

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO 65-1928

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Buffalo, New York</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2/3/49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/2/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT T. CRYAN</b>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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J. [unclear]*

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**REFERENCE :**

Bureau File 74-133,  
St. Paul teletype to Bureau, dated February 1, 1949.

**DETAILS:**

AT SALAMANCA, NEW YORK

Special Agent CHRISTOPHER W. NELSON contacted Dr. O. J. CASE on February 2, 1949 at his new location, 27 Broad Street, Salamanca, New York. Dr. CASE had moved from Buffalo in August 1946.

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*cc AAG Campbell  
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~~RECORDED RECORDS~~

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Dr. CASE stated, however, that if TIMOTHY HOBSON had been discharged from the service as a homosexual, information regarding this case would be known to Lieutenant Commander FRANCIS B. McGUIRE. According to Dr. CASE, Dr. McGUIRE is now employed as Fire Surgeon with the Albany Police Department, Albany, New York.

Dr. CASE also stated that any records concerning TIMOTHY HOBSON'S case or any correspondence in connection with this case between the HISS family and the Navy would have been in possession of Chief Pharmacist Mate MELVIN OGBORN. Dr. CASE did not know Mr. OGBORN'S present address.

Dr. CASE further advised Special Agent NELSON that he does not have any typewritten correspondence in his possession, nor does he ever recall having any typewritten correspondence which might have emanated from the HISS residence. Dr. HISS was quite sure that if by any chance there had been such correspondence, its present location would be known to Chief Pharmacist Mate OGBORN, or at least he would know of the existence of any typewritten correspondence.

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THE ALBANY OFFICE

AT ALBANY, NEW YORK

In accordance with Buffalo teletype dated February 3, 1948, will contact Dr. FRANCIS B. McGUIRE, 14 Madison Place for any information he may have regarding TIMOTHY HOBSON, aka HISS, or the existence of any typewritten correspondence in the Navy files emanating from the HISS residence.

THE NEW YORK OFFICE

AT GARDEN CITY, NEW YORK

In accordance with Buffalo teletype dated February 4, 1949, will check records of enlisted personnel for whereabouts of former Chief Pharmacist Mate MELVIN OGBORN in order this person may be interviewed concerning his knowledge of TIMOTHY HOBSON, aka HISS, or of correspondence relative to HOBSON emanating from the HISS residence.

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KC FILE NO. 65-1263

REPORT MADE AT <b>KANSAS CITY</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-3-49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-2-49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT T. McIVER</b> <span style="float: right;">MEJ</span>
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TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. et al</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R</b>
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Kansas City Confidential Informant received form letter from American Civil Liberties Union, October 7, 1948, signed by BILL MAULDIN, urging membership in A.C.L.U. LAWRENCE DUGGAN mentioned on letterhead among Board of Directors. Informant has no personal knowledge of LAWRENCE DUGGAN or any groups of which he is a member.

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**REFERENCE:** Bureau file 74-1333  
Bureau teletype to Kansas City dated 2-1-49

**DETAILS:**

Referenced Bureau teletype noted that Kansas City letter dated January 17, 1949 re LAWRENCE DUGGAN set out information supplied by Kansas City Confidential Informant T-1 in which she had reported by letter that "LAWRENCE DUGGAN was a member of some of my New York groups and played around with them, and STEPHEN DUGGAN is doing the same now - I am afraid of more accidents. I received a personal letter from LAWRENCE DUGGAN's group October 7. If they wrote to me, of course you know their status as I do. I'm keeping letter for you."

This Informant further stated in her letter that she thought LAWRENCE DUGGAN was "railroaded to his death" and further that she was asked to become a member some time ago of his group and sent in a membership card as requested. The referenced Bureau teletype requested that

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*cc AAG Campbell*  
*2-9-49*

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~~DISCONTINUED RECORD~~

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this Informant be re-interviewed and that the letter which was sent to her from New York be obtained.

On 2-2-49 Kansas City Confidential Informant T-1 was interviewed by SA C. LAWRENCE RICE and the writer at which time she produced the letter to which she had referred when she directed a letter to this office on January 9, 1949. The letter which she received "from LAWRENCE DUGGAN's group October 7" was found to be a letter signed by BILL MAULDIN on stationery of the American Civil Liberties Union, 170 Fifth Avenue, New York City. The letter signed by MAULDIN, dated October 7, was a form letter urging membership in the American Civil Liberties Union because it was one group he had found that defended all groups. MAULDIN in the letter noted that within the same week the A.C.L.U. had defended the right of the Communist Party to exist on a Midwestern State ballot, and also had defended the right of GERALD L. K. SMITH to speak. The stationery of the American Civil Liberties Union, on which MAULDIN's letter was written, contained the names of the national officers of the A.C.L.U. as well as the names of sixty five members of the National Committee and thirty one members of the Board of Directors. LAWRENCE DUGGAN's name was listed among the Board of Directors. The Informant said she had no personal knowledge whatsoever of LAWRENCE DUGGAN, and had no knowledge of any groups of which he was a member. In referring to "LAWRENCE DUGGAN's group" she had meant the American Civil Liberties Union. She has no information regarding the other subjects in this case. The letter received by the Informant is being forwarded to New York for their information.

This Informant is considered to be unstable, and the information furnished by her has not always been accurate. She is encouraged to continue to send in material, however, as she often furnishes information of value.

ENCLOSURE TO NEW YORK: Letter received by Confidential Informant from BILL MAULDIN, dated October 7th.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT

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FILE NO. **65-975 - AWE**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Savannah</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>FEB 7 1949</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/3/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>Wilmer L. Thompson</b>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was ET AL</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY: ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**CHARLES W. WARING**, Attorney, Charleston, S.C., was associated with **ALGER HISS** during 1934-36 when both were employees of Dept. of Agriculture. WARING has never been intimate with HISS and has received no personal letters from HISS.

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**REFERENCE:** Bureau File #74-1333.  
Teletype from Washington Field dated 2-2-49

**DETAILS:** MR. CHARLES W. WARING, prominent Charleston, South Carolina Attorney, advised that during 1934 to 1936 he was an attorney in the Tax Department of the Department of Agriculture. During this same period of time, ALGER HISS also was employed by the Department of Agriculture but in a different branch. HISS' office was a few doors away from that of WARING and they saw each other frequently during office hours. MR. WARING stated he was never intimate with HISS and he rarely saw him after office hours except at occasional office parties. MR. WARING stated that the branch he was working with was discontinued in 1936 and thereafter he only saw HISS on rare occasions and has never received any personal mail from HISS. MR. WARING stated that HISS was sponsored by JEROME FRANK in the Department of Agriculture. MR. WARING also stated that the head of his department always regarded HISS with coolness due to the fact HISS was constantly trying to enlarge his authority and jurisdiction at the expense of other branch heads.

cc AAG Campbell  
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Mr. WARING stated that any mail he may officially have received from HISS would be filed in the records of the Department of Agriculture, and such letters would have been prepared by HISS at the Department of Agriculture.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2/4/49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/31; 2/1/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>G. PARNELL THORNTON</b>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, etal</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Professor TRACY F. TYLER, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised he lived in Apartment 40 at 2831 28th Street NW, Washington, D. C. from June, 1931 to September, 1935. Photographs of ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS exhibited to Professor TYLER, his son, TRACY F. TYLER, Jr., and his second wife, Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER, and they were unable to identify either ALGER HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS as being individuals that they recalled living in the same apartment building from July 1, 1934 to June 28, 1935. FRANZ B. ANDREEN, Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised he recalls the name of TIMOTHY HOBSON, but does not remember any details about HOBSON's discharge from the Navy as a homosexual.

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**REFERENCE:**

Washington Field Office letter to Bureau dated 1/27/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to Los Angeles dated 1/31/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office and New York dated 1/31/49;  
 St. Paul letter to Omaha dated 1/31/49;  
 Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau and St. Paul dated 2/1/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to San Francisco dated 2/1/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office and New York dated 2/1/49;  
 Los Angeles teletype to St. Paul dated 2/2/49.

cc AAG Campbell  
2-18-49

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DETAILS: AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA:

Professor TRACY F. TYLER, Assistant to the President, University of Minnesota, was interviewed at his office, Room 111 Northrup Hall, and he advised that he and his first wife and family resided in Apartment 40, 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. from June of 1931 to September of 1935. Photographs of ALGER HISS, Mrs. CHAMBERS with a small child and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and a small child were exhibited to him and he advised that he did not recall seeing any of these individuals in the apartment building in which he lived. He stated that he was unable to identify the photographs which were exhibited to him, but stated that possibly his first wife, Mrs. RUTH S. TYLER, who now resides at 835 West 9th Street, San Pedro, California, might possibly be of assistance in this matter. Professor TYLER stated that when he lived at the above address he travelled a great deal of the time and that as he recalls during May and June of 1935 he was on the West Coast doing some work.

Mr. TYLER advised that last Summer he received a long distance telephone call from some individual whose name he does not recall and advised that this individual stated that he was ALGER HISS' attorney and that he was questioned as to whether or not he recalled ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS residing in that apartment building. He advised that he told this unknown person that he did not recall either person.

Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER, second wife of Professor TYLER, was interviewed at her home at 1564 Fulham, St. Paul, Minnesota. She advised that she was married to Mr. TYLER in New York City in 1936 and stated that she called at Mr. TYLER's apartment a few times when he lived in Apartment 40, 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C.

TRACY F. TYLER, Jr., age 24, student at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was interviewed at his residence, 315 19th Street Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and he advised that he resided with his parents when they lived in Apartment 40 at 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. from 1931 to 1935.

Photographs of ALGER HISS, Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child, and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child were exhibited to Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER and TRACY F. TYLER, JR. with negative results.

It is to be noted that Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER advised that when Professor TYLER lived at the above address that his daughter, GERALDINE, age 30, who is now Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ, also lived at the apartment and she now lives with her husband at 1012 North Main Street, McCook, Nebraska.

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A teletype was transmitted to the Los Angeles Office on January 31, 1949

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requesting that Mrs. RUTH S. TYLER, who resides at 835 West 9th Street, San Pedro, California, be interviewed and photographs of the above individuals exhibited to her.

The Omaha Office by letter dated January 31, 1949 was requested to interview Professor TYLER's daughter, GERALDINE, who is now Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ, 1012 North Main Street, McCook, Nebraska.

The Washington Field Office was requested by teletype to transmit to the Omaha and Los Angeles Offices photographs of Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child which were transmitted with a copy of referenced letter to the St. Paul Office.

FRANZ B. ANDREEN, 162 Taylor Avenue, Fort Snelling, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised that during the war he was stationed at Union College in Schenectady, New York, from April 14, 1944 to November 9, 1945 and that he was the commanding officer there. He stated that he does recall the name of TIMOTHY HOBSON, but does not remember HOBSON's being discharged from the Navy as a homosexual. Mr. ANDREEN advised that in the event HOBSON was discharged for that reason that the matter would have been handled by Dr. O. J. CASE, then Commander-Chief and by his Executive Officer, CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER.

ANDREEN advised that he had 650 young men under his command at Union College and he reviewed the Union College Annual for the period of time that he was there and was unable to find HOBSON in the Annual or recall any detailed information about HOBSON.

Mr. ANDREEN stated that it is his understanding that Dr. O. J. CASE practiced medicine in Buffalo, New York prior to the war and that he is still living in Buffalo, New York. He stated that his former Executive Officer, CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER is now employed in the Department of Education, Vocational Rehabilitation Division for the State of California, at Sacramento, California.

Mr. ANDREEN stated to his knowledge he has never received any typewritten correspondence from the ALGER HISS residence.

The Buffalo Office was requested by referenced teletype of February 1, 1949 to locate and interview Dr. O. J. CASE and the San Francisco Office was requested by teletype dated February 1, 1949 to locate and interview CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER at Sacramento, California.

Referenced teletype from Los Angeles dated February 2, 1949 requested that TRACY F. TYLER, Jr. who lived with his parents in the same apartment building with ALGER HISS be interviewed. It is to be noted that TRACY F. TYLER, Jr. was interviewed on January 31, 1949.

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LEADS

THE BUFFALO OFFICE

AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Will locate and interview Dr. O. J. CASE, who was formerly a Commander in the United States Navy at Union College, Schenectady, New York, with Lt. Commander FRANZ B. ANDREEN from July, 1944 to July 26, 1945 for any information Dr. CASE may have in his possession concerning HOBSON, it being noted that HOBSON was discharged from the Navy as a homosexual.

Will ascertain if Dr. CASE has any typewritten correspondence in his possession which could have emanated from the ALGER HISS residence. If so, will submit same to the FBI Laboratory for comparison.

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

AT SAN PEDRO, CALIFORNIA

Will exhibit photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and ALGER HISS to Mrs. RUTH S. TYLER, 835 9th Street when they are received from the Washington Field Office. It is to be noted that Mrs. TYLER resided in Apartment 40, 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. from June, 1931 to September, 1935, which was during the time ALGER HISS lived at that address and leased Apartment 42 from July 1, 1934 to June 28, 1935. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS is supposed to have occupied this apartment about the last six weeks of the lease.

THE OMAHA OFFICE

AT McCOOK, NEBRASKA

Will exhibit photographs of ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS when they are received from the Washington Field Office to Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ who lives at 1012 North Main Street, McCook, Nebraska.

It is noted that Mrs. WERTZ resided with her parents in Apartment 40 at 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. during the time ALGER HISS lived in Apartment 42 at this address and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS is supposed to have occupied HISS' apartment for about the last six weeks of the lease.

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*Hon. General  
Col. K82*

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THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Will locate and interview CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER who was formerly Executive Officer at Union College under the command of Lt. Commander FRANZ B. ANDREEN from November 1, 1944 to July 26, 1945. BRUBAKER is now believed to be employed at the State Department of Education, Vocational Rehabilitation Division, State of California, at Sacramento.

Will secure from Mr. BRUBAKER any information in his possession concerning HOBSON, it being noted that HOBSON was discharged from the Navy as a homosexual.

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will forward to the Omaha and Los Angeles Offices the photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child, Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child, and one large photograph of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS which were transmitted to the St. Paul Office with referenced letter of January 27, 1949.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2/4/49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/31; 2/1/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>G: PARNELL THORNTON</b>	RS
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, etal</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Professor TRACY F. TYLER, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised he lived in Apartment 40 at 2831 28th Street NW, Washington, D. C. from June, 1931 to September, 1935. Photographs of ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS exhibited to Professor TYLER, his son, TRACY F. TYLER, Jr., and his second wife, Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER, and they were unable to identify either ALGER HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS as being individuals that they recalled living in the same apartment building from July 1, 1934 to June 28, 1935. FRANZ B. ANDREEN, Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised he recalls the name of TIMOTHY HOBSON, but does not remember any details about HOBSON's discharge from the Navy as a homosexual.

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**REFERENCE:**

Washington Field Office letter to Bureau dated 1/27/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to Los Angeles dated 1/31/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office and New York dated 1/31/49;  
 St. Paul letter to Omaha dated 1/31/49;  
 Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau and St. Paul dated 2/1/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to San Francisco dated 2/1/49;  
 St. Paul teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office and New York dated 2/1/49;  
 Los Angeles teletype to St. Paul dated 2/2/49.

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DETAILS: AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA:

Professor TRACY F. TYLER, Assistant to the President, University of Minnesota, was interviewed at his office, Room 111 Northrup Hall, and he advised that he and his first wife and family resided in Apartment 40, 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. from June of 1931 to September of 1935. Photographs of ALGER HISS, Mrs. CHAMBERS with a small child and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and a small child were exhibited to him and he advised that he did not recall seeing any of these individuals in the apartment building in which he lived. He stated that he was unable to identify the photographs which were exhibited to him, but stated that possibly his first wife, Mrs. RUTH S. TYLER, who now resides at 835 West 9th Street, San Pedro, California, might possibly be of assistance in this matter. Professor TYLER stated that when he lived at the above address he travelled a great deal of the time and that as he recalls during May and June of 1935 he was on the West Coast doing some work.

Mr. TYLER advised that last Summer he received a long distance telephone call from some individual whose name he does not recall and advised that this individual stated that he was ALGER HISS' attorney and that he was questioned as to whether or not he recalled ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS residing in that apartment building. He advised that he told this unknown person that he did not recall either person.

Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER, second wife of Professor TYLER, was interviewed at her home at 1564 Fulham, St. Paul, Minnesota. She advised that she was married to Mr. TYLER in New York City in 1936 and stated that she called at Mr. TYLER's apartment a few times when he lived in Apartment 40, 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C.

TRACY F. TYLER, Jr., age 24, student at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was interviewed at his residence, 315 19th Street Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and he advised that he resided with his parents when they lived in Apartment 40 at 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. from 1931 to 1935.

Photographs of ALGER HISS, Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child, and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child were exhibited to Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER and TRACY F. TYLER JR. with negative results.

It is to be noted that Mrs. VIRGINIA TYLER advised that when Professor TYLER lived at the above address that his daughter, GERALDINE, age 30, who was married to Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ, also lived at the apartment and she now lives with her husband at 1012 North Main Street, McCook, Nebraska.

A teletype was transmitted to the Los Angeles Office on January 31

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questing that Mrs. RUTH S. TYLER, who resides at 835 West 9th Street, San Pedro, California, be interviewed and photographs of the above individuals exhibited to her.

The Omaha Office by letter dated January 31, 1949 was requested to interview Professor TYLER's daughter, GERALDINE, who is now Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ, 1012 North Main Street, McCook, Nebraska.

The Washington Field Office was requested by teletype to transmit to the Omaha and Los Angeles Offices photographs of Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child which were transmitted with a copy of referenced letter to the St. Paul Office.

FRANZ B. ANDREEN, 162 Taylor Avenue, Fort Snelling, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised that during the war he was stationed at Union College in Schenectady, New York; from April 14, 1944 to November 9, 1945 and that he was the commanding officer there. He stated that he does recall the name of TIMOTHY HOBSON, but does not remember HOBSON's being discharged from the Navy as a homosexual. Mr. ANDREEN advised that in the event HOBSON was discharged for that reason that the matter would have been handled by Dr. O. J. CASE, then Commander-in-Chief and by his Executive Officer, CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER.

ANDREEN advised that he had 650 young men under his command at Union College and he reviewed the Union College Annual for the period of time that he was there and was unable to find HOBSON in the Annual or recall any detailed information about HOBSON.

Mr. ANDREEN stated that it is his understanding that Dr. O. J. CASE practiced medicine in Buffalo, New York prior to the war and that he is still living in Buffalo, New York. He stated that his former Executive Officer, CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER is now employed in the Department of Education, Vocational Rehabilitation Division for the State of California, at Sacramento, California.

Mr. ANDREEN stated to his knowledge he has never received any typewritten correspondence from the ALGER HISS residence.

The Buffalo Office was requested by referenced teletype of February 1, 1949 to locate and interview Dr. O. J. CASE and the San Francisco Office was requested by teletype dated February 1, 1949 to locate and interview CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER at Sacramento, California.

Referenced teletype from Los Angeles dated February 2, 1949 requested that F. TYLER, Jr. who lived with his parents in the same apartment building as ALGER HISS be interviewed. It is to be noted that TRACY F. TYLER, Jr. was interviewed on January 31, 1949.

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LEADS

THE BUFFALO OFFICE

AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Will locate and interview Dr. O. J. CASE, who was formerly a Commander in the United States Navy at Union College, Schenectady, New York, with Lt. Commander FRANZ B. ANDREEN from July, 1944 to July 26, 1945 for any information Dr. CASE may have in his possession concerning HOBSON, it being noted that HOBSON was discharged from the Navy as a homosexual.

Will ascertain if Dr. CASE has any typewritten correspondence in his possession which could have emanated from the ALGER HISS residence. If so, will submit same to the FBI Laboratory for comparison.

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

AT SAN PEDRO, CALIFORNIA

Will exhibit photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and ALGER HISS to Mrs. RUTH S. TYLER, 835 9th Street when they are received from the Washington Field Office. It is to be noted that Mrs. TYLER resided in Apartment 40, 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. from June, 1931 to September, 1935, which was during the time ALGER HISS lived at that address and leased Apartment 42 from July 1, 1934 to June 28, 1935. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS is supposed to have occupied this apartment about the last six weeks of the lease.

THE OMAHA OFFICE

AT McCOOK, NEBRASKA

Will exhibit photographs of ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS when they are received from the Washington Field Office to Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ who lives at 1012 North Main Street, McCook, Nebraska.

It is noted that Mrs. WERTZ resided with her parents in Apartment 40 at 2831 28th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. during the time ALGER HISS lived in Apartment 42 at this address and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS is supposed to have occupied HISS' apartment for about the last six weeks of the lease.

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THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Will locate and interview CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER who was formerly Executive Officer at Union College under the command of Lt. Commander FRANZ B. ANDREEN from November 1, 1944 to July 26, 1945. BRUBAKER is now believed to be employed at the State Department of Education, Vocational Rehabilitation Division, State of California, at Sacramento.

Will secure from Mr. BRUBAKER any information in his possession concerning HOBSON, it being noted that HOBSON was discharged from the Navy as a homosexual.

Will ascertain if Mr. BRUBAKER has any typewritten correspondence in his possession that could have emanated from the ALGER HISS residence. If so, will submit same to the FBI Laboratory for comparison.

THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will forward to the Omaha and Los Angeles Offices the photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child, Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and child, and one large photograph of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS which were transmitted to the St. Paul Office with referenced letter of January 27, 1949.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. ET AL.			PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R.	

PAUL CROUCH, Miami, Florida, unable to furnish any information concerning subjects. Laboratory concluded that Woodstock typewriter #149477 owned by Mrs. ANDREW ARCHER, St. Petersburg, Florida, not used to type questioned documents. Mr. GRAY FOSTER, Palm Beach, Florida, former neighbor of ALGER HISS in Washington, D. C. had no information of value. Mr. DWAYNE G. BROWNELL, Lake Wales, Florida, former neighbor of FELIX INSLERMAN at Cambridge, New York, unable to furnish information of value. Woodstock typewriter of Mr. CHARLES STURBITTS, Winter Haven, Florida, is in Washington, D. C. Mr. ELIOT O'HARA, West Palm Beach, Florida, social acquaintance of ALGER HISS, could furnish no information of value. PHILIP HANSON HISS JR. III, Siesta Key, Florida, cousin of ALGER HISS, has no information of value. PHILIP HISS furnished, for examination, two typewritten letters received from ALGER HISS in 1948 and possibly has another letter received in 1942 in files at New Canaan, Connecticut.

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cc AAG Campbell  
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REFERENCE:

Bureau file 74-1333;  
Bureau teletype to all SACs dated January 11, 1949;  
New York City letter to Bureau January 7, 1949;

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at Miami;  
Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau and  
Miami January 13, 1949;  
Albany teletype to Bureau and Miami January 14, 1949;  
New York City teletype to Miami January 14, 1949;  
Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau and Miami  
January 18, 1949;  
New Haven teletype to Bureau and Miami January 19, 1949;  
San Francisco teletype to Bureau and Miami January 19,  
1949;  
Report of SA F. X. McBRIDE, January 21, 1949, New  
Haven, Connecticut;  
Miami teletype to Bureau, New York City and New Haven  
January 28, 1949;  
Philadelphia teletype to Miami January 28, 1949.

DETAILS: AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Mr. PAUL CROUCH, 10421 N.W. 33rd Avenue, former Communist Party organizer for many years in various sections of the United States, was unable to furnish any information of value concerning any of the subjects of this investigation.

Laboratory report dated January 14, 1949, advised that it was concluded from an examination of typewritten specimens K293, secured from Woodstock typewriter #149477, that this typewriter was not used to type the questioned documents in this case.

AT PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

The following investigation was performed by Special Agent MARTIN A. MANLEY:

Mr. GRAY FOSTER, 1459 N. Ocean Boulevard, advised that he has resided in Florida for the past seven years and prior to that time resided in Washington, D. C. During 1933 and 1934, Mr. FOSTER lived in the 3200 block of S. Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C. However, he was not aware of the fact that ALGER HISS resided in this same neighborhood. Mr. FOSTER recalled that he has met ALGER HISS on one or two occasions through ALGER's brother, DONALD HISS, but Mr. FOSTER could not remember the circumstances surrounding these meetings and was unable to furnish any information of value concerning HISS' relationship with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

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AT LAKE WALES, FLORIDA

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent RUSSELL A FRYE:

Mr. DWAYNE G. BROWNELL, 846 Carlton Avenue, advised that until recently he had owned a farm at Cambridge, New York, which was located near the farm owned by FELIX INSLERMAN. Mr. BROWNELL said that INSLERMAN and his wife were the BROWNELL's immediate neighbors from the summer of 1941 until 1946, at which time BROWNELL moved to another farm about a mile away from this same locality. BROWNELL recalled that INSLERMAN and his wife originally came to Cambridge from Argyle, New York, and purchased this farm from its former owner, Mr. HARRY HARRINGTON of Cambridge, New York.

Mr. BROWNELL said that despite the fact that the INSLERMANs were close neighbors of his, he had never closely associated with them due to the fact that the INSLERMANs were regarded in the community as being very strongly pro-German during World War II. According to Mr. BROWNELL, INSLERMAN, during this period, was employed as a draftsman at an aircraft factory located on Long Island, New York, and, as a result of this employment, INSLERMAN never actually worked the farm which he owned. About one year ago, according to Mr. BROWNELL, INSLERMAN secured employment with the General Electric Company in Schenectady, New York, and during this period he commuted to his farm in Cambridge. Mr. BROWNELL said that he had very little contact with INSLERMAN and in these few contacts never discussed politics or never observed anything that would cause him to be suspicious of INSLERMAN's activity.

Mr. BROWNELL suggested that the following individuals, all living at Cambridge, New York, would possibly know something concerning INSLERMAN:

HARRY HARRINGTON, former owner of INSLERMAN's farm;  
EVERETT KENYON, neighbor and close friend of INSLERMAN;  
EDWARD C. HORTON, who purchased Mr. BROWNELL's farm adjoining the INSLERMAN property;  
Mrs. HILEY KEYS, former housekeeper for Mr. BROWNELL and an acquaintance of Mrs. INSLERMAN.

AT WINTER HAVEN, FLORIDA

The following investigation was performed by Special



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Agent HOWARD K. RUTHERFORD:

Mr. CHARLES STURBITTS, 143 Avenue A, Southeast, owner of Woodstock typewriter overhauled by the Leon Typewriter Company in Washington, D. C., advised that he purchased his typewriter about twenty years ago and that this typewriter is presently in the custody of his secretary, Mrs. DORIS KENDALL, Apartment F240, 3690 38th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

AT WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

The following investigation was performed by Special Agent MARTIN A. MANLEY:

Mr. ELIOT O'HARA, 315½ Mango Promenade, advised that his permanent residence address is 2025 O Street, Northwest, in Washington, D. C. Mr. O'HARA stated that he has known Mr. and Mrs. ALGER HISS socially since 1943. However, he has not seen either of them during the past two years. Mr. O'HARA recalled that all of his contacts with Mr. and Mrs. HISS have been of a social nature and on one or two occasions he has had dinner in the HISS home and likewise has entertained the HISSes for dinner in his own residence. Mr. O'HARA said that he did not know WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and has never seen CHAMBERS in HISS' residence, nor could furnish any information of value concerning HISS' activities.

AT SARASOTA, FLORIDA

The following investigation was performed by Special Agent ORVILLE F. McVAY:

Mr. PHILIP HANSON HISS JR. III, Route 4, Box 106, Siesta Key, advised that he is a second or third cousin of ALGER HISS. PHILIP HISS first met ALGER HISS in Washington, D. C. about 1941 or 1942, and thereafter had an occasional luncheon or dinner contact of a social nature with ALGER HISS when they were both together in Washington, D. C. PHILIP HISS said that he was Director of Holland Operations for the Office of War Information from the middle of 1945 to the middle of 1946; that he was also associated with the Office of Strategic Services during World War II, but that although both the OWI and the OSS were subsequently absorbed into the State Department, he had no official contact whatsoever with ALGER HISS while connected with these two Government agencies.

PHILIP HISS said that he has no direct or indirect

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knowledge of any disloyal actions on the part of ALGER HISS and has always regarded ALGER HISS as a loyal and patriotic citizen. PHILIP HISS furnished two typewritten letters from ALGER HISS, the one dated November 17, 1948, on the letterhead of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and the other dated December 23, 1948, at New York City. Both of these letters are signed by ALGER HISS and were transmitted to the Laboratory for examination by the Miami Office on January 27, 1949.

PHILIP HISS said that these two aforementioned letters are the only pieces of correspondence in his possession which he has received from ALGER HISS, with the exception of possibly a typewritten letter received from ALGER HISS in 1942 or 1943, which may be in a locked file cabinet containing personal papers of PHILIP HISS in his mother's residence at New Canaan, Connecticut. There is no one residing in this New Canaan residence at this time except the house maid, and PHILIP HISS' mother will not return there for two months. However, PHILIP HISS is arranging, by correspondence and contact through his mother, to have his cousins LAWRENCE S. GREENE or CHARLES BANCROFT of New Canaan, Connecticut, search through his personal papers in this file cabinet in an effort to locate this letter from ALGER HISS. This information has been furnished the New Haven Office so that appropriate contact can be had with GREENE or BANCROFT to secure this letter and forward same to the Laboratory for examination.

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THE NEW HAVEN OFFICE

AT NEW CANAAN, CONNECTICUT

Will refer to Miami teletype to the Bureau, New Haven and New York dated January 28, 1949, requesting New Haven to make arrangements to contact LAWRENCE GREEN or CHARLES BANCROFT after they have examined the personal file cabinet of PHILIP HISS and secure from them the letter found in that file cabinet written to PHILIP HISS by ALGER HISS. Thereafter, this letter should be transmitted to the Laboratory for appropriate examination.

THE MIAMI OFFICE

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will report the results of the Laboratory examination of the two typewritten letters written to PHILIP HISS by ALGER HISS in 1948, which were transmitted to the Laboratory for examination on January 27, 1949.

Will refer to Philadelphia teletype dated January 28, 1948, requesting that RAYMOND J. PEELER, residing in care of Birch's Trailer Park, 2980 N.W. 79th Street, Miami, Florida, be interviewed for any information in his possession concerning FELIX INSLERMAN.

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REFERENCE: Bureau file 74-1333;  
Bureau teletype to all SACs dated January 11, 1949;  
New York City letter to Bureau January 7, 1949;

⑤ - Bureau (AMSD)				
3 - New York (1-Mr. T. J. Donegan, Special Assistant to the Attorney General in New York City) (AMSD)				
2 - New Haven				
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, N.Y.**

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REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW HAVEN, CONN.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-8-49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/3, 7/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>FRANCIS X. MC BRIDE</b>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, ET AL</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Typewritten letter dated 8-20-45 from ALGER HISS to PHILIP H. HISS, III, Cedarcrest, New Canaan, Conn. made available by LAURENCE S. GREENE of New Canaan, cousin of PHILIP H. HISS, III. Letter forwarded to Bureau Laboratory under separate cover.

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**REFERENCE:**

BUREAU FILE 74-1333.  
Miami teletype to Bureau, New York, and New Haven dated 1-28-49.  
WFO letter to the Bureau dated 2-7-49.

**DETAILS:**

Referenced Miami teletype revealed that PHILIP HANSON HISS, III, a resident of New Canaan, Connecticut, was interviewed at Siesta Key, Sarasota, Florida, relative to his relationship and contacts with ALGER HISS. During the interview PHILIP HANSON HISS, III, advised that there was a possibility that a typewritten letter addressed to him from ALGER HISS was located in his locked file cabinet containing personal papers in the home of his mother at New Canaan, Connecticut. PHILIP indicated during the interview, that he would arrange to correspond with his cousin, LAURENCE S. GREENE in New Canaan, who would effect arrangements to have the papers in the file cabinet examined for the presence of any letter from ALGER HISS to himself.

cc AAG Campbell  
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*[Handwritten signature]*

On February 3, 1949 LAURENCE S. GREENE, Clapboard Hill Road, New Canaan, Connecticut, advised that he had received a note from his cousin, PHILIP HANSON HISS, III, authorizing him to search PHILIP'S personal correspondence file cabinet located in the residence of his mother at New Canaan, and indicated that he, Mr. GREENE, would perform such a request upon receipt of a letter from PHILIP'S mother, CAROLYN DOW, informing him as to the location of the key to PHILIP'S personal correspondence file cabinet.

On February 7, 1949 Mr. GREENE made available one typewritten letter dated August 20, 1945 addressed to PHILIP H. HISS, Cedarcrest, New Canaan, Connecticut, and signed "ALGER". The letter in question was prepared on stationery of the U. S. Department of State and bears the State Department seal. Mr. GREENE advised that he had thoroughly examined all the correspondence of his cousin PHILIP and that the only letter which appeared from ALGER HISS to PHILIP was the one in question. Mr. GREENE advised that he desired to have the letter returned and requested that he be furnished with a signed receipt indicating that the letter had been turned over to a representative of the FBI.

By letter dated February 8, 1949 the letter which was received from LAURENCE S. GREENE was forwarded to the Bureau Laboratory for appropriate examination.

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NEW HAVEN OFFICE

AT NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Will interview Professor THOMAS I. EMERSON at the Yale Law School, in accordance with the request as set out in the Washington Field letter to the Bureau under date of February 7, 1949, with reference to ALGER HISS, his associates, activities, and for any knowledge which he may possess, in conformity with Washington Field teletype in the above matter to all offices dated January 10, 1949.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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LEAD

NEW HAVEN OFFICE

AT NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was; Et Al</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R	

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Miss Gurney  
Cattell  
J. J. [unclear]*

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cc AAG-Campbell  
2-18-49  
F. L. [unclear]

Bureau File 74-1333.  
Letter to the Bureau from Washington Field Office, 1-27-49.

**DETAILS:**

AT JACKSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

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with the manager of the apartment house and the couple who resided in the apartment next to theirs, but could not recall either family's name. Mrs. SATTERWAITE further stated that they did not mix with residents in the apartment house as their friends and associates were acquaintances from North Carolina who were then residing in Washington, D. C.

~~E. HILTON SATTERWAITE~~, who is a civilian employee at the United States Marine Base, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised that he could not identify the photographs of HISS, CHAMBERS or his family as former residents at 2831 - 28th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. Mr. SATTERWAITE was then employed as receiving clerk for Peoples' Drug Company at their warehouse located at 1st and Florida Avenues, N.E., Washington, D. C.

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New York teletype to Milwaukee, 2/4/49.

Report of Special Agent CLARK E. LOVRIE dated 1/25/49 at Milwaukee.

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2-8-49  
F. L. Jess*

*John J. [unclear]  
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DETAILS:

WILLIAM WARD FIGMAN

At Appleton, Wisconsin:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ALEXANDER P. LE GRAND and the writer:

WILLIAM WARD FIGMAN was interviewed on February 7, 1949 at his home, 702 East North Street, Appleton, Wisconsin. A photograph of DAVID ZIMMERMAN, furnished Milwaukee by New York, was exhibited to FIGMAN and he identified it as a picture of a man he knew in Washington, D. C. as DAVID ZIMMERMAN. He stated that he had previously identified this photograph before the federal grand jury in New York City as that of DAVID ZIMMERMAN. The photograph shown him there, however, contained three individuals including ZIMMERMAN.

FIGMAN stated that he became acquainted with DAVID ZIMMERMAN, whom he knew under no other name, when FIGMAN belonged to the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians in Washington, D. C. He stated that he was active in the Washington local of this union from about 1933 to 1936 and he believes that it was from 1934 to 1936 that he knew ZIMMERMAN. He could not recall whether ZIMMERMAN held any office in this union, was an organizer for the union, or just what his connection with the union was. ZIMMERMAN did not work for the Bureau of Standards and FIGMAN does not recall whether he had a job with the government or not. FIGMAN himself lost interest in the union about 1936. He may have seen ZIMMERMAN on one or two occasions from 1936 until FIGMAN went to Europe in the summer of 1938, but he recalls no instance.

FIGMAN was vague as to the details of his contacts with ZIMMERMAN but stated that he met him at several business meetings of the union and may have seen him at the homes of mutual friends. In connection with this latter statement, FIGMAN explained that when he was first in the Bureau of Standards prior to his marriage he was assigned to the "cement section" where he made a number of friends whom he continued to associate with from time to time through the union and in what he described as "informal gatherings" at the homes of various of these people. He believes ZIMMERMAN was present at some of these "informal gatherings." The nature of the gatherings were social for the most part but they entered into discussions of "many things" probably including politics. FIGMAN could be no more specific on this point. He stated that he could name several individuals who were probably at these gatherings, but the only two he would name because he was sure were HERBERT INSLEY, who to the best of his knowledge is still employed in the Bureau of Standards, and EINAR BLINT, presently employed by Armour Research Foundation in Chicago, Illinois.

FIGMAN was questioned as to whether or not he knew of any women with whom ZIMMERMAN associated and in particular if he knew a woman by the name of ELEANOR NELSON, ELEANOR NELSON PORTER or ELEANOR

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PIGMAN was questioned for further details concerning the nature of the discussions held by the previously described "informal gatherings." In explanation of this he stated that in his younger days, particularly at the period of time from 1933 to 1936, he himself held several "leftish" views on social and political matters. He was asked to explain what he meant by the word "leftish." He stated that at this period of time he recalls having attended several Soviet moving pictures and lectures, usually at some union hall in Washington, D. C. He was unable to recall under whose auspices any of these lectures and movies were presented, nor who invited or urged him to attend them; if anyone did. In further explanation of his beliefs and activities at this time, PIGMAN volunteered that there was considerable feeling among government workers, particularly among those he knew at the Bureau of Standards concerning the low wages they received at that time. He attributes this condition to the fact that he and his friends became interested in F.A.E.C.T. and took an active part in not only union activities but in political and economic discussions.

In summation of his descriptions of the "informal gatherings" he stated that they were more or less continuations of discussions held during their lunch hours at work and that no doubt they had met on occasions in his home as well as in the homes of the other individuals in this group.

PIGMAN volunteered that it seemed to him the attorneys before the grand jury were interested in his activities in Europe other than his research work and for that reason he wanted to relate them to the agents. He stated that he went to the University of Leipzig on a fellowship from the Lalor Foundation at Wilmington, Delaware. The head of this organization is Doctor LALOR BURDICK. This foundation as well as other similar ones advertises in various technical publications that it has fellowships available for deserving students. He believes that he saw the ad of the Lalor Foundation in what was then known as "Industrial and Engineering Chemistry News Edition" which is now known as "Chemical and Engineering News." He merely made an application stating his qualifications and was accepted.



While at the University of Leipzig in 1938 and 1939 he did research work on enzymes and glycosides and based upon this research wrote eight published papers, seven of which were published in German journals and one in an American journal. These articles appeared in the following publications in the volume, page and year shown:

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of a professor friend of his at Leipzig by the name of Doctor JOSEPH STETTER. STETTER had given FIGMAN 300 marks to purchase goods in America for his wife in Moscow. Upon his return to the United States, FIGMAN placed an order with Sears Roebuck Company, Export Department, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. FIGMAN produced a letter from that organization which enclosed three documents described in the cover letter as "license forms" bearing serial numbers as follows: 91777, 91778 and 91779. These forms were in the nature of invoices and each listed several items in the Russian language which FIGMAN stated referred to household goods and clothing which he had ordered at this woman's request. The license forms indicated the goods were shipped through Intourist, Inc., 545 Fifth Avenue, New York City. The addressee on the forms was written in the Russian language and appeared as follows:

СТЕТТЕР, ИОСЕФИ АНАТОЛЕВНА  
УА МАПКСА ШИФЕРБОА 19, КВ 1  
МОСКВА, СССР

FIGMAN would not let this letter and forms leave his possession but agreed to have photostatic copies made of them and to forward the copies to the Milwaukee Office providing he could make convenient arrangements.

FIGMAN stated that he was married to ALICE WOLFE of Chicago, Illinois on June 10, 1933 at Alexandria, Virginia. He gave the names and places and dates of birth of his children as follows:

JAMES WARD FIGMAN, born September 17, 1936 at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., while parents resided at 3001 Porter Street NW, Washington, D. C.  
JEAN LOUISE FIGMAN, born September 17, 1942 at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., while parents resided at 502 Wakefield Road, Greenacres, Maryland  
JOHN CHARLES FIGMAN, born April 26, 1946, while parents resided at 522 South Kenilworth, Oak Park, Illinois

FIGMAN stated that his parents were living but separated. His father is JAMES W. FIGMAN, retired, who resides at 821 North Ridgeland Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois. His mother, OLGA FIGMAN, nee CHAPPELLE, resides at 1017 South Lombard, Oak Park, Illinois. FIGMAN has one brother, GEORGE LE ROY FIGMAN, previously identified in this case, and a divorced sister who goes by her maiden name, DORIS FIGMAN, and resides with her mother. Her married name was DORIS JOHNSON.

From memory and by consulting old address books, FIGMAN was able to furnish the following information concerning his residences from 1930 to date:

May, 1930 to fall, 1930

Rodman Avenue, 1 block west of Connecticut Avenue  
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About 2 months, fall of 1930

#2, Dupont Circle (old Turkish Embassy), Washington, D.C.

About December, 1930 to about fall of 1931

New Hampshire Avenue near 21st and M, number believed to be 1252, Washington, D. C.

Fall of 1931 to summer of 1932

Massachusetts Avenue, 1 house west of Canadian Embassy, 1700 block, Washington, D.

Fall of 1932 until early fall, 1933

O Street NW, 2100 block near P Street Bridge, Washington, D. C. (married while living at this address.)

Fall of 1933 to about June, 1934

Corner of 18th and P Street, second house from corner on north side of P Street, Washington, D. C.

About June, 1934 to summer, 1935

P Street, 2100 block, north side, middle of block, one room apartment, Washington, D. C.

Summer of 1935 to November, 1936

3001 Porter Street NW (PIGMAN wished to explain that he had mistakenly given the above address to the grand jury in New York as Rodman.)

November, 1936 to about October, 1937

2418 North Upton, Arlington, Virginia

About October, 1937 to July 1, 1938

First Road North, Arlington, Virginia, a one family house near junction of Lee Boulevard and Washington Boulevard.

Sailed for Europe, latter part of July, 1938.

Fall of 1939 to fall of 1940

2006 North Stafford Street, Arlington, Virginia

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Fall of 1940 to June, 1944

5002 Wakefield Road, Greenacres, Maryland  
(Friendship Heights); owned this house

June, 1944 to July, 1946

522 South Kenilworth, Oak Park, Illinois;  
owned this house

July, 1946 to present

702 East North Street, Appleton, Wisconsin; owns  
this house

FIGLIAN pointed out that his name should be listed in  
telephone directories from the time he lived at the Porter Street  
address.

FIGLIAN stated that he is on a leave of absence from the  
Institute of Paper Chemistry at Appleton until June, 1949. He has  
several leads for other jobs but as yet has made no connection. He  
agreed to advise the Milwaukee Office in the event he moves from Appleton.

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of a professor friend of his at Leipzig by the name of Doctor JOSEPH STETTER. STETTER had given FIGMAN two marks to purchase goods in America for his wife in Moscow. Upon his return to the United States, FIGMAN placed an order with Sears Roebuck Company, Export Department, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. FIGMAN produced a letter from that organization which enclosed three documents described in the cover letter as "license forms" bearing serial numbers as follows: 91777, 91778 and 91779. These forms were in the nature of invoices and each listed several items in the Russian language which FIGMAN stated referred to household goods and clothing which he had ordered at this woman's request. The license forms indicated the goods were shipped through Intourist, Inc., 545 Fifth Avenue, New York City. The addresses on the forms was written in the Russian language and appeared as follows:

СТЕТТЕР, БОСЛЕР АНАТОЛЕВНА  
УА МЕРКОА ЖЕРНАВСКА 19, КБ 1  
МОСКВА, СССР

FIGMAN would not let this letter and forms leave his possession but agreed to have photostatic copies made of them and to forward the copies to the Milwaukee Office providing he could make convenient arrangements.

FIGMAN stated that he was married to ALICE WOLFE of Chicago, Illinois on June 10, 1933 at Alexandria, Virginia. He gave the names and places and dates of birth of his children as follows:

JAMES WARD FIGMAN, born September 17, 1936 at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., while parents resided at 3001 Porter Street NW, Washington, D. C.  
JEAN LOUISE FIGMAN, born September 17, 1943 at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., while parents resided at 5002 Wakefield Road, Cresnaces, Maryland  
JOHN CHARLES FIGMAN, born April 26, 1946, while parents resided at 522 South Kenilworth, Oak Park, Illinois

FIGMAN stated that his parents were living but separated. His father is JAMES W. FIGMAN, retired, who resides at 821 North Ridgeland Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois. His mother, CLGA FIGMAN, nee CHAPPLE, resides at 1017 South Lombard, Oak Park, Illinois. FIGMAN has one brother, GEORGE LE ROY FIGMAN, previously identified in this case, and a divorced sister who goes by her maiden name, DORIS FIGMAN, and resides with her mother. Her married name was DORIS JOHNSON.

From memory and by consulting old address books, FIGMAN was able to furnish the following information concerning his residences from 1930 to date:

May, 1930 to fall, 1930

Hodman Avenue, 1 block west of Connecticut Avenue,  
Washington, D. C. Kisseloff-11621

About 2 months, Fall of 1920

#3, Dupont Circle (old Turkish Embassy), Washington, D.C.

About December, 1920 to about fall of 1931

New Hampshire Avenue near 21st and M, number believed to be 1232, Washington, D. C.

Fall of 1931 to summer of 1932

Massachusetts Avenue, 1 house west of Canadian Embassy, 1700 block, Washington, D.

Fall of 1932 until early Fall, 1933

O Street NW, 2100 block near F Street Bridge, Washington, D. C. (married while living at this address.)

Fall of 1933 to about June, 1934

Corner of 18th and F Street, second house from corner on north side of F Street, Washington, D. C.

About June, 1934 to summer, 1935

F Street, 2100 block, north side, middle of block, one room apartment, Washington, D. C.

Summer of 1935 to November, 1935

2001 Porter Street NW (FICMAN wished to explain that he had mistakenly given the above address to the grand jury in New York as Rodman.)

November, 1935 to about October, 1937

2418 North Upton, Arlington, Virginia

About October, 1937 to July 1, 1938

First Road North, Arlington, Virginia, a one family house near junction of Lee Boulevard and Washington Boulevard.

Sailed for Europe, latter part of July, 1938.

Fall of 1938 to fall of 1940

2006 North Stafford Street, Arlington, Virginia

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Fall of 1940 to June, 1944

5002 Wakefield Road, Greenscres, Maryland  
(Friendship Heights); owned this house

June, 1944 to July, 1946

522 South Xenilworth, Oak Park, Illinois;  
owned this house

July, 1946 to present

702 East North Street, Appleton, Wisconsin; owns  
this house

FIGMAN pointed out that his name should be listed in telephone directories from the time he lived at the Porter Street address.

FIGMAN stated that he is on a leave of absence from the Institute of Paper Chemistry at Appleton until June, 1947. He has several leads for other jobs but as yet has made no connection. He agreed to advise the Milwaukee Office in the event he moves from Appleton.

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LEAD SHEET

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

KC FILE NO. 65-1263

REPORT MADE AT <b>KANSAS CITY</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-10-49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-7,8-49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT T. MC IVER hvr</b>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. et al</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Records of **LEON W. WHITE**, stored in Richmond, Mo., indicated he sold Woodstock typewriter, Serial #198743 to Royal Printing Co., 2408 W. 32nd Ave., apparently Denver, Colo., but city not named on sales slip. Denver advised.

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**REFERENCE:**

Bureau File 74-1333.  
El Paso teletype to Los Angeles and Kansas City, dated 2-4-49.  
Los Angeles teletype to Kansas City dated 2-7-49.

**DETAILS:**

Referenced teletype from El Paso stated that **LEON W. WHITE** of El Paso sold Woodstock typewriter, Serial #198743, in Denver, Colorado in 1940. **WHITE**'s records, according to the teletype, are stored in the home of Mrs. **ARTHUR TURNER** at Richmond, Missouri. Los Angeles was instructed to contact Mrs. **TURNER** at the Hotel Constance in Pasadena, California to obtain keys for her home to be mailed to Mr. **FRANK BUCHANAN** of Hardin, Missouri, who knows where the records are stored.

The referenced teletype from Los Angeles indicates that Mrs. **ARTHUR TURNER** had sent an air mail letter to **FRANK BUCHANAN**, Hardin, Missouri, advising that a duplicate key to her house was in the possession of **HARRY KULL**, Manager, Missouri Gas Company, Richmond, Missouri, and instructing **BUCHANAN** to obtain the keys and cooperate with the Bureau in every respect.

cc P.A.S. Campbell  
2-18-49  
FL Ken

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FRANK BUCHANAN of Hardin, Missouri said he was the brother of Mrs. ARTHUR TURNER and Mrs. LEON W. WHITE of El Paso, Texas, and that he had received a letter from Mrs. TURNER regarding the records stored at her house.

Mr. BUCHANAN accompanied the writer to Richmond, Missouri, where HARRY KULL, Manager of the Missouri Gas Company, was interviewed. He said he no longer had the key to Mrs. TURNER's house and made numerous telephone calls in an attempt to locate a key. Being unable to locate a key, Mr. KULL assigned one of his men at the request of Mr. BUCHANAN to gain entrance to the house, inasmuch as they had occasion to do so in the past in connection with gas business. The house was entered by FRANK BUCHANAN and the writer and records of LEON W. WHITE were located, which indicated that, according to sales slip dated 1-6-41, Woodstock typewriter SN #198743 was sold on 1-6-41 to the Royal Printing Company, 2408 West 32nd Avenue for \$24.99. The sales slip was numbered 37. No city was mentioned on the sales slip, but it was noted that WHITE's typewriter shop in 1941 was in Englewood, Colorado, a suburb of Denver, and further, that, according to the El Paso teletype, WHITE has stated that he sold the machine in Denver.

This information was forwarded to the Denver Office by teletype dated 2-8-49.

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THE DENVER OFFICE

At Denver, Colorado:

Will attempt to locate the instant typewriter and obtain specimens and forward registered, Air Mail, Special Delivery, to the FBI Laboratory, by contacting the Royal Printing Company, 2408 West 32nd Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. **65-1263**

REPORT MADE AT <b>KANSAS CITY</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-10-49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-7,8-49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT T. MUIVER hvr</b>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. et al</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Records of LEON W. WHITE, stored in Richmond, Mo., indicated he sold Woodstock typewriter, Serial #193743 to Royal Printing Co., 2403 W. 32nd Ave., apparently Denver, Colo., but city not named on sales slip. Denver advised.

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**REFERENCE:**

Bureau File 74-1835.  
El Paso teletype to Los Angeles and Kansas City dated 2-4-49.  
Los Angeles teletype to Kansas City dated 2-7-49.

**DETAILS:**

Referenced teletype from El Paso stated that LEON W. WHITE of El Paso sold Woodstock typewriter, Serial #193743 in Denver, Colorado in 1940. WHITE's records, according to the teletype, are stored in the home of Mrs. ARTHUR TURNER at Richmond, Missouri. Los Angeles was instructed to contact Mrs. TURNER at the Hotel Constance in Pasadena, California to obtain keys for her home to be mailed to Mr. FRANK BUCHANAN of Hardin, Missouri, who knows where the records are stored.

The referenced teletype from Los Angeles indicates that Mrs. ARTHUR TURNER had sent an air mail letter to FRANK BUCHANAN, Hardin, Missouri, advising that a duplicate key to her house was in the possession of HARRY KULL, Manager, Missouri Gas Company, Richmond, Missouri, and instructing BUCHANAN to obtain the keys and cooperate with the Bureau in every respect.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

CV. FILE NO. **65-2663**

REPORT MADE AT <b>CLEVELAND, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2/9/49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/25, 26; 2/4, 7, 8/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>CLARE F. CARTER</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>EJS</b></span>
TITLE <b>J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY INTERNAL SECURITY - R ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Specimen from Woodstock model 5N typewriter, Serial No. 156037, obtained from present owner at Youngstown, Ohio, determined by FBI Laboratory not identical with machine used to type questioned specimens in this case. **WILLIAM H. WODREY, Jr.**, Attorney, East Liverpool, Ohio, cannot recall ever receiving mail or written material from Mr. or Mrs. **ALGER HISS**. Captain **BAXTER BRUCE**, USN (Ret.) occupied apartment at 2905 P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., from 1932 to March 1935 when he was transferred to Philippines. **BRUCE** states he never met **CHAMBERS**, his wife, or **ALGER HISS**, and claims not to have known **HISS** occupied the apartment after his departure.

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Reference: Bureau File No. **74-1333**

Chicago teletype dated January 19, 1949

Bureau teletype dated January 24, 1949

Washington Field teletype dated January 31, 1949

Boston teletype dated February 4, 1949

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M. ...  
Cath ...  
...*

*cc AAG Campbell  
2-18-49  
FJ*

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Details: This is a joint report of Special Agents HARVEY E. WILKINSON, CHESTER J. WILLETT, and the writer.

At Youngstown, Ohio:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent HARVEY E. WILKINSON:

Mr. KARL MILLER, Manager of the Woodstock Typewriter Exchange, 12 Vindicator Square, advised that this typewriter was sold on August 1, 1940 to Mr. JESSE BORTON, 417 East Liberty Street, Hubbard, Ohio.

Mr. JESSE BORTNER was contacted and advised that he had purchased this typewriter from the Woodstock Typewriter Exchange of Youngstown sometime in 1940 and had given it to his daughter as an aid to her in her school work.

Mrs. MAJORIE HARRY, Mr. BORTNER's daughter, 417 East Liberty Street, Hubbard, Ohio, advised that she has been in possession of instant typewriter since her father had purchased it and given it to her and readily made it available in order to secure the sample text.

By personal observation of Agent WILKINSON it was ascertained that the typewriter in question is a Woodstock, Model 5N, Serial No. 156037.

An original and carbon copy of the typed characteristics of the above-mentioned typewriter were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory under date of January 26, 1949. On January 28, 1949 the FBI Laboratory advised that from an examination of these specimens it was concluded that this typewriter was not identical with the machine used to type questioned Specimens Nos. 5 through 69 of this case.

At East Liverpool, Ohio:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent HARVEY E. WILKINSON:

Mr. WILLIAM H. VODREY, Jr., attorney, who resides at 13 Armstrong and whose office is at 512 Broadway, advised that he was graduated from the Harvard University Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, in June 1929 and was a classmate of ALGER HISS. He advised that he could not

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TITLE <b>J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY INTERNAL SECURITY - R ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Specimen from Woodstock model 51 typewriter, Serial No. 156037, obtained from present owner at Youngstown, Ohio, determined by FBI Laboratory not identical with machine used to type questioned specimens in this case. WILLIAM H. VOSEY, Jr., Attorney, East Liverpool, Ohio, cannot recall ever receiving mail or written material from Mr. or Mrs. ALGER HISS. Captain BAXTER BRUCE, USN (Ret.) occupied apartment at 2905 P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., from 1932 to March 1935 when he was transferred to Philippines. BRUCE states he never met CHAMBERS, his wife, or ALGER HISS, and claims not to have known HISS occupied the apartment after his departure.

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**Reference:**

- Bureau File No. 74-1333
- Chicago teletype dated January 19, 1949
- Bureau teletype dated January 24, 1949
- Washington Field teletype dated January 31, 1949
- Boston teletype dated February 4, 1949

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recall ever having received any mail or written material from HISS, whether it be in longhand or typewritten, and could definitely state that he had never received any from HISS' wife FRISCILLA. He advised that any time he was in Washington, D. C. he would call HISS up and they would then have dinner together to talk over old times, the last of these meetings being in the spring of 1948. He further advised he could not definitely state whether or not HISS could use a typewriter and could not suggest anyone, former classmate or otherwise, with whom HISS might have regularly corresponded.

At Akron, Ohio:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent CHESTER J. WILLETT:

Captain BAXTER BRUCE, USN (Retired), home address 875 Seward Avenue, Akron, presently employed as the City Smoke Inspector for the City of Akron, was interviewed by Special Agents KENNETH C. HOWE and WILLETT.

Captain BRUCE advised that he was stationed in Washington, D.C. from 1932 to March 1935, at which time he was transferred to the Philippine Islands. During his period in Washington he stated that he resided in an apartment located at 2905 P Street, N.W., and that he had rented this property through the Sandoz Realty Company and had all his business dealing concerning the apartment with that firm. He stated that he had never met Commander ROBERT K. ANTREY, the owner of the property.

Captain BRUCE advised that, to the best of his knowledge, he never met WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Mrs. CHAMBERS, or ALGER HISS, and stated that he had not known that HISS occupied the P Street apartment after his, BRUCE's departure. Photographs of Mr. and Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS were shown to Captain BRUCE and he stated he had never seen either of these people. He likewise advised that he had never visited at the address 2831 28th Street, Washington, and that the address had no significance to him.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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OM FILE NO. 65-456

REPORT MADE AT <b>Omaha, Nebr.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-9-49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-7-49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>RICHARD C. KOBER</b> <i>caw</i>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was., Et Al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ, Mc Cook, Nebraska, advised that two unknown young men occupied apartment 42 at 2831 - 28th Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., some time during her period of residence at same address from June 1931 until September 1935. Exact dates of residence not recalled by her. Photographs of CHAMBERS, his wife and child, and HISS exhibited and (no) identification made.

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**REFERENCE:** Letter from St. Paul to Omaha, 1-31-49.

**DETAILS:** AT MC COOK, NEBR.

Mrs. WILLIAM D. WERTZ, 104 West "K" Street, advised that she had resided at apartment 40 at 2831 - 28th Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., from June 1931 until September 1935, and that at some period of time during this residence, the exact date being unrecalled, two young men had occupied apartment 42 at the same address. She stated that she did not recall the names of either of these two young men, and did not believe she had ever heard their names. She believed they were bachelors. She said they frequently held parties at

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that address, which had annoyed the other neighbors. She was questioned as to the identity of the other neighbors and advised that she was unable to recall their names; also that she was unaware of any other contacts which these men had in that apartment house.

Mrs. WERTZ informed that one of these young men was about twenty to twenty-five years of age, tall, of dark complexion, dark hair and rather attractive appearing, but was unable to furnish any descriptive data concerning the other occupant of this apartment.

All available photographs of HISS, CHAMBERS, and his wife and child were exhibited to Mrs. WERTZ and she advised that none of the photographs resembled any person she had ever seen. She added that at the time she resided in Washington, D.C. she was only a high school student and therefore did not pay much attention to persons outside her circle of friends.

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 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO 100-25417

REPORT MADE AT <b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2/10/49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/27, 28, 31; 2/1, 5, 7, 8/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>DAVID E. TODD</b>	<b>FB</b>
TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS - was, et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Confidential informant SF-518 stated that WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE acted as a labor organizer in the clothing industry in San Francisco on behalf of the Communist Party in the early 1930's. Photos of CRANE obtained from Stanford University and Calship Corporation. JEAN CLARK FIELD LIEBERMAN was interviewed and denied any knowledge of Soviet espionage activities on behalf of HERMAN FIELD or NOEL FIELD and had no knowledge of any acquaintanceship between HERMAN FIELD, NOEL FIELD or ALGER HISS and denied knowing ALGER HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. CRAWFORD BRUBAKER reported to be in Los Angeles. GALE SHERIDAN said her acquaintance with ALGER HISS was slight. EASTON ROTH ELL interviewed and furnished 23 letters written to him by ALGER HISS during 1947 and 1948. He has no knowledge of Communist or espionage activities on the part of ALGER HISS. EDWARD G. CHANDLER and CHARLES P. DORR were not well acquainted with ALGER HISS and had no knowledge of his activities.

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**REFERENCE:**

- Bureau File 74-1333
- Rpt. of DAVID E. TODD dated 1/27/49
- New York teletype to Los Angeles dated January 28, 1949
- Los Angeles teletype to San Francisco dated January 29, 1949
- Washington Field Office teletype to St. Paul dated February 1, 1949
- St. Paul teletype to San Francisco dated February 1, 1949
- Washington Field Office teletype to San Francisco dated February 4, 1949
- Boston teletype to Bureau and San Francisco dated February 4, 1949

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## DETAILS:

In an effort to identify the unknown subject KEITH, confidential informant [redacted] was interviewed. It is to be pointed out that this informant was active in the Communist Party of San Francisco during the early 1930's and is well acquainted with ISAAC FOLKOFF. He stated that he was not acquainted with any individual named CRANE. He was questioned as to whether he knew a WILLIAM MORGAN. He said that he knew a BILL MORGAN who was a strike organizer for the needlework union in the early 1930's and had been an associate of ISAAC FOLKOFF and that this individual later was a reporter for the People's World newspaper. He said that MORGAN had done labor agitation on behalf of the informant and the Communist Party in the clothing industry in the early 1930's but at that time he was not fully trusted by the Party. Informant stated that he knew no one who had used the name of PETE GREEN. It is to be pointed out that BILL MORGAN is an alias of WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE.

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On January 28, 1949, Special Agents PAUL C. FULLER and E. RAY MILLER obtained photographs of WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE in the files of Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif. The records at the office of the Registrar, Stanford University, reflected that WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE applied for admission to Stanford University March 28, 1926, showing that he had attended the University of Minnesota in the College of Science, Literature and Arts in September 1924 and his former residence had been 925 6th St. Southeast, Minneapolis, Minn. His transcript of credits was sent to Stanford April 15, 1926 and he entered Stanford in September of 1926. While in attendance he resided at 340 Embarcadero Road, Palo Alto, Calif. His record of prior education indicated he had graduated from Austin High School, Austin, Minn. in June of 1924.

A photograph of WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE was obtained from Mr. JACKSON CALVIN, supervisor of the Maritime Warehouse, Richmond, California. Mr. CALVIN's records reflected that WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE was employed by Calship Corporation, Los Angeles, California, from October 29, 1941 to February 28, 1944, at which time he was discharged for insubordination. The file indicated he resided at the following addresses:

426 South Van Ness Ave., Los Angeles  
26601 Southwestern Avenue, Apt. 348, Lomita, Calif.  
3936 Division, Los Angeles, Calif. (telephone FEL987)

The last address listed above was his residence when applying for employment, the employment application being filed June 17, 1941. He stated that he had resided at this latter address for a little over a year. He indicated he was born at Austin, Minn. February 13, 1907 and married to ELLA BOEHME CRANE and that he had two dependents. He indicated he had graduated from Austin, Minnesota High School in 1924 and Stanford University, receiving an A.B. Degree in 1928. He stated his hobbies were tennis, accordion and piano. He

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indicated that he had had previous employment at the Centralia Metal Works, Los Angeles, Calif. from May 1941 to October 1941; with the Aluminum Cooking Utensil Company, Los Angeles, from October of 1940 to May of 1941; and with the Electra Pattern Company, Los Angeles, from December 1938 to October 1940. He listed as references LEO CURTIS, 247 Northwestern Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. and the Rev. FREDERICK CRANE, All Saints Church, Beverly Hills, Calif. On October 29, 1941 at Los Angeles, Calif. he signed the affidavit required by Public Law 5, 77th Congress, to the effect that he did not advocate and was not a member of any organization that advocated the overthrow of the United States Government by force or violence. His application reflected that his mother was born in Minnesota but that he did not know his father's birthplace.

On February 2, 1949, JEAN CLARK FIELD LIEBERMAN was interviewed by Special Agents CHARLES F. BRUSCH and the writer at her home, Route 1, P.O. Box 172, Lone Tree Ave., Mill Valley, Calif. She stated that she was formerly the wife of HERMAN HAVELIND FIELD; that she first met him in high school in Cambridge, Mass. about 1926 and that they were married at Weston, Mass. June 14, 1932. She stated that she attended Vassar University from 1930 to 1934, receiving an A.B. Degree, and that HERMAN HAVELIND FIELD had attended Harvard University and Harvard Architectural School during the same period of time and that he graduated from Harvard University in 1932. She stated that the family of HERMAN HAVELIND FIELD is as follows:

His father is deceased. His mother's name was NINA. He had a brother NOEL and two sisters, ELSIE, who is now married to a man named DOOB, and another sister LETISHA died in 1931. With regard to her own family, JEAN LIEBERMAN stated that her father was ALFRED CLARK, who died in 1933; that her mother is SUE CLARK, presently residing at 205 Mount Auburn St., Cambridge, Mass.; that she has one brother, ALAN, residing at Cambridge, Mass. and a sister MARGOT CLARK, who resides in Los Angeles, and a sister JOY, who resides at New Bedford, Mass.

JEAN LIEBERMAN stated she was born in Boston, Mass. August 12, 1912 and that HERMAN FIELD was born April 10, 1910 at Zurich, Switzerland, at which time his parents were residing abroad, his father being an American citizen employed as a zoologist and head of a scientific institution at Switzerland at the time of HERMAN FIELD's birth.

Upon graduation from Vassar, JEAN LIEBERMAN obtained a fellowship to study in Zurich at the University of Zurich and with her husband HERMAN FIELD went to Switzerland in 1934. At the same time he continued his study of architecture at Zurich, Switzerland, receiving his degree in 1936. She stated that neither of them were employed at this time and devoted their full time to their studies. In 1936 HERMAN FIELD moved to England where he was employed by a Swiss chemical company, the Hoffman - Laruche Company at Wilenym Gardens, England, but that she remained in Zurich studying. She

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stated she visited him in England several times in 1936, 1937 and 1938. She stated they were officially separated in 1938 and that they were divorced in January of 1940 and that in June of 1940 HERMAN FIELD remarried an English girl whose name was KATE. She said that HERMAN FIELD remained in England until the beginning of the war in 1939 and then returned to the United States. JEAN LIEBERMAN continued to reside in Zurich, Switzerland and received a Ph.D. Degree in 1939 in German Literature from the University of Zurich. In March of 1940 she remarried, her present husband being SOLAOMON LIEBERMAN, a native of Switzerland, who served in the Anti Aircraft Forces of Switzerland and who was employed as a set designer in the Swiss film industry with various firms such as the Praesens Corporation and other film companies. SOLAOMON LIEBERMAN was born February 19, 1912 at Zurich. After her marriage to him, JEAN LIEBERMAN was employed as a script girl in the film industry in 1940 and 1941 working for Gotthard Films and Gloria Films. She stated she met SOLAOMON LIEBERMAN while skiing near Zurich; that his family presently resides in Zurich, his family being CHIAM LIEBERMAN, father, ALMON LIEBERMAN, mother, MAX and ~~LYE BERMAN~~ HIESICH, brothers, and HELENE CARFINKEL, sister. She has one son, STEPHEN, born August 1941, and a daughter, MARGOT, born in January 1944, Zurich. JEAN LIEBERMAN said she was also employed for a short time as a teacher of English at Lucerne, Switzerland in 1943.

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JEAN LIEBERMAN and her husband and two children returned to the United States aboard the SS GRIPSHOLM in December of 1945, SOLAOMON LIEBERMAN traveling on a permanent resident immigration visa. She said he has not yet filed an application for citizenship but is eligible to do so now. She resided at Cambridge, Mass. until June of 1946 and then moved to New York City, where JEAN LIEBERMAN obtained a job August 1 at the International Social Service, New York City, and was employed there until August of 1946. SOLAOMON LIEBERMAN was employed during this time as a paper hanger. In late 1946 they moved to Los Angeles, Calif., where SOLAOMON LIEBERMAN attempted to get a job in the film industry but the 13 months strike in the film industry prevented this, and during this time JEAN LIEBERMAN was employed beginning in February of 1947 as a secretary and reader for the San Jaffe Agency. She was discharged in January 1948 from this position due to a reduction in staff. They remained in Los Angeles until September of 1948, when they moved to Mill Valley, Calif., first residing in a cabin at Stinson Beach, and moving to their present residence on November 6, 1948. SOLAOMON LIEBERMAN is presently employed as an upholsterer in the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, and has been employed since August 1. They have purchased their home at Route 1, Box 172, Lone Tree Road.

JEAN LIEBERMAN stated that she had had no contact with HERMAN FIELD between 1940 and 1945 and in 1945 she saw him one or two times in New York City, at which time she met his present wife KATE. She has had but little correspondence with him and practically no contact since 1938. She said that he is now working in an architectural office at Cleveland, Ohio and since 1945 he has written her about once a year.

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With regard to the activities of HERMAN FIELD while she was married to him and living with him in Switzerland from 1934 to 1938, she stated that he devoted his full time to his studies and that their recreation consisted of skiing and that they had a few friends who were Swiss who were attending the University at the time but she denied vigorously that either HERMAN FIELD or herself had had any connection with the Communist Party, any individuals whom she would identify as Communists or that she had any knowledge of Soviet espionage activities during this period of time.

JEAN LIEBERMAN was questioned regarding her knowledge of NOEL FIELD, the brother of HERMAN FIELD. She stated that NOEL FIELD arrived in Switzerland some time in 1936 as an observer to the League of Nations and that he was a Specialist in Disarmament. She said he resided at Geneva, Switzerland and it was her understanding that he was acting in the capacity as an employee of the U.S. Government, although she did not know with what department he was connected. She stated he stayed in Switzerland at Geneva until the dissolution of the League of Nations. She did not recall the date that this occurred, but following this, NOEL FIELD then obtained a job as assistant to the European Director of the Unitarian Service Committee, residing for a short while at Geneva, Switzerland, and then moving to Marseilles, France. At the time the Germans occupied southern France during the war, NOEL FIELD returned to Geneva and lived there. During NOEL FIELD's residence in Switzerland, JEAN LIEBERMAN stated she saw him occasionally; that occasionally he visited her in Zurich or she saw him in Geneva and they went skiing together. However, she denied any knowledge of NOEL FIELD having had any connection with the Communist Party, with the Soviet Government, with any underground intelligence or espionage network, or with any anti-nazi underground.

JEAN LIEBERMAN stated that she did not know ALGER HISS prior to the recent newspaper publicity nor had she heard of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS prior to this. When questioned specifically as to the extent of her association with NOEL FIELD, she stated that after HERMAN FIELD had gone to England in 1936, she visited NOEL FIELD several times at Geneva and on one occasion recalled going skiing with him at the town of Chagnacq across the French border and she recalled that this had occurred prior to the beginning of the war and fixed the date as approximately 1938. She stated that she had corresponded with him occasionally. She denied that she had ever received letters addressed to him which she had forwarded to him. She stated she had received no letters for him from anyone and that his mailing address had been Marseilles or Geneva and so far as she knew, he had received all his mail direct. When questioned about the possibility of any Communist or espionage activities on the part of NOEL FIELD, she vigorously denied that she had any knowledge of such activities.

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JEAN LIEBERMAN was questioned concerning any trips which she herself had made out of Switzerland during her residence there. She stated that she and her husband HERMAN FIELD had made a trip to Italy in the spring of 1935 for about a month and had toured all of Italy as far south as Sicily. In the summer of 1935 she stated she had visited Stuttgart, Germany for about two months during the summer vacation from the university; that once she and her husband HERMAN FIELD had traveled to Frankfurt am Main and Nurnberg for the purpose of HERMAN FIELD's studying the cathedrals there. In 1936 during the summer vacation she traveled to England and lived in London, returning to Zurich by way of Paris and crossing the English Channel. She stated she made this trip several times during 1936 and 1937 and 1938, and she recalls crossing the English Channel at several places, each time traveling through Paris. She said that the last time she made this trip was in the spring of 1938. She believed in the spring of 1937 she spent a week in Paris and that in the winter of 1937 she spent two weeks in Poland visiting some friends there who were students at the university. She could not recall their names.

She said once some time in 1936 she spent a week in Berlin, Germany where she visited a girlfriend that she had known in Zurich. This girlfriend's name was SAURE. She could not recall her first name. She stated that while in Berlin she stayed with a woman who was a friend of this girl, having first registered, she believed, at a hotel which was the same type as the YWCA hotels. When questioned more closely as to the location of this particular hotel or whether it had been recommended to her for some reason, she stated that the reason she had chosen it was that she recalled it had been cheap and was the sort of place that a respectable young girl would take. After giving the matter further thought, she said she was not sure that it was in Berlin that she had stayed at this particular YWCA type hotel and that it may have been in Freiburg. She said she recalled that she did not stay with her girlfriend SAURE who is a dancer in Berlin because of the crowded conditions in Berlin at the time and the fact that SAURE herself was living with friends and there was no additional room for her. She was asked whether she had carried any messages from any friends in Switzerland to anyone in Berlin on this particular trip and she denied that she had. She was specifically asked whether this trip had not centered around a message concealed in a tube of toothpaste. It was apparent to interviewing agents that she was startled by this question as she did not answer it for some moments and then stated that it had not. She again denied that she had ever carried any messages across the Swiss-German border on behalf of anyone during the time that she resided in Zurich.

She was asked whether she had telephoned ~~MARTIN DOERING~~ while in Berlin on this particular trip and she denied that she had. She further denied that she was acquainted with or knew who ~~MARTIN DOERING~~ was and she denied in answer to the specific question that she had brought any messages from anyone in Switzerland to deliver to ~~MARTIN DOERING~~.

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JEAN LIEBERMAN was questioned as to the identity of friends and associates of herself and her husband while in Switzerland and she stated they were acquainted with LUDWIG KERLER, a professor at the University of Zurich, and a Dr. WILLY VON MURATH, a practicing physician in Zurich. She also stated that she was acquainted with PAUL MASSING and his wife, HEDE MASSING, and that she had first met PAUL MASSING through HERMAN FIELD's mother, who had visited in Zurich, Switzerland for approximately two months during the winter of 1936 and 1937. At that time HERMAN FIELD was in England and NINA FIELD had resided with JEAN LIEBERMAN that winter. She said that HERMAN FIELD had also met Dr. MASSING. She did not know Dr. MASSING's employment but stated he had once told her that he traveled a great deal and she recalled that Dr. MASSING had left for America at the end of 1936 and that she believed he was presently in New York City. She was asked why she thought he was in New York City and she stated she had seen his name in the telephone book; that she had looked it up in 1945 when she returned to the United States, but she denied that she had contacted Dr. MASSING at that time.

She believed that HERMAN FIELD's mother may have become acquainted with Dr. MASSING in the United States. She said that Dr. MASSING was a German but that he was strongly anti-Nazi and that he was engaged in some kind of business which required his traveling between the United States and Europe. JEAN LIEBERMAN said that she recalled having met HEDE MASSING only once and that it was her recollection that Dr. MASSING's wife came to Switzerland about a year before Dr. MASSING returned to the United States. It was her recollection that PAUL MASSING had been residing in Switzerland for some time prior to her introduction to him. She denied that she had ever received any mail on behalf of PAUL MASSING or had ever forwarded any mail to him and denied that she had ever carried any messages for him or for any of her associates or her husband's associates at any time while she was residing in Switzerland.

She was told that the allegation had been made that HERMAN FIELD was rabidly pro-Russian and pro-Communist and she stated that this was definitely an exaggeration. When asked to define to what extent she believed HERMAN FIELD was pro-Russian, she could not answer this question, stating that she knew that he was a liberal and was anti-Nazi but that she did not feel that he had been outspokenly pro-Russian. She said he was always anxious to prevent war and was fundamentally a pacifist and he believed fully in the cooperation of all nations against Hitler.

She stated that during her residence in Switzerland she had known no Communists, had attended no Communist meetings, had known no Soviet agents, no members of any Communist underground, no members of any anti-Nazi or anti-German underground. She vigorously denied that she had carried any messages to MARTIN DOERING or that she knew MARTIN DOERING or that she had carried messages on behalf of anyone. At the conclusion of the interview she questioned agents as to the present whereabouts of MARTIN DOERING and whether the Bureau had him in custody and whether he had made the allegations against her. She was told that the agents were not in a position to answer these

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It is to be pointed out that Dr. PAUL MASSING had previously furnished information to Bureau Agents in New York City that on one occasion he had concealed a message in a tube of toothpaste and that JEAN LIEBERMAN had carried this message to Berlin where she had registered at a hotel exclusively for women and that she had phoned MARTIN DOERING from this hotel and arranged an appointment with him and had delivered this message to him, and that she had returned to Switzerland and notified Dr. MASSING that the message had been delivered. Dr. MASSING has recently been reinterviewed and stated he has no additional information concerning the activities of JEAN LIEBERMAN in Switzerland. ~~(X)~~

By letter dated January 25, 1949 the Laboratory advised that the letter obtained from Dr. CARL SPAETH written to him by ALGER HISS and which was identified by the Laboratory as Specimen K-330 was not written on the machine which was used to type Specimens Q6 through Q69 nor on the machine which was used to type Specimen Q5. This letter has been returned to CARL SPAETH.

It was determined from inquiry at Sacramento, Calif. made by Special Agents PAUL C. FULLER and RICHARD H. NELSON that CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER is presently connected with the State Department of Education, Room 308, Stevenson Bldg., 30 North Raymond Ave., Pasadena, Calif. CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER was the executive officer of the U.S. Navy who handled the discharge from the Navy of TIMOTHY HOBSON, the stepson of ALGER HISS.

GALE SHERIDAN, employed by the Federal Union, Phelan Bldg., residing at 2257 Vallejo St., San Francisco, was interviewed on February 1, 1949 by SA PAUL C. FULLER and the writer. She advised that her acquaintanceship with ALGER HISS had been very slight; that she had first met him while she was working as a stenographer for the Nye Committee in Washington, D. C. She said she had never corresponded with ALGER HISS and that she knew of no Communist activities on the part of ALGER HISS while he was associated with the Nye Committee. She stated that the person most likely to know ALGER HISS was the principal stenographer who did all of ALGER HISS's work and that her name was LILLIAN STONE, who is now Mrs. HAROLD WEISBERG, and that she is still employed by the Federal Government at Washington, D. C. and she believes she resided at Hyattstown. It is believed that this may refer to Hyattsville, Md. She said that also associated with ALGER HISS to some extent were ~~(X)~~ ELSIE GULLANDER, a Miss LEE who is now Mrs. WILLIAM HEFLIN, and RUTH PENN, who were all formerly stenographers with the Nye Committee, and also one SHERMAN, a former investigator for the Nye Committee. She could furnish no addresses for these individuals except to state that they were still employed by the Government and were residing at or near Washington, D. C.

~~(X)~~ G. EASTON ROTHWELL, Associate Director of the Hoover Institute, Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif., who resides at Portola Ave., Palo Alto, was interviewed February 3, 1949 by Special Agents CHARLES F. BRUSCH and the writer. Mr. ROTHWELL said he first met ALGER HISS in 1942 at a

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committee meeting at the State Department in Washington, D. C. and that subsequent to that time he became very well acquainted with him and at the present time considers him a close personal friend. He said that in 1944 ALGER HISS served as Special Assistant to the Director of Special Political Affairs of the Department of State, who at that time was EDMUND WILSON, presently Ambassador to Turkey. At the same time ROTHWELL was serving as an official in the same division of the State Department. In addition, HISS served as Executive Secretary to the Dumbarton Oaks meeting and EASTON ROTHWELL worked closely with him at that meeting. In 1945 EASTON ROTHWELL served as Executive Secretary to the United Nations Conference on International Organization and ALGER HISS served as Secretary General of this same meeting and ROTHWELL and HISS were closely associated at this time. In 1946 Mr. ROTHWELL served as Secretary General to the General Assembly of the United Nations at London and ALGER HISS served as a Special Advisor and they roomed together in London from January 1946 to the end of February 1946, at which time HISS returned to the United States and Mr. ROTHWELL remained in London until the first part of March. On his return to Washington ROTHWELL was again closely associated with ALGER HISS up until the time that ROTHWELL resigned from the State Department in the fall of 1946.

Subsequent to HISS's resignation from the Department of State and his association with the Carnegie Endowment For International Peace, ROTHWELL and HISS have exchanged considerable correspondence to work out a project between the Hoover Library and the Carnegie Endowment. Mr. ROTHWELL stated he had considerable typewritten letters on the letterheads of the Carnegie Endowment which had come to him from ALGER HISS in connection with this work.

Mr. ROTHWELL stated he had met PRISCILLA HISS only two or three times at receptions and cocktail parties and did not recall ever having visited the HISS residence. He stated that during his association with ALGER HISS he had never received any indication of a connection between ALGER HISS and the Communist Party. He stated he thought he would have found this out if there had been one, due to his close association with ALGER HISS. He said he thought he would particularly have found this out while he was living in London with ALGER HISS inasmuch as HISS had been seriously ill at the time and ROTHWELL had nursed him through this illness. He said he has had long conversations and discussions with ALGER HISS and never has there been any indication of any inclination on the part of ALGER HISS toward Communism or Russian espionage activities. Mr. ROTHWELL stated that when he first read in the newspaper of the charges made by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS against ALGER HISS, it came as a great shock to him, and it is impossible for him to believe that they are true. He did say, however, that he had heard a rumor some time in 1946 to the effect that ALGER HISS was a Communist. He stated that this occurred he thought in September of 1946 about 1 1/2 months prior to ROTHWELL's resignation from the State Department which occurred in October of 1946. He said that this occurred at a meeting of the State Department which was being held for the purpose of reorganizing the Office of Special Political Affairs, and the meeting

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was held either in DON RUSSELL or JOSEPH PENNOCK's Office. Mr. ROTHWELL said that at the conclusion of the meeting that some individual objected to the promotion of ALGER HISS on the grounds that HISS was a Communist. ROTHWELL stated that he has endeavored to recollect the identity of the individual who made this statement but that he cannot recall who it was, and that it is his impression that this individual made the statement to him as they were walking out of the room following the meeting. ROTHWELL stated that at the time he laughed this statement off as it was absolutely inconceivable to him that HISS could be a Communist or even be communistically inclined and he felt that it was coming from someone who wanted to undermine ALGER HISS's eligibility for the job. ROTHWELL described ALGER HISS as being generally more cautious and more conservative than ROTHWELL himself. Mr. ROTHWELL stated that the reorganization which was under discussion at the meeting has not taken place and that the Office of Special Political Affairs is now known as the Office of United Nations Affairs and has been known as that since about January of 1948. He said that DON RUSSELL was the Assistant Secretary of State in charge of that office.

Mr. ROTHWELL described HISS as being a person who is transparently honest, the kind of person who ROTHWELL found it extremely difficult to believe would engage in any lies or other activities that were not strictly open and aboveboard. Mr. ROTHWELL stated that he disagreed with HISS at times and that they fought out opposite sides of questions violently but that even in these arguments he had never found HISS to be dishonest and HISS had made no attempt to cover or conceal facts and had always dealt fairly and openly.

Mr. ROTHWELL stated that he feels that ALGER HISS has handled his defense of the allegations against him badly but that he does not feel this is very significant as there is a certain impetuosity about ALGER HISS which would lead him to deny the charges immediately. Mr. ROTHWELL said he has attempted to reconcile this defense with his knowledge of ALGER HISS's character and he stated that the one thing that seems incongruous in the matter is the fact that the documents which were published in the New York City Times and which ROTHWELL has read carefully, these being documents which WHITTAKER CHAMBERS claims ALGER HISS gave him, appear to be an indiscriminate selection of papers which form no particular pattern. Mr. ROTHWELL said he could not conceive how a person of ALGER HISS's intelligence would select and pass out such an indiscriminate selection of papers and especially papers which actually bear ALGER HISS's initials. Mr. ROTHWELL said he did not know the security regulations as they existed in 1938 but that he felt it would be possible for any number of people employed in the State Department to obtain such documents and that he felt they could have been obtained without any great difficulty. He said he did not know whether the documents were maintained in a safe or filing cabinet but thinks probably they were maintained in a filing cabinet which would be quite easy to open.

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He further stated that in 1941 when he was first employed in the State Department that no passes were required to enter the offices of the State Department and that the keys were left with the guards on duty and he probably thought that such a situation existed in 1938.

It is to be pointed out that in the teletype from Washington Field to San Francisco dated January 31, 1949, information is set out reflecting that in an interview with EDWARD STETTINIUS, he said that ROTHWELL told him in a recent discussion of the HISS case, that ALGER HISS had a lifelong habit of digesting files and documents and putting them in a safe and that someone had taken these documents.

In an effort to develop this information from Mr. ROTHWELL, he was questioned closely concerning this statement, care being used not to mention Mr. STETTINIUS's name. Mr. ROTHWELL stated that he had not made any statement to anyone to the effect that ALGER HISS had had a lifelong habit of briefing State Department reports. He did state that ALGER HISS was a methodical individual and that during the course of his official duties it would not have been unusual for him to brief reports and present them in a condensed form to Dr. SAYRE, his immediate superior. He said he did not know whether ALGER HISS took material home for briefing but did not think it would have been uncommon if he had done so inasmuch as many of the employees of the State Department took material home to work on. Mr. ROTHWELL stated that during the period that he knew ALGER HISS, HISS's files were maintained at the State Department and he presumed that whatever briefed reports were made were filed at the State Department along with the original report and that he knew of no separate file of briefed reports. He further stated he did not know whether such reports would be filed in a safe or in a filing cabinet but presumed they would have been filed in the filing cabinet. He stated that he had seen ALGER HISS' briefing reports and he recalled that he ordinarily made notes in longhand and on occasion would dictate from these notes to a stenographer. He said that considerable of the work in briefing reports would normally be done by the stenographer. He said that ALGER HISS had never mentioned to him that he had such a file of briefed reports or any group of briefed documents nor had ALGER HISS ever mentioned to him that such a group of documents had been stolen, and Mr. ROTHWELL stated he had no knowledge of such a group of documents having been stolen or no knowledge of any documents that had been stolen from the State Department. Mr. ROTHWELL also said that he did not recall discussing with anyone such a group of documents or having heard from anyone that such a group of briefed documents had been taken or stolen from ALGER HISS or that he even had knowledge of such a group of briefed documents.

Mr. ROTHWELL was requested to furnish the Bureau with his correspondence from ALGER HISS for comparison with the questioned documents furnished by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS at the time of the original interview and Mr. ROTHWELL declined to furnish these letters to agents on the basis that he

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did not know whether it was the ethical thing to do. He said he needed time to think it over and resolve the ethical aspects one way or another. He said he would telephone agents if he changed his mind and decided to make the letters available. On February 5, 1949, Mr. ROTHWELL telephonically contacted the writer and advised that he had decided to make whatever documents were in his possession available to the Bureau. On the same day he furnished 23 letters received by him from ALGER HISS all typewritten on the letterheads of the Carnegie Endowment For International Peace and all dated 1947 and 1948. These letters have been forwarded to the Laboratory for examination. Mr. ROTHWELL specifically requested that in the event no identification was effected, that the contents of these documents be held strictly confidential within the Bureau inasmuch as they dealt with business between the Carnegie Endowment and the Hoover Institute and were in no way pertinent to the investigation of the charges alleged by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

EDWARD G. CHANDLER, an attorney, was interviewed at his office in the Balboa Building, San Francisco, on February 7, 1949 by Special Agents PAUL C. FULLER and the writer. Mr. CHANDLER stated that he entered Harvard University in 1926, receiving his law degree in 1929 and that he knew ALGER HISS at the time. He said he was not in ALGER HISS's section at law school but that he belonged to the same eating club which was the Lincoln's Inn Eating Club. He said he attended one seminar in "Trusts" at law class with HISS and that it was immediately evident that ALGER HISS knew much more about the subject than the other members of the seminar. He said that ALGER HISS was a member of the Law Review and that he, CHANDLER, was not. He said that they had no social interests and that his acquaintance with him other than outlined above was slight. He said he heard from ALGER HISS again in 1943 at Washington, D. C., at which time Mr. CHANDLER was serving with the Procurement Legal Division of the Department of the Navy. He said he telephoned ALGER HISS in Washington, D. C. and they had lunch together five or six times. He said he has had no correspondence with ALGER HISS and that during his association with him he had no knowledge of any Communist activities or inclinations on the part of ALGER HISS and that the recent newspaper publicity came as an absolute surprise to him. He said that ALGER HISS's roommate at Harvard was one JESSE SLINGLUFF, presently an attorney with Marbury, Miller and Evans at Baltimore, Md., and he suggested that he be interviewed as he might have additional information. He also stated that another of ALGER HISS's associates at Harvard was one WILLIAM B. GARMEN, an attorney with GARMEN and MYERS at Los Angeles, Calif., who was on the Law Review with ALGER HISS at Harvard. Mr. CHANDLER said that he had no prior knowledge of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and knew only of him through the newspapers.

CHARLES E. DORR, an attorney, was interviewed February 7, 1949, at the office in the Kchl Bldg., San Francisco, Calif. by Special Agents PAUL C. FULLER and the writer. Mr. DORR stated that he was employed by the Department of Agriculture from October of 1930 to April of 1934 and

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that in October of 1943<sup>32</sup> he transferred to the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. He stated at this time ALGER HISS had been brought in along with 146 other attorneys for the purpose of setting up marketing orders in the A.A.A. Mr. DORR stated that he had been well acquainted with the top policy makers of the A.A.A. but only slightly acquainted with ALGER HISS and he did not recall ALGER HISS specifically with regard to any work he had done with HISS or any conversations he had had with him, and stated he had no knowledge of any Communist activities on the part of HISS. He did state, however, that it was his impression that all of the 146 attorneys who had been brought in to the A.A.A. were what he would characterize as starry-eyed dreamers, sincere beyond all imagination and extremely liberal in that they believed that all industry must be under a tight, government control and that this must be done by licensing all manufacturers and businessmen throughout the country. He stated that this policy was absolutely in opposition to his own theories on government control of industry and that he remained with the A.A.A. until March or April, of 1934, when he decided he had had enough of the liberal policies and he resigned to enter the private practice of law. He stated that those individuals who were probably closely associated with ALGER HISS at this time were the following:

JEROME FRANK, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, New York City  
 NATHAN WITT, 9 E. 40th St., New York City  
 JOHN ABT, New York City  
 LEE PRESSMAN, CIO Attorney, 718 Jackson Place, Washington D.C.  
 ABE FORTAS, Attorney, 1200 18th St., NW, Washington, D.C.  
 JOHN HENRY LEWIN, Attorney, Mercantile Trust Bldg.,  
 Baltimore, Md.  
 JOHN D. L. YOST, address unknown

Mr. DORR stated he was not well acquainted with these individuals other than association with them for a short period of time when he was employed by the A.A.A. Their current addresses were obtained from recent editions of Who's Who in America and the Martindale - Hubbell Law Directory.

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THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Will interview CRAWFORD F. BRUBAKER, Stevenscn Bldg., 30 North Raymond Ave., Pasadena, Calif. concerning all information in his possession regarding the discharge from the Navy of TIMOTHY HOBSON. This lead was set out by teletype dated February 2, 1949

Will interview WILLIAM B. CARMEN, attorney, O'MELNENY and MYERS, Los Angeles, Calif., who was a classmate of ALGER HISS at Harvard University. This lead was set out by teletype dated February 7, 1949.

THE BALTIMORE OFFICE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Will interview JESSE SLINGLUFF, attorney with Marbury, Miller and Evans, Baltimore, Md., who was a classmate of ALGER HISS. This lead was set out by teletype dated February 7, 1949.

Will if advisable and if no reason exists to the contrary interview JOHN HENRY LEWIN, attorney, Mercantile Building, Baltimore, Md., who was an associate of ALGER HISS at the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Washington, D. C. in 1933 and 1934. This lead was set out by teletype dated February 7, 1949.

AT HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND

Will interview LILLIAN STONE, now Mrs. HAROLD WEISBERG, probably residing at Hyattsville, who was the principal stenographer while ALGER HISS was associated with the Nye Committee. This lead is set out initially in this report.

THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

If the following individuals have not been interviewed and there is no reason to preclude their interview, will interview ABE FORTAS, attorney, 1200 18th St., N.W., Washington, D. C. and LEE PRESSMAN, CIO Attorney, 715 Jackson Place, Washington, D.C. This lead was set out by teletype dated February 7, 1949. In the event they have not already been interviewed, will contact DON RUSSELL and JOSEPH PENNOCK, officials of the

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State Department of Washington; D. C. who were associated with ALGER HISS at the State Department. This lead was set out by teletype dated February 4, 1949.

THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

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Will in accordance with teletype dated February 4 from Washington Field Office interview WALTER WOHLKE; State Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Sacramento, Calif., in an effort to determine the identity of the unknown individual who was ANDREE EMEREE's secretary and any information he may have concerning ANDREE EMEREE herself.

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TITLE <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS - was, et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Confidential informant SF-518 stated that WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE acted as a labor organizer in the clothing industry in San Francisco on behalf of the Communist Party in the early 1930's. Photos of CRANE obtained from Stanford University and Calship Corporation. JEAN CLARK FIELD LIEBERMAN was interviewed and denied any knowledge of Soviet espionage activities on behalf of HERMAN FIELD or NOEL FIELD and had no knowledge of any acquaintanceship between HERMAN FIELD, NOEL FIELD or ALGER HISS and denied knowing ALGER HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. CRAWFORD BRUBAKER reported to be in Los Angeles. GALE SHERIDAN said her acquaintance with ALGER HISS was slight. EASTON ROTH-ELL interviewed and furnished 23 letters written to him by ALGER HISS during 1947 and 1948. He has no knowledge of Communist or espionage activities on the part of ALGER HISS. EDWARD G. CHANDLER and CHARLES P. DORR were not well acquainted with ALGER HISS and had no knowledge of his activities.

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**REFERENCE:**

- Bureau File 74-1333
- Rpt. of DAVID E. TODD dated 1/27/49
- New York teletype to Los Angeles dated January 28, 1949
- Los Angeles teletype to San Francisco dated January 29, 1949
- Washington Field Office teletype to St. Paul dated February 1, 1949
- St. Paul teletype to San Francisco dated February 1, 1949
- Washington Field Office teletype to San Francisco dated February 4, 1949
- Boston teletype to Bureau and San Francisco dated February 4, 1949

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

RE: ALGER HISS

JOSEPH F. JOHNSTON, reputable attorney, First National Bank Building, Birmingham, Ala. states he graduated from Harvard Law School in 1929 one year previous to graduation of subject HISS. Had been an admirer of HISS and on occasions of his visits to Washington would usually have lunch with or call on HISS. Never had any suspicions of activities of HISS. Diligent search of all papers in his possession made by Attorney JOHNSTON with negative results as to location of typewritten correspondence from HISS. Names of former classmates and good friends of HISS secured as possible sources of obtaining typewritten correspondence. MONCURE CAMPER O'NEAL, reputable attorney, Frank Nelson Building, Birmingham, states EOD as an experienced attorney soon after graduation from Columbia Law School in Litigation Section, Department of Agriculture in January, 1934. Ceased duty in August, 1935 and returned to private practice at New York. During that period subject HISS was an attorney with Dept. of Agriculture at Washington and O'NEAL states had high admiration for HISS but was not sufficiently well acquainted with him to correspond or otherwise maintain contact after his departure from Dept. of Agriculture. Additional names of individuals who might have received correspondence from HISS during pertinent period secured.

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RE: ALGER HISS

First mentioned reference teletype from the Boston Office set forth several former school mates of subject HISS, one of whom was JOSEPH F. JOHNSTON, First National Bank Building, Birmingham. This teletype requested that it be determined whether any correspondence or information might be in possession of the individuals mentioned pertaining to subject HISS, especially typewritten correspondence which might have been prepared on the personally owned typewriter of ALGER HISS.

Mr. JOSEPH F. JOHNSTON, Attorney, member of possibly the leading legal firm in Birmingham, that of Cabaniss & Johnston, 9th Floor, First National Bank Building, 1st Avenue and 20th Street North, stated that he graduated from the Harvard Law School at Cambridge, Mass. in 1929 and that ALGER HISS graduated therefrom one year later in 1930. He stated that while at Harvard Law School he became well acquainted with HISS and was a great admirer of the ability of that individual. Mr. JOHNSTON stated that he came to Birmingham after graduation and during the middle 1930's was engaging in considerable litigation on behalf of his clients attacking the validity of "new deal" legislation passed in Washington. This required him to be in Washington on rather frequent intervals of approximately three or four months separation and on his visits to Washington he more frequently than not, called by to see HISS and would usually have lunch with him.

For the period 1937 to 1938 Mr. JOHNSTON advised he was General Counsel of the Seacoast Air Line Railroad, stationed at Norfolk, Virginia while the railroad was in the hands of a receiver. During that period also he saw HISS on the occasions of his visits to Washington and on a few occasions visited HISS at his home in the evening. He stated he, therefore, is acquainted with PRISCILLA HISS but "did not know much about her." Mr. JOHNSTON returned to Birmingham and has engaged in the practice of law since the Seacoast Air Line Railroad was reorganized. He spent several hours going over past correspondence and files both at his office and at his residence, with negative results as to locating any typewritten correspondence from ALGER HISS. He recalled during the past years having received several hand scribbled notes from HISS which he stated were merely invitations to call him on the occasion of his next visit to Washington and presumed that such notes have been destroyed. Mr. JOHNSTON advised that during the period beginning with his first acquaintance with HISS in the Harvard Law School, until newspaper publicity reflected the difficulties in which HISS is involved, that he

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had never had the slightest suspicion of the activities of that individual and was greatly shocked upon reading news releases.

With reference to the identities of individuals who may possibly have in their possession correspondence either typewritten or otherwise from subject HISS, Mr. JOHNSTON suggested the following persons:

Federal Judge CHARLES WYZANSKI;  
Boston, Mass.

This individual was formerly a close acquaintance of subject HISS.

Mr. MAYNARD J. TOLL, Attorney  
c/o O'MELVENY & MYERS  
433 South Spring St.,  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Attorney TOLL was also a good friend and personal acquaintance of subject HISS.

Mr. JOHNSTON also suggested as possible sources of the information desired that all members of the Board of the Harvard Law Review for the years 1929-30 might be contacted inasmuch as those members would have been closely associated with HISS as HISS was also a Board member of the Law Review for that period.

Mr. JOHNSTON suggested also as a possible source of typewriter specimens: The files of the Solicitor General's Office, Department of Justice might reflect memoranda prepared by HISS during the evening hours at home during the period he was connected with that office.

Second reference teletype from the Washington Field Office to the Bureau and Birmingham under date of February 2, 1949 requested an interview with M. CAMPER O'NEAL, indicated as having been a co-employee of ALGER HISS at the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. MONCURE CAMPER O'NEAL, Attorney, residing at 3140 Guilford Road, Mountain Brook, Birmingham, associated with the firm R. DuPont Thompson & Associates, Frank Nelson Building, Birmingham, who is considered reliable, was interviewed at his office. Mr. O'NEAL advised that he first became acquainted with ALGER HISS in January, 1934 while he, O'NEAL, was an inexperienced attorney, having only graduated from Columbia Law School

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in June, 1933. At the time he EOD with the Department of Agriculture Litigation Section as an attorney in January, 1934, ALGER HISS was an attorney with that Department and Mr. O'NEAL recalled that HISS had only recently completed the setting up of legislation for the cotton pool. It was the recollection of Mr. O'NEAL that HISS was for a while under the supervision of JEROME FRANK, General Counsel for the AAA of the Department of Agriculture and was also engaged in other duties for the Department of Agriculture.

O'NEAL advised that he was impressed with the ability of ALGER HISS and frequently conferred with him in order to gain knowledge of the duties expected of him by the Department of Agriculture. He stated that this acquaintanceship amounted to no more than that, and that he was not sufficiently friendly with HISS to even offer congratulatory messages to him on occasions of his subsequent promotions and honors received after leaving the Department of Agriculture. O'NEAL stated that he himself resigned from the Department of Agriculture in August, 1935 and to his recollection which was verified by a diligent search of his papers never received any correspondence from ALGER HISS.

From copies of memoranda pertaining to his duties while engaged as an attorney in the Department of Agriculture for the period January, 1934 to August, 1935 Mr. O'NEAL suggested the following individuals as possible sources of information pertaining to HISS inasmuch as they were all co-employees at that time:

LEE FRESSMAN  
JEROME FRANK  
J. P. WENCHER  
CHESTER DAVIS, now member of Federal Reserve Board, St. Louis  
STEWART McDONALD  
FORREST R. BLACK  
JACK I. LEVY  
LAWRENCE KEITT, later with National Dairies, Park Avenue, New York  
MISS L. RELLA RESNICK  
PREW SAVOY  
TOM FLAVIN  
ARTHUR C. BACHRACH  
WILLIAM E. BYRD, now with large Department Store, Atlanta, Ga.  
WALTER SCHAEFER, now Professor of Law, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.  
DON MacGUINNESS  
and one Mr. TOLL.

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Mr. O'NEAL stated that all of the above named individuals were either officials of the Department of Agriculture or attorneys in the Litigation Section during the above mentioned period.

No additional information was in the possession of Attorney O'NEAL and he stated that as far as he observed ALGER HISS during the approximately 18 months he was a co-employee in the Department of Agriculture and nothing came to his attention which caused him to doubt the patriotism or loyalty of HISS.

No leads are being set forth at this time to contact the individuals mentioned herein above inasmuch as the office of origin or the Washington Field Office may have previously contacted the individuals mentioned.

The above information was forwarded by teletype summary to the Bureau and the New York Office under date of February 7, 1949 and air mail copies thereof were furnished the Boston, Baltimore and Washington Field Offices for the information of those offices.

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