HARTFORD AND SOUTH COVENTRY, CONN. RE-
LECTS ELEANOR NELSON SOYRING PRESENTLY AT HOME OF BROTHER-IN-LAW
JOHN ARNOLD GRAHAM, RFD NO. ONE, SOUTH COVENTRY, CONN., TELEPHONE TWO
NAUGHT SIX ONE W TWO. GRAHAM EMPLOYED PRATT AND WHITNEY, HARTFORD,
CONN. ELEANOR SOYRING-S SON HAS MEASLES AS HAVE THREE GRAHAM CHILDREN.
PRETEXT INTERVIEW WITH GRAHAM REFLECTS ELEANOR SOYRING PLANS TO REMAIN
IN SOUTH COVENTRY AT GRAHAM HOME UNTIL MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK. PERUSAL
OF GRAHAM-S PERSONNEL FILE AT PRATT AND WHITNEY REFLECTS HE LISTS SOY-
RING AS SISTER-IN-LAW ELEANOR CROSBY NELSON SAYRIND. THIS NAME
INCLUDED THIS TELETYPE IN VIEW FACT ALGER HISS STATED HE KNEW WHITTAKER
CHAMBERS AS CROSBY.

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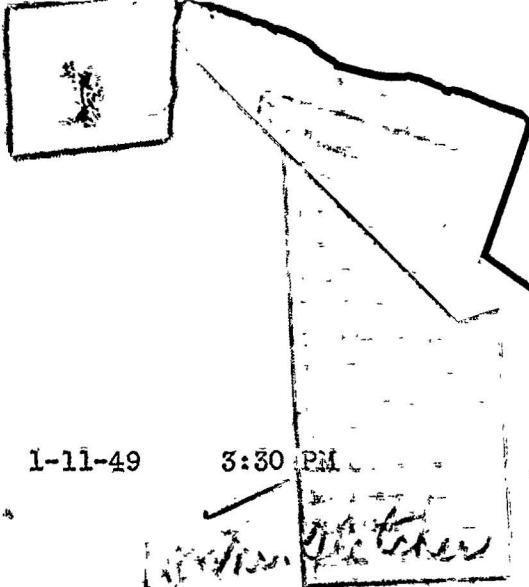
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS ET AL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE DASH R, INTERNAL SECURITY R. LAMONT MOORE, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, YALE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY, FORMERLY EMPLOYED AS ASSISTANT CURATOR, NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART, WASH., D.C., AND WIFE, HENRIETTA, FORMERLY AN AIR RAID WARDEN ASSISTANT TO MRS. ALGER HISS IN WASH., D.C., ARE RESIDING AT SEVEN FIVE AUTUMN ST., NEW HAVEN. WFO FILES REFLECT THAT LAMONT AND HENRIETTA MOORE WERE FRIENDLY WITH MRS. HISS. REQUEST INTERVIEW OF THE MOORES TO DETERMINE IF THEY ARE IN POSSESSION OF ANY TYPEWRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE HISSSES, WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAVE EVER NOTICED A WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER IN THE HISS HOME AND TO OBTAIN ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFO CONCERNING THE TYPEWRITER OR TYPEWRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE ORIGINATING FROM THE HISSSES. REFER BUTEL JAN TEN TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES RE BACKGROUND IMPORTANCE OF CASE AND NECESSITY OF HANDLING LEADS IMMEDIATELY.

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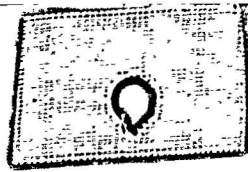
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J. LARRY MERTAKEN CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL; PERJURY; ESPIONAGE TACH R; INTERNAL SECURITY TACH R. CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY MISS TO FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE OFFICES ARE PRESENTLY IN N.Y. YORK: NINETEEN FORTY T.O, SAVE THE CHILDREN FOUNDATION, ONE MADISON AVENUE; NINETEEN FORTY SIX AND NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN, AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR OVERSEAS BLIND, FIVE NINE EIGHT MADISON AVENUE; NINETEEN FORTY T.O, UNITED CHINA RELIEF WHOSE PRESENT NAME IS UNITED SERVICE TO CHINA, ONE SEVEN NINE ZERO BROADWAY. INFORMATION RE CONTRIBUTIONS SECURED FROM INCOME TAX RETURNS WHICH SOURCE SHOULD BE PROTECTED. SUGGEST CONTACTING THESE ORGANIZATIONS REGARDING TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS.

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DATE: January 11, 1949

Rebulet January 3, 1948 (which should be dated 1949), in the above captioned matter, which on page 10 instructs this office to furnish the New York Division with photographs of all male employees of the Soviet Embassy during the years 1936 to 1938, to be used for the purpose of identifying Colonel ~~BYKOV~~.

Please be advised that inquiry at the State Department reflects that photographs of the individuals associated with the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C., with the Soviet Consular establishments in the United States, and with Amtorg Trading Corporation were not furnished as a matter of course to the State Department during those years. The furnishing of photographs as a routine procedure was not established until 1941. It has therefore been impossible to obtain the photographs of all male employees at the Soviet Embassy during the years requested.

However, the Protocol Section of the State Department did have available the photographs of a limited number of individuals attached to the Soviet Embassy during the pertinent years, which had been obtained in connection with the issuance of Diplomatic Courtesy Cards to these individuals. Copies of these photographs were obtained and are being submitted herewith to the New York Office for its use in accordance with the Bureau's instructions. ~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

Photographs submitted herewith are those of the following individuals: *mc*

~~M. GERASIMOV~~
~~D. CHUVAKHIN~~
~~N. M. KACHIRIN~~
~~K. K. KOKUKIN~~
~~A. M. YAKIMICHEV~~
~~V. M. BEGUNOV~~
~~V. A. BURZIN~~
~~G. GRIGORIEV~~
~~I. Y. KLIMENKOV~~
~~G. GOKHMAN~~
~~A. A. NEROYANOVSKY~~
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP.
R. INTERNAL SECURITY - R. ISABEL FIELDS, COLORED MAID OF HISS FAMILY
INTERVIEWED TODAY. SHE STATES EMPLOYED AS MAID BY ALGER HISS SINCE
SEPTEMBER NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN. SHE ADVISED SHE HAS NEVER OBSERVED
TYPEWRITER IN THE HISS APARTMENT EITHER UPRIGHT OR PORTABLE. ONLY
TYPEWRITER IN HOME IS TOY ONE BELONGING TO TONY HISS, YOUNG SON OF
ALGER. SHE FURTHER ADVISED THAT SHE HAS NEVER SEEN ALGER OR PRIS-
CILLA HISS USE A TYPEWRITER. THE NAMES OF THE PRINCIPAL FIGURES IN
THE INQUIRY NOT KNOWN TO THE MAID EXCEPT THROUGH HER OWN ACCOUNTS.
CLAIMS SHE HAS NEVER DISCUSSED FACTS OF HISS CASE WITH EITHER MR. OR
MRS. HISS. SHE HAS NOT BEEN ASKED ANY QUESTIONS BY THEM. NO TYPE-
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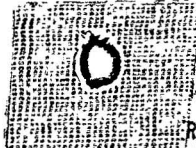
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE DASH R. RECORDS OF REPUBLIC AVIATION CORPORATION, FARMINGDALE, NEW YORK, REFLECT ONE REFERENCE GIVEN BY FELIX ~~INSLERMAN~~, WAS FRIEDRICK AUGUST ~~KNEPPERS~~, FORMER EMPLOYEE OF REPUBLIC AVIATION, WHO WAS TERMINATED MAY TEN FORTYFOUR BECAUSE OF POOR HEALTH. AT THAT TIME KNEPPERS INDICATED HE PLANNED OPERATION AT JOHN HOPKINS AND GAVE FORWARDING ADDRESS OF FOUR TWO ZERO TWO IVANHOE AVENUE, BALTIMORE. KNEPPERS BORN JANUARY EIGHTEEN NINETY TWO AT RHEVDT, RHINELAND GERMANY, MARRIED, TWO CHILDREN, EMPLOYED NINETEEN THIRTY TO THIRTY TWO AS ELECTRICAL ENGINEER BY PENN WATER AND POWER AND JUNE THIRTY THREE TO FEBRUARY FORTYTWO BY GLEN L. MARTIN, BOTH BALTIMORE. LOCATE AND INTERVIEW KNEPPERS RE INSLERMAN. ALSO T. J. DONEGAN ADVISES ~~INSLERMAN~~ HAD INDICATED THAT HE OR WIFE, ELIZABETH ALICE RYNDERS, MAINTAINED BANK ACCOUNT AT BALTIMORE GUARANTY TITLE AND TRUST COMPANY, NORTH AVENUE BRANCH, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. DONEGAN DESIRES ACCOUNT CHECKED FOR ALL PERTINENT DETAILS. SUTEL RESULTS.

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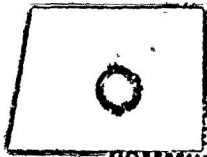
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WA, ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY
ESPIONAGE DASH R. RE NEWARK TELETYPE JAN. SEVEN LAST. MRS. ARTHUR

HOEY, RICHMOND, VA. ADVISES SHE AND HUSBAND SOLD HOME CAMBRIDGE,
N.Y. BY LISTING IT WITH E.A. STROUT REALTY AGENCY, INC. TWO FIVE FIVE
FOURTH AVE., NEW YORK CITY. LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE AT EAGLE BRIDGE, N.Y.
WILLIAM I. PERRY. PERRY OBTAINED THE BUYERS MR. AND MRS. FELIX A.

INSLERMAN. MRS. HOEY RECALLS INSLERMAN-S HAD FRIENDS IN A SMALL
TOWNSHIP NEAR CAMBRIDGE FIRST SYLLABLE OF TOWN BELIEVED TO BE QUOTE
GREEN UNQUOTE. NAMES OF THESE FRIENDS NOT RECALLED BY MRS. HOEY.
TOWN MAY BE GREENWICH, WASH. CO., N.Y. THE OCCASION OF SIGNING DEEDS
AND COMPLETING TRANSACTION IS ONLY TIME HOEY-S EVER SAW OR HEARD FROM
INSLERMAN-S. HOEY-S HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE INSLERMAN-S ASSOCIATES, BUSINESS,
ACTIVITIES, ETC. MR. ARTHUR HOEY OUT OF TOWN AND UNAVAILABLE UNTIL JAN.
FIFTEENTH NEXT, BUT DOUBTFUL IF HE CAN ADD TO INFORMATION FURNISHED BY
MRS. HOEY. NEW YORK MAY DESIRE TO ASCERTAIN IDENTITY OF INSLERMAN-S
FRIENDS THROUGH REALTOR, PERRY.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS ET AL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE DASH R. T.J. DONEGAN ADVISES INSLERMAN HAS INDICATED THAT HE OR WIFE, FORMER ELIZABETH ALICE RYNDERS, MAINTAIN BANK ACCOUNTS AT SCHENECTADY TRUST COMPANY AND SCHENECTADY SAVINGS BANK, BOTH SCHENECTADY, NY. DONEGAN DESIRES ACCOUNTS CHECKED FOR ALL PERTINENT DETAILS. SUTEL RESULTS.

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DIRECTOR AND SACS

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R., IS-R. HARRY MARTIN ADVISED TODAY THAT HE RECENTLY TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED W. GIBBS MC KENNY AN ATTORNEY IN THE MUNSEY BUILDING, BALTIMORE, TELEPHONE, LEXINGTON TWO FIVE NINE FIVE, AND THAT DURING THEIR CONVERSATION, MC KENNY ADVISED HIM THAT HE HAD FIVE ACQUAINTANCES IN BALTIMORE ALL OF WHOM WERE FORMER CLASSMATES OF ALGER HISS AT JOHNS HOPKINS, AND THAT THESE MEN HAD RECENTLY TOLD HIM THAT HISS HAD A "RED TINGE" EVEN WHILE HE WAS IN COLLEGE. THEIR STATEMENTS ARE BELIEVED TO BE SUPPORTED IN A JOHNS HOPKINS YEAR BOOK. BALTIMORE SHOULD CONTACT MC KENNY, OBTAIN IDENTITY OF THE FIVE ACQUAINTANCES AND INTERVIEW EACH CONCERNING HISS "RED TINGE". SEVERAL ADDITIONAL TYPEWRITING SPECIMENS, ALL DATED PRIOR TO MAY, NINETEEN THIRTY, OBTAINED AND BEING SUBMITTED TO LABORATORY. MRS. FRANCES FUSSELL, WHOSE INTERVIEW REQUESTED IN BULET JANUARY SIX LAST, STATES SHE WAS EMPLOYED BY STATE DEPARTMENT IN FORTYFIVE AND CONTINUES AS PART TIME CONSULTANT AT THE PRESENT TIME. WHILE WORKING AS A SUBORDINATE UNDER ALGER HISS, NEVER CAME IN PERSONAL CONTACT WITH HIM, ALTHOUGH FEELS THAT POLICIES ADOPTED BY HIM DURING HER EMPLOY TENDED TO FAVOR RUSSIA RATHER THAN THE US. SHE ADDED THAT THIS

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WAS A PREVELANT^F FEELING AMONG ALL EMPLOYEES UNDER HIM. SHE, HOWEVER, COULD GIVE NO SPECIFIC POINTS, BUT ADDED THAT SHE FELT A REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE HANDLED BY HISS WOULD DEFINITELY SHOW THIS TREND. SPECIFIC INQUIRY OF MRS. FUSSELL CONCERNING YUGOSLAVIAN VESSELS RETURNED TO RUSSIA, REVEALED THAT SHE HAD OBTAINED INFORMATION CONTAINED IN RELET FROM MAXWELL HARWAY IN THE PRESENCE OF JACK TUTHILL, BOTH STILL IN THE INLAND TRANSPORTATION DIVISION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT. THIS OCCURRED APPROXIMATELY SIX WEEKS AGO, AND SHE IS OF OPINION THAT HARWAY IS AWARE OF LOCATION OF CORRESPONDENCE WITH NOTATION BY HISS.

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M. J. O'Connell
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cc: Mr. Harso

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R,
DOROTHY DETZER SUGGESTED THAT TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS FROM
TYPEWRITER IN QUESTION MAY POSSIBLY BE OBTAINED FROM RECORDS
OF NYE MUNITIONS COMMITTEE OF WHICH ALGER HISS WAS MEMBER. WASH FIELD
OFFICE SHOULD CONSIDER COVERING THIS LEAD. DETZER STATED COMMITTEE
MEMBERS OFTEN TYPED UP OWN WORK AT THEIR HOMES.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ALGER HISS. PERJURY, ESPIONAGE
DASH R.

RE BALTIMORE LETTER DECEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST. MISS ANNA HISS,
 TWO FOUR NAUGHT THREE HOLLYWOOD AVE., AUSTIN, TEX., AFTER EXHAUSTIVE
 SEARCH THROUGH ALL CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM ALGER HISS AND
 PRISCILLA HISS ADVISES UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY TYPEWRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
 FROM EITHER. THIS SEARCH, ACCORDING TO ANNA, WAS MADE THROUGH ALL
 CORRESPONDENCE, LETTERS, AND FILES FROM NINETEEN TWELVE TO DATE *mc*
 AND ONLY TYPEWRITTEN MESSAGES RECEIVED FROM ALGER OR ~~WIFE~~ WIFE
 PRISCILLA WAS ~~RECEIVED~~ DATED JANUARY SIX, FORTYNINE, AND WRITTEN BY ALGERS
 SECRETARY, NEW YORK CITY.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESP-R. CHAMBERS
INTERVIEWED FOR APPROXIMATELY SEVEN HOURS TODAY. MAJORITY OF TIME
TAKEN UP IN DICTATION OF INFO PREVIOUSLY OBTAINED. CHAMBERS TODAY
DESCRIBED IN DETAIL SECOND UNDERGROUND APPARATUS HEADQUARTERS KNOWN
AS THE ~~TAMER~~ APARTMENT, WHICH WAS LOCATED IN BROOKLYN NEAR THE BROWNS-
VILLE SECTION OF THAT BOROUGH. ALSO DESCRIBED IN DETAIL RUSSIAN AGENT
INTRODUCED TO HIM BY ~~DERICH~~ AS ONE ~~HERMAN~~. HERMAN SUBSEQUENTLY
IDENTIFIED AS ~~VALENTINE~~ MARKIN. MARKIN IDENTIFIED INVESTIGATION THIS
OFFICE AS PROBABLE SOVIET AGENT WHO ~~RESIDED~~ IN NYC, AND DEATH CERTIFICATE
FOR THIS INDIVIDUAL OBTAINED. INFO OBTAINED TODAY BEING ANALYZED
FOR LOGICAL LEADS. CHAMBERS WILL BE QUESTIONED FURTHER TOMORROW.

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*Identical with Arthur Walker
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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R, IS - R. RE BALTIMORE TEN TO PGH AND WFO JANUARY SEVEN LAST. MRS. H. E. GORDON NEE ALMA MAE PYLE, SCHELLSBURGH, PA., HAS WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER, SERIAL NO. B DASH ONE FIVE FIVE TWO THREE, IN HER POSSESSION WHICH SHE PURCHASED FROM ABBOT BUSINESS MACHINE CO., BALTIMORE. SHE HAS NO INFORMATION RE WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER SERIAL NO. ONE FIVE FIVE FOUR TWO THREE. SPECIMENS OF WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER, SERIAL NO. B DASH ONE FIVE FIVE TWO THREE, BEING SUBMITTED TO LAB. BALTIMORE REQUESTED TO RECONTACT ABBOT BUSINESS MACHINE CO. FOR IDENTITY OF PERSON PURCHASING WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER, SERIAL NO. ONE FIVE FIVE FOUR TWO THREE FROM THAT COMPANY.

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United Laboratory

Mr. *Harbo*

By *Com*

cc: Mr. Harbo

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R.
 T. J. DONEGAN FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT GJ ACTIVITIES INSTANT
 DATE. MAX BEDACHT AGAIN TESTIFIED AND DENIED THAT HE PARTICIPATED
 IN OR HAD ANY KNOWLEDGE WHATSOEVER OF PLACING CHAMBERS IN UNDERGROUND
 AS MENTIONED BY LATTER OR THAT HE EVEN KNEW WHAT AN UNDERGROUND AP-
 PARATUS WAS. ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, WIFE OF FELIX A. INSLERMAN, TESTI-
 FIED AND SAID THAT SHE DID NOT WANT TO TESTIFY AGAINST HER HUSBAND.
 EXAMINATION OF HER AND HUSBAND WILL CONTINUE TOMORROW.

DONEGAN ALSO ADVISED STIPULATION ENTERED INTO TODAY BETWEEN DEPT.
 AND EDWARD C. MC LEAN, ATTORNEY FOR ALGER HISS EXTENDING PERIOD UNTIL
 FEB. FOURTEEN NEXT FOR FILING MOTIONS RE HISS INDICTMENT. REQUEST
 FOR ADDITIONAL TIME HAD BEEN MADE BY MC LEAN. NO CHANGE IN TRIAL
 DATE. REWFOLET TO BUREAU, JAN SEVEN LAST RE INTERVIEW OF JOHN SUTRO.

DONEGAN STATES HE HAS NOT INSTRUCTED THAT NO INTERVIEWS OF MEMBERS
OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY OF ALGER HISS BE CONDUCTED WITHOUT HIS AUTHORI-
ZATION. HE HAS DECIDED, AT LEAST FOR PRESENT, IT WOULD BE INADVISE-
ABLE TO REQUESTION HISS IN VIEW OF CONFLICTING STATEMENTS MADE BY
LATTER TO BALTIMORE AGENTS ON DEC THREE LAST AND BEFORE GJ HERE.

DONEGAN HAS NO OBJECTION TO QUESTIONING ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF HISS
 FAMILY EXCEPTING HIS STEPSON TIMOTHY HOBSON. THIS IS FOR KISSOFF-5304

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FBI WASHINGTON FIELD 1-11-49 3:00 PM URGENT

DIRECTOR AND SAC, RICHMOND

J. D. WILTEAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R.
RICHMOND DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW EDWARD STETTINIUS, CHANCELLOR,
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, WITH REFERENCE TO ANY INFO HE MAY HAVE REGARDING
ALGER HISS, HIS ASSOCIATES, AND ALGER HISS' ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP IN THE
CP UNDERGROUND IN WASHINGTON, DC, IN ADDITION TO SUBJECT MATTER REFERRED
TO IN BUREAU TELETYPE JANUARY TEN, LAST, TO SACS OF ALL OFFICES IN
INSTANT MATTER.

Mr. Hatcher
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : *Hed* GUY HÖTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: *K* *X* JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was;
ALGER HISS, ET AL
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE

DATE: January 11, 1949

Reference is made to teletypes from Baltimore and Denver dated January 4, and January 6, 1949 respectively.

In the above referenced teletype, the Baltimore Office requested the Washington Field Office to obtain copies of a photograph of BERNHARD BROWN, with alias BUZIA CWRUTZKY, an old time Communist Party member in Baltimore, Maryland, which photograph was reported to be in the files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Washington, D. C. It was also requested that a copy of the photograph be forwarded to the Baltimore, New York and Denver offices.

By teletype dated January 6, 1949, the Denver Office advised that FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO was presently at Albuquerque, New Mexico and it was requested that copies of the above photograph be sent directly to the El Paso Office.

The records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service reflect that BERNHARD BROWN was born in Russia on April 20, 1905 as either BUZIA CWRUTZKY or BUZIA CWRUCKA. He entered the United States at New York City under the latter name on September 10, 1922. His name was changed from BUZIA CWRUTZKY prior to 1931.

There is being forwarded as an enclosure with this letter to the Baltimore, New York and El Paso Offices, one copy each of the photographs marked A and B. The picture bearing the letter A was furnished to INS by BERNHARD BROWN in connection with his petition for citizenship dated January 2, 1931. *mc*

The picture bearing the letter B was furnished to the INS by BERNHARD BROWN in connection with his application for new naturalization papers in December 1943, at which time he stated that the original papers had disappeared in December 1943 at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. BROWN stated that he had the original papers in a bureau drawer and after moving his furniture to another location in Philadelphia, he was unable to find *R*

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his papers. His certificate number is 3452302.

His description in 1931 was given as white, 5' 5", 115 pounds, dark complexion, black hair and brown eyes. His description in 1943 was the same as the above except for the weight which was given as 135 pounds and his hair was given as brown.

For the information of the El Paso Office, it is to be noted that FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO was named by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS as one person who had furnished him with information from the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Maryland in about 1937 or 1938. In a signed statement furnished agents of the New York Office on December 13 last, FRANKLIN RENO stated that he had been introduced to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in about 1935 by a man identified only as "BERNIE". CHAMBERS at that time was known to RENO as "CARL".

It is further to be noted that in the above statement, FRANKLIN RENO advised that he became a member of the Communist Party while attending the University of Virginia from 1932 to 1935 and he used the Party name LANCE CLARK.

It is requested that the El Paso Office exhibit the enclosed photographs to FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO in an effort to determine if BERNHARD BROWN is identical with ~~"BERNIE"~~.

The New York Office is the office of origin in this case and the results of the above investigation should be set out in report form with five copies to the Bureau, three for New York and one for THOMAS A. DONEGAN, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, New York City.

It is suggested that the New York Office exhibit the instant photographs to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in an attempt to determine if BERNHARD BROWN is identical with "BERNIE".

The Baltimore Office is being furnished copies of the above mentioned pictures for the completion of their files.

One copy of each of the above photographs is being retained in the files of the Washington Field Office.

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Letter to the Director

January 11, 1949

It is requested that this investigation be given expeditious attention.

cc. Baltimore (encs) SPECIAL DELIVERY
New York (encs) SPECIAL DELIVERY
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WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD 1-11-49 3:00 PM URGENT

DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

Mr. [unclear]
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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R. REBUTEL
JANUARY TEN, LAST, AND NYTEL TO BUREAU AND WFO, JANUARY FIVE, LAST. WFO
WILL INTERVIEW ROBERT K. MCCONNAUGHEY, FRANCIS H. CHIA, AND ABE FORTAS.
NY WILL INTERVIEW LEE PRESSMAN, NATHAN WITT, JEROME FRANK, JOHN ABE,
AND GERTRUDE SAMUELSON, ALL PRESENTLY IN NYC. MRS. LENORA BYRNES FULLER DIED
FEBRUARY THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN AT TRYON, NORTH CAROLINA. CHESTER W.
DAVIS HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED IN ST. LOUIS. RE REP OF SA HUBERT F. SMALL,
DATED JANUARY THREE, LAST, AT ST. LOUIS. RICHMOND IS BEING REQUESTED TO
INTERVIEW EDWARD STETTINIUS.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, BALTIMORE

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J. D. WILTRAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R.
MEMORANDUMS DECEMBER THIRTEEN, LAST AND JANUARY THREE, LAST. BALTIMORE
WILL INTERVIEW GEORGE L. RADCLIFFE, FORMER SENATOR FROM MARYLAND,
NOW PRACTICING LAW IN BALTIMORE. ON AUGUST ONE, NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE,
RADCLIFFE IN LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION TO STANLEY REED, SOLICITOR GENERAL,
INDICATED CONSIDERABLE KNOWLEDGE AND CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH ALGER HISS.

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7:45 P.M.

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JAY DAVID WHITEHEAD CHAMBERS, WAS., ET AL, PERJURY, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
REBULET JAN. THIRD LAST TO NEW YORK AND TO PAGE TEN. EXTENSIVE
INVESTIGATION HAS FAILED TO DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION AT ALL CONCERNING
LUDWIG BAUMAN OR VARIATIONS OF THAT NAME IN WASH., DC, WHICH CHAMBERS
STATED WAS A BUSINESS CONCERN AND WHICH CONCERN EMPLOYED A FRIEND OF
DAVID ZIMMERMAN. IT IS NOTED THE CURRENT NYC PHONE DIRECTORY DISCLOSED
THE STORE QUOTE LUDWIG BAUMANN UNQUOTE WHICH IS LOCATED IN NYC, BROOK,
AND JAMAICA. THIS INFORMATION IS FURNISHED FOR THE BUREAU'S INFORMATION.
CHAMBERS MAY POSSIBLY BE MISTAKEN AS TO THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS HERE
IN WASH., DC, WHICH EMPLOYED THE FRIEND OF ZIMMERMAN. NO FURTHER
INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE LUDWIG BAUMAN IS BEING CONDUCTED.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. - R. MESSRS. DONEGAN AND WHEARTY ADVISED ELIZABETH ~~INSLERMAN~~, WIFE OF FELIX A. ~~INSLERMAN~~, WAS ONLY WITNESS BEFORE GJ TODAY. SHE REFUSED ON THE GROUNDS OF POSSIBLE SELF-INCRIMINATION TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS RE ACTIVITIES OF SELF AND HUSBAND, PARTICULARLY LATTER-S EMPLOYMENT OVER PERIOD FROM NINETEEN THIRTYSIX TO APPROXIMATELY THIRTYNINE. TESTIFIED THAT SUBSEQUENT TO LATTER YEAR, FELIX WAS EMPLOYED BY REPUBLIC AVIATION CORP. AND GENERAL ELECTRIC BUT STEADFASTLY REFUSED TO ANSWER RE HIS EARLIER EMPLOYMENT. TESTIFIED SHE FORMERLY ASSISTED HIM A LITTLE WITH DEVELOPING OF FILM AND DID SOME ENLARGING, WHICH PROCESS SHE CLAIMS SHE LEARNED FROM HER FATHER, AND ADMITTED HAVING PURCHASED A LARGE QUANTITY OF ENLARGING PAPER. DENIED SHE EVER ASSISTED ANYONE IN DOCUMENT PHOTOGRAPHY AND HAD REFUSED TO ANSWER WHEN ASKED IF SHE EVER SAW ANYONE DOING DOCUMENT PHOTOGRAPHY. CLAIMS SHE NEVER MET CHAMBERS BUT REFUSED TO ANSWER WHEN ASKED IF SHE KNEW HIM. SHE WAS THEN SHOWN A PHOTOGRAPH OF CHAMBERS TAKEN IN THIRTYONE AND WHEN

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ASKED IF SHE KNEW HIM, REFUSED TO ANSWER. DECLARED CHAMBERS WAS NEVER IN HER HOME. DENIED ACQUAINTANESHIP WITH OR / AND KNOWLEDGE OF DAVID ZIMMERMAN, WAS. IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT WHEN ASKED RE ACQUAINTANESHIP WITH CHAMBERS AND RE HUSBAND-S EMPLOYMENT FROM THIRTYSIX TO THIRTYNINE SHE REQUESTED PERMISSION TO LEAVE GJ ROOM AND CONSULT WITH COUNSEL. THE PERMISSION WAS GRANTED AND HER REFUSALS TO ANSWER WERE MADE AFTER SUCH CONSULTATIONS. EXAMINATION OF HER AND FELIX TO CONTINUE JAN. THIRTEEN. REBUTEL JAN. SIX RE MORRIS ASIMOW. CHAMBERS HAS STATED HE NEVER SAW ASIMOW.

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WASH FROM NEW YORK 60 12 9-31 P
DIRECTOR URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, PERJURY, ESP R. CHAMBERS INTERVIEWED TODAY APPROXIMATELY SEVEN HOURS. INTERVIEW TODAY WAS CONCERNED WITH HIS KNOWLEDGE OF AND ASSOCIATION WITH DR. PHILLIP ROSENBLIETT, THE REQUEST OF J. PETERS THAT CHAMBERS TAKE OVER AN UNDERGROUND APPARATUS IN WASH., DC., CHAMBERS MOVED TO WASH., DC., AND HIS ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNDERGROUND APPARATUS COMPOSED PRINCIPALLY OF JOHN ABT, DONALD HISS, CHARLES KRAMER, VICTOR PERLO, HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR., LEE PRESSMAN AND NATHAN WITT. MATERIAL OBTAINED TODAY BEING REVIEWED FOR LOGICAL LEADS.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : H. B. Fletcher *HBF*

FROM : J. E. Milnes *JEM*

SUBJECT: J. DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.
 ALGER HISS, et al
 PERJURY
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DATE: January 12, 1949

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Time of Call: 7:15 P.M.

SAC L. V. Boardman of Philadelphia called. He said that he had been instructed by a teletype from the Bureau on January 6 to locate and interview Jeffrey and Elizabeth May, former neighbors of the Hiss'.

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He said they were successful in locating Jeffrey May today, however, he said that he was too busy to talk to them but he would be available for an interview in Trenton, New Jersey, tomorrow between nine and eleven A.M. He is going to be in Trenton doing some work for the Government on that date.

Mr. Boardman said that it did not appear that the Newark Office was in possession of the pertinent information and to fully acquaint them with the matter in order to enable them to conduct the interview it would be necessary to send a teletype of considerable length. He suggested that Agents from the Philadelphia Office who are entirely familiar with the matter be allowed to conduct the interview in Trenton. I told him that would be satisfactory to handle the matter in that fashion. He said that they would advise the Newark Office that the interview was being conducted with Bureau approval.

You will recall that I advised you concerning the foregoing.

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SAC, Chicago

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS,
with aliases;
ALGER HISS, with aliases, et al
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ESPIONAGE
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
(Your file 65-3290)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report
dated January 7, 1949, in connection with ~~65-3290~~ ⁶⁵⁻⁷⁰⁰ vs
entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your
office.

There are being transmitted herewith the following
specimens, appropriate copies of the same having been
made for the completion of the Bureau's files.

Specimens K207 through K212.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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SAC, New York

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, with aliases
ALGER HISS, et al
PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R
(Your file #65-14920)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report D-89802 BU dated January 7, 1949, in connection with the above-entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your office.

There are being transmitted herewith the following specimens, appropriate copies of the same having been made for the completion of the Bureau's files.

Specimens K214 and K215.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK CITY..... U R G E N T.....

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY,
 ESP - R. TEL RECEIVED FROM WFO, JANUARY ELEVEN, FORTYNINE AS FOLLOWS
 QUOTE RICHMOND DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW EDWARD STETTINIUS,
 CHANCELLOR, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, WITH REFERENCE TO ANY INFO HE
 MAY HAVE REGARDING ALGER HISS, HIS ASSOCIATES, AND ALGER HISS-
 ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP IN THE CP UNDERGROUND IN WASHINGTON, DC, IN
 ADDITION TO SUBJECT MATTER REFERRED TO IN BUREAU TELETYPE JANUARY TEN,
 LAST, TO SACS OF ALL OFFICES IN INSTANT MATTER. UNQUOTE. EDWARD
 STETTINIUS IS AT SAVOY PLAZA HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY, AND WILL NOT RETURN
 TO VIRGINIA FOR TWO OR THREE MONTHS. NEW YORK WILL HANDLE INTERVIEW
 AS REQUESTED BY WFO.

Mr. Fletcher
F.L. Jones

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DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK.....U R G E N T

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESP. /R/, IS
RETEL DIRECTOR, NEW HAVEN AND BOSTON FROM NEW YORK JANUARY SIXTH LAST
REFLECTING CHAMBERS STATES HE AND HISS ATTENDED PLAY QUOTE SHE STOOPS TO
CONQUER END QUOTE AT PETERBORO, N. H., IN SUMMER OF NINETEEN THIRTY
SEVEN. INSTANT PLAY WAS PUT ON BY PETERBORO PLAYERS AT STEARNS FARM,
PETERBORO, N. H. THE PETERBORO TRANSCRIPT DATED THURSDAY, AUGUST FIFTH,
NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN, VOLUME EIGHTY NINE, NUMBER THIRTY ONE, ANNOUN-
CES PLAY AS QUOTE BEGINNING NEXT TUESDAY AND RUNNING THROUGH SUNDAY END
QUOTE, APPARENTLY AUGUST TENTH TO AUGUST FIFTEENTH, NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN
INCLUSIVE. INVESTIGATION TO DATE AT PETERBORO FAILS TO DISCLOSE REGIS-
TRATION OF HISS AND CHAMBERS IN PETERBORO TOURIST HOMES. THIS INFOR-
MATION IS BEING FURNISHED NEW HAVEN AS REQUESTED BY REFERENCE TELETYPE.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Baltimore

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.
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DATE: 12/15/48

Reference New York teletype December 13, last, relative to Photographer KEITH and his associate, a White Russian named SVIASHNIKOV (phonetic).

The following investigation was conducted at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, and Edgewood Army Chemical Center, Maryland, by SA JOSEPH R. MARSZALEK of this office:

GEORGE T. TOMASKY, Chief, Administration Branch, Ballistics Research Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, said that according to his records VLADIMIR V. de SVESHNIKOFF had applied for a position in the Laboratory in May, 1948. Since the Laboratory was unable to use his services, his application was returned with the suggestion that he apply at the Edgewood Army Chemical Center, Maryland, inasmuch as there was a pending examination for a chemical engineer there. This was on or about October 14, 1948.

Mr. TOMASKY advised that he did not know de SVESHNIKOFF.

Colonel LESLIE E. SIMON, Director, Ballistics Research Laboratory, who has been associated with the Laboratory for over twenty years, and who has had contact with many ballistic experts during that time, said that he did not know de SVESHNIKOFF.

Dr. VLADIMIR NEKRASSOFF and Mr. SERGE ZARODNY, Ballisticians in the Ballistics Research Laboratory for many years, said that they did not know de SVESHNIKOFF.

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The files of the Civil Service Board, Edgewood Army Chemical Center, Maryland, produced by HARRY SMOCK, Director, contained an application submitted by VLADIMIR V. de SVESHNIKOFF, 4335 Reno Road, Washington, D.C., dated April 30, 1948. The application, containing background information, was furnished by de SVESHNIKOFF to the Civil Service Board in order that he may be given an opportunity to take a pending examination for the position of Chemical Engineer at the Center. De SVESHNIKOFF listed the following information concerning his background:

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Director, FBI
RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.
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Born February 22, 1889
Moscow, Russia
Height 5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight 182 pounds
Marital status Single
U.S. citizen Yes
Home phone OR 0926 and DI 8118

Education

| Date | School |
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| 1907 | School of Nobility (high school) Moscow, Russia. |
| 1907-1911 | Imperial Moscow University, Russia |
| 1911-1914 | Agricultural Academy, Russia |
| 1915 | Artillery School of Petrograd |
| 1918 | Public University of Shaniovsky |
| 1942 | George Washington University, Washington, D.C. |

Studied Propellants and high explosives.

Employment

| Date | Employer | Position |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| April 17, 1947 to present | District of Columbia, Washington, D.C. (Supervisor J. F. MITTON) | Engineer draftsman |
| 11/45 to 4/47 | self-employed Washington, D.C. | Consulting Engr. in field of Ordnance Engineering |

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Director, FBI
RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was..
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| 6/44 to 11/45 | The Small War Plants Corp. Washington, D.C. (Supervisor was Major C. W. DUNNING; employment terminated because of reduction in force.) | Industrial Specialist |
| 10/43 to 4/44 | John M. Thorne, Inc. Pentagon Building Washington, D.C. (Employment terminated when contracts were completed; J. M. THORNE, Supervisor.) | Industrial Engineer |
| 1942-1943 | Engineering Machinery Co.Inc. New York City (Supervisor - J. J. MATWIN; employment terminated when the job was completed.) | Engineer |
| 1939-1942 | McKnew Fairfax and Co., Inc. Washington, D.C. (Resigned voluntarily from this position.) | Investment Broker |
| 1932-1939 | self-employed, Washington, D.C. | Consulting Engr. in Artificial Abrasives |
| 1930-1932 | Research Association with Bureau of Standards (Supervisor was L. W. McLEAN; employment terminated when the work was completed.) | Engineer |

References

Colonel C. C. TIBBITTS, Ordnance Department, Pentagon Building,
Washington, D.C.

E. J. PORTER, U.S. Employment Office, Veterans Information
Center, 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C.

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Director, FBI
RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.
12/15/48

Commander L. P. TUCKERMAN, 2480 - 16th Street, N.W., Washington,
D.C.
N. P. WOODROFF, 6324 Woodside Place, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

De SVESHNIKOFF attached to his application a photographic copy of a portion of a page from the publication "Who's Who in Engineering," 1946 edition, which contained the following information concerning himself:

"Cons. Engr. res. The Univ. Club, Wash., D.C.; B. Moscow, Russia, Feb. 2, 1889; edn. Russia; w. Russian War Dept.; and as member of Russian High Milit. Commd. as an expert on explosives. w. Bureau of Standards, Met. Research '19-'24; U.S. Navy Assoc., Met. at Naval Gun factory and Chemist in charge of Met. and Chem. Laboratory, '27-'29; employed by producers of Elec. Furnace Abrasives in U.S. and Canada, '30-'31; his contributions established standards for various grits now in use. Industrial specialist with Small War Plants Corp., '44-'45; published 'Some Factors Affecting the Life of Machine Gun Barrels;' 'Localized Enlargements of Machine Gun Barrels,' Army Ordnance Journal, November-December, 1923."

There were no relatives listed by de SVESHNIKOFF in his application. There was no indication when he entered this country, and also there was no photograph of him attached to his file.

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cc: Washington Field
New York

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Director, FBI
12/23/48

The above described twenty-five drawings were found in Room 24, Wheeler Hall, University of California, Berkeley on December 21, 1948 by Special Agents DAVID E. TODD and CHARLES F. DRUSCH. These documents were located in a cardboard box which contained a considerable amount of the personal papers of JOHN LE ROY KILLEY. No special security arrangements were made for protecting this material and it is to be pointed out that Room 24, Wheeler Hall is a class room to which numerous students of the University of California have access.

There is also forwarded the following documents:

One drawing showing four diagrams of fins sketched by MILLS dated September 24, 1945.

One unidentified drawing which appears to be a bomb in flight drawn by MILLS dated September 24, 1945.

Two blueprints bearing the notation 13 September 1945 DEJ RS. These are apparently identical blueprints with the exception that one bears a corrected dimension of .1875 in yellow crayon.

One drawing of a closed curve generally elliptical in shape bearing no identifying data.

One drawing bearing the notation NACA 16-1095.

One drawing bearing the notation NACA 16-012 and NACA 16-021

One drawing bearing nine sketches of fins.

Five photographs of a projectile in the wind tunnel bearing the following numbers: 4654, 4653, 4617, 4550, 4931.

One letter dated February 14, 1946 addressed to Dr. JOHN KILLEY and signed JOSEPH C. FERBERG.

Pages two and three of a letter dated September 25, 1945 headed, Henderson-Polich-Ere-Det Design Data and signed A. L. POLICH.

One copy of a typewritten paper bearing the notation confidential, Page two and the typewritten name A. L. POLICH.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP R. INTERVIEW WITH WHITTAKER CHAMBERS HAS DEVELOPED THAT JOHN SHERMAN, WHO ON JAN. TWENTY THIRD, FORTY EIGHT, WAS RESIDING ON LADO DE LOMA ROAD IN THE VICINITY OF VISTA, CALIF., WAS A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST UNDERGROUND IN THE US IN NINETEEN THIRTY TWO. AS A MATTER OF FACT CHAMBERS RELATED THAT WHEN HE FIRST WENT INTO THE UNDERGROUND SHERMAN WAS THE INDIVIDUAL WHO GAVE HIM A GREAT DEAL OF INSTRUCTION AND WHO IN FACT INTRODUCED HIM TO A SOVIET AGENT NAMED CARL OR HERBERT. FROM INFO RECEIVED FROM CHAMBERS IT IS BELIEVED THAT HE IS DEFINITELY IDENTICAL WITH THE JOHN LOOMIS, SHERMAN WHO IS KNOWN TO THE SOVIET AGENT ROBERT GORDON SWITZ BY THE COVER NAME OF FRANK. SAN DIEGO OFFICE REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY DISCREETLY DETERMINE THE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF SHERMAN SO THAT HE CAN BE INTERVIEWED AT LENGTH UPON RECEIPT FROM NY OFFICE OF DETAILED LETTER SETTING FORTH ALL INFO CONCERNING SHERMAN AS RELATED BY WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS; ALGER HISS, ET AL, PERJURY,
ESP-R. REURTEL JANUARY SIX. JOHN LOOMIS SHERMAN WHO PRESENTLY
RESIDES VICINITY OF VISTA, CALIFORNIA, HAS IN PAST CONSISTENTLY
REFUSED TO BE INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS OF FBI. SUGGEST THAT ADVISA-
BILITY OF ISSUING GRAND JURY SUBPOENA BE DISCUSSED WITH T. J. DONEGAN,
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO AG.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R.
REBCSTEL JANUARY FIVE, LAST. CONTACT DEAN GRISWOLD, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FOR
ANY TYPED WRITTEN DOCUMENTS.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ALGER HISS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESP.
 R. REBUTEL TO BOSTON JANUARY FOURTH REQUESTING PROSPECTUS DATED APRIL,
 NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT CONTAINING NAME, ADDRESS AND OCCUPATION TYPEWRITTEN
 BY HISS BE OBTAINED FROM PETER PRATT, DIRECTOR OF HARVARD ALUMNI.
 FOR BUREAU-S INFORMATION, MR. PRATT ADVISED HE WOULD HAVE NO AUTHORITY
 TO RELEASE SAID DOCUMENT WITHOUT OBTAINING PERMISSION OF THE SECRETARY
 OF THE HARVARD CORPORATION WHO MAY REQUIRE THE APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY FOR
 ALGER HISS PRIOR TO MAKING SUCH A RELEASE. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING AND
 SINCE SIMILAR APPROVAL WAS OBTAINED BY HARVARD LAW SCHOOL PRIOR TO
 RELEASING THIS DOCUMENT TO HCUA INVESTIGATOR, THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED
 TO ADVISE BOSTON IF IT DESIRES BOSTON TO REQUEST DEAN GRISWOLD OF HARVARD
 LAW SCHOOL TO MAKE ANY TYPEWRITTEN DOCUMENTS AT HARVARD AVAILABLE TO
 THE BUREAU. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE HCUA INVESTIGATOR WILL RETURN THE
 PROSPECTUS TO DEAN GRISWOLD-S OFFICE WHO SHOULD KEEP IT IN HARVARD LAW
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SAC, New York

January 5, 1949

Director, FBI

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Reurtel dated December 9, 1948 requesting information from the Bureau, the Washington Field Office, and the Baltimore Division concerning one Keith and others. This is to advise that the Bureau has no data in addition to information in the Washington Field Office and your files which would further identify Keith.

Reference is made to Bureau letter to the New York Division dated January 3, 1949, setting out a number of leads in instant case. On page five of this letter there is set out an additional lead for the identification of Keith.

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WASH AND WASH FLD 26 AND BALTIMORE 2 FROM NEW YORK
DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. CHAMBERS IN STATEMENT SIGNED TODAY FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNKNOWN PHOTOGRAPHER KEITH. THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS KNOWN TO ME BY THE NAME OF KEITH, WHICH I KNOW TO BE A PSUEDONYM. IN SO FAR AS I CAN RECALL, KEITH WAS CONNECTED WITH BYKOV IN NYC AND CAME TO WASH IN NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN. KEITH WAS INTRODUCED TO ME IN NY BY BYKOV, WHO RELATED THAT KEITH WAS A PHOTOGRAPHER AND THAT I COULD UTILIZE HIS SERVICES IF I SO DESIRED. IN MY CONVERSATION WITH BYKOV, HOWEVER, I GAINED THE DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT BYKOV WAS TRYING TO GET RID OF KEITH AND SEND HIM TO WASH SO THAT I COULD HANDLE HIM AND THEREBY BYKOV WOULD NO LONGER HAVE TO CONCERN HIMSELF WITH KEITH. IN CONNECTION WITH MY KNOWLEDGE OF KEITH, I LEARNED EITHER FROM KEITH OR THROUGH BYKOV THAT THE FORMER WAS CONNECTED WITH A WHITE RUSSIAN NAMED SVIASHNIKOV /PHONETIC/, WHO WAS A BALLISTICS EXPERT EMPLOYED IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE IN WASH., DC. IT IS ALSO MY

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RECOLLECTION THAT AT THE TIME I MET KEITH EITHER IN NY OR WASH., SVIASHNIKOV WAS NO LONGER CONNECTED WITH KEITH IN HIS ACTIVITIES SVIASNIKOV WAS CONTROLLED BY THEM BECAUSE HE HAD A SISTER LIVING IN MOSCOW, AND I REMEMBER KEITH ONCE DESCRIBED TO ME HOW BYKOV USED TO TORTURE SVIASHNIKOV TO THE POINT WHERE HE CRIED, BY SAYING THEY WERE GOING TO PUT THE SISTER OUT ON THE STREET UNLESS HE PRODUCED. SO FAR AS I CAN RECALL, I NEVER REQUESTED KEITH TO DO ANY WORK FOR ME. I DO RECALL, HOWEVER, KEITH HAD AN APARTMENT OR A ROOM IN WASH., DC AND THAT I HAD AT THAT TIME IN MY POSSESSION A TELEPHONE NUMBER WHERE I COULD REACH HIM. IT IS ALSO MY RECOLLECTION KEITH WAS CONNECTED WITH ONE VAZIMOV /PHONETIC/ WHO WAS A METALLURGIST AND CONNECTED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY. I ALSO RECALL SUBSEQUENTLY AZIMOV BECAME THE HEAD OF THE RESEARCH DEPT AT THE US STEEL CORPORATION A T CHICAGO, ILL." THIS INFO IS BEING FURNISHED AS OF POSSIBLE AID IN IDENTIFYING KEITH. RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN MR. FLETCHER OF THE BUREAU AND MR. BELMONT OF THIS OFFICE RE THIS MATTER. BUREAU, WASH FLD AND BALTIMORE REQUESTED TO FURNISH THIS OFFICE ANY INFO THEIR FILES RE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS SO THAT CONSIDERATION MAY BE GIVEN TO SETTING OUT APPROPRIATE LEAD TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW THEM.

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cc: Mr. Fletcher

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP
R. REBULET JAN. THIRD, FORTY NINE. IT IS NOTED THAT A LIMITED NUMBER
OF OFFICES RECEIVED COPIES OF THIS LETTER AND THAT NO MENTION IS MADE
OF A DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATION WHICH WAS SET BY THE BUREAU
AS JAN. THIRTY FIRST, FORTY NINE, IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN
MR. H. B. FLETCHER OF BUREAU AND ASAC A. H. BELMONT OF THIS OFFICE
ON DEC. THIRTY FIRST, FORTY EIGHT. IT IS NOTED THAT VARIOUS OFFICES
ARE RUCING INVESTIGATION BY LETTER AND TEL AND SUBMITTING TYPEWRITER
SPECIMENS WITH A NOTATION THAT RESULTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO NY SO
THAT NY CAN REPORT RESULTS. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BUREAU IMMEDIATELY
NOTIFY ALL BUREAU OFFICES, WHETHER PRESENTLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION
IN THIS CASE OR NOT, THE IMPORTANCE AND PURPOSE OF THIS INVESTIGATION,

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THAT THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATION IS JAN. THIRTY FIRST, FORTY NINE, THAT THE TRIAL DATE HAS BEEN SET AT FEB. TWENTY FOURTH, FORTY NINE, THAT THREE COPIES OF REPORTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO NEW YORK, OFFICE OF ORIGIN, ONE TO BE DESIGNATED FOR T. J. DONEGAN, ASST. TO THE AG., THAT ALL LEADS SHOULD BE SET OUT BY TEL AND COVERED IMMEDIATELY, AND THAT ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE BUREAU AND NY BY TEL OR TELEPHONE, AND THAT A REPORT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED ON ALL INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED, INCLUDING A REPORT SHOWING THE RESULTS OF BUREAU LAB EXAMINATIONS ON SPECIMENS SUBMITTED BY THAT OFFICE.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE-R, PERJURY. REBUTEL
 JANUARY FOUR. EUGENE ROSEN NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW UNTIL FRIDAY,
 JANUARY SEVEN. LA REQUESTED TO FURNISH ANY PERTINENT INFO WHICH MAY
 BE OBTAINED FROM INTERVIEW WITH ROSEN-S FATHER AT SANTA MONICA, WHICH
 MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE IN INTERVIEW TO BE CONDUCTED WITH EUGENE ROSEN
 JANUARY SEVEN. FOR BUREAU-S INFO - EUGENE ROSEN EMPLOYED AS SALESMAN
 FOR ALLIED RECORDING COMPANY, WHOSE HEAD OFFICE IS IN LONG ISLAND CITY,
 NY, AND WITH WHOM BUREAU HAS HAD, AND MAY STILL HAVE CONTRACTS, FOR
 PURCHASES OF TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL; PERJURY; ESPIONAGE DASH R.
WHITTAKER CHAMBERS ON NOVEMBER SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT, AT
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, DURING COURSE OF PRETRIAL DEPOSITION IN CIVIL ACTION
BRUGHT AGAINST HIM BY ALGER HISS, PRODUCED SIXTYFIVE PAGES OF TYPEWRITTEN
MATERIAL WHICH CHAMBERS DESCRIBED AS COPIES OR EXCERPTS OF STATE DEPARTMENT
DOCUMENTS TURNED OVER TO HIM BY ALGER HISS DURING LATTER NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN
AND FIRST PART OF NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT. CHAMBERS ALLEGED THAT THESE
DOCUMENTS WERE FURNISHED TO HIM BY HISS FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SOVIET
INTELLIGENCE SERVICE. CLAIMED THAT ORIGINAL STATE DEPARTMENT MATERIAL
WAS COPIED ON A TYPEWRITER BY MRS. PRISCILLA HISS, WIFE OF ALGER HISS,
AND THAT SUCH TYPING WAS DONE AT THE HISS' RESIDENCE IN WASHINGTON, D. C.
FBI LABORATORY HAS CONCLUDED THAT TYPING ON SIXTYFOUR OF THE SIXTYFIVE
DOCUMENTS WAS DONE BY A WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER. INVESTIGATION HAS DISCLOSED
THAT THE HISS FAMILY WAS IN POSSESSION OF A WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER FROM
NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE UNTIL AT LEAST MAY TWENTYFIVE, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN.
ALGER HISS HAS CLAIMED TYPEWRITER DISPOSED OF BY HIS WIFE IN WASHINGTON
COLUMBIA SUBSEQUENT TO NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT. EFFORTS BEING MADE TO LOCATE
TYPEWRITER. KNOWN SAMPLES OF TYPEWRITING FROM WOODSTOCK REPORTED TO HAVE
BEEN IN POSSESSION OF HISS FAMILY HAVE BEEN LOCATED AND IDENTIFICATIONS

G. T. R.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
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HAVE BEEN MADE WITH TYPEWRITING ON DOCUMENTS PRODUCED BY CHAMBERS DURING
PRETRIAL DEPOSITION. LATEST DOCUMENT IDENTIFIED BEARS DATE OF MAY
TWENTYFIVE, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN. VIGOROUS EFFORTS BEING MADE TO LOCATE
ADDITIONAL SPECIMENS OF TYPEWRITING FROM WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER SUBSEQUENT

TO NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE WHEN TYPEWRITER REPORTEDLY CAME INTO POSSESSION

JAN 10 1949

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Per *D.W.*

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Gene Miller
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OF HISS FAMILY. PARTICULAR EFFORTS BEING MADE TO SECURE SAMPLES OF
TYPEWRITING FROM THIS MACHINE SUBSEQUENT TO MAY TWENTYFIVE, NINETEEN
THIRTYSEVEN, TO SHOW CONTINUED POSSESSION OF WOODRICK TYPEWRITER BY
HISS FAMILY. ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT, FEDERAL GRAND
 JURY, SOUTHERN DISTRICT, NEW YORK, RETURNED INDICTMENT AGAINST ALGER
 HISS IN TWO COUNTS, CHARGING VIOLATION OF TITLE EIGHTEEN, SECTION ONE
 SIX TWO ONE, U.S. CODE. THE INDICTMENT CHARGED IN COUNT ONE THAT HISS
 TESTIFIED FALSELY WHEN HE DENIED THAT HE OR HIS WIFE HAD AT ANY TIME
 TURNED OVER ANY DOCUMENTS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT
 ORGANIZATION TO WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. IN COUNT TWO THE INDICTMENT CHARGED
 THAT HISS TESTIFIED FALSELY BEFORE THE GRAND JURY WHEN HE STATED THAT
 HE HAD NOT SEEN WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AFTER JANUARY ONE, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN,
 THE INDICTMENT CHARGED THAT HISS FURNISHED DOC LETTERS TO CHAMBERS IN
 FEBRUARY AND MARCH NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, AND THAT HISS HAD SEEN CHAMBERS
 DURING THAT PERIOD. CURRENT INVESTIGATION BEING MADE TO FURTHER
CORROBORATE THE CHARGES IN THE INDICTMENT BY SHOWING THAT HISS AND CHAMBERS
KNEW AND ASSOCIATED WITH ONE ANOTHER AFTER JANUARY ONE, NINETEEN THIRTY
 SEVEN. TRIAL IN INSTANT CASE HAS BEEN SET FOR FEBRUARY TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN
 FORTYNINE, AT NEW YORK CITY. THE DEADLINE FOR THE COMPLETION OF ALL
 PHASES OF THIS INVESTIGATION IS JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN FORTYNINE.
 ALL INVESTIGATION SHOULD THEREFORE BE HANDLED PROMPTLY AND LEADS SHOULD
 BE SET OUT BY TELETYPE AND SHOULD BE COVERED IMMEDIATELY. ALL PERTINENT
 DEVELOPMENTS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE BUREAU AND NEW YORK, THE OFFICE
 OF ORIGIN, BY TELEPHONE OR TELETYPE. REPORTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED ON ALL
 MATTERS INCLUDING REPORTS CONCERNING THE RESULTS OF FBI
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LABORATORY EXAMINATIONS ON SPECIMENS OBTAINED BY THE FIELD. FIVE COPIES OF REPORTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO BUREAU, THREE COPIES TO NEW YORK, ONE TO BE DESIGNATED FOR T. J. DONNELLY, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. OFFICES WHICH HAVE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED INFORMATION TO BUREAU BY LETTER OR TELETYPE SHOULD RESUBMIT THIS MATERIAL IN REPORT FORM. EACH SAC SHOULD PERSONALLY SEE THAT INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER IS HANDLED PROMPTLY AND THAT THE BUREAU DEADLINE OF JANUARY THIRTYONE, NEXT IS MET.

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CC - WASHINGTON FIELD

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.
JANUARY 10, 1949

Transmit the following message to:
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERLAIN, WAS; ALGER HISS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE - R.
REURTEL DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST LAST REFLECTING INTERVIEW WITH FORMER SA MORGAN.
CHESTER DAVIS, JR. MENTIONED BY MORGAN IS CHESTER O. DAVIS, FORMER SPECIAL AGENT,
NOW A STAFF WRITER FOR THE JOURNAL AND SENTINEL NEWSPAPER, WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH
CAROLINA. INTERVIEW DAVIS FOR ANY INFORMATION HE MAY HAVE OF ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES
OF ALGER HISS. OBTAIN ANY TYPEWRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE HE MAY HAVE FROM HISS AND
ASCERTAIN IF HE KNOWS OTHER SOURCES WHERE BUREAU MAY OBTAIN HISS TYPEWRITTEN
SPECIMENS.

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CC - New York (SPECIAL DELIVERY)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : H. B. Fletcher *HBF EW*

FROM : L. Whitson *WJ JH*

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS.
 ALGER HISS, ET AL
 PERJURY
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: January 10, 1949

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The Charlotte Office in a teletype dated December 31, 1948, advised that former SA Roy Morgan, who was well acquainted with Alger Hiss in 1934 when both were employed as attorneys for the Agriculture Adjustment Administration, informed that Chester Davis, Sr. and Chester Davis, Jr., Winston-Salem, North Carolina, were closely acquainted with Alger Hiss and might be able to furnish information regarding Hiss as well as typewritten correspondence.

For your information, Chester C. Davis is the former Administrator of the Agriculture Adjustment Administration. ~~Chester Davis, Jr.~~, mentioned by former SA Morgan, is the son of Chester C. Davis. His true name is Chester S. Davis, and he was employed by this Bureau as a SA from July 7, 1941 to December 21, 1945, when he resigned. His last efficiency report, in December, 1945, was "Excellent". At that time he was assigned to the San Antonio Office and was a resident agent at McAllen, Texas.

On January 23, 1948, SAC J. E. Thornton, of our Charlotte Office informed the Bureau that former agent Davis, then a staff writer for the Journal and Sentinel newspaper in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, received the Winston-Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award for outstanding contribution to the community during 1947.

A citation accompanying the award named Mr. Davis as the city's "number one citizen" for "exposing Communist activities in the area, going far beyond your line of duty in arousing the citizenship and working tirelessly to complete this expose". The citation also stated, "you have been a leader in soil conservation activities among farmers in Forsyth County and you have interested business and civic leaders in working with farmers toward an efficient soil conservation program.

"You have spearheaded the movement to bring Friends of the Land Conference to Winston-Salem, thereby focusing national attention on our community." The citation also stated that former agent Davis had worked hard for improvement of school conditions and was an outstanding leader in boys work and juvenile delinquency activities.

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In view of the aforementioned letter, the Director by letter dated January 31, 1948, extended his congratulations to Davis for his splendid accomplishments during the past year and stated, "It is indeed gratifying to receive such reports regarding the work of former members of this organization. Please do not hesitate to call on me any time we can be of service".

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the foregoing facts, it is believed that former agent Davis should be interviewed for any information or typewritten correspondence he may have concerning Alger Hiss.



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JANUARY 10, 1949 - URGENT

SAC NEW YORK

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. REURTEL
JANUARY SIX LAST. AUTHORITY GRANTED TO INTERVIEW LISTON OAK, MANAGING
EDITOR OF QUOTE NEW LEADER QUOTE, NEW YORK CITY.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE
R. REREP OF SA MARLIN F. COLLIER DATED DEC TWENTY THIRD LAST,
DETROIT, MICHIGAN. BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW LISTON
OAK, MANAGING EDITOR OF THE QUOTE NEW LEADER UNQUOTE SEVEN EAST
FIFTEEN ST, NYC ALONG THE LINES SET OUT IN REREP.

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FROM ANCHORAGE 1-4-49 NR 042337 7:29 PM
 DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK URGENT

RE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ET AL; PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R. ARTHUR U. THEUER LOCATED ANCHORAGE, ALASKA ADVISED GEORGE AND WILLIAM PIGMAN BELIEVED BY HIM TO BE COMMUNISTS ALTHOUGH HE HAS NOTHING DEFINITE TO BASE OPINION ON. STATED HE WAS MEMBER OF DISCUSSION GROUP WHICH MET AT PIGMAN HOME, WHICH GROUP DISBANDED DUE TO RADICAL VIEWS OF THE PIGMAN BROTHERS. HE ADVISED THAT J. S. ROGERS SEEMED TO BE OF SAME MIND AS PIGMAN BROTHERS. HE STATED NO ONE EVER APPROACHED HIM FOR MEMBERSHIP IN PARTY NOR REQUESTED HIM TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION FROM BUREAU OF STANDARDS. HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF PIGMANS FURNISHING ANY SUCH INFORMATION. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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WASHINGTON, PHILADELPHIA AND NEWYORK FROM WASH FIELD 1-6-49
DIRECTOR AND SACS, PHILADELPHIA AND NEWYORK

3:00 PM URGENT
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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R. MEMPHIS
DECEMBER SEVENTEEN AND THIRTYONE, LAST, RE INTERVIEW WITH GEOFFREY AND
ELIZABETH LAY WHO WERE NEXT DOOR NEIGHBORS OF HISS AT ONE TWO FOUR FIVE
THIRTIETH STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC, NINETEEN THIRTYSIX TO THIRTYEIGHT.
SLOCUM KINGSBURY ACQUAINTANCE OF HISS ADVISED TODAY THAT MAYS ARE WELL
ACQUAINTED WITH HISS AND TWO FAMILIES VISITED BACK AND FORTH DURING THIS
PERIOD. KINGSBURY ADVISES LAY PRESENTLY AT AN ESTATE KNOWN AS QUORE HCARING
ROCK UNQUOTE, AT ERTWINA, BUCKS COUNTY, PA. SUGGEST BUREAU INSTRUCT
PHILADELPHIA INTERVIEW LAYS RE INSTANT INVESTIGATION INCLUDING INQUIRIES
AS TO TYPEWRITERS IN HISS HOME, SPECIMENS, HISS LAIDG, VISITORS TO HISS
HOME, HISS ASSOCIATES, VISITS OF CHAMBERS TO HISS HOME, PHOTOS OF CHAMBERS
BEING MAILED PHILADELPHIA TODAY. SUTEL RESULTS.

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January 11, 1949

74-1333

SAC, Philadelphia

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
with aliases, et al
Perjury; Espionage - R
(Your #65-2440)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report
dated January 10, 1949, in connection with ^{BU 89804} BU
entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your
office.

There are being transmitted herewith the following
specimens, appropriate copies of the same having been
made for the completion of the Bureau's files.

K216 through K218

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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January 11, 1949

74-1333

SAC, New York

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
with aliases, et al
Perjury; Espionage - R
Internal Security - R

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report
dated 1/10/49, in connection with the above-^{D-82872 BU}
entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your
office.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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January 11, 1949

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SAC, Washington

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
with aliases, et al
Perjury; Espionage - R
Internal Security - R
(Your #74-94)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report D-89872 BU dated 1/10/49, in connection with the above-entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your office.

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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

Mr. Fletcher
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY -
ESPIONAGE - R. RE WASHINGTON FIELD TELETYPES DECEMBER SEVENTEEN AND
THIRTY FIRST, FORTY EIGHT. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE IF THERE IS
ANY OBJECTION TO INTERVIEWING GEOFFREY AND ELIZABETH MAY.

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interview by Phila
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January 11, 1949

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SAC, Washington

RE: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
with aliases, et al.
Perjury; Espionage - R
Internal Security - R
(Your #74-94)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report **D-89805** BU
dated 1/10/49, in connection with the above-
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office.

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE
R. RE CHARLOTTE TEL DECEMBER THIRTY FIRST, FORTY EIGHT, COVERING
INTERVIEW WITH FORMER SA MORGAN. IN VIEW OF PROMINENCE OF SOME OF THE
INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED THEREIN, AND EARLY PERIOD OF ASSOCIATION OF
OTHERS WITH ALGER HISS, BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER THESE
INDIVIDUALS SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED FOR ANY KNOWLEDGE ON THEIR PART
OF ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES OF HISS AS WELL AS TO SECURE POSSIBLE
CORRESPONDENCE FROM HISS OF VALUE RE WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER. THIS OFFICE
IS ARRANGING INTERVIEW WITH JEROME ~~FRANK~~, AS AUTHORIZED IN BULET
JANUARY THIRD, FORTY NINE, AND HIS SECRETARY, GERTRUDE ~~SAMUELSON~~, IF
POSSIBLE. IN EVENT BUREAU AUTHORIZES INTERVIEWS OF OTHER PERSONS
MENTIONED IN CHARLOTTE TELETYPE, WFO REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN PRESENT
ADDRESSES AND SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS.

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SAC, NEW YORK

January 11, 1949

DIRECTOR, FBI

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS ET AL
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Reference is made to New York teletype to the Bureau dated January 5, 1949, and to a telephonic conversation between Assistant SAC A. H. Belmont of your office and Inspector H. B. Fletcher of the Bureau on January 6, 1949.

Pursuant to your request there are being forwarded herewith two sets of photographic copies of the microfilm documents in this case described as Grand Jury exhibits 47, 48, 49, and 51. These are being made available to you for transmittal to Mr. T. J. Donegan, Special Assistant to the Attorney General. An additional set of these documents will be made available to you for your use in the very near future.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R.

NYTEL JANUARY FIVE, LAST REGARDING INTERVIEWS WITH INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED BY FORMER SA KORGAN. REFERENCE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE DECEMBER THIRTY-ONE, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT. IN COMPLIANCE WITH DEPARTMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH IN BULLET OF DECEMBER THIRTEENTH AND INSTRUCTIONS IN BUREAU LETTER OF JANUARY THIRD LAST, YOU SHOULD INTERVIEW ROBERT K. MC CONNAUGHEY, LEE PRESSMAN, NATHAN WITT, JEROME FRANK, FRANCIS S. SHEA, JOHN ABT, ABE FORTAS, MRS. LENORA FULLER AND GERTRUDE SAMUELSON. THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE ASSOCIATES OF ALGER HISS AT AGRICULTURE ADJUSTMENT ADMINISTRATION. INTERVIEW CHARLES C. DAVIS, FORMER ADMINISTRATOR OF AGRICULTURE ADJUSTMENT ADMINISTRATION AND FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE EDWARD STETTINIUS, AS THESE MEN WERE FORMER SUPERIORS OF ALGER HISS. THE INTERVIEWS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED FOR ANY KNOWLEDGE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS MAY HAVE OF ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES OF ALGER HISS; TO SECURE TYPED WRITTEN SPECIMENS AND OTHER SOURCES FOR SUCH SPECIMENS AND TO OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING "WOODSTOCK" TYPewriter. REFERENCE WFO TELETYPES DECEMBER SEVENTEEN AND JANUARY SIX, AND NY TELETYPE JANUARY FIVE, LAST. AUTHORITY GRANTED TO INTERVIEW GEOFFREY AND ELIZABETH MAY. FOR INFORMATION OF THE PHILADELPHIA OFFICE, CITY DIRECTORIES

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DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD, AND OTHER HIGH ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS, FEDERAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, TO NINETEEN FORTY-TWO. WAS LIEUTENANT COMMANDER IN NAVY NINETEEN FORTY-TWO TO NINETEEN FORTY-FOUR. EMPLOYED BUDGET BUREAU NINETEEN FORTY-FOUR TO NINETEEN FORTY-SIX. EMPLOYED STATE DEPARTMENT AS CHIEF REPORTS OFFICER, AMERICAN MISSION, AID TO GREECE, JULY NINETEEN FORTY-SEVEN TO SEPTEMBER NINETEEN FORTY-EIGHT. WIFE, ELIZABETH MAY ALSO EMPLOYED AT BUDGET BUREAU AND ON GREEK MISSION. STATE DEPARTMENT FILE INDICATES MAY LISTED PAUL V. MC NUTT, FELIX FRANKFURTER, ARTHUR J. ALTMEYER, CHARLES P. TAFT AND WAYNE COY AS REFERENCES. MAY AND WIFE INVESTIGATED AS APPLICANTS BY BUREAU UNDER GTAB.

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SAC, DENVER

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ET AL. PERJURY. ESPIONAGE - R
REURTEL DECEMBER TWENTY, LAST, SETTING OUT ASSOCIATES OF PHILIP RENO.
PERTINENT DATA THEREIN SHOULD BE FURNISHED THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE.

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DIRECTOR, F AND SAC, NEW YORK CITY URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESP-R, RE NEW YORK TEL JAN. SIX LAST AND BUTEL THIS DATE. JOHN LOOMIS SHERMAN REPORTED ABSENT FOR PAST TWO MONTHS FROM HIS HOME AT VISTA, CALIFORNIA, WHICH IS PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BY ONE CHARLES LOCKE, A MUSICIAN, AND HIS WIFE, WHO IS SISTER OF MARGARET HERRICK, SHERMAN-S ALLEGED WIFE. SAN DIEGO INDICES NEGATIVE RE CHARLES LOCKE. LOCKES RECEIVE MAIL AT POST OFFICE BOX EIGHT SIX EIGHT, VISTA, CALIF., WHICH IS STILL HELD IN NAME OF SHERMAN. MAIL COVER PLACED. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF SHERMAN.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Transmit the following message to: JANUARY 11, 1949

SAC, PITTSBURGH
NEW YORK

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL; PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R. RE REPORT
SPECIAL AGENT MAHLON F. COLLIER, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, DATED DECEMBER TWENTY-THREE,
NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT. AUTHORITY GRANTED PITTSBURGH OFFICE INTERVIEW
ROBERT GLADNICK AT HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA, IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABOVE.
HE SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY QUESTIONED RE COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES OF CHAMBERS AND
ALGER HISS AND IF HE HAS INFORMATION THAT THEY ASSOCIATED WITH ONE ANOTHER,
SPECIFIC DATES OF SUCH ASSOCIATION SHOULD BE OBTAINED.

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SAC, NEW YORK

January 12, 1949

DIRECTOR, FBI

JAY DAVID WEITZMAN, alias,
ALGER HISS, alias
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RECORDED - 97 Reference is made to my letter of January 6, 1947, concerning the income tax returns of Alger and Priscilla Hiss.

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The Bureau has now received the single Federal income tax returns filed by Priscilla Hiss in 1946 and 1947, and the single return made by Alger Hiss for 1947. The 1946 return by Priscilla Hiss was made when she resided at 3213 P Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C. Both 1947 returns were made when the Hisses resided at 22 East 6th Street, New York, New York.

The 1946 return of Priscilla Hiss reflects that she received a salary of \$400.00 from the Potomac School in Washington, D. C.

The 1947 return of Priscilla Hiss reflects that she received a salary of \$1,300.00 from the Potomac School and an income of \$466.65 from Dalton Schools, Inc., New York, New York. The 1947 return further reveals that Priscilla Hiss received an annuity of \$133.04 from the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company.

The Milwaukee office will advise whether this source for typewritten specimens at Northwestern Life Insurance Company was covered by the interview with Mr. Joseph F. Callahan, Superintendent of Claims of the Northwestern Life Insurance Company on December 10, 1948. If this particular source was not covered it is requested that it be examined for specimens.

The 1947 return for Alger Hiss reflects that he received a salary of \$3,505.52 from the United States Department of State and a salary of \$10,333.34 from Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Alger Hiss also received a total of \$450.94 from other sources which he listed as "Memoranda for addresses at Laverford Coll. & West Point Acad. for article for N. Y. Times; refund of premiums cancelled insurance."

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Alger Hiss listed the following deductions:

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| Red Cross | \$100.00 |
| Community Chest, D.C. | 45.00 |
| Bryn Mawr College | 67.00 |
| Bryn Mawr Club, D.C. | 6.00 |
| American Geographical Society | 25.00 |
| John Hopkins Alumni Fund | 25.00 |
| National Symphony Orchestra, D. C. | 10.00 |
| American Fund For Overseas Blind | 5.00 |

The 1947 return for Alger Hiss reflects that he paid interest on a first mortgage to the Riggs National Bank in Washington, D. C., and also interest on a second mortgage to Mr. Charles A. Hiss, Baltimore, Maryland.

The Philadelphia office will inquire at Haverford College, Haverford, Pennsylvania, for any typewritten correspondence emanating from Alger Hiss.

The Washington field office will likewise inquire at the Potomac School for specimens emanating from Priscilla Hiss. Consideration should be given to the fact that the National Symphony Orchestra office may have specimens from Alger and Priscilla Hiss.

The New York office should contact the Dalton School for any specimens and should give consideration to conducting a discreet inquiry at the New York Times through possible informants at that newspaper for any typewritten specimens the Times may have. It may be desirable to contact the West Point Academy for specimens. Inasmuch as Alger Hiss received a refund of premiums on cancelled insurance in 1947, the New York office should endeavor to identify the company making the refund in view of the fact that it may be a source for specimens.

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cc - Baltimore
Milwaukee
Philadelphia
Washington Field

REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

January 7, 1949

To: SAC, New York

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received in the Bureau on January 6, 1949.

Re: JAY DAVID WILTAKER CHAMBERS, et al
Perjury; Espionage - R
(Anonymous Communication to WALTER WINCHELL
Re: LAURENCE DUGGAN)

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Examination requested by: Bureau
Reference: None
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint
Specimens:

Q156. Typewritten letter on Hotel Taft, New York stationery, dated "Sunday Night...", beginning: "Dear Mr. Winchell; I know that you must be...", ending "... (Friends of HOLLYWOOD MOB)".

Result of Examination:

The typewriting impressions appearing on Q156 compare most closely to the Laboratory's standard for Corona Portable number 2 elite type spaced twelve letters to the inch.

Specimen Q156 was searched through the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification.

The paper Q156 measured 8.93 inches by 6 inches by .0040 - .0041 inches and weighed 2.7174 grams. The specimen contains the watermark: "Hollen Litch Bond". The manufacturer of this watermark is not listed in the Laboratory's file.

The letter was processed for the development of latent fingerprints but latent prints were not developed.

It was concluded that the machine which was used to type Q156 was not used to type Q6 through Q62.

Specimen Q156 is being forwarded with a copy of this report to the Special Investigative Division of this Bureau.

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There is attached hereto for the New York office two photographic copies

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
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Director, FBI
Re: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was
December 13, 1948

5. Mr. NEAL was unable to identify the names of individuals who would have been responsible for the routing of these documents at the time they were received.

6. Mr. JOHN E. PEURIFOY or Mr. WALTER K. SCOTT are presently in charge of the originals of these documents and are in a position to testify as to their authenticity. In this connection, in the event Mr. PEURIFOY or Mr. SCOTT are called upon to testify as to the authenticity of these documents, they can be requested to produce the original document which can be identified by the date and serial identification number appearing on each photostatic copy of such document enclosed herewith.

7. According to Mr. NEAL, ALGER HISS would have had at any time, as an Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State, access to any of the aforementioned documents.

8. Mr. NEAL is unable to state if there is anyone presently employed by the State Department who was employed there during 1937 and 1938 who can furnish additional information concerning them. As herebefore set forth, Mr. JOHN E. PEURIFOY and Mr. WALTER K. SCOTT can identify these documents as authentic State Department documents.

Also enclosed hereto for the Bureau are two sets of photostats of original State Department documents obtained to date in connection herewith.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, et al.
Perjury; Espionage - R
(Anonymous Communication to WALTER WINCHELL
Re: LAWRENCE DUGGAN)

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Examination requested by: Bureau

Date of reference communication: Memo 1-7-49

Date received: 1-6-49
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Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Result of Examination:

Examination by: FEIGHAN

Specimens submitted for examination

Q156 Typewritten letter on Hotel Taft, New York stationery, dated "Sunday Night...", beg: "Dear Mr. Winchell; I know that you must be...", ending "... (Friends of HOLLYWOOD MOB)".

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ON TIMES SQUARE AT RADIO CITY

ALFRED LEWIS, MANAGER

HOTEL
TAFT
7th Ave.
at 50th St. NEW YORK 19
BING & BING INC. MANAGEMENT

To Home

Sunday Night....

Dear Mr. Winchell;

I know that you must be interested in the death...of Mr. Lawrence Duggan, (I heard your program Sunday night.) Well...Here it is... DUGGAN did not jump... I knew he was worried, after he turned down some of our big commies... and after he spoke to some of our F.B.I.... they returned to his office... he was first hit with a black-jack, and then pushed out of the window.

I'm worried myself.... I was with Mr. Duggan the day he lost his life. He told me at lunch, all about his troubles, and told me to watch out. I'm leaving the country myself, before something happens to me. I hope you can help find the killers of DUGGAN.

Just keep this in mind... that DUGGAN did not jump... HE WAS MURDERED.. Mr. Summer Welles, is right. I am so glad that the F.B.I. Exonerated Mr. Duggan completely.

Don't try to find out who I am... I want to live. I'M HIDING NOW from those killers who are looking all over for me.

Some big shots in WASHINGTON D.C. and in HOLLYWOOD CAL... who were worried, and to get DUGGAN out of the way. He knew too much about the connections they have with U.S.S.R. (I think if you have some of your F.B.I. friends, cover SARDI'S CAFE... on West 44th St.) they may pick up some writers.... (Friends of HOLLYWOOD MOB).

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TARRY AT THE TAFT
2000 ROOMS WITH BATH—CIRCULATING ICE WATER—RADIO
MANY WITH TELEVISION

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: January 6, 1949

TO : Mr. H. B. Fletcher

FROM : Mr. L. Whitson

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, et al,
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R
(Anonymous communication to Walter Winchell,
Re: Lawrence Duggan)

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There is attached herewith an anonymous communication which was received by Walter Winchell and by him made available to the Bureau. By letter the New York Division has been informed of the contents of this communication and instructed to immediately initiate an investigation.

ACTION:

It is recommended that this anonymous communication be furnished to the Bureau Laboratory for a typewriting examination, the results of which, with photographic copies of instant letter, should be made available to the New York Division as soon as possible.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

January 4, 1949

The attached was sent to the
Director by Walter Winchell.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Jm
 TO : Director, FBI
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 FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field
 SUBJECT: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was
 PERJURY; INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: December 13, 1948

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There is attached hereto as an enclosure to the Bureau, one set of the photostatic copies of the documents which WHITTAKER CHAMBERS alleged he received from ALGER HISS for delivery to a Colonel BYKOV sometime in 1938. These documents were made available to the Baltimore Office and include 65 pages of typewritten pages and five pages of handwritten notes on small pieces of paper.

The Washington Field Office was instructed to contact appropriate officials at the State Department in connection with these photostatic copies of documents with the view to identifying them.

Affixed to each page of the typewritten material enclosed is a photostatic copy of the original State Department document or documents from which the material was obtained. The original documents were obtained confidentially for photostating from Mr. JACK D. NEAL of the State Department. However, complete identification has not been made to date nor have all originals been identified and obtained. Mr. NEAL advises that the search is continuing and further advised this office on December 13, 1948, that he had learned that the Attorney General has likewise requested photostatic copies of these documents which has additionally hampered his search. The documents not furnished herewith will be forwarded to the Bureau as soon as obtained.

In answer to the questions propounded Mr. NEAL furnished the following information:

1. In his opinion, the material furnished by the Baltimore Office were copies of or paraphrasings of authentic State Department documents. The photostatic copies furnished herewith are authentic State Department documents.
2. The material furnished by the Baltimore Office consists of copies or excerpts from original State Department documents.
3. The original documents from which photostats are furnished herewith are presently in the possession of the State Department.
4. Mr. NEAL advises that there was no system of classification for these documents at the time they were received other than the nature of the material which would classify them as confidential.

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| SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS | 12/28/48 | 12/27/48 | JOSEPH E. JONES md |

| TITLE | CHARACTER OF CASE |
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| JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was; | PERJURY INTERNAL SECURITY - R ESPIONAGE - R |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

CHARLES E. BALLEISEN, former associate of FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, described RENO as person who neglected his personal appearance and physical well being; who studied late; lived virtually on liquor, cigarettes and coffee, and finally cracked, spending approximately one year in hospital with serious vitamin deficiency. RENO was absent minded but did outstanding work on a mathematical theory of bomb trajectories. BALLEISEN had no knowledge of RENO knowing anything or being interested in any political philosophy or engaging in Communist activities. BALLEISEN does not question RENO'S loyalty; did not know that RENO had ever violated security regulations and had no knowledge of any documents, classified or otherwise being missing from Ballistics Research Laboratory.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau file 74-1333.
Report of SA FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, dated 12/23/48, Baltimore.

DETAILS:

Re: FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, was.,
Francis Victor Reno, Vincent Reno,
"Ves" Reno, Lence Clark -
NAMED BY CHAMBERS AS BEING IN THE
APPARATUS OF ELEANOR NELSON SOYRING AND ALSO
COOPERATING IN THE APPARATUS OF CHAMBERS;
PHILIP RENO, BROTHER OF FRANKLIN VICTOR
RENO, ALSO MENTIONED BY CHAMBERS

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CHARLES E. BALLEISEN, Southwest Research Institute, 8500 Culebra Road, San Antonio, Texas, advised that he was employed at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds from approximately October 1, 1936, to May 1939. Thereafter until 1942 he was in the Office of Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D. C. In 1942 he entered the United States Army as a Major and was discharged in 1946 as a Lieutenant Colonel. During the Army period he was also attached to the office of Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D. C. From 1946 to 1948, he was an instructor at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana. Since October 1, 1948, he has been connected with the Southwest Research Institute as a contact man with the Army on contracts which the institute has or hopes to have with various departments of the Army.

BALLEISEN stated that he was closely associated with FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO whom he called FRANK RENO from the time RENO came to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds until May 1939 when BALLEISEN was transferred to the office of Chief of Ordnance. Thereafter through liaison with the Aberdeen Proving Grounds he had intermittent contact with RENO until 1946.

BALLEISEN stated that RENO at least from 1937 to 1939 lived in the home of Dr. L. S. DIEDERICK, Bellaire Road, Aberdeen, Maryland. Dr. DIEDERICK is still at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds. RENO'S closest associates were JOHN HOLBERTON who was hired at the same time as RENO and who is still employed in the Ballistics Research Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Grounds and Miss B. I. HART who worked closely with RENO and who is now at the Ballistics Research Laboratory.

BALLEISEN explained that RENO did outstanding work in developing the theory of bomb trajectories through Algebraic and other mathematical work, and that Miss HART directed the computation of tables from RENO'S theoretical research. So far as the Norden Bomb Site was concerned BALLEISEN explained that RENO'S theoretical work provided the basis for the development of the bomb site, and that the information necessary for the development of the bomb site flowed from RENO to the bomb site rather than his obtaining any information from the bomb site itself to aid in his research.

BALLEISEN stated that RENO was very neglectful of his personal appearance as well as his own physical well being. He explained that RENO virtually lived on liquor, coffee and cigarettes; never had his teeth cleaned or cared for; stayed up very late at night and often all night studying and finally collapsed and spent a year in about 1946 in the hospital with a serious vitamin deficiency. BALLEISEN stated that RENO was an absent minded person who might leave things lying around, but that he had never known of RENO violating security regulations nor did he know of any documents classified or otherwise being missing from the Ballistics Research Laboratory.

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| TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. | | CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY INTERNAL SECURITY - R ESPIONAGE - R | |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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As an example of RENO'S absent mindedness, BALLEISEN related that one of the stories current was that RENO in the cafeteria once put his cigarette ashes in his coffee cup and tried to drink out of the ash tray.

BALLEISEN stated that so far as he knew RENO was interested only in mathematics. So far as he knew RENO knew nothing nor had any interest in political philosophy and BALLEISEN did not know of any connection that RENO might have had with Communist Party activities or individuals. BALLEISEN did not know of RENO having any contact with persons of Russian Nationality although he had heard through other persons and in a round-about fashion that RENO had been friendly with a man named ~~WASKLOF~~ who had subsequently been deported. Mr. BALLEISEN stated that he had no reason whatsoever to question RENO'S loyalty to this country.

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LEADS:

THE BALTIMORE DIVISION:

AT ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS, ABERDEEN, MD:

Unless information available to the Baltimore Division makes same inadvisable, will interview Dr. L. S. DIEDERICK and Miss E. I. HART, RENO'S close associates, in accordance with instructions set forth in Bureau letter dated December 13, 1948.

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Form No. 1,
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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ALBANY FILE NO.

65-1574 (MER)

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| REPORT MADE AT ALBANY, NEW YORK | DATE WHEN MADE 12/29/48 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/27,28/48 | REPORT MADE BY FRANK C. WOOD |
| TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. | | CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; ESPIONAGE -- R. | |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Allen Weinstein on
afternoon 2-14-74
RD/Jak FOTB
S. Burns 9-9-74 gk*

HISS, wife, and son, ANTHONY, resided Peacham, Vt. in summer of 1948 in cottage rented from Prof. BRAND BLANCHARD, Yale University, New Haven, Conn. Resided in summer of 1947 in cottage rented from Dr. LOUIS PILCHER, M.D., Newton, Mass. Prior to that lived in Peacham during four summers with Mrs. DORIS SOULE, Swarthmore Collège, Swarthmore, Pa. Prior to that for four years lived at Choate Inn, Peacham. Only type-written material found at Peacham is in form of three envelopes bearing typed addresses, sent the Post Office by HISS or wife, enclosing postage fees.

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REFERENCE:

Washington Field teletype to Albany, December 24, 1948.

DETAILS:

AT PEACHAM, VERMONT

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Postmaster Mrs. BELLE P. SOMERS on interview produced three envelopes, addressed by typewriter, as follows:

*1cc AAG Campbell
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(1) Postmaster
U S Post office
Peacham Vermont

Postmarked New York, N.Y., October 18, 1948, 3:30 P.M.

Return address (not typewritten)
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
Division of Intercourse and Education
405 West 117th St., New York 27, N.Y.

(2) Postmaster
Peacham
Vermont

Postmarked New York, N.Y., November 15, 1948, 10:30 P.M.

Return address (not typewritten)
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
405 West 117th St., New York 27, New York

(3) United States Post Office
Peacham
Vt.

Postmarked New York, N.Y., December 14, 1948, 8:00 P.M.

Return address, same as #2 above.

Mrs. SOMERS stated that she received these envelopes from Mr. HILL, enclosing postage due the Peacham Post Office on magazines forwarded to Mr. HISS after they had been mailed to Peacham, following departure of the HISS family at the close of their summer vacation. She stated that the various figures scattered over the envelopes represent notations of grocery prices and mail rates, placed there by Mrs. SOMERS or her husband.

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Mrs. SOMERS advised that she had nothing else of a typewritten nature from Mr. or Mrs. HISS. She requested that the envelopes be returned to her promptly.

It was stated by Mrs. SOMERS that Mr. and Mrs. ALGER HISS have been spending summer vacations in Peacham for nearly ten years and have been accompanied by their son, ANTHONY, since he was born in about 1942, and that the HISS family resided in the Choate Inn, operated by Miss ELSIE CHOATE, when they first came to Peacham for the summer.

Miss ELSIE CHOATE on interview advised that she knew the HISS family very well since they first stayed for a summer vacation at her inn in about 1939, and thereafter came to this inn for three, possibly four, summers to spend vacations. Miss CHOATE stated that she had no typewritten material from either Mr. or Mrs. HISS, although she recalls that they had a typewriter when staying at the Choate Inn. It was learned that they resided summers with a friend, Mrs. DORIS SOULE, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, during the three or four summers following their change from the Choate Inn, for their vacations. Mrs. SOULE rented an apartment in the home of Miss LOUISE BAILEY in Peacham.

Miss LOUISE BAILEY on interview stated that she has nothing typewritten by either Mr. or Mrs. HISS, and that she does not recall that they ever had a typewriter when spending vacations at her home with their friend, Mrs. SOULE.

At the Post Office, Mrs. SOMERS had stated that in 1947 the HISS family lived in a cottage owned by Dr. LOUIS PILCHER, M.D., Newton, Massachusetts, or one of his family; that in 1948 they rented a cottage for the three summer months from Professor BRAND BLANCHARD, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, and that Mrs. HISS was in Peacham all summer usually, but that Mr. HISS was there periodically for visits of varying length.

General inquiry developed that Mr. and Mrs. HISS visited often with the Reverend JOHN HOLDEN of the Peacham Church, during their summer vacations; that during the past season, Mrs. HISS had placed her son, ANTHONY, in the local grade school for about three or four weeks at the start of the

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fall term, and that it was possible that Mrs. HISS might have had to contact the school teacher, the school superintendent or the school Board of Education for permission to enter her son.

Reverend JOHN HOLDEN on interview advised that all messages he has had from the HISS family have been handwritten, and that although he visited them several times during the past summer, he does not recall having seen a typewriter in their cottage. He stated that he did not know them prior to the 1948 season, when he first came to this village.

Mrs. MARGARET CARPENTER, teacher at the Peacham Grade School, on interview advised that Mrs. ALGER HISS had asked her for permission to enter ANTHONY HISS, aged six years, in this school during the first three or four weeks of the 1948 fall term, but had not addressed any communications to her in this connection. She stated that Mrs. HISS also talked this over with Mrs. ERIENE MOORE, Chairman of the Board of Education, and possibly with Mrs. GLENN WATSON of the Board of Education, but that there had been nothing more than a general conversation about it. She stated that Mrs. HISS might possibly have written Mr. LEWELLYN ROBERTS, Superintendent of Schools, who resides at Danville, Vermont. Mrs. CARPENTER stated that Mrs. HISS had addressed no typewritten communications to her at any time, although she had written one longhand note in connection with ANTHONY HISS attending the school.

Mrs. GLENN WATSON and Mrs. ERIENE MOORE stated that they had no typewritten material from Mr. or Mrs. HISS.

Town Clerk WALTER THORN advised that he had had no written communications from Mr. or Mrs. HISS.

AT DANVILLE, VERMONT:

Superintendent of Schools LEWELLYN ROBERTS on interview advised that he had not received any written communications from either Mr. or Mrs. HISS.

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AT WELLS RIVER, VERMONT:

Since the only public utility in the cottages rented from Dr. PILCHER and from Professor BLANCHARD in 1947 and 1948, respectively, by the HISS FAMILY, was electricity, according to Postmaster BELLE P. SOMERS, inquiry was made at the Green Mountain Power Corporation concerning any communication possibly sent by Mr. or Mrs. HISS, relative to this matter.

Manager RAYMOND FOREHAN searched his files and found a copy of a letter written by Assistant Treasurer L. E. VEALE of this company at Montpelier, Vermont, to ALGER HISS concerning the payment of the bill for electricity used in 1947, but there was no letter in reply and nothing more to be found in the file which might possibly be pertinent to instant inquiry.

AT MONTPELIER, VERMONT:

Mr. L. E. VEALE, Assistant Treasurer of the Green Mountain Power Corporation, searched the files of this company for the period 1944 to 1948, without finding any communications of any kind from Mr. or Mrs. HISS, although he found the copy of the letter located by Mr. FOREHAN, mentioned above, and several other mentions of the HISS family in connection with the renting of the PILCHER and BLANCHARD cottages in 1947 and 1948.

Since it appeared that possibly either Mr. or Mrs. HISS might have had a Vermont Automobile Operator's License or a Motor Vehicle Registration, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles H. ELMER MARSH was contacted and he advised that a search of the files of this department failed to reflect the name HISS.

Since it also appeared possible that either Mr. or Mrs. HISS might have made inquiries of the Vermont Development Commission concerning summer resort areas, inquiry was made of Mr. H. H. CHADWICK, Director of this Commission's Publicity Department, and advice was received that they have no record under the name HISS.

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AT NEW YORK CITY

Will instruct the Boston, New Haven and Philadelphia Offices if the leads set out in this report are to be covered.

BOSTON DIVISION

NY tel 12-29-48 SPO

AT NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Will interview Dr. LOUIS PILCHER, M.D., whose family own the cottage at Peacham, Vermont, which ALGER HISS rented in 1947 for the summer season, to determine if Dr. PILCHER can supply any material typewritten by Mr. or Mrs. HISS, or knows where such material might possibly be located or information concerning any typewriter in the possession of the HISS family.

PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

NY tel 12-29-48 SPO

AT SWARTHMORE, PENNSYLVANIA

Will interview Mrs. DORIS SOULE, with whom Mr. and Mrs. HISS lived at Peacham, Vermont, for about three or four summers from about 1943 through 1948, to ascertain if she may be able to supply material typewritten by Mr. or Mrs. HISS, or information concerning any typewriter in their possession.

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NEW HAVEN DIVISION

*New York Tel
1/2-29-48-80* AT NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Will interview Professor BRAND BLANCHARD, Yale University, whose cottage at Peacham, Vermont, was occupied by the HISS family in the summer of 1948, to determine if he can supply material typewritten by Mr. or Mrs. HISS, or can supply information concerning any typewriter in their possession.

Will obtain Professor BLANCHARD's authorization to conduct a search of the cottage in Peacham, Vermont, which was occupied by the HISS family, for the purpose of locating any typewritten letters or documents which might have been left there by the HISS family.

ALBANY DIVISION

AT ALBANY, NEW YORK

Will return the envelopes referred to here to Agent WOOD at Burlington, to return to the Postmaster as Peacham, Vermont, as soon as they are returned from the Bureau.

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| TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS; was | | CHARACTER OF CASE PER JURY; ESPIONAGE - R | |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

HISS, wife, and son, ANTHONY, resided Peacham, Vt. in summer of 1948 in cottage rented from Prof. BRAND BLANCHARD, Yale University, New Haven, Conn. Resided in summer of 1947 in cottage rented from Dr. LOUIS PILCHER, M.D., Newton, Mass. Prior to that lived in Peacham during four summers with Mrs. DORIS SOULE, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa. Prior to that for four years lived at Choate Inn, Peacham. Only type-written material found at Peacham is in form of three envelopes bearing typed addresses, sent the Post Office by HISS or wife, enclosing postage fees.

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REFERENCE: Washington Field teletype to Albany, December 24, 1948.

DETAILS: AT PEACHAM, VERMONT

Postmaster Mrs. BELLE P. SOMERS on interview produced three envelopes, addressed by typewriter, as follows:

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| TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS Et AL | | | CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

PRISCILLA FANSLER SCHENK unable to locate any typewritten communications from PRISCILLA or ALGER HISS.

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA MAHLON F. COLLIER dated December 23, 1948 at Detroit.
Detroit letter to the Bureau dated December 23, 1948.

DETAILS:

AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

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J. Burrys 9-9-74 jk*

Mr. and Mrs. MORRIS SCHENK (PRISCILLA FANSLER SCHENK) reside at 903 West 31st Street, Indianapolis. MORRIS SCHENK is a junior at Indiana University Medical School, Indianapolis. Mr. and Mrs. SCHENK were jointly interviewed and advised that they were both certain they had no typewritten communications from either PRISCILLA or ALGER HISS. Mrs. SCHENK indicated she had only recently gone through her correspondence and did not recall seeing any typewritten communications. She advised that she would make a further search however, and on the morning of December 29 telephoned Agent and advised that she is unable to find any typewriting at all. She further advised that to the best of her recollection she had never received any typewritten communications from Mr. or Mrs. HISS and that both of them in corresponding with her had always written in longhand.

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Mrs. SCHENK advised that possibly Mr. JACK SUTRO, an attorney at San Francisco, California, might have some typewritten communications. She stated that her uncle, ALGER HISS, had resided with SUTRO while attending the United Nations Conference in San Francisco and that they were classmates as she recalls.

Both Mr. and Mrs. SCHENK indicated that they were both sympathetic with Mr. and Mrs. HISS. Mrs. SCHENK stated that she could not think of anyone who might have any typewritten communications from either ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS.

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| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: | | | |
| <p style="text-align: center;">PRISCILLA FANSLER SCHENK unable to locate any typewritten communications from PRISCILLA or ALGER HISS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> | | | |
| REFERENCE: | | | |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Report of SA MAHLON F. COLLIER dated December 23, 1948 at Detroit. Detroit letter to the Bureau dated December 23, 1948.</p> | | | |
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| <p><u>AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA</u></p> | | | |
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

CHARLES PARKER advised that in 1938 Woodstock typewriter records were located at the Insurance Company of North America Building, Philadelphia and were in the custody of H. E. STEINKE, Foreman. JOSEPH S. DAVIS is presently en route to the Institute of Advanced Study, Newark, New Jersey. LAZHOV is probably identical with MORRIS ASIMOV, now an instructor at UCLA, ANTHONY P. MORSE denied knowledge of Communist or espionage activities on the part of FRANK RENO, or disclosure by RENO of any information to unauthorized persons, but stated that RENO had kept several volumes of notebooks regarding his work at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

Deleted copy furnished Allen Weinstein of afternoon of 2-14-74 RD/John FOTB 5 Bureau 9-9-74

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 Report of SA JAMES L. KIRKLAND dated December 23, 1948 at Philadelphia.
 Washington Field letter dated December 23, 1948.
 Report of SA JOSEPH M. KELLY dated December 23, 1948 at New York City.
 Report of SA FRANK G. JOHNSTONE dated December 23, 1948 at Baltimore.

1cc AAG Campbell 1-14-49 FLTC

DETAILS:

AT SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

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CHARLES E. PARKER, 284 Mountain View Avenue, San Jose, was interviewed on December 24, 1948, by SA LOUIS D. WINE. PARKER stated that

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he was the manager of the Philadelphia Agency of the Woodstock Typewriter Company for approximately one and one-half years. He obtained the office agency records from JOHN CAROW. At the time PARKER was the manager of the office the records were located in an office building, the name of which Mr. PARKER could not recall, but which was located at Tenth and Market Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. During 1938 PARKER moved the office records to the Insurance Company of North America Building, Philadelphia. At the time of PARKER's discharge in 1938 all equipment and office records were in the custody of H. E. STEINKE, the Office Foreman. STEINKE is reportedly operating a typewriter exchange at Drexel Hill or Upper Darby, near Philadelphia.

Mr. PARKER stated that THOMAS GRADY, a salesman was unknown to him. At the time of PARKER's discharge his successor had not been appointed and consequently his name was unknown to PARKER.

Mr. PARKER suggested the main office of the Woodstock Company at Chicago or Woodstock, Illinois as being the best source to obtain information regarding the whereabouts of the Philadelphia agency records.

AT PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA

Miss ARMISTA COOK, Information Secretary, Registrar's Office, Stanford University, advised that Professor JOSEPH S. DAVIS is presently the Director of the Food Research Institute at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California, but that he had been granted six month's sabbatical leave effective December 27, 1948. Miss COOK stated that Professor DAVIS had departed from Palo Alto by automobile on December 27, 1948, en route to Princeton, New Jersey and that he was expected to arrive at Princeton in approximately ten days where he could be located at the Institute of Advanced Study. Professor DAVIS had left no itinerary at Stanford and Miss COOK stated there was no way to contact him prior to his arrival at the Institute of Advanced Study.

AT BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

Records of the Office of the Dean, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of California, reflected that one MORRIS ASIMOW, who was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on November 27, 1906, received a BS, MS and PH D Degree at the University of California, the PH D Degree being granted in 1934. During the period of his attendance at the University of California, ASIMOW had been employed as a lecturer in the Engineering Department. The records further reflected that ASIMOW had been employed as late as January, 1948 as a lecturer in engineering at the University of California at Los Angeles.

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It is suggested that MORRIS ASIMOV is identical with the AZIMOV mentioned in referenced report from New York City.

ANTHONY P. MORSE, Associate Professor of Mathematics at the University of California at Berkeley, who presently resides at 18 Oakvale Avenue, Berkeley, California, was interviewed on December 28, 1948, by SA CHARLES F. BRUSCH and the writer.

Professor MORSE stated that he first met FRANK RENO in approximately July of 1944 at which time Professor MORSE was employed at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds. He associated with and saw FRANK RENO almost every day until the end of the war in 1945. He stated that he was not as close to FRANK RENO as some of the other employees at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, such as JOHN KELLEY and EDWARD McSHANE, but that he liked RENO and that RENO on several occasions had visited his home. He stated he last saw RENO at a mathematical meeting held at Swarthmore near Christmas of 1946.

In addition to KELLEY and McSHANE, he stated that other close associates of FRANK RENO had been HERMAN MEYER of the University of Chicago, and VERNON LEWIS of the Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

He stated that RENO had been an extremely useful employee at Aberdeen, that he was a tireless worker, seemed to be extremely interested in his work and, in fact, he characterized him as being the hardest worker at Aberdeen. He stated that RENO would work days at a stretch and did not ordinarily stop work at the end of the day. He said RENO was able to produce some excellent bombing tables.

Professor MORSE stated he had no knowledge of any Communist affiliation on the part of RENO, nor had he any knowledge of any espionage activity on the part of RENO. He stated he knew of no occasion where RENO had furnished any information to any unauthorized persons and stated he knew of no occasion where RENO had violated any security regulation and had no knowledge of any classified material which was missing from the Aberdeen Proving Ground Laboratories. Professor MORSE stated that he could not recall ever having entered into any political discussion with RENO on any occasion. He stated he had never heard RENO mention WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, nor had he heard of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS prior to the recent newspaper publicity.

He stated he knew that RENO had numerous volumes of notebooks in his own handwriting, that he had seen several of these notebooks in RENO's possession and that RENO often carried two or three of these notebooks around with him under his arm. He stated they were all neatly and legibly written by RENO.

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Professor MORSE advised that he, himself, had the following classified material in his possession:

One copy of BRL Report No. 557, written by ANTHONY P. MORSE, July 13, 1945, classified restricted, which MORSE stated he had brought with him from the Aberdeen Proving Grounds as it was a copy of his own work.

He stated he also had a copy of the Aberdeen Proving Grounds Report No. 1 entitled "High Altitude Range Bombing by Aberdeen Bombing Mission Using Ballistic Cameras", written by R. S. ZUG, December 10, 1945, and classified restricted.

MORSE stated that this had been transmitted to him by officials at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds subsequent to his termination there. MORSE stated, however, that he was still retained by the Proving Grounds in the capacity of consultant and felt he was authorized to have this restricted material in his possession.

With regard to notebooks in his possession, he stated he had never maintained any formal notebooks, but that he had some handwritten notes regarding the work done on Report No. 557. He said he also had the following two pamphlets which were not marked classified:

Memorandum Report No. 460 dated June 5, 1947

Memorandum Report No. 461 dated June 5, 1947

Both of these reports were written by MORSE.

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LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At University of California at Los Angeles

Will interview MORRIS ASIMOV in accordance with instructions contained in New York teletype dated December 29, 1948.

NEWARK OFFICE

At the Institute of Advanced Study

Will interview JOSEPH S. DAVIS in accordance with instructions contained in San Francisco letter dated December 28, 1948.

Copies of this report are being transmitted to the Baltimore, Chicago, Philadelphia, and Washington Field Office for information in connection with the investigation being conducted there.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

CHARLES PARKER advised that in 1938 Woodstock typewriter records were located at the Insurance Company of North America Building, Philadelphia and were in the custody of H. E. STEINKE, Foreman. JOSEPH S. DAVIS is presently en route to the Institute of Advanced Study, Newark, New Jersey. AZHOV is probably identical with MORRIS ASIMOV, now an instructor at UCLA. ANTHONY P. MORSE denied knowledge of Communist or espionage activities on the part of FRANK RENO, or disclosure by RENO of any information to unauthorized persons, but stated that RENO had kept several volumes of notebooks regarding his work at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

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Report of SA JAMES L. KIRKLAND dated December 23, 1948 at Philadelphia.
Washington Field letter dated December 23, 1948.
Report of SA JOSEPH M. KELLY dated December 23, 1948 at New York City.
Report of SA FRANK G. JOHNSTONE dated December 23, 1948 at Baltimore.

DETAILS:

AT SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

CHARLES E. PARKER, 284 Mountain View Avenue, San Jose, was interviewed on December 24, 1948; by SA LOUIS D. WINE. PARKER stated that

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN, believed to be identical with "FELIX" who WHITTAKER CHAMBERS states was one of the photographers who photographed documents which CHAMBERS had obtained from Government sources, was interviewed at Schenectady, NY, 12/23/48. In signed statement INSLERMAN denied that he knew WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, that he had ever photographed any document for CHAMBERS or that CHAMBERS had ever been in his home while he, INSLERMAN, was residing in Baltimore, Md., in 1938. Photograph of CHAMBERS exhibited to INSLERMAN as well as photographs of ALGER HISS, JULIAN WADLEIGH, FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, DAVID CARPENTER and PADDY WHELAN. INSLERMAN denied knowing any of the aforementioned individuals. INSLERMAN signed voluntary consent to search his premises located at Cambridge, NY. Search conducted; 36 rolls of film obtained as well as documents consisting of blue prints and plans obtained from INSLERMAN'S premises forwarded to FBI Laboratory for evaluation. INSLERMAN presently employed by GENERAL ELECTRIC, Schenectady, NY, as engineer. Background information set forth. Subpoena served on INSLERMAN to appear before Grand Jury, NYC, 1/3/49.

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DETAILS: AT SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

On December 3, 1948, at the time WHITTAKER CHAMBERS submitted a signed statement to agents of the Baltimore Office, he claimed that one of the photographers who photographed the documents which ALGER HISS and others employed by the United States Government had furnished to him was an individual whom he knew only as "FELIX."

After considerable investigation conducted by the Baltimore Office, agents of that office furnished the New York Office with photographs of one FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN, who it was determined was employed by the GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY in Schenectady, New York, and on this same date a photograph of FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN which had been furnished to the New York Office by the Albany Office was exhibited to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS on December 22nd by Special Agents Joseph M. Kelly and Thomas G. Spencer of the New York Office. CHAMBERS positively identified the photograph of FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN as the photographer who photographed documents for him in 1938 and as the individual he had previously stated was known to him as "FELIX."

On December 23, 1948, Special Agent John J. O'Toole and the writer through arrangements made at the General Electric plant in Schenectady, New York, talked with FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN and he agreed to accompany the agents to the resident agency office of the Bureau in Schenectady, New York, and at approximately 11:00 A.M. on this same date Special Agent O'Toole and the writer interviewed INSLERMAN.

At the outset of the interview INSLERMAN was questioned concerning his knowledge of any espionage activities which had been engaged in by any individuals in or outside of the United States Government. INSLERMAN vehemently denied any knowledge of espionage activities. A photograph of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was exhibited to him and he immediately denied knowing CHAMBERS. When questioned concerning his taking any photographs of documents for CHAMBERS he denied that he had ever taken any photographs on microfilm for CHAMBERS.

INSLERMAN was then thoroughly questioned concerning his own background and employment as well as his education and the places where he had lived. He then furnished the signed statement which is being set forth herein.

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"Schenectady, New York
December 23, 1948

"I FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN make the following voluntary statement to JOHN J. O'TOOLE and FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I know that any statement I make may be used against me in a court of law. I have been advised that I have a right to counsel.

"I was born on July 11, 1910 in New York City. I attended New Brunswick High School, New Brunswick, New Jersey. From 1928 to 1932 I attended Cooper Union Institute of Technology. I also attended John Hopkins University from Oct., 1936 to June, 1939, at which time I received the degree of Bachelor of Science.

"As far as I can recall I first went to Baltimore, Maryland in 1936 during the time that I was in Baltimore. I was employed by the BOHN REFRIGERATOR CO. as a draftsman. The Dakko Company also as a draftsman, this firm made photographic enlargers. In May of 1938 I went to work for the GLENN L. MARTIN COMPANY, manufacturers of aircraft. I was employed there in the engineering department until 1942. I then went to work for the REPUBLIC AVIATION CORPN., Farmingdale, L.I. My work at the REPUBLIC AVIATION CORPN. was in the Engineering Department until late 1946. In September of 1946 I went to work for the GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., Schenectady, N.Y. where I am presently employed as an engineer. I have been and am now working on restricted work at GENERAL ELECTRIC.

"During the time that I lived in Baltimore Md. I believe I lived on Fir St. which is directly behind the GLENN R. MARTIN PLANT. I also lived on Callow Ave. in Baltimore Md. the exact number I do not recall but believe I resided there in 1937 until sometime in 1938. I cannot recall the name of another street that I resided on outside of Baltimore.

"I am an amateur photographer and while residing on Callow Ave. I used the bathroom in the premises as a dark room to develop the film I had taken pictures with in my photography hobby.

"I have been shown a picture of an individual by the name of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. I categorically deny that I was ever acquainted with CHAMBERS. I also deny that I knew CHAMBERS by the name of 'CARL' or 'KARL' or that I was ever acquainted with CHAMBERS, when he used the name of GEORGE CROSLY or any other name. I deny that I ever developed any film

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for CHAMBERS. I deny that CHAMBERS was ever in my home in Baltimore while I was residing on Callow Ave. or any other address in Baltimore. I deny that I ever went to Washington, D. C. to see CHAMBERS. I deny ever knowing an individual by the name of Colonel ~~BYKOV~~.

"I have been shown photographs of ALGER HISS, FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, PATRICK ~~WHELEN~~, BERNARD ~~WEINKRANTZ~~ and HENRY J. ~~WADLEIGH~~. As far as I can recall I have never met RENO, ~~WHELEN~~, ~~WEINKRANTZ~~ or ~~WADLEIGH~~.

"I deny that I have ever photographed any documents or papers belonging to the U. S. Government clandestinely for any person or group. I have never engaged in any type of espionage work and deny that I had any first hand knowledge that espionage work was being carried on in the United States.

"A picture of an individual by the name of DAVID CARPENTER has been exhibited to me. I have never been acquainted with this individual by the name of CARPENTER.

"I deny that I was ever a member of the Communist Party or that any person ever attempted to recruit me to join the Communist Party. On several occasions while I attended Cooper Union Institute of Technology I stopped in Union Square New York to listen to individuals speak, but never participated in any discussions with persons at these meetings.

"I have read this statement, consisting of one and three quarters handwritten pages and it is true to the best of my knowledge. I have initialed page one and this page.

/s/ Felix A. Inslerman

Witnessed:

/s/ Francis D. O'Brien Special Agent F.B.I. N.Y.C.
/s/ John J. O'Toole Special Agt. FBI Albany NY"

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

INSLERMAN advised that his full name was FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN. He was born on July 11, 1910, in New York City. His parents were JOHN ~~INSLERMAN~~, born in Estonia, and ANNA MARTIN ~~INSLERMAN~~, born in Estonia. His wife's name was given as ELIZABETH ALICE RYNDENS, born in New York City. He said that he had one son, ROBERT A. ~~INSLERMAN~~, and one brother, HANS ~~INSLERMAN~~.

EDUCATION

Graduate of New Brunswick Senior High School, 1928.

Attended Cooper Union Institute of Technology five years.

Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, one and one-half years.

John Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, from which institution he received a Bachelor of Science degree in June, 1939.

EMPLOYMENT

INSLERMAN stated that the following listed places of employment were all that he was able to recall:

Micamold Radio Corp., Flushing Avenue, Brooklyn--molder from October, 1933, to January, 1935.

Electrical Appliance Shop, White Plains Road, New York--electrical repair man, March, 1935, to August, 1936.

Bohn Refrigerator Company, 1 North Haven Street, Baltimore, Maryland--draftsman, March, 1937, to October, 1937.

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The Dakko Company, 927 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland, photographic designer, October, 1937, to February, 1938.

Glenn L. Martin Company, Maryland, electrical and radio engineer, May, 1938, to March, 1942.

Republic Aviation Corp., Farmingdale, Long Island, March, 1942, to August 2, 1946.

General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York, September, 1946, to present time.

INSLERMAN stated that he was working at confidential work in the GENERAL ELECTRIC plant at the present time, as an engineer.

SUBPOENA

INSLERMAN was advised that he was to appear before the Grand Jury in New York City on January 3, 1948, and at the completion of his signing the statement a subpoena was served on him by the writer.

SEARCH OF PREMISES

At the conclusion of the interview in Schenectady, New York, at approximately 3:20 P.M. INSLERMAN was asked if he had any objection to signing a consent to search his premises. He replied that he had no objection to a search being made and a voluntary written consent to search his premises, his personally owned car and his personal effects wherever they might be was signed by INSLERMAN and witnessed by the writer and Special Agent John J. O'Toole. This written consent to search is being maintained in the files of the New York Office. The writer asked INSLERMAN if he had any objections to the search being conducted at that time and he voluntarily agreed to accompany Agent O'Toole and the writer to his premises located in Cambridge, New York.

Upon the arrival of Special Agent O'Toole and the writer in Cambridge, New York, they were joined by Special Agents Sheehan and Bibler

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of the Albany Office and proceeded to INSLERMAN'S home, which is located on a farm some five miles from Cambridge proper. The premises consist of a house, a shed for a tractor and an automobile, a chicken coop, a pig sty and a small shed which housed a cow. The agents were met at the door by Mrs. ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, who was advised that her husband FELIX had voluntarily consented to allow a search to be made of his premises by the agents. Mrs. INSLERMAN demanded to know why the agents were conducting a search and she was then advised of the allegations made against her husband and her reply was "What proof do you have?" Mrs. INSLERMAN was advised by the agents that there was no question involving proof at this time, that that matter would be decided at a later time and at present the agents were interested in ascertaining the facts concerning the allegation that her husband was connected with espionage work.

Special Agent Bibler and the writer proceeded to the upper story of the house accompanied by INSLERMAN. In the room off the rear bedroom INSLERMAN had an enlarger set up. It was determined that this enlarger was of a Leitz make and the serial number on the lens was 340582. On the stand holding the enlarger there were a number of blue prints, drawings, graphs and notes pertaining to designs of airplanes. It was noted that these papers bore the year 1940. Others had no date at all.

INSLERMAN was confronted with these papers and asked why he had them located at the enlarger. He stated that the papers were notes that he had taken while attending Johns Hopkins University. However, he was confronted with the fact that he had previously stated that he had graduated from Johns Hopkins in 1939. His reply to that was that he had taken extension courses in Johns Hopkins and these were notes that he did not have in his possession illegally.

Considerable time was then spent discussing the entire situation concerning INSLERMAN'S involvement in this case, but he continued in his denial that he had been involved in espionage work.

As the search continued, a number of rolls of film were found, some of which were developed and had tape around the container and others were found to have not been developed, according to INSLERMAN. Some of this film was microfilm with the date 1938 on the container. INSLERMAN was confronted with the fact that this type of film was usually used in document work, but his reply was that he used it in his photographic hobby, and again he vehemently denied his participation in this case.

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The search continued to the front hall in the upper story of the house, where a small bookcase was located and in this bookcase were found a number of Manila folders containing blue prints, graphs, drawings and other material relating to aeronautical engineering. It was noted that some of these papers were obtained from the ~~REPUBLIC AVIATION CORP.~~, Farmingdale, New York, and were marked confidential. The date of 1944 was on some of the papers. INSLERMAN was again confronted with the fact that he had these confidential papers in his possession and he stated that he had clearance for all of the papers due to his position and that many of the papers were routed to him in connection with his engineering work. It was pointed out to INSLERMAN that it would be necessary to take these papers in order to have them checked by ~~REPUBLIC AVIATION CORP.~~ in an effort to determine whether he had any right to have them in his possession at the present time.

It was also noted that there was a drawing of the general layout of the ~~REPUBLIC AVIATION~~ engineering plant. INSLERMAN claimed that he needed this plan in his work at the ~~REPUBLIC AVIATION~~ plant and that he had taken it with him when he had left there.

The search on the first floor of the house was conducted by Special Agents Sheehan and O'Toole and in the course of their search they also came upon a number of rolls of film, some of which was observed and was found to be pictures taken of scenery, the nature of which could not be determined, as well as pictures of individuals. All of the film was taken with the consent of INSLERMAN and it comprised a total of thirty-six rolls of film. All of the film was believed to be 35mm, however, the film that was sealed was not opened by the agents and the only films viewed were those exhibited by INSLERMAN himself to the agents.

During the course of the search on the first floor there were also found three bonds of the Imperial Russian Government made out to AUGUST J. INSLERMAN. INSLERMAN claimed that his father owned these bonds and that they were part of his estate. The following numbers were listed as being found on the bonds, all of which were in the denomination of \$1,000.00:

A38707, dated October 9, 1935
A38708, dated October 8, 1935
A38709, dated October 9, 1935

All of the bonds were issued by the National City Bank, East 34th Street, New York City.

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INSLERMAN displayed a Leica camera that he had in his possession. It was noted that the serial number was 234730.

During the search on the first floor INSLERMAN'S wife was present.

A search was made of the cellar by Special Agent Sheehan and the writer and it was noted that INSLERMAN had a number of newspapers piled in one box, all of which pertained to the HISS-CHAMBERS publicity which had appeared in the newspapers in the past three weeks.

It is to be noted that at the time INSLERMAN was questioned and photographs of CHAMBERS, HISS, WADLEIGH and RENO were shown to him he had no hesitancy about the individuals' names and when questioned as to why he did not have any hesitancy about the names he stated that he had read this case thoroughly in the newspapers and when it was brought to his attention that he had the newspapers pertaining to the HISS-CHAMBERS trial segregated to some extent he admitted that he had read the case thoroughly and was acquainted with all of the individual names mentioned in the case. His explanation of his knowledge was that every person has an extreme interest in this particular case.

A search was made by Special Agent Sheehan and the writer, accompanied by INSLERMAN, of the chicken coop. It was noted that INSLERMAN had two hens and a young calf housed in his chicken coop. A search was then made of the pig sty. It was noted that he had one pig and a young cow housed in instant sty. A thorough search was made of the shed in which it was noted that INSLERMAN had a brand new Allis Chalmers tractor which he claimed he recently purchased for \$1100.00.

Upon the completion of the search INSLERMAN was asked if he would be willing to accompany the agents to New York City to confront WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. He stated that he would willingly confront CHAMBERS but he preferred to have the confrontation take place the following day inasmuch as he desired to be at home with his family during the night.

There was an eleven-year-old girl by the name of ^{MORRONE} ~~MARON~~ living in INSLERMAN'S home who he stated was living there for a short time having a vacation from Brooklyn, New York. He said that he had taken the child through the New York Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund, that he received no reimbursement for the child but was doing it only to participate in the fresh air fund provided by the Herald Tribune.

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The agents departed from INSLERMAN'S home at approximately 10:00 P.M. and a statement was made out and signed by INSLERMAN and witnessed by the writer and Agent O'Toole to the effect that the agents had taken all of the notes, plans and technical material which were found on the premises as well as thirty-six rolls of film and a passport printed in the Russian language. INSLERMAN signed the statement setting forth the above items in duplicate and agreed that this was all of the material taken from the premises. The statement signed by INSLERMAN is being retained in the files of the New York Office.

INSLERMAN then accompanied Agent O'TOOLE and the writer to Schenectady, New York, which is located some forty miles from INSLERMAN'S home. During the course of this trip to Schenectady INSLERMAN was questioned thoroughly as to his residence in Baltimore, Maryland. He claimed that he did reside on Callow Avenue as set forth in the statement, and said that he did use the bath room of the home as a dark room. However, he continued to deny that CHAMBERS had ever visited the home on Callow Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, and appeared to be willing to confront CHAMBERS as to the statements made by him that he, CHAMBERS, knew INSLERMAN as "FELIX," the individual who photographed documents for him. INSLERMAN also claimed no association with the Communist Party and claimed that he had never received any compensation for his photographic work outside of normal sums of \$10.00. He denied vehemently that he had ever received any funds through his photographic hobby for any kind of document work.

Upon arrival in Schenectady, New York, a search was made of INSLERMAN'S car, a 1947 Chevrolet. Nothing of value was found in the car pertaining to instant case. INSLERMAN stated that he had had a Chevrolet automobile since 1936 and in 1939 he had purchased a new one. In 1941 he had purchased a new Chevrolet from the Belair Road Chevrolet Company at Baltimore, Maryland, and relative to his ability to purchase these automobiles he claimed that he had always been able to save money and that he then had approximately \$1,000.00 in the bank and his farm was paid for, that he also owned the tractor valued at \$1,100.00.

INSLERMAN accompanied Agent O'Toole and the writer as well as a guard from the GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY into the premises of the GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY and proceeded to INSLERMAN'S desk. A search was made of the desk in INSLERMAN'S presence but it appeared that everything he had in his possession in the desk pertained to his every day work in the plant. He stated that he did not have a locker in the plant and it was found that

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a coat rack was in the room where the desk was located and no lockers were provided for the employees in this section of the plant.

On December 27, 1948, the papers, plans and blue prints taken from INSLERMAN'S home as well as the thirty-six rolls of film were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory by the Albany Office for examination and evaluation.

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ALBANY

At Cambridge, N. Y.

Will obtain all information concerning the purchase of the farm and house by FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN. Will particularly ascertain from whom the home was purchased, how it was financed and the date of purchase.

Will ascertain through the postmaster at Cambridge, New York, as well as the rural mail carrier, any information concerning the mailing of packages or reception of same by INSLERMAN.

Will obtain from FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN his Leica camera, serial number 234730, and forward same to the FBI Laboratory for examination.

Will examine toll calls made by INSLERMAN since residing in Cambridge, New York.

Will examine bank records of banks in which INSLERMAN is known to have accounts.

NEW YORK

At New York City

At National City Bank, East 34th Street, New York City, will ascertain all information relative to the purchase of Imperial Russian Government Bonds Nos. A38707, A38708 and A38709, purchased in October, 1935, in the name of AUGUST J. INSLERMAN.

Will report results of examination by the FBI Laboratory of film and material obtained during the search of INSLERMAN'S premises in Cambridge, New York.

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A copy of this report is being designated for the information of the Baltimore Office inasmuch as that office originally determined that FELIX might possibly be identical with FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN and additional investigation may be required in the near future concerning INSLERMAN in Baltimore.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FELIX AUGUST INSLEMAN, believed to be identical with "FELIX" who ~~WHITTAKER~~ **CHAMBERS** states was one of the photographers who photographed documents which **CHAMBERS** had obtained from Government sources, was interviewed at Schenectady, NY, 12/29/48. In signed statement **INSLEMAN** denied that he knew **WHITTAKER CHAMBERS**, that he had ever photographed any document for **CHAMBERS** or that **CHAMBERS** had ever been in his home while he, **INSLEMAN**, was residing in Baltimore, Md., in 1938. Photograph of **CHAMBERS** exhibited to **INSLEMAN** as well as photographs of **ALGER HISS**, **JULIAN WABLEIGH**, **FRANKLIN VICTOR WAGO**, **DAVID CARPENTER** and **PADDY WELAN**. **INSLEMAN** denied knowing any of the aforementioned individuals. **INSLEMAN** signed voluntary consent to search his premises located at Cambridge, NY. Search conducted; 36 rolls of film obtained as well as documents consisting of blue prints and plans obtained from **INSLEMAN'S** premises forwarded to FBI Laboratory for evaluation. **INSLEMAN** presently employed by **GENERAL ELECTRIC**, Schenectady, NY, as engineer. Background information set forth. Subpoena served on **INSLEMAN** to appear before Grand Jury, NYC, 1/3/49.

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TO : MR. H. B. FLETCHER *HBFW*
FROM : M. A. TAYLOR, Washington Field Office
SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., etal
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DATE: December 31, 1948

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On the afternoon of December 31, 1948, subject Chambers was interviewed by Mr. Ray Whearty of the Department and the writer in the office of Mr. Whearty at considerable length concerning the substance of his statements to members of the House Un-American Activities Committee on the evening of December 29, 1948, at his farm near Westminster, Maryland, which information was subsequently reported in the Washington "Times Herald" on December 30, and 31, 1948.

The news articles in question attributed most of these statements to Congressman Karl Mundt and indicated that Chambers had revealed new names, including some dead individuals and some now operating in other countries, and had furnished a complete chronology of his activities. Further, that the figures named did not include any new sources of confidential information. The articles reported that 52 additional big batches of Top Secret papers, including data on the Norden bomb sight, had been delivered by Chambers to secret Soviet agents in New York and that he had related on one occasion he took a money belt containing \$10,000 from New York City to San Francisco for the purpose of financing West Coast spy operations. Reference was also made to four costly rugs given as gifts to four of the principal sources of information in Washington.

Mr. Chambers related the information he had furnished the Committee began approximately in 1932 when he was introduced into the apparatus of one Ulrich, who operated an apparatus through the Hamburg-American Steamship Line and which utilized three New York City apartments and secret writing and microfilm in their exchange of information and instructions. He mentioned a number of individuals involved or associated in this matter, naming some and identifying others by pseudonyms.

Thereafter, he mentioned association with Dr. Philip Rosenbliet, John Sherman, was.; Maxim Lieber; Hideo Noda, a Japanese; a Finn or Estonian who held an important position in the Soviet network and who preceded Boris Bykov. Throughout the interview, Chambers spoke of J. Peters and Peters' role in making contacts and supplying individuals for the work.

Chambers then related his association with Harold Ware and the group which Harold Ware had organized, including Alger Hiss, Donald Hiss, Charles Kramer, Lee Pressman, etc. He explained how the primary objective

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was placing these men in key positions and how subsequently the principal objective changed to securing information from those who were well placed. He also told about the introduction into the parallel of George ~~X~~Silverman and Harry D. ~~X~~White.

He spent some time discussing Colonel Borris Bykov, listing the persons who had met Bykov on one or more occasions, and stated that Bykov was known well by J. Peters and unknown subject ~~X~~"Keith". He had a new vague recollection that "Keith's" real name may have been ~~X~~Crane, but observed that this was very vague. He mentioned that "Keith" had associated with John Sherman on the West Coast and was certain that "Keith" came from the West Coast by reason of the following incident:

In connection with the news item concerning \$10,000 which Chambers allegedly carried to San Francisco, Chambers explained that in 1935, unknown subject ~~X~~"Bill" had sent him to San Francisco with a money belt for the use of individuals on the West Coast. He was not entrusted with the purpose for which the money was sent. He registered at the Golden Gate YMCA as Lloyd ~~X~~Cantwell and by prearrangement was contacted by "Keith", whom he then met as ~~X~~"Pete". Subsequently, "Keith" introduced him to an elderly Jewish man named ~~X~~Volkoff, who was known as the ~~X~~"Old Man" and was connected with the Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat. He did not recall whether he delivered the money belt to "Keith" or Volkoff, but believed it was probably the latter. He mentioned that he understood the Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat was operating a courier system to Japan at the time and he assumed the money was for underground purposes. He stated he did not know the amount of money in the belt and that the news item apparently reflected a casual estimate by him to the Committee that they would not have sent him out there with less than the sum of \$10,000.

Old Man ~~X~~Volkoff

With reference to the 52 additional batches of secret papers, Chambers stated this was a rough estimate based upon visits every week or ten days with his contacts.

Concerning mention of the Norden bomb sight, Chambers stated that he knew that contact Vincent ~~X~~Reno had been working on a bomb sight and that he may have mentioned the Norden bomb sight, but that he felt this statement must be qualified.

Regarding the four costly rugs mentioned in the news article, Chambers repeated that they were delivered to Harry D. White, Alger Hiss, A. George ~~X~~Silverman and H. Julian ~~X~~Wadleigh.

Chambers mentioned that the Committee had questioned him very closely about Noel Field and about Laurence Duggan. In this connection, he recalled that Hiss had conceived the idea that Noel Field would be a good source of information and had rushed him in an effort to recruit him but returned to Chambers with the story that Field was already in a parallel. Chambers recalled for what it is worth that Noel Field was the best friend of Laurence Duggan and he cannot but believe that Duggan was aware of the activity around him. ✓

Further concerning Duggan, Chambers recalled that about 1937, Frederick Vanderbilt Field was operating an apparatus in New York City in an apartment donated for the purpose by his mother. In some way Chambers became aware that F. V. Field and Duggan had been classmates, probably at Princeton University, and J. Peters introduced Chambers to Field for the purpose of recruiting Duggan. He stated Field went to Washington, D. C. to see Duggan and that Duggan brushed him off by indicating that he was already serving in an apparatus. Chambers stated that he also had a dim recollection that Hiss had made an effort to recruit Duggan and it was his impression that Duggan told Hiss substantially the same, namely, that he was already operating. As a result of these contacts, Chambers was definitely of the impression that Duggan was a part of or associated with the apparatus of Hedi Komperz.

Chambers was very cooperative throughout the interview and upon the conclusion expressed willingness to be interviewed at any time and stated he would be glad to come to Washington for such interview.

In conversation with Mr. Whearty, it was indicated that Chambers is scheduled to appear before the Grand Jury in New York City on January 3, 1949.

A letter containing a more detailed report of the above interview will be submitted on Monday, January 3, 1949.

Arrangements are being made for the New York office to interview Chambers thoroughly when he appears before the Grand Jury. Also a check is being made to identify the subjects on the West Coast.

As previously indicated we ought to get Chambers before the Grand Jury & get his whole story once & for all.

Editor Made Deliveries In N. Y. Weekly

Mundt Releases Story After 5-Hour Hearing

By FRANK HOLEMAN

The House un-American activities committee revealed yesterday that besides the hot documents found in Whittaker Chambers' pumpkin "at least" 52 other big batches of top secret papers including data on the Norden bomb sight, were stolen by Red spies in pre-war Washington.

All these documents, the bulk of which came from the State department, were delivered by Chambers in 1937-38 to a Soviet secret agent in New York for transmission to Moscow.

Made Weekly Trips

Rep. Mundt (R) of South Dakota, acting chairman of the committee, said Chambers has testified that in serving as the ring's New York to Washington courier, he made one trip a week for a full year before he finally decided to break with the Communist party. The committee said the Chambers group functioned for a year after that.

The "pumpkin papers" which he produced only recently were to be in his next delivery, when he broke with the party in 1938.

The report said Chambers told the committee he once took a money belt containing \$10,000 from New York to San Francisco for the purpose of financing west coast spy operations.

By wartime agreement, Russia occupied the industrial northern half of Korea, while U. S. forces moved into the agricultural zone south of the thirty-eight parallel. The U. S. Army announced in Washington Tuesday night that it was withdrawing the 17th Infantry Division from Korea in accordance with an agreement with Russia to evacuate all troops from the peninsula. The evacuation was completed Christmas day, six days ahead of the midnight, Dec. 31 deadline set by the Russians themselves.

News agency Tass reported today that the official Soviet withdrawal of its occupation forces from Korea, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported today. Tass said the evacuation was completed Christmas day, six days ahead of the midnight, Dec. 31 deadline set by the Russians themselves.

Final Report Issued

These revelations came as the committee released its final report on the Hiss-Chambers controversy, entitled "Communist Espionage within the United States Government."

The report declared that Communist espionage is probably still continuing within the government, and recommended, among other things, stiffening of the espionage laws, passage of the Mundt-Nixon anti-subversive bill and raising the penalty for contempt of Congress from one year in jail to five years with a \$5,000 fine.

For the first time, the committee definitely linked the Chambers underground apparatus with the spy ring headed by the ex-Red spy queen, Elizabeth T. Bentley, during the war. The report said four persons were "definitely established" as members of both rings but did not name them.

Ring May Be Operating

"We have no evidence to indicate that the operations of this second apparatus (the Bentley group) do not continue to the present time," the report declared.

"The committee knows that the desire on the part of Russian Communists for information from America is necessarily stronger today than it was before or during the war," it went on.

"We also know that the cooperative techniques existing between the Communists in Russia and the Communists in America are still intact, and that there are Communists in government today."

It cited State department firings of 151 persons since Jan. 1, 1947, "for security reasons" as evidence that Reds are still in sensitive jobs.

Five Hours to Tell Story

Chambers poured out the full, hair-raising story of his courier activities in a five-hour meeting with committee members at his home near Westminster, Md., Tuesday night, Mundt revealed.

It was his job, Chambers said, to carry material from ring members in Washington to Col. Boris Bykov, in New York. The squat red-haired Bykov has been previously identified as a NKVD agent, top Red spy in the United States.

The material was usually microfilmed in a secret studio in Baltimore, Chambers related. He then tucked the rolls of microfilm in a tobacco pouch and carried them to Bykov.

Five rolls of film—two developed and three undeveloped—were found in the pumpkin on Chambers' farm. These were the last batch he collected. He hid them for 10 years in an abandoned dumb waiter in a Brooklyn house.

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tion of each week's operation:
"The source would bring the documents out in a brief case, and take them home. There, Chambers would take over the briefcase, and go on to meet a photographic expert at a prearranged place.

The expert would take the brief case and document to a laboratory in Baltimore, put the documents on film, and would return the brief case and contents to Chambers the same night.

"Sometimes Chambers stated it would be as late as one in the morning before he got the briefcase back. He would then proceed to the home of his source, deliver the brief case, and the documents would be returned to the State department files.

Exchange in Baltimore

"Chambers would then pick up the microfilms in Baltimore, place them in a tobacco pouch, and carry them to New York, where he would deliver them to a Col. Bykov of the Soviet espionage system, who was at that time known to Chambers only as "Peter." That was the procedure on the 52 batches, which immediately preceded the pumpkin file.

But even as early as 1932 Chambers testified, he obtained documents from the State department, the bureau of standards, the Aberdeen proving ground, and the Navy, the report said. In addition, he got vital information from key U. S. industries."

In a scathing section of the "enormity of crimes involved," the report said: "We cannot over-emphasize the enormity of the reprehensible crimes involved in the act of furnishing a foreign power with documents of vital security import. Such acts precipitate wars, they destroy the fruits of martial victory and they endanger the basic institutions of freedom upon which our liberties depend."

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HENRY WRIGHT arrested by Buffalo PD 8-28-45; admitted to Meyer Memorial Hospital, same date, for mental examination; died at Meyer Memorial Hospital 11-5-45. Vital Statistics, Buffalo, N.Y., confirms this information on record number 6236, series 1945.

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Bureau teletype dated December 27, 1948.

DETAILS: The identification records of the Buffalo Police Department show an arrest record for HENRY WRIGHT on August 28, 1945. He was arrested at this time for "unusual behavior" in the downtown area of Buffalo, New York, and sent to Meyer Memorial Hospital for observation.

The records of Meyer Memorial Hospital show that HENRY WRIGHT was admitted to that hospital on August 28, 1945, and for a period of two months and seven days received medical treatment but finally expired on November 5, 1945. The cause of death was listed as rheumatic heart disease.

The Vital Statistics Records, City Hall, Buffalo, New York, record number 6236, series 1945, confirms the information shown in Meyer Memorial Hospital records. Additional information contained on the death certificate is identical with information contained in the file of HENRY WRIGHT, that is, birthdate, birthplace, residences, etc.

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