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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WA, ALGER HISS, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE, R.
EUGENE EMIL CLAYTON, FORMER EMPLOYEE NLRB, DENVER, ADMITS ONLY A CASUAL
ACQUAINTANCE WITH PHILIP RENO AND STATES THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS
RECOLLECTION, RENO HAD LEFT THE NLRB PRIOR TO CLAYTON-S ARRIVAL IN DENVER
IN MARCH, FORTY THREE. CLAYTON MET RENO THROUGH GERALD MATCHETT,
WHO WAS THEN CHIEF OF THE WAGE STABILIZATION DIVISION OF NLRB AT
MATCHETT-S HOME. HE THINKS MATCHETT AND RENO HAVE ATTENDED COLLEGE
TOGETHER. HE FURTHER RECALLED THAT RENO WAS ABSENT FROM DENVER FOR
APPROXIMATELY A YEAR, DURING WHICH TIME RENO WAS IN THE EAST WORKING
FOR A UNION. RENO RETURNED TO DENVER, HOWEVER, TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART
IN THE FORTY FOUR ELECTIONS AND WAS POSSIBLY A CANDIDATE FOR STATE
REPRESENTATIVE ON THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET. CLAYTON ADVISES THAT HIS
CONTACT WITH RENO WAS INFREQUENT AND CASUAL, AND THAT HE WAS NEVER IN
RENO-S CONFIDENCE. HE DENIES HE HAS ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING RENO-S
CP ACTIVITIES OR SYMPATHIES, NOR CAN HE FURNISH ANY INFORMATION THAT RENO
HAS EVER REMOVED DOCUMENTS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCIES FOR DELIVERY TO
UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS. CLAYTON STATES NORMAN PIXLER, A FORMER EMPLOYEE
OF THE NLRB, HAD INDICATED TO HIM THAT HE CONSIDERED SOME OF THE STAFF
MEMBERS OF THE NLRB TO BE COMMUNISTS, AND THAT PIXLER REPORTED THIS
INFORMATION TO THE DENVER OFFICE. GERALD MATCHETT, ACCORDING TO CLAYTON,

MJD
Mr. Fletcher

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IS NOW CONNECTED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, CHICAGO. IF LEAD NOT ALREADY SET OUT FOR CHICAGO BY DENVER OFFICE, SUGGESTED THAT DENVER DO SO AS IT IS INDICATED MATCHETT HAS KNOWN RENO FOR SOME TIME AND WAS ASSOCIATED WITH HIM AT NLRB IN DENVER. FOR INFORMATION NEW YORK, CLAYTON PRESENT SUBJECT OF LGE INVESTIGATION. HE WAS ALLEGEDLY MEMBER AMERICAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION AT INDIANA UNIVERSITY, NINETEEN FORTY, AND IS ALSO REPORTED BY DENVER OFFICE TO HAVE ATTENDED CP MEETING, DENVER, MAY FORTY FOUR.

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NEW YORK

FILE NO.

SL 65-1493

REPORT MADE AT St. Louis, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 12-22-48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12-20, 21-48	REPORT MADE BY HUBERT F. SMALL	seg
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS, ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SAM V. WARD, St. Louis, Mo., realtor, advised he was Branch Manager for Woodstock Typewriter Co. at Philadelphia from September, 1922 to October, 1926. He advised that THOMAS GRADY was employed by him as a Sales Representative whom he regarded highly. WARD stated on terminating employment he left all records in possession of JOHN CAROW and JAMES WACKNEY and that upon the completion of each months business, all typewriters sold on trial or on loan were a matter of record which indicated name of purchaser and were directed to the Woodstock Typewriter Co., Woodstock, Ill. He stated that he did not know ~~ANSLER-MARTIN~~ or PRISCILLA HISS.

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Details:

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI:

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Second Lieutenant and that his appointment expired on June 7, 1936 as governed by Army Serial Number 0220668. Further, that the record had been transferred to the St. Louis Demobilized Branch on March 3, 1947. The teletype stated that the Bureau desired specimens of any typed material submitted by HISS and the St. Louis Office was requested to check the service records for any such typed material and furnish to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with documents furnished United States Court by subject CHAMBERS.

In view of this request, on December 11, 1948 a wire was directed to the Director, Washington Field Office and the New York Office indicating that records at Adjutant General's Office reflected HISS' application for appointment in reserve dated January 15, 1926, which was completed on a typewriter and signed ALGER HISS. However, it was not known whether such typewritten material could be attributed to HISS. Photostats of the aforementioned material were forwarded to the Laboratory by Air Mail Special Delivery.

Under date of December 13, 1948, the Bureau advised by letter that with respect to the material submitted by the St. Louis Office, the conclusion was reached that the typewriting specimens appearing on the photostats of application for appointment dated January 15, 1926 and bearing the signature of ALGER HISS had been compared and that the machine which was used to type any of the typewriting that had appeared on questioned evidence was not identical with the machine on which the application for appointment was typed.

It was determined from WARREN SHAPLEIGH, Vice President of the Shapleigh Hardware Company, St. Louis, which is probably the largest wholesale hardware concern in Missouri, that several years ago a firm known as Geller-Ward-Hassner were engaged in the hardware and harness business and that this firm approximately in 1932 was purchased by Shapleigh Hardware. SHAPLEIGH advised that the WARD who is a member of this firm was a LUTHER WARD, now deceased, who had a brother SAM WARD who operated a hardware store at Fourteenth and Market Streets, St. Louis, Missouri, who is also deceased. SHAPLEIGH stated that LUTHER WARD had a son, SAM V. WARD who for several years was employed in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at which place he was a distributor or maintained a typewriter agency for some firm in that city, that WARD presently resides at 1526 Claytonia Terrace, is a realtor and has not been connected with the typewriter business for several years. This information was furnished the Philadelphia Office on December 20, 1948 at which time the St. Louis Office requested that complete background information be furnished the St. Louis Office in the event interrogation of WARD was desired.

On December 20, based upon teletype from the Philadelphia Office requesting that WARD be interviewed, SAM V. WARD, realtor, 1526 Claytonia Terrace, Richmond Heights, Missouri, advised that he was Branch Manager for the Woodstock Typewriter Company, Woodstock, Illinois, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from September, 1922 to October, 1926 and that the agency's offices were located at 908 Chestnut Street. WARD stated that he had hired THOMAS GRADY, who was employed by him as a Sales Representative, and that it was his belief that GRADY originally came from the vicinity of Boston inasmuch as he spoke

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with a Bostonian accent. He advised that he considered GRADY reputable and a highly intelligent employee. WARD continued, that in operating the agency he was the Branch Manager and that the office force averaged approximately eight employees and that there was considerable turnover. He continued, that upon termination of his employment with Woodstock he left all records in the possession of JOHN C. ROW and JAMES HACKNEY. Relative to HACKNEY and that HACKNEY was employed as a General Sales Manager, WARD stated that he heard about six months ago that HACKNEY is now employed as a Portable Sales Representative for Remington Rand Company, Buffalo, New York.

WARD, who bears a good reputation in this community, advised that it was a matter of policy in the operation of the Woodstock Agency in Philadelphia that upon completion of each months business, records pertaining to all machines sold on trial or on loan reflecting the name of the purchaser were sent to the General Offices of the Woodstock Typewriter Company, Woodstock, Illinois. In conclusion he advised that he did not know the firm of FANSLER, MARTIN or PRISCILLA HISS nor the subjects of this case.

No lead is being directed to the Buffalo Office relative to interview with HACKNEY inasmuch it is not known to the St. Louis Office from an examination of the file whether information HACKNEY could supply would be pertinent at this time.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: PHILIP RENO interviewed Albuquerque, New Mexico December 10, 1948 and served with a subpoena to appear before US Grand Jury, New York City December 13, 1948. On interview, PHILIP RENO denied knowing CHAMBERS and denied participation in any CP apparatus while employed at Washington, DC and Denver, Colorado with the US Government. DANIEL T. VALDES, coworker of PHILIP RENO, WLB, Denver, stated he believes RENO to be CP member but has no definite evidence. VALDES states he has no knowledge of RENO furnishing to any unauthorized persons, in any way, any information and has no knowledge of RENO removing any Government documents or information from Government agency to furnish same to unauthorized persons. Signed statement obtained from VALDES regarding contacts with RENO.

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REFERENCE: Teletype from Denver dated December 8, 1948. Teletypes to Bureau and New York City dated December 10, 12, and 21, 1948.

DETAILS:

This report covers a joint investigation by SA George H. Franklin, SA John F. Hay, and SA Emmett J. Murphy.

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AT ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

PHILIP RENO was interviewed by the writer and Special Agent Franklin at Albuquerque, New Mexico on December 10, 1948. On being interviewed, PHILIP RENO admitted his previous membership in the Communist Party, stating that he joined the party in Denver, Colorado in May of 1948. PHILIP RENO was interviewed relative to his acquaintance with subject CHAMBERS in New York City while RENO was employed as a Government worker. PHILIP RENO denied several times that he was acquainted with subject CHAMBERS or subject HISS, and stated that to his knowledge he had never met either of these individuals and had never associated with them. PHILIP RENO also advised that to his knowledge, he had no information whatsoever that his brother, FRANKLIN RENO, ever associated with subjects CHAMBERS or HISS.

PHILIP RENO advised that he worked in Washington for the Government from 1935 until 1942. He was first associated with the Farm Credit Association in 1935 and approximately one year later, transferred to the Social Security Board. He stated that it was in 1942 that he was transferred to Denver, Colorado in the Government service.

While in Denver, Colorado, PHILIP RENO advised that he became acquainted with ARTHUR BARY and TRACY ROGERS, and through BARY joined the Communist Party in 1944. He stated that his membership was one of those where he did not receive a card and did not pay dues, and that his name was not to be carried on the party rolls. He stated that his principle work in the party was with the Political Action Committee of the CIO and that he also did some work in the Rocky Mountain Council for Social Action. He stated that he was also associated with the American Youth for Democracy and particularly with its main organizer, HAROLD ZEPPLIN. PHILIP RENO stated that he worked with ZEPPLIN in the organization, publication, and distribution of the magazine "Challenge." He stated he also worked in the Mexican organization a little with ISABEL GONZALES.

While in Washington, D.C., PHILIP RENO stated that his associates were usually coworkers in either the Farm Credit Association or the Social Security group. However, he stated he

joined the Federal Workers Union, CIO, and was somewhat active in that. However, he still maintained that subjects CHAMBERS and HISS were unknown to him and denied that he had ever participated in any of their activities or in any other Communist Party apparatus activities while in Washington or since that time.

AT SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

DANIEL T. VALDES, co-owner of the Kimble Robberson Appliance Store, Santa Fe, New Mexico, residence 41 Cortez, Santa Fe, was interviewed by Special Agents John F. Hay and Emmett J. Murphy. VALDES furnished the following signed statement concerning the knowledge of and association with the activities of PHILIP RENO during the time VALDES and RENO were employed in the Ninth Regional Office of the War Labor Board at Denver, Colorado:

"Santa Fe, New Mexico
December 21, 1948

"I, DANIEL T. VALDES, make the following free and voluntary statement to John F. Hay and Emmett J. Murphy, who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No force, threats or promises have been made to me to secure this statement.

"I was born in Alamosa, Colorado either May 14th or May 24th, 1913. I reside now at 401 Cortez Street in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and am part owner of the Kimble-Robberson Company in Santa Fe.

"From January 16, 1942 until sometime in November, 1945, I was employed by the War Labor Board in Denver, Colorado. My first position was Junior Economist, then I became Associate Economist, and then Disputes Officer for this Region. The board for which I was employed was the Ninth Regional War Labor Board. When I first went to work for this board, one of the first persons I met was a man named PHIL RENO, who was also employed by

the board at that time as Disputes Officer. I knew PHIL RENO in a business way until I left Denver in 1945. As I recall, RENO left the War Labor Board sometime in 1944 and went to work for the CIO Political Action Committee.

"I had not met RENO personally before January 1942, but one Mrs. KATHERINE CRITCHLOW of Santa Fe, New Mexico had at one time called upon me before I went to Denver in 1942, and mentioned that she and I had some mutual friends in Denver and she mentioned PHIL RENO. I told her at the time that I did not know RENO. Mrs. CRITCHLOW called on me on several occasions, and on one visit left behind a book "Soviet Power", which she requested me to read. Mrs. CRITCHLOW was active in an organization in Santa Fe, New Mexico, which group was called the "New Mexico Rural Welfare Association". She solicited my activity in this group, and I became active in the group more or less in the capacity as a consultant. I attended two meetings of this group at the home of KATHERINE GAY in Santa Fe. At no time during any of my contacts with Mrs. CRITCHLOW did she endeavor to solicit my membership in the Communist Party, and I did not know of my own knowledge that she was connected with the Communist Party.

"When I met PHIL RENO in Denver, I mentioned to him that I knew Mrs. CRITCHLOW, and RENO advised that he knew her too. This is as far as the conversation with RENO concerning CRITCHLOW went. During my time in Denver, I organized a group, or attempted to organize a group known as the "Colorado Committee on Economic and Civil Rights". I was also active in attempting to promote a State Fair Employment Practices Committee or law.

"About a week or ten days after I went to work in Denver, Colorado for the 9th Regional War Labor Board, PHIL RENO invited me to lunch at a cafe in about the 800 block on 17th Street in Denver. When we went into the place there was a man already there at a table, and RENO and I sat down with him. RENO introduced the man to me, but I cannot recall his name at the present time. We all three had lunch together, and talked about miscellaneous matters. When we had finished lunch, RENO excused himself, saying he had to get back to the office; I started to leave too, but this man asked me to stay. I stayed and talked to the man, and he told me that he was a member of the Communist Party in Denver, and that he wanted to talk to me about joining the party. This man

presented his side of the picture, and I told him that his ideas were incompatible with my beliefs and religions and that I did not care to join. We talked for a while and then I left.

"This man did not tell me that RENO had recommended me to him as a prospective member of the Communist Party, but it was understood that this man and RENO were good friends, and it was my own assumption that RENO had made arrangements for this man to approach me to join the Communist Party. The matter, however, was never mentioned by me or RENO in our subsequent contacts with each other.

"I have never been approached again by anyone attempting to get me to join the Communist Party. I did not join at the time, and I have never joined since or before. I am not and never have been a member of the Communist Party.

"I have attended several business meetings with PHIL RENO, at which meetings were present other members of the War Labor Board, but I have never attended a meeting of the Communist Party as such, and never in the company of PHIL RENO have I ever attended a meeting which I felt or knew as a meeting of the Communist Party.

"PHIL RENO has never told me he is or was a member of the Communist Party, and no one else has told me he is or was a member. I do know, however, that his ideas and political philosophy were along Communist Party lines, and I do know that he associated with the man above mentioned. I later learned at a social gathering of one of the employees of the Board that this man, MC MURPHY, had quit his job and had become an organizer for the Communist Party. My own idea is that PHIL RENO was a member of the Communist Party because of his ideas, his association with this man whose name I cannot remember, and because of his introduction of this man to me, and the man's approach to me to join the Communist Party. The man at whose home I learned the employment of this man as an organizer for the party was named PRICE. I now recall that this man who approached me to join the Communist Party is named BILL MC MURPHY. This MC MURPHY is the man who was a close associate of PHIL RENO. The gathering

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at the home of PRICE was social and business gathering. RENO was present at the meeting. PRICE is the man who told me at this gathering that MC MURPHY had become organizer for the Communist Party.

"At the present time I know nothing concerning PHIL RENO's ever furnishing any information to anyone in any manner outside of the War Labor Board. I know nothing concerning his direct activities on matters of the Communist Party as such.

"I have read the above statement of one and this part of the page and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. This statement is placed here in my own handwriting.

DANIEL T. VALDES

Witness:

John F. Hay
Special Agent, FBI
El Paso, Texas

Emmett J. Murphy
Special Agent, FBI
El Paso, Tex."

With reference to Mrs. KATHERINE CRITCHLOW and KATHERINE GAY, mentioned in the above statement, it is noted that separate investigations have been conducted at the El Paso Field Division concerning these two women and it has been established that both have been active members in the Communist Party in the vicinity of Santa Fe. Mrs. CRITCHLOW is deceased.

The above statement is being maintained in the El Paso file.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

One copy of this report is being furnished the Denver Office for their information since it is the office of origin in the case entitled, "PHILIP RENO, SECURITY MATTER - C."

By teletype dated December 21, 1948, authority was requested of the Bureau to reinterview PHILIP RENO and his present employer, WILLIAM ARCHIBALD MC MURPHY, at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Since this authority has not been received, this case is being placed in RUC status in the El Paso Office and will be reopened in the event the Bureau authority is granted for these interviews.

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REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 12-22-48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12-10,13-48	REPORT MADE BY JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE EZ
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER ^D CHAMBERS, WAS.; ALGER HISS; ETAL			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Dr. ROBERT WHYTE advises he has no documents from FANSLER in his possession. He does not recall receiving any documents from him.

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Reference:

Philadelphia teletype to Cleveland dated December 10, 1948
 Cleveland teletype to Philadelphia dated December 10, 1948
 Cleveland letter to the Director dated December 13, 1948
 New York teletype to Cleveland dated December 21, 1948

Details:

At Cleveland, Ohio

Dr. ROBERT WHYTE, Pastor, Old Stone Church, has advised that he has no documents in his possession which he may have received from THOMAS FANSLER, deceased father-in-law of ALGER HISS. WHYTE stated that he did not believe that he had ever received any written material from FANSLER and stated he was certain that if he did it was not typewritten.

Dr. WHYTE advised he first met FANSLER when he, FANSLER, moved into Dr. WHYTE'S parish in Philadelphia in 1927. FANSLER became an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia shortly thereafter and WHYTE stated that he became rather

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friendly with him.

WHYTE stated that FANSLER'S family in Philadelphia consisted of FANSLER; his wife, who was an invalid; and one daughter, whose name Dr. WHYTE was unable to recall. He believes FANSLER had a son who lived in the Middle West, but he knew of no other daughters.

Dr. WHYTE did not believe that the daughter of FANSLER whom he knew could be the wife of ALGER HISS. He explained this by saying that this daughter was a bit "off balance" but was in no way a lunatic.

Dr. WHYTE requested that this information concerning FANSLER'S daughter be kept confidential.

Dr. WHYTE advised that FANSLER came to Philadelphia from Evanston, Illinois or thereabout. FANSLER resided at the corner of 35th or 36th Street and Chestnut while in Philadelphia.

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REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 12-27-48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12-30, 13-48	REPORT MADE BY JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE SI
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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REFERENCES:

- New York teletype 12-16-48 (6:09 P. M.).
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In the first-referenced teletype from New York, that office advised that FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO was under subpoena in New York and had executed a signed statement in which he admitted that he furnished WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, whom he knew as "CARL", with "restricted" information obtained from Aberdeen Proving Grounds in 1937 and 1938. RENO stated that he, Professor EDWARD J. McSHANE of the University of Virginia, and Professor JOHN L. KELLEY of the University of Colorado were all former employees of Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Maryland, and were now collaborating on a book entitled "Exterior Ballistics Up to 1945." RENO admitted he has forwarded to both McSHANE and KELLEY "restricted" material obtained from Aberdeen Proving Grounds' Library for the purpose of this book. RENO denied obtaining and forwarding any "secret" or "confidential" material to anyone for subversive or ulterior reasons. New York requested an interview of McSHANE to determine any knowledge of RENO's espionage activities, any knowledge of "restricted" material which McSHANE might have in his possession and any knowledge as to how RENO obtained "restricted" material to be used in the contemplated book.

In the second-referenced teletype from New York, that office advised that information had been received that RENO corresponded with VIRGINIA McSHANE, wife of EDWARD J. McSHANE, while both were employed in the Advance Research Laboratory, Princeton, New Jersey. A similar interview of Mrs. McSHANE was requested.

Professor EDWARD JAMES McSHANE was interviewed at his office in the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, December 17, 1948. McSHANE advised that he first met FRANKLIN V. RENO at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Maryland, July 1, 1942, which is the date McSHANE became employed at Aberdeen. McSHANE was in charge of the Mathematical Theoretical Section of the Laboratory at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, having a rating of P-7, and RENO worked directly under McSHANE, having an adjoining desk with him. McSHANE advised that he left this employment in June, 1945, but since leaving he has been retained, and is presently retained, as a consultant for Aberdeen Proving Grounds. This position requires him to spend one day per year in active duty at Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

McSHANE stated that he, RENO and Professor JOHN L. KELLEY of the University of Colorado have been collaborating on a book on the mathematical field of ballistics. The nature of this collaboration, as explained by McSHANE, is that McSHANE and KELLEY are actually

writing the book and RENO is doing research and preparing mathematical charts and tables for insertion into the book based upon mathematical theory furnished RENO by McSHANE and KELLEY. Professor McSHANE advised that not much material has been forwarded him by RENO and that everything that RENO has sent to McSHANE has been RENO's own computations, tables and charts on the subject of bomb trajectory speeds, etc. Professor McSHANE advised that he is certain that RENO has forwarded him no Government classified or other "restricted" material. McSHANE stated that he has received a quantity of "restricted" data from the Commanding Officer, Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Grounds. McSHANE said that he is entitled to receive "restricted" material or classified material up to "secret" in his capacity as a consultant for Aberdeen Proving Grounds. McSHANE also added that some of the "restricted" materials sent him through proper channels may have been sent at the request of RENO to Aberdeen Proving Grounds. McSHANE stated that he has received no "secret" or "confidential" material from any source to be used in this book or for other purposes. McSHANE advised that he has in his possession numerous documents, some of which were "restricted", such as bomb ballistics tables, which he has received from Aberdeen Proving Grounds, but he does not have in his possession the letters of transmittal from the Commanding Officer, Aberdeen.

Professor McSHANE pointed out that only four "restricted" documents were actually used in the preparation of instant book and these four documents were all based upon computations made by himself and Professor KELLEY while they were employed at Aberdeen. Professor McSHANE stated that, in fact, the book could have been written without the use of any "restricted" material as he and KELLEY could have recomputed these four documents. In spite of this, McSHANE said that the book has now been submitted to Mr. R. P. H. KENT, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Maryland, for any censoring that installation desires to make of the matters contained in the book. McSHANE added that it is his understanding that FRANKLIN V. RENO is now on leave without pay from Aberdeen Proving Grounds and might possibly also have the right to receive certain "restricted" material through proper channels.

Professor McSHANE stated that from time to time during his employment at Aberdeen Proving Grounds "restricted" material was taken home for study by most of the higher-placed employees without going through the red tape of charging it out and this fairly common practice was likewise followed by FRANKLIN V. RENO. Professor McSHANE stated that

this material was taken from the desks of the individual employees and, so far as he knew, no such material was taken from the Laboratory Library, as it would be practically impossible to remove material from this library without charging it out in the proper manner. Professor McSHANE stated that RENO or no other employee to his knowledge ever took away from the base any "confidential" or "secret" material and that all employees were very careful concerning material classified as "secret" or "confidential." Professor McSHANE advised that RENO was the type of person who was absorbed in the study of mathematics and had very little outside interests or social acquaintances. McSHANE stated that RENO's principal personal project while at Aberdeen was to invent formulae to break down and compute the different layers of air resistance in each area through which a bomb passes. McSHANE advised that it was a common practice for RENO to work three-fourths of the night on this personal project.

Professor McSHANE stated that he knows of no dissemination of "restricted" or classified material of any kind by RENO to anyone other than himself and KELLEY. McSHANE said that he knows nothing in RENO's habits, associates, conversations or writings that would indicate in any way that RENO did not have the best interests of the United States at heart or was engaged in any type of activity inimical to the best interests of the United States. McSHANE said that he knows of no acquaintances of RENO who might have engaged in such activities. McSHANE added that in short he believes RENO to be a thoroughly patriotic citizen and knows of nothing whatever to indicate otherwise.

Mrs. EDWARD J. McSHANE was likewise interviewed in the office of her husband, Professor McSHANE, at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, on December 17, 1948. Mrs. McSHANE stated that she has never received any communication from FRANKLIN V. RENO of any kind except a telegram from RENO regarding her husband's physical condition during Professor McSHANE's illness around the spring of 1946. She stated that she feels certain that RENO never sent to her any of the material for the book during her husband's illness or at any other time. She said that Professor McSHANE was engaged in some research work at the University of Princeton, Princeton, New Jersey, but, to her knowledge, RENO was not there at that time. She stated that her only contact with RENO has been at Aberdeen, Maryland, where she resided with her husband during the latter part of his employment there in 1944 and 1945. She stated that RENO has only been in their home twice and that she is not well acquainted with him at all. Mrs. McSHANE advised that she is unfamiliar with the material

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forwarded by MEMO to her husband for the purpose of the book upon which they are collaborating and is unfamiliar with any practices of employees at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in the handling of classified material.

A summary of the above information was forwarded the New York Office by referenced teletype December 17, 1948.

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DECEMBER TWENTY. JOHN LEROY KELLEY INTERVIEWED DECEMBER TWENTY ONE
AT BERKELEY, CALIF. PRESENTLY ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MATHEMATICS, UNIVER-
SITY OF CALIFORNIA, AND RESIDES TWO THREE TWO SEVEN DERBY ST., BERKELEY,
CALIF. STATED HE IS PRESENTLY RETAINED AS A CONSULTANT FOR THE
ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS, ABERDEEN, MARYLAND, AND BY ATOMIC ENERGY
COMMISSION IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR WORK AT SANDIA BASE. KELLEY
STATED HE FIRST MET FRANK RENO AT ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS, MARYLAND
DURING AUGUST, FORTY TWO. ASSOCIATED WITH HIM OFFICIALLY AND AS A
PERSONAL FRIEND CONTINUOUSLY UNTIL FALL OF FORTYFIVE AND HAS
CONTINUED THE FRIENDSHIP THROUGH CORRESPONDENCE TO DATE. HE LAST
SAW RENO IN JULY, FORTY SEVEN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND HOSPITAL.
STATED THAT RENO, EDWARD MC SHANE AND HIMSELF HAD COLLABORATED
IN WRITING A BOOK ENTITLED EXTERIOR BALLISTICS. THIS BOOK HAS BEEN
DISCUSSED WITH AUTHORITIES OF ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS, NAMELY, L.S.
DEDRICK AND ROBERT H. KENT. THE BOOK IS NOW COMPLETED AND IS IN
MANUSCRIPT FORM. THREE COPIES OF WHICH ARE IN EXISTENCE, ONE COPY
PRESENTLY IN THE HANDS OF AUTHORITIES OF THE ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS
FOR APPROVAL OF CONTENT PRIOR TO PUBLICATION, AND THE REMAINING TWO
COPIES DIVIDED AMONG MC SHANE, RENO AND KELLEY. KELLEY STATED THAT
MC SHANE AND HIMSELF PRESENTLY RETAINED AS CONSULTANTS OF THE ABERDEEN
PROVING GROUNDS AND IN THIS POSITION WERE AUTHORIZED TO HAVE
ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS AND DATA OF THE ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS.

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HE STATED HE HAD APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FOUR COPIES OF CERTAIN REPORTS WRITTEN BY HIM AND HIS SECTION WHILE HE WAS EMPLOYED AT THE ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS AND THAT HE HAD AUTHORITY OF OFFICIALS OF ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS BY VIRTUE OF HIS POSITION TO HAVE COPIES OF THESE REPORTS WHICH ARE CLASSIFIED AS RESTRICTED AND CONFIDENTIAL. HE STATED THAT FRANK RENO HAD SENT SOME OF HIS NOTES TO HIM AND AT HIS REQUEST HAD SENT HIM COPIES OF EARLIER REPORTS PREPARED BY HIS SECTION AT THE ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS. KELLEY STATED THAT HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF RENO-S HAVING FURNISHED ANY INFORMATION OR CLASSIFIED REPORTS TO ANY UNAUTHORIZED PERSON, NOR HAD HE MENTIONED TO KELLEY ON ANY OCCASION OF HIS, RENO-S, HAVING FURNISHED CLASSIFIED DATA TO ANY UNAUTHORIZED PERSON OR PERSONS. HE STATED THAT RENO AS FAR AS HE KNOWS WAS NOT OR NEVER HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF COMMUNIST PARTY. KELLEY DENIED THAT HE, HIMSELF, WAS A MEMBER OF COMMUNIST PARTY. KELLEY VOLUNTARILY EXECUTED A WAIVER OF SEARCH AND HIS HOME AND OFFICE AT UNIVERSITY WERE EXAMINED BY AGENTS AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT NUMEROUS REPORTS ENTITLED BALLISTIC RESEARCH LABORATORY, MARKED RESTRICT WERE IN HIS POSSESSION. THE FOLLOWING BALLISTIC RESEARCH LABORATORY REPORTS IDENTIFIED BY NUMBER WERE OBSERVED BY AGENTS IN HIS POSSESSION - SIXTY EIGHT FOUR DATED OCTOBER TWENTYNINE, FORTY EIGHT- SIXTY SIXTY NINE DATED JUNE TEN, FORTY EIGHT- ONE FORTY NINE IN MANUSCRIPT FORM AND NOT COMPLETE, CLASSIFICATION NOT STATED BUT KELLEY BELIEVED IT WAS PROBABLY RESTRICTED AND THIS DOCUMENT WAS WRITTEN BY FRANK RENO AND IS DATED NOVEMBER SIXTEEN, FORTY SIX-

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SIX FIVE SIX DATED MAY FIFTH, FORTY EIGHT - SIX NAUGHT THREE DATED FEBRUARY NINETEEN, FORTY SIX- THREE SIX ONE DATED MAY TWENTY SIX, FORTY THREE- THREE THIRTY DATED FEBRUARY FIFTEEN, FORTY THREE - FIVE SIX FOUR DATED AUGUST SEVEN, FORTY FIVE - FIVE SIX SEVEN DATED AUGUST THIRTY, FORTY FIVE - FOUR FORTY SIX DATED JANUARY TWENTY NINE, FORTY FOUR- FIVE FIVE SIX DATED JULY SIX, FORTY FIVE- FOUR NAUGHT NINE DATED SEPTEMBER TWENTY EIGHT, FORTY THREE, CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL- FIVE TWENTY ONE DATED JANUARY TWENTY FIVE, FORTYFIVE, CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL FIVE SEVENTY TWO DATED SEPTEMBER SEVENTEEN, FORTYFIVE, FOUR FOUR SIX DATED JANUARY TWENTY NINE, FORTY FOUR - FOUR FORTY THREE DATED DECEMBER THIRTY FIRST, FORTY THREE - CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL- SIX SIXTY TWO DATED NOVEMBER FIFTH, FORTY SIX - SIX SIXTY EIGHT DATED APRIL SEVEN, FORTY EIGHT- FIVE TWENTY TWO DATED JANUARY TWENTY NINE, FORTYFIVE, CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL. ALL OF THE ABOVE PUBLICATIONS WERE CLASSIFIED RESTRICTED EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE NOTED ABOVE. IN ADDITION, THERE WAS A MEMO REPORT NO. FOUR THIRTY FOUR DATED JULY FIRST, FORTY SIX AND A MEMO REPORT NO. FOUR FORTY ONE DATED AUGUST SIXTEEN, FORTY SIX, BOTH CLASSIFIED RESTRICTED. A PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA-S BALLISTIC REPORT NUMBER TWO MARKED RESTRICTED COPY NO. EIGHT, DATED OTTAWA, CANADA, JULY OF FORTYFIVE. A REPORT MARKED RESTRICTED, DATED SEPTEMBER FORTY FIVE ENTITLED REPORT ON GERMAN SCIENTIFIC ESTABLISHMENTS WRITTEN BY LESLIE E. SIMON. THREE VOLUMES OF REPORT FIVE

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THREE FOUR PUBLISHED BY THE U. S. NAVY MARKED RESTRICTED ENTITLED THE DAVID W. TAYLOR MODEL BASIN- FOUR EIGHT BY TEN INCH PHOTOS . SHOWING FOUR PHASES OF THE FIRING OF A PROJECTILE FROM P FOUR SEVENTY ONE, MARKED CONFIDENTIAL. ONE AIRPLANE PHOTO OF ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS MARKED CONFIDENTIAL AND PHOTO OF THE IMPACT OF TWO ROCKETS IN A BAY. PHOTOSTATIC COPIES ABOUT TWO INCHES THICK ON EIGHT AND ONE HALF BY ELEVEN INCH PAPER AND HANDWRITTEN WHICH KELLEY STATED WERE PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF RENO-S NOTEBOOK WHICH RENO HAD FORWARDED TO HIM. HE STATED THIS INFORMATION WAS NOT CLASSIFIED. WAR DEPT TECHNICAL MANUAL TM DASH NINE DASH NINETEEN EIGHT DATED NOVEMBER FORTY FOUR, MARKED RESTRICTED. ONE CHAPTER OF HIS BOOK ENTITLED EXTERIOR BALLISTICS- PROJECT TWO FOUR EIGHT FIVE, WHICH HE STATED WAS RESTRICTED. KELLEY REITERATED THAT INSOFAR AS HE KNEW THE ONLY DATA RECEIVED BY HIM FROM FRANK RENO WERE RENO-S NOTES AND SOME OF THE EARLIER REPORTS FROM HIS SECTION. KELLEY MAINTAINED IN HIS POSITION AS CONSULTANT HE HAD FULL AUTHORITY TO RETAIN THE COPIES OF REPORTS DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE ABOVE REPORTS WERE OBSERVED BY AGENTS, BUT THEY ARE BEING RETAINED IN KELLEY-S POSSESSION BY HIM. THERE WAS ALSO FOUND AMONG KELLEY-S POSSESSIONS ONE SET OF DETAILED ENGINEERING DRAWINGS, PURPORTING TO BE THE DRAWINGS OF MODELS OF THE ATOMIC BOMB WHICH WAS TESTED IN THE ABERDEEN WIND TUNNEL DURING THE LATE PART OF FORTYFIVE. TWENTY FIVE SUCH DOCUMENTS WERE LOCATED, ALL STAPLED TOGETHER AND MARKED RESTRICTED,

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RETURN TO L. H. CHERRY, SUPERVISOR, WIND TUNNELS, ABERDEEN, MARYLAND. KELLEY STATED THAT CHERRY WAS THEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE MANHATTEN ENGINEER DISTRICT. KELLEY STATED THAT IN CONNECTION WITH HIS POSITION AS CONSULTANT WITH THE MANHATTEN ENGINEER DISTRICT AND THE AEC HE WAS AUTHORIZED TO HAVE THESE DOCUMENTS IN HIS POSSESSION. HE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THESE DOCUMENTS TO AGENTS AND ARE PRESENTLY IN POSSESSION SFO. DETAILED REPORT FOLLOWS AMSD. REQUEST THAT BUREAU CONTACT AEC AND DETERMINE WHAT DISPOSITION SHOULD BE MADE OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED ENGINEERING DRAWINGS OF THE ATOMIC BOMB MODELS. KELLEY SUGGESTED CONTACT WITH COLONEL H.H. ZORNIG, FORMER DIRECTOR OF ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH INFO CONCERNING RENO. IF DEEMED ADVISABLE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE NEW YORK OFFICE SET OUT A LEAD FOR CONTACT TO BE MADE AT THE ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS, ABERDEEN, MARYLAND, TO DETERMINE IF KELLEY ACTUALLY IS AUTHORIZED TO RETAIN POSSESSION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED PUBLICATIONS. KELLEY STATED THAT THESE PUBLICATIONS CAME FROM THREE SOURCES-- ONE HIS PERSONAL COPIES OF REPORTS OF WORK DONE BY HIS SECTION WHILE AT THE PROVING GROUNDS, TWO, FROM OFFICIALS OF ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS WHO SENT THEM TO HIM IN CONNECTION WITH HIS PRESENT STATUS AS A CONSULTANT-, AND THREE, THE TWO SPECIFIC ITEMS ABOVE MENTIONED RECEIVED FROM FRANK RENO.

cc - Mr. Fletcher

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, PERJURY, ESP R. LOCAL PRESS NYC QUOTES WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AS INDICATING THAT HE DISCLOSED DEC FIFTEENTH, APPARENTLY WHILE DISCUSSING MATTERS WITH THE LOCAL PRESS, THAT HE HAD SUPPLIED THE NAMES OF A METALLURGIST WITH THE US STEEL CORP. AND A CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE AT THE ARMY ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND AS TOP RED SPY RING CONTACTS. LATTER REFERENCE IS OF COURSE TO FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, WHO HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED BY THIS OFFICE AND WHO HAS APPEARED BEFORE GJ, NYC. REFERENCE IS MADE TO MY TEL DEC NINTH, FORTY EIGHT, IN CONNECTION WITH STATEMENTS MADE BY CHAMBERS IN SIGNED STATEMENT DEC NINTH, FORTY EIGHT, IN WHICH HE REFERES TO ONE AZIMOV /PHONETIC/ WHO WAS A METALLURGIST AND CONNECTED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CAL AT BERKELEY. HE ALSO RECALLED SUBSEQUENTLY AZIMOV BECAME THE HEAD OF THE RESEARCH DEPT AT THE US STEEL CORP., CHICAGO, ILL. MY TEL REQUESTED BUREAU, WFO AND BA TO FURNISH ANY INFO THEIR FILES RE THIS INDIVIDUAL ASO THAT CONSIDERATION COULD BE GIVEN TO LOCATING AND INTERVIEWING HIM. BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER ANY ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN IN THIS REAGRND AND WHETHER IT DESIRES TO SET OUT LEADS FOR SAN FRANCISCO AND CHICAGO IN AN EFFORT TO LOCATE AZIMOV BASED ON THE ONLY INFO PRESENTLY IN NY POSSESSION AND WHICH WAS SET OUT IN MYTEL OF DEC NINTH.

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RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS; ALGER HISS; PERJURY. ESPIONAGE, R. REURTEL
DECEMBER SIXTEEN, LAST, INQUIRING RE ONE AZIMOV (PHONETIC). BUREAU FILES CONTAIN
NO INFORMATION WHICH WOULD FURTHER IDENTIFY THIS INDIVIDUAL AS A METALLURGIST AT
THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA OR THE HEAD OF THE RESEARCH DEPARTMENT AT U. S. STEEL
CORPORATION, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. SET OUT LEADS SUGGESTED IN URTTEL AS WELL AS ANY OTHER
LEADS WHICH WILL SERVE TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE AZIMOV.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

THOMAS GRADY, Wauwatosa, Wis. identified to whom he believes he sold Woodstock typewriters in 1927 from a list prepared by **JOHN GALLAGHER** from repair records of the Woodstock Agency, Philadelphia, Pa.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File #74-1333.

Philadelphia letter to Milwaukee 12/20/48.

DETAILS:

At Wauwatosa, Wisconsin:

THOMAS GRADY, 2126 Menomonee River Parkway, reviewed a list of companies which had been prepared by **JOHN GALLAGHER**, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from repair records of the Woodstock Agency prior to the time that the original records were destroyed in 1946. Mr. **GALLAGHER** had been repairman for the Woodstock Agency in Philadelphia in 1927 when **GRADY** had been employed there, and **GALLAGHER** was later manager of the agency until it was discontinued in 1946.

From this list **GRADY** identified the following firms to which he had sold Woodstock typewriters in 1927:

- Union Bag and Paper Company, 401 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Tradesman National Bank, 320 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia
- CHARLES STRICKLER AND SON**, 206 Callow Hill Street, Philadelphia

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Wagner Taylor Company, 4222 Walnut Street, Philadelphia
Hauslein Agency, Lincoln Liberty Building, Philadelphia
Jewish Exponent, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia
National Health and Accident Insurance, 244 South 8th Street,
Philadelphia
Philadelphia Record, Broad and Wood Streets, Philadelphia
Charles Devlin, Bourse Building, Philadelphia
JOSEPH KOENIG, 621 North 2nd Street, Philadelphia
American Jewish Congress, Bankers Securities Building,
Philadelphia

From the list GRADY identified the following firms to which he believed he may have sold Woodstock typewriters; however, he said he is uncertain at this time and they may be firms to whom he sold Royal typewriters prior to his employment in the Woodstock Agency in Philadelphia:

West Disinfecting Company, 49th and Grays Avenue, Philadelphia
Y.W.C.A., 18th and Arch Street, Philadelphia
Vogel Ritt Company, 2212 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia
Hare and Chase, Finance Building, Philadelphia
Home Beneficial Society, 17th and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia
Mid-City Press Company, 9th and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia
The Methodist Book Room, 17th and Arch Street, Philadelphia
Philadelphia Chair Company, 229 Church Street, Philadelphia
Pomerantz, 1525 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia
H. Perilstein, 524 Lombard Street, Philadelphia
Morris Friedman, Fifth and Chestnut Street, Philadelphia
Foreign Mission Board, 701 South 19th Street, Philadelphia
Fenno and Company, Drexel Building, Philadelphia
Electric Storage Battery, 19th and Allegheny Avenue, Philadelphia
Adelphia Electric Company, 125 North 10th Street, Philadelphia
Board of Christian Education, 1505 Race Street, Philadelphia

GRADY stated that he believed typewriters were sold to the following firms in 1927 by FRANK SINDER, formerly a salesman of the Woodstock Company whose location is presently unknown to GRADY:

Strayers Business College, 807 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia
Jewish Times, 1211 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia

GRADY is quite sure that JACK CARROW, former manager of the Woodstock Typewriter Agency at Philadelphia, in 1927 sold a typewriter to the following individuals whose name appears on the list:

WILLIAM BERKOWITZ, Market Street, National Bank Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

GRADY said that FRANK SINDER, about the year 1927, handled accounts of the Woodstock Agency with schools and hospitals and would

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probably be able to identify firms to whom he sold typewriters in 1927. GRADY said that about 1931 SNYDER was employed by the West Disinfecting Company, 49th and Grays Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ENCLOSURES TO PHILADELPHIA:

1 list containing 11 sheets of paper with names of persons owning Woodstock typewriters in the Philadelphia area.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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BY

FILE NO. 65-706

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA	DATE WHEN MADE 12-21-46	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12-21-46	REPORT MADE BY ALBERT J. INGRAM
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TITLE JAY BARTHOLOMEW BROWNE, was	CHARACTER OF CASE LABOR SUBJECTS - R
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **TERNS GRAY, Pennsylvania, Pa. identified to whom he believes he sold Woodstock typewriters in 1937 from a list prepared by J. M. COLLAMORE from repair records of the Woodstock Agency, Philadelphia, Pa.**

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REFERENCE: Bureau File 77-1000.
Philadelphia letter to Milwaukee 12/21/46.

DETAILS: **AL. INGRAM, Philadelphia:**

TERNS GRAY, 2126 Macombs River Parkway, reviewed a list of expenses which had been prepared by J. M. COLLAMORE, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from repair records of the Woodstock Agency prior to the time that the original records were destroyed in 1946. Mr. COLLAMORE had been an agent for the Woodstock Agency in Philadelphia in 1937 when GRAY had been employed there, and COLLAMORE was later manager of the agency until it was discontinued in 1946.

From this list GRAY identified the following firms to which he had sold Woodstock typewriters in 1937:

Union Bag and Paper Company, 402 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Traders National Bank, 330 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia
WILLIAM SMITHSON AND SON, 206 Gallop Hill Street, Philadelphia

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO. 74-94

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 12/23/48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/21, 22/48	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT H. McQUEEN smg
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY INTERNAL SECURITY - R ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Five rolls of film recovered from home of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by NCMA on December 2, 1948, displayed to officials of Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York, and Dupont Photo Products Department, Farlin, New Jersey, to determine date of manufacture. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #48, identified as Eastman Safety Film, slit at that plant between July 1, 1937, and January 1, 1938. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #49, identified as above, but slit between January 1, 1937, and July 1, 1937. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #50, which has been light-struck, could not be identified. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #51, identified only as Eastman Safety Film. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #47, identified as Dupont Nitrate Film, made at that plant in December 1936 or June 1944 with greater probability of being made in December 1936. Identity of witnesses set forth.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File 74-1333. *manuten*
2-24-78 RD
Instruction of Inspector HOWARD FLETCHER on December 20, 1948.

DETAILS:

At Washington, D. C.

Re: Determination of Date of Manufacture of Five Rolls of Film Recovered From the Home of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by the NCMA on December 2, 1948.

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Acting upon the instruction of Inspector EDWARD QUINCY of the Bureau on December 20, 1948, the writer accompanied WILLIAM WHEELER, Investigator for the House Committee on Un-American Activities, to the Eastman Kodak Company at Rochester, New York, and to the Super Photo Products Department at Earlin, New Jersey, where the above-mentioned film was exhibited to officials of the two companies in an attempt to determine the date of their manufacture.

The following information was ascertained from the Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York:

Hereinafter, each roll of film will be referred to by its Grand Jury Exhibit Number:

1. Grand Jury Exhibit #48

Initialed "F.G." and dated 12-13-48 for the Grand Jury sitting in New York City and also initialed "W" for WILLIAM WHEELER, Investigator for the House Committee on Un-American Activities and dated 12-2-48 by WHEELER which is the date of recovery.

This roll was identified as positive Eastman Safety Film of 35 m.m. size. This roll is completely filled with messages. It was determined from the code used by the Eastman Company that the roll was slit from a large roll within the plant during the period from July 1, 1937, to January 1, 1938. The large roll referred to is usually forty-two inches wide.

This roll was also initialed "JCG" and dated 12-21-48 and initialed "HI" and dated 12-21-48 by:

HENRY T. IRELAND, Superintendent of Cine and Sheet Film Department, Kodak Park Works, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York.

JOSEPH C. GOLAN, Assistant Superintendent of Cine and Sheet Film Department, Kodak Park Works, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York.

Mr. IRELAND has been with the company for forty-one years and Mr. GOLAN has been with the company for eighteen years. Both can testify as to the above information.

2. Grand Jury Exhibit #49

Initialed "FG" for the Grand Jury and dated 12-13-48. Also initialed "W" for WILLIAM WHEELER, ICUA, and dated 12-3-48. Mr. THOMAS and Mr. SOLER are prepared to testify that this roll was slit from a large roll as described above under Grand Jury Exhibit #48, during the period from January 1, 1937, to July 1, 1937. This roll is completely filled with messages.

This roll has been initialed and dated by them as was Grand Jury Exhibit #48, and was also identified as 35 m.m. positive Eastman Safety Film.

3. Grand Jury Exhibit #50

Initialed for the Grand Jury as above. Also initialed "W" and dated 12-3-48 by DON AFFEL, Investigator, ICUA, who assisted WILLIAM WHEELER in recovering the film from the home of CHAMBERS.

This roll has been light-struck and contains no messages. It could not be identified as an Eastman product.

4. Grand Jury Exhibit #51

Identified for the Grand Jury as were Exhibits #48 and #49. Also initialed "W" for WILLIAM WHEELER, mentioned above, and dated by him 12-3-48.

This film was identified as 35 m.m. positive Eastman Safety Film. Its date of manufacture could not be determined as the film is too fogged in the area where the code is located. This roll contains some messages.

Officials of the Eastman Company advised that by chemical analysis, it could probably be determined whether Grand Jury Exhibit #51 and Grand Jury Exhibit #50 went into production in March of 1939. They stated that prior to March 1939 and for approximately six months thereafter, they used a certain film backing termed PAC. In March of 1939, this backing was changed to another type termed AP. However, they continued to produce the PAC for approximately six months as mentioned above.

The officials stated that they would require about three inches of film for one chemical analysis test which would require approximately two days. The possibility of arriving at a conclusion at the completion of this test was expressed as being about fifty to one, in favor of reaching a conclusion. For a complete test, the company would require two feet of film and the test would require from three to ten days.

5. Grand Jury Exhibit #47

Initialed "FG" for the Grand Jury and dated 12-13-48. Also initialed "W" for WILLIAM WEBER and dated by him 12-2-48, which is the date of recovery.

Officials at the Dupont Photo Products Department, Parlin, New Jersey, advised that this roll is 35 m.m. positive Dupont Nitrate Film, which was manufactured at that plant in December 1936 or in June 1944. They do not know which is the actual date because the identifying code appearing upon this roll of film was used both in December 1936 and in June 1944.

This roll was initialed "GFH" and dated 12-22-48 by the following official, who will testify to the above:

GEORGE F. HUNTER, Chief Supervisor, Finishing Area, Dupont Photo Products Department, Parlin, New Jersey.

Officials advised that this film is of a coarse-grain type and had it been of a fine-grain type, it could not have been made prior to July 1940. An official will further testify that the great bulk of 35 m.m. positive nitrate film manufactured after July 1940 has been fine-grain film - perhaps reaching approximately ninety-five per cent. An official also advised that one would be very foolish to use coarse-grain film in the type of photography done in this instance if fine-grain film had been available.

This roll was initialed "WDB" and dated 12-22-48 by the following individual, who will testify to the above:

WALTER DEWEY BALDSIEFEN, Group Leader in Charge of Emulsion Research, Dupont Photo Products Department, Parlin, New Jersey.

With regard to Mr. BALDSIEFEN, it should be noted that he has had twenty-eight years of experience and has developed the emulsions used during the pertinent periods.

The Dupont Company advised that a chemical analysis test could not provide more definite information as to when the film was made as there has been no appreciable change of the components of the film since before 1934.

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TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS			CHARACTER OF CASE FEDERAL INTERNAL SECURITY - R ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Five rolls of film recovered from home of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by FICA on December 2, 1943, displayed to officials of Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York, and Dupont Photo Products Department, Marlton, New Jersey, to determine date of manufacture. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #48, identified as Eastman Safety Film, slit at that plant between July 1, 1937, and January 1, 1938. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #49, identified as above, but slit between January 1, 1937, and July 1, 1937. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #50, which has been light-struck, could not be identified. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #51, identified only as Eastman Safety Film. Roll identified as Grand Jury Exhibit #47, identified as Dupont Nitrate Film, made at that plant in December 1, 36 or June 1944 with greater probability of being made in December 1, 36. Identity of witnesses not forth.

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REFERENCE: Bureau File 74-1333.
Instruction of Inspector HOWARD FLETCHER on December 20, 1943.

DETAILS: At Washington, D. C.

RE: Determination of Date of Manufacture of five Rolls of Film Recovered From the Home of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by the FICA on December 2, 1943.

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REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 12/23/48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/1,2;12/9,10,13,14,17,20,21,22,23/48	REPORT MADE BY WESLEY A. ANDERSON WAA:VLS
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. ALGER HISS			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Files of Woodstock Typewriter Company contain no record of sale of typewriter to firm of THOMAS FANSLER and HARRY L. MARTIN, Philadelphia, to these persons individually, or to Mr. and Mrs. ALGER HISS. Approximate serial numbers of Woodstock typewriters for years 1925 to 1930 inclusive set out. CHAMBERS employed by National Research Project, WPA, at the Railroad Retirement Board, 10/18/37 to 1/31/38. Identity of Railroad Retirement Board personnel in charge of project and fellow employees of CHAMBERS set out but these persons not available in Chicago for interview.

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REFERENCE:

- Chicago teletypes to Director and Washington Field Office, 9/1, and 2/48.
- Philadelphia teletypes to Bureau, Philadelphia, Washington Field, and New York, 12/9,10,14,22/48.
- Washington Field teletypes to Director and Chicago, 12/13,16/48.
- Chicago teletypes to Director, Washington Field, and New York, 12/17,20/48.
- Philadelphia teletype to Chicago, 12/18/48.
- Philadelphia teletype to Director, Chicago, Washington Field, and New York, 12/20/48.
- Chicago teletype to Director and Philadelphia, 12/20/48.
- Chicago letter to Director, 12/21/48.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

Incoming teletypes to Chicago requested that Chicago ascertain the date a Woodstock typewriter was sold to the partnership of THOMAS FANSLER and HARRY L. MARTIN, who then occupied an office in the Bullitt Building, 135 South Fourth Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, sometime between 1927 and 1930 and to obtain the serial number of this typewriter, if possible. The salesman was THOMAS GRADY. Chicago was also requested to ascertain the range of serial numbers used on Woodstock typewriters during the years from 1925 to 1930 inclusive and to request Woodstock officials to conduct an exhaustive search for records of the Woodstock Typewriter Company branch in Philadelphia, which was closed in 1946, and to ascertain the identity of Woodstock managers of this branch from 1925 to 1942.

DELMER DE WOLF, Sales Promotion Manager, Woodstock Typewriter Company, 75 East Wacker Drive, advised that all sales records of the company are maintained at the main office located at the company's factory in Woodstock, Illinois. DE WOLF stated that on December 9, 1948 he received a telephone call from New York City from a HORACE W. SCHMAHL, who described himself as a private investigator. SCHMAHL requested that he be furnished facts concerning a Woodstock typewriter reportedly sold during 1928 either by or through a THOMAS GRADY of the Woodstock Philadelphia agency to THOMAS FANSLER, now deceased. SCHMAHL indicated that a former clerk in FANSLER's office told him this machine was purchased in 1928, was probably a Woodstock, and that a relative of FANSLER had used the typewriter in the latter's office. He intimated the inquiry was in connection with a spy case and that he knew the present location of the typewriter.

On December 10, 1948 Mr. SCHMAHL recontacted Mr. DE WOLF at which time he was informed the Woodstock Typewriter Company would furnish information only to official government agencies and Police Departments and not to private individuals. SCHMAHL told Mr. DE WOLF that such a policy was fine and that if he were given the information he would see that it would be turned over to the FBI in New York. No information was furnished to him.

MELVIN O. JOHNSON, Secretary-Treasurer of the Woodstock Typewriter Company, Woodstock, Illinois, since 1917, advised the only records pertaining to the Philadelphia Agency of the company, which was closed in 1946, are those records concerning sales and service which have always been at the main office of the company and which generally date back only to 1937. A few

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customer cards in the file go back prior to 1937 but these cards pertain to customers who have had dealings with the company since about 1937. Other cards prior to this year have been destroyed.

Mr. JOHNSON and the writer checked this file for the firm name, THOMAS FANSLER and HARRY L. MARTIN, these two names individually, PRISCILLA HISS, and the names Mr. and Mrs. ALGER HISS without locating any record.

Mr. JOHNSON, accompanied by the writer, also conducted an exhaustive search for records of the Philadelphia agency which was closed in 1946. Mr. JOHNSON recalled that some records were shipped to the main office after the branch office was closed, but he could not definitely recall which records were returned. The search included the company office, the vault, and the only two storerooms used for the storage of records. An attempt was made to locate pertinent information in old ledgers, salesmen's commission records, and daily machine reports. No record from Philadelphia could be found and Mr. JOHNSON believed the records received from Philadelphia had been destroyed, including sales records, customers' invoices, service records, and stock cards.

Mr. JOHNSON made available a booklet of trade-in allowances for use by dealers which listed the following approximate serial numbers used at the beginning of the years indicated:

1925	131,000
1926	145,000
1927	160,000
1928	177,000
1929	204,000
1930	240,000
1931	276,000

Mr. JOHNSON also located a factory record which listed the approximate serial numbers used at the beginning of these years as follows:

1925	131,130
1926	145,000
1927	159,300
1928	177,100
1929	204,500
1930	246,500
1931	276,000

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Mr. JOHNSON advised that THOMAS GRADY worked as a salesman in the Philadelphia branch from December 14, 1925 until August 9, 1926, and from March 7, 1927 until December 3, 1927, at which time he resided at 309 South 40th Street, Philadelphia. Among former employers listed by GRADY was the R. E. Ellis Engineering Company of Chicago.

After checking available company records, Mr. JOHNSON stated the following persons had been in charge of the Philadelphia office:

- S. V. WARD - For several years until 1926. No address for him appeared in the files and his present address is unknown.
- O. J. CAROW - From about November, 1926 until about 1938. He resided at that time at 3914 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, and his present address is unknown.
- JOHN GALLAGHER - From 1939 until the time the office was closed in 1946. He resided at 2007 South Redfield Street, Philadelphia.

Mr. JOHNSON also stated HAROLD STEINKE, whose present address is 7040 West Garrett Street, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania, worked as a salesman in the Philadelphia office from the early 1930's until about 1940 and possibly was acting manager for a short period after Mr. CAROW left. He felt STEINKE could furnish considerable information about the Philadelphia branch of the company.

JOHN HANCOCK was a salesman in the Philadelphia office from the late 1920's until the early 1930's at which time he resided at 6115 Ellsworth Street, Philadelphia, and Mr. JOHNSON felt he possibly was acting manager for a short period.

ELIZABETH SPARKS, who resided at 7041 Hagerman Street, Philadelphia, was cashier in the office from about 1926 until 1937. Mr. JOHNSON felt both Mr. HANCOCK and Miss SPARKS might be able to furnish information.

JOSEPH SCHMITT, Vice President in Charge of Production, Woodstock Typewriter Company, who has been with this firm for many years, could furnish no additional information concerning the location of records of the Philadelphia agency.

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ARTHUR J. MOORE, R. E. Ellis Engineering Company, 565 West Washington, Chicago, advised THOMAS GRADY presently is a sales representative for this firm in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and resides at 2126 Menominee River Parkway, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, telephone SPR 4-0637. His part-time office is at 743 West Fourth Street, Milwaukee, telephone Marquette 8-1742.

V. PAUL CARNEY, who was Personnel Officer at the Railroad Retirement Board in 1937 and who continued in this position until 1948 when he transferred to the Legal Department of the same agency, advised there is no record of the employment of CHAMBERS by the Railroad Retirement Board. CARNEY checked all employment files and payroll records for October, November, and December, 1937 without finding a record of CHAMBERS' employment. However, he explained that in 1937 a group of employees of the National Bureau of Economic Research, a WPA project, were assigned to the Railroad Retirement Board for a research project and that one JAY V. D. CHAMBERS entered on duty as a WPA employee on this project October 18, 1937 as a report editor at \$2,000 per year on the WPA payroll. Further identifying information concerning this person was not available. Mr. CARNEY believed, to the best of his knowledge, that persons from the Railroad Retirement Board who were in charge of the WPA project were Dr. JOSEPH M. GILLMAN and Miss MARGARET GREENFIELD.

JOHN M. MAC LEOD, Assistant Personnel Officer, Railroad Retirement Board, advised ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN worked for the Railroad Retirement Board from March 16, 1936 to August 16, 1939 as Chief Economist and from the latter date to March 26, 1942 as Research Director of the Board. The file was sent on August 24, 1948 to WILLIAM ROGERS, Chief Counsel, U. S. Senate Sub-Committee on Expenditures. Both Mr. MAC LEOD and Mr. CARNEY stated the National Bureau of Economic Research WPA project at the Railroad Retirement Board would have been under the general supervision of SILVERMAN.

Mr. MAC LEOD also stated a bulletin of the Federal Works Agency, Office of Program Reports, dated August 31, 1948, contained information that JAY V. DAVID CHAMBERS, who was born April 1, 1901 at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, resided at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore, Maryland, and was appointed a temporary report editor, National Research Project, WPA, October 18, 1937 and was terminated January 31, 1938. The termination notice was sent to him at 2124 Mount Royal Terrace, Baltimore, Maryland.

WALTER MATSCHECK, Research Director, Railroad Retirement Board, Chicago, advised he was not with this agency in 1937 but that he had learned Dr. JOSEPH M. GILLMAN and Miss MARGARET GREENFIELD probably were the only Railroad Retirement personnel assigned to supervise the National Bureau

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of Economic Research project, WPA, in 1937. Mr. MATSCHECK exhibited to the writer a mimeographed statement entitled "National Research Project, Under Railroad Retirement Board", which was a summary of personnel by division, name, classification and salary, assigned by the National Research Project, WPA, to the Railroad Retirement Board as of October 30, 1937. This statement included the following information:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Salary</u>
1. General Office		
ALEXANDER, CATHERINE H. (Terminated 10-30-37)	Administration Officer	\$2,600.00
2. Work Histories		
No personnel		
3. History of Technology		
Dr. GILLMAN's Office		
CHAMBERS, JAY V. D. (E.O.D. 10-18-37)	Report Editor	2,000.00
RILEY, MARY BYBEE (Terminated 10-18-37)	Secretarial Research Assistant	\$5.00 per diem
Unit I - Mechanical and Managerial Changes		
ASHTON, HERBERT	Supervisor	\$4,800.00
SMITH, DARRELL H.	Research Assistant	2,000.00
WITTE, BORIS	Research Assistant	2,000.00
Unit II - Changes in Employment, Compensation and Productivity of Railroad Labor		
JACOBSON, M. L.	Supervisor	4,500.00

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Unit III - Changing Nature of the Traffic Hall		
LISS, SAMUEL	Research Supervisor	\$3,200.00
Unit VII - The Place of the Railroads in the National Economy		
APPLEBAUM, CICELY	Research Supervisor	3,200.00
Stenographic Section		
EGENSE, MARGARET V.	Clerk-Typist	1,440.00
GERBER, LILLIAN	Stenographer	1,440.00
LYNCH, JOSEPHINE	Stenographer	1,440.00
MAHER, HELEN	Stenographer	1,440.00
4. Field Study Section		
General Office		
GOOR, CHARLES G.	Assistant Statistician	2,600.00
GREENFIELD, MARGARET	Chief - Field Study Section	3,800.00
Statistical Section		
EDDLESTONE, ESTA NORA (E.O.D. 10-25-37)	Statistical Clerk	1,440.00
LEVINE, RENA	Statistical Clerk	1,440.00
Stenographic Section		
PEYTON, HELEN	Statistical Clerk - Typist	1,440.00

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Mr. MATSCHECK stated all of the above personnel, except MARGARET GREENFIELD and Dr. GILLMAN, were employees of the WPA.

Neither Mr. MATSCHECK nor Mr. V. PAUL CARNEY could suggest any persons presently in the employ of the Railroad Retirement Board who would be in a position to furnish any information concerning CHAMBERS' employment on the above project.

EUGENE MARTIN, Personnel Department, Railroad Retirement Board, advised JOSEPH M. GILLMAN who was born June 10, 1888 in Russia and who reportedly was naturalized in 1912, was employed by this agency from April 20, 1936 to November 2, 1942 in the Research Department. He resided at 1630 R Street, Washington, D. C., and left to join the Office of Price Administration.

Miss MARGARET GREENFIELD who was born in 1902 in New York City, was employed by the Railroad Retirement Board from April 11, 1936 to May 24, 1942, at which time she left to join the OPA. She remained with OPA until June 28, 1947 at which time she resided at 1010 25th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., which address was listed on a letter she wrote to the Railroad Retirement Board.

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CHICAGO DIVISION:

By Denver teletype to Washington Field and Chicago dated December 22, 1948 Chicago was requested to interview GERALD MATCHETT, Illinois Institute of Technology, concerning PHILIP RENO who worked under MATCHETT while the latter was Chief of the Wage Stabilization Division, War Labor Board, in Denver in 1943. MATCHETT and RENO reportedly were close associates.

By Bureau teletype to Chicago dated December 22, 1948 Chicago was requested to contact the American Bar Association, 1140 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, and the A. N. Marquist Company, Chicago, publisher of Who's Who in America, for any typewritten correspondence emanating from ALGER HISS.

Copies of this report are being furnished to Philadelphia and Washington Field inasmuch as it contains information which may be of value in future investigation conducted by these offices in this case.

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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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REFERENCES:

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- Washington Field teletypes to Director and Chicago, 12/13, 14/48.
- Chicago teletypes to Director, Washington Field, and New York, 12/17, 20/48.
- Philadelphia teletype to Chicago, 12/18/48.
- Philadelphia teletype to Director, Chicago, Washington Field, and New York, 12/20/48.
- Chicago teletype to Director and Philadelphia, 12/20/48.
- Chicago letter to Director, 12/21/48.

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TO : MR. H. B. FLETCHER *NBF*

FROM : L. L. LAUGHLIN *S*

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.
 ALGER HISS
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DATE: December 23, 1948

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- Miss Gandy _____

SAC Boardman, Philadelphia, called at 3:35 p.m. today *F.L. Jones* and referred to the teletype from the Bureau in this case dated December 22, 1948, requesting certain steps be taken for the purpose of securing additional specimens from the typewriter owned by Hiss and his father-in-law. Mr. Boardman observed that Hiss' father-in-law, Fansler, quit the insurance business and dissolved his insurance partnership in late 1930 or early 1931, and that Hiss did not come into possession of this typewriter until May, 1933. Mr. Boardman inquired as to what purpose would be served by securing specimens prior to May, 1933, at the time that Hiss allegedly obtained possession of the typewriter.

I pointed out to Mr. Boardman that the Bureau was interested in obtaining as many specimens as possible which were prepared by this typewriter and also observed that in interviewing persons for this purpose, it was possible that additional leads would develop leading to the finding of specimens around the pertinent period, namely, May, 1937. Mr. Boardman said that the search would continue with this in mind.

He also referred to the request contained in Bureau teletype that Mr. Martin be interviewed to ascertain whether he knows Logerman. Mr. Boardman observed that the report submitted by the Philadelphia Office on this case dated 12-17-48 sets forth the results of an interview with Logerman.

Mr. F. L. Jones, who was at my desk at the time this call was received, advised that the Philadelphia report of December 17, 1948, had been received this morning subsequent to the time the teletype was dispatched to the Philadelphia Office and in view of this, of course, no action need be taken on this request.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

DATE: DECEMBER 23, 1948

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Wa, Jay Chambers;
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Bureau File #74-1333

The Bureau by letter dated December 13, 1948 requested that a check be made to determine the personnel and names of persons departmental-wise, who were associated with ALGER HISS, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH, and others whose names have been furnished by CHAMBERS as individuals who were contacts of his in the U. S. Government services and who furnished information to him concerning government matters.

For the information of the San Francisco Office, HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH was an employee of the Department of State from March 2, 1936 to December 5, 1944. During this period of time, he served as a Senior Economic Analyst in the Division of Trade Agreements and later as a Principal Divisional Assistant in the Division of Special Research and also as Assistant Chief, Division of Economic Studies in the Department of State. Prior to this, he worked in the Department of Agriculture at Washington, D.C. as an Associate Agricultural Economist and as an Agriculture Economist in the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. His first government employment was from July 9, 1930 to October 13, 1932 in the Federal Farm Board at Washington, D.C., where he acted as an Assistant Economic Expert. While in the Federal Farm Board at Washington, D.C., WADLEIGH was under the supervision of JOSEPH S. DAVIS, who is presently acting as Director of the Food Research Institute of Stanford University at Palo Alto, California.

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WADLEIGH, on December 6, 1948, was interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI at Washington, D.C. At this time, he furnished a signed statement in which he advised that in 1935 or 1936 he had made the chance acquaintance on a train of an individual who identified himself only as "HAROLD." "HAROLD" described himself to WADLEIGH as a free lance writer. WADLEIGH stated that at that time his sympathies were strongly "leftist" and as far as he could see the Communists and the Soviet Union were offering the only effective opposition to the growing power of the Nazis in Germany. WADLEIGH stated he expressed these views to "HAROLD" and came to learn gradually that "HAROLD" was a Communist. On one occasion, WADLEIGH informed "HAROLD" he wished he could do something to fight the rise of Fascist and reactionary powers and "HAROLD" had invited WADLEIGH to supply information on economic conditions in

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Germany and Japan, which "HAROLD" stated he knew from the nature of WADLEIGH'S work, it would be possible for him to furnish. WADLEIGH stated that thereafter about once every week he furnished to "HAROLD" documents which came to his desk of a significant economic interest concerning Germany and Japan as well as any other items of special interest. Further, WADLEIGH stated that through "HAROLD", he met an individual then identified as CARL CARLSON, whom he now knows to be WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

WADLEIGH stated he saw ^oCARL CARLSON frequently during the latter part of 1937 but that in the early part of 1938, saw practically nothing of either "HAROLD" or CARL (WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.)

In March 1938, WADLEIGH stated he went to Turkey to negotiate a trade agreement and upon his return to the United States met CARL (WHITTAKER CHAMBERS), who advised him he, CARL, had "deserted." WADLEIGH stated he again saw "HAROLD" in late 1939 or early 1940, at which time WADLEIGH expressed his misgivings about the Nazi Soviet Pact, which had been concluded some months earlier and that as a result of his lukewarm terms concerning Russia, he had never had any contacts with "HAROLD" subsequent thereto.

WADLEIGH, during his interview by Agents of the Washington Field Office, advised that he was a colleague of ALGER HISS, a former official in the Department of State and with LEANDER B. ~~LOVELL~~, also in the employ of the Department of State, during 1936.

WADLEIGH also stated he was acquainted with LAURENCE ~~DUGGAN~~, who at one time was head of the Latin-American Division of the Department of State. WADLEIGH denied knowledge on his part of any Espionage activity on the part of HISS, LOVELL or DUGGAN. However, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS has furnished these individuals as persons who were contacts of his in connection with his Espionage work among government employees.

It is realized that WADLEIGH'S employment at the Federal Farm Board during 1930 and 1932 antedated his confessed Espionage activities in the Department of State. However, it is desired that your office interview Mr. DAVIS for any information in his possession concerning WADLEIGH'S loyalty to this country. Mr. DAVIS should be questioned concerning his knowledge of WADLEIGH'S associates in and out of the Federal Farm Board, his membership in any organizations or whether he is aware that WADLEIGH was ever acquainted with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ALGER HISS, LEANDER LOVELL or LAURENCE DUGGAN, together with the nature of WADLEIGH'S association with these persons.

The New York Office has been designated as the office

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of origin and should receive three copies of your report. One copy should be marked for the attention of Mr. T. J. DONEGAN, Special Assistant to the Attorney General. The Bureau should receive five copies of your report.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. RE NEW YORK TEL DECEMBER TWENTY FIRST
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CONF TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS, NEW YORK AND DENVER U R G E N T

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WA, ALGER HISS, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE RE
DENVER TEL DECEMBER TWENTY TWO. GERALD J. MATCHETT ADVISED HE WAS
ASSOCIATED WITH PHILIP RENO FOR ABOUT FIVE MONTHS IN ABOUT NINETEEN
FORTY TWO AND FORTY THREE WHILE MATCHETT WITH WAGE STABILIZATION DIVISION
AND RENO WITH DISPUTES DIVISION OF ~~STATE~~ WLB AT DENVER. MATCHETT HAS
KNOWN HIM SINCE THEY ROOMED TOGETHER AT U. OF COLORADO IN NINETEEN
~~THIRTY~~ THIRTY THREE AND THIRTY FOUR AND THEY ARE INTIMATE FRIENDS.
STATES HE DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER ~~PHILIP~~ PHILIP RENO EVER HAS BEEN A
MEMBER OF ~~CP~~ CP BUT WOULD DOUBT THAT HE HAS BEEN ON BASIS OF
THEIR CONVERSATIONS. HE DESCRIBED RENO AS A LIBERAL AND STATES RENO
WOULD NOT REFUSE TO WORK AND ASSOCIATE WITH COMMUNISTS. MATCHETT
QUESTIONED AS PER OTHER INSTRUCTIONS AND NO PERTINENT INFO. FURNISHED.
REBUTEL DECEMBER TWENTY TWO TO CHICAGO. FILES OF AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIA-
TION CONTAIN NO TYPEWRITING SPECIMENS. FILE OF MARQUIS CO. IN WARE-
HOUSE AND WILL BE AVAILABLE ~~RECORDED - 138~~ DECEMBER TWENTY SEVEN. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R. REURTEL DATED DEC TWENTYTWO LAST. SELECTIVE SERVICE FILES, ALBANY, NY REFLECT JOHN KORAL IS ALSO KNOWN AS JOHN KORREY, AND JOHN KARLY BORN MARCH SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTEEN, HIBERNA, NJ. REGISTERED LB SEVEN ONE NINE, HEMPSTEAD, NY MAY FOURTEEN FORTYONE, REJECTED DEC. THIRTYONE, FORTYONE FOR MILITARY SERVICE ON PHYSICAL EXAM. LATER ACCEPTED MARCH NINE FORTYTWO AT CAMP UPTON, NY., ASN THREE TWO TWO TWO FIVE TWO SIX FIVE. SERVED IN INFANTRY, DEPARTED US FOR AMERICAN THEATER APRIL TWENTYSIX FORTYTWO, RETURNED US APRIL NINE FORTYFOUR, DEPARTED MARCH ONE FORTYFIVE FOR ETO, ASSIGNED HDQTS. CO., FIFTH ARMY AT DISCHARGE DATE. KORAL DESCRIBED AS FIVE FEET FOUR INCHES, ONE SEVENTYFIVE LBS., BROWN EYES AND HAIR.

RECORDS REFLECT KORAL EMPLOYED BY BORIS KARLIN, TWO NINE FOUR FRONT ST., HEMPSTEAD, NY NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN TO THIRTYNINE. OCCUPATION TAILOR, SOCIAL SECURITY NO. NAUGHT SEVEN SIX, DASH TEN DASH ONE SIX FIVE NINE. EDUCATION EIGHT YEARS ELEMENTARY AND TWO YEARS HIGH SCHOOL. KORAL HAD NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE AT TIME OF DISCHARGE. NO BENEFICIARIES OR RELATIVES OR PERSONS TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF ACCIDENT

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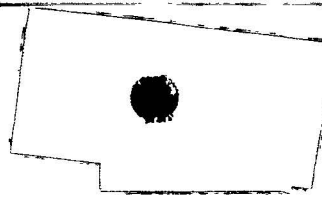
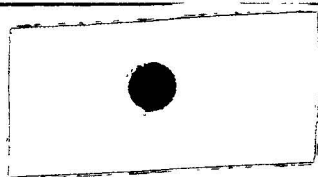
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WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD 12-23-48 9:30 AM URGENT
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J. P. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, PERJURY, IS - R. ALGER HISS INSURED BY
FEDERAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE U.S. SUGGEST REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE
FILE MAINTAINED AT THREE NINE SEVEN SEVENTH AVENUE, NYC, IN EFFORT TO LOCATE
SPECIMENS TYPED ON QUESTIONED WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER. NAME AND BIRTH DATE
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ^{WA} ALGER HISS, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE

- R. REBUTEL DEC. TWENTYTWO LAST. MRS. THOMAS C. FOX DOES NOT RECALL
EVER WRITING PERSONAL LETTERS FOR FANSLER ON OFFICE TYPEWRITER STATING
PASSAGE OF TIME HAS DIMMED HER MEMORY BUT BELIEVES HE WROTE ALL PER-
SONAL LETTERS IN LONGHAND. SHE HAS NO PERSONAL OR ~~PERSONAL~~ BUSINESS
LETTERS IN HER POSSESSION WRITTEN ON THIS TYPEWRITER AND DOES NOT
RECALL EVER HAVING WRITTEN ANY. MRS. FOX STATES FANSLER HAD AN ACC-
OUNT AT THE FOURTH STREET NATIONAL BANK IN PHILADELPHIA WHICH WAS LOCATED
IN THE BUILDING OCCUPIED BY FANSLER DASH MARTIN WHICH HAS SINCE BEEN
TORN DOWN. ALSO RECALLS ACCOUNT IN THE PHILADELPHIA NATIONAL BANK
ON CHESTNUT BETWEEN FOURTH AND FIFTH STS. MRS. FOX STATES ~~SHE~~ SHE IS
UNABLE TO RECALL THE NAMES OF ANY OF THE CUSTOMERS OF THE FIRM AND SU-
GGESTS THAT IDENTITY OF CLOSE FRIENDS AND CLIENTS ~~OF~~ OF FANSLER CAN
BE SECURED FROM ~~MARTIN~~ WHO IS STILL THE AGENT FOR THE NORTH WESTERN
MUTUAL. SHE RECALLS WRITING CORRESPONDENCE ON INSTANT TYPEWRITER
ONE BERTAN, LAST NAME NOT RECALLED, A NEPHEW OF LOUIS HOFFMAN, NOW
DECEASED, FORMER PARTNER OF FANSLER. STATES MARTIN WILL BE ABLE TO
FURNISH BERTAN'S LAST NAME. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. PERJURY, IS, R. REURTEL DEC TWENTYSECOND. RECORDS YALE GRADUATE SCHOOL AND YALE ALUMNI OFFICE REFLECT NOTHING TYPEWRITTEN BY ALGER OR PRISCILLA HISS. HANDWRITTEN LETTER DATED AUGUST SEVENTEENTH, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN, SIGNED MRS. ALGER HISS REQUESTED YALE TO FORWARD TRANSCRIPT OF HER RECORD TO GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIV. MRS. HISS KNOWN AT YALE GRAD SCHOOL AS PRISCILLA HARRIET FANSLER.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R. RETEL
PHILADELPHIA, DECEMBER TWENTY SECOND LAST. JAMES HACKNEY, GENERAL
SALES MANAGER, PORTABLE TYPEWRITER DIVISION, ~~GENERAL~~ REMINGTON RAND,
STATIONED AT NYC. RUC.

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Office Memo

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. H. B. ~~FLETCHER~~ *WBF*

FROM : L. L. LAUGHLIN *LL*

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.
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DATE: December 23, 1948

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SAC Cornelius of Albany called at 3:15 p.m. and advised that Special Agents O'Brien of the New York Office and O'Toole of the Albany Office had finished the interviewing of Mr. Felix August Inslerman, who was employed at the General Electric Company and the individual to whom Chambers allegedly turned over some material to be photostated while Chambers was active in the Communist Party. Mr. Cornelius stated that he wanted to report that the interview was entirely negative. Inslerman denied knowing Chambers either under his own or any other name, denied being connected with the Communist Party, and in short denied everything concerning which he was questioned.

Mr. Cornelius advised that Inslerman has, however, executed a waiver of search to permit the Agents to search his residence, which is located at R.D. 2, Cambridge, New York, about 55 miles north of Albany. Mr. Cornelius advised that Agents O'Brien and O'Toole will proceed to Cambridge now with Inslerman and that he is sending two additional Agents from the Albany Office. In response to my inquiry as to whether it did not appear that four Agents might be excessive to handle this search, Mr. Cornelius pointed out that Inslerman lives in a house located in a rural area, which will probably involve the checking of some buildings in addition to the house itself, and inasmuch as one Agent will have to remain with Inslerman, he did not feel that the number assigned to this project was excessive.

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ROUTINE

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, PERJURY, ESP R. IS - R. ON DEC TWENTY FIRST LAST ANONYMOUS CALLER TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE THAT A YOUNG LADY, AUDREY MC ADAM, TWO SEVEN WEST EIGHTY SIXTH ST., NYC, AN EMPLOYEE OF ~~INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION~~ AND AN AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHER, MADE A STATEMENT TO AN UNIDENTIFIED THIRD PERSON THAT LAST SATURDAY, DEC EIGHTEENTH, SHE WAS ASKED BY HER BOSS TO PRINT SOME NAVY PHOTOGRAPHS. SHE STATED THIS WAS UNUSUAL SINCE SIMILAR WORK FOR INSTITUTE DONE PROFESSIONALLY. INFORMANT DID NOT KNOW IF MC ADAMS BOSS WAS LAURENCE DUGGAN. IN VIEW OF PUBLICITY BEING GIVEN DUGGANS DEATH AND ANONYMOUS NATURE OF COMPLAINT NO INTERVIEW OF AUDREY MC ADAM CONTEMPLATED. ABOVE FURNISHED BUREAU FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	DATE WHEN MADE 12/24/48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/23/48	REPORT MADE BY LEMUEL W. KERR snb,lab
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

DAISY FANSLER stated when reinterviewed on 12/23/48 that deceased father, THOMAS FANSLER, had entered an Old Gold Cigarette contest some time prior to 1936. Also, he had entered another unknown contest prior to 1932 which involved the formulation of as many word combinations as possible from a sentence or group of words. She claimed she knew no particulars concerning this contest. Miss FANSLER stated that she resided with her mother and father from 1928 to 1940, and that she had never resided in the HISS residence. Miss FANSLER claimed that she does not recall ever having used a Woodstock typewriter.

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Allen W. ...
afternoon of 2-14-74
RD/John KATA
S. Burrows
7-9-74*

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REFERENCES:

Bureau teletype to Norfolk, dated December 22, 1948.

Report of Special Agent LEMUEL W. KERR, dated December 20, 1948, at Norfolk, Virginia.

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DETAILS:

AT NORFOLK, VIRGINIA:

Miss CONDE DAISY FANSLER was reinterviewed by Special Agent WALTER L. HEYER and the reporting Agent at her home, 738 West Ocean View Avenue, on December 23, 1948, at which time she advised that she was

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departing Norfolk that date to visit Mrs. MORRIS J. SHENK, 903 West 31st Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, until January 2, 1949.

In connection with the requested investigation in the referenced teletype from the Bureau dated December 22, 1948, Miss FANSLER stated that her father had entered an Old Gold Cigarette contest in 1936 or immediately prior to that year. She also stated that he had been interested in and possibly had entered a contest which she termed a dictionary contest which, according to her description, consisted of formulating words out of a given group or sentence of words. She stated that her father had used a small collegiate dictionary for formulating the words that he submitted for the contest. She claimed that she knew no specific information concerning this contest.

Miss FANSLER stated that she does not recall ever having used a Woodstock typewriter, either in her home or the home of PRISCILLA HISS. Miss FANSLER advised that she had lived with her father and mother at 3450 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from 1928 until 1940. She further stated that she had never resided with PRISCILLA HISS in the HISS residence.

It is to be noted that according to the information set forth in the referenced report to the effect that her deceased father, THOMAS FANSLER, had given an unknown make typewriter to her sister, PRISCILLA HISS, Miss FANSLER would never state that this machine was a Woodstock typewriter. However, she stated that she might have used this typewriter when it was in the home of THOMAS FANSLER and she possibly could have used this typewriter when it was in the home of PRISCILLA HISS, but stated that if she has used the typewriter in question it has been very infrequently.

In connection with the request in the Bureau teletype dated December 22, 1948, in which it is stated that efforts were being made to obtain material typed on the instant Woodstock typewriter subsequent to May 25, 1937, it was ascertained from Miss FANSLER that Mrs. PRISCILLA HISS in approximately 1938 was very active as President of the Washington Chapter of the Bryn Mawr College Alumnae Association. She intimated that possibly Mrs. HISS used this typewriter in official correspondence as President of this Alumnae Association. The exact year could not be furnished by Miss FANSLER; however, she did state that certain related events could possibly place the year as 1938. She stated that Mrs. HISS was President of this Alumnae Association the year that said Alumnae Association honored KATHERINE HEPBURN at a social function at the

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White House. Attention is also directed to the fact that in approximately 1938 TIMOTHY HOBSON, PRISCILLA HISS' son, at that time a student at Langdon School in Chevy Chase section of Washington, D. C., was struck by an employee driving a Government owned automobile and as a result thereof was hospitalized for a period of several weeks in an unknown hospital. Miss FANSLER was unable to state whether or not there was any official correspondence between the HISS family and the agency of the Federal Government involved in the accident. The two aforementioned events were mentioned by Miss FANSLER to establish the year, and also are being set forth here as a possible source for material having been typed on the instant Woodstock typewriter.

This information is not being submitted as investigative leads and any leads set forth from this information are being left to the discretion of the office of origin, except for the fact that a lead is being set out for the Philadelphia Office to contact the Bryn Mawr College.

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PHILADELPHIA OFFICE

AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Will contact the Bryn Mawr College and attempt to secure any material written by Mrs. PRISCILLA HISS to that college while she was President of the Washington Chapter of the Alumnae Association of that institution.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

DAISY FANSLER stated when reinterviewed on 12/23/48 that deceased father, THOMAS FANSLER, had entered an Old Gold Cigarette contest some time prior to 1936. Also, he had entered another unknown contest prior to 1932 which involved the formulation of as many word combinations as possible from a sentence or group of words. She claimed she knew no particulars concerning this contest. Miss FANSLER stated that she resided with her mother and father from 1928 to 1940, and that she had never resided in the HISS residence. Miss FANSLER claimed that she does not recall ever having used a Woodstock typewriter.

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Bureau teletype to Norfolk, dated December 22, 1948.
Report of Special Agent LEMUEL W. KERR, dated December 20, 1948, at Norfolk, Virginia.

DETAILS:

AT NORFOLK, VIRGINIA:

Miss CONDE DAISY FANSLER was reinterviewed by Special Agent WALTER L. HEYER and the reporting Agent at her home, 738 West Ocean View Avenue, on December 23, 1948, at which time she advised that she was

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REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 12/24/48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/15,18,20,22/48	REPORT MADE BY JOHN P. BUSCHER <i>eco'b</i>
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, wa Jay Chambers, ALGER HISS		CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; INTERNAL SECURITY-R; ESPIONAGE - R.	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

RICHARD HOWELL POST, in unsigned statement, admits association and friendship with HENRY HILL COLLINS arising out of college association at Princeton. Admits meeting JOHN ABT through COLLINS but denies Communist activity or any knowledge thereof on the part of COLLINS and ABT. Photographs of numerous other individuals allegedly associated with POST, CHAMBERS and ABT, exhibited with negative results. Denies membership in Communist Party or knowingly associating with Communist elements. Mrs. EVA M. SWORD, former nursemaid; and Mrs. PEARL W. FRANKLIN, former domestic at POST'S Alexandria residence; interviewed with negative results. Another former nurse, ELIZABETH LAWSON, now residing in ^{Michigan}.

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REFERENCE: Bureau File #74-1333.
 New York teletype to Bureau and WFO December 14, 1948.

DETAILS: At Washington, D. C.

RE: RICHARD HOWELL POST

RICHARD HOWELL POST was determined to be now residing at the Roosevelt Hotel in Washington, D. C.; having left his former residence of 2237 Bancroft Place, N. W., Washington, D. C. In an effort to obtain an appointment with POST, a telephone call was made to his apartment in the Roosevelt Hotel, and the inquiry was answered by his wife. Mrs. POST

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telephone appears to have a rather pronounced English accent. Telephonic contact was then had with POST himself, and he offered to appear at the Washington Field Office on December 16, 1948, for an interview.

The interview was conducted by Special Agents GEORGE E. DAVIS and the writer from 9:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., December 16, 1948. In the presence of the above agents and Stenographer M. MIRIAM DINSMORE, POST dictated the following statement:

"Washington, D. C.
December 16, 1948

"I, RICHARD HOWELL POST, voluntarily make the following statement to Mr. JOHN P. BUSCHER, and Mr. GEORGE E. DAVIS, who have identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I have been advised that any statement I make can be used against me in a court of law. I have been asked as to whether I desire to have a lawyer present, or to consult an attorney prior to making this statement, and I have decided I do not care to request one at this time. No threats or promises of reward have been made to me in connection with this statement.

"I was born at New York City, Riverside Drive, on January 17, 1904. I am a resident of the District of Columbia, presently living in the Roosevelt Hotel. My domicile is 2237 Bancroft Place, Washington, 8, D. C.

"I visited HENRY HILL COLLINS for approximately ten days in the Fall of 1936, staying in his apartment in St. Matthews Court, Washington, D. C., having known him fairly well ever since we were in college together at Princeton University, where we were classmates.

"At that time I had no reason whatsoever to think that COLLINS was a member of the Communist Party, or was in any way associated with the Communist Party. However, Mr. COLLINS was interested in current events in Soviet Russia as well as in all parts of the World. At no time did I ever observe in his apartment any books, literature or other documentary material that lead me to believe that he was either a member of the Communist Party or associated with it in any way.

"On or about that time COLLINS brought me to dinner with JOHN ABT in Washington, D. C. I presume we dined in his home, but I do not recall the location of this place. That was the first occasion that I recall meeting or ever having heard of JOHN ABT. As far as I can recall this was a purely social affair, and had no political significance. Only Mr. ABT, Mr. COLLINS and I were present at this dinner. The next time I saw ABT was approximately 1939, when I looked him up in the telephone book of Queens County, New York City. I was invited to his home for supper. As far as I can recall, only members of his family and myself were present. My purpose in calling him was

purely that of renewing a social acquaintanceship, and our themes of conversation were purely social, and in no way political.

"The third and last time that I have seen ABT was in the Summer of 1946, when I looked him up at his office in New York City for the purpose of obtaining advice in the changing of my will, since I, having recently returned from approximately five years in South America, and wishing to change my will, spent several days in looking up a number of lawyers in order to choose one who might help to this end. I decided that I did not wish his help in this respect.

"JOHN ABT has never discussed with me any topic or subject which suggested the subversive; nor has he ever solicited information of me of such a nature as would have been improper for me to impart. I have never had grounds for suspecting that he was either a Communist Party member or the agent of a foreign country.

"While visiting COLLINS in the Autumn of 1936, I read an announcement in some scientific periodical, the name of which I do not recall, of a scholarship which was offered at Johns Hopkins University for research work in Statistics and Biology under direction of Professor RAYMOND PEARL. I applied for this scholarship, within a short time was awarded the position, and fairly promptly brought my family from New York to Baltimore. I remained there until the Spring of 1937, at which time Professor PEARL urged me, and recommended me for a position in Statistics and Biology at the Bureau of Home Economics of the Department of Agriculture. Soon after this I moved my family to Alexandria, Virginia, where we resided at 212 South Pitt Street. I resided there until approximately May, 1939, at which time I proceeded with my family to my parents' home at Quogue, Long Island, New York. I remained there until January, 1940, when I went to my first position in the Foreign Service, which was the American Consulate at Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

"From late in the Fall of 1937, I worked part-time as an Assistant Editor of the American Foreign Service Journal. During this period I was studying for the examinations of the Foreign Service. I passed the written examinations in the Fall of 1938, and the oral examinations in the Spring of 1939. As near as I can recall I took the Oath of Office with the State Department in December, 1939. I was stationed at my first post in Windsor, from January, 1940, until approximately May of 1941. I spent approximately two months -- May and June of 1941 -- in Washington, D. C., attending the Foreign Service Officers' Training School. In June, 1941, I took a short leave of absence at my parents' home at Quogue, Long Island, and sailed for Uruguay on July 3, 1941. I remained in South America until December, 1946.

"During the approximately five years that I remained in South America, I corresponded with COLLINS only to the extent of asking him to request the

Department of Agriculture to send me literature on soil conservation. I did this in order to save time in obtaining such literature, all of which I gave to a friend in the Ministry of Agriculture in Uruguay. COLLINS did not reply personally. I had no correspondence with JOHN ABT.

"Upon my return from South America, I was assigned to the Department of State, arriving in August of 1946. During the next few months, I had lunch with COLLINS on several occasions. I visited him at his home about three or four times, accompanied by my wife and one or the other of my children, except for one visit in July, 1947, when I went alone, my family then being at Quogue, Long Island.

"On each occasion that I went to COLLINS' home at Lanham, I found an old lady living in the house with him by the name of Mrs. DAVIS. On the occasions of lunch with COLLINS, we were alone as far as I can recall, except for one time when we were with EDWARD G. TRUEBLOOD, Foreign Service Officer.

"In July of 1947, as near as I can recall, I visited COLLINS' home at Lanham, Maryland, and was a guest in his house from Saturday evening until Monday morning, having been met at the train by COLLINS and one other man, whose name I am unable to recall. I have not been able to identify the photograph of GROFF CONKLIN as being identical with the individual who met me at the train. The only name I can recall of an individual at COLLINS' home over this particular weekend was that of a Mr. PETERSEN (phonetic) and his wife. COLLINS' son was also present. There were something like twelve individuals attending a cocktail party at COLLINS' home when I arrived. Following the cocktail party, to the best of my recollection, two women and one man remained at the COLLINS' home over the weekend, and the four of us took a train into Washington on the following morning. I cannot recall the names, and do not know the identity of any of the individuals at the cocktail party or those remaining over the weekend, except as above stated. DUDLEY HARMON (phonetic) (a woman) may have been one of the two women who were weekend house guests at the COLLINS' residence upon the above occasion. The gathering was strictly for social purposes, and no one attempted to obtain any information from me during this weekend.

"During the period I resided at 212 South Pitt Street, Alexandria, Virginia, I entertained in my home on a number of occasions personal friends and neighbors of my wife and myself. I do not recall having received or entertained in my home at this time any of the following persons:

~~CHARLES FLATO~~
~~WHITTAKER CHAMBERS~~
~~ALGER HISS~~
~~DONALD HISS~~
JOHN ABT

~~LEE PRESSMAN~~
~~NATHAN WITT~~
~~VICTOR (or NATHAN) PERLO~~
~~CHARLES KRAMER~~
~~HENRY WARE~~
~~WEBSTER CLAY POWELL~~
~~J. PETERS~~
~~GROFF CONKLIN~~
~~HARRY DEXTER WHITE~~
~~GEORGE SILVERMAN~~
~~HENRY J. WADLEIGH~~

"Indeed, I do not recall having met any of these persons at any time during my life. I have seen photographs of the above listed individuals, and cannot identify any of them, with the exception of JOHN ABT as indicated previously in this statement.

"I wish to state at this point that I have no recollection of any occasion wherein persons have met in my house and discussed Communist Party doctrines, or made reference thereto, or conducted themselves in any manner which would lead me to believe that they were Communists or acting on behalf of Communists or any foreign government.

"Among the people whom I have entertained at my former residence at 212 South Pitt Street, Alexandria, Virginia, are:

(Left blank by RICHARD HOWELL POST.)

"The name of my colored cook at this residence was Mrs. JOHN FRANKLIN, first name PEARL. The name of the white maid was ELIZABETH _____.

"I am not, and never have been a member of the Communist Party. I do not believe in Communist Party doctrines. I have never been sympathetic towards Soviet Russia, or with Communist policies or programs. I have never been approached openly, and to the best of my recollection directly or indirectly by any person who gave any indication or gave me any reason to believe that he or they were associated with Communists or members of the Communist Party. I have never knowingly furnished any restricted or classified material to any unauthorized person.

"I have read the above statement, consisting of six (double spaced) pages, and it is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

"Signed:

"Witnesses: JOHN P. BUSCHER, 12-16-48
GEORGE E. DAVIS, 12-16-48."

On the following day, December 17, POST again voluntarily appeared at the Washington Field Office, and the statement was offered to him for reading and corrections and signature. POST declined, stating that he would not read, initial, correct or sign the statement unless he could take same with him for review at his own convenience. This was declined, and the statement remains uncorrected, unread, and unsigned by POST, and it is being retained in the Washington Field Office file in this case.

Mrs. PEARL W. FRANKLIN, Seminary Hill, Alexandria, Virginia, Post Office Box 1133, was interviewed on the evening of December 16, 1948, by Special Agents GEORGE E. DAVIS and the writer. She advised that she had been employed by the POST family as a domestic servant from the week the POST family moved into 212 South Pitt Street, Alexandria, Virginia, until they moved away from those premises. She obtained her employment with the POST family through an Alexandria, Virginia, employment agency. Her hours were from 7:30 a.m. to about 8:00 p.m. daily. She indicated that she had no reason to believe that RICHARD HOWELL POST or his wife were Communistically inclined; she had never engaged in or overheard any discussion at the POST residence which savored of Communism or the Party Line; that she had never been present during a dinner party or other gathering at the POST home when Communism was discussed; that she and her husband, JOHN A. FRANKLIN, had acted together on several occasions in assisting a dinner party or a cocktail party at the POST residence; that she had never observed a hunchback at the POST residence (CHARLES FLATO), nor had she ever observed any newspapers or other periodicals in the POST residence that could be identified as Communist material.

Mrs. FRANKLIN and her husband were shown photographs of the following individuals, none of whom were identifiable:

- ✓ CHARLES FLATO
- WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
- ALGER HISS
- DONALD HISS
- JOHN ABT
- LEE PRESSMAN
- NATHAN WITT
- NATHAN (or VICTOR) PERLO
- CHARLES KRAMER
- HENRY and HAROLD WARE
- WEBSTER CLAY POWELL
- J. PETERS
- GROFF CONKLIN
- HARRY DEXTER WHITE
- GEORGE SILVERMAN
- HENRY J. WADLEIGH

At that time, she was given the names of these individuals, which neither she nor her husband could identify.

Mrs. FRANKLIN advised that on several occasions negroes, presumably professors in negro universities, were entertained at cocktail parties and dinner parties in the POST residence. This was recalled by her because she, herself, is colored, and she explained that among those persons in attendance on these occasions, she was able to recall more distinctly a negro Senator CARTER (phonetic) and a negro Professor COBB or CARR (phonetic). She was, however, able to recall a Mr. and Mrs. SANDY SMITH (phonetic) and neighbors of the POST family who resided in Alexandria. Their names could not be remembered.

Mrs. FRANKLIN indicated that she was of the impression that a white nurse, Miss ELIZABETH LAWSON, of Lansing, Michigan, whom she believed may have been related to the POST family distantly, moved into the South Pitt, Alexandria, address with the POSTS. Miss LAWSON worked at the POST residence for a period of about two years and left their employ because she could not get along with the POST children. Mrs. FRANKLIN advised that Miss LAWSON is believed to be employed in a doctor's office in Lansing, Michigan. Miss LAWSON graduated from the Michigan State University and was formerly employed in a deaf and dumb institute in Michigan. She has two brothers, one of whom is PAUL LAWSON.

Mrs. FRANKLIN further stated that another nurse was employed by the POST family upon the departure of Miss LAWSON. The new nurse is Mrs. EVA SWORD, who was single at the time she was employed in the POST residence.

Mrs. EVA M. SWORD, Route 5, Post Office Box 94, Telegraph Road, Franconia Section, Arlington, Virginia, advised that she was employed at the POST residence as a child's nurse for approximately one year. She gained this employment through the Nurses' Registry in Alexandria. She commenced her employment about June, 1938, and terminated same about May, 1939. The photographs and the names of the above-listed individuals were furnished to her, all of whom she was unable to identify as being individuals who had been present in the POST residence. An exception was HENRY HILL COLLINS, whom she partially identified by photograph as being a person with whom RICHARD POST had played golf on several occasions and had returned thereafter to the POST residence for cocktails.

Her interview developed generally as the interview with Mrs. PEARL FRANKLIN, with the following exceptions. Mrs. SWORD "lived in" at the POST residence. She stated that on frequent occasions the POSTS entertained at cocktails and dinner. She observed that on several of these occasions, the doors separating the living room where the guests were assembled and the hallway leading to the upstairs portion of the house were closed while the guests,

were there. On other occasions, the living room doors were left open. She attached no significance to this fact and stated that at no time did she ever overhear any conversations which would lead her to believe that Communism or matters pertaining to the State Department were being discussed by those present. Both Mrs. SWORD and Mrs. FRANKLIN advised that at no time did it appear that anyone was making a speech or talking in such a manner as to have the complete attention of the others present.

Mrs. SWORD advised that on one occasion Mrs. POST had mentioned that negroes should have equal rights with the white people and that negroes should be allowed in the National Theater in Washington.

She stated that RICHARD POST spent many of his evening hours in a small study located in the basement of their Alexandria home; that in that room he had a desk, a couch, chairs and a typewriter and that from June, 1938, until May, 1939, when he was home in the evenings he spent much of his time using the typewriter in the basement. She stated that he frequently made trips to New York and that when he left his residence or just before departing from Washington, she recalled that he always carried a briefcase. She advised that on several occasions within her recollection he received and made long distance phone calls, and that she answered one long distance call from New York.

She advised that a Mrs. FREDERICH H. BARKSDALE of 110 South Pitt Street, Alexandria, Virginia, in 1938 and 1939 was in charge of a nursery school which one of the POST children attended at that time. She recalled that Mrs. BARKSDALE stayed with the children at the POST residence on two occasions when the POST family made trips to Long Island, New York. She stated that she on two occasions accompanied the POST family to their Long Island residence. She recalled nothing significant along the lines discussed above in connection with these trips.

Mrs. FREDERICH H. BARKSDALE, 110 South Pitt Street, Alexandria, Virginia, verified the above information concerning her stay with the POST's children on two occasions, but had no further information of value.

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At Lansing, Michigan:

Will attempt to identify and locate Miss ELIZABETH LAWSON and will interview her for information in her possession concerning allegations in this case.

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For the information of the Detroit Division, CHAMBERS stated in the Baltimore pre-trial deposition of November 17, 1948, that he attended a meeting of a Communist Party cell headed by HENRY COLLINS at the home of RICHARD POST in Alexandria, Virginia; shortly thereafter, he separated POST from apparatus headed by COLLINS and took POST into his own apparatus consisting of the HISS brothers, WHITE and SILVERMAN. Thereafter, POST obtained a position in the State Department and became a Foreign Service Officer. CHAMBERS stated he maintained intermittent contact with POST. However, the latter never furnished any information while a member of this underground apparatus and shortly after POST joined this group, CHAMBERS disassociated himself with it and has no knowledge of POST's subsequent activities. POST is believed identical with RICHARD HOWELL POST, Foreign Service Officer, Department of State, subject of an LGE investigation.

The stenographer's notes and the original notes made by SA GEORGE L. DAVIS of the interview and statement of RICHARD HOWELL POST are being retained in the WFO file in this case as possible exhibits.

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE THIS OFFICE ADVISES THAT GENOA MORSE, FORMER MAID FOR HISS WHILE IN WASHINGTON, MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR HER SISTER, LENA NIXON PARENTHESIS PHONETIC PARENTHESIS, EIGHT THREE THREE JEFFERSON AVENUE, BROOKLYN, TO RECOMMEND FRIENDS OF HISS WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN WORKING AS MAIDS FOR HISS IN NYC. SUGGEST NY CONSIDER LOCATING LENA NIXON AND INTERVIEWING HER AS TO IDENTITY OF ANY PERSONS WHO MAY HAVE WORKED FOR HISS AS A MAID. MAIDS SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED FOR ANY INFO THEY MAY HAVE REGARDING TYPEWRITERS IN THE POSSESSION OF HISS SINCE COMING TO NY AND DISPOSITION OF ANY TYPEWRITER HISS MAY HAVE DISPOSED OF SINCE COMING TO NY.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. H. B. FLETCHER ~~#37~~

FROM : J. E. MILNES *JEM FO*

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
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DATE: 12-28-48

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- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

Special Agent John J. O'Toole of the Albany Office came to the office at 9:10 p.m., 12-27-48. He delivered a suit case containing a large number of documents and a large number of canned film. He said that it was obtained by them from Felix Inslerman of RD #2, Cambridge, New York. *[Signature]*

Special Agent O'Toole said that he was departing for Albany tonight, 12-27-48, on the train leaving Washington at 1:00 a.m. He holds reservations for Lower 2, Car 1026, on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

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For your information the purpose of the typewriter phase of the investigation in this case is to locate the Woodstock Typewriter and to obtain material typed on instant Woodstock subsequent to May 25, 1937. Any additional specimens known to have been typed while Woodstock typewriter in possession of Hiss would be of value.

Alger Hiss was Legal Assistant to United States Senate Munitions Committee, commonly known as the Iye Committee, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C., from August, 1934 to May, 1935. Hiss states he first met Chambers as George Grosley, about December, 1934 or January, 1935 at the Committee Office. You should verify the above employment and ascertain if any pertinent typewritten correspondence appears in the files. Also ascertain identities of fellow employees on the Committee who may have seen Chambers and may have Hiss correspondence. You may consider checking records of the appropriate Nation Boards in Washington, D. C. if such records still exist. Further it is suggested that you determine whether Hiss was admitted to practice before Courts in the District of Columbia or is a member of the Bar Association. Consideration should be given to any correspondence in the Civil Service Commission Retirement Office files, and it is believed that you should review all technical and mail coverage reports that you have on Alger Hiss for any leads that may assist in obtaining additional correspondence or which may assist in locating the typewriter.

Any specimens found should be forwarded to the Bureau for examination.

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The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

In connection with an official investigation presently being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it will be appreciated if you would attempt to secure photostatic uncertified copies of the income tax returns for the years 1933 to 1947 inclusive for Alger Hiss and his wife Priscilla Hobsen Hiss.

For your assistance in locating these income tax returns in the files of your Department, the following information is being made available. Alger Hiss and his wife have resided at the following addresses:

- From June 1933 to May 1934 - 3311 O Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.
- From May 1934 to July 1, 1935 - 2831 28th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.
- From July 1935 to June 1, 1936 - 2905 P Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.
- From June 1, 1936 to January 1938 - 1245 30th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.
- From January 1938 to 1943 - 3415 Volta Place, N. W., Washington, D. C.
- From 1943 to the fall of 1947 - 3210 P Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.
- From the fall of 1947 to the present time they have resided at 22 East 8th Street, New York City.

In view of the nature of this investigation, it will be appreciated if you will expedite the submission of the copies of these returns.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Tom C. Clark

Attorney General.

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Reurtel December 15, 1948, setting out the results of the interview with Horace A. Ingram of Cartersville, Georgia.

You are instructed to reinterview Ingram and obtain a chronological account of his activities beginning at least a year prior to his alleged contact with the man he has stated he recognized as Alger Hiss. Complete descriptions should be obtained of the two men who approached Ingram on Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C., in 1937 or 1938. The one who gave him \$20 to deliver two letters in Washington, D. C. should be separately indicated, as well as the individual to whom Ingram allegedly delivered an additional envelope on the evening of the same day in New York for the additional sum of \$200.

It is noted in reference teletype that Ingram could name no one who could corroborate instant story. In order to prove or disprove Ingram's statements, the following information should be obtained from him:

1. Residence in Washington, D. C. prior to, during and subsequent to the alleged contact.
2. Habitual hang-outs and identities of persons with whom Ingram associated or knew.
3. Employment while in Washington, D. C.
4. Type of money used in the alleged \$20 and \$200 payments made to him.
5. Method of transportation to and from New York when he delivered the last of instant envelopes.
6. When and where delivery was made and under what circumstances.
7. Where he stayed in New York City, activities after delivery of instant letter and length of stay in New York.
8. Identities of any contacts in addition to the individual to whom he delivered instant letter in New York.

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9. Identities of individuals to whom he previously gave information concerning this matter, it being noted that Ingram has denied furnishing information concerning this to any but the Atlanta Field Division.

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The above information should be obtained in statement form and throughout the interview it should be borne in mind that the purpose is to obtain material to either corroborate or disprove Ingram's statements. Subsequent to the above interview Ingram should be reinterviewed so that a check can be made for possible discrepancies in his statements.

Enclosed herewith are two photographs of Alger Hiss. One of these should be placed among others which should be as similar as possible in the make-up of the photograph, and should be exhibited to Ingram in order to ascertain if he can correctly identify Alger Hiss as the individual whom he met in Washington, D. C. and for whom he delivered three envelopes.

Your letter of December 15, 1948, concerning instant matter indicated that Ingram was divorced from Lacy Head Ingram, of Cartersville, Georgia. She also should be interviewed for any information which would corroborate or disprove Ingram's statements concerning Alger Hiss.

It is noted that a previous search was made for a picture of the Hiss brothers which allegedly appeared in the Atlanta, Georgia newspaper. A further search of the Atlanta newspapers should be made to ascertain that such a photograph did, in fact, appear. In the event such a photograph did not appear, it should be ascertained what other newspapers Ingram had access to which may have carried such a photograph.

The above investigation should be carried out expeditiously and the information made promptly available to the Bureau and the New York Division.

cc: New York

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Enclosure

December 8, 1948

Honorable Karl I. Mundt
Acting Chairman
Un-American Activities Committee
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Mundt:

W. Pittman, Jr. Chairman

This letter is to confirm the subject matter of our conference this morning when United States Attorney George Morris Foy and I appeared before a closed session of the House Un-American Activities Committee at which were present in addition to yourself, Congressmen McDowell, Nixon, Vail, Rankin and Helbert as well as Committee Investigator Stripling.

At this closed meeting, which lasted from approximately 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. today, I stated that in my capacity as Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division, supervising criminal cases in the Federal Courts throughout the country, I had just returned from New York City where I had been in conference with United States Attorney John F. X. McGohey and Special Assistant to the Attorney General Thomas F. Donegan, relative to the Chambers-Hiss matter.

You were advised today that the members of the New York Federal Grand Jury were extremely concerned over the release of information by the House Un-American Activities Committee. You and your Committee were also advised that United States Attorney McGohey and Mr. Donegan were concerned because of the premature publicity attendant to the examination of Grand Jury witnesses by your Committee.

Therefore, United States Attorney Foy and I respectfully requested:

1. That the House Un-American Activities Committee refrain from interviewing and questioning witnesses who had in the past or who might in the future be called to testify before a Federal Grand Jury in New York for reasons of internal security, and the successful prosecution of any case which might be developed.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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2. That the House Un-American Activities Committee refrain from releasing any information which it has regarding said investigation.

3. That the members of the Committee were cordially invited to appear at any time before the Federal Grand Jury in New York.

4. That your Committee furnish to said Grand Jury any and all information and documents which it may have regarding the subject matter.

Your attention is directed to Section 3486, Title 18, United States Code (1948 Ed):

§ 3486. Testimony before Congress; immunity

No testimony given by a witness before either House, or before any committee of either House, or before any joint committee established by a joint or concurrent resolution of the two Houses of Congress, shall be used as evidence in any criminal proceeding against him in any court, except in a prosecution for perjury committed in giving such testimony, but an official paper or record produced by him is not within the said privilege.

In view of this statute you can appreciate the fact that the calling of any witnesses may preclude the successful prosecution of a criminal case.

You were further advised that in June 1947 at the direction of the Attorney General, the United States Attorney in New York City convened a Federal Grand Jury for the purpose of investigating any possible violation of espionage statutes or other laws relating to the internal security of this country. Mr. Hiss and Mr. Chambers were called and both testified in detail and at length before this Grand Jury long prior to its present session. In addition, you were advised that the United States Attorney in New York had requested, and that the Federal Court had called, a succeeding Grand Jury for December 16, 1948 to continue the investigation begun by the present Grand Jury, which convened in June 1947.

Your Committee also was advised today that last month I personally conferred in Baltimore, Maryland, with attorneys for Hiss, Chambers and Time Magazine, during which conference certain information,

disclosures and documents, which heretofore had not been revealed, were turned over to the Department of Justice, and that immediately the Federal Bureau of Investigation was requested by me to conduct a full field investigation regarding this information, and that said investigation was immediately started and is now in full progress, and that the developments of this investigation are being turned over to the United States Attorney in New York City for submission to the Federal Grand Jury.

In view of the foregoing it is again respectfully requested that the Committee refrain from any action which may preclude the successful prosecution of any criminal case arising out of this subject matter and which may be detrimental to the internal security of this country.

Respectfully,

For the Attorney General

ALEXANDER L. CAMPBELL
Assistant Attorney General

DECEMBER 22, 1948

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THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY-EIGHT. CHICAGO INSTRUCTED TO INTERVIEW E. P.
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CONTAINED IN MYLET DATED DECEMBER THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY-EIGHT. IN
ADDITION, DURING ALL SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEWS BASED ON MY REFERENCED LETTER,
ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS SHOULD BE ASKED TO DETERMINE IF THESE PERSONS KNEW
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NY INSTRUCTED TO FURNISH APPROPRIATE INFORMATION TO ANCHORAGE FOR INTERVIEW
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: December 22, 1948

FROM : SAC, Milwaukee

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was
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PERJURY
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Re Bureau teletype dated December 22, 1948 to Milwaukee.

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Enclosed for the New York Office is a copy of the report of SA CLARK E. LOVRIEN dated December 21, 1948 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin in the above entitled matter which will bring the number of copies designated for New York to three copies, in accordance with Bureau teletype.

CC - New York (Encl.) (AMSD Registered)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, Philadelphia

December 18, 1948

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on December 16, 1948.

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS,
with aliases,
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 5-4304
FBI FILE NO. 74-1333 522
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Examination requested by: Philadelphia

Deleted Copy Sent *Allen Weinstein*
by Letter 10-16-74 THB/bcs

Reference: Letter dated December 13, 1948

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

Envelope and accompanying letter addressed to "Miss ROMA L. HULLINGS The Free Library Logan Square Philadelphia Pa.", postmarked "Philadelphia, Pa. Dec 8 9:30 PM 1948", letter beginning "Dear Miss HULLINGS: My PRIZE, my physician and Dr. 'GILBERT...' and ending "Sincerely yours," signed, "DAISY PARSLER."

Result of Examination:

It was concluded that the typewriting appearing on K26 was typed with the machine which typed 95 through 999, K17 and K22.

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

December 30, 1948

THE DIRECTOR, FBI

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL
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Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated December 27, 1948, advising of the identity of the photographer "Felix" as Felix August Inslerman, who is presently employed at the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York.

During the course of a search of Inslerman's residence at RFD #2, Cambridge, New York, a quantity of 35mm films were recovered. These films are now being examined in the FBI Laboratory.

In connection with this examination, the FBI Laboratory is desirous of having access to the 35mm film presently in the possession of the House Un-American Activities Committee in order that it can be compared with the film found in Inslerman's possession and particularly to determine if both films were used in the same camera.

It will be appreciated if you will again arrange to secure the film from the House Un-American Activities Committee in order that this examination can be made.

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cc Assistant Attorney General Alexander M. Campbell
Criminal Division

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SAC, New York

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
INJURY
ESPIONAGE - R
(New York file #65-14920)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report D-89198 BU
dated 12/23/48, in connection with the above-
entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your
office.

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

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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REGISTERED MAIL

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cc - Mr. Jones

Assistant Attorney General Alexander M. Campbell
Criminal Division
Director, FBI

December 22, 1948

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KID
JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, with aliases
ALGER HISS
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There are being transmitted herewith copies of the following investigative reports in connection with this case:

Report of Special Agent James L. Kirkland, dated 12-7-48, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Report of Special Agent Robert P. Lewis, dated 12-8-48, at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Report of Special Agent Clark E. Lovrien, dated 12-9-48, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Photostatic copy of report of Special Agent Edwin O. Johnson, dated 12-12-48 at Denver, Colorado.

Report of Special Agent Frank G. Johnstone, dated 12-14-48, at Baltimore, Maryland.

Report of Special Agent Guy H. Inman, dated 12-17-48, at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Report of Special Agent Lemuel W. Kerr, dated 12-20-48, at Norfolk, Virginia.

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Copies of these reports have been made available to Special Assistant to the Attorney General T. J. Donegan by our New York Office.

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Date: December 27, 1948

To: Director of Intelligence
General Staff
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel A. D. Mead, Jr.
Chief, Security Group

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS;
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Whittaker Chambers has advised that during 1937 and the first part of 1938, government documents or copies thereof, were made available to him by Alger Hiss and Henry Julian Wadleigh of the State Department, William Ward Pigman and George LeRoy Pigman of the Bureau of Standards; that these documents were turned over by him to one "Felix" for photographing after which the documents would be returned to government files. Chambers advised that Felix was the photographer for the Chambers' underground Communist Party apparatus and that he resided in Baltimore, Maryland where he carried on his photography in his apartment.

On December 19, 1948, Whittaker Chambers accompanied agents of the Baltimore Office to the vicinity of Konig Street, Baltimore, Maryland where he had previously stated that "Felix" lived in 1937 or 1938. After touring the neighborhood, Chambers named as first choice the 2100 block of Gallow Avenue, second, the 2100 block of Brockfield, and third, the 2100 block of Linden Avenue, Baltimore, as the likely residence of "Felix". Investigation developed that from April, 1937 through April, 1938, Felix August Inslern lived at 2113 Callow Avenue. Selective Service records for this individual reflected that his employment included airplane designer, draftsman, electrician, professional engineer, inspector, and photographer. The records further reflected that Inslern was employed in the Glenn L. Martin Aircraft Company, Baltimore, as group engineer in 1942 and thereafter was employed at Republic Aviation Company Farmingdale, Long Island, New York, as an engineer.

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A photograph of Inslerman was obtained and was exhibited to Whittaker Chambers on December 21, 1948 and Chambers positively identified Inslerman as the photographer known to him as "Felix".

Inslerman is presently employed at the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York, on a project known as the "Hermes Project", which is under U. S. Army control. He is working on the hydraulic tail assembly of missiles and rockets. This work is regarded as extremely confidential and important.

Inslerman was interviewed by agents of this Bureau on December 23, 1948. A search of his residence at RFD #2, Cambridge, New York reflected that he had a box of miscellaneous material including plans and technical data, some marked confidential, the property of the Republic Aircraft Company and/or the U. S. Army Air Force, and 36 rolls of 35 mm film, some of which were developed and some undeveloped. These films are presently being processed by the FBI Laboratory and you will be informed of any pertinent information in connection with this examination.

The above information is being made available to you for any action you deem advisable. It is requested that this information be treated in the strictest confidence and that it should not be disseminated outside of your agency.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: 12-15-48

FROM : H. B. FLETCHER

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL ALEXANDER M. CAMPBELL
CRIMINAL DIVISION

- Mr. Tolson
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- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
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- Miss Gandy

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At 10:00 a.m. today, Mr. Belmont, New York, while advising of various developments with reference to the Chambers-Hiss case, informed me that Campbell had practically wrecked an opportunity yesterday to get a confession out of Hiss. He stated that the identification of the typewriting specimens definitely linked Hiss with the documents which have been produced by Chambers and it had been planned that the typewriting identification would be presented to the Grand Jury and thereafter Hiss would be brought in and questioned and built up to the point that he would be suddenly confronted with the fact of identification. They planned to catch him by surprise so that he would possibly break since he was being questioned without his attorney present and in the presence of a group of people acting in an official capacity. Mr. Belmont stated that when the testimony as to the typewriting identification was being given, Hiss was brought in and Mr. Donegan was carefully questioning him and building him up for the pertinent surprise question and suddenly Mr. Hiss stopped and wanted to make a statement. Mr. Donegan said it would be all right and Hiss then stated that he knew the typewriting identification had been made and that he had been told so by Mr. Campbell out in the hall and Mr. Campbell explained that he did not have a leg to stand on, that he should go in to the Grand Jury and tell the truth, and he also told him he was going to be indicted for perjury. At this the Grand Jury immediately wanted to know why and how Mr. Campbell could assert that the Grand Jury could or would return an indictment as it was a matter not within the province of Mr. Campbell. The questioning of Hiss was stopped and they brought in Mr. Campbell, who admitted that Hiss was correct in his statements. The questioning of the Grand Jury would indicate that they did not like it. Mr. Belmont stated that apparently Campbell was trying for headlines and in this instance was trying to get in the position of saying that he was the man who made Hiss tell the truth. Further, the action of Campbell obviously gave Hiss an opportunity to think and come up with the answer he did, that he must have loaned the typewriter to Chambers so that Chambers typed up the copies in issue.

With further reference to Campbell's activities and his "bull in the China shop" techniques, Mr. Belmont stated that yesterday Mrs. Chambers testified and Mr. Chambers was worried about her getting out of the Grand Jury room and away so that she would not be hemmed in by reporters. Mr. Donegan suggested to him that he arrange to get her to go down the stairs instead of using the elevator. Chambers then walked out in the corridor and the newspaper reporters crowded around him. He started telling them about a threat against his life and diverted their attention to him. While the reporters were thus occupied Mrs. Chambers managed to get away and down

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the stairway. The statements of Chambers apparently related to a threat to him on the part of a woman. Campbell immediately instructed the New York Office to locate the woman and wanted to subpoena her before the Grand Jury. Mr. Belmont stated that before starting out to get this witness they questioned Chambers to see what it was all about and it appeared it was at best a "fuzzy" threat and occurred in 1938 and absolutely was not pertinent. When Mr. Campbell was advised of the actual facts he was not further interested in the woman.

It appears that Mr. Campbell is very impulsive and acts without knowing the facts and without the exercise of good judgment.

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TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

DATE: 12/21/48

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Walker Stone called to express the hope that the FBI will leave no stone unturned in ascertaining whether or not Lawrence Duggan really did commit suicide or was pushed out of the window. He stated he knew Duggan very well and thought he did very well on the Latin-American Desk and just could not bring himself to believe he was involved in the espionage case.

I told him for his own information that we had talked to Duggan and Duggan denied ever participating in such activities although he frankly admitted to us that he had been approached by other people; but that all we had were the unsupported charges of Chambers; that on the other hand we had information from a reliable source who has not figured too prominently in the news to the effect that Duggan would never agree to furnishing information; that, on the other hand, as far as I knew Duggan had never reported that attempts had been made to recruit him.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 22, 1948

FROM : SAC, Richmond

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS;
ALGER HISS, ET AL
PERJURY;
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Re: WARD PIGMAN

Mr. RUSH EATON, 2006 North Stafford Street, Arlington, Virginia, advised on December 17, 1948, that from November 9, 1939, to November 9, 1940, he rented his house at the above address to WARD PIGMAN who had just returned from Germany where he had been living for sometime previous. After moving from the Arlington address, PIGMAN moved to Greenbelt, Maryland, or some nearby community.

Upon reading press notices recently that WARD PIGMAN was subpoenaed to testify before the New York Federal Grand Jury on the ALGER HISS - WHITTAKER CHAMBERS case, Mr. EATON recalled some instances which he thought might have some significance in this matter. He recalled that a German was under investigation by the FBI in 1943 or 1944 by the name of KLAUS who posed as a blind man and who lived in the immediate vicinity of where PIGMAN resided in 1939 and 1940. Mr. EATON recalled that KLAUS used to take long walks at night, as late as 3:00 A. M., when he would pass PIGMAN's house. No direct or indirect contact between KLAUS and PIGMAN was noted by Mr. EATON. In view of the references to microfilming of secret documents in the HISS-CHAMBERS case, Mr. EATON thought that there might be some significance to the fact that KLAUS and PIGMAN lived in the same general vicinity in 1939 and 1940 and both came from Germany. This, coupled with the fact that it was well known that KLAUS was not actually blind, but was "faking" blindness even to the extent of being led by a "seeing-eye" dog, strengthened Mr. EATON's suspicion, after recent newspaper publicity in the HISS-CHAMBERS case, that the contacts of PIGMAN while he resided in Arlington, Virginia, should be made the subject of some investigation by the appropriate agency of the Government.

This office had a security investigation during the war years on Dr. HEINZ ERICH KLAUS, with aliases, Bureau File 65-5166, Richmond File 65-94, Washington Field File 65-425 and New York File 65-7328, who is identical with KLAUS. This file contains an extensive investigation covering a period from September 23, 1939, to August 17, 1943. This case was closed on that date in view of the fact that all logical leads had been covered and investigation

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failed to disclose the subject was engaged in any activities of a subversive nature or was a member of any un-American organization.

The above is submitted for the information of the Bureau and New York and Washington Field Offices, and no action is contemplated by this office in the absence of instructions to the contrary by the Bureau.

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Washington Field

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE DASH R. RE BALTIMORE
LETTER DECEMBER TWO ONE LAST CONCERNING QUOTE FELIX QUOTE. CONDUCT INTERVIEWS
WITH HERBERT W. QUARTLEY JUNIOR AND RUSSELL MARTIN MENTIONED ON PAGE FIVE
REFERENCED LETTER FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES OF INSLEMAN.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: December 21, 1948

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was.
PERJURY; INTERNAL SECURITY - R"FELIX"

This is to advise that on the evening of December 19, 1948, the above captioned subject, CHAMBERS, while in Baltimore, was escorted by agents of this office to the vicinity of Koenig Street, which incidentally is the locality in which CHAMBERS previously placed the residence of FELIX who is the individual who allegedly did photographic work for him during 1937 - 1938. On this occasion, CHAMBERS indicated that it was now his recollection that FELIX resided somewhere in the 2100 block of Callow Avenue.

On December 20, 1948, agents of this office reviewed old city directories and telephone address directories for the pertinent years 1937 - 1938. As a result of this review, it was ascertained that one F. AUGUST INSLERMAN resided at 2113 Callow Avenue from April, 1937 to April, 1938. The following information concerning this individual's background is being set out as follows:

Miss IDA HARVEY, Co-ordinator, Selective Service, 34 Commerce Street, Baltimore, made available the file on INSLERMAN. It was noted therefrom that this individual registered with Local Board #5 on October 16, 1940 at which time he resided at 6 Roseland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. He was assigned serial number 439 and order number 6509. The person listed as the one who would always know his address was his wife, ELIZABETH INSLERMAN, residing at the above address.

INSLERMAN was born July 11, 1910 at New York City and was described as follows:

Height:	5'8"	DEFERRED RECORDING
Weight:	165	
Eyes:	brown	
hair:	brown	
Complexion:	light	
Social Security No.	218-03-3727	
Place of employment listed as:	Glenn L. Martin (airplane manufacturer) Middle River, Maryland	

Also in a review of INSLERMAN's questionnaire which was mailed to Local Board #5, October 19, 1941, it was noted that he, at this time, resided at 13 Fir Drive (Stansbury Estates), Middle River, Maryland. In this questionnaire, he indicated that he had no physical defects and he furnished the following information concerning his educational background.

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He indicated he attended 8 years of elementary school; 4 years of high school; 4 years at Cooper Institute of Technology (Electrical Engineering Course), New York City; 1½ years at Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn (Electrical Engineering) Brooklyn, New York; and Johns Hopkins University (Electrical and Aeronautical Engineering) Baltimore, Maryland.

While working at the Glenn L. Martin Plant, INSLEMAN was employed as a lay out draftsman whose duty it was to assign and prepare lay out from which production drawings were subsequently made. As of 1941, INSLEMAN was employed for 3½ years at this plant at a per annum wage of \$2760. The questionnaire also revealed that the occupation for which the subject was best fitted was that of engineering.

It was noted further from a review of the file that INSLEMAN's only dependant listed was his wife, ELIZABETH A. INSLEMAN who in 1941 was 26 years of age. Registrant married at New Brunswick, New Jersey on November 18, 1934. The questionnaire also indicated that the registrant had never been convicted of a crime.

It was noted from a sheet attached to the questionnaire that the registrant was classified 2-B during the interim 5/22/44 to 5/16/45 and his classification was 4-A as of 10/1/45. It was noted also that in May, 1945, the subject appealed to a local board located in the Denton Building, Old County Road, Mineola, L.I., New York.

Local Board #5 at Baltimore, Maryland received from INSLEMAN an occupational questionnaire which was post marked at Baltimore, June 24, 1942. At this time, the registrant indicated his residence address to be 131 - 35th Street, Lindenhurst, L.I., New York. Under a list of selected occupations, the registrant checked the following: Airplane Designer, 2½ years; Draftsman, 1 year; Electrician 3 years; Professional Engineer, 2½ years; Inspector, 1½ years. Under item 35 of the questionnaire where it is requested that the registrant indicate any other occupation not listed, the registrant, INSLEMAN, inserted the word, "photography."

The registrant at this time was employed by the Engineering Division of the Republic Aviation Corporation, Conklin Street, Farmingdale, L.I., New York.

A review of the file also revealed that in May, 1945, the Republic Aviation Corporation filed several affidavits of occupational certification with Local Board #5 in Baltimore.

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One of these affidavits described INSLERMAN's duties as follows: "Assistant group engineer to supervise and direct work of draftsman designing and detailing for study experimental and for production of all installation and parts. Work with group engineer to determine characterization of new design and to make changes or revisions in production designs. Lay out and design components of airplane assembling, make sketches and drawings of new designs and assign work through preparation of clear, complete and accurate drawings according to specifications." At this time, INSLERMAN was earning a weekly wage of \$110.

He indicated his prior work experience to be as follows: Group Engineer, Glenn L. Martin Co., 4 years; Dakko Co., 4 months; Bohn Refrigeration Co., 7 months; Electrical Appliance Shop, 17 months; Micowald Radio Corporation, 15 months. Information concerning prior work experience was set out in this general way and no specific dates of employment were listed.

Retail Merchants Credit Bureau, Inc. of Baltimore on December 20, 1948 furnished the following report on INSLERMAN. The report which was dated April, 1938 indicated INSLERMAN was at that time 30 years of age, married and living with his wife, ELIZABETH, for the past 2 years at 2113 Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. INSLERMAN rented an apartment at this address from Mrs. CHARLES M. QUARTLEY, and came to Baltimore, Maryland from New York. In conclusion, the report indicated that he was formerly employed as an automobile mechanic, but presently employed as a draftsman.

As indicated heretofore, it was noted in review of the Baltimore telephone address directories that FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN was listed in these directories for April and October, 1937 and April, 1938 at 2113 Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. The directory also indicated that one Miss E. A. RYNDERS resided at this address during the exact same period as did INSLERMAN. It was also noted that CHARLES M. QUARTLEY and HERBERT W. QUARTLEY resided at this residence address during the pertinent period 1937 - 1938.

On December 21, 1948, agents of this office interviewed CHARLES MILTON QUARTLEY at 2113 Callow Avenue and ascertained that he has resided at this address since 1921 and his father, CHARLES QUARTLEY who died at Baltimore, Maryland during the year 1937 owned the 3 unit apartment dwelling at 2113 Callow Avenue since 1916. During this interview of CHARLES MILTON QUARTLEY, it was ascertained that he knew FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN and he furnished the following information concerning this individual.

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Rent receipts were made available which indicated that INSLERMAN first rented the third floor apartment on July 1, 1936 at a rental of \$25 per month payable in advance. He continued to reside in this 5 room apartment until sometime during the month of June, 1938. The last rent receipt is dated June 3, 1938 and is for the period June 1 to July 1, 1938. QUARTLEY stated that INSLERMAN's wife also resided at this address during the interim July, 1936 to June, 1938. The wife's name was ELIZABETH INSLERMAN. It was QUARTLEY's recollection that INSLERMAN and his wife rented this apartment in answer to either an ad in the Sunpapers or a for rent sign placed in the window at this address. He also recalled that they had their own furnishings and the wife arranged for the rental of the premises and INSLERMAN himself came to live here shortly thereafter.

Mr. QUARTLEY stated that for almost a year after taking the residence at 2113 Callow Avenue, INSLERMAN was apparently unemployed. He recalled that possibly during the month of September, 1936, INSLERMAN made application for employment with Friez Instrument Division, Bendix Aviation Corporation, located on Central Avenue, Baltimore, but he never did accept employment with this concern. Mr. QUARTLEY stated further that during the latter part of 1937, INSLERMAN had in his possession a sample photographic enlarger unit which he had obtained from a firm located somewhere in the 200 block of Liberty Street, Baltimore. QUARTLEY was of the opinion that INSLERMAN was selling this unit for this unknown firm. The only other information which could be furnished concerning INSLERMAN's employment while in Baltimore according to Mr. QUARTLEY was that he accepted employment with the Glenn L. Martin Company, Middle River, Maryland sometime during June, 1938.

Mr. QUARTLEY stated that while INSLERMAN was living at this address, it was obvious that he was very much interested in photography inasmuch as he had made a dark room for photographic development in the bathroom of the third floor apartment. QUARTLEY could not be specific in his description of photographic equipment owned by INSLERMAN other than to state that he knew INSLERMAN to have a photographic light meter, the photographic enlarger previously mentioned, a motion picture camera, trade name of which he did not know, and a small camera for taking still pictures. Mr. QUARTLEY was definite in his recollection that INSLERMAN used a light meter when engaged in photographic work outside inasmuch as INSLERMAN showed him this light meter on one occasion during the summer of 1937 at which time Mr. and Mrs. INSLERMAN were visiting Mr. QUARTLEY. In conclusion and with regard to Mr. QUARTLEY's knowledge of photographic equipment owned by INSLERMAN, QUARTLEY stated that he definitely recalls INSLERMAN taking a photograph of him in this third floor apartment and in so doing he made use of lights which may or may not have been photo flood lights. With regard to the taking of this picture, he could not recall whether or not INSLERMAN took the picture with a camera off hand or made use of a camera attached to a tripod.

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When questioned concerning the automobile owned by INSLERMAN during the years 1937 - 1938, Mr. QUARTLEY furnished the following information. He stated INSLERMAN had a Chevrolet which was either a 1934-1935 or a 1936 Chevrolet Deluxe Model, 5 passenger coach. In conclusion and with regard to the car the only other additional information he could furnish was that the color of the car was an off shade probably grey.

When questioned concerning the identity of Miss E. A. RYNDERS who lived at 2113 Callow Avenue during the same interval as did INSLERMAN, Mr. QUARTLEY stated that he never heard of an individual by this name. On second thought, he was of the opinion that possibly this might have been FELIX INSLERMAN's mother-in-law who incidentally visited INSLERMAN for a period of 2 weeks during 1937. With regard to the mother-in-law, he stated that it was his understanding that she owned an apartment house somewhere in Bronx County, New York. Although Mr. QUARTLEY's recollection was not too clear concerning this Miss E. A. RYNDERS, it was interesting to note that one PHILIP HARRIS, Negro, who was employed on these premises by QUARTLEY during 1937-1938 recollected that the name INSLERMAN and E. A. RYNDERS were on the same mail box during the pertinent period and he was of the opinion that E. A. RYNDERS was the wife of INSLERMAN.

When questioned concerning the associates of INSLERMAN, QUARTLEY stated that he did not know any of the latter's associates in this community or elsewhere with the exception of a young lady by the name of ETHEL BUSH VOLMAN (phonetic) whom he met through introduction by Mrs. INSLERMAN sometime during the year 1937. QUARTLEY seemed reluctant to furnish specific detailed information concerning this Miss VOLMAN other than to state that in the time he knew her she had 3 children and was separated from her husband and he was of the opinion that she committed suicide recently in New York City due to ill health. The only other information which he could furnish to identify this young lady was that her father is a doctor and was formerly mayor of Hampstead, Maryland.

During interview had with him, Mr. QUARTLEY indicated that his brother, HERBERT W. QUARTLEY JR. might be able to furnish information of value concerning INSLERMAN inasmuch as this brother resided at 2113 Callow Avenue during the interim 1916 to 1941. The brother is presently employed by the Maryland State Income Tax Division at Annapolis, Maryland and resides at 534 Wynook Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. He added that Mr. RUSSEL MARTIN who likewise resided at this address during the pertinent period 1937 - 1938 in the first floor apartment may also be able to furnish information concerning INSLERMAN and his wife. Mr. MARTIN is presently employed by the Automobile Club of America at Baltimore, Maryland.

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Additional information was obtained other than that which was obtained as a result of review of the directories, review of the Selective Service file and interview with CHARLES MILTON QUARTLEY and is being set out as follows.

whose identity is known to the Bureau furnished the complete employment record on FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN which is being set out as follows.

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Westinghouse Electric Manufacturing Company, Baltimore, Maryland, 3/37
Westinghouse Electric Company, 306 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 6/37
Bohn Refrigerator Co., 1-31 North Haven St., Baltimore, Maryland 6/37
Dakko Co., 927 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Maryland 12/37 to 3/38
Glenn L. Martin Co., Post Office Box 988, Baltimore, Maryland 6/38, 9/39, and
12/39, 1940, 1941, 3/42
Republic Aviation Corp., Conklin Street, Farmingdale, New York, 1942-1943-1944,
3/45, 6/45, 3/46 and 6/46
General Electric Co., 1 River Road, Schenectady, N.Y., 6/46, 12/46, 3/47, 6/47,
9/47, 3/48 and 6/48.

The following additional and somewhat more specific information concerning the dates or employment was obtained by this office upon review of INSLERMAN's employment record at the Glenn L. Martin Company, Middle River, Maryland

5/11/38 to 2/27/42 - Glenn L. Martin Company, Middle River, Maryland, Engineer
Draftsman; resigned.
9/37 to 2/38 - Dakko Company, 927 N. Calvert Street
4/37 to 9/37 - Bohn Refrigerator Company, 1 North Haven Street
3/35 to 8/36 - Electrical Appliance Shop, Bronx, New York.

This employment also listed the following references:

LAWRENCE DONAMCO, 3128 Chesterfield Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.
HARRY KNOHR, 103 South Highland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland
NORRIS LONG, 2908 Baker Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

In conclusion, the Glenn L. Martin file further reflected that INSLERMAN listed his father's name as AUGUST and his mother's name as PAULINE ANNE (MARTIN), both of whom were born in Russia.

Upon review of INSLERMAN's employment record at the Westinghouse Electric Company, maintenance and repair section, located at 4015 Foster Avenue, Baltimore,

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Maryland, the following additional information concerning INSLERMAN's previous employment was also listed.

Western Electric Co., New York City, as wireman, 5/29 to 10/29
New York Edison Co., New York City, as assistant substation operator 5/30 to 10/30
Micamold Radio Corporation of America, Brooklyn, New York as moulder, 10/33 to 1/35
Electrical Appliance Shop, Bronx, New York as repairman, 5/35 to 7/36.

The records of the Registrar's Office, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, reflect the following information.

FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN made an application for admission to the under-graduate school, Johns Hopkins University on October 7, 1936. In this application form INSLERMAN stated that he was born in New York City in the year 1910, and that his address as of October 7, 1936 was 2113 Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. He advised that his previous education consisted of high school at New Brunswick, Senior High School, New Brunswick, New Jersey; years of attendance 1925 through 1928. He further advised that he attended Cooper Union, New York City, New York from 1928 until 1933, and that he was in attendance at the Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn, New York - 1935-36.

The following additional information in regard to INSLERMAN was obtained from his under-graduate record at the School of Engineering and Aeronautics, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland. INSLERMAN entered the Engineering and Aeronautics School on July 7, 1938, and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree on June 6, 1939. He attended this school on a part-time basis, and was employed while at school at the G. I. Martin Company, Middle River, Maryland.

Inquiry was made of the Title Section of the Motor Vehicle Department, 21st Street and Guilford Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland and records of this department reveal title in the name of INSLERMAN reflecting that he purchased a 1939 Chevrolet Deluxe Town Sedan from Fox Chevrolet Sales, Inc., 2020 S. Hanover Street, Baltimore on February 10, 1939. INSLERMAN, at this time, resided at 6 Roseland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. The car was described as follows:

Serial # 14JA01-16305
Engine # 2206692
Model JA
Color - grey

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The records of the Title Section also indicate that INSLERMAN purchased a 1941 Chevrolet Town Sedan from the Belair Road Chevrolet Company, Inc., 6005 Belair Road, Baltimore, Maryland on April 7, 1941. This car was described as follows:

Serial # 14AG03-25305
Engine # AA712295
Year - 1941
Model - AG
Color - green

In conclusion, the records of the Driver's License Section of the Motor Vehicles Department reflected that driver's license No. 681253 was issued to FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN on January 6, 1937 at which time he resided at 2113 Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

It should be noted that since the information set out above concerning INSLERMAN was obtained, the New York Office has advised that JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS upon viewing photograph of INSLERMAN which was furnished by the Baltimore Office has positively identified him as being identical with the heretofore unknown photographer named "FELIX".

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To:

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December 23, 1948

Philadelphia

Enclosed please find the report

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Re:

WITTAKER CHAMBERLAIN, JR.

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Examination requested by:

Philadelphia

Reference:

Other Serial No.

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Examination requested:

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Specimens:

K22 - [Redacted] of paper bearing typewriting specimens from
[Redacted] Typewriter, Serial 92-189085.

K23 - [Redacted] of paper bearing typewriting specimens from
a Woodstock Typewriter, Serial 92-189082.

Result of Examination:

The conclusion was reached that the typewriters which were used to type K22 and K23 were not used to type Q2 through Q9.

The evidence, K22 and K23, is retained in the Bureau's files.

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 22, 1948

FROM: SAC, Philadelphia

attention: FBI Laboratory

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS.,
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There are enclosed herewith eleven sheets of typewriting specimens obtained by an agent of the Philadelphia Office from a Woodstock Typewriter, Serial #N-169085.

There are likewise enclosed eleven additional sheets of typewriting specimens obtained by the same agent from a Woodstock Typewriter, Number N-157542.

Inasmuch as it has been impossible to ascertain the purchaser of each of the typewriters in question, and, further, since it appears that the serial numbers of Woodstock Typewriters manufactured during the year 1927 lies approximately between 160,000 and 177,000, it is requested that the specimens submitted herewith be compared with questioned specimens already in the hands of the Laboratory.

After the examination has been completed it is not necessary to return specimens to the Philadelphia Office.

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