

DEC:el
7h-9h

Tom Glicker
1/17/49

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE, FBI

2-4-49

3:30 PM

URGENT

DIRECTOR AND SACS, SAN FRANCISCO AND PITTSBURGH

F. L. ...

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, NYAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R. ON FEBRUARY ONE, LAST, NYTEL ADVISED THAT WHITTAKER CHAMBERS IN NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR ACTED AS COURIER BETWEEN J. PETERS IN NYC AND HAROLD WARE APPARATUS IN DC, CALLED QUOTE APPARATUS A UNQUOTE. PETERS TOLD CHAMBERS OF ONE ANDRE EMEREE, NOW IDENTIFIED AS ANDREW EMEREE, A HUNGARIAN AND CP MEMBER, WAS, MRS. ROY HUDSON, SUBJECT OF PITTSBURGH SECURITY CASE. CHAMBERS SAID EMEREE GIVEN JOB IN U.S. DEPT OF INTERIOR BY JOHN COLLIER, THEN HEAD, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, USDI. CHAMBERS DID NOT BELIEVE MEMBER OF CP BUT SAID COLLIER MAY HAVE HAD QUOTE SOME PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP UNQUOTE WITH EMEREE. AT THAT TIME, CHAMBERS DROVE EMEREE AND UNIDENTIFIED GIRL FROM NYC TO WASHINGTON WITH J. PETERS. THIS UNIDENTIFIED GIRL WAS SECRETARY TO EMEREE, PRESUMABLY AT USDI, AND TOOK CHAMBERS' PLACE AS COURIER FOR APPARATUS A. CHAMBERS NEVER SAW UNKNOWN GIRL AGAIN. DESCRIBES HER AS QUOTE JEWISH, SMALL, AND DARK UNQUOTE. CHAMBERS STATES EMEREE LIVED IN AN APARTMENT ON FLORIDA AVENUE NEAR INTERSECTION CONNECTICUT AVENUE, NW, DC. NINETEEN THIRTY SIX WASHINGTON DIRECTORY REFLECTS ANDREW EMEREE, USDI EMPLOYEE, RESIDING TWO ONE TWO NINE FLORIDA AVENUE NEAR CONNECTICUT INTERSECTION. BUFILES REFLECT EMEREE EMPLOYED FORTYSIX HUNDRED DOLLARS PER ANNUM BY PLANNING SECTION, INDIAN REHABILITATION DIVISION, PROBABLY USDI, AT HURLEY-WRIGHT BUILDING, DC. PROBABLY WORKED FOR WALTER WOHLKE, NOW STATE DIRECTOR, CALIFORNIA AGENCY, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, USDI, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. NO RECORD EMEREE LOCATED INDIAN AFFAIRS AT APARTMENT HOUSE TWO ONE TWO NINE FLORIDA AVE., NW. EMEREE SPEAKS HUNGARIAN.

RECORDED - 133

74-1333-1819

INDEXED - 133

9274

27873

PAGE #2

EUROPEAN LANGUAGES, HAS HELD NUMEROUS WELL PAYING JOBS. PITTSBURGH WILL FURNISH
SAN FRANCISCO IMMEDIATELY, AUSD, PICTURES AND PERTINENT BACKGROUND INCLUDING
DESCRIPTION EMEREE. SF TO INTERVIEW WOHLKE EXHAUSTIVELY RE EMEREE AND UNKNOWN
GIRL WHO WAS EMEREE'S SECRETARY. SUTEL APPROPRIATE LEADS TO WFO.

RECEIVED
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
FEB 4 2 30 PM '48

NOTED
[Handwritten signature]

New York by Mail.

518/

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 8- 1949

TELETYPE

CONF THREE STATIONS

WASHINGTON AND WASH FIELD 13 NEW YORK 10 FROM NEWARK 8 + 5 PM

DIRECTOR AND SACS U R G E N T

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP-R. RE PHILADELPHIA

TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NY AND NEWARK OF FEBRUARY FOUR LAST. JOSEPHINE

FREY HERBST, MONTCLAIR, NJ STATES HER FORMER HUSBAND, JOHN HERRMANN,

FIRST MET HAROLD WARE IN FALL OF NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE WHEN HERRMANN

CONTACTED HIM FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON FARM SUBJECTS ABOUT WHICH

HE WAS WRITING A PLAY. MRS. HERBST HAD PREVIOUSLY MET WARE ON ONE

OCCASION THROUGH HIS WIFE, JESSICA SMITH, WITH WHOM MRS. HERBST WAS

FREINDLY. JESSICA SMITH IS A WRITER IN NYC AND PUBLISHED OR MAY STILL

BE PUBLISHING AN INFORMATION MAGAZINE ON SOVIET RUSSIA UNDER HER

NAME. EXACT LOCATION IN NYC UNKNOW. HERRMANN WENT TO WASHINGTON,

DC IN SPRING OF NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR TO DO FREE LANCE WRITING WHILE MRS.

HERBST REMAINED IN ERWINNA, PA. SHE WENT TO WASHINGTON AND STAYED WITH

HIM FROM JULY TO SPETEMBER NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR WHEN SHE WENT TO MIDDLE

WEST TO WRITE ARTICLES ON DROUTH. SHE RETURNED TO WASHINGTON IN OCTOBER

NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR AND STAYED FOR TWO WEEKS BEFORE LEAVING FOR NYC

AND CUBA. SHE AND HERRMANN WERE SEPARATED IN SUMMER OF NINETEEN

THIRTYFIVE AT WHICH TIME SHE HERXXX HEARD FROM HIM FROM NEBRASKA. MRS.

HERBST WAS NOT IN WASHINGTON IN NINETEEN THIRTYFIE OR THIRTYSEX. SHE

RECALLS MEETING WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AS CARL THROUGH HER HUSBAND IN

WASHINGTON AND STATES HE VISITED HERRMANN IN THEIR RESIDENCE TWO OR

THREE TIMES

END PAGE ONE

Kisseloff-7539

RECORDED - 133 74-1333-1820
INDEXED - 133

5-2-49

RECEIVED-LADD
F B I
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 9 12 42 PM '49

RECEIVED-NICHOLS
F B I
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
RECEIVED-LADD
F B I
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 9 4 09 PM '49
RECEIVED-DIRECTOR
F B I
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 9 10 14 AM '49

RECEIVED
FEB 10 9 09 AM '49
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

PAGE TWO

DURING THE TIME SHE WAS THERE. FROM CONVERSATION OVERHEARD BETWEEN CHAMBERS AND HERRMANN SHE GATHERED THAT CHAMBERS WAS COLLECTING INFORMATION FOR THE COMMUNIST PARTY IN NYC BUT DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF HIS TRUE ACTIVITIES AS LATER BROUGHT OUT IN THE PRESS. SHE FURTHER DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF THE CHARACTER OF THE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN HERRMANN AND CHAMBERS AND STATES SHE AND HER HUSBAND WERE NOT ON GOOD TERMS AT THIS TIME AND SHE DID NOT QUESTION HIM. STATES SHE MET LEE PRESSMAN IN WASHINGTON IN CONNECTION WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CIO BUT CAN RECALL NO FURTHER CONTACTS WITH HIM. SHE MET GREGORY/SILVERMASTER IN WASHINGTON THROUGH MAXIM LEIBER, HER LITERARY AGENT, WHEN SHE DESIRED TO SECURE INFORMATION ON FOREIGN NATIONS FOR BACKGROUND OF WRITINGS. SILVERMASTER AT THAT TIME WAS ^{with} ~~THE~~ FARM RECLAMATION PROGRAM. STATES SHE HAS BEEN A LIFE-LONG FRIEND OF ROBERT COE WHO WAS WITH THE BUREAU OF STANDARDS IN WASHINGTON AND LATER EMPLOYED AS A SCIENTIST AT OAK RIDGE, TENN. HE IS NOW IN TUBERCULOSIS SANITORIUM, SARANAC, NY. INSUFFICIENT INFO AVAILABLE TO NEWARK TO KNOW IF THIS ROBERT COE IS IDENTICAL TO ONE MENTIONED IN REFERENCE TELETYPE. SHE IS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH ANY MEMBER OF HISS FAMILY, CHARLES KRAMER, VICTOR PERLO, HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR., NATHAN WITT, HARRY DEXTER WHITE OR SILVERMAN AND KNOWS OF NO CONNECTION OF HERRMANN WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS. AS MATTER OF BACKGROUND, JOSEPHINE HERBST STATES SHE WAS EMPLOYED FOR A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS IN ABOUT NINETEEN FORTYTWO WITH OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION IN WASHINGTON AND WAS

END PAGE TWO

Kisseloff-7541

1200

RECEIVED-LADD
F B I
U S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 9 9 15 AM '49

RECEIVED-LADD
F B I
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 9 12 42 PM '49

Kisseloff-7542

PAGE THREE

SUMMARILY FIRED. MRS. HERBST DOES NOT KNOW PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF JOHN HERRMANN BUT STATES HE SERVED IN THE COAST GUARD AS N OFFICER DURING WORLD WAR TWO AND SHE HAS HEARD HE SUFFERED A DISABILITY DURING THE LATTER NINETEEN THIRTIES HE WAS EMPLOYED BY WORKS PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION WRITERS PROJECT AND LIVED FOR SOME TIME IN NEW ORLEANS, LA. RELATIVES KNOWN TO MRS. ~~HERBST~~ HERBST ARE A BROTHER ROBERT C. HERRMANN, KNOWN TO RESIDE IN DETROIT IN NINETEEN FORTYTWO, ROBERT-S TWIN, NAME NOT RECALLED, KNOWN TO RESIDE IN GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN AT SAME TIME. THERE IS ALSO A SISTER, MRS. DONALD ~~DONALD DOROTHY~~ DOROTHY TEEL, ADDRESS UNKNOWN, BELIEVED TO RESIDE IN NEW ENGLAND. HIS FATHER, HENRY HERRMANN, WAS GENERAL MANAGER OF REO AUTO COMPNAY, LANSING, MICH. AND WELL KNOWN FIGURE IN LANSING UNTIL HIS DEATH IN NINETEEN FORTYTWO OR FORTYTHREE. JOHN HERRMANN DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS- BORN NOVEMBER NINE, NAUGHT ONE, WHITE, SIX FEET TWO, ONE EIGHTY THREE POUNDS, BROWN EYES, LIGHT BROWN HAIR, NO GLASSES. WFO WILL ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE THROUGH WPA AND USCG RECORDS. WILL ALSO EXAMINE OWI OR CIVIL SERVICE RECORDS FOR INFORMATION RELATNG TO DISMISSAL OF ~~JOSEPHINE~~ JOSEPHINE FREY HERBST. DETROIT BEING REQUESTED BY SEPARATE TELETYPE TO ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE HERRMANN THROUGH RELATIVES IN MICHIGAN. REPORT FOLLOWS.

MC KEE

CORR LINE 11 AND 12 "SILVERMASTER AT THAT TIME WAS WITH FARM RECLAMATION PROGRAM."

WAS ACK AND DISC NY HOLD PLS

WA QK NK R 13 WA

NY

70 COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7543

1920

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 8 5 25 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED-LAND
F B I
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 9 12 42 PM '49

RECEIVED

FEB 10 9 06 AM '49

RECEIVED

FEB 9 9 15 AM '49

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

F B I

RECEIVED-LAND

Kisseloff-7544

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 8 - 1951

TELETYPE

*W. W. [unclear]
Rec'd 2/17/51
[unclear]
[unclear]*

WASHINGTON 12 AND NEW YORK 6 FROM BOSTON 8 10-40
DIRECTOR AND SACS U R G E N T
J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY. ESPIONAGE R - S. R. -
REBUTEL TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK FEBRUARY THIRD LAST AND BOSTON TELE-
PHONE CALL TO NEW HAVEN FEBRUARY SEVENTH FORTYNINE. ZACHARY BARANOFF
ON INTERVIEW DENIED ALL KNOWLEDGE OF OR PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNIST
PARTY OR RUSSIAN ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES ON PART OF HIMSELF, DRAMINSKI,
JULIETTI, OR CHAPMAN. CLAIMS HAS NO RECOLLECTION OF CLAYTON B.
BARROW AND DID NOT KNOW FRIENDS OF ASSOCIATES OF JULIETTE AND UNABLE
TO IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPH OF CHAMBERS.

CORR PLS

THIRD FROM LAST WORD IN NEXT TO LAST LINE IS "JULIETTI"

HOLD PLS

RECORDED - 133
SOUCY

INDEXED - 133

174-1333-1824

EX-117

Kisseloff-7545

S. J. [unclear]

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 8 10 24 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7546

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 8 - 1953

TELETYPE

Montgomery
Cat...

ENT
N

CONF THREE STATIONS

WASH AND WASH FLD 41 AND BALTIMORE 4 FROM NEW YORK 8 8-15 P P
DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. R. MAXIM

LIEBER APPEARED BEFORE GJ TODAY BUT REFUSED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING CHAMBERS OR THE AMERICAN FEATURES SYNDICATE. HAROLD GLASSER ALSO APPEARED BEFORE GJ AND AT FIRST WANTED TO MAKE A STATEMENT TO THE GJ EXPRESSING REASON WHY HE DID NOT WISH TO TESTIFY. SUBSEQUENTLY, THIS STATEMENT WAS ALLOWED TO BE READ AND GLASSER INDICATED THAT HE HAD BEEN BEFORE THE GJ ONCE PREVIOUSLY AND HAD ALSO TESTIFIED BEFORE THE HCUA AND FELT THAT HE COULD NOT GIVE ANY FURTHER TESTIMONY. REFUSED TO ANSWER WHETHER HE KNEW WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AND ALTHOUGH HE ADMITTED HE KNEW ALGER HISS, HE REFUSED TO ANSWER WHETHER HE HAD ANY CONVERSATION WITH HISS RELATIVE TO THE LATTER-S FURNISHING DOCUMENTS OF THE STATE DEPT. TO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS. ALSO DECLINED TO ANSWER WHETHER HE HAD ANY CONVERSATION WITH HARRY DEXTER WHITE REGARDING THE LATTER-S FURNISHING OF GOVERNEMNT DOCUMENTS TO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS. THIS AM EDWARD MC LEAN, ATTORNEY FOR ALGER HISS TALKED TO T. J. DONEGAN AND INDICATED THAT HIS LAW FIRM HAD RETAINED LLOYD PAUL STRYKER TO REPRESENT HISS DURING TRIAL OF INSTANT CASE AND THAT BECAUSE OF THIS, MCLEAN DESIRED A POSTPONEMENT. DONEGAN AGREED AND STIPULATIONS

H. B. A. Decker
J. J.

RECORDED - 1331 74-1333-1882

INDEXED - 133

NO COPIES WFO

1949 1021

Kisseloff-7547

END OF PAGE ONE

G. J. G.
cc. Mr. Decker

RECEIVED-LADD
F B I
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

FEB 9 10 38 AM '49

FEB 9 11 02 AM '49

RECEIVED-TOLSON
F B I
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7548

PAGE TWO

WERE SIGNED TODAY EXTENDING THE TIME FOR THE HEARING OF MOTIONS FROM FEB. FOURTEEN TO MAR. SEVEN AND THE TRIAL OF THE CASE FROM FEB. TWENTY FOUR TO MAR. TWENTYONE. CHAMBERS ON INTERVIEW TODAY STATED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM MR. ~~Y~~MC NULTY, HIS ATTORNEY, INDICATING THAT HE WOULD BE A NECESSARY WITNESS AT THE PRE-TRIAL EXAMINATION IN BALTIMORE ON FRI. NEXT. CHAMBERS IS NOT DESIROUS OF APPEARING AT THIS EXAMINATION AND THE MATTER WAS DISCUSSED WITH T. J. DONEGAN. DONEGAN EXHIBITED AN ORDER FILED DEC. THIRTYONE, FORTYEIGHT, IN THE US DIST. COURT FOR THE DIST. OF MD. AND SIGNED BY JUDGE CHESTNUT. THIS ORDER INDICATED IN EFFECT THAT THERE DID NOT APPEAR TO BE ANY APPARENT REASON WHY THE PRE-TRIAL EXAMINATION SHOULD NOT BE CONTINUED. HE FURTHER STATED THAT IN VIEW OF THE CRIMINAL ACTION PRESENTLY PENDING CONCERNING HISS AND CHAMBERS, HE DESIRED TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE PRESENT AT THE PRE-TRIAL DEPOSITION EXAMINATION. THIS WAS NOT OBJECTED TO. DONEGAN STATED THAT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT HISS-S ATTORNEYS ARE AWARE THAT THE GJ DOES NOT MEET ON MON. OR FRI. THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE ANY LOGICAL EXCUSE FOR CHAMBERS-S NON-APPEARANCE ON FRI. NEXT IN BALTIMORE. UNLESS CHAMBERS IS INSTRUCTED BY HIS ATTORNEY NOT TO APPEAR IN BALTIMORE AS REQUESTED ABOVE, HE WILL LEAVE NY THURS. NIGHT SO THAT HE CAN MAKE THIS REQUIRED APPEARANCE.

SCHEIDT

11
44

BALTIMORE ACK AND DKSC, WASH HOLD PLS

FOR CONF

UB NY R 4 BA

Kisseloff-7549

1822

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 8 8 39 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED - DIRECTOR
F B I
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 9 6 06 AM '49

Kisseloff-7550

FEB 9 1949

Handwritten initials and a grid pattern in the top right corner.

TELETYPE

WASHINGTON AND WFO FROM NEW YORK 30 9 6-20P

DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ETAL. PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R. RETEL
 TO BUREAU JAN. TWENTYFIVE LAST INDICATING LEANDER BELL/LOVELL WOULD
 BE INTERVIEWED AS SOON AS COMPLETE INFORMATION HAD BEEN DEVELOPED
 RELATIVE TO LOVELL. CHAMBERS STATED THAT DAVID CARPENTER TOLD HIM
 THAT LOVELL WAS A COMMUNIST AND THAT HE HAD SUSPECTED LOVELL WAS A
 COMMUNIST FROM HIS CONTACTS WITH OTHER INDIVIDUALS. HE STATED THAT
 HE HAD NO PERSONAL CONTACT WITH LOVELL AND HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER
 LOVELL WAS ACTIVE IN THE UNDERGROUND APPARATUS. WFOLET TO BUREAU,
 DECEMBER TWENTY NINETEEN FORTY, ENTITLED "INVESTIGATION OF GOVERNMENT
 EMPLOYEES, INTERNAL SECURITY, HATCH ACT" REFLECTED THAT WILL ALLEN,
 A REPORTER FOR THE "WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS", STATED LOVELL WAS CLOSE
 TO ELEANOR NELSON AND THAT LOVELL RESIDED AT NINETEEN FORTY BILT-
 MORE STREET, WASHINGTON, D.C. NY FILES REFLECT THAT LOVELL WAS EM-
 PLOYED IN THE STATE DEPT. DURING NINETEEN THIRTYSIX AND NINETEEN
 THIRTY SEVEN AS AN ECONOMIST IN THE DIVISION OF TRADE AGREEMENTS
 AND THAT HE WAS ACQUAINTED WITH HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH. A LOYALTY
 INVESTIGATION WAS RECENTLY CONDUCTED RE LOVELL. WFO IS REQUESTED TO
INTERVIEW LOVELL RE CONTACTS WITH ELEANOR NELSON, WADLEIGH AND OTHER
PERSONS WHO WERE CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH THE UNDERGROUND APPARATUS,
INCLUDING DAVID CARPENTER.

Handwritten signatures and initials on the right side of the page.

RECORDED - 133 74-1353-183
INDEXED - 133

SCHEIDT

210 COPIES WFO

HOLD PLS

Kisseloff-7551

cc Mr. Fletcher
B. J. V.

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 9 6 30 PM '49

F.P.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED-LADD

F B I

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

FEB 10 9 22 AM '49

FEB 9 7 30 PM '49

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

F B I

RECEIVED - DIRECTOR

Kisseloff-7552

##

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

TELETYPE

WASHINGTON AND WFO FROM NEW YORK 61 9 9-48P
DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE DASH
R, IS DASH R. T. J. DONEGAN ADVISES HAROLD GLASSER TESTIFIED AGAIN
TODAY AND REITERATED HIS EARLIER REFUSAL TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS RE
ALGER HISS, INCLUDING WHETHER OR NOT HE IS ACQUAINTED WITH HISS.
GLASSER DECLARED HE HAS NOW DECIDED NOT TO ANSWER ANY FURTHER QUES-
TIONS WHICH MIGHT POSSIBLY INCRIMINATE HIM. EXAMINATION OF HIM WILL
CONTINUE FEB. TEN. MEYER SHAPIRO WAS ONLY OTHER WITNESS AND TESTI-
FIED IN DETAIL RE KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH CHAMBERS
AND ALSO RE DETAILS OF REGULAR TRANSACTION AS DESCRIBED MORE FULLY
MYTEL FEB. THIRD LAST. SHAPIRO CONCLUDED HIS TESTIMONY TODAY. HEDI
MASSING SCHEDULED TO TESTIFY FEB. TEN.

SCHEIDT

HOLD PLS

FEB 17 1950

Kisseloff-7553

AND CHARLES WFO

5-20

MA
of
Meyer
Shapiro
Glasser

SEARCHED
SERIALIZED
INDEXED
FILED

1742

G.I.

RECORDED - 133 74-1333-104
INDEXED - 133

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 9 9 52 PM '49

F.P.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7554

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 9-1949

TELETYPE

*M. J. ...
Cattaneo*

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Mumford	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Gandy	

Mr. Fletcher

FBI EL PASO

2-9-49

2-10 PM

DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS, NEW YORK CITY, WASHINGTON FIELD AND BALTIMORE

.....U R G E N T.....

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP, R, IS - R.

RENYC TEL TODAY AND MYTEL YESTERDAY. FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO DEFINITELY

IDENTIFIED THE PHOTOGRAPH OF BENJAMIN FIELD, STATING HE WAS NOT

BERNIE, DID NOT HAVE ANY ESPIONAGE CONNECTIONS, BUT WAS A TOP CP

FUNCTIONARY IN BALTIMORE DURING SPRING OF NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN.

BEN FIELD AND BENJAMIN FIELD ONLY NAMES USED BY THIS INDIVIDUAL

ACCORDING TO RENO. AS INDICATED IN MYTEL OF YESTERDAY, RENO HAS

TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED DAVID CARPENTER AS BERNIE. REPORT FOLLOWS.

BROWN

END

ACK IN ORD PLS

WA 4-12 PM OK FBI WA JG

OK FBI BA AHS

V

OK-FBI NYC MAR

DISCMO

RECORDED - 133

INDEXED - 133

174-1335-1925

3412

TWO COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7555

5-2-49

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 9 4 14 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED

##

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 9 1949

TELETYPE

n.d.

Mr. Fletcher

Breast

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

[Handwritten initials and marks]

WASHINGTON AND WFO FROM NEW YORK ~~4-1~~ 41 9 6-50P
DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ETAL. PERJURY, ESP. R. REWFOTEL TWO FIVE FORTYNINE AT EIGHT TWENTYSIX PM. WFO REQUESTED TO ADVISE IF THE HANDWRITTEN LETTER MENTIONED IN REFERENCED TEL WAS SUBMITTED TO FBI LAB ORIGINALLY. IF LETTER WAS SUBMITTED, BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE RESULTS OF COMPARISON OF HANDWRITING IN THIS LETTER WITH KNOWN SPECIMENS OF ALGER HISS-S HANDWRITING.

RECORDED - 133
174-1253-1826

SCHEIDT

*Covered by WFO tel
2-10-49 n.y. request of [unclear] submit [unclear]*

File 5

100 COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7557

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 9 6 57 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7558

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 9, 1949

FROM : *Stum* GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington FieldK SUBJECT: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Rebulet dated February 4, 1949, calling attention to the report of Special Agent JAMES L. KIRKLAND, dated January 27, 1949, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, which reflects the results of an interview with JEOFFREY MAY. MAY stated that in 1944 when he was visiting the HISS residence, he met the Director of Information of the United States Maritime Service. The Washington Field Office was requested to identify the aforementioned Director, thereafter locate and interview him.

Please be advised that investigation indicates that ROBERT W. HORTON was the Director of Information, United States Maritime Commission, from March 1944 until May 31, 1946. He resided at 3135 - O Street, N. W., and his legal residence was Orwell, Vermont.

HORTON has been previously interviewed by the Albany Division inasmuch as it was determined that he was a former neighbor of ALGER HISS.

CJJ:cl
74-94

cc - New York

RECORDED - 133

74-1333-1827

INDEXED - 133

32 141213

167

Kisseloff-7559

5-39

Handwritten scribble

RECEIVED
FEB 10 1 18 PM '49
REC'D ESPIONAGE
3
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7560

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 9 1958

TELETYPE

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7-14-87 BY SP2 mac/tes

W. Mitchell

*ST
Jem*

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Winterrowd	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

#

WASHINGTON AND WASH. FIELD 21 NEW YORK 6 PHILA 2 FROM NEWARK 7-11P

DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R, INTERN-
 AL SECURITY-R. RE WFO TEL FEB. THIRD LAST AND NY TEL FEB. SEVEN LAST.
 MRS ELLEN TRENT ARNWINE AND HER FATHER, WATSON T. ROBERTS RECONTACT-
 ED LAMBERTVILLE, N.J. REGARDING PORTION REF WFOTEL SETTING FORTH THAT
 ARNWINE REPORTED HER FATHER ADVISED HER THAT SUBSEQUENT TO BEING IN-
 Terviewed BY NEWARK AGENT HE ASSOCIATED NAME DAVID BREEN WITH PICTURES
 OF CHAMBERS SHOWN HIM BY AGENT ROBERTS REEXAMINED PHOTOGRAPHS OF CHAM-
 BERS AND ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS MENTIONED IN MYTEL JAN. TWENTY NINE
 LAST AND EXAMINED PHOTOGRAPH OF ALGER HISS TAKEN AUGUST THIRTY FOUR
 AND ADVISED NONE OF THEM WERE FAMILIAR AND HE AFFIRMED STATEMENT
 MADE BY HIM REPORTED IN MYTEL JAN. TWENTY NINE LAST. ROBERTS UNABLE
 TO SUPPLY ANY ADDITIONAL INFO. ARNWINE AND HER HUSBAND, ALBERT
 J. ARNWINE, EXAMINED ALL OF ABOVE MENTIONED PHOTOGRAPHS. ELLEN ARN-
 WINE IDENTIFIED FACIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF CHAMBERS TAKEN THIRTY ONE AND
 FULL LENGTH CHAMBERS PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN THIRTY SIX AS REPORTED IN REF
 WFOTEL. ALBERT ARNWINE IDENTIFIED AS FAMILIAR TO HIM THIRTY SIX
 CHAMBERS PHOTOGRAPH AND THIRTY FOUR ALGER HISS PHOTOGRAPH. HE DOES

RECORDED - 133

INDEXED - 133 174-1333-1828

FEB 14 1958

5.7.9

PAGE TWO

DOES NOT ASSOCIATE CHAMBERS AND ALGER HISS TOGETHER AND HE COULD NOT RECALL WHERE OR WHEN HE BELIEVES HE SAW CHAMBERS AND ALGER HISS. ROBERTS AND MRS. ARNWINE ADVISED BACKGROUND IN THIRTY SIX CHAMBERS PHOTOGRAPH NOT ON MARSHALL ESTATE AT NEW HOPE, PA. BOTH HOWEVER BELIEVE BACKGROUND IS SIMILAR TO TYPE HOMES CONSTRUCTED VICINITY NEW HOPE. ROBERTS ADVISED HE WAS ABSOLUTELY POSITIVE RECORDS PERTAINING TO RENTAL OF STONE TENANT HOUSE TO DAVID BREEN IN THIRTY SIX AND THIRTY SEVEN HAVE BEEN DESTROYED. REGARDING ABOVE MRS. ARNWINE ADVISED THAT SINCE BEING INTERVIEWED BY WFO AGENT SHE CONFERRED WITH HER FATHER REGARDING THESE RECORDS AND REALIZED THAT THEY MUST HAVE BEEN DESTROYED. RUDOLPH NEUBERGER, LAMBERTVILLE, N.J. , BUYER OF REAL ESTATE, ADVISED HE DID NOT KNOW CHAMBERS OR DAVID BREEN AND DID NOT KNOW ALGER OR PRISCILLA HISS AND HE WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPHS OF CHAMBERS AND ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS. NEUBERGER ALSO REPORTED HE HAD LITTLE ASSOCIATION WITH RESIDENTS IN NEW HOPE, PA. DURING THIRTY SIX AND THIRTY SEVEN INASMUCH AS HE RESIDED IN KINGWOOD, N. J. DURING THIS PERIOD. MR. AND MRS. ARNWINE ADVISED THEY BELIEVE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS PRESENTLY RESIDING IN NEW HOPE, PA. WOULD BE IN BEST POSITION TO KNOW OF ANY ASSOCIATION BETWEEN CHAMBERS AND

PAGE THREE

AND ALGER HISS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD. EDWARD MATTHEWS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED AS HANDYMAN FOR DR. KENNETH C. LEISY, SOUTH MAIN ST. MATTHEWS FORMERLY OPERATED THE MATTHEWS RESTAURANT ON BRIDGE ST., NEW HOPE FOR MANY YEARS UP TO FORTY ONE OR FORTY TWO. EDWARD BARR PRESENTLY OPERATOR OF A TAP ROOM ON SOUTH MAIN ST. AND DURING PERTINENT PERIOD OPERATED TAPROOM ON SOUTHEAST CORNER SOUTH MAIN ST. AND FERRY ST., NEW HOPE. ACCORDING TO ARNWINES MANY OF RESIDENTS OF NEW HOPE FREQUENTED PLACES OPERATED BY MATTHEWS AND BARR. REGINALD ~~WALKER~~ WALKER PRESENTLY RESIDING ON NORTH MAIN ST. IN APPROXIMATELY THE THIRD HOUSE SOUTH OF FIRE HOUSE ON WEST SIDE OF STREET. ACCORDING TO ARNWINES WALKER OPERATED GROCERY STORE IN NEW HOPE DURING PERTINENT PERIOD AND MANY RESIDENTS THERE TRADED AT WALKERS STORE. ^DPOSTMASTER/ KERRIGAN, NEW HOPE POST OFFICE WHO ACCORDING TO ARNWINES HAS BEEN POSTMASTER THERE FOR MANY YEARS AND KNEW MOST OF RESIDENTS IN VICINITY NEW HOPE. IN ADDITION CHARLES MATTHEWS PRESENTLY BELIEVED TO BE RESIDING IN NEW HOPE BUT PLACE OF RESIDENCE NOT KNOWN TO ARNWINES IS BROTHER OF EDWARD MATTHEWS MENTIONED ABOVE. CHARLES MATTHEWS ACCORDING TO ARNWINES WAS EMPLOYED DURING PERTINENT PERIOD AT NEW HOPE POST OFFICE. PHILA. HANDLE INTERVIEWS OF ABOVE MENTIONED PERSONS AT NEW HOPE, PA.

MC KEE

WA

CORR PAGE THREE

LINE 10 LAST WORD SHLD BE ---- WALKER---

PAGE THREE LINE 12 AFTER WORD "POSTMAS

MIN PLS

UM WILL CALL U U WILL HAVE TO RPT THIRD PAGE

RIBBON CAME OFF MACHINE WHO IS THIS PH

Kisseloff-7563

570 COPIES
162-6

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 9 7 30 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7564

TELETYPE UNIT

FOR DIRECTOR
TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

NA from
Mr. [unclear]
Presented
Callahan

WASH FROM NEW YORK 63 9
 DIRECTOR URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., PERJURY, ESPIONAGE -R, INTERNAL SECURITY -R. TIMOTHY (WAGSON) INTERVIEWED TODAY BY AGENTS THIS OFFICE AT HIS HOME, TWO THREE NINE EAST THIRTYEIGHT ST., NYC. HE DENIED THAT GEORGE CROSLY OR CHAMBERS WAS KNOWN TO HIM AS A VISITOR AT THE HISS HOME IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HE DID RECALL THAT A WOMAN AND CHILD STAYED AT THE HISS HOME A FEW DAYS IN WASHINGTON AT THE TIME THEY RESIDED AT TWO NINE ZERO FIVE P ST. HE STATED THAT THIS WOMAN PAINTED AN OIL PORTRAIT OF HIM AND STATES THAT FROM SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION HE HAS HAD WITH HIS MOTHER AND FATHER HE HAS LEARNED THAT THIS WOMAN AND CHILD WERE THE WIFE AND CHILD OF GEORGE CROSLY WHO HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. HE STATED HE DID NOT RECALL THAT GEORGE CROSLY HIMSELF WAS AT THE HOME AT THE TIME BUT THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD BY HIS MOTHER AND STEP FATHER THAT HE HAD STAYED THERE AT THAT TIME. HE STATED FURTHER THAT HIS RECOLLECTION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE VISITED THE HOME GOES BACK ONLY THE TIME WHEN HE WAS TEN YEARS OF AGE WHICH WOULD PLACE THE TIME SOME

RECORDED - 133 | 74-1333-1829
 INDEXED - 133

END OF PAGE ONE

Kisseloff-7565

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
 DATE 1-31-81 BY 10320 POK/jes

520

RECEIVED-LADY
F B I
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 10 9 22 AM '49

RECEIVED
FEB 10 11 41 AM '49
REC'D ESPIONAGE
U S DEPT OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7566

PAGE TWO

PLACE AROUND NINETEEN THIRTYSIX. THE ONLY TYPEWRITER HE RECALLED OWNED BY THE HISS FAMILY IN WASHINGTON, D.C. WAS A CORONA PORTABLE TYPEWRITER. HE FIRST RECALLED THIS TYPEWRITER AT THE TIME HE RESIDED AT VOLTA PLACE. HE DENIED THAT HE HAD ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXISTENCE OF AN OLD UPRIGHT TYPEWRITER AT THE HOME OF THE HISS FAMILY IN WASHINGTON D.C. HE STATED THAT HIS FIRST KNOWLEDGE OF THIS TYPEWRITER WAS FROM CONVERSATION THAT HE HAD WITH HIS MOTHER AND FATHER, ALGER ^Q HISS, SINCE THIS CASE WAS GIVEN PUBLICITY LATE IN FORTYEIGHT. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT IN HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE THE FGJ IN NY HE HAS STATED THAT HE RECALLED SEEING AN OLD UNIDENTIFIED UPRIGHT TYPEWRITER IN THE HISS HOME. HE STATED HIS RECOLLECTION OF IT WAS SETTING ON A TABLE WITH COVER ON IT AND HAD CONSIDERABLE DUST. A TYPEWRITTEN STATEMENT TYPED ON THE TYPEWRITER NOW OWNED BY TIMOTHY HOLSON, A CORONA PORTABLE, WAS TYPED BY TIMOTHY HOLSON AND SIGNED BY HIM IN THE PRESENCE OF THE INTERVIEWING ~~AGENTS~~ AGENTS. ALSO THERE WAS SECURED A TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMEN ^{FROM THIS} TYPEWRITER WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE FBI LAB FOR COMPARISON WITH KNOWN QUESTIONED SPECIMENS OF THIS CASE.

HLD PLS

SCHEIDT

cc: Mr. Harbo

1829

Kisseloff-7567

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 9 70 29 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED
FEB 10 11 41 AM '49
REC'D ESPIONAGE
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7568

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 10 1949

TELETYPE

WASH 11 AND NEW YORK 4 FROM BALTO 2-10-49 5-10 PM IP

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

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS WAS, ET AL. PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. RENYTEL FEBRUARY EIGHTH CONCERNING DISCREPANCY IN GJ TESTIMONY OF CHAMBERS AND WILLIAM SPIEGEL REGARDING THE PERIOD OF TIME WHEN THE SPIEGELS OCCUPIED THE APARTMENT USED BY CHAMBERS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC PURPOSES AT ONE TWELVE EAST MADISON STREET, BALTIMORE, MR. C. COMES

BURCH, PRESIDENT OF THE BURCH COMPANY LOCATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR AT ONE TWELVE EAST MADISON STREET AND OWNER OF THE BUILDING AT THAT ADDRESS SINCE NINETEEN TWENTYEIGHT, AFTER AN EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH HAS BEEN UNABLE TO FIND ANY DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE TO CONFIRM THE EXACT DATES OF THE SPIEGEL- S TENANCY. BURCH RECALLS THE SPIEGELS AND HIS RECOLLECTION IS THAT THE SPIEGELS OCCUPIED THE SECOND FLOOR FRONT APARTMENT FOR A PERIOD OF MONTHS, PROBABLY NOT IN EXCESS OF ONE YEARS, ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTYSIX THIRTYSEVEN. OTHER BALTIMORE INVESTIGATION TO CLARIFY TENANCY OF SPIEGELS AT ONE TWELVE EAST MADISON STREET, BALTIMORE AS FOLLOWS-

MRS. DOROTHY ZETLIN, SOCIAL SERVICE DIRECTOR FOR MOUNT PLEASANT SANATORIUM, REISTERSTOWN, MD., WHO MAINTAINS HER OFFICE AT SINAI HOSPITAL, MONUMENT ST. AND RUTLAND AVENUE, BALTIMORE, SUPPLIED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THE SOCIAL SERVICE FILE ON WILLIAM SPIEGEL, IDENTICAL WITH THE INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED IN THIS

CASE. SPIEGEL SUFFERING FROM CHRONIC FIBROID PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS WAS ADMITTED TO MT. PLEASANT SANATORIUM ON FEBRUARY NINE, NINETEEN THIRTY-

END OF PAGE ONE

Kisseloff-7569

RECORDED - 133 74-1333-1830
INDEXED - 133

Handwritten notes and signatures in the right margin, including a large 'X' and illegible scribbles.

PAGE. TWO

SIX, AND WAS DISCHARGED ON JUNE NINETEEN, NINETEEN THIRTYSIX. UPON ADMISSION SPIEGEL WAS RESIDING AT TWO FOUR THREE NAUGHT EUTAW PLACE, BALTIMORE, AND THE FILE REVEALED THAT AS OF NOVEMBER FOUR, NINETEEN THIRTYSIX, SPIEGEL- S RESIDENCE ADDRESS WAS LISTED AS ONE ELEVEN EAST MADISON STREET, BALTIMORE, AND THAT ON NOVEMBER TEN, NINETEEN THIRTYSIX, MRS. ZETLIN ADDRESSED A LETTER TO SPIEGEL AT THE LATTER ADDRESS. FURTHER, THE FILE REVEALED THAT SUBSEQUENT TO HIS DISCHARGE FROM MT. PLEASANT IN JUNE, THIRTYSIX, SPIEGEL MADE PERIODIC VISITS TO THE SANATARIUM AND ASSOCIATED JEWISH CHARITIES IN BALTIMORE FOR A CHECK UP OF HIS CONDITION DURING A PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER TO AUGUST, THIRTY-EIGHT, DURING WHICH PERIOD HE CONTINUED TO GIVE HIS RESIDENCE ADDRESS AS ONE ELEVEN EAST MADISON STREET, BALTIMORE. IT IS NOTED THAT ONE ELEVEN EAST MADISON STREET IS PROBABLY IN ERROR AND PROBABLY SHOULD ACTUALLY BE ONE TWELVE EAST MADISON STREET AS OBSERVATION AND THE BALTIMORE STREET ADDRESS DIRECTORIES INDICATE THERE IS NO ONE ELVEN EAST MADISON STREET, IN FACT NO ADDRESSES AT ALL ON THE SOUTH OR ODD NUMBERED SIDE OF THE ONE HUNDRED BLOCK OF EAST MADISON STREET WHICH IS OCCUPIED BY THE SIDE OF THE ST. IGNATIUS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH FACING ON NORTH CALVERT STREET. FURTHER REVIEW OF THIS FILE REVEALS THE FOLLOWING.

END OF PAGE TWO

Kisseloff-7570

(120)

PAGE TWO

PAGE THREE

IN NINETEEN THIRTYTWO, SPIEGEL WORKED IN THE JULIUS GUTMAN STORE, BALTIMORE, IN THE PHOTOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT. FROM SEPTEMBER, THIRTY-FIVE, TO JANUARY THIRTYSIX, HE WAS EMPLOYED AS A SHOE SALESMAN AT THE HUB DEPARTMENT STORE IN BALTIMORE. IN JANUARY, THIRTYEIGHT, SPIEGEL WAS OPERATING HIS OWN BUSINESS KNOWN AS KORK DASH CRAFT PRODUCTS, INC. AT ONE TWO TWO WEST FRANKLIN STREET, BALTIMORE. ANNA SPIEGEL, NEE STIFFMAN, WAS BORN IN RUSSIA WHILE HER MOTHER WAS VISITING THERE, ANNA- S FAMILY COMING TO BALTIMORE FROM CUMBERLAND, MD. BEGINNING AUGUST, THIRTYEIGHT; SPIEGEL- S RESIDENCE ADDRESS WAS GIVEN AS ONE NINE NAUGHT FIVE BLOOMINGDALE ROAD, BALTIMORE. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHOSE IDENTITY IS ABSOLUTELY CONFIDENTIAL AND WHO CANNOT TESTIFY BEFORE FGJ, HAS ADVISED THAT WILLIAM SPIEGEL APPLIED FOR SOCIAL SECURITY MARCH EIGHTEEN, THIRTYSEVEN, GIVING HIS MAILING ADDRESS AS ONE TWELVE EAST MADISON STREET, BALIMORE, AND SUPPLYING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, BORN DECEMBER THIRTEEN. NINETEEN NAUGHT SEVEN AT NYC, FATHER FRANK HARRY SPIEGEL, MOTHER- S MAIDEN NAME FANNIE SILVERMAN - EMPLOYER KORK DASH CRAFT PRODUCTS, INC., ONE TWO TWO WEST FRANKLIN STREET, BALTIMORE. MISS REBECCA C. TANSIL, REGISTRAR, MD. STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE AT TOWSON, HAS ADVISED THAT ON JANUARY NINETEEN, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, ANNA STIFFMAN SPIEGEL, GRADUATE OF JUNE, NINETEEN THIRTY, WROTE HER A LETTER REQUESTING THAT TRANSCRIPT OF ANNA - S CREDITS BE FORWARDED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND , GIVING HER RETURN

END OF PAGE THREE

b2
b7D

Kisseloff-7571

(8/10)

PAGE FOUR

ADDRESS AS ONE TWELVE EAST MADISON STREET, BALTIMORE. FROM THE ABOVE
IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE SPIEGELS WERE OCCUPANTS OF ONE TWELVE EAST
MADISON STREET, BALTIMORE, FROM AT LEAST NOVEMBER, NINETEEN THIRTYSIX,
UNTIL AUGUST, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, AND THAT SPIEGEL IN HIS TESTIMONY
BEFORE GJ HAS HIS DATES MOVED UP JUST ABOUT ONE YEAR AS TO
RESIDENCE AND SOJOURN AT SANATARIUM.

MC FARLIN

CORRECTION PAGE FOUR LINE 2 WORD 2 SHOULD BE " WOULD "

PLAS ACK IN ORDER

WA OIVTTEEOOTTTM

BALTIMORE HAVE HAS LINE PLS

WAS PLS ACK BA R 11 WA

NY PLS ACK BA R 4 NYC

Kisseloff-7572

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 10 5 29 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7573

K

F.B.I. TELETYPE

J

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Egan _____
- Mr. Gurnea _____
- Mr. Harbo _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Pennington _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

DECODED COPY

WASHINGTON 12 FROM LOS ANGELES 10

11:20 A.M.

DIRECTOR URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITAKER CHAMBERS, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R. DUE TO
NUMEROUS TELETYPE THIS CASE CARRYING FULL TITLE SUGGEST
CONSIDERABLE SAVING BY USE OF CODE NAME "JAHAM"

74-1333-1831

HOOD
RECORDED - 133

SAC letter
2-14-49
229

RECEIVED

2-10-49

3:31 P.M.

GW

cc & [unclear]
S. J. G.

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

Kisseloff-7574

RECEIVED - FLETCHER
FEB 10 4 01 PM '49

OUT

FEB 10 3 41 PM '49
RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT
FEB 10 3 47 PM '49
FBI DEPT. OF JUSTICE

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

##

FEB 10 1949

TELETYPE

✓
Telson ✓
[Handwritten signature]

WASHINGTON AND WFO FROM NEW YORK ~~7-20PM~~ 51 10 7-20P
DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

[Handwritten signature]
[Handwritten initials]

①
JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. DASH R.
FRANCIS SAYRE, FORMER ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, TELEPHONICALLY
ADVISED THE NYO THAT ALGER HISS, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS ATTORNEY, EDWARD
MC LEAN, VISITED HIM ON FEB FIVE AT WHICH TIME THEY CAREFULLY WENT
OVER WITH HIM THE STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS WHICH ALLEGEDLY HAD
BEEN TAKEN FROM SAYRE-S OFFICE AND COPIED BY PRISCILLA HISS. MR.
SAYRE STATED THAT WAS ALL THAT TOOK PLACE AT THE MEETING AND NOTHING
OF ADDED SIGNIFICANCE OCCURRED. AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE, HOWEVER,
MR. SAYRE WILL BE CONTACTED BY THE NY OFFICE IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE
TO DETERMINE THE COMPLETE DETAILS OF THE MEETING. SAYRE IS COOPER-
ATING WITH THE NY OFFICE IN ADVISING OF DEVELOPMENTS AND ADDED IN THE
TELEPHONE CONVERSATION THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.

RECORDED - 133 74-1333-1632
INDEXED - 133

SCHEIDT *[Handwritten signature]*
cc *[Handwritten signature]*

HOLD PLS

162
TWO COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7576

61 FEB 18 1949

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 10 7 34 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED-LADMI

F B I

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

FEB 11 10 56 AM '49

RECEIVED - DIRECTOR
F B I
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEB 10 8 38 PM '49

RECEIVED - STENOGRAPHER

Kisseloff-7577

Mr. Fletcher

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

X

[Handwritten signature]

FER 10 1940

CONF WASH 2 AND CGO 1 FROM NEW YORK 10 138 P

DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL PERJURY ESP R. ALGER HISS
 GAVE ~~LECTURE~~ LECTURE AT NORTHWESTERN U, EVANSTON, ILL, IN FALL OF
 FORTYSIX ON THE SUBJ OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UN. OBTAIN
 ANY TYPEWRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE EMINATING FROM HISS AT NORTHWESTERN
 AND SUBMIT TO BUREAU FOR COMPARISON KNOWN SPECIMENS THIS CASE.

SCHEIDT

RECORDED - 133

74-1333-1633

31 14 41

4

5-20

END

NY R 2 WA E RELAY TO CGO

8 FEB 1941

Trans. To CGO -

Kisseloff-7578

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 10 1 41 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED - FLETCHER

FEB 10 2 11 PM '49

Kisseloff-7579

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Ladd.....
Mr. Nichols.....
Mr. Rosen.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Gurnea.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Hendon.....
Mr. Jones.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Nease.....
Miss Gandy.....

Am
TELETYPE

X

FBI MIAMI

2-10-49

10-41 AM

HSB

DIRECTOR

.....U R G E N T

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R.
 REBUTEL FEBRUARY NINE REQUESTING TO BE ADVISED OF RESULTS OF
 INTERVIEW WITH GEORGE SENFT. BY AMSD LETTER FEBRUARY EIGHT,
 FORTYNINE, MIAMI FIELD DIVISION ADVISED THAT SENFT NOT INTERVIEWED
 INASMUCH AS BLACK BOOK OF KARZOV WAS RETURNED TO KARZOV BY MIAMI BEACH
 PD. THIS BLACK BOOK HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY EXAMINED BY AGENTS OF THE
 MIAMI OFFICE AND THE NAME OF ALGER HISS DID NOT APPEAR THEREIN.

Mr. Fletcher
Whittaker
zy

CARSON

RECORDED - 133 *74-1333-1834*

INDEXED - 133

cc: Mr. Jones
5-2-49

END

10-42AM OK BI WASH DC CCW

Kisseloff-7580

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Jones	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

T

74

X

Mr. Fletcher
1742

[Handwritten signature]

W

WA 3 AND NY 1 FROM BA 10 11-10 AM
DIRECTOR AND SACS WASHINGTON FIELD AND NYC URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R.
RETELS FROM WFO FEB EIGHT INSTANT AND TEL FROM BALTO TO DIRECTOR
AND SACS NY AND WFO DATED FEB ONE INSTANT RE FELIX A. INSLERMAN
BEING CORRESPONDENT OF BUD AND JOE MASON. BALTO HAS NO INFORMATION
RE MASON NOT ALREADY SET FORTH IN RETEL.

RECORDED - 133 174-1333-1835

MC FARLIN

HOLD

TWO COPIES WFO

5-2-48
cc: Z.L. Jones

4

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 10 11 44 AM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7583

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: February 10, 1949

FROM : H. B. Fletcher

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, with aliases
ALGER HISS
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Carson _____
- Mr. Egan _____
- Mr. Gurnea _____
- Mr. Harbo _____
- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. Pennington _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

At 10:35 A.M. this date, Mr. Michael Horan of Mr. Peyton Ford's office phoned Mr. Whitson and requested for Mr. Peyton Ford the temporary loan of a tickler copy of the information concerning the interview with Laurence Duggan by the Bureau which had been furnished to the Attorney General.

[Handwritten signatures and initials]

A tickler copy of the memorandum to the Attorney General dated December 22, 1948, containing the information furnished by Laurence Duggan in his interview by Bureau Agents December 10, 1948, was picked up by Mr. Horan at 10:50 A.M. for the use of Mr. Ford and was returned by Mr. Horan at noon.

W

RECORDED - 133

74-1333-1856

32 FEB 14 1949

LW:EW

Kisseloff-7584

[Handwritten signature]

FEB 11 1949

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

John ✓

X

✓ *Mr. Fletcher*
 10-1-353 P
FL

RECEIVED
 OCT 1 1953
 TELETYPE

CONF WASH AND WASH FLD 9 PHILA 1 FROM NEW YORK
 DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ET AL PERJURY, ESP R. RE PHILA TEL
 TWO TWO FORTYNINE WHICH INDICATES THAT ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS MAY
 HAVE MET AT RAND SCHOOL IN NY. THIS SCHOOL IS NOTED FOR ITS SOCIALIST
 TENDENCIES. NY CONTEMPLATES CONTACTING THIS SCHOOL FOR ANY INFO
 RELATIVE TO ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS AND TO OBTAIN ANY TYPEWRITTEN
 SPECIMENS IN POSSESSION OF THIS SCHOOL.

RECORDED - 133 174-1333-1837

SCHEIDT

John
 5-8

TWO COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7585

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 10 3 57 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

REC

RECEIVED - TELETYPE

FEB 10 6 25 PM '49

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

F B I

RECEIVED-LADD

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 10 1949

TELETYPE

W. J. Jones

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Winterrowd	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

FBI MIAMI

2-10-49

4-39 PM

HSB

DIRECTOR AND SACS, NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON FIELD.....U R G E N T

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R, IS-R. RETEL BALTIMORE FEBRUARY SEVEN LAST. MRS. ALFRED JOHNSON, FIVE FOUR EIGHT WEST TWENTYSEVENTH STREET, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, FORMERLY IDA LOUISE ROBBINS, ADVISES SHE IS NOT IDENTICAL WITH IDA V. ROBBINS, FORMERLY OF TWO EIGHT THREE ONE TWENTYEIGHTH STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC, AND UNABLE TO FURNISH INFORMATION CONCERNING PERSONS AT THAT ADDRESS. STATES SHE RESIDED AT SIX NAUGHT EIGHT RITTENHOUSE STREET, WASHINGTON AND WAS IN WASHINGTON EMPLOYED AS NURSE BY A MR. AND MRS. WRIGHT ONLY DURING NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN.

END

ACK WA 4-40 M PL

4-40 PM OK FBI WASH DC RB

NYC OK FBI NYC MAR

DISC PLS

V

RECORDED - 133 74 - 1333 - 1886 CARSON

INDEXED - 133 32 FEB 24 1949

TWO COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7587

W. J. Jones
Chambers
5. 7. 49

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

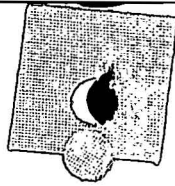
FEB 10 4 42 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7588

RECEIVED - GENERAL
FEB 10 1949

DDC:cl
74-94



cd

Mr. Kelcher

K

WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD 2-10-49 9:00 AM URGENT
DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R. REURTEL
FEBRUARY ONE, LAST, RE ANDRE EMBERY, AND UNSUB COURIER FOR APPARATUS A.
ASCERTAIN FROM CHAMBERS THE FOLLOWING. NUMBER OF APARTMENT OR ON WHAT
FLOOR WAS APARTMENT IN WHICH HE VISITED ANDRE EMBERY, NOW IDENTIFIED AS
ANDRE EMBERY. WOULD CHAMBERS RECOGNIZE PICTURE OF UNSUB. HOW DID HE
KNOW HER TO BE COURIER FOR APPARATUS A. DID HE KNOW UNSUB TO BE ACTUAL
SECRETARY TO EMBERY OR WAS WORD QUOTE SECRETARY UNQUOTE FIGURE OF SPEECH.
FULL PARTICULARS OF AUTOMOBILE TRIP FROM NEW YORK WITH EMBERY, PETERS, AND
UNSUB. WAS UNSUB RESIDENT OF NYC OR WASHINGTON. COULD UNSUB, AS DESCRIBED
BY CHAMBERS, BE SMALL, DARK AMERICAN INDIAN. SEVERAL SUSPECTS DEVELOPED
HERE BUT FURTHER INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. SUTEL.

Handwritten notes:
2/10/49
Mr. Kelcher
Mr. [unclear]
Mr. [unclear]

Handwritten initials:
W. J. [unclear]

HOT TEL

RECORDED - 133
INDEXED - 133

74-1333-1839

Kisseloff-7589

APR 13 1949

Handwritten notes:
2/10/49
5. [unclear]

FBI WASH FIELD

2-11-49

Handwritten: E.A. [unclear]
Fletcher
1742
Sp [unclear]
Meyberg

DIRECTOR AND SACS, NEW YORK, BALTIMORE AND RICHMOND URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS ETAL, PERJURY ESPIONAGE R. RE REPORT OF SA FRANK G. JOHNSTONE DATED DEC FOURTEEN, FORTY EIGHT AT BALTIMORE AND WFO TELETYPE FEB ONE, FORTY NINE LAST. EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN CONDUCTED SEEKING TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY THE APARTMENT UTILIZED BY DAVID ZIMMERMAN FOR THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF DOCUMENTS AS DESCRIBED BY CHAMBERS. TO DATE INDIVIDUALS INTERVIEWED RESIDING IN THE APARTMENTS POINTED OUT BY CHAMBERS WHEN HE WAS HERE IN THIS OFFICE ON FEB ONE, FORTY NINE, ARE APPARENTLY NOT INVOLVED IN CPATIONED CASE. ALL SUCH PERSONS ACCOUNTED FOR THEIR BACKGROUND AND INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED FAILS TO REVEAL ANY CONNECTION WITH CASE EXCEPT FOR ONE INDIVIDUAL, CARL W. GUSS, WHOSE BACKGROUND REVEALS HE DID WORK FOR HECHT CO, WASH., D.C. WHICH FIRM CHAMBERS NOW BELIEVES EMPLOYED THE UNKNOWN OCCUPANT OF THE APARTMENT WHICH WAS USED BY DAVID ZIMMERMAN. GUSS AND WIFE, WHO FURNISHED STATEMENT, DENY ANY KNOWLEDGE OF ZIMMERMAN OR CHAMBERS AND NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION REGARDING GUSS' BEING CONDUCTED WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION. WFO TELETYPE FEB TEN LAST REFERRED TO ZIMMERMAN'S EMPLOYMENT HERE WITH WORKERS ALLIANCE OF AMERICA AS EDITOR OF PUBLICATION QUOTE WORK UNQUOTE. APRIL TWENTY TWO DASH THIRTY NINE ISSUE OF QUOTE WORK UNQUOTE STATES ZIMMERMAN CAME TO QUOTE WORK UNQUOTE FROM BALTIMORE SUN NEWSPAPER, THAT HE WAS EXPERIENCED IN LABOR MOVEMENT AND MEMBER OF NEWSPAPER BUILD; HAD SERVED IN ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITIES IN UNIONS, WAS EDUCATED AT UNIV. OF VIRGINIA AND JOHN HOPKINS BALTIMORE. FOR AWHILE WORKED AS CHEMIST FOR A COLOR COMPANY; LAST WORKED ON TRADE MAGAZINE QUOTE AMERICAN EXPORTER UNQUOTE. NEW YORK WILL CHECK WITH QUOTE

RECORDED 133 74-1333-1940
INDEXED 133

CONTINUED NEXT PAGE

Kisseloff-7590

71849

Handwritten: fud

Handwritten: 5-2-49

RECEIVED
MAY 11 1957

PAGE TWO CONTINUED

AMERICAN EXPORTER UNQUOTE AND NEWSPAPER GUILD OF NEW YORK FOR PERTINENT INFORMATION. BALTIMORE SHOULD CHECK RECORDS OF BALTIMORE SUN AND JOHN HOPKINS UNIVERSITY. RICHMOND WILL EXAMINE RECORDS OF UNIV. OF VIRGINIA FOR DATA AS TO ZIMMERMAN'S ACTIVITIES AND BACKGROUND THERE. ZIMMERMAN AKA DAVID ⁽¹⁾CARPENTER, BORN JUNE TWENTY ONE, NINETEEN NAUGHT SIX, BALTIMORE, MD, HAS COMMUNIST BACKGROUND, PRESENTLY EMPLOYED QUOTE DAILY WORKER UNQUOTE, NEW YORK. WFO SHOULD BE FURNISHED ANY INFORMATION PERTAINING TO ADDRESSES, EMPLOYMENT AND ASSOCIATES OF ZIMMERMAN. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

HOTTEL

74-94
JEM:dmc

Kisseloff-7591

1840

February 10, 1949

74-1333

K

SAC, Washington

Re: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al
Perjury; Espionage - R;
Internal Security - R
(Your file #74-94)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report D-94033 BU dated 2-3-49, in connection with the above-entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your office.

There are transmitted herewith the following:

Specimens K393 and K394.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover 74-1333-4

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure
RECEIVED
FEB 10 1949

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

Kisseloff-7592

RCF/dbb

February 10, 1949

74-1333

SAC, Washington

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, wa., et al
Perjury; Espionage - R
Internal Security - R
(Your file #74-94)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report D-94031 BU dated 2-3-49, in connection with the above-entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your office.

There are transmitted herewith the following:

Specimens K407 through K425.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

74-1333-V

Enclosure

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
RECEIVED - FBI ROOM

FEB 10 1949

RECEIVED

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

Kisseloff-7593

RCF/dbb

[Handwritten initials]

FEB 10 1 43 PM '49

RECEIVED-MAIL ROOM
F B I
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED

FEB 15 9 34 AM '49

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7594

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 11 8 53 PM '49

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7596

February 10, 1949

74-1333

SAC, Washington

Re: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
(Your file 74-94)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report D-94032 BU dated 2-3-49, in connection with the above-entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your office.

There are transmitted herewith the following:

Specimens K395 through K405.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

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

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
 MAILED 12
 FEB 10 1949 PM
 RECEIVED
 COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
 FEBRUARY 10 1949

Kisseloff-7597

RCF/dbb

[Handwritten mark]

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 11 1950

TELETYPE

*NA
OK*

*Mr. Fletcher
#1742*

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Winterrowd	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

CONF 2 STMS

WASHINGTON 87 BOSTON 2 FROM NEW YORK 11 9-54P

DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS⁰, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. R. STEPHEN
 MC KEVETT FARRAND ADVISED LA THAT HENRY HART WAS EMPLOYED SOLICITOR
 GENERAL-S OFFICE ABOUT TIME HISS WAS SO EMPLOYED. HART NOW ON
 FACULTY OF HARVARD LAW SCHOOL. INTERVIEW RE HISS, IF NOT ALREADY
 DONE.

SCHEIDT

BS ACK AND DISC WA HOLD

BS NY R 2 BS

RECORDED - 133
INDEXED - 133
74-1533-1842

FEB 14 1950

Kisseloff-7598

5-30-50

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 11 9 54 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7599

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 11 6 27 PM '49

F.B.I. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7601

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 12 1949

GH
TELEMETER

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Pennington	.....
Mr. Quinn Tamm	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Mr. Fletcher
1742

502

na
comp

CONF 3 STATIONS WASH & WASH FIELD 11 AND NEW YORK 3 FROM LOSA 12

DIRECTOR AND SACS U R G E N T

JAY D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESP. DASH'R, IS
DASH R. RE SAN FRANCISCO TT DATED FEB TWO LAST. CRAWFORD F.

BRUBAKER ADVISES THAT HE VAGUELY RECALLS THE NAME OF TIMOTHY HOBSON
BUT BRUBAKER STATES THAT HE DOES NOT ~~RECALL~~ RECALL HAVING RECEIVED
ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM ALGER HISS. BRUBAKER ADVISES THAT ANY INFO
~~REGANXXX~~ REGARDING TIMOTHY HOBSON WOULD BE SET FORTH IN THE NAVY
BUREAU OF PERSONNEL FILES, WASH., D. C. BRUBAKER STATES HOWEVER
THAT HE HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM HISS IN CONNECTION
WITH THE ABOVE ~~MATERXXX~~ MATTER OR OTHERWISE.

HOOD

RECORDED - 133
INDEXED - 133

74-1333-1844

FEB 14 1949

SA & H
5311

mem in file to NY

Kisseloff-7602

5-29

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

FEB 12 3 41 AM '49

RECEIVED TELETYPE UNIT

Kisseloff-7603

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CC-150

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

RECORDED - 123

Transmit the following message February 8, 1949

74-1333-1845

SAC, NEW YORK URGENT

EX-1

RE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R.
RE WFO LETTER FEBRUARY TWO LAST RE ELIZABETH ROSSMAN, AKA MRS. EVERETT,
FORMER MEMBER CP IN WASH., D. C., FROM NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE TO NINETEEN
FORTY ONE, WHO PRESENTLY RESIDES GARTH APARTMENTS, SCARSDALE, NY.
CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE INTERVIEW WITH HER FOR POSSIBLE INFORMATION RE
INSTANT CASE.

HOOVER

FLJ:SLM *slm*

COPIES DESTROYED

169 DEC 15 1964

Kisseloff-7604

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

RECEIVED COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
FEB 8 7 50 AM '49
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TELETYPE

6-7604

Per _____

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD
SUBJECT: J. PAUL WITTAVEN, aka PERJUR;
ALICE PISB, et al - Perjury
TOPICFACE - R
Rebulet dated January 3, 1949.
ELIZABETH ROSSMAN, aka Mrs. EDWARD EVERETT

DATE: February 2, 1949

Beff Jones

Confidential Informant [redacted] also furnished the name of ELIZABETH ROSSMAN aka BETTY ROSSMAN and Mrs. ELIZABETH EVERETT as a potential source of information. Informant stated that she had been told by BETTY ROSSMAN that ROSSMAN joined the Communist Party sometime prior to 1935 in New York through the influence of a former boyfriend. ROSSMAN was subsequently sent to a CP training School in Long Island, New York about 1935 or 1936. Shortly thereafter the CP obtained a position for ROSSMAN in the Resettlement Administration in Washington, D.C. and subsequently obtained a position for ROSSMAN as an architect in the Federal Housing Administration, Washington, D.C. ROSSMAN remained active in the CP in the District of Columbia until approximately 1941, when she married EDWARD EVERETT who was anti-Communist. At this time, according to the informant, ROSSMAN turned bitterly against the CP and discontinued her activities.

b2
b7D

The informant described ROSSMAN as being a nervously energetic person and stated that ROSSMAN was in the underground group of the CP and that her Party activity was maintained through a "contact." She recalled having heard ROSSMAN state on one occasion that she had become bored with her inactivity and had gone to MARTIN CHANGEY (at that time CP Secretary in the D.C.), asking for additional Party work. On the same day of her conference with CHANGEY, ROSSMAN met her "contact," who severely chastised her for having approached CHANGEY at CP Headquarters. At that time, she was instructed by her "contact" to lay off all open CP activity.

Subsequent to ROSSMAN's leaving the CP, SARAH V. MONTGOMERY told the informant that MARTIN CHANGEY "hated BETTY ROSSMAN's guts" because she had turned against the CP after the Party had done so much for her, that is, having obtained jobs for her and having sent her to a special school.

b2
b7D

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that she was acquainted with BETTY ROSSMAN who was at one time employed in the Resettlement Administration and subsequently in the Federal Housing Administration as an architect. [redacted] stated that BETTY ROSSMAN is now married to EDWARD EVERETT and is residing in the Garth Apartments, Scarsdale, New York. She stated that Mr. EVERETT is employed in a New York City law firm. [redacted] advised that ROSSMAN was a member of the CP but had subsequently discontinued her activity with the Party. [redacted] stated further that ROSSMAN's husband knows nothing of her CP activities.

Handwritten notes:
SAG 1/17/49
SAG 1/20/49
SAG 1/21/49

RECORDED - 123
INDEXED - 123

174-135-1715
4 FEB 10 1949

On previous occasions, Confidential Informant C-203 has advised agents of this Office in connection with her statements that certain people were members of the CP, that the basis for her positive statements that these people were members of the Party was from a former roommate of hers who was a member of the Party. Confidential Informant C-203 has declined to divulge

KRC:bh
cc: SAG, New York
77-04 cc: 100-17070

Handwritten: Kisseloff-7605

WFO LETTER TO DIRECTOR

Feb. 2, 1949

RE: J. DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

the identity of this roommate on the basis that the roommate is now happily married, out of CP activity, and her husband knows nothing of her previous CP activities.

The Washington City Directory for 1939 reflects that BETTY ROSSMAN resided at 2123 Eye Street, Northwest, Apartment 503. Confidential Informant [redacted] according to this City Directory.

The files of the WFO reflect that the name, ELIZABETH ROSSMAN, appeared in the active indices of the United American-Spanish Aid Committee and reflects that, according to a highly confidential source reported by the New York Office, the name, ELIZABETH ROSSMAN, 2123 Eye Street, Northwest, appeared in the address book of JULIE KORCHEIN in 1946. It contained the further notation "last month paid April (FISCHER)." Other names appearing in this notebook contain the year 1938. It is possible that either FISCHER or KORCHEIN is the "contact" referred to by [redacted]. No other information appears in the files of this Office regarding ROSSMAN.

b2
b7D

It is suggested that the New York Office consider discreetly interviewing BETTY ROSSMAN regarding her CP activities in Washington, D.C.

yes
7-1-49
Tolson
7-1-49
2-8-49
2-8-49

1845

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CC-150

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: February 8, 1949

RECORDED - 135

1846

SAC, NEW YORK URGENT

EX-125

RE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL, PERJURY, OBSTRUCTION - R.
FURNISH LIST OF DOCUMENTS ANTICIPATED TO BE USED AS EVIDENCE IN TRIAL
IN THIS CASE. THIS INFORMATION REQUESTED BY L. ORDER THAT FBI LABORATORY
CAN MAKE PROPERLY INDICATED OF THESE DOCUMENTS AND HEREBY
TESTIMONY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

HOOVER

FLJ:SMI

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

FEB 8 4 50 PM '49
RECEIVED REC. ROOM
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7607

W...

SENT VIA _____ M Per _____

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Harbo *RJ*

FROM : Mr. Sizoo

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS,
with aliases, etal
~~Forgery; Espionage - R~~
Forgery

DATE: February 7, 1949 *1*

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

Inasmuch as the trial in the above-entitled case is scheduled to take place in the near future it is believed that information should be obtained as to exactly what testimony will be required of the document examiner regarding evidence that has been examined in the Laboratory.

As there are a large number of specimens involved it would seem desirable to ascertain whether or not there is a necessity of making photographic enlargements of all the documents.

Considerable time is involved in the making of photographic enlargements and preparing same for trial use by the examiner and the Laboratory should be advised in reasonable time for their preparation.

RECOMMENDATION: That this memorandum be forwarded to the Security Investigative Division for their consideration and obtaining all the necessary information requested above.

74-1333 *RJ*

RCF:jt

EX-125

RECORDED - 135

174-1333-1511

FEB 10 1949

Kisseloff-7608

SEARCHED
INDEXED

RJ

RJ

SEVEN

RECEIVED

FEB 7 2 11 PM '41

RECEIVED

FBI

LABORATORY DIVISION U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

FEB 7 10 52 AM '41

RECEIVED-HARBO

RECEIVED

FEB 8 10 06 AM '41

ESPIONAGE

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7609

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 8, 1949

FROM : SAC, Baltimore

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, ET AL;
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R.

Re: FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO

[Handwritten signatures and initials]
~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

Reference is made to report of Special Agent JESSE F. FARR at Baltimore, Maryland, dated January 28, 1949, in which was set forth data concerning HYMAN GARSHEN LANDAU and ESTHER PAUL LANDAU. It is to be noted that the LANDAUS had more than the ordinary contact with FRANK RENO while he was at the Ballistics Research Laboratories. It was observed, as is stated in the report, that upon interview both of the LANDAUS were extremely cautious in their replies to questions asked them by Agents. Mrs. LANDAU, as reflected in the report, was acquainted with FRANK RENO's brother, PHIL RENO, and she did some typing on the introduction to the book by RENO, EDWARD J. McSHANE and JOHN KELLY.

It is thought possible that under the pressure of a Grand Jury Hearing and being under oath, the LANDAUS may give additional information concerning their association with FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO. Descriptive data concerning the LANDAUS reflects that they might be presently involved in espionage and it is possible that RENO may have had some connection with them. This is being called to the attention of the Bureau and the New York Division so that it may be decided whether or not it would appear advisable to subpoena the LANDAUS.

JFF:AC
65-1642
cc-New York

[Handwritten initials]
SEARCHED
INDEXED

RECORDED - 32

INDEXED - 32

174 - 1 - 3 - 1817
IF IB II
11 FEB 11 1949

EX-98

Kisseloff-7610

51 FEB 13 1949

[Handwritten signature]

ca

FEBRUARY 10, 1949

SACS, BOSTON
NEW YORK

URGENT

PC

UNRECORDED - 32

74-1983-1846

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ET AL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R.

RENYTEL FEB NINE LAST. BOSTON SHOULD NOT INTERVIEW ABE WHITE IN VIEW OF HIS HEART CONDITION AND SINCE POSSIBILITY DESIRED INFO WILL BE OBTAINED FROM MRS. HARRY WHITE.

HOOVER

FLJ:hhr

hhr

G. I. R. - 2

COPIES DESTROYED
169 DEC 15 1964

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

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

U.S. DEPT OF JUSTICE
F B I

RECEIVED-REAR ROOM
FEB 10 10 59 AM '49

56 MAR 14 1949

Kisseloff-7611

1152
Am

Handwritten signatures and initials

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 9 1950

CONF 3 STNS

WASH AND WFO 54 BOSTON 2 FROM NEW YORK 9 8-48

DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

27871

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. R. REBUTEL FEB. FOURTH, FORTYNINE. MRS. ANN PERRY WHITE, WIFE OF THE LATE HARRY DEXTER WHITE, WAS INTERVIEWED AT SEVENTY THREE BALDWIN AVE., BALDWIN, LONG ISLAND, HOME OF A FRIEND, MAURICE BERNSTEIN. SHE WAS SHOWN THREE DIFFERENT PHOTOS OF CHAMBERS AND STATED SHE REMEMBERED THE LATEST OF THE THREE AS APPEARING IN THE NY PRESS. SHE STATED SHE DID NOT KNOW, NOR HAD SHE EVER SEEN HIM BEFORE. AT THIS POINT IN INTERVIEW STATED SHE WOULD NOT ANSWER ANY MORE QUESTIONS WITHOUT COUNSEL. HOWEVER SAID THAT IN THE THIRTIES SPENT EVERY SUMMER IN NEW HAMPSHIRE, EACH YEAR IN A DIFFERENT HOUSE, AND DOES NOT REMEMBER WHICH ONE WAS RENTED IN NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN. SHE STATED ABE WHITE, BROTHER OF HER HUSBAND, CAN BE REACHED AT FORTY ONE TENNYSON ROAD, WELLESLEY HILLS, MASS. SHE STATED SHE WOULD PREFER THAT NO ONE INTERVIEW HIM AS HE HAS A HEART CONDITION. SHE ENDED THE INTERVIEW BY STATING SHE WOULD RECONTACT AGENTS AFTER CONSULTING NY COUNSEL. HER MANNER THROUGHOUT INTERVIEW WAS GENERALLY ANTAGONISTIC BUT SHE DID STATE SHE WOULD RECONTACT AGENTS TO GIVE THEM HER ATTORNEYS OPINION WHATEVER IT MIGHT BE. BOSTON SHOULD ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE LOCATION OF HOUSE THROUGH ABE WHITE UNLESS DEEMED INADVISABLE TO CONTACT HIM IF HEART CONDITION SERIOUS, AND IF UNSUCCESSFUL SHOULD ADVISE WFO TO COVER LEAD SET OUT IN NYTEL JAN. TWENTYEIGHTH FORTYNINE.

SCHEIDT

BS ACK AND DISC PLS

2 BS

AND DISC PLS

LOSA

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

124-1333-100
Kisseloff-7612

Handwritten notes:
Tel to...
C...
M...
D...

Handwritten initials:
J...
D...

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Amk
520

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 28, 1949

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, ET AL
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R
(Bureau File 74-1333)

For info
Calship
W. Edwards Crane
2-1

Re Los Angeles teletype January 27, 1949.

Transmitted herewith are two copies of photographs of WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE. One photograph was obtained from the Stanford University records and was taken in 1926. The other photograph was obtained from Calship files and was taken in 1941.

These photographs should be exhibited to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by the New York Office to determine if CRANE is identical with the unknown subject KEITH.

~~SECRET~~

2 ENCL

EX-126
ENCLOSURE ATTACHED
DET/jo
100-25417
Encl.-2

cc New York (AMSD) (2 encls.)
Wash. Field (2 encls.)
Los Angeles (2 encls.)

RECORDED - 62

INDEXED - 62

174-1333-1849

FEB 1 1949

EX-126

RECEIVED
FEB 10 1949

Handwritten signature/initials

RECEIVED

D I
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

FEB 3 1 10 PM '49

REC'D ESPIONAGE

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED

FEB 17 2 33 PM '49

REC'D ESPIONAGE

F B I

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED

FEB 3 5 06 PM '49

REC'D ESPIONAGE

F B I

U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Kisseloff-7614

Kisseloff-7615

74-1-3-1849

ENCLOSURE

DOC LAB NOTE

ITEM (S)
CAN NOT
BE SCANNED

DESCRIPTION

Negatives

Kisseloff-7616

ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

To accompany SF letter 1/28/49 re JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was et al
PERJURY, ESP.-R.
Bufile 74-1333

2 copies of photographs of WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE. -

*3 copies of ea of enclosed photos mail. 12-15-51; 2 of each sent
Birmingham (per Birmingham lett of 11-20-51) - via lett-12/20/51 - Bird
2 of each remain enclosed.*

Kisseloff-7617

*1 taken 12-16-51
1 taken 12-4-51
2 of each sent Birmingham
2 of each remain enclosed*

1/2 - 1573 - 120

W. Edward C. Kisseloff



1978

By Quarters

Kisseloff-7618

Wm. Edward Crane
1926

Kisseloff-7619

74.1333-1849 |

materials

better position

Minnesota

asic

BAD



Kisseloff-7620

Wm Edward Crane
1941

Kisseloff-7621

44-1533-1849

2787C

February 16, 1949

74-1333

SAC, New York

Re: JAY DAVID WHITAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al
Perjury; Espionage - R
Internal Security - R

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report dated February 2, 1949, in connection with the above-entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your office. D-93975 BU

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

Specimens K389 and K390.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

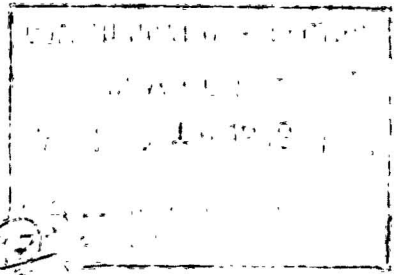
John Edgar Hoover
Director

74-1333-✓

Enclosure

REGISTERED MAIL

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



Kisseloff-7622

PCF/abb

X

m

ABJ Fletcher
1742-
NA
John
Moss
3:45P

Joan

WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD
DIRECTOR AND SAC

2-11-49

URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R, IS - R.
REURTEL FEBRUARY ONE, FORTYNINE, RE UNSUB, COURIER FOR APPARATUS A, SECRETARY
TO ANDREE EMERY, WAS. ONE LUCY KRAMER COHEN NEE LUCY KRAMER EMPLOYED BY JOHN
COLLIER FORMER COMMISSIONER INDIAN AFFAIRS FROM MAY SIXTEEN THIRTYFIVE TO
AUGUST FIFTEEN, THIRTYFIVE, DOING RESEARCH WORK IN CONNECTION WITH BOOK TO
BE WRITTEN BY COLLIER OR ICKES. COHEN DESCRIBED BY ACQUAINTANCES AND ON
CSC FORM AS FOLLOWS: - HEIGHT FOUR ELEVEN, WEIGHT ONE TWENTYSEVEN, HAIR
AND COMPLEXION DARK, CHARACTERISTICS - PREDOMINANTLY JEWISH, BORN MAY TWENTYTWO,
NINETEEN NAUGHT SEVEN, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, WIFE OF FELIX S. COHEN, LOCAL ATTORNEY
AND FORMER USDI SOLICITOR. LISTS ON APPLICATION FOR NINETEEN FORTYONE AT USDI
AS REFERENCES GENE WELTFISH, ANTHROPOLOGIST, FIVE ONE FIVE WEST ONE TWENTYTWO
STREET, NYC, PROBABLY IDENTICAL TOP OFFICIAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN WOMEN;
DR. FRANZ BOAS OR BAAS, ANTHROPOLOGIST, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. FROM NINETEEN
TWENTYSEVEN TO NINETEEN THIRTYTWO LUCY WAS RESEARCH ASSISTANT TO BOAS AT
COLUMBIA. GRADUATED ERASMAS HIGH SCHOOL, FLATBUSH AVENUE, BROOKLYN,
VALEDICTORIAN; ATTENDED COLUMBIA NINETEEN TWENTYFOUR TO TWENTYEIGHT, AB, AND
MA NINETEEN TWENTYNINE; CORNELL UNIVERSITY SUMMER NINETEEN TWENTYSIX. IN
NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE TAUGHT MATH AT GEARY WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, NYC.
NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR EMPLOYED BY MEREDITH B. GIVENS, SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH

RECORDED - 66
INDEXED - 66

74-1333-1850

US 16 1949

Kisseloff-7623

5-29

51 FEB 23 1949

162

PAGE TWO

COUNCIL, TWO THREE NAUGHT PARK AVENUE, NYC. ALSO WORKED FOR GIVENS AS SECRETARY INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH GROUP. SCHERMHORN HALL, BOX TWENTYFOUR, COLUMBIA IN ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE. PROOF READ FOR HARCOURT BRACE PUBLISHING COMPANY, NYC, ALSO IN NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE. SISTER BERTHA KRAMER PROBABLY NYC RESIDENT. LUCY COHEN HOSTESS FOR OPEN HOUSE FOR WASHINGTON FRIENDS FOR SPANISH DEMOCRACY DECEMBER EIGHTEEN, THIRTYEIGHT; HUSBAND FELIX COHEN PRINCIPAL FIGURE DISCONTINUED IGE WFO; MEMBER NATIONAL CITIZENS PAC, MEMBER LAWYERS COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN RELATIONS WITH SPAIN NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN; SIGNED APPEAL TO LIFT SPANISH EMBARGO. ANDREE EMERY LISTS OCCUPATION NINETEEN THIRTYSIX WASHINGTON CITY DIRECTORY AS QUOTE RESEARCH DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT INTERIOR UNQUOTE. FILES USDI REFLECT HAD SECTION OF THIRTEEN TECHNICAL ADVISERS AND FIFTEEN CLERICAL-STENOGRAPHERS FILE AND DRAFTING HELPERS AS CHIEF PLANNING SECTION USDI, REHABILITATION UNIT, RURAL RESETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION. PHOTOGRAPH OF COHEN NOT AVAILABLE LOCALLY. IN VIEW SIMILAR BACKGROUNDS EMERY AND COHEN AND IN VIEW OF FACT WORKED DIRECTLY FOR COLLIER, NYC WILL OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH OF COHEN FROM ONE OF ABOVE LISTED SOURCES AND DISPLAY TO CHAMBERS FOR POSSIBLE IDENTIFICATION AS COURIER OF APPARATUS A. SUTEL RESULTS.

DDC/RN
74-94

2
Kisseloff-7624

HOTTEL
1852

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-1493**

REPORT MADE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	DATE WHEN MADE 2-4-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/1, 2/49	REPORT MADE BY EDWARD E. KACHELHOFFER ma
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., et al			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

VALERIAN LADA-MOCARSKI born 10-24-98, Samarkand, Russia. Served in Russian Army 1916 to 1918 and French Army 1919. Arrived in U.S. in 1923. Naturalized 12-16-29 USDC, SDNY, certificate #3221115. Employed J. Henry Schroder Banking Corporation 1924 to 1941; Office of the Under Secretary of War 5-5-41 to 11-5-41. Appointed temporary Major, AUS, 11-5-41, ASN O-430521. Detached service with OSS 10-42 as Chief of German Section, Secret Intelligence Branch, ETO. Honorably discharged AUS as colonel 1-13-45 for duty with OSS. Returned private life 9-45. Additional background information set out.

*cc ARC Campbell
2-9-49
H. J. [unclear]*

- RUC -

REFERENCE:

Washington Field teletype to St. Louis dated 1-31-49;
St. Louis teletype to Bureau and New York dated 2-2-49.

DETAILS:

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Referenced teletype dated January 31, 1949 requested the St. Louis Division to determine the whereabouts of VALERIAN LADA-MOCARSKI from army records and set out a lead to have him and his wife interviewed for information concerning ALGER HISS, friends and associates. Referenced teletype dated February 2, 1949 set out such a lead for the New York Division and furnished background information concerning LADA-MOCARSKI.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
<p>69 DEC 1 1949 COPIES OF THIS REPORT</p> <p>5 Bureau (AMSD)</p> <p>1 T. J. Donegan, Special Asst. Atty. General, New York (AMSD)</p> <p>2 New York (AMSD)</p> <p>1 St. Louis</p>		<p>74-1333-185 RECORDED - 66</p> <p>Kisseloff-7625</p> <p><i>[Handwritten initials]</i></p>

A review of the army service record on file at the Adjutant General's Office, Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, World War II Unit, Department of the Army, for VALERIAN LADA-MOCARSKI, Army Serial No. O-430521, reflected that he was commissioned from civilian life as a temporary Major in the Army of the United States on November 5, 1941. Under Secretary of War, The Honorable ROBERT P. PATTERSON, was personally interested in such appointment. LADA-MOCARSKI was called immediately to active service in the Office of the Under Secretary of War.

On October 26, 1942 WILLIAM J. DONOVAN, Director, Office of Strategic Services, requested that LADA-MOCARSKI be detached from his present assignment and loaned for duty with that agency. He was placed on detached service with the Office of Strategic Services on October 31, 1942 and was transferred to such agency on February 19, 1943. In December, 1944 he was serving as Chief of the German Section, Secret Intelligence Branch, European Theatre of Operations. On December 9, 1944 Director DONOVAN recommended that Colonel LADA-MOCARSKI be relieved from duty with the army in order that he might undertake an important mission for the Office of Strategic Services requiring that he be in a civilian status and to take him into a neutral country where his designation would be Assistant Financial Attache in the United States Legation. Thereafter he was honorably discharged as a colonel from the Army of the United States on January 13, 1945 for service with the Office of Strategic Services in a civilian capacity. Subsequent correspondence from LADA-MOCARSKI indicated that he resigned such civilian employment on September 30, 1945 to return to private life.

A review of the personnel file for VALERIAN LADA-MOCARSKI, Civilian Personnel Records Branch, Adjutant General's Office, Department of the Army, St. Louis, indicates that he was employed on May 5, 1941 as a Financial Adviser at \$4600 per annum with the Office of the Secretary of War, Office Under Secretary of War, Administrative Branch, Tax Amortization. This employment was terminated on November 5, 1941 by furlough because of active military duty.

The following background and descriptive information is contained in the records.

Date/Place Birth	October 24, 1898, Samarkand, Russia
Height	6'
Weight	164 lbs.
Race	White
Hair	Grey-brown
Eyes	Brown
Education	Military Boarding School, Russia - 1908-1916; Artillery Military College of Grand Duke Michael, St. Petersburg, Russia - 1916-1917

SL 65-1493

Civilian occupation	Banking
Military occupation	Intelligence officer
Residence	"Whippoorwill", King Street, Chappaqua, New York 3200 P Street N.W., Washington, D. C.
Employment	J. Henry Schroder Banking Corporation, 46 Williams Street, New York City - President; Industrial Merchandise Corp. (Subsidiary of above) - President
Relatives	HELENE ANNE ROJICKI LADA-MOCARSKI, mother, 27 East 94th Street, New York City - born in Russia; LUDVIK LADA-MOCARSKI, father, deceased, born in Russia; LAURA K. LADA-MOCARSKI, wife; NATHALIE BAYLIS, sister
Citizenship	Naturalized December 16, 1929, U.S.D.C., S.D.N.Y., certificate #3221115
Languages	English, Spanish, French, German, Russian, Polish
Military service	Second lieutenant, Imperial Artillery Guards (Russia), 1917; In active service during World War I against Central European Powers from 7-16 to 2-18. After disintegration of the Russian Army served with the French Army from July to October 1919. Citizens' Military Training Camp, Plattsburg, New York, 1940; New York Guard, 17th Regiment.
Organizations	Downtown Association, 60 Pine Street, New York City Grolier Club, 4 7 East 60th Street, New York City Whippoorwill Country Club, Chappaqua, New York American Institute of Graphic Arts, 115 East 40th Street, New York City
References:	CLARENCE G. MICHALIS, Seamens Bank for Savings, 67 Wall Street, New York City; ARCHIBALD J. THACHER, 72 Wall Street, New York City; ALLEN W. DULLES, 48 Wall Street, New York City; SAM LEWISOHN, 61 Broadway, New York City; JOHN G. LAYLIN, partner Covington, Burling, Rublee, Acheson & Shorb, Washington, D. C.; L. STUYVESANT CHANLER, Jr., J. Henry Schroeder Banking Corp., New York City; BORIS I. ALDADANOV, Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN

Kisseloff-7627

SL 65-1493

LEADS

NEW YORK DIVISION

At Chappaqua, New York will interview VALERIAN LADA-MOCARSKI and wife, LAURA K. LADA-MORGASKI for information concerning ALGER HISS, friends and associates. (Lead set out in referenced teletype dated 2-2-49).

Kisseloff-7628

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-1493**

REPORT MADE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	DATE WHEN MADE 2-2-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/1, 2/4/49	REPORT MADE BY EDWARD S. KACHLIHOFFER RA
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., et al			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

VALERIAN LADA-MOCARSKI born 10-24-96, Samarkand, Russia. Served in Russian Army 1916 to 1918 and French Army 1919. Arrived in U.S. in 1923. Naturalized 12-16-29 USOC, NYNY, certificate #3221115. Employed J. Henry Schroder Banking Corporation 1924 to 1941; Office of the Under Secretary of War 5-5-41 to 11-5-41. Appointed temporary Major, AUS, 11-5-41, ASN O-430521. Detached service with OSS 10-42 as Chief of German Section, Secret Intelligence Branch, ETC. Honorably discharged AUS as colonel 1-13-45 for duty with OSS. Returned private life 9-45. Additional background information set out.

- RUC -

REFERENCE:

Washington Field teletype to St. Louis dated 1-31-49;
St. Louis teletype to Bureau and New York dated 2-2-49.

DETAILS:

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Referenced teletype dated January 31, 1949 requested the St. Louis Division to determine the whereabouts of VALERIAN LADA-MOCARSKI from army records and set out a lead to have him and his wife interviewed for information concerning ALGER HISS, friends and associates. Referenced teletype dated February 2, 1949 set out such a lead for the New York Division and furnished background information concerning LADA-MOCARSKI.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT		Kisseloff-7629	
5 Bureau (AKS5) 1 T. J. Donagan, Special Asst. Atty. General, New York (AKS5) 2 New York (AKS5) 2 St. Louis			

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-975 AM**

REPORT MADE AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	DATE WHEN MADE 2-3-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-31; 2-1-49	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM V. CURRAN
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. ET AL		CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mr. JOHN W. DAVIS advised unacquainted with ALGER HISS prior to 1946. Captain ROBERT K. AVTREY, USN, retired, has never met HISS or CHAMBERS. Neither DAVIS nor AVTREY have ever received any personal correspondence from HISS.

**ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7-14-87 BY SP7 MAC/TAS
266,576**

REFERENCE:

Bureau File #74-1333.
New York teletype, dated 1-28-49.
Washington Field teletype, dated 1-31-49.

DETAILS:

*cc AAG Campbell
2-9-49
FLJaw*

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILMER L. THOMPSON:

AT CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

Mr. JOHN W. DAVIS, Yeamans Hall Club, advised that he did not know ALGER HISS prior to the time HISS was considered, in 1946, for a position with the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace. Mr. DAVIS stated that he has never received any personal letters from HISS but, of course, has received the usual general releases from the Foundation in the past several years during HISS' administration of same. Mr. DAVIS was positive that he had received no personal letters from HISS and stated that prior to 1946 he did not know that HISS existed.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
COPIES DESTROYED 169 DEC 15 1964	74-1333-1852 RECORDED
COPIES OF THIS REPORT	33 FEB 16
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 - Bureau (AMSD) 1 - THOMAS J. DONEGAN, Special Assistant to Attorney General, New York City 3 - New York (AMSD) (65-14920) 	<i>[Handwritten initials]</i>

21 FEB 25 1949
[Handwritten signatures and notes]

SV. 65-975

(Copies Continued)

2 - Washington Field
2 - Savannah

The following investigation was conducted by the reporting agent:

AT BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Captain ROBERT K. AWTREY advised that he had at no time met ALGER HISS but was aware that HISS had resided at 2905 "P" Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., from 1935 to 1936, which residence was owned by Captain AWTREY from 1929 to 1941. Captain AWTREY stated that he had bought this house in 1929 and had resided there until 1932. He did not return to Washington, D. C. for other than a visit from 1932 until 1940. This residence was rented by the Sandoz Realty Company, who acted as agent for Captain AWTREY. Captain AWTREY stated further that he believed one HUGO FRANKENBERGER, Commander, United States Navy, retired, who has been employed by Sandoz Realty Company for a number of years, had handled the renting of his house to both Commander BAXTER BRUCE and ALGER HISS. Captain AWTREY was unable to state definitely whether or not HISS had been acquainted with Commander BRUCE, but he believed in that both of these individuals were well acquainted with FRANKENBERGER, they undoubtedly had been acquainted.

Captain AWTREY was of the opinion that the premises at 2905 "P" Street were vacant from March 1, 1935 to May 1, 1935, the period following BRUCE's tenancy and prior to the tenancy of HISS. Captain AWTREY advised that the only individual residing with ALGER HISS and his wife, PRISCILLA, to his knowledge, was the mother of ALGER HISS, and that this information had been passed on to him through FRANKENBERGER. Captain AWTREY has never received any correspondence from either ALGER HISS or his wife, PRISCILLA, but advised that he had at one time in his possession statements from the Sandoz Realty Company which reflected the monthly settlement of accounts between payment of rent by PRISCILLA HISS and deduction of commission by Sandoz Realty Company prior to forwarding him the balance.

Kisseloff-7631

SV. 65-975

Photographs of Mr. and Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS were viewed by Captain AWTREY and he did not believe that he had ever seen either individual and certainly was not acquainted with either of them.

Captain AWTREY stated that in addition to HUGO FRANKENBERGER, one Miss London, sister of Captain JACK LONDON, United States Navy, had acted as agent for the Sandoz Realty Company and dealt with tenants residing at 2905 "P" Street.

Captain AWTREY had been contacted by a representative of the House Committee on Un-American activities telephonically sometime last summer and advised that he had informed them at that time of the fact that he was unacquainted with both HISS and CHAMBERS.

- P E N D I N G -

SV. 65-975

ADMINISTRATIVE SHEET

Teletype to Washington Field February 1, 1949
re interview HUGO FRANKENBERGER and Miss LONDON for information
set out for Savannah coverage in Washington Field teletype January
31, 1949.

Kisseloff-7633

1852

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-975** AM

REPORT MADE AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	DATE WHEN MADE 2-3-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-31; 2-1-49	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM V. CURRAN
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. ET AL		CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mr. JOHN W. DAVIS advised unacquainted with ALGER HISS prior to 1946. Captain ROBERT K. AVTREY, USN, retired, has never met HISS or CHAMBERS. Neither DAVIS nor AVTREY have ever received any personal correspondence from HISS.

- P -

REFERENCE: Bureau File #74-1333.
New York teletype, dated 1-28-49.
Washington Field teletype, dated 1-31-49.

DETAILS: The following investigation was conducted by SA WILMER L. THOMPSON:

AT CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Mr. JOHN W. DAVIS, Yeamans Hall Club, advised that he did not know ALGER HISS prior to the time HISS was considered, in 1946, for a position with the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace. Mr. DAVIS stated that he has never received any personal letters from HISS but, of course, has received the usual general releases from the Foundation in the past several years during HISS' administration of same. Mr. DAVIS was positive that he had received no personal letters from HISS and stated that prior to 1946 he did not know that HISS existed.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT ⑤ - Bureau (AMSD) 1 - THOMAS J. DONEGAN, Special Assistant to Attorney General, New York City 3 - New York (AMSD)(65-114920)		Kisseloff-7634	

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

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

NH FILE NO. 74-5 mmm

REPORT MADE AT NEW HAVEN, CONN.	DATE WHEN MADE 1-21-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/18, 19/49	REPORT MADE BY FRANCIS X. McBRIDE
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHALBERS, wa; ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE R INTERNAL SECURITY R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

LAURENCE ADAMS MALONE and Mrs. FRANK E. VOLKMAN, Norwalk, Conn., both former residents on 34th St., N.W., Washington, DC in neighborhood where ALGER HISS formerly lived, unable to recall HISS as former local resident or identify photographs of CHALBERS.

- P -

~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

REFERENCE:

BUREAU FILE NO. 74-1333.
Washington Field letter to Bureau dated January 14, 1949.

DETAILS:

Reference letter revealed that LAURENCE ADAMS MALONE and Mrs. FRANK E. VOLKMAN formerly resided at 1535 34th Street, N.W., Washington, DC during part of the period that ALGER HISS resided at 3415 Volta Place, N.W., which is just around the corner from that of MALONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN. It was reported that MALONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN are now residing at 710 Maine Street, Norwalk, Connecticut. The Washington Field requested that MALONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN be interviewed and photographs of WHITTAKER CHALBERS be displayed to ascertain whether or not the latter individual has ever been observed in the vicinity of the home of ALGER HISS or actually visiting HISS.

LAURENCE ADAMS MALONE, 710 Main Street, Norwalk, Conn., advised that he still maintains a residence at 1535 34th Street, N.W., Washington, DC, at which address he

*cc AAG Campbell
1-31-49
FLJ:cw*

COPIES DESTROYED

160 1945 1064

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. J. Reason</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 74-1333-1853
COPIES OF THIS REPORT	16
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 Bureau 3 New York (65-14920, 1-T.J. Donegan, Spec. Ass't. to Attorney General) 1 Washington Field (Inf., 74-9) 2 New Haven 	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">INDEXED</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">66</p>

*1949
J. J. Reason 1/27*

has in the past conducted an antique business. Mr. MALONE stated that he has lived at the Washington address for approximately seven years. Mr. MALONE advised that he vaguely recalled hearing from some unidentifiable source the fact that an individual by the name of HISS at one time either rented or owned a house on Volta Place, exact house not being known to him. He stated that it is possible that the residence which is currently occupied by General Levy, who is now associated with the Quartermaster Corps of the U.S. Army, is the one in which HISS actually lived or the one directly across the street. Mr. MALONE quickly pointed out, however, that he at no time knew any individual by the name of HISS nor has he in the past observed anyone who resembled the photograph of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in the vicinity of that neighborhood. Mr. MALONE mentioned the fact that most residents in the area of Georgetown usually banded together in small cliques and, accordingly, very few people are known in any neighborhood except to their few selected friends,

Mrs. FRANK E. VOLKMAN, a widow, age fifty-seven, currently employed as a housekeeper for ARTHUR AARON, 21 Park Hill Avenue, Norwalk, Connecticut, advised she formerly resided at 1533 34th Street, N.W., Washington, DC for approximately thirty-eight years. Mrs. VOLKMAN stated that she was employed as a housekeeper by Mr. LAURENCE MALONE who lived at 1535 34th Street, N.W., which is next door to her own residence. Mrs. VOLKMAN advised that she moved from Washington, DC to Norwalk, Conn. during September, 1948. The identity of ALGER HISS, a former resident of Volta Place, was unknown to Mrs. VOLKMAN and she stated she was unable to identify the photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. It is to be observed that Mrs. VOLKMAN is a very quiet, backward individual and is not the type who reads the daily papers or listens to the radio. She indicated that the name of ALGER HISS was completely foreign to her and that it registered no impression whatsoever at the time it was brought to her attention.

P E N D I N G

Kisseloff-7636

NH 74-5

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

One copy of instant report has been designated for the Washington Field for information in order that that division might currently be informed as to the results of the interviews conducted with former residents in neighborhoods where ALGER HISS at one time resided.

This report is being retained in a pending status until the completion of all leads which are currently outstanding in the New Haven Division has been effected.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK, N.Y.

NH FILE NO. 74-5 mmm

REPORT MADE AT NEW HAVEN, CONN.	DATE WHEN MADE 1-21-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/18, 19/49	REPORT MADE BY FRANCIS X. McBRIDE
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, wa; ET AL		CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE R INTERNAL SECURITY R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

LAURENCE ADAMS MALONE and Mrs. FRANK E. VOLKMAN, Norwalk, Conn., both former residents on 34th St., N.W., Washington, DC in neighborhood where ALGER HISS formerly lived, unable to recall HISS as former local resident or identify photographs of CHAMBERS.

- P -

REFERENCE:

BUREAU FILE NO. 74-333.

Washington Field letter to Bureau dated January 14, 1949.

DETAILS:

Reference letter revealed that LAURENCE ADAMS MALONE and Mrs. FRANK E. VOLKMAN formerly resided at 1535 34th Street, N.W., Washington, DC during part of the period that ALGER HISS resided at 3415 Volta Place, N.W., which is just around the corner from that of MALONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN. It was reported that MALONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN are now residing at 710 Maine Street, Norwalk, Connecticut. The Washington Field requested that MALONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN be interviewed and photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS be displayed to ascertain whether or not the latter individual has ever been observed in the vicinity of the home of ALGER HISS or actually visiting HISS.

LAURENCE ADAMS MALONE, 710 Main Street, Norwalk, Conn., advised that he still maintains a residence at 1535 34th Street, N.W., Washington, DC, at which address he

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT		Kisseloff-7638	
5 Bureau			
3 New York (65-14920, 1-T.J. Donegan, Spec. Ass't. to Attorney General)			
1 Washington Field (Inf., 74-9)			
2 New Haven			

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. 65-1493

REPORT MADE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	DATE WHEN MADE 1-27-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-26-49	REPORT MADE BY HURLET P. SMALL mlm
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R

2-4-49
FILE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **ARCHER O'REILLY, JR.,** Secretary of Associated Harvard Clubs, St. Louis, Missouri, advised that his files contained no correspondence from HISS.

- RUC -

REFERENCE: Washington Field teletype to the Bureau, New York and St. Louis dated 1-25-49.

DETAILS: At St. Louis, Missouri

Referenced teletype advised that ALGER HISS was reported to have given a speech before a meeting of the Associated Harvard Clubs, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in May, 1948 and that this talk had been arranged by ARCHER O'REILLY, Jr., St. Louis, Missouri. It was requested that O'REILLY be contacted for the purpose of obtaining any typewritten correspondence he may have received from HISS.

ARCHER O'REILLY, Jr., Treasurer of the American Associated Insurance Company, 14th floor, Pierce Building, and who is also Secretary of the Associated Harvard Clubs, was interviewed and advised that on May 14, 1948 ALGER HISS made a talk before representatives of the Harvard Club in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, his topic being, "The United Nations in 1948." O'REILLY advised that he and his secretary, Mrs. ALICE KAMON, had made an exhaustive search of all records pertaining to the Associated Harvard Clubs but were unable to find any correspondence emanating from ALGER HISS. Mr. O'REILLY was of the opinion that HISS had been invited to speak before the club by the Honorable J. GILLEN GATNEY, Wilbur Trust Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who was Chairman of the committee and who arranged the luncheon in connection with Harvard Law School activities, or ANTHONY H. WHITTAKER, a prominent attorney in Philadelphia, who was a classmate in 1929 of ALGER HISS. Mr. O'REILLY

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>S. B. Howie</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT 5 - Bureau 3 - New York (65-14920) 2 - Philadelphia (65-1642) 1 - Washington Field (info.) 2 - St. Louis	71-1333-11854	RECORDED-60
	Kisseloff-7639	9

SL 65-1493

advised that it was quite likely that HISS had been invited to make this talk either by one of the above individuals and this might have been arranged telephonically or in another manner. He also stated that Mr. HENRY B. COKE, JR., 1014 Architects Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who is general chairman of the Publicity Committee for the Associated Harvard Clubs, may have received correspondence from HISS and had failed to send it on to O'NEILL, the Secretary.

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

Kisseloff-7640

SL 65-1495

LEADS

The Philadelphia Office

at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Will contact the Honorable J. GILLEN GANEY, Wilbur Trust Building; Anthony H. Whitaker, a well known Philadelphia attorney; and HENRY B. COLE, Jr., 1014 Architects Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of determining whether they may be in possession of typewritten correspondence from NISS.

Kisseloff-7641

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

FILE NO. **65-1486**

REPORT MADE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	DATE WHEN MADE 1-27-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-25-49	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT F. SWALL nia
--	----------------------------------	---	---

TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERLAIN, was.; ALGER HISS	CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R
---	---

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ARCHER O'REILLY, Jr., Secretary of Associated Harvard Clubs, St. Louis, Missouri, advised that his files contained no correspondence from HISS.

- RUC -

REFERENCE:

Washington Field teletype to the Bureau, New York and St. Louis dated 1-25-49.

DETAILS:

At St. Louis, Missouri

Referenced teletype advised that **ALGER HISS** was reported to have given a speech before a meeting of the Associated Harvard Clubs, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in May, 1948 and that this talk had been arranged by **ARCHER O'REILLY, Jr., St. Louis, Missouri.** It was requested that **O'REILLY** be contacted for the purpose of obtaining any typewritten correspondence he may have received from **HISS.**

ARCHER O'REILLY, Jr., Treasurer of the American Associated Insurance Company, 14th floor, Pierce Building, and who is also Secretary of the Associated Harvard Clubs, was interviewed and advised that on May 14, 1948 ALGER HISS made a talk before representatives of the Harvard Club in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, his topic being, "The United Nations in 1948." O'REILLY advised that he and his secretary, Mrs. ALICE ROMANOS, had made an exhaustive search of all records pertaining to the Associated Harvard Clubs but were unable to find any correspondence emanating from **ALGER HISS. Mr. **O'REILLY** was of the opinion that **HISS** had been invited to speak before the club by the honorable **J. COLLES GANEY, Silber Trust Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,** who was Chairman of the committee and who arranged the luncheon in connection with Harvard Law School activities, or **ANTHONY H. WHITTAKER, a prominent attorney in Philadelphia, who was a classmate in 1929 of ALGER HISS.** Mr. **O'REILLY****

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
		Kisseloff-7642
COPIES OF THIS REPORT 3 - Bureau 3 - New York (65-1486) 2 - Philadelphia (65-1048) 1 - Washington Field (info.) 2 - St. Louis		554

CJH:cl
74-94

K

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

WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD 2-10-49 4:00 PM

DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

J. D. WHITAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R. RENYTEL
 FEBRUARY NINE, LAST, CONCERNING HANDWRITTEN LETTER BEARING SIGNATURE OF
 ALGER HISS SECURED BY WFO FROM LONDON SCHOOL. THIS LETTER, WITH TWO
 OTHERS, WAS SUBMITTED TO BUREAU BY LETTER DATED DECEMBER THIRTEEN, LAST. NO
 REQUEST WAS MADE BY WFO FOR HANDWRITING COMPARISON. ON THE SAME DAY, LETTERS
 WERE SECURED BY WFO AGENT IN ORDER THAT HE MIGHT TESTIFY CONCERNING THEM
 BEFORE FEDERAL GRAND JURY, NY, ON DECEMBER FOURTEEN, LAST. AFTER TESTIMONY
 COMPLETED, LETTERS WERE LEFT WITH MR. T. J. DONEGAN. SUGGEST NY SUBMIT
 LETTER IN QUESTION TO FBI LABORATORY.

deal

HOT TEL

RECORDED - 66

74-1333-1856

32 FEB 16 1949

RECEIVED
 FEB 10 2 50 PM '49
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

162
52 FEB 21 1949

Kisseloff-7644

cc: [handwritten signature]

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 10 1953

Com
TELETYPE

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

W. J. ...
B...

Mr. Fletcher

WASHINGTON FROM BOSTON 5 10 3-10 P

DIRECTOR ~~COM~~ MOST URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ALGER HISS ET AL, PERJURY, IS R. ESPIONAGE R. RAYMOND DENNETT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WORLD PEACE FOUNDATION, FORTY MOUNT VERNON ST., BOSTON, MASS., ADVISES ALGER HISS IS A TRUSTEE OF THIS ORGANIZATION. MR. DENNETT STATES THAT HE BELIEVES THERE IS CONSIDERABLE CORRESPONDENCE EMANATING FROM ALGER HISS, PROBABLY DATING BACK TO NINETEEN FORTY SIX. DENNETT BELIEVES THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS ON THE LETTERHEAD ~~OF HISS~~ OF THE CARNEGIE FOUNDATION FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND ~~APPEAR TO BE~~ APPARENTLY LETTERS DICTATED BY HISS. DENNETT WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO OBTAIN FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT ITS ~~MEETING~~ MEETINGS SATURDAY ~~MORNING~~ MORNING, FEBRUARY TWELFTH, ~~WITH~~ PERMISSION TO RELEASE THESE DOCUMENTS TO THE FBI FOR EXAMINATION. DENNETT BELIEVES THAT THE TRUSTEES PRESENT WILL BE AS FOLLOWS. PRESIDENT LISTON, OF ~~BROWN~~ BROWN UNIV., BRUCE C. HOPPER, JUDGE JACOB KAPLAN, GEORGE H. BLAKESLEE AND PROFESSOR MANLEY O. HUDSON. TRUSTEES WILL CONSIDER MATTER OUTLINED ABOVE UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES BOSTON TO CONTRARY ~~BY NOON TOMORROW.~~

RECORDED - 66 177-1335-1857

INDEXED - 66

16

SOUCY

END

BS:R 5 WA 1/12
5 FEB 23 1953

o.k. r

Handwritten signature

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 10 1949

TELEMETER

Fletcher
NY 742-

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Pennington	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

+

WASH 9 AND NYC 4 FROM CHICAGO 10 5-15 PM
DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW YORK ROUTINE

FGK-
[Signature]
[Signature]

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R.
RE NY TEL THIS DATE. NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY PREVIOUSLY CONTACTED
AND TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS SUBMITTED TO FBI LABORATORY AS REFLECTED
IN REPORT OF SA WESLEY A. ANDERSON DATED JANUARY FOURTEEN, FORTY
NINE AT CHICAGO.

RECORDED - 66

74-133-11858
16 1949

MC SWAIN
END AND ACK PLS

Relayed NY

[Signature]

162
52 FEB 21 1949

Kisseloff-7646

9:50 pm 2/23/49

T W

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 19 1949

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Pennington	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

X

WASHINGTON AND WFO 63 10 9-34P
DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

FROM NEW YORK

Handwritten signatures and initials:
Kisseloff
M. J. [unclear]
F. H. [unclear]

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. R. T. J.
DONEGAN ADVISES ISAAC DON LEVINE WAS ONLY GJ WITNESS TODAY AND RE-
ITERATED TESTIMONY GIVEN BY HIM ON OCCASION OF HIS EARLIER GJ APPEAR-
ANCE. SUCH INFO SET OUT ON PAGES EIGHTEEN THROUGH TWENTYTWO OF NY
REPORT JAN. TWENTYONE LAST. HEDI MASSING WAS SCHEDULED TO TESTIFY
TODAY, AS WELL AS HAROLD GLASSER, BUT NEITHER WAS REACHED.

RECORDED - 66
INDEXED - 66
74-1333-1859

FEB 18 1949

HOLD PLS
51 FEB 23 1949

TWO COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7647

SCHEIDT
Handwritten notes:
no [unclear]
Call after

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 11
Com
TELETYPE

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

Blair

X

ABT
Joseph

CONF WASH AND WFO 8 AND CGO 1 FROM NEW YORK 11 211 P
DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP R, ISR. RE
WFO TEL FEB FOURTH LAST REQUESTING THE NYO INTERVIEW WILLIAM F. EARLS,
SEVENTEEN EAST EIGHTYFOURTH ST. MRS. WIGGINS, EARLS MOTHER IN LAW,
ADVISED EARLS PRESENTLY RESIDING MONTEREY HOTEL, EIGHT NAUGHT
EIGHT JUNIOR TERRACE, CHICAGO, ILL. FOR INFO OF CGO, EARLS FORMER NEIGH-
BOR OF ALGER HISS WHEN HISS LIVED AT THREE TWO ONE NAUGHT ST., NW,
WASH, DC FROM NINETEEN FORTYFOUR TO FORTYSEVEN.

RECORDED

74-1333-1860

FEB 16 1950

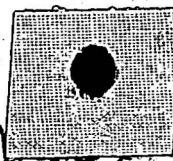
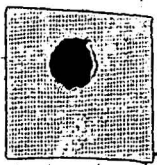
5-729

SCHIEDT

INDEXED - 66

cc & Jones

JHOLD
FEB 21 1950
TWO COPIES WFO



~~1742~~
2/11/49

T

WASHINGTON, NEW YORK AND NEWARK FROM WASH FIELD 11

12:P

DIRECTOR AND SACS

URGENT

[Handwritten signature]

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE DASH R, PERJURY,
INTERNAL SECURITY DASH R. PAUL HUDSON WAS FORMER NEIGHBOR OF ALGER
HISS IN NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE. WHEN HISS LIVED AT THREE FOUR ONE ONE
O STREET, N.W., WASH., D.C., HUDSON LIVED AT THREE FOUR ONE SIX. NO
RECORD OF HUDSON'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS LOCATED IN WASH., D.C. HUDSON'S
MOTHER, MRS. EUGENIE C. HUDSON, WHO LIVED AT NO. TWO, RIVER ROAD,
FT. LEE, N.J., IN THIRTY SIX, ACCORDING TO RECORDS OF STANDARD OIL,
BALTIMORE, SHOULD BE CONTACTED IN AN EFFORT TO LOCATE PAUL HUDSON.
HUDSON WAS EMPLOYED BY STANDARD OIL AS SENIOR SERVICE STATION SALESMAN
AND RESIGNED MAY THIRTY, THIRTY SIX. SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEAD FOR
HUDSON TO BE INTERVIEWED FOR ANY INFO. IN HIS POSSESSION RE ALGER HISS
AND WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AND PHOTOS OF EACH SHOULD BE DISPLAYED TO HIM.

74-94
RRN/HEB

HOTTEL

RECORDED - 66

INDEXED - 66

74-133-1861

Kisseloff-7649

5 FEB 23 1949 ¹⁶²

cc: J. J. Jones *[Handwritten signature]*

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 14 1949

TELETYPE

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

Mr. Fletcher
#1742

WASHINGTON 1 ST. LOUIS 1 NEW YORK 1 AND CINCINNATI FROM BALTO
 DIRECTOR AND SACS U R G E N T 14 1-27 P
 JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE, IS
 FOR INFORMATION ST. LOUIS AND CINCINNATI, FELIX A. INSLERMAN IDENTIFIED
 BY CHAMBERS BEFORE NY GRAND JURY AS PHOTOGRAPHER IN APPARATUS
 OPERATING IN BALTO. DURING THE LATE THIRTIES. INSLERMAN EMPLOYED IN
 INSPECTION DEPT. GLEN L. MARTIN AIRCRAFT, BALTO. THIRTYNINE TO FORTYTWO.
 RAYMOND J. PEELER NOW RESIDING MIAMI. A REFERENCE FOR INSLERMAN,
 RECALLED ONE ACQUAINTANCE OF INSLERMAN, KNOWN TO EVERYONE IN
 ENGINEERING SECTION, GLEN L. MARTIN AS BUZZ. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY BUZZ
 FURTHER IN BALTIMORE NEGATIVE HOWEVER THOMAS KING, GROUP ENGINEER,
 ELECTRICAL AND RADIO SECTION GLEN L. MARTIN ADVISED THAT INSLERMAN
 WAS A CLOSE FRIEND OF JAMES CRAUDER PRESENTLY RESIDING TEN FOUR ONE
 EIGHT MADDOX AVE, OVERLAND, FOURTEEN, MISSOURI
 EMPLOYED BY MC DONNELL AIRCRAFT, ROBERTSON, MISSOURI, ROBERT SLADE,
 NOW EMPLOYED BY CURTISS WRIGHT CORP, COLUMBUS, OHIO, AND TOM SULLIVAN
 PRESENTLY EMPLOYED RANGER AIRCRAFT, LONG ISLAND, NY. ST. LOUIS, CINC.
 AND NY WILL INTERVIEW CRAUDER, SLADE AND SULLIVAN IN AN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY
 BUZZ AND SECURE ALL KNOWLEDGE OF PAST ACTIVITIES, EMPLOYMENT AND ASSOCIATES
 OF INSLERMAN, FROM EARLY THIRTYFIVE TO MARCH THIRTYSEVEN INSLERMAN
 BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN PAID TECHNICAL EMPLOYEE OF GLEN L. MARTIN AND REFUSES TO
 ACCOUNT TO GRAND JURY FOR ANY EMPLOYMENT DURING THIS PERIOD.

RECORDED - 66
INDEXED - 66

79-1333-1862

MC FARLIN
END
CIN HAS BEEN ADVISED

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 1-31-81 BY PWK/les
(10320)
Kisseloff-7650

5-279
cc 7 Jones

BA-R 1-14-49 RELAY TO SL
FEB 21 1949

FEBRUARY 12, 1949
URGENT

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 7-14-87 BY SP2 MAB/KTB

CONF 266,582

SAC, NEW YORK
SAC, PHILADELPHIA
SAC, BALTIMORE

RE: DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL; PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R. RE NY LET
FEBRUARY TEN. CONCLUDED DAISY PANSLER SIGNATURE K THIRTYFIVE WRITTEN BY
PERSON SIGNING PANSLER SIGNATURES ON DOCUMENTS FROM PERSONNEL FILE AT FREE
LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA SUBMITTED BY PHILADELPHIA OFFICE FEBRUARY EIGHT.
CONCLUDED PRISCILLA PANSLER HISS SIGNATURE K FORTYONE AND PRISCILLA HISS
SIGNATURE ON SUBMITTED SIGNED STATEMENT BY ONE PERSON. CONCLUDED ALGER HISS
SIGNATURE K FORTY AND HISS SIGNATURE ON CIVIL SERVICE APPLICANT FINGERPRINT
CARD DATED MAY SIX, NINETEEN FORTYTWO WRITTEN BY ONE PERSON. HISS SIGNATURE
ON FINGERPRINT CARD SUBMITTED BY NEW YORK CONTAINS VARIATIONS PROHIBITING
DEFINITE CONCLUSION WITH HISS SIGNATURE K FORTY. EXPERT CAN TESTIFY TO
ABOVE CONCLUSIONS ASSUMING YOU CAN AUTHENTICATE KNOWN HANDWRITINGS. PER NEW
YORK REQUEST KC ONE THROUGH KC FOUR FROM BALTIMORE NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, NINETEEN
FORTYEIGHT ARE PHOTOSTATS OF HANDWRITTEN LETTERS DATED IN APRIL AND MAY,
NINETEEN THIRTY SIX BEGINNING QUOTE DEAR MR. CASE UNQUOTE AND SIGNED ALGER HISS.
AUTHENTICITY OF THIS WRITING NOT KNOWN TO LABORATORY.

cc: WASHINGTON
74-1333

RECORDED - 66

HOOVER

74-1333-1863

FEB 16 1949

RCF/dbb

COPIES DESTROYED
169 DEC 15 1964

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

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

Kisseloff-7651

FEB 12 1949

FEB 21 1949

7.4. Jones

5:25 pm

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

NH FILE NO. **74-5 md**

REPORT MADE AT NEW HAVEN	DATE WHEN MADE 2/9/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/9/49	REPORT MADE BY ARTHUR R. STEVENS
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., ETAL			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Professor THOMAS I. EMERSON, Yale Law School, states he first met ALGER HISS in about 1933 in Washington, D.C. Has known him socially since that time. EMERSON furnished no information or associates.

RUC

REFERENCE: Bureau file 74-1333
Washington Field letter to Bureau, 2/7/49
Report of SA FRANCIS X. MC BRIDE, 2/8/49, New Haven

DETAILS: Professor THOMAS I. EMERSON, Yale Law School, was interviewed on February 9, 1949 by the writer and SA JAMES T. HAVERTY. He stated that he first met ALGER HISS in about 1933, at which time EMERSON was residing in a house on 34th Street, Washington, D.C. with several other people including ABE FORTAS, LEON KEYSERLING, JIMMY ALLEN, and others. EMERSON could not recall exactly who introduced him to HISS, but stated he probably met him at a cocktail party. He advised that he continued to see HISS fairly frequently at social gatherings until HISS went into the State Department. He stated that thereafter his contacts with him were less frequent, although he recalled telephoning HISS at the State Department on one or two occasions to have him assist one of EMERSON'S friends in getting a visa. EMERSON stated that HISS referred him to Mr. SHIPLEY, Head of the Visa Department on these occasions.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
		74-1333-1864
COPIES OF THIS REPORT		RECORDED - 62
5 - Bureau		INDEXED - 56
3 - New York (65-14920)(1 T.J. Donegan, Special Asst. to the Attorney General)		<i>[Handwritten initials]</i>
3 - New Haven (1 cc 100-11684)		<i>[Handwritten initials]</i>

NH 74-5

Professor EMERSON stated that he did not know who HISS' close friends were in Washington, and advised he had absolutely no information of any unusual activity on the part of HISS.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

MM

FILE NO. **74-5 ml**

REPORT MADE AT NEW HAVEN	DATE WHEN MADE 2/9/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/9/49	REPORT MADE BY ARTHUR R. STIVENS
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., ETAL			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Professor THOMAS I. EMERSON, Yale Law School, states he first met ALGER HISS in about 1933 in Washington, D.C. Has known him socially since that time. EMERSON furnished no information of interest concerning either HISS' activities or associates.

RUC

REFERENCE:

Bureau file 74-1333
Washington Field letter to Bureau, 2/7/49
Report of SA FRANCIS X. MC BRIDE, 2/8/49, New Haven

DETAILS:

Professor THOMAS I. EMERSON, Yale Law School, was interviewed on February 9, 1949 by the writer and SA JAMES T. HAVERTY. He stated that he first met ALGER HISS in about 1933, at which time EMERSON was residing in a house on 34th Street, Washington, D.C. with several other people including ABE PORTAS, LEON KEYSERLING, JIMMY ALLEN, and others. EMERSON could not recall exactly who introduced him to HISS, but stated he probably met him at a cocktail party. He advised that he continued to see HISS fairly frequently at social gatherings until HISS went into the State Department. He stated that thereafter his contacts with him were less frequent, although he recalled telephoning HISS at the State Department on one or two occasions to have him assist one of EMERSON'S friends in getting a visa. EMERSON stated that HISS referred him to Mr. SHIPLEY, Head of the Visa Department on these occasions.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
COPIES OF THIS REPORT		Kisseloff-7654
15 - Bureau 3 - New York (65-14920)(1 T.J. Donagan, Special Asst. to the Attorney General) 3 - New Haven (1 of 100-116)		866

HBF [unclear] [unclear]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 14 1949

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Ladd.....
Mr. Nichols.....
Mr. Rosen.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Gurnea.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Hendon.....
Mr. Pennington.....
Mr. Quinn Tamm.....
Mr. Nease.....
Miss Gandy.....

WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK W 23 14 4-51 PM

DIRECTOR URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP DASH R. RE
EL PASO REP JAN. NINETEEN LAST. EL PASO REQUESTED TO FORWARD TO NYO
SIGNED STATEMENT OF FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, DATED JAN. TEN LAST, AT
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. FOR USE IN HISS TRIAL.

RECORDED - 66
SCHEIDT

74-1335-1865
FEB 16 1949

EL PASO ADVISED

HOLD PLS

16v
52 FEB 21 1949

Kisseloff-7655

5-209

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 15 1949

TELETYPE

SEARCHED
SERIALIZED
INDEXED
FILED
FEB 15 1949
FBI - NEW YORK
J. J. [Signature]

CONF TWO STATIONS

WASHINGTON 1 NEW YORK 1 FROM NEWARK 15 9-54 AM

DIRECTOR AND SAC U R G E N T

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R. RE NY
TEL TO BUREAU, WFO, PHILA AND NEWARK FEBRUARY FOURTEEN LAST. WATSON
T. ROBERTS HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED ON TWO OCCASIONS AS SET OUT IN REPORTS
SA PAUL R. ALKER DATED JANUARY THIRTYONE AND FEBRUARY ELEVEN LAST.

HE IS QUITE OLD AND HIS MEMORY BADLY FAILING. HE CAN ONLY RECALL THAT
HE RENTED STONE TENANT HOUSE ON MARSHALL ESTATE TO A DAVID BREEN BUT
CANNOT RECALL WITHIN TEN YEARS OF DATE. PHOTOS OF CHAMBERS AND HISS
TAKEN IN NINETEEN THIRTYSIX AND THIRTYFOUR RESPECTIVELY HAVE BEEN EXH-
IBITED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. HE CANNOT IDENTIFY RECENT PHOTO OF
PRISCILLA HISS AND STATES ONLY SAW BREEN ON THE ONE OCCASION OF RENTING
PROPERTY TO HIM AND WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY HIM AT ALL. HE NEVER
SAW ANY OF HIS ASSOCIATES OR HAD ANY FURTHER DEALINGS WITH HIM. IT IS
POINTED OUT THAT ROBERTS WOULD MAKE VERY POOR WITNESS DUE TO FAILING
MEMORY AND GENERAL MENTAL CONDITION. UNLESS SPECIFICALLY ADVISED TO

THE CONTRARY, LEAD IN REFERENCE TELETYPE IS NOT BEING COVERED

RECORDED - 66 74-1333-1866

MC KEE

32 FEB 16

END

ACK IN ORD PLS

WA NWK R 1 WA

NY NK R1 NY

DISC PG

FEB 21 1949

Kisseloff-7656

207 [Signature]

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : *W. H. R. H.* GUY KOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: February 8, 1949

Rebulet January 13, 1949, requesting this office to obtain from the State Department the personnel file, administrative file, and any other files relating to the employment of ALGER HISS, such as annual and sick leave, etc.

Mr. JOSEPH S. SAGONA, Division of Finance, Department of State, made available photostatic copies of the State Department records pertaining to the sick and annual leave taken by ALGER HISS during the period of his employment with that Department. Mr. SAGONA stated that due to a regulation of the General Accounting Office, he was not able to make the original of these records available. He also stated that after a diligent search, these were all of the leave records of ALGER HISS that could be located, although it is noted that apparently many of the individual leave slips which HISS should have submitted are missing. Mr. SAGONA explained in this regard that the individual slips are often placed in a box and stored away without any label being placed on the box, so that in many instances it would be impossible to locate a leave slip for a particular individual without checking all of the unlabeled boxes.

There is therefore being submitted herewith a positive and negative photostatic copy of the State Department leave records regarding ALGER HISS.

Referring to the New York teletype dated January 15, 1949, requesting this office to check leave records for ALGER HISS at the State Department during the period August 10 to August 15, 1937, it is pointed out that the only records located indicate that HISS took a total of 23 days, three hours annual leave and no sick leave during the calendar year 1937. Mr. SAGONA was specifically requested to attempt to locate any leave records covering this period but he maintained that no records indicating the dates when the leave was taken could be found.

Your attention is directed to the State Department personnel file, Security file, and expense vouchers relative to HISS which have previously been submitted. The obtaining of the leave records of HISS completes all of the material on file in the State Department relating to his employment there which was requested in referenced letter.

JJC:cl
74-94
Enclosure

cc - New York

RECORDED - 64

74-1333-1867

FEB 8 1949

FEB 16 1949

RECEIVED

Kisseloff-7657

5-209

SAC, Washington Field

February 7, 1949

Director, FBI

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

RECORDED - 116 *74-1333-1868*

Reurial February 3, 1949, concerning Julia Rankin of 1123-13th Street, N. W. The photograph attached to Julia Rankin's application for employment indicates that she is white. Her date of birth is given as February 3, 1893, and her height is given as ~~5~~ feet, six inches. Her address on May 19, 1931, was 1123-13th Street, N. W.

cc: SAC, New York

JWP:slm *slm*

C.I.R. - 7

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

RECEIVED
 FEB 7 1949
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

slm
Alb

Kisseloff-7658

GFP:cl
7h-94

FBI WASHINGTON FIELD

2-3-49

11:15 AM

URGENT

DIRECTOR, FBI

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, DEAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R, INTERNAL SECURITY - R. RE SEARCH FOR NAMED JULIA RANKIN. FILES OF WFO REFLECT THAT A MISS JULIA RANKIN OF 1123 - 13TH STREET, N.W., FAILED A TYPIST EXAMINATION IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 27, 1931. A COPY OF BUREAU LETTER TO THIS INDIVIDUAL OF MAY 21, 1931, INDICATED SHE HAD FILED APPLICATION. PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS INDIVIDUAL COLORED AND IF SO, ALL OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE WHICH WOULD LEAD TO HER PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

RECEIVED
FEB 3 1949
FBI WASHINGTON

HOTTEL

CC - New York b mail

Kisseloff-7659

97

~~RECORDED~~

THIS SERIAL IS TOO LARGE FOR FILE AND WILL BE CARRIED AS A NOT RECORDED SERIAL
BEHIND THE FILE

THIS SERIAL THE (Date)

Feb 16, 1949

ISSUE OF THE (Name of the pamphlet)

SUBJECT

0 Jay David Whittaker Chambers

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Group of photographs

FILE NUMBER

74-1333-1869

Kisseloff-7660

AUG 11 1948

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

FEB 4 - 1949

Down
TELETYPE

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

WASHINGTON AND WFO FROM NEW YORK 7 4 4-38P
DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. R. REBUTEL
TO NEW YORK, FEB. SECOND, NINETEEN FORTYNINE. PHOTOS OF LYDIA LEE
EXHIBITED TO [REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER EIGHTEENTH, NINETEEN
FORTYEIGHT. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT SHE DOES NOT BELIEVE

LYDIA LEE IS UNSUB KNOWN AS "LEE". [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT
IT WAS HER IMPRESSION THAT "LEE", WHO WAS AN EMPLOYEE ON THE NYE COM-
MITTEE IN THE MIDDLE THIRTIES, WAS A NEW YORKER AND MARRIED. THE
RESULTS OF THIS INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED] WERE SUPPLIED TO THE
WFO BY LETTER DATED JANUARY EIGHTEENTH, NINETEEN FORTYNINE, FROM
THIS OFFICE.

SCHEIDT

RECORDED

174-1333-1870

FEB 18 1949

TWO COPIES WFO

Kisseloff-7661

58 FEB 18 1949
HOLD PLS

101-3411-1

5-3-49

HUB

74-1333-1871
CHANGED TO

100-124002-66

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

27865

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

ALBANY FILE NO. 65-1574 (MER)

REPORT MADE AT ALBANY, NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 1/12/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/23, 24, 27-31/48; 1/3, 5-10/49	REPORT MADE BY JOHN J. O'TOOLE, JR.
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS; ET AL		CHARACTER OF CASE PER JURY; ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FELIX A. INSLERMAN originally interviewed 12/23/48. Interview negative. Material removed from premises by permissive search same date transported to FBI Laboratory, 12/27/48. INSLERMAN has never returned to work at General Electric Co. since 12/23/48. Recently secured 2 months leave of absence. INSLERMAN departed for N.Y.C., 12/26/48, and remained there until he returned to his farm, 1/7/49. ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, wife, and ROBERT, child, joined him in N.Y.C., 12/28/48. While in N.Y.C., all believed to reside with wife's parents. U.S. Army clearance on INSLERMAN's work on guided missiles project suspended, 12/29/48. INSLERMAN considered plodder type at place of employment - not brilliant but good worker. INSLERMAN knows entire make-up of guided missiles. Stated to have irregular work attendance and permitted to remove any classified material from project for work at home in evenings. INSLERMAN voted for HENRY WALLACE for President to register protest vote; claims administration leading to war with Russia. INSLERMAN claims no outstanding financial obligations. Savings account balance \$1348.08; checking account \$250. Annual income at General Electric Co. \$5200. Claims nominal insurance and small stock holdings of wife. INSLERMAN states he has always paid cash for substantial purchases and does not believe in going into debt. INSLERMAN purchased farm in Cambridge, N.Y. in 1942, while employed and living at Long Island, N.Y. Records show no mortgage and revenue stamps indicate \$1100 paid. Title not recorded until 1947. INSLERMAN has purchased new car and tractor

Kisseloff-7663

Handwritten notes:
AG Campbell
1-31-49
FLJcm

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT		74-1588-100	INDEXED - 82
5 - BUREAU		Special Delivery <i>[Handwritten initials and signatures]</i>	
4 - NEW YORK (1 - THOMAS J. DONEGAN, Spec. Asst. to Att. Gen., N.Y.)			
2 - BALTIMORE 2 - WASH. FIELD			
2 - NEWARK 3 - ALBANY			

AL. 65-1584

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

during 1948. Check of photographic supply stores, Schenectady, N.Y. fails to locate any purchase by INSLERMAN. Affidavit for search warrant filed 1/7/49 and warrant issued same date by U. S. Commissioner, Syracuse, N.Y. Search warrant served 1/8/49. Seized articles - one Leica Camera #234730 and one Ernemann-Bob Camera - transmitted to FBI Laboratory, 1/9/49. Interview of Colonel ZORNIG regarding FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO negative.

- P -

REFERENCE:

Bureau File 74-1333.

Report of Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, dated December 30, 1948 at New York City.

- 1 A -

74-1333-1072

Kisseloff-7664

AL. 65-1574

DETAILS: All of the following information relates to FELIX A. INSLERMAN.

BACKGROUND

As set out in the referenced report of Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, dated December 30, 1948 at New York, FELIX A. INSLERMAN was interviewed by Special Agent O'BRIEN and the writer on December 23, 1948, at which time a permissive search was conducted. The material removed from his residence at this time was taken to the FBI Laboratory on December 27, 1948 by the writer. The permit to search, as well as the receipt for articles taken is in the possession of the New York Office.

On December 30, 1948, at the request of the New York Office, the writer, together with Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY, went to the residence of FELIX A. INSLERMAN, R.D. #2, Cambridge, New York, for the purpose of ascertaining if the INSLERMANS would turn over all cameras and attachments thereto to this Bureau. At that time, the residence was occupied solely by a neighbor, Mrs. MARY WADE, who advised that on December 26, 1948, FELIX INSLERMAN had left his residence to go to New York City. Mrs. WADE stated that at noon, December 27, 1948, FELIX INSLERMAN telephoned his wife, ELIZABETH, and, as a result of this telephone call, ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, together with their small son, ROBERT, and their under-privileged child guest for the holidays, JOAN MORRONE, had departed to join FELIX INSLERMAN in New York City. All travel was by train, and the INSLERMANS' car remained at their residence.

Mrs. WADE advised that she did not know where the INSLERMANS were in New York City at that time, inasmuch as Mrs. INSLERMAN had promised to telephone her on Friday, December 31, 1948, to either tell her when she would return home or to let her know where she could be reached in New York City. Mrs. WADE stated that she was being paid to remain at their residence, inasmuch as the livestock, which they owned, had to be fed regularly and the INSLERMANS did not want the fires going out during the cold weather.

Through Mrs. WADE's cooperation, it was ascertained that the cameras owned by the INSLERMANS were in the residence on this date. Pursuant to instructions, Mrs. WADE was then advised that the FBI was desirous of getting in touch with

AL. 65-1574

the INSLERMANS immediately, and she was requested to so advise the INSLERMANS when they telephoned on December 31, 1948, and, if they did not care to give the address where they could be reached in New York, Mrs. WADE was to furnish them with the name of Assistant Special Agent in Charge A. H. BELMONT of the New York Office, together with the telephone number. She was also requested to immediately call this office as soon as she heard from the INSLERMANS.

On January 3, 1949, upon request of the New York Office, the writer, together with Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY, again went to the residence of the INSLERMANS, inasmuch as all telephone service between Albany and their residence had been disrupted over the New Year's day week-end by a severe ice and snow storm in this area. On this date, Mrs. WADE advised that ELIZABETH INSLERMAN had telephoned her late in the evening of December 31, 1948, at which time she, Mrs. WADE, relayed the message as above stated.

Mrs. WADE stated that Mrs. INSLERMAN was very upset and refused to tell Mrs. WADE of their whereabouts, but stated she would telephone the FBI Office.

Mrs. WADE at this time also made available the name and address of ELIZABETH INSLERMAN's parents - Mr. and Mrs. J. W. RYNDERS, 909 Summit Avenue, New York 52, New York, as well as the name of the under-privileged child who had been their guest, namely, JOAN MORRONE, 626 Clinton Street, Brooklyn 31, New York, Apartment 3-D.

EMPLOYMENT

The pertinent information regarding the present employment of INSLERMAN at the General Electric Company has previously been submitted in the report of Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS, dated December 21, 1948 at Albany.

Additional pertinent facts, not available at the time the above report was submitted, are as follows:

INSLERMAN did not return to work on December 24, 1948, and notified his superiors that he would be off for a few days, due to the illness of his child. On December 29, 1948, Major J. P. TRAYLOR, Rochester Ordnance District, U. S. Army,

AL. 65-1574

advised the General Electric Company that the prior clearance for INSLERMAN for work on the Hermes Project had been ordered suspended indefinitely. At a subsequent date, INSLERMAN obtained a two months leave of absence from his employers, the General Electric Company.

It should be noted that the Hermes Project, on which INSLERMAN had been employed, is a project operated by the General Electric Company for the U. S. Army, and deals exclusively with construction and operation, etc. of guided missiles. This project is extremely confidential and all personnel employed on the Hermes Project are cleared by the U. S. Army. In addition to operating the building known as the "Race Track Plant" of the General Electric Company at Campbell Avenue, Schenectady, the project also is conducted in a huge forest outside of Saratoga Springs, New York, known as Malta or Luther's Forest. At this location are huge pits wherein experiments are conducted and rockets are test-fired. The immediate section in which INSLERMAN has been employed is in the field of Weight Analysis. The organizational set-up of the section, wherein INSLERMAN is employed, is as follows:

J. R. HARKNESS	Leader
E. A. ZETTLIN	Structural Analysis & Test
K. D. IGLER	
I. H. WYLLIE	
E. W. KUNZ	Structural Design
C. L. RABOLLI	
J. G. KENNARD	
H. H. KIEFER	
F. A. INSLERMAN	Weight Analysis
H. M. MITCHELL	Tanks - Piping
P. J. POWERS	
J. H. BURNHAM	Turbo Pumps
R. D. MIRES	Propellant System Test
H. A. KRIEGER	
M. L. LEHMAN	
D. W. SMITH	
E. L. ATWELL	
E. H. AYERS	
J. E. BRYCE	
H. M. DEUTCH	
R. W. FARSTAD	

AL. 65-1574

W. E. GARLAND
E. J. LA MARCH
R. E. OTTEN
J. J. WALSH
W. H. HOLLAND
E. H. LANDON Factory Contact & Scheduling

The above list of names was made available by Dr. R. W. PORTER, who has complete charge of the Guided Missiles Section.

Mr. JOSEPH ROBERT HARKNESS was interviewed by Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS on December 30, 1948. HARKNESS advised that he has been INSLERMAN's supervisor for approximately the last two years. He stated he was not overly friendly with INSLERMAN, but that he had been a guest of INSLERMAN and his wife on one occasion at INSLERMAN's home. He advised that INSLERMAN was not too friendly with any of the other employees on the Hermes Project, but that on the occasion of his visit to INSLERMAN's farm, there had likewise been present:

HARRY M. MITCHELL (Tanks and Piping Section)
P. J. POWERS ()
ERNEST W. KUNZ (Structural Design)
C. L. RABOLLI ()

He advised that he believed INSLERMAN was most friendly with these four individuals, and was the most friendly with RABOLLI. HARKNESS advised that at the time INSLERMAN applied for his position with the General Electric Company, he had interviewed INSLERMAN. He described INSLERMAN as not too brilliant but a very good worker and was considered a plodder on whom most of the dirty work on the project was shifted.

HARKNESS stated that INSLERMAN was probably in a better position than anyone else on the Project to know the entire make-up of a guided missile. To explain this, HARKNESS advised Special Agent ROSS that one of INSLERMAN's duties was to work out the weight distribution of the missiles, to determine the center of gravity. He said that this brings INSLERMAN into contact with each specific part of the missile, and also gives INSLERMAN the knowledge of the type of metal that each part is made of and its complete description.

HARKNESS said that another of INSLERMAN's duties is equipment mounting, and through this duty, he learns of the location and capacity of all electrical equipment in the missile, such as the gyroscope, etc.

AL. 65-1574

HARKNESS said that INSLERMAN is in an excellent position to evaluate all the information that comes to him, because he is an Electrical Engineer.

In addition, HARKNESS related to Special Agent ROSS that shortly after the 1948 elections, INSLERMAN had related to him that he had voted for HENRY WALLACE, and further that although he knew WALLACE would not be elected, he was registering a protest vote against the present administration, because he believed the present policies would lead this country to war with Russia. HARKNESS said that INSLERMAN did not offer any comment on Russia.

HARKNESS likewise advised that INSLERMAN is not too regular in his attendance at work and that he takes days off now and then, with the excuse that he has some work to do on his farm. Specifically, HARKNESS advised Special Agent ROSS that INSLERMAN was absent from work on a Friday and Monday in December, and believed the dates to be December 10 and 13, 1948, and the supposed reason for this absence was that INSLERMAN had to go to New York City to see about adopting another child. HARKNESS had no additional information regarding this supposed adoption.

HARKNESS also advised that he had never considered INSLERMAN a pro-Russian but that he had received the idea, through conversations with INSLERMAN, that he, INSLERMAN, was a Pacifist.

HARKNESS also stated that in view of INSLERMAN's position, he would be allowed at any time to take any secret, confidential or restricted documents home with him in the evening for work.

Major J. P. TRAYLOR advised Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS on January 6, 1949, that INSLERMAN had never signed any documents or papers to the effect that he was employed on secret, restricted or confidential work. INSLERMAN did complete a Personnel Security Questionnaire, but this Questionnaire does not carry any statement that his work is of a confidential nature. The Personnel Security Questionnaire signed by FELIX A. INSLERMAN, dated December 10, 1947, was forwarded to the New York Office by separate letter dated January 6, 1949. Under item 33 of the reverse side of this Questionnaire, there is the following statement:

"Remark: The company contemplates the use of Mr. INSLERMAN's services on work, the nature of which is classified as secret. It is therefore requested that he be cleared for this classification. "

AL. 65-1574

Mr. A. M. DEMONT, Aeronautics and Systems Division, General Electric Company, stated to Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS that all employees for the Hermes Project, when hired, are orally advised they will be working on restricted data which should not be divulged to unauthorized individuals, but that they are not required to sign any statement to this effect. DEMONT advised that each drawing or blueprint handled by INSLERMAN in the course of his day's work bears the following statement:

"Notice: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Act 50, U.S.C. 31 and 32, as amended. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to any unauthorized person is prohibited by law."

The drawing, blueprint or document is then followed by one of three words, either confidential, secret or restricted.

It also has been observed that on the premises where INSLERMAN was employed, above the time cards, were framed copies of the Espionage Act, as above set out.

FINANCIAL

At the time of INSLERMAN's interview by Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN and the writer, INSLERMAN advised he banked with the Schenectady Trust Company and the Schenectady Savings Bank, Schenectady, New York. He stated that he had approximately \$1,000.00 or \$1,500.00 in savings; that he had no outstanding obligations, and that his farm and car were paid for. He stated he has a nominal amount of insurance, and that his wife had small stock holdings. He advised his annual income was \$5,200.00 (which was verified). He stated it had been his life-time policy never to go into debt, and that he had always paid cash for things he has purchased. He denied that either he or his wife possessed any safe deposit boxes or that they had any accounts with any other banks at any location. He stated that at the present time he was making no money from his photographic hobby.

On December 30, 1948, Special Agent GERARD J. O'BRIEN, through the cooperation of Mr. H. GLADSTONE MC KEON, Secretary of the Schenectady Trust Company, 320 State Street, Schenectady, New York, ascertained that FELIX A. INSLERMAN and his wife, ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, opened a checking account on October 2, 1946. The amount of deposit made at that time could not be ascertained, but the last monthly statement shows a balance of slightly below \$250.00. An examination of the cancelled checks on file at that time showed ordinary payments for telephone utility service and certain household expenses. The signature card, as filed by the bank, gave no further background regarding INSLERMAN or his family, or previous banking

AL. 65-1 574

connections. There were no outstanding loans against his name at that bank, nor had he ever made application for a loan. The bank does not keep a record of checks, and there would be in the date files of the Schenectady Trust Company a transcript of INSLERMAN's statements since the time he opened his account. The only checks photographed by this bank are out-of-town checks presented by INSLERMAN for clearance. These are not in a catalog or indexed. Request has been made of this bank to furnish transcripts of statements.

Special Agent GERARD J. O'BRIEN, through the cooperation of Mr. HARRY D. RYDER, Treasurer of the Schenectady Savings Bank, Schenectady, New York, was advised that FELIX A. INSLERMAN opened a savings account on December 27, 1946, with a cash deposit of \$4,000.00. The account was in the name of FELIX A. INSLERMAN or ELIZABETH INSLERMAN. Numerous withdrawals have been made to date, leaving the present balance \$1,348.08. The signature card on file at the bank showed INSLERMAN's father as AUGUST JOHN, and his mother as ANNA PAULINE, and also listed his birth date as July 11, 1910. ELIZABETH INSLERMAN had listed her birth date to be February 18, 1915 at New York City, and her father as JAN W. RYNDERS and her mother as BETTY BLES RYNDERS. The records of the bank also showed a trustee account for ROBERT A. INSLERMAN, opened October 8, 1946. The balance in this account, as of this date, was \$149.48 (son), and there were no loans or mortgages by INSLERMAN at this bank.

In connection with the farm where INSLERMAN now resides, at the time of his interview, he stated they purchased the farm in 1946, when they were residing on Long Island. It was commented upon at that time that this was rather unusual, inasmuch as he was not then an employee nor had he applied for work with the General Electric Company in Schenectady. INSLERMAN stated that to be correct, but he became acquainted with the property through a friend of his and his wife, one TED MORNING of Argyle, New York, which village is near Cambridge, New York.

The records of the Town Clerk at Hudson Falls, New York, together with an interview of HARRY HARRINGTON, a resident of Cambridge, New York, disclosed the following information:

On July 1, 1935, HARRINGTON sold the property, consisting of 85 acres and the house and buildings thereto, to one NORMA KNOLL, 22 Hamilton Avenue, Arlington, New Jersey. This was recorded on July 8, 1935, Book 211, page 386. There were

AL. 65-1574

\$2.50 worth of revenue stamps attached. On September 29, 1941, the property was conveyed by CHARLES C. KNOLL, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of NORMA E. KNOLL, to DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR., her husband, 395 Burlington Road, Borough of Paramus, County of Bergen, New Jersey. This deed was recorded November 8, 1941, and was listed in Book 227, page 395, consideration at this time being \$4,400.00. The record also shows that NORMA E. KNOLL died a resident of Hudson County, New Jersey, on August 18, 1941. Her will was probated in the Hudson County Surrogate's Court, August 29, 1941. CHARLES C. KNOLL was appointed Executor. DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR. conveyed the property to FELIX A. INSLERMAN and ~~ELIZABETH~~ INSLERMAN, his wife, on December 29, 1942. The INSLERMANS then resided at the Township of Babylon, Suffolk County, Long Island, New York. This deed was not recorded until July 29, 1947, and is in Book 259, page 543. This carried \$1.10 worth of revenue stamps, which would indicate that INSLERMAN paid \$1,100.00. It was ascertained that the house and buildings are presently insured for \$2,000.00 by Mr. CLAYTON BROWNELL of Cambridge, New York.

At the time of the interview of INSLERMAN, it was ascertained that he purchased a new Chevrolet in 1947. Through the cooperation of Mr. JOSEPH A. HARADAN, President of the Mohawk Chevrolet Company, Schenectady, New York, on December 30, 1948, Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY ascertained that FELIX INSLERMAN had traded a 1941 Chevrolet Town Sedan, Serial No. 14A-603-25305, Motor No. AA-712295, and had been allowed \$430.55 as a trade-in allowance for a 1947 Fleetmaster Chevrolet Town Sedan. The transaction was consummated January 6, 1948. Mr. HARADAN stated that a check in the amount of \$1,030.75, the difference in the price, had been given to the Mohawk Chevrolet Company by INSLERMAN. According to their records, the check was deposited the next day, but there was no record available as to what bank this check had been drawn on.

At the time of the purchase, INSLERMAN had 1947 New York registration plates 8A 5300. A check of the records of the New York State Motor Vehicle Bureau, Albany, New York, by Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY verified that 1947 New York Registration 8A 5300 had been issued to FELIX INSLERMAN, R.D. #2, Cambridge, New York. These records show that in 1946, INSLERMAN had New York Registration plates 4G 4629. The applications for these plates are in New York City.

AL. 65-1574

At the time of INSLERMAN's interview, it was ascertained that he purchased a new 1948 Allis Chalmers Tractor for \$1,100.00, for which he had paid cash. At the time Agents were at his farm, it was ascertained that he likewise possesses the following kitchen conveniences: one deep freezer and one electric dish washer.

PHOTOGRAPHY

At the time of the interview, INSLERMAN advised that since he has been working at the General Electric Company, he has not had much time for his hobby of photography, nor has he done any photographic work for profit, except an occasional picture of neighbors' children, etc. He estimated that he probably spent no more than \$10.00 during any one month for any photographic supplies. He stated he bought most of his supplies at Lyon's, Schenectady, or at Montgomery Ward.

Special Agents EDWARD M. NALLY, JR. and GLEN D. RANKIN on December 31, 1948 contacted the following photographic supply stores at Schenectady.

Gene Black, 77 State Street.

George's Film Service, 724 $\frac{1}{2}$ State Street.

Lyon's Camera and Pen Store, 236 State Street.

Koch's Photo Lab, 117 Clinton Street.

The Photo Lab, 269 State Street.

Montgomery Ward Order Office, 202 State Street.

Bern's Camera Store, 113 Broadway.

The coverage was completely negative and none of the business firms knew of INSLERMAN by name or description.

AL. 65-1574

TELEPHONE TOLL CALLS

Through the cooperation of the New York Telephone Company at Albany, New York, Special Agent EDWARD J. LEAHY on December 30, 1948 reviewed telephone toll tickets covering the INSLERMANS' telephone, Cambridge 120-F-23, which telephone is listed for Mrs. ELIZABETH A. INSLERMAN. These calls were reviewed from October 1, 1948 to December 30, 1948. The only possible call of significance was on December 10, 1948 to Gramarcy 5-1454, to one LUCY GRAFF. (Identification of this person was ascertained by the New York Office, by teletype, but was negative in connection with instant investigation.)

Arrangements have been made to review prior toll tickets, which are on file at the office of the New York Telephone Company at Saratoga Springs, New York.

MAIL

Mr. KENT, Postmaster, Village of Cambridge, New York, and the rural mail carrier who delivers mail to R.D. #2, Cambridge, were interviewed, with negative results.

On December 30, 1948 a mail cover was placed with the Postmaster. As a result of this cover, one piece of mail of possible significance has been reported as follows:

January 4, 1949 - INSLERMAN received a letter from W. BULLOCK,
Russell Sage College, Troy, New York.

The identity of this person will be ascertained.

SEARCH WARRANT

On January 7, 1949, Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN of the New York Office and the writer conferred with Mr. IRVING J. HIGBEE, United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York, at his office in Syracuse, New York. As a result of this conference, the following affidavit was drawn up:

AL. 65-1574

" UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In the Matter

of the

AFFIDAVIT FOR
SEARCH WARRANT

Application of Francis D. O'Brien for a
search warrant effecting the premises
occupied by Felix A. Inslerman near the
Village of Cambridge, Washington County,
New York and about two miles westerly from
Center Cambridge in said County, the post
office address of which is R.D. #2,
Cambridge, New York

Violations of
Title 50, Secs.
31, 32, 34 and
Title 18, Sec.
88, United
States Code (1946
Ed.)

" FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN being duly sworn, deposes and says:

" 1. I am a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation, United States Department of Justice and a civil
officer of the United States authorized to enforce and to assist
in enforcing the laws of the United States.

" 2. In my official capacity, as a result of official
investigations conducted by me and official reports and other
official material read and reviewed by me, I am satisfied and
believe that crimes have been committed, namely, violations of

AL. 65-1574

" Sections 31, 32 and 34, Title 50, United States Code and Section 88, Title 18, United States Code (1946 Edition), in that within the Southern District of New York and elsewhere divers persons, including Jay David Whittaker Chambers, have sought and obtained and have conspired to secure and obtain information relating to the national defense, with intent and reason to believe that such information was to be used to the benefit of a foreign power and to the injury of the United States, and have conspired to defraud the United States of the honest, impartial and loyal services of certain of its employees by procuring them to remove and make available to unauthorized persons official documents of the United States Government.

" 3. In my official capacity, as a result of official investigations conducted by me and official reports and other official material read and reviewed by me, I am satisfied and believe that the above mentioned crimes arose out of the following: Beginning about 1936 and continuing to about April, 1938, one Jay David Whittaker Chambers procured certain employees of the Government of the United States to remove official documents and information from the possession of various departments of the Government and to make them available to himself and other unauthorized persons for ultimate delivery to a foreign power; as delivered

Kisseloff-7676

AL. 65-1574

" to Chambers this material consisted of original documents or written or typewritten copies or summaries thereof; it was Chambers' practice and that of the other unauthorized persons to deliver such material to certain photographers, including said Felix A. Inslerman, for photographic reproduction on microfilm, and upon completion of such photographing to return the official documents to the said Government employees for restoration in the Government's files; certain of this microfilm, which is of 35 millimeter size, has been produced by Chambers; the equipment used for the purpose of such photographic reproduction included at least one Leica camera; there is some indication that these practices were continued for an undetermined period subsequent to April, 1938.

" 4. In connection with the investigation of such criminal offenses, on December 23rd, 1948, near the Village of Cambridge in the Northern District of New York in company with other Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, acting under written consent duly executed by the said Felix A. Inslerman and in his company and presence, I entered the residence on a farm occupied by said Felix A. Inslerman and did then and there observe certain photographic equipment and accessories including but not limited to a certain Leica camera bearing serial number 234730 of which the said Inslerman stated he was the owner;

Handwritten notes:
C. J. Winters
1st Hand
Handwritten signature

AL: 65-1574

" on this same occasion the said Inslerman referred to an enlarger which he had used in photographic work; on this occasion, the said Inslerman also made some reference to other cameras which he owned and that he had made a hobby of photographic work and had photographic equipment which he used in the pursuit of his said hobby. In a previous conversation held on the same day, the said Inslerman stated he purchased the Leica camera in Washington, D.C. in 1936 and had since had it in his possession; he further stated that he lived on Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, during 1937 and part of 1938; during this said visit at the farm, said deponent and other agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the consent of the said Felix A. Inslerman, took about thirty-six rolls of film, some of which was 35 millimeter microfilm.

" 5. In a conversation held in my presence in New York City on January 6th, 1949, Inslerman indicated that he also had in his possession on his farm at Cambridge, New York, other cameras; in the same conversation, Inslerman further indicated that he had the Leica camera which I had observed, at his Cambridge farm on December 23rd, 1948 brought to New York and it was then in his possession and that he intended to return to his farm at Cambridge, as soon as the Grand Jury sitting in New York adjourned for the day (January 6th, 1949) and that he would at all times, have such Leica

Kisseloff-7678

AL. 65-1574

" camera in his possession and would remain at the farm until early the following week. I have been informed from other official sources that the other cameras referred to above, including an Ernemann-Bob which he had had in his possession since 1936, would take standard film.

" 6. As a result of the information received by me in the course of the performance of my official duties in connection with this case, I am reasonably satisfied and have cause to believe that the Leica camera, bearing serial number 234730 above referred to, was properly designed and intended for use and which was used as a means of committing the offenses above described and that it was possessed and controlled and designed and intended for use and used in violation of the Espionage Act (Act of June 15, 1917, as amended). On the basis of such official information in my possession, I have further reasonable cause to believe that the said Ernemann-Bob camera may have been so used.

" 7. Deponent further says that on the 5th day of January, 1949 at the offices of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Court House, New York City, he had a conversation with the said Jay David Whittaker Chambers, whom deponent knows has given information to the United States Government concerning the matters set forth in the second and third paragraphs of this

Kisseloff-7679

AL. 65-1574

" affidavit, and the same Chambers told deponent that he had furnished government documents to be photographed to a man by the name of Felix who lived on Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland and who did photographic work and had a Leica camera; that said Chambers further stated in this same conversation that on January 3rd, 1949 he saw the said person whom he knew as Felix in the United States Court House in New York City and that he then learned that he was known as Felix A. Inslerman; deponent further says that he himself saw the said Felix A. Inslerman in the United States Court House in New York City on the 3rd of January, 1949.

" 8. Deponent further says that John J. O'Toole, Jr., is a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is a civil officer of the United States authorized to enforce and assist in enforcing laws of the United States and is a proper person to execute the search warrant asked for herein.

" WHEREFORE it is prayed that a search warrant may be issued authorizing the said John J. O'Toole, Jr., a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, together with such other Special Agent or Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as may be assigned to assist him, to enter with proper assistance in the daytime, the premises occupied by Felix A. Inslerman and his family, near the Village of Cambridge in the County of Washington,

A. 65-1574

" New York and located about two miles westerly from Center Cambridge in the same County, the Post Office address of which said premises is R.D. #2, Cambridge, New York and the residence on said premises occupied by the said Felix A. Inslerman and his family and any and all other buildings on said premises including all rooms, closets and cellars used therewith and there to search for and seize and take into his possession if found, one Leica camera bearing serial number 234730 and one Ernemann-Bob camera.

Sworn to before me this

7th day of January, 1949.

"

* * * *

Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, United States Attorney IRVING J. HIGBEE and the writer appeared before United States Commissioner A. VAN W. HANCOCK at Syracuse, New York, on the same date. As a result of this appearance, the following search warrant was issued:

AL. 65-1574

" WHEREAS, it appears from the affidavit of Francis D. O'Brien, Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, duly verified before me this 7th day of January, 1949, the contents of which are incorporated herein and made a part hereof as fully as if herein set forth at length, that there is reasonable and probable cause to believe that one Leica camera, bearing serial number 234730, and one Ernemann-Bob camera were used as a means of committing a criminal offense and are now on premises occupied by Felix A. Inslerman and his family near the Village of Cambridge in the County of Washington, New York, and located about two miles westerly from said Cambridge in said County, the postoffice address of which is R. D. #2, Cambridge, New York, which said premises are occupied by Felix A. Inslerman.

" Now, therefore, you are commanded in the name of the President of the United States of America to go with such other Special Agent or Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as may be assigned to assist you, to enter with proper assistance in the daytime the premises occupied by Felix A. Inslerman and his family near the Village of Cambridge in the County of Washington, New York, and located about two miles westerly from said Cambridge in said County, the postoffice address of which is R. D. #2, Cambridge, New York, and the residence of said premises occupied by the said Felix A. Inslerman and his family and any and all other buildings on said premises including all rooms, closets and cellars used therewith and there to search for and seize and take into your possession, if found, one Leica camera bearing serial number 234730 and one Ernemann-Bob camera.

" You are likewise commanded in the event you seize and take into possession such cameras to give a copy of this warrant together with receipt therefor to the person or persons from whose possession the same may be taken and to make a return of your doings to the undersigned.

" Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of January, 1949.

United States Commissioner
Northern District of New York.

"

157-2

AL. 65-1574

On January 8, 1949 at 10:13 A.M., the writer executed the search warrant at the residence of FELIX A. INSLERMAN, Cambridge, New York. He was assisted by Special Agents JOHN D. MAHONEY and PAUL R. BIBLER. At the time of the search, the following items were seized: (Turned over by the INSLERMANS.)

1. One Ernemann-Bob 2 Camera, 840366 DRP.
2. One Leica Camera #234730 and front lens number -- 1:35 F = 50 mm - Leitz Elmar and carrying case plus sunshade and film contained therein.

The original search warrant had been exhibited to both Mr. and Mrs. FELIX A. INSLERMAN and a copy of the search warrant was left with them. Likewise, a receipt for the above property was executed and a copy of this receipt was left with FELIX A. INSLERMAN.

The return on the search warrant was sworn to before United States Commissioner BENDER SOLOMON, 74 Chapel Street, Albany, New York, by the writer on January 10, 1949.

The original warrant was returned and the original receipt for the property seized has been sent to the issuing Commissioner, A. VAN W. HANCOCK at Syracuse, New York.

A copy of the warrant, the affidavit, the return made on the warrant, and the receipt for property are being retained in the files of the Albany Office.

The property seized, while in the custody of the writer, was taken to Albany, New York, where it was personally turned over to Special Agent CHESTER M. PONTZ of this office, who transmitted it in person to the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D.C. on the morning of January 9, 1949.

At the time the Agents arrived at the INSLERMAN residence, shortly after 10:00 A.M., January 8, 1949, they were greeted at the door by Mrs. ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, who stated, when informed of the purpose of their visit, that she did not care what they had - she absolutely refused us permission to enter her residence. She stated this was her opinion, as well as the opinion of their attorney, LOUIS BENDER, who had so instructed her. The original of the warrant

11 -19
10 11 12

was then given to her to read. She refused to even glance at it. She was advised again of our intent to search the property, and upon her refusal to cooperate in any manner whatsoever, the Agents entered the premises. Mrs. INSLERMAN again demanded we leave immediately and, when informed that we did not intend to do so, she requested that at least we sit in her living room until her husband returned, since he was just down the road a bit, and until she called her attorney in New York City.

At this time, FELIX INSLERMAN returned and was advised of the purpose of our visit, and was likewise given the original search warrant, and he refused to look at it. Offering cooperation, the Agents then awaited Mrs. INSLERMAN's telephone call to Attorney LOUIS BENDER in New York City. From the conversation on behalf of Mrs. INSLERMAN, it was quite apparent that BENDER reassured her the warrant was absolutely illegal; that the Agents had no business being upon their premises, and BENDER apparently was urging her and her husband to immediately eject the Agents from the premises. From Mrs. INSLERMAN's conversation, it was obvious that she was telling him that was impossible. It was the opinion of the Agents that BENDER was seeking to have the issue of violence arise out of the execution of the warrant.

Upon BENDER's request and Mrs. INSLERMAN's insistence, the writer went to the telephone, at which time Attorney BENDER informed him that he regarded the entire warrant as illegal, and that we should immediately vacate the premises, and further, he would move to dismiss the search warrant at the very first opportunity. The writer made no comment.

Mrs. INSLERMAN then, upon the request of her attorney, read the search warrant to him over the telephone. At the conclusion of her conversation, she advised they did not intend to cooperate with the Agents making the search, and invited the Agents to just go ahead and look.

After some time was consumed in the search, Mrs. INSLERMAN offered to make a "deal" with the Agents. She advised that if we stood outside of her door, she would then present to us the items called for in the warrant. The so-called "deal" was refused on the grounds that once we were outside the door, it would probably be shut. She then advised that since we would not cooperate to this extent, she would not either, and once again the search continued.

1872

AL. 65-1574

At approximately 11:30 A.M., Attorney LOUIS BENDER again telephoned her. From Mrs. INSLERMAN's conversation, it appeared that her parents were furious over having their residence searched, and apparently Mr. BENDER advised her that the easiest way to have the search concluded was to have her turn over the cameras in their possession.

She then made available first the Leica Camera, which was in a pillow on the bed and wrapped in tissue, and FELIX INSLERMAN turned over the Ernemann-Bob Camera, which was upstairs at an undisclosed location. Proper receipts were executed and the Agents departed from the INSLERMANS' residence, a minute or so after 12 noon.

During the entire time, FELIX INSLERMAN had no comments to make, outside of securing the full names of the three Agents who conducted the search.

MISCELLANEOUS

In the report of Special Agent FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, dated December 23, 1948 at Baltimore, it was indicated that one MARY KNETTLES had been a close associate of FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO and STEN VASKLOF. In teletype from Albany to Baltimore, December 30, 1948, it was stated that MARY KNETTLES was now reported to be living in Baltimore, where she is employed in the office of the U.S. Geological Survey, working under a Dr. ROMAN.

At the time the search warrant was executed at the residence of INSLERMAN, it was noted that personal correspondence from one BUD and JOE to the INSLERMANS had been written on stationery of the U.S. Geological Survey. The letters were purely personal in nature and were believed to have originated at Baltimore. It was ascertained that BUD and JOE refers to a couple, their last name being MASON. Since it is possible that the BUD and JOE of the U.S. Geological Survey in Baltimore may be associated with MARY KNETTLES, and hence in connection with VICTOR RENO, a teletype was sent to Baltimore on January 10, 1949, advising of the above. It may be possible to establish an association between the INSLERMANS and other persons connected with the Apparatus.

AL. 65-1574

At the time of the original interview with INSILERMAN, it was ascertained that the only living member of his family is a brother, HANS, who now resides on East Borne Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey, and who is a civilian employee of the U.S. Army and engaged as a Radio Engineer at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. A teletype requesting background check on HANS INSILERMAN was sent to Newark on January 10, 1949, and the Washington Field Office was requested to verify HANS INSILERMAN's employment.

In connection with the purchase of the farm by INSILERMAN from DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR., 397 Burlington Road, Borough of Paramus, Hudson County, New Jersey, it should be noted that at the time of the initial interview of INSILERMAN, he stated that his mother died when he was 7 years of age, and his father sent him to some friends, who owned a farm in Brunswick, New Jersey. These people raised him. INSILERMAN could not recall the name of these persons who had raised him, but did state that both of them had been born in Estonia. It is possible that the HOEYS could have been the persons who raised him or may have been associated with the persons who raised him.

It was also ascertained from INSILERMAN that since he has been working at the General Electric Company, during the bad weather months, when driving is difficult, he rents a room from a Mrs. JOHN ANKER, 496 Hulett Street, Schenectady, New York. He stated it had been his custom for the past 2 years to rent a room from her and to stay there Monday through Friday and return to his farm over the week-end.

On December 30, 1948 Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS interviewed Mrs. JOHN ANKER and verified that INSILERMAN had taken a room at her residence from December, 1946 to May, 1947 and from December, 1947 to March, 1948, for which he paid \$4.00 a week. She stated he only stayed there occasionally when road conditions made it impossible for him to travel to his farm in Cambridge. She stated that, to the best of her knowledge, he had never received any mail, telephone calls or visitors while residing at her home. She described him as a very quiet person who never volunteered any information. She advised that he had come to live at her home because she had left her telephone number at the Y.M.C.A. She knew nothing at all concerning his background and advised that he kept no material in his room but occasionally he carried a brief case and sometimes she had observed papers with mathematical calculations thereon on his dresser, but could give no further information.

AL. 65-1574

A check of toll calls on the residence of Mrs. ANKER failed to produce any calls as traceable to FELIX INSLERMAN.

The following interview is related to the FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO aspect of this case.

Colonel H. H. ZORNIG, U.S. Army Retired, was interviewed December 28, 1948 by Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY and the writer. ZORNIG is employed by the Atomic Energy Commission, Peek Street Plant of the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York.

ZORNIG said he had known FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO since about 1936 or 1937, when RENO was employed at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds. ZORNIG said that he, ZORNIG, was in charge of the entire project and RENO was hired as an Exterior Ballistics Man. ZORNIG advised that RENO had been certified to be qualified for appointment on this project, through the Civil Service List, and as far as ZORNIG could recall, RENO came to him from the University of Virginia.

ZORNIG described RENO as an excellent mathematician who was something of a prima donna type, and referred to RENO as a Bolshevist. Under questioning, ZORNIG said he did not mean this in the sense that RENO was a Communist or a Communist Party member, but rather he used the term to describe one who is anti-social, which was what RENO was. ZORNIG stated he had never been aware of any occasions where RENO would take out any of the confidential material, but related that at that time there was no restricted or confidential material available to him.

Colonel ZORNIG stated he left the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in 1941 and at that time RENO was still employed there. ZORNIG claimed he knew very little about RENO's outside activities, and stated that Dr. LOUIS S. DEDERICK, who was RENO's direct supervisor, would have had much more contact with RENO and could probably furnish better information as to his social and related activity. He advised that for a time, RENO worked directly under Dr. DEDERICK and roomed at the Doctor's home at Baltimore, Maryland.

Colonel ZORNIG said that never at any time had there been a question in his mind regarding RENO's loyalty, and remarked that at that time the highly confidential projects were not underway at Aberdeen. Colonel ZORNIG stated

AL. 65-1574

that the only restricted and confidential project at that time was the Norden Bomb Sight, but, to the best of his recollection, RENO never had any occasion to work on the inside mechanism of the Bomb Sight and thus would have no reason to have access to any of the information about the Sight.

ZORNIG also said he did not know of any security regulations violated by RENO, and concluded by stating that even if RENO had been a member of the Communist Party at that time, there would have been very little he, ZORNIG, could have done about it, since the Civil Service Commission had certified RENO for employment on the project and at that time membership in the Communist Party was not a bar to said employment.

- P E N D I N G -

- 25 -

Kisseloff-7688

272

AL. 65-1574

LEADS

ALBANY DIVISION

AT SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

At the General Electric Company will interview a sufficient number of fellow employees of FELIX A. INSLERMAN, as set out on pages 4 and 5 of this report, to determine all activities, associates and nationalistic sympathies of INSLERMAN.

Will also ascertain if it was INSLERMAN's custom to remove classified material for work at home in the evening.

Will ascertain the dates INSLERMAN has been absent from work, and seek to establish the reasons therefor, bearing in mind he may have still been engaged in clandestine photographic work and could have utilized these absences in furtherance of the program.

At the Schenectady Trust Company, 320 State Street, will secure transcript of INSLERMAN's bank statements, since the opening of his account, October 2, 1946.

AT SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK

At the Malta Test Station for guided missiles, will determine the number of times INSLERMAN has been at the Station, and attempt to ascertain his actions and activities while there.

Will review the telephone calls from INSLERMAN's residence telephone.

Will continue to receive and identify pertinent leads afforded through mail coverage on INSLERMAN's residence.

AT ARGYLE, NEW YORK

Will interview Mr. TED HORNING who INSLERMAN has described as the person instrumental in interesting him in the purchase of the farm at Cambridge.

AL. 65-1574

AT ALBANY, NEW YORK

Will examine the New York State income tax returns of INSLERMAN.

BALTIMORE DIVISION

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Will identify "BUD" and "JOE", believed to be a couple named MASON, apparently employed at the office of the U.S. Geological Survey, and attempt to establish the connection between them and MARY KNETTLES, an employee of the U.S. Geological Survey in Baltimore. (Lead set out by teletype dated January 10, 1949.)

NEWARK DIVISION

AT LONG BRANCH, NEW JERSEY

Will conduct background investigation on FELIX INSLERMAN's brother, HANS INSLERMAN, 237 East Borne Avenue, reported to be a civilian employee - radio engineer - at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. (Lead set out by teletypes January 10 and 11, 1949.)

The lead to interview DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR., who sold the farm at Cambridge to FELIX INSLERMAN, is being left to the discretion of the New York Office. (Lead set out by teletype dated December 31, 1948.)

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Will verify the employment of HANS INSLERMAN, 237 East Borne Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey, reported to be a Civil Service employee of the U.S. Army, operating as a radio engineer at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. (Lead set out by teletype dated January 10, 1949.)

EXPEDITIOUS COVERAGE OF THESE LEADS HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY THE SPECIAL ASSISTANTS TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, WHO ARE PRESENTING THIS CASE TO THE GRAND JURY AT NEW YORK CITY.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

ALBANY, FILE NO. 65-1574 (MER)

REPORT MADE AT ALBANY, NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 1/12/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/23, 24, 27-31/48; 1/3, 5-10/49	REPORT MADE BY JOHN J. O'TOOLE, JR.
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS; ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FELIX A. INSLERMAN originally interviewed 12/23/48. Interview negative. Material removed from premises by permissive search same date transported to FBI Laboratory, 12/27/48. INSLERMAN has never returned to work at General Electric Co. since 12/23/48. Recently secured 2 months leave of absence, INSLERMAN departed for N.Y.C., 12/26/48; and remained there until he returned to his farm, 1/7/49. ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, wife, and ROBERT, child, joined him in N.Y.C., 12/28/48. While in N.Y.C., all believed to reside with wife's parents. U.S. Army clearance on INSLERMAN's work on guided missiles project suspended, 12/29/48. INSLERMAN considered plodder type at place of employment - not brilliant but good worker. INSLERMAN knows entire make-up of guided missiles. Stated to have irregular work attendance and permitted to remove any classified material from project for work at home in evenings. INSLERMAN voted for HENRY WALLACE for President to register protest vote; claims administration leading to war with Russia. INSLERMAN claims no outstanding financial obligations. Savings account balance \$1348.08; checking account \$250. Annual income at General Electric Co. \$5200. Claims nominal insurance and small stock holdings of wife. INSLERMAN states he has always paid cash for substantial purchases and does not believe in going into debt. INSLERMAN purchased farm in Cambridge, N.Y. in 1942, while employed and living at Long Island, N.Y. Records show no mortgage and revenue stamps indicate \$1100 paid. Title not recorded until 1947. INSLERMAN has purchased new car and tractor

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT			
5 - BUREAU 4 - NEW YORK (1 - THOMAS J. DONEGAN, Spec. Asst. to Att. Gen., N.Y.) - Special Delivery 2 - BALTIMORE 2 - WASH. FIELD 2 - NEWARK 3 - ALBANY			

167

AL. 65-1584

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

during 1948. Check of photographic supply stores, Schenectady, N.Y. fails to locate any purchase by INSLERMAN. Affidavit for search warrant filed 1/7/49 and warrant issued same date by U. S. Commissioner, Syracuse, N.Y. Search warrant served 1/8/49. Seized articles - one Leica Camera #234730 and one Ernemann-Bob Camera - transmitted to FBI Laboratory, 1/9/49. Interview of Colonel ZORNIG regarding FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO negative.

- P -

REFERENCE:

Bureau File 74-1333.

Report of Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, dated December 30, 1948 at New York City.

- 1 A -

Kisseloff-7692

AL. 65-1574

DETAILS: All of the following information relates to FELIX A. INSLERMAN.

BACKGROUND

As set out in the referenced report of Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, dated December 30, 1948 at New York, FELIX A. INSLERMAN was interviewed by Special Agent O'BRIEN and the writer on December 23, 1948, at which time a permissive search was conducted. The material removed from his residence at this time was taken to the FBI Laboratory on December 27, 1948 by the writer. The permit to search, as well as the receipt for articles taken is in the possession of the New York Office.

On December 30, 1948, at the request of the New York Office, the writer, together with Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY, went to the residence of FELIX A. INSLERMAN, R.D. #2, Cambridge, New York, for the purpose of ascertaining if the INSLERMANS would turn over all cameras and attachments thereto to this Bureau. At that time, the residence was occupied solely by a neighbor, Mrs. MARY WADE, who advised that on December 26, 1948, FELIX INSLERMAN had left his residence to go to New York City. Mrs. WADE stated that at noon, December 27, 1948, FELIX INSLERMAN telephoned his wife, ELIZABETH, and, as a result of this telephone call, ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, together with their small son, ROBERT, and their under-privileged child guest for the holidays, JOAN MORRONE, had departed to join FELIX INSLERMAN in New York City. All travel was by train, and the INSLERMANS' car remained at their residence.

Mrs. WADE advised that she did not know where the INSLERMANS were in New York City at that time, inasmuch as Mrs. INSLERMAN had promised to telephone her on Friday, December 31, 1948, to either tell her when she would return home or to let her know where she could be reached in New York City. Mrs. WADE stated that she was being paid to remain at their residence, inasmuch as the livestock, which they owned, had to be fed regularly and the INSLERMANS did not want the fires going out during the cold weather.

Through Mrs. WADE's cooperation, it was ascertained that the cameras owned by the INSLERMANS were in the residence on this date. Pursuant to instructions, Mrs. WADE was then advised that the FBI was desirous of getting in touch with

AL. 65-1574

the INSLERMANS immediately, and she was requested to so advise the INSLERMANS when they telephoned on December 31, 1948, and, if they did not care to give the address where they could be reached in New York, Mrs. WADE was to furnish them with the name of Assistant Special Agent in Charge A. H. BELMONT of the New York Office, together with the telephone number. She was also requested to immediately call this office as soon as she heard from the INSLERMANS.

On January 3, 1949, upon request of the New York Office, the writer, together with Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY, again went to the residence of the INSLERMANS, inasmuch as all telephone service between Albany and their residence had been disrupted over the New Year's day week-end by a severe ice and snow storm in this area. On this date, Mrs. WADE advised that ELIZABETH INSLERMAN had telephoned her late in the evening of December 31, 1948, at which time she, Mrs. WADE, relayed the message as above stated.

Mrs. WADE stated that Mrs. INSLERMAN was very upset and refused to tell Mrs. WADE of their whereabouts, but stated she would telephone the FBI Office.

Mrs. WADE at this time also made available the name and address of ELIZABETH INSLERMAN's parents - Mr. and Mrs. J. W. RYNDERS, 909 Summit Avenue, New York 52, New York, as well as the name of the under-privileged child who had been their guest, namely, JOAN MORRONE, 626 Clinton Street, Brooklyn 31, New York, Apartment 3-D.

EMPLOYMENT

The pertinent information regarding the present employment of INSLERMAN at the General Electric Company has previously been submitted in the report of Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS, dated December 21, 1948 at Albany.

Additional pertinent facts, not available at the time the above report was submitted, are as follows:

INSLERMAN did not return to work on December 24, 1948, and notified his superiors that he would be off for a few days, due to the illness of his child. On December 29, 1948, Major J. P. TRAYLOR, Rochester Ordnance District, U. S. Army,

AL. 65-1574

advised the General Electric Company that the prior clearance for INSLERMAN for work on the Hermes Project had been ordered suspended indefinitely. At a subsequent date, INSLERMAN obtained a two months leave of absence from his employers, the General Electric Company.

It should be noted that the Hermes Project, on which INSLERMAN had been employed, is a project operated by the General Electric Company for the U. S. Army, and deals exclusively with construction and operation, etc. of guided missiles. This project is extremely confidential and all personnel employed on the Hermes Project are cleared by the U. S. Army. In addition to operating the building known as the "Race Track Plant" of the General Electric Company at Campbell Avenue, Schenectady, the project also is conducted in a huge forest outside of Saratoga Springs, New York, known as Malta or Luther's Forest. At this location are huge pits wherein experiments are conducted and rockets are test-fired. The immediate section in which INSLERMAN has been employed is in the field of Weight Analysis. The organizational set-up of the section, wherein INSLERMAN is employed, is as follows:

J. R. HARKNESS	.....	Leader
E. A. ZEITLIN	.....	Structural Analysis & Test
K. D. IGLER		
I. H. WYLIE		
E. W. KUNZ	.....	Structural Design
C. L. RABOLLI		
J. G. KENNARD		
H. H. KIEFER		
F. A. INSLERMAN	.....	Weight Analysis
H. M. MITCHELL	.....	Tanks - Piping
P. J. POWERS		
J. H. BURNHAM	.....	Turbo Pumps
R. D. MIRES	.....	Propellant System Test
H. A. KRIEGER		
M. L. LEHMAN		
D. W. SMITH		
E. L. ATWELL		
E. H. AYERS		
J. E. BRYCE		
H. M. DEUTCH		
R. W. FARSTAD		

Kisseloff-7695

AL. 65-1574

W. E. GARLAND
E. J. LA MARCH
R. E. OTTEN
J. J. WALSH
W. H. HOLLAND
E. H. LONDON Factory Contact & Scheduling

The above list of names was made available by Dr. R. W. PORTER, who has complete charge of the Guided Missiles Section.

Mr. JOSEPH ROBERT HARKNESS was interviewed by Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS on December 30, 1948. HARKNESS advised that he has been INSLERMAN's supervisor for approximately the last two years. He stated he was not overly friendly with INSLERMAN, but that he had been a guest of INSLERMAN and his wife on one occasion at INSLERMAN's home. He advised that INSLERMAN was not too friendly with any of the other employees on the Hermes Project, but that on the occasion of his visit to INSLERMAN's farm, there had likewise been present:

HARRY M. MITCHELL (Tanks and Piping Section)
P. J. POWERS (.....)
ERNEST W. KUNZ (Structural Design)
C. L. RABOLLI (.....)

He advised that he believed INSLERMAN was most friendly with these four individuals, and was the most friendly with RABOLLI. HARKNESS advised that at the time INSLERMAN applied for his position with the General Electric Company, he had interviewed INSLERMAN. He described INSLERMAN as not too brilliant but a very good worker and was considered a plodder on whom most of the dirty work on the project was shifted.

HARKNESS stated that INSLERMAN was probably in a better position than anyone else on the Project to know the entire make-up of a guided missile. To explain this, HARKNESS advised Special Agent ROSS that one of INSLERMAN's duties was to work out the weight distribution of the missiles, to determine the center of gravity. He said that this brings INSLERMAN into contact with each specific part of the missile, and also gives INSLERMAN the knowledge of the type of metal that each part is made of and its complete description.

HARKNESS said that another of INSLERMAN's duties is equipment mounting, and through this duty, he learns of the location and capacity of all electrical equipment in the missile, such as the gyroscope, etc.

AL. 65-1574

HARKNESS said that INSLERMAN is in an excellent position to evaluate all the information that comes to him, because he is an Electrical Engineer.

In addition, HARKNESS related to Special Agent ROSS that shortly after the 1948 elections, INSLERMAN had related to him that he had voted for HENRY WALLACE, and further that although he knew WALLACE would not be elected, he was registering a protest vote against the present administration, because he believed the present policies would lead this country to war with Russia. HARKNESS said that INSLERMAN did not offer any comment on Russia.

HARKNESS likewise advised that INSLERMAN is not too regular in his attendance at work and that he takes days off now and then, with the excuse that he has some work to do on his farm. Specifically, HARKNESS advised Special Agent ROSS that INSLERMAN was absent from work on a Friday and Monday in December, and believed the dates to be December 10 and 13, 1948, and the supposed reason for this absence was that INSLERMAN had to go to New York City to see about adopting another child. HARKNESS had no additional information regarding this supposed adoption.

HARKNESS also advised that he had never considered INSLERMAN a pro-Russian but that he had received the idea, through conversations with INSLERMAN, that he, INSLERMAN, was a Pacifist.

HARKNESS also stated that in view of INSLERMAN's position, he would be allowed at any time to take any secret, confidential or restricted documents home with him in the evening for work.

Major J. P. TRAYLOR advised Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS on January 6, 1949, that INSLERMAN had never signed any documents or papers to the effect that he was employed on secret, restricted or confidential work. INSLERMAN did complete a Personnel Security Questionnaire, but this Questionnaire does not carry any statement that his work is of a confidential nature. The Personnel Security Questionnaire signed by FELIX A. INSLERMAN, dated December 10, 1947, was forwarded to the New York Office by separate letter dated January 6, 1949. Under item 33 of the reverse side of this Questionnaire, there is the following statement:

"Remark: The company contemplates the use of Mr. INSLERMAN's services on work, the nature of which is classified as secret. It is therefore requested that he be cleared for this classification. "

AL. 65-1574

Mr. A. M. DEMONT, Aeronautics and Systems Division, General Electric Company, stated to Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS that all employees for the Hermès Project, when hired, are orally advised they will be working on restricted data which should not be divulged to unauthorized individuals, but that they are not required to sign any statement to this effect. DEMONT advised that each drawing or blueprint handled by INSLERMAN in the course of his day's work bears the following statement:

"Notice: This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Act 50, U.S.C. 31 and 32, as amended. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to any unauthorized person is prohibited by law."

The drawing, blueprint or document is then followed by one of three words, either confidential, secret or restricted.

It also has been observed that on the premises where INSLERMAN was employed, above the time cards, were framed copies of the Espionage Act, as above set out.

FINANCIAL

At the time of INSLERMAN's interview by Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN and the writer, INSLERMAN advised he banked with the Schenectady Trust Company and the Schenectady Savings Bank, Schenectady, New York. He stated that he had approximately \$1,000.00 or \$1,500.00 in savings; that he had no outstanding obligations, and that his farm and car were paid for. He stated he has a nominal amount of insurance, and that his wife had small stock holdings. He advised his annual income was \$5,200.00 (which was verified). He stated it had been his life-time policy never to go into debt, and that he had always paid cash for things he has purchased. He denied that either he or his wife possessed any safe deposit boxes or that they had any accounts with any other banks at any location. He stated that at the present time he was making no money from his photographic hobby.

On December 30, 1948, Special Agent GERARD J. O'BRIEN, through the cooperation of Mr. H. GLADSTONE MC KEON, Secretary of the Schenectady Trust Company, 320 State Street, Schenectady, New York, ascertained that FELIX A. INSLERMAN and his wife, ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, opened a checking account on October 2, 1946. The amount of deposit made at that time could not be ascertained, but the last monthly statement shows a balance of slightly below \$250.00. An examination of the cancelled checks on file at that time showed ordinary payments for telephone utility service and certain household expenses. The signature card, as filed by the bank, gave no further background regarding INSLERMAN or his family, or previous banking

AL. 65-1 574

connections. There were no outstanding loans against his name at that bank, nor had he ever made application for a loan. The bank does not keep a record of checks, and there would be in the date files of the Schenectady Trust Company a transcript of INSLEMAN's statements since the time he opened his account. The only checks photographed by this bank are out-of-town checks presented by INSLEMAN for clearance. These are not in a catalog or indexed. Request has been made of this bank to furnish transcripts of statements.

Special Agent GERARD J. O'BRIEN, through the cooperation of Mr. HARRY D. RYDER, Treasurer of the Schenectady Savings Bank, Schenectady, New York, was advised that FELIX A. INSLEMAN opened a savings account on December 27, 1946, with a cash deposit of \$4,000.00. The account was in the name of FELIX A. INSLEMAN or ELIZABETH INSLEMAN. Numerous withdrawals have been made to date, leaving the present balance \$1,348.08. The signature card on file at the bank showed INSLEMAN's father as AUGUST JOHN, and his mother as ANNA PAULINE, and also listed his birth date as July 11, 1910. ELIZABETH INSLEMAN had listed her birth date to be February 18, 1915 at New York City, and her father as JAN W. RYNDERS and her mother as BETTY BLESI RYNDERS. The records of the bank also showed a trustee account for ROBERT A. INSLEMAN, opened October 8, 1946. The balance in this account, as of this date, was \$149.48 (son), and there were no loans or mortgages by INSLEMAN at this bank.

In connection with the farm where INSLEMAN now resides, at the time of his interview, he stated they purchased the farm in 1946, when they were residing on Long Island. It was commented upon at that time that this was rather unusual, inasmuch as he was not then an employee nor had he applied for work with the General Electric Company in Schenectady. INSLEMAN stated that to be correct, but he became acquainted with the property through a friend of his and his wife, one TED HORNING of Argyle, New York, which village is near Cambridge, New York.

The records of the Town Clerk at Hudson Falls, New York, together with an interview of HARRY HARRINGTON, a resident of Cambridge, New York, disclosed the following information:

On July 1, 1935, HARRINGTON sold the property, consisting of 85 acres and the house and buildings thereto, to one NORMA KNOLL, 22 Hamilton Avenue, Arlington, New Jersey. This was recorded on July 8, 1935, Book 211, page 386. There were

AL. 65-1574

\$2.50 worth of revenue stamps attached. On September 29, 1941, the property was conveyed by CHARLES C. KNOLL, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of NORMA E. KNOLL, to DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR., her husband, 395 Burlington Road, Borough of Paramus, County of Bergen, New Jersey. This deed was recorded November 8, 1941, and was listed in Book 227, page 395, consideration at this time being \$4,400.00. The record also shows that NORMA E. KNOLL died a resident of Hudson County, New Jersey, on August 18, 1941. Her will was probated in the Hudson County Surrogate's Court, August 29, 1941. CHARLES C. KNOLL was appointed Executor. DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR. conveyed the property to FELIX A. INSLERMAN and ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, his wife, on December 29, 1942. The INSLERMANS then resided at the Township of Babylon, Suffolk County, Long Island, New York. This deed was not recorded until July 29, 1947, and is in Book 259, page 543. This carried \$1.10 worth of revenue stamps, which would indicate that INSLERMAN paid \$1,100.00. It was ascertained that the house and buildings are presently insured for \$2,000.00 by Mr. CLAYTON BROWNELL of Cambridge, New York.

At the time of the interview of INSLERMAN, it was ascertained that he purchased a new Chevrolet in 1947. Through the cooperation of Mr. JOSEPH A. HARADAN, President of the Mohawk Chevrolet Company, Schenectady, New York, on December 30, 1948, Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY ascertained that FELIX INSLERMAN had traded a 1941 Chevrolet Town Sedan, Serial No. 14A-603-25305, Motor No. AA-712295, and had been allowed \$430.55 as a trade-in allowance for a 1947 Fleetmaster Chevrolet Town Sedan. The transaction was consummated January 6, 1948. Mr. HARADAN stated that a check in the amount of \$1,030.75, the difference in the price, had been given to the Mohawk Chevrolet Company by INSLERMAN. According to their records, the check was deposited the next day, but there was no record available as to what bank this check had been drawn on.

At the time of the purchase, INSLERMAN had 1947 New York registration plates 8A 5300. A check of the records of the New York State Motor Vehicle Bureau, Albany, New York, by Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY verified that 1947 New York Registration 8A 5300 had been issued to FELIX INSLERMAN, R.D. #2, Cambridge, New York. These records show that in 1946, INSLERMAN had New York Registration plates 4G 4629. The applications for these plates are in New York City.

AL. 65-1574

At the time of INSLERMAN's interview, it was ascertained that he purchased a new 1948 Allis Chalmers Tractor for \$1,100.00, for which he had paid cash. At the time Agents were at his farm, it was ascertained that he likewise possesses the following kitchen conveniences: one deep freezer and one electric dish washer.

PHOTOGRAPHY

At the time of the interview, INSLERMAN advised that since he has been working at the General Electric Company, he has not had much time for his hobby of photography, nor has he done any photographic work for profit, except an occasional picture of neighbors' children, etc. He estimated that he probably spent no more than \$10.00 during any one month for any photographic supplies. He stated he bought most of his supplies at Lyon's, Schenectady, or at Montgomery Ward.

Special Agents EDWARD M. NALLY, JR. and GLEN D. RANKIN on December 31, 1948 contacted the following photographic supply stores at Schenectady.

Gene Black, 77 State Street.

George's Film Service, 724 $\frac{1}{2}$ State Street.

Lyon's Camera and Pen Store, 236 State Street.

Koch's Photo Lab, 117 Clinton Street.

The Photo Lab, 269 State Street.

Montgomery Ward Order Office, 202 State Street.

Bern's Camera Store, 113 Broadway.

The coverage was completely negative and none of the business firms knew of INSLERMAN by name or description.

AL. 65-1574

TELEPHONE TOLL CALLS

Through the cooperation of the New York Telephone Company at Albany, New York, Special Agent EDWARD J. LEAHY on December 30, 1948 reviewed telephone toll tickets covering the INSLERMANS' telephone, Cambridge 120-F-23, which telephone is listed for Mrs. ELIZABETH A. INSLERMAN. These calls were reviewed from October 1, 1948 to December 30, 1948. The only possible call of significance was on December 10, 1948 to Gramarcy 5-1454, to one LUCY GRAFF. (Identification of this person was ascertained by the New York Office, by teletype, but was negative in connection with instant investigation.)

Arrangements have been made to review prior toll tickets, which are on file at the office of the New York Telephone Company at Saratoga Springs, New York.

MAIL

Mr. KENT, Postmaster, Village of Cambridge, New York, and the rural mail carrier who delivers mail to R.D. #2, Cambridge, were interviewed, with negative results.

On December 30, 1948 a mail cover was placed with the Postmaster. As a result of this cover, one piece of mail of possible significance has been reported as follows:

January 4, 1949 - INSLERMAN received a letter from W. BULLOCK,
Russell Sage College, Troy, New York.

The identity of this person will be ascertained.

SEARCH WARRANT

On January 7, 1949, Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN of the New York Office and the writer conferred with Mr. IRVING J. HIGBEE, United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York, at his office in Syracuse, New York. As a result of this conference, the following affidavit was drawn up:

AL. 65-1574

" UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In the Matter

of the

AFFIDAVIT FOR
SEARCH WARRANT

Application of Francis D. O'Brien for a search warrant effecting the premises occupied by Felix A. Inslerman near the Village of Cambridge, Washington County, New York and about two miles westerly from Center Cambridge in said County, the post office address of which is R.D. #2, Cambridge, New York

Violations of
Title 50, Secs.
31, 32, 34 and
Title 18, Sec.
88, United
States Code (1946
Ed.)

" FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN being duly sworn, deposes and says:

" 1. I am a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice and a civil officer of the United States authorized to enforce and to assist in enforcing the laws of the United States.

" 2. In my official capacity, as a result of official investigations conducted by me and official reports and other official material read and reviewed by me, I am satisfied and believe that crimes have been committed, namely, violations of

AL. 65-1574

" Sections 31, 32 and 34, Title 50, United States Code and Section 88, Title 18, United States Code (1946 Edition), in that within the Southern District of New York and elsewhere divers persons, including Jay David Whittaker Chambers, have sought and obtained and have conspired to secure and obtain information relating to the national defense, with intent and reason to believe that such information was to be used to the benefit of a foreign power and to the injury of the United States, and have conspired to defraud the United States of the honest, impartial and loyal services of certain of its employees by procuring them to remove and make available to unauthorized persons official documents of the United States Government.

" 3. In my official capacity, as a result of official investigations conducted by me and official reports and other official material read and reviewed by me, I am satisfied and believe that the above mentioned crimes arose out of the following: Beginning about 1936 and continuing to about April, 1938, one Jay David Whittaker Chambers procured certain employees of the Government of the United States to remove official documents and information from the possession of various departments of the Government and to make them available to himself and other unauthorized persons for ultimate delivery to a foreign power; as delivered

Kisseloff-7704

AL. 65-1574

" to Chambers this material consisted of original documents or written or typewritten copies or summaries thereof; it was Chambers' practice and that of the other unauthorized persons to deliver such material to certain photographers, including said Felix A. Inslerman, for photographic reproduction on microfilm, and upon completion of such photographing to return the official documents to the said Government employees for restoration in the Government's files; certain of this microfilm, which is of 35 millimeter size, has been produced by Chambers; the equipment used for the purpose of such photographic reproduction included at least one Leica camera; there is some indication that these practices were continued for an undetermined period subsequent to April, 1938.

" 4. In connection with the investigation of such criminal offenses, on December 23rd, 1948, near the Village of Cambridge in the Northern District of New York in company with other Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, acting under written consent duly executed by the said Felix A. Inslerman and in his company and presence, I entered the residence on a farm occupied by said Felix A. Inslerman and did then and there observe certain photographic equipment and accessories including but not limited to a certain Leica camera bearing serial number 234730 of which the said Inslerman stated he was the owner;

AL. 65-1574

" on this same occasion the said Inslerman referred to an enlarger which he had used in photographic work; on this occasion, the said Inslerman also made some reference to other cameras which he owned and that he had made a hobby of photographic work and had photographic equipment which he used in the pursuit of his said hobby. In a previous conversation held on the same day, the said Inslerman stated he purchased the Leica camera in Washington, D.C. in 1936 and had since had it in his possession; he further stated that he lived on Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, during 1937 and part of 1938; during this said visit at the farm, said deponent and other agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the consent of the said Felix A. Inslerman, took about thirty-six rolls of film, some of which was 35 millimeter microfilm.

" 5. In a conversation held in my presence in New York City on January 6th, 1949, Inslerman indicated that he also had in his possession on his farm at Cambridge, New York, other cameras; in the same conversation, Inslerman further indicated that he had the Leica camera which I had observed, at his Cambridge farm on December 23rd, 1948 brought to New York and it was then in his possession and that he intended to return to his farm at Cambridge, as soon as the Grand Jury sitting in New York adjourned for the day (January 6th, 1949) and that he would at all times, have such Leica

Kisseloff-7706

AL. 65-1574

" camera in his possession and would remain at the farm until early the following week. I have been informed from other official sources that the other cameras referred to above, including an Ernemann-Bob which he had had in his possession since 1936, would take standard film.

" 6. As a result of the information received by me in the course of the performance of my official duties in connection with this case, I am reasonably satisfied and have cause to believe that the Leica camera, bearing serial number 234730 above referred to, was properly designed and intended for use and which was used as a means of committing the offenses above described and that it was possessed and controlled and designed and intended for use and used in violation of the Espionage Act (Act of June 15, 1917, as amended). On the basis of such official information in my possession, I have further reasonable cause to believe that the said Ernemann-Bob camera may have been so used.

" 7. Deponent further says that on the 5th day of January, 1949 at the offices of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Court House, New York City, he had a conversation with the said Jay David Whittaker Chambers, whom deponent knows has given information to the United States Government concerning the matters set forth in the second and third paragraphs of this

AL. 65-1574

" affidavit, and the same Chambers told deponent that he had furnished government documents to be photographed to a man by the name of Felix who lived on Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland and who did photographic work and had a Leica camera; that said Chambers further stated in this same conversation that on January 3rd, 1949 he saw the said person whom he knew as Felix in the United States Court House in New York City and that he then learned that he was known as Felix A. Inslerman; deponent further says that he himself saw the said Felix A. Inslerman in the United States Court House in New York City on the 3rd of January, 1949.

" 8. Deponent further says that John J. O'Toole, Jr., is a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is a civil officer of the United States authorized to enforce and assist in enforcing laws of the United States and is a proper person to execute the search warrant asked for herein.

" WHEREFORE it is prayed that a search warrant may be issued authorizing the said John J. O'Toole, Jr., a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, together with such other Special Agent or Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as may be assigned to assist him, to enter with proper assistance in the daytime, the premises occupied by Felix A. Inslerman and his family, near the Village of Cambridge in the County of Washington,

A. 65-1574

" New York and located about two miles westerly from Center Cambridge in the same County, the Post Office address of which said premises is R.D. #2, Cambridge, New York and the residence on said premises occupied by the said Felix A. Inslerman and his family and any and all other buildings on said premises including all rooms, closets and cellars used therewith and there to search for and seize and take into his possession if found, one Leica camera bearing serial number 234730 and one Ernemann-Bob camera.

Sworn to before me this

7th day of January, 1949.

"

* * * *

Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, United States Attorney IRVING J. HIGBEE and the writer appeared before United States Commissioner A. VAN W. HANCOCK at Syracuse, New York, on the same date. As a result of this appearance, the following search warrant was issued:

AL. 65-1574

" WHEREAS, it appears from the affidavit of Francis D. O'Brien, Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, duly verified before me this 7th day of January, 1949, the contents of which are incorporated herein and made a part hereof as fully as if herein set forth at length, that there is reasonable and probable cause to believe that one Leica camera, bearing serial number 234730, and one Ernemann-Bob camera were used as a means of committing a criminal offense and are now on premises occupied by Felix A. Inslerman and his family near the Village of Cambridge in the County of Washington, New York, and located about two miles westerly from said Cambridge in said County, the postoffice address of which is R. D. #2, Cambridge, New York, which said premises are occupied by Felix A. Inslerman.

" Now, therefore, you are commanded in the name of the President of the United States of America to go with such other Special Agent or Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as may be assigned to assist you, to enter with proper assistance in the daytime the premises occupied by Felix A. Inslerman and his family near the Village of Cambridge in the County of Washington, New York, and located about two miles westerly from said Cambridge in said County, the postoffice address of which is R. D. #2, Cambridge, New York, and the residence of said premises occupied by the said Felix A. Inslerman and his family and any and all other buildings on said premises including all rooms, closets and cellars used therewith and there to search for and seize and take into your possession, if found, one Leica camera bearing serial number 234730 and one Ernemann-Bob camera.

" You are likewise commanded in the event you seize and take into possession such cameras to give a copy of this warrant together with receipt therefor to the person or persons from whose possession the same may be taken and to make a return of your doings to the undersigned.

" Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of January, 1949.

United States Commissioner
Northern District of New York.

AL. 65-1574

On January 8, 1949 at 10:13 A.M., the writer executed the search warrant at the residence of FELIX A. INSLERMAN, Cambridge, New York. He was assisted by Special Agents JOHN D. MAHONEY and PAUL R. BIBLER. At the time of the search, the following items were seized: (Turned over by the INSLERMANS.)

1. One Ernemann-Bob 2 Camera, 840366 DRP.
2. One Leica Camera #234730 and front lens number - 1:35 F = 50 mm - Leitz Elmar and carrying case plus sunshade and film contained therein.

The original search warrant had been exhibited to both Mr. and Mrs. FELIX A. INSLERMAN and a copy of the search warrant was left with them. Likewise, a receipt for the above property was executed and a copy of this receipt was left with FELIX A. INSLERMAN.

The return on the search warrant was sworn to before United States Commissioner BENDER SOLOMON, 74 Chapel Street, Albany, New York, by the writer on January 10, 1949.

The original warrant was returned and the original receipt for the property seized has been sent to the issuing Commissioner, A. VAN W. HANCOCK at Syracuse, New York.

A copy of the warrant, the affidavit, the return made on the warrant, and the receipt for property are being retained in the files of the Albany Office.

The property seized, while in the custody of the writer, was taken to Albany, New York, where it was personally turned over to Special Agent CHESTER M. PONTZ of this office, who transmitted it in person to the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D.C. on the morning of January 9, 1949.

At the time the Agents arrived at the INSLERMAN residence, shortly after 10:00 A.M., January 8, 1949, they were greeted at the door by Mrs. ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, who stated, when informed of the purpose of their visit, that she did not care what they had - she absolutely refused us permission to enter her residence. She stated this was her opinion, as well as the opinion of their attorney, LOUIS BENDER, who had so instructed her. The original of the warrant

AL. 65-1574

was then given to her to read. She refused to even glance at it. She was advised again of our intent to search the property, and upon her refusal to cooperate in any manner whatsoever, the Agents entered the premises. Mrs. INSLERMAN again demanded we leave immediately and, when informed that we did not intend to do so, she requested that at least we sit in her living room until her husband returned, since he was just down the road a bit, and until she called her attorney in New York City.

At this time, FELIX INSLERMAN returned and was advised of the purpose of our visit, and was likewise given the original search warrant, and he refused to look at it. Offering cooperation, the Agents then awaited Mrs. INSLERMAN's telephone call to Attorney LOUIS BENDER in New York City. From the conversation on behalf of Mrs. INSLERMAN, it was quite apparent that BENDER reassured her the warrant was absolutely illegal; that the Agents had no business being upon their premises, and BENDER apparently was urging her and her husband to immediately eject the Agents from the premises. From Mrs. INSLERMAN's conversation, it was obvious that she was telling him that was impossible. It was the opinion of the Agents that BENDER was seeking to have the issue of violence arise out of the execution of the warrant.

Upon BENDER's request and Mrs. INSLERMAN's insistence, the writer went to the telephone, at which time Attorney BENDER informed him that he regarded the entire warrant as illegal, and that we should immediately vacate the premises, and further, he would move to dismiss the search warrant at the very first opportunity. The writer made no comment.

Mrs. INSLERMAN then, upon the request of her attorney, read the search warrant to him over the telephone. At the conclusion of her conversation, she advised they did not intend to cooperate with the Agents making the search, and invited the Agents to just go ahead and look.

After some time was consumed in the search, Mrs. INSLERMAN offered to make a "deal" with the Agents. She advised that if we stood outside of her door, she would then present to us the items called for in the warrant. The so-called "deal" was refused on the grounds that once we were outside the door, it would probably be shut. She then advised that since we would not cooperate to this extent, she would not either, and once again the search continued.

AL. 65-1574

At approximately 11:30 A.M., Attorney LOUIS BENDER again telephoned her. From Mrs. INSLERMAN's conversation, it appeared that her parents were furious over having their residence searched, and apparently Mr. BENDER advised her that the easiest way to have the search concluded was to have her turn over the cameras in their possession.

She then made available first the Leica Camera, which was in a pillow on the bed and wrapped in tissue, and FELIX INSLERMAN turned over the Ernemann-Bob Camera, which was upstairs at an undisclosed location. Proper receipts were executed and the Agents departed from the INSLERMANS' residence, a minute or so after 12 noon.

During the entire time, FELIX INSLERMAN had no comments to make, outside of securing the full names of the three Agents who conducted the search.

MISCELLANEOUS

In the report of Special Agent FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, dated December 23, 1948 at Baltimore, it was indicated that one MARY KNETTLES had been a close associate of FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO and STEN ASKLOF. In teletype from Albany to Baltimore, December 30, 1948, it was stated that MARY KNETTLES was now reported to be living in Baltimore, where she is employed in the office of the U.S. Geological Survey, working under a Dr. ROMAN.

At the time the search warrant was executed at the residence of INSLERMAN, it was noted that personal correspondence from one BUD and JOE to the INSLERMANS had been written on stationery of the U.S. Geological Survey. The letters were purely personal in nature and were believed to have originated at Baltimore. It was ascertained that BUD and JOE refers to a couple, their last name being MASON. Since it is possible that the BUD and JOE of the U.S. Geological Survey in Baltimore may be associated with MARY KNETTLES, and hence in connection with VICTOR RENO, a teletype was sent to Baltimore on January 10, 1949, advising of the above. It may be possible to establish an association between the INSLERMANS and other persons connected with the Apparatus.

AL. 65-1574

At the time of the original interview with INSLERMAN, it was ascertained that the only living member of his family is a brother, HANS, who now resides on East Borne Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey, and who is a civilian employee of the U.S. Army and engaged as a Radio Engineer at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. A teletype requesting background check on HANS INSLERMAN was sent to Newark on January 10, 1949, and the Washington Field Office was requested to verify HANS INSLERMAN's employment.

In connection with the purchase of the farm by INSLERMAN from DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR., 397 Burlington Road, Borough of Paramus, Hudson County, New Jersey, it should be noted that at the time of the initial interview of INSLERMAN, he stated that his mother died when he was 7 years of age, and his father sent him to some friends, who owned a farm in Brunswick, New Jersey. These people raised him. INSLERMAN could not recall the name of these persons who had raised him, but did state that both of them had been born in Estonia. It is possible that the HOEYS could have been the persons who raised him or may have been associated with the persons who raised him.

It was also ascertained from INSLERMAN that since he has been working at the General Electric Company, during the bad weather months, when driving is difficult, he rents a room from a Mrs. JOHN ANKER, 496 Hulett Street, Schenectady, New York. He stated it had been his custom for the past 2 years to rent a room from her and to stay there Monday through Friday and return to his farm over the week-end.

On December 30, 1948 Special Agent HAROLD B. ROSS interviewed Mrs. JOHN ANKER and verified that INSLERMAN had taken a room at her residence from December, 1946 to May, 1947 and from December, 1947 to March, 1948, for which he paid \$4.00 a week. She stated he only stayed there occasionally when road conditions made it impossible for him to travel to his farm in Cambridge. She stated that, to the best of her knowledge, he had never received any mail, telephone calls or visitors while residing at her home. She described him as a very quiet person who never volunteered any information. She advised that he had come to live at her home because she had left her telephone number at the Y.M.C.A. She knew nothing at all concerning his background and advised that he kept no material in his room but occasionally he carried a brief case and sometimes she had observed papers with mathematical calculations thereon on his dresser, but could give no further information.

AL. 65-1574

A check of toll calls on the residence of Mrs. ANKER failed to produce any calls as traceable to FELIX INSLERMAN.

The following interview is related to the FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO aspect of this case.

Colonel H. H. ZORNIG, U.S. Army Retired, was interviewed December 28, 1948 by Special Agent JOHN D. MAHONEY and the writer. ZORNIG is employed by the Atomic Energy Commission, Peek Street Plant of the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York.

ZORNIG said he had known FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO since about 1936 or 1937, when RENO was employed at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds. ZORNIG said that he, ZORNIG, was in charge of the entire project and RENO was hired as an Exterior Ballistics Man. ZORNIG advised that RENO had been certified to be qualified for appointment on this project, through the Civil Service List, and as far as ZORNIG could recall, RENO came to him from the University of Virginia.

ZORNIG described RENO as an excellent mathematician who was something of a prima donna type, and referred to RENO as a Bolshevist. Under questioning, ZORNIG said he did not mean this in the sense that RENO was a Communist or a Communist Party member, but rather he used the term to describe one who is anti-social, which was what RENO was. ZORNIG stated he had never been aware of any occasions where RENO would take out any of the confidential material, but related that at that time there was no restricted or confidential material available to him.

Colonel ZORNIG stated he left the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in 1941 and at that time RENO was still employed there. ZORNIG claimed he knew very little about RENO's outside activities, and stated that Dr. LOUIS S. DEDERICK, who was RENO's direct supervisor, would have had much more contact with RENO and could probably furnish better information as to his social and related activity. He advised that for a time, RENO worked directly under Dr. DEDERICK and roomed at the Doctor's home at Baltimore, Maryland.

Colonel ZORNIG said that never at any time had there been a question in his mind regarding RENO's loyalty, and remarked that at that time the highly confidential projects were not underway at Aberdeen. Colonel ZORNIG stated

AL. 65-1574

that the only restricted and confidential project at that time was the Norden Bomb Sight, but, to the best of his recollection, RENO never had any occasion to work on the inside mechanism of the Bomb Sight and thus would have no reason to have access to any of the information about the Sight.

ZORNIG also said he did not know of any security regulations violated by RENO, and concluded by stating that even if RENO had been a member of the Communist Party at that time, there would have been very little he, ZORNIG, could have done about it, since the Civil Service Commission had certified RENO for employment on the project and at that time membership in the Communist Party was not a bar to said employment.

- P E N D I N G -

- 25 -

Kisseloff-7716

AL. 65-1574

LEADS

ALBANY DIVISION

AT SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

At the General Electric Company will interview a sufficient number of fellow employees of FELIX A. INSLERMAN, as set out on pages 4 and 5 of this report, to determine all activities, associates and nationalistic sympathies of INSLERMAN.

Will also ascertain if it was INSLERMAN's custom to remove classified material for work at home in the evening.

Will ascertain the dates INSLERMAN has been absent from work, and seek to establish the reasons therefor, bearing in mind he may have still been engaged in clandestine photographic work and could have utilized these absences in furtherance of the program.

At the Schenectady Trust Company, 320 State Street, will secure transcript of INSLERMAN's bank statements, since the opening of his account, October 2, 1946.

AT SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK

At the Malta Test Station for guided missiles, will determine the number of times INSLERMAN has been at the Station, and attempt to ascertain his actions and activities while there.

Will review the telephone calls from INSLERMAN's residence telephone.

Will continue to receive and identify pertinent leads afforded through mail coverage on INSLERMAN's residence.

AT ARGYLE, NEW YORK

Will interview Mr. TED HORNING who INSLERMAN has described as the person instrumental in interesting him in the purchase of the farm at Cambridge.

AL. 65-1574

AT ALBANY, NEW YORK

Will examine the New York State income tax returns of INSLERMAN.

BALTIMORE DIVISION

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Will identify "BUD" and "JOE", believed to be a couple named MASON, apparently employed at the office of the U.S. Geological Survey, and attempt to establish the connection between them and MARY KNETTLES, an employee of the U.S. Geological Survey in Baltimore. (Lead set out by teletype dated January 10, 1949.)

NEWARK DIVISION

AT LONG BRANCH, NEW JERSEY

Will conduct background investigation on FELIX INSLERMAN's brother, HANS INSLERMAN, 237 East Borne Avenue, reported to be a civilian employee - radio engineer - at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. (Lead set out by teletypes January 10 and 11, 1949.)

The lead to interview DOROTHY G. HOEY and ARTHUR C. HOEY, JR., who sold the farm at Cambridge to FELIX INSLERMAN, is being left to the discretion of the New York Office. (Lead set out by teletype dated December 31, 1948.)

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Will verify the employment of HANS INSLERMAN, 237 East Borne Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey, reported to be a Civil Service employee of the U.S. Army, operating as a radio engineer at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. (Lead set out by teletype dated January 10, 1949.)

EXPEDITIOUS COVERAGE OF THESE LEADS HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY THE SPECIAL ASSISTANTS TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, WHO ARE PRESENTING THIS CASE TO THE GRAND JURY AT NEW YORK CITY.