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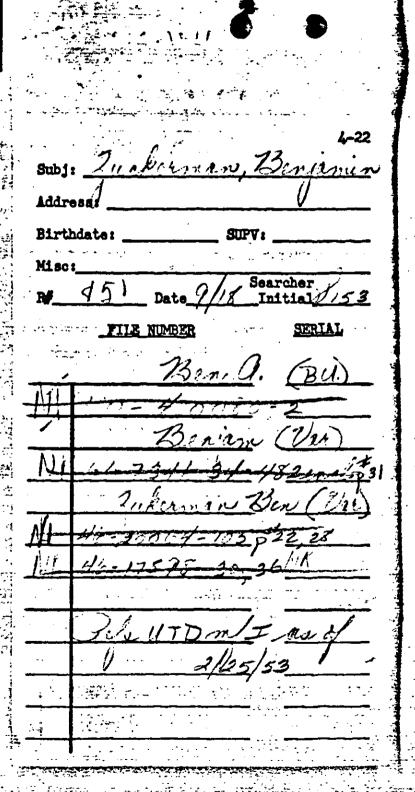
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Subject not on SI. Subject was a former classmate of Morton Sobell and Sobell stayed at subject's home upon at least one occasion. In 1949, was also a member of the Consumers Union. He was refused employment at Fort Monmouth in 1950, due to questionable background as to loyalty. Subject has also associated with various persons suspected of being CP sympathizers.

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UNITED STATES

OM A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: ZUCKERMAN, BENJAMIN /01-105152

In the memorandum from Yr. Clegg to Mr. Tolson dated 10/20/53 in the matter entitled, "Suspected Espionage, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and Federal Telecommunications Laboratories, Nutley, New Jersey," it was recommended and approved that the "Domestic Intelligence Division should obtain and promptly redetermining whether any information not previously known to the Bureau regarding matters within its jurisdiction has been developed by this committee. The details should be promptly brought to the attention of the Director and in the event it appears this committee has obtained such information an explanation should

In order that the Domestic Intelligence Division can discharge its responsibilities there is attached hereto Photostats of pages 954 to 993 of the McCarthy Committee proceedings containing the testimony of the above captioned subject on 10-15-53. This testimony should be reviewed by the substantive Supervisor who should thereafter submit a memorandum analyzing the results of this review.

There there has been substantial information not previously known to the Bureau developed in this testimony and an explanation is required in accordance with the above instructions, the explanation should accompany the memorandum of analysis.

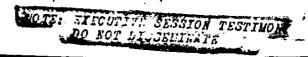
Copies of all memoranda submitted as a result of this review should be designated for F. L. Jones, Room 2710, and D. J. Sullivan, Room 7644. Copies also should be designated for Bureau file 65-61685 and for the subject's case file.

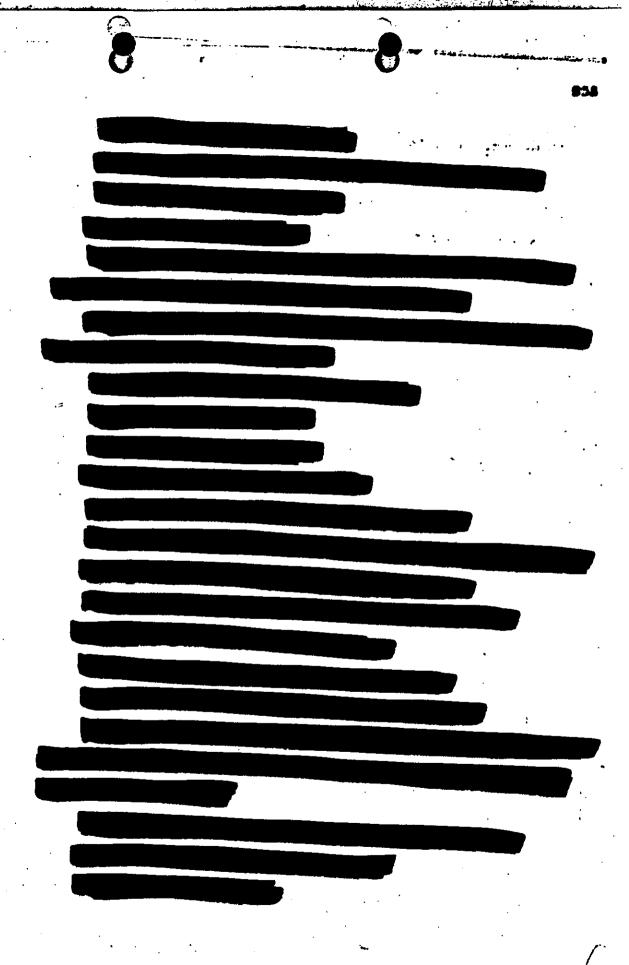
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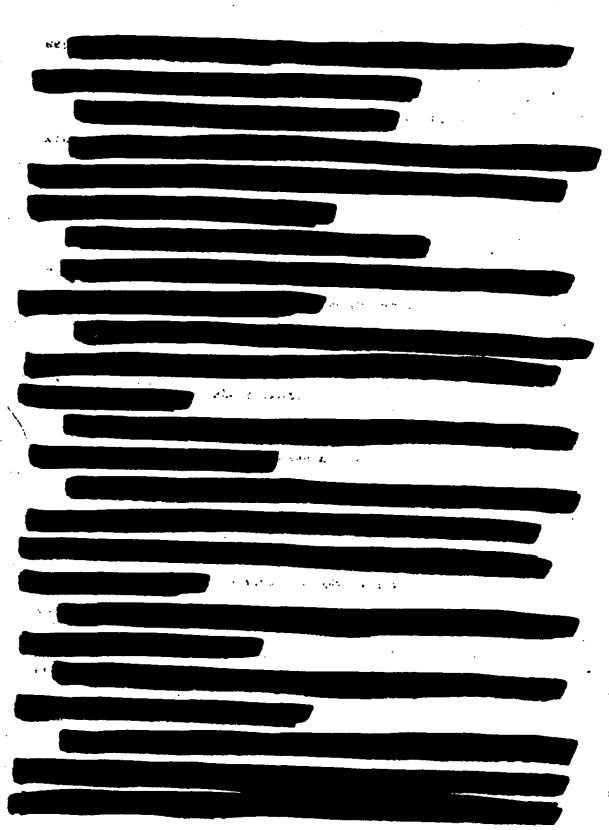
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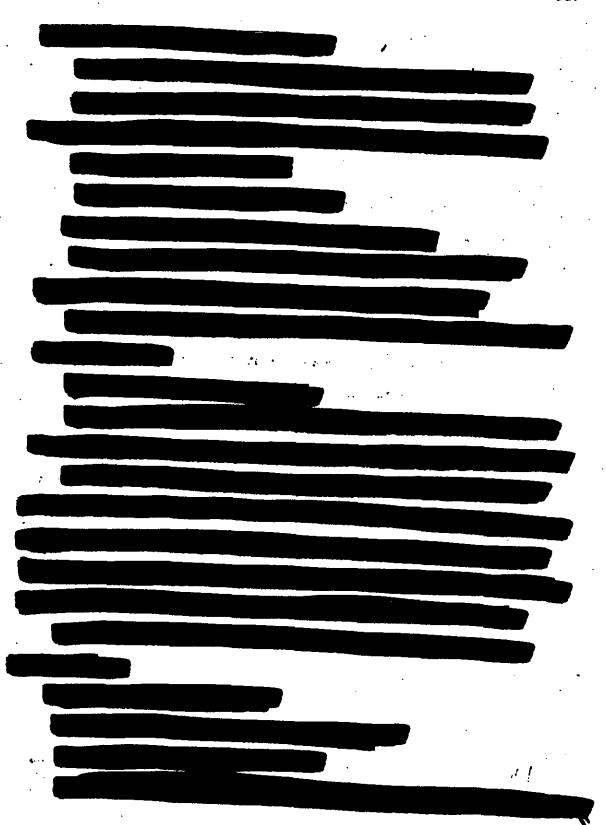
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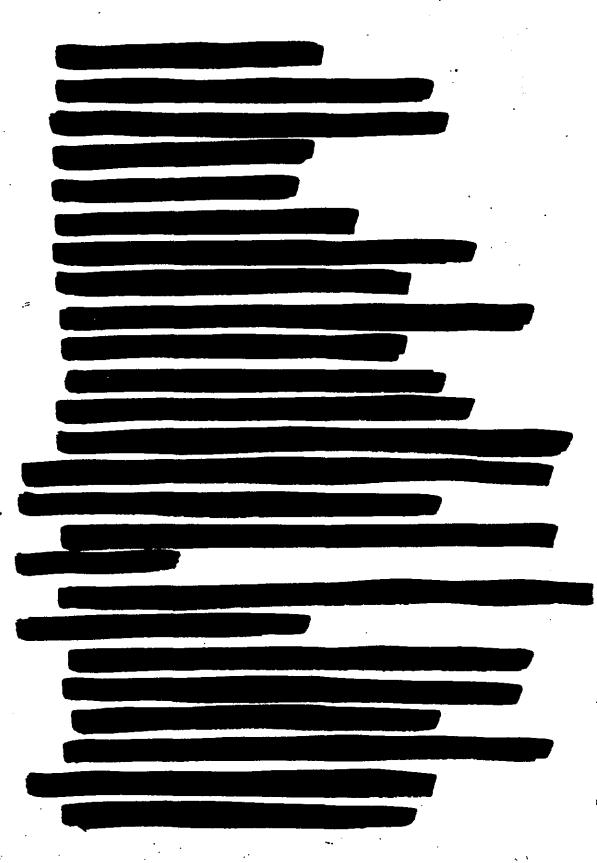
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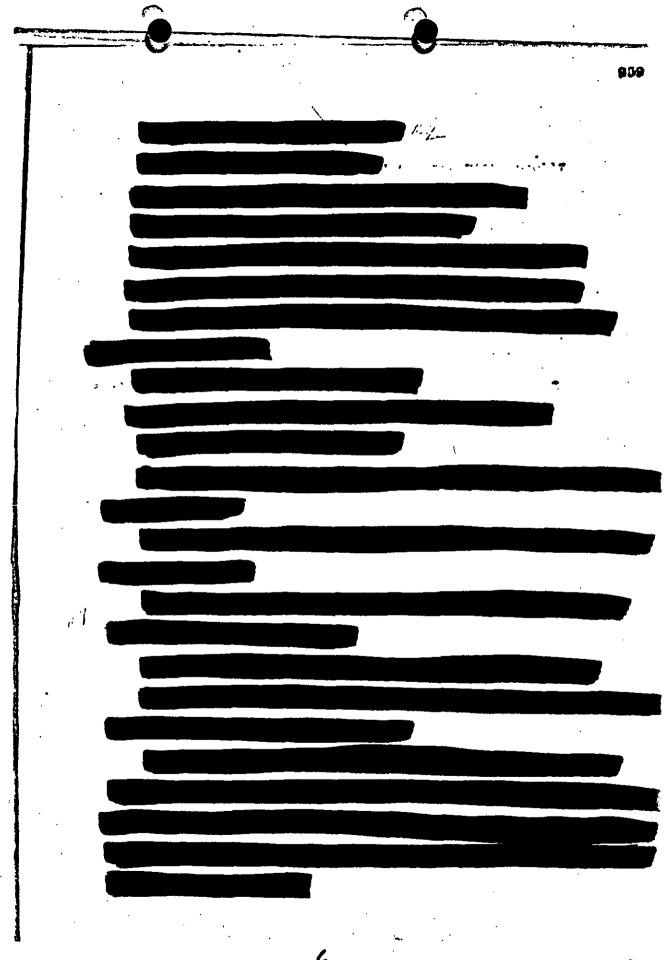


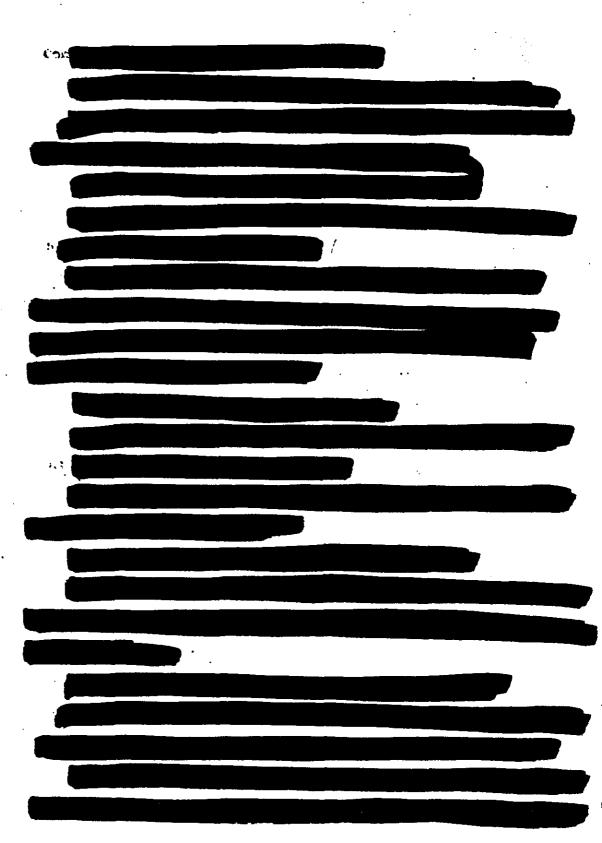


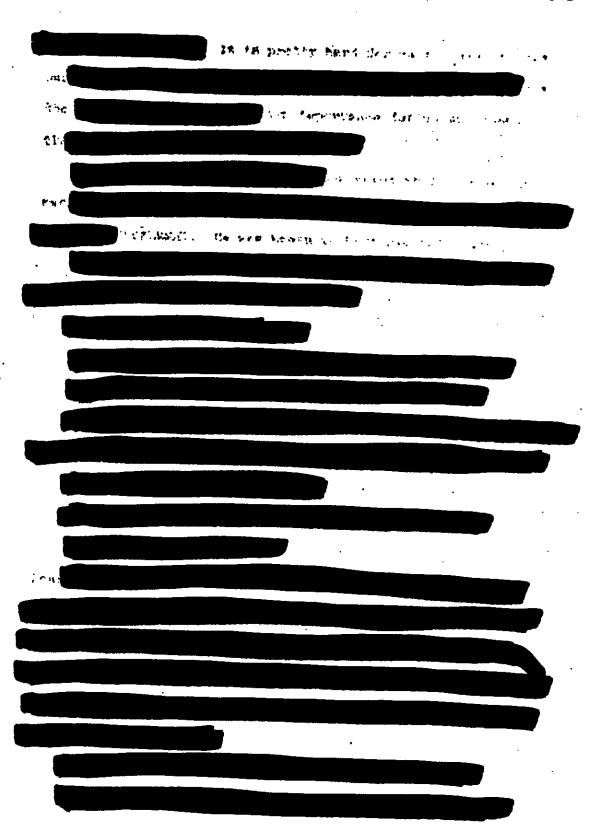


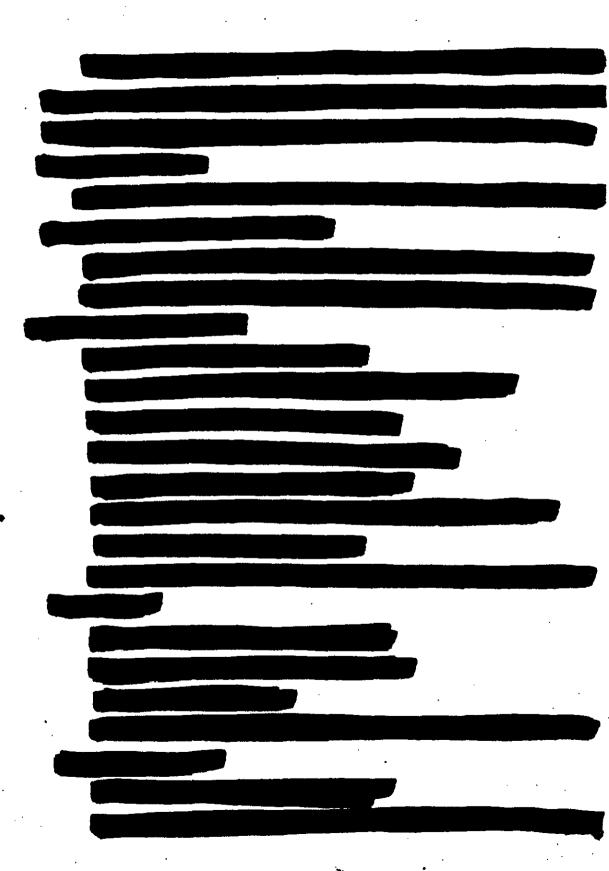




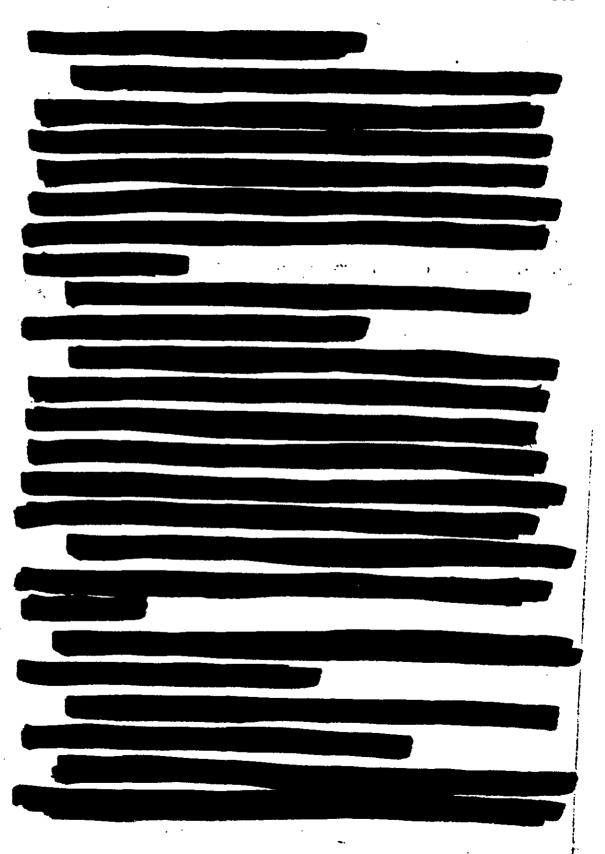


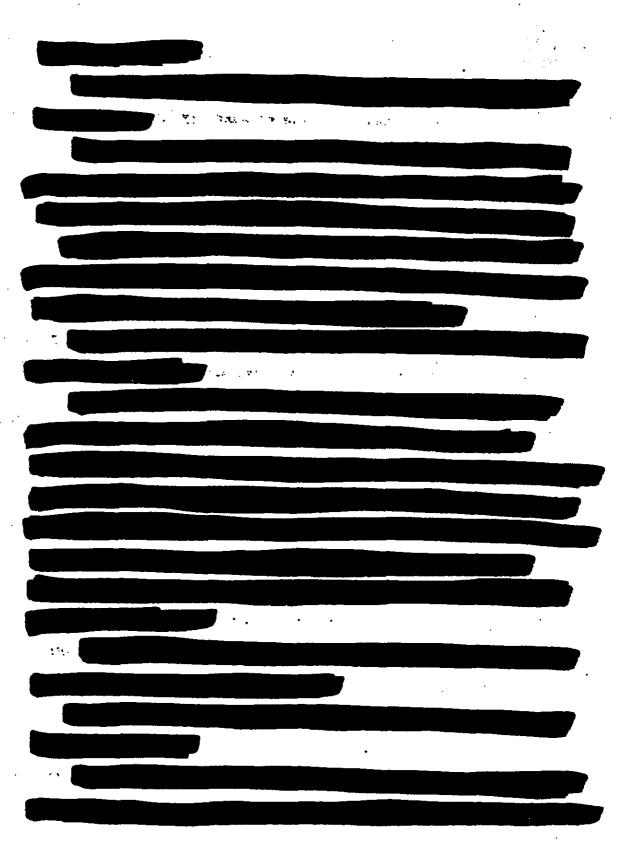


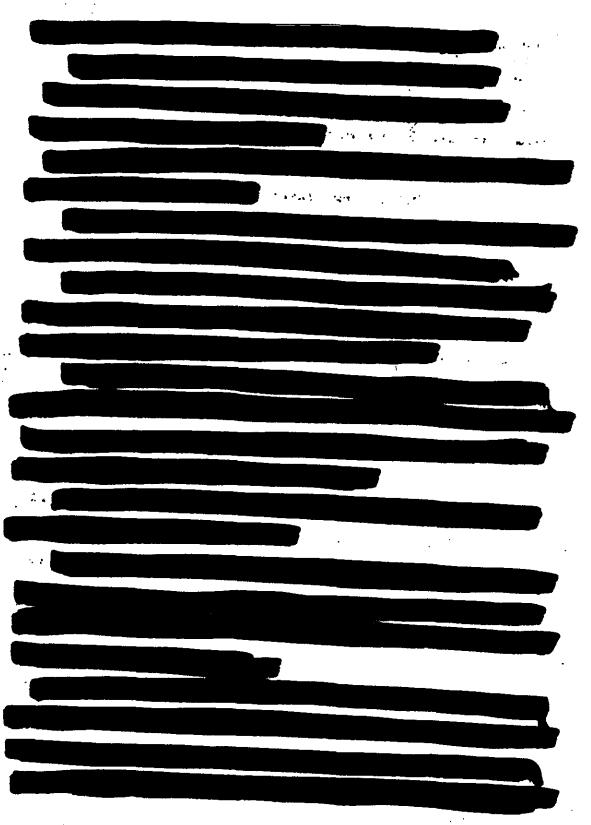




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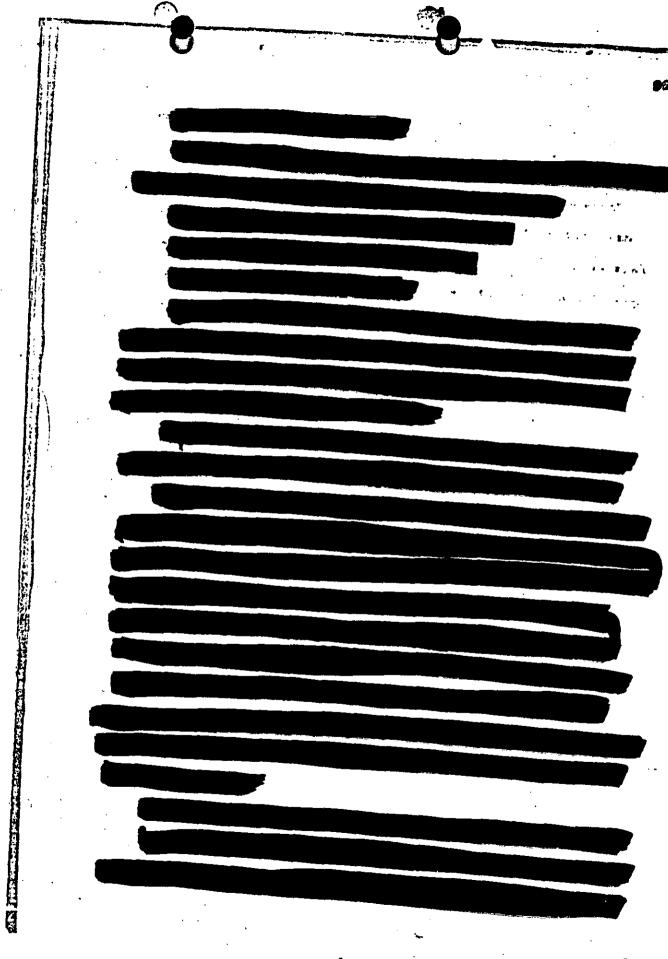


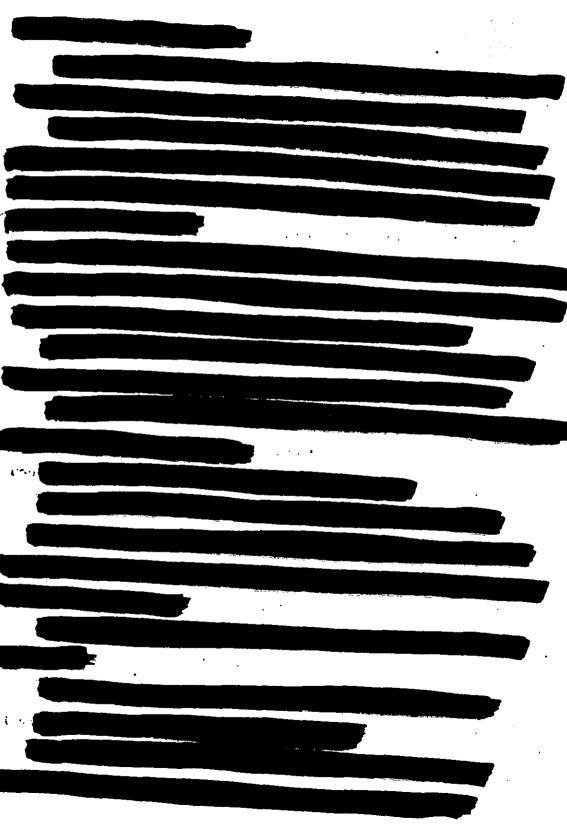


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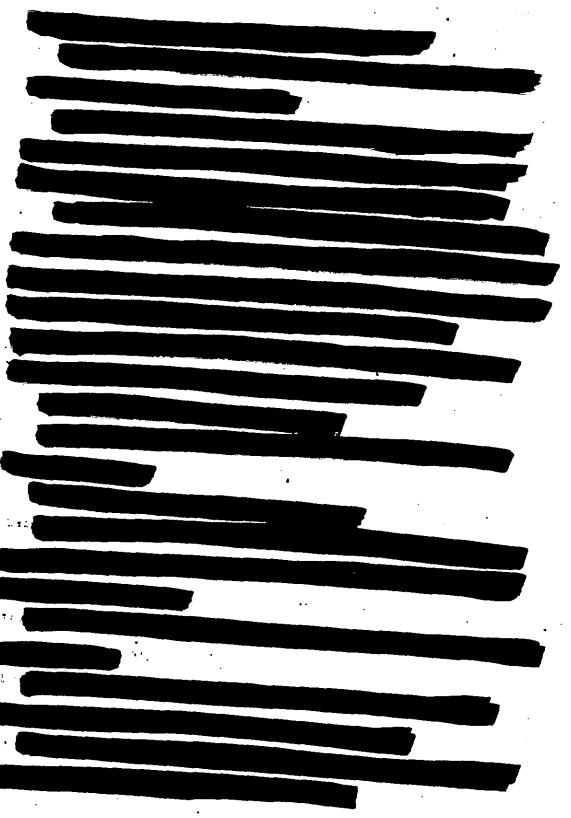
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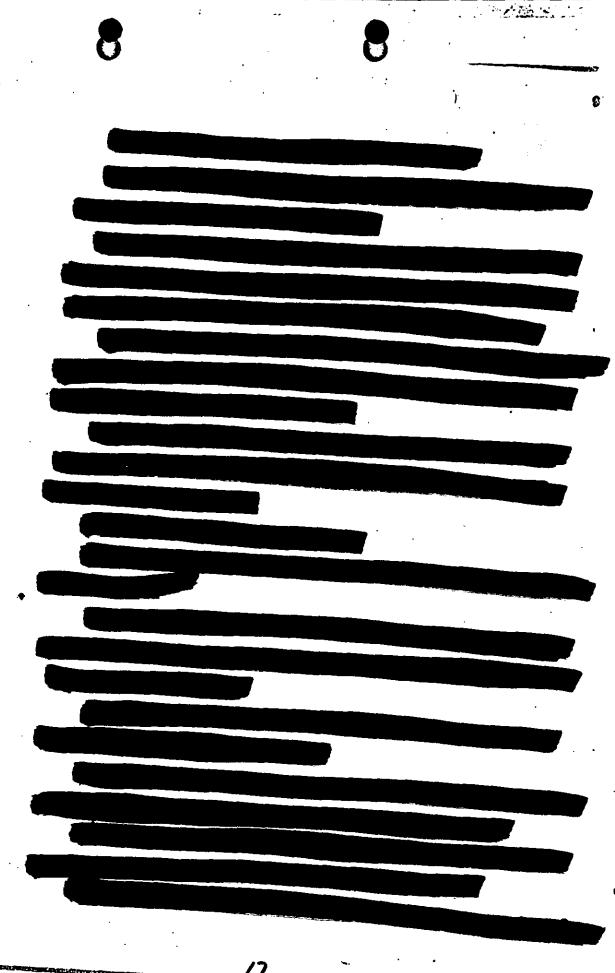
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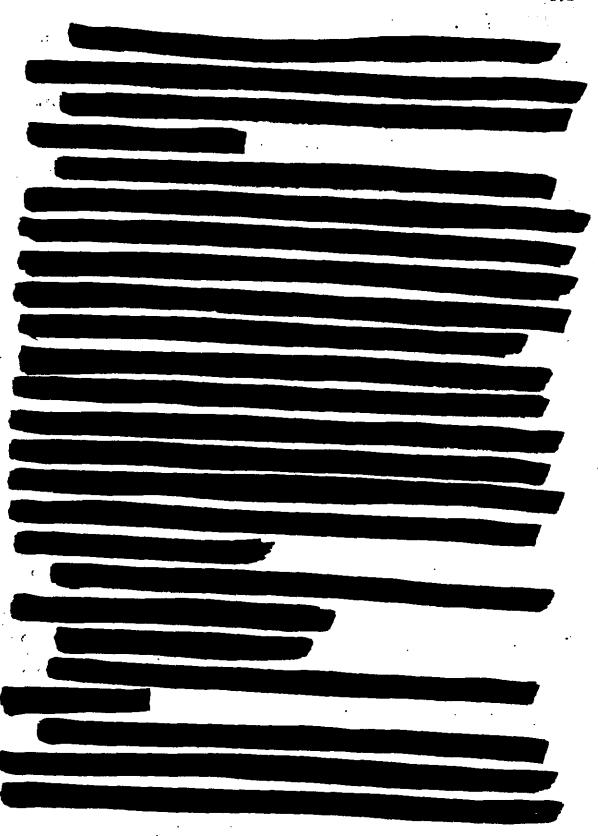
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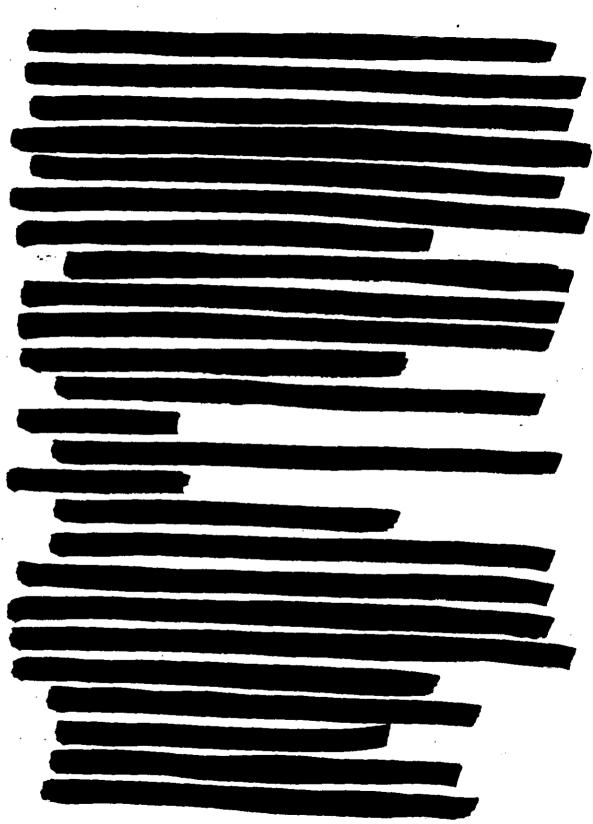
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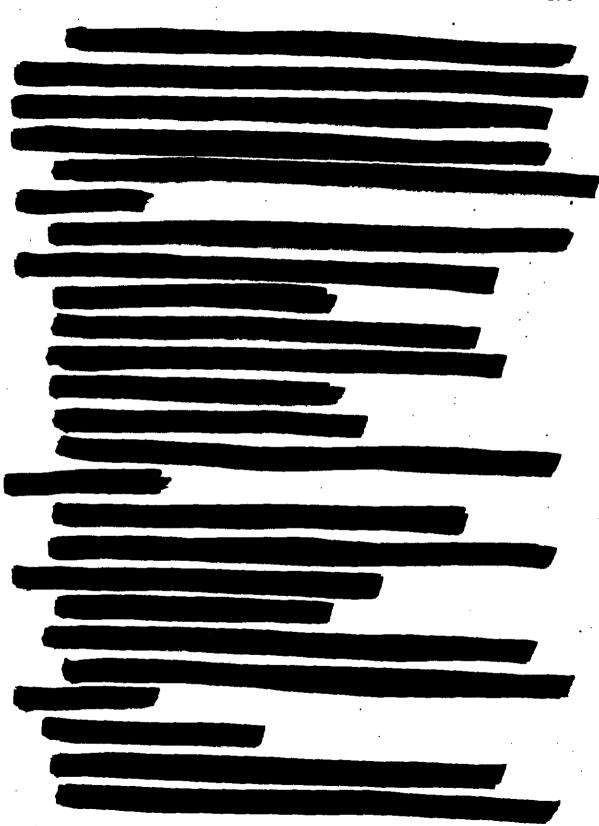
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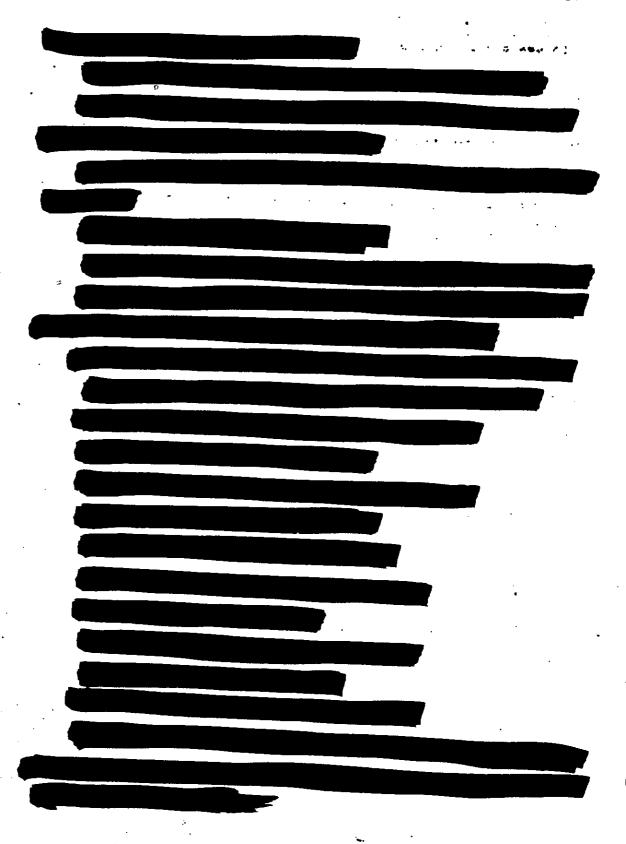
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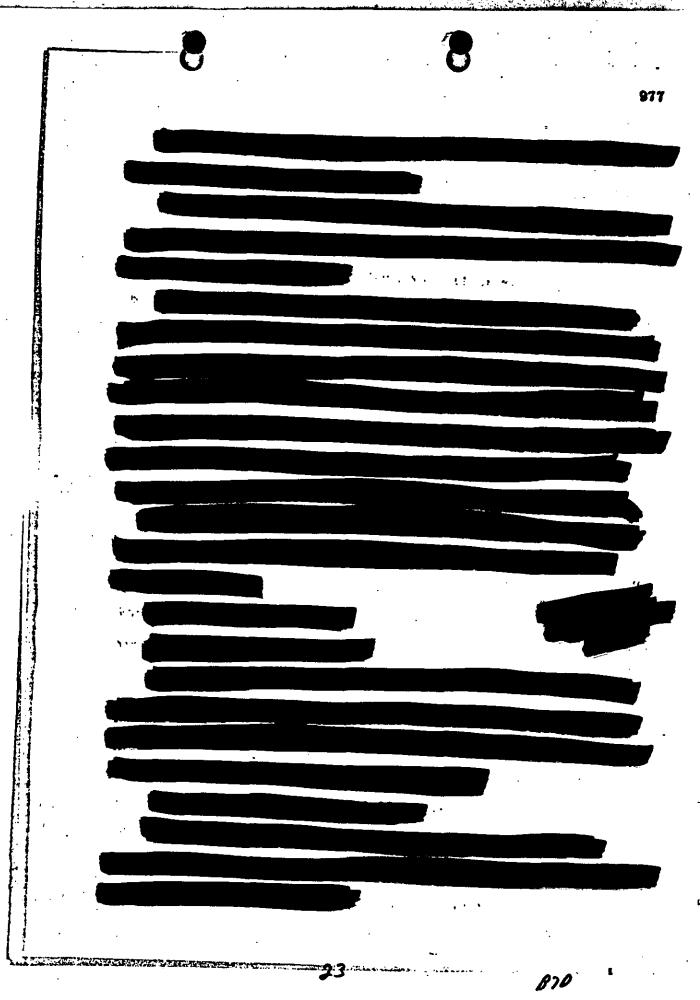
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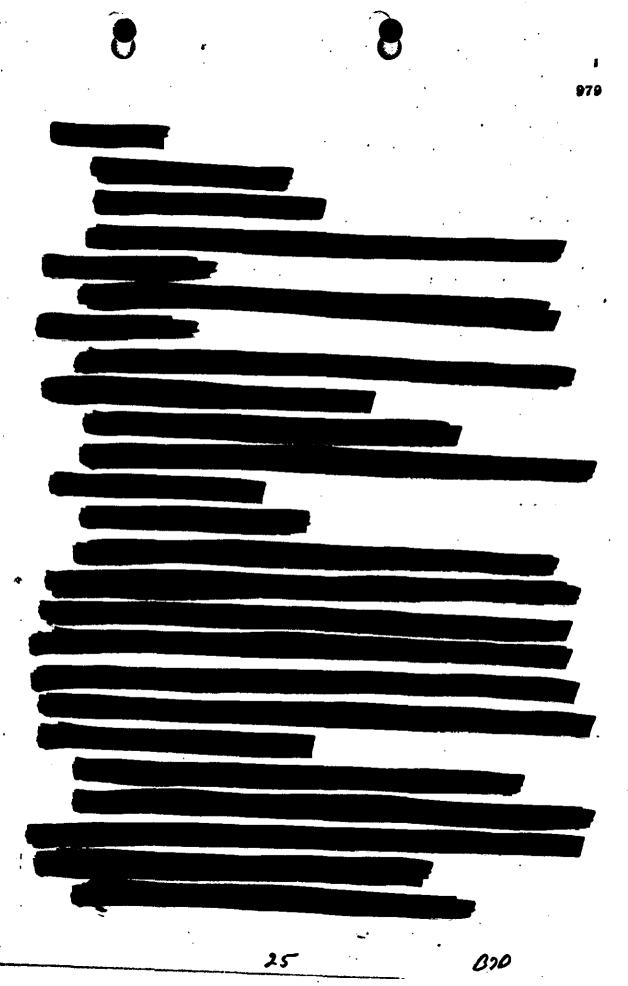




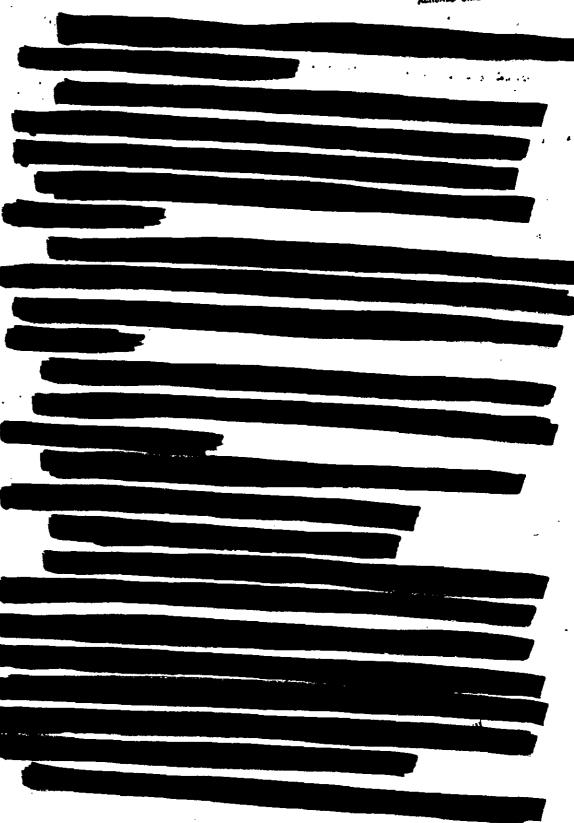
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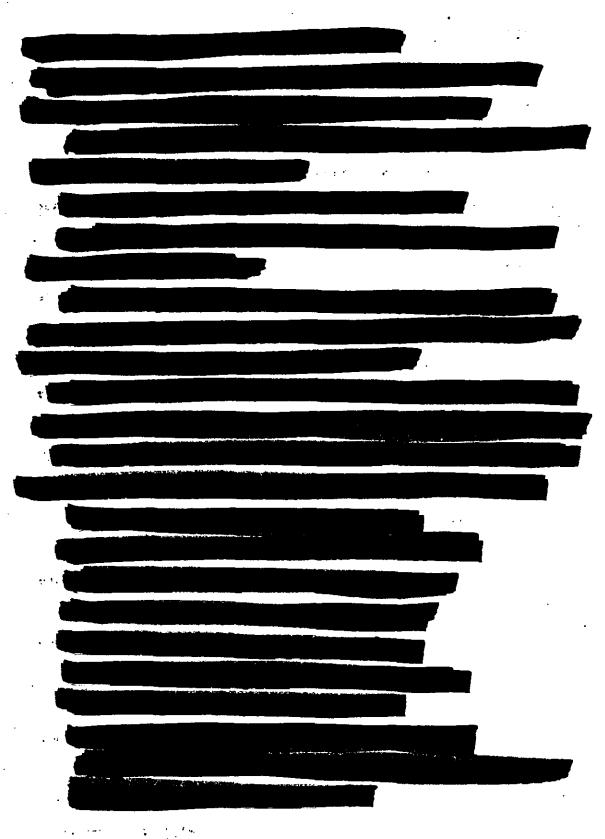
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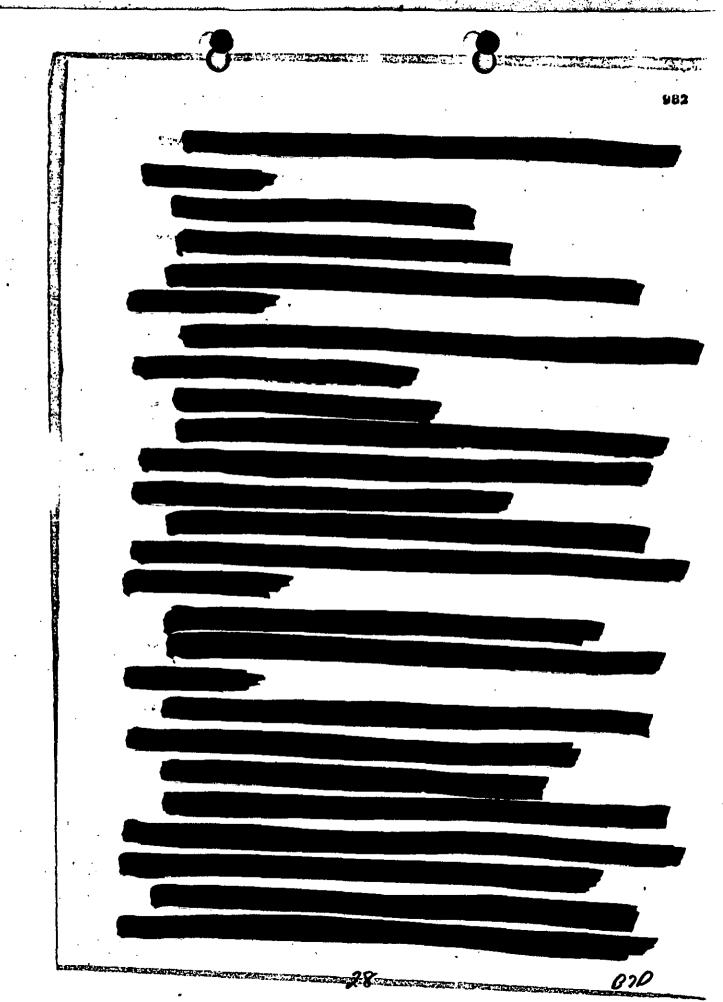
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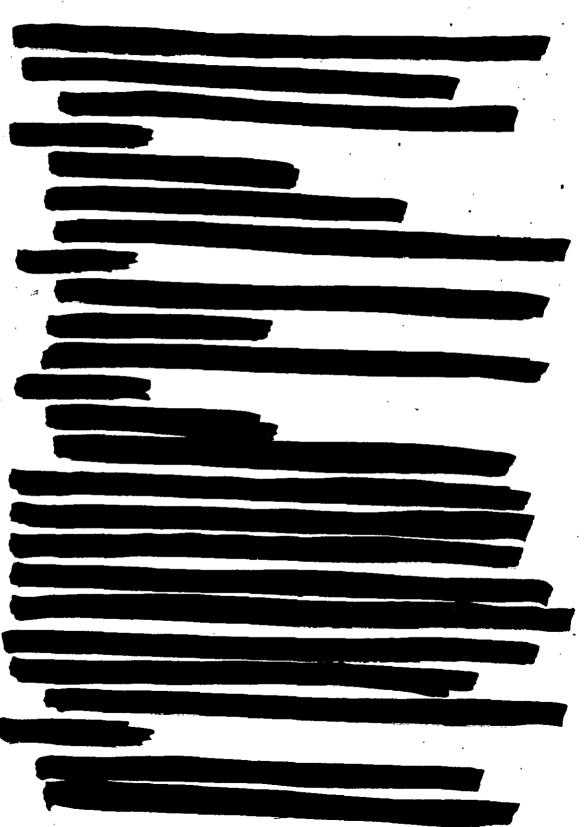


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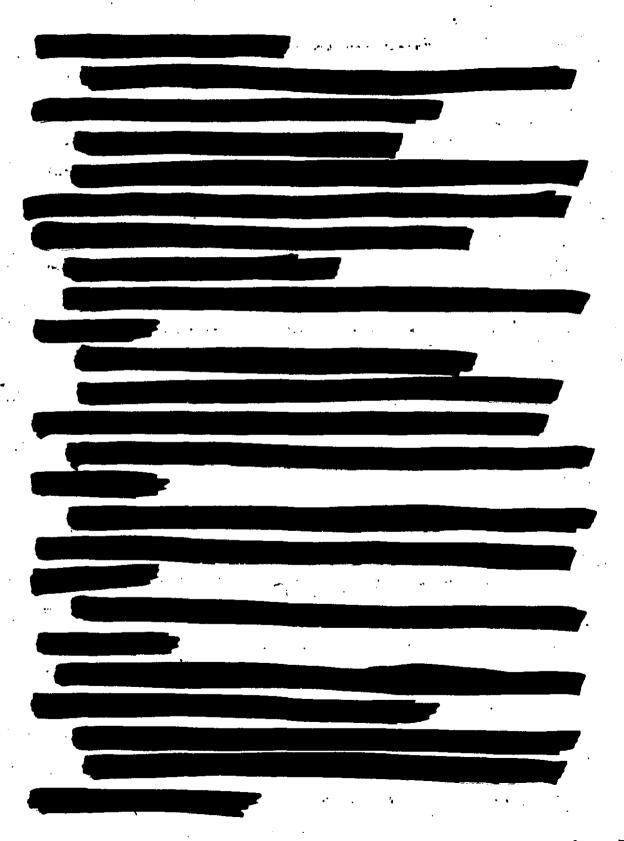


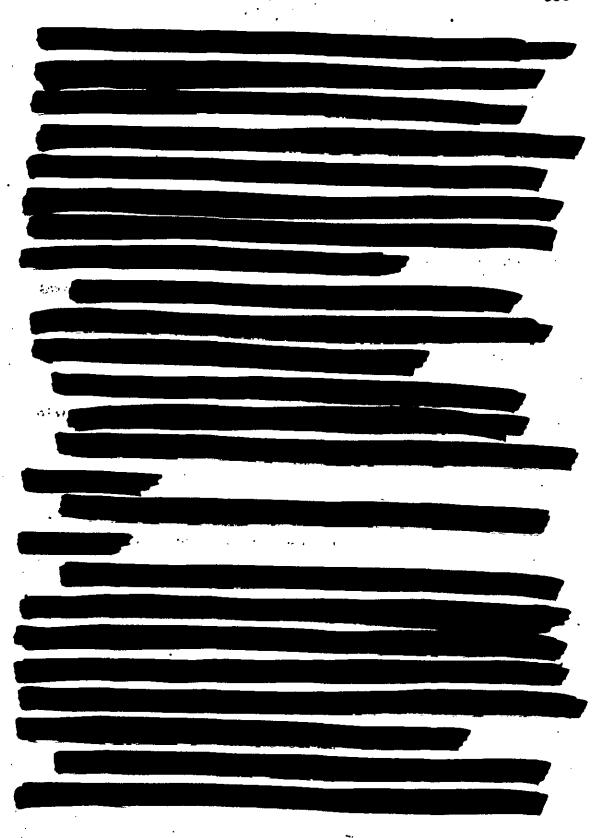


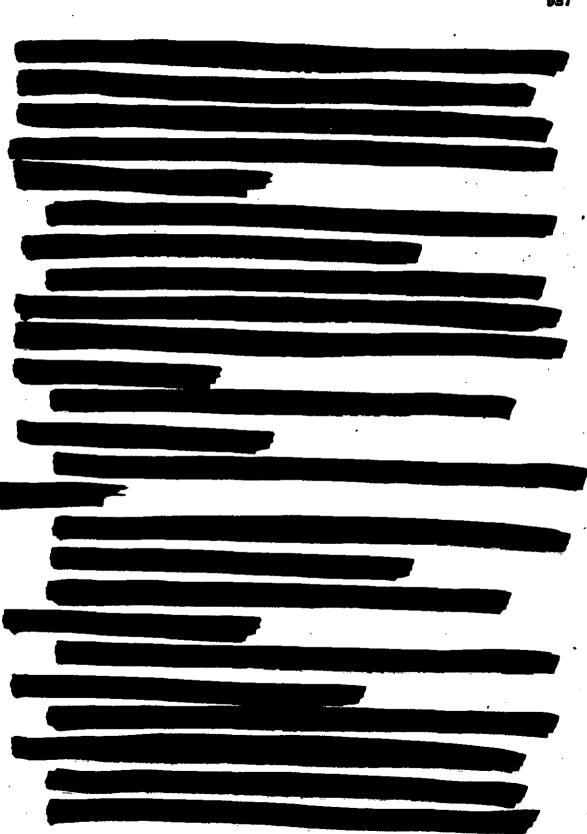


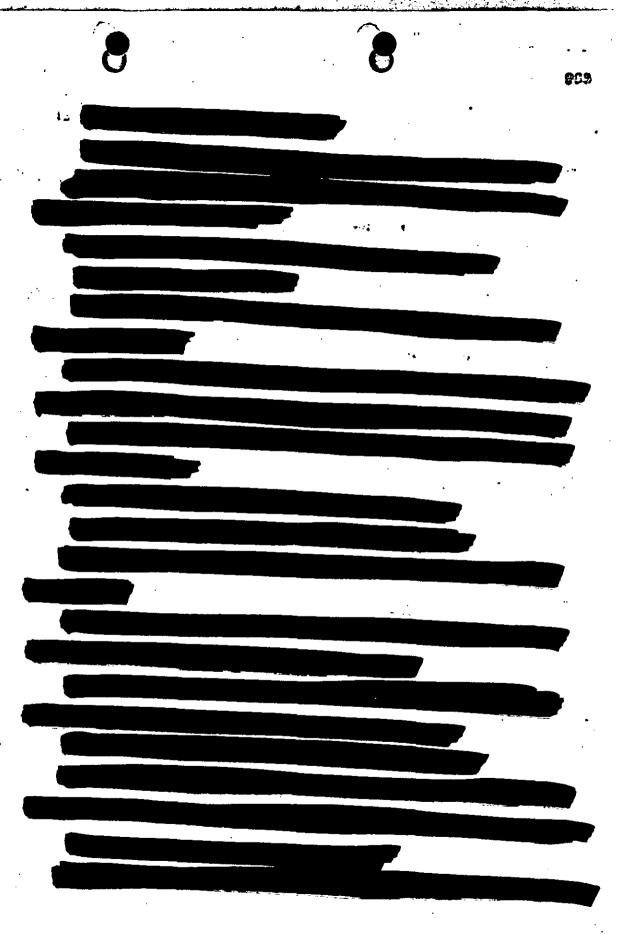


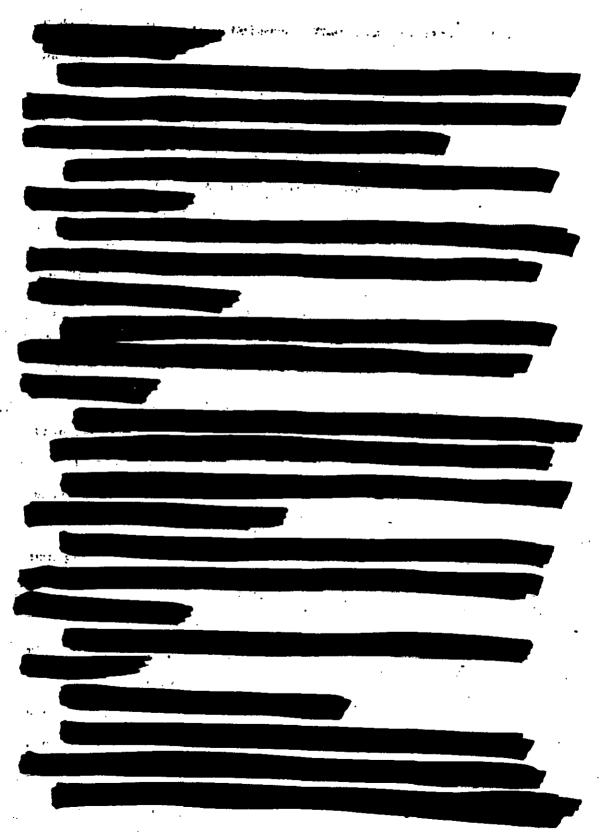








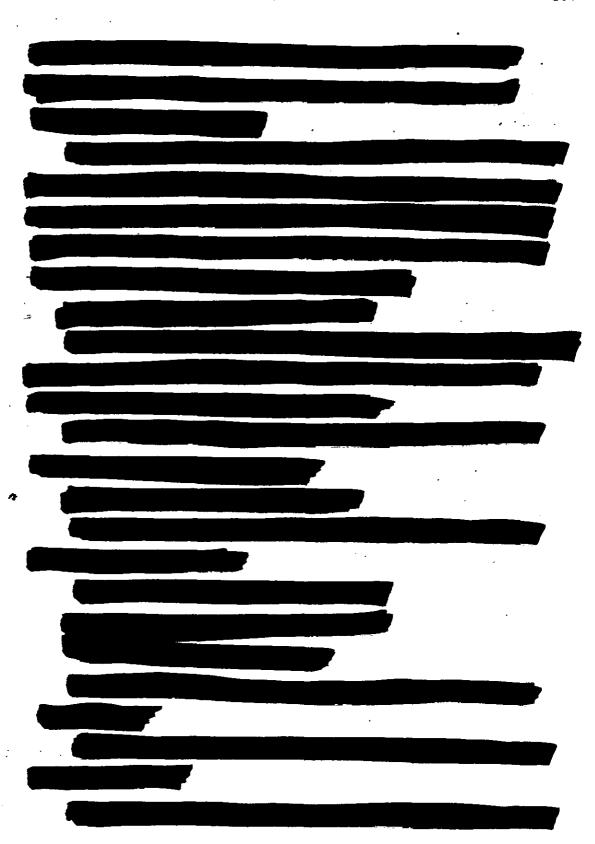


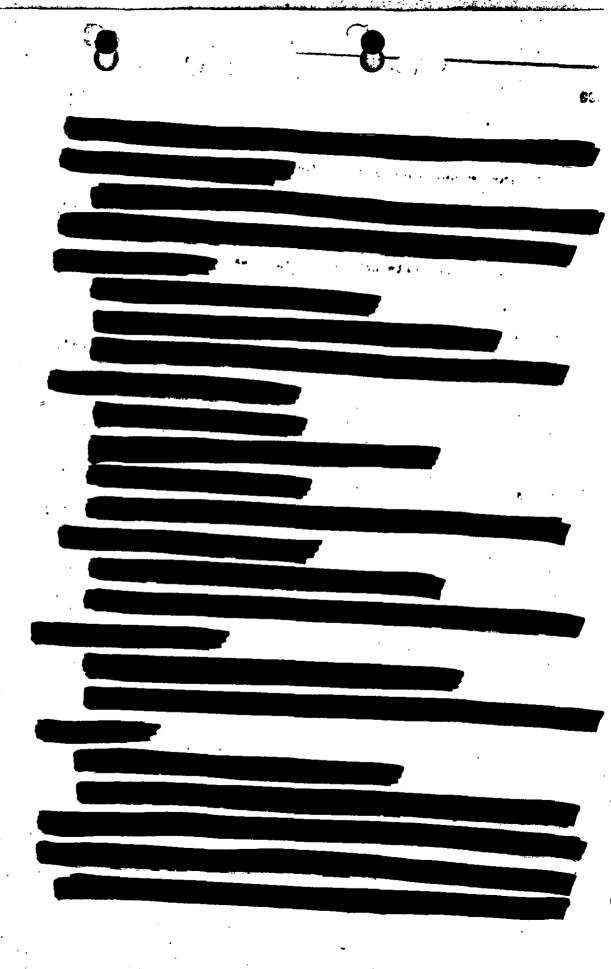


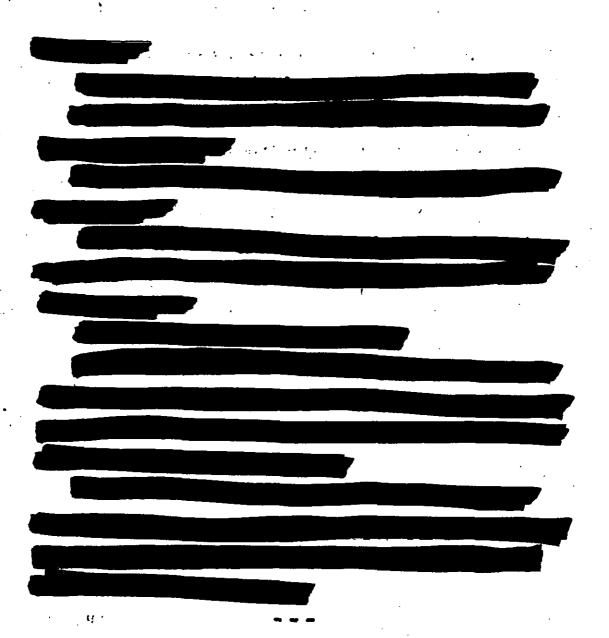
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Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: November 5. 1953

BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN SUBTRCT:

SEMONTEL

SECURITY MATTER - C Bufile 100-405752

Mr. F. J. Baumgardne

#### DETAILS:

The testimony of the captioned individual given before the McCarthy Committee on October 15, 1953, in Executive Session has been reviewed by Supervisor V. D. Harrington of the Internal Security Section. The subject was subpoensed by the McCarthy Committee in connection with its investigation of possible espionage at Fort Monmouth New Jersey, and the Federal Telecommunications Laboratories, Incorporated, Nutley, New Jersey. The testimony of the subject before the McCarthy Committee contains no additional information not already contained in the Bureau's files. The information given by the subject to the McCarthy Committee is contained in the subject's main loyalty file, Bureau file 121-27371, and in the case captioned "Morton Sobell, Espionage - R."101-2483-691, and 101-2483-787.

#### ACTION:

None. This is furnished for information.

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BENJAMIN ZUCKERVAN SECURITY MATTER - C

Rerep of Special Agent Joseph W. Lucca dated October 30, 1953.

As this case is one which is included in the "Semontel" project it must continue to receive preferred attention and the investigation must be brought to a logical conclusion as soon as possible. Newark is instructed to advise when the next report in this matter will reach the Bureau.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Subject not on the Security Index.

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Office Men & dum . United STARS GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR, FBI (100-405752) DATE: December 4, 1953 SAC, NEWARK (100-38462)SUBJECT: BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN SM \_ C Rebulet to Newark, dated 12/1/53. Report will be submitted to the Bureau 12/14/53. -D-206, neward, 12-14-53

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-405752)

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SAC, NEWARK (100-38462)

SUBJECT:

BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN. Was. SECURITY MATTER - C

Rerep of SA JOSEPH W. LUCCA dated 12/22/53 at Newark.

Authority is requested to interview captioned Subject in accordance with Bureau instructions pertaining to the interview of subjects of security matter investigations.

The following information is set forth in connection with this request:

- (1) The Subject presently resides at 1302 Turner Ave.. Wanamassa, N. J. He is employed at the Video Products Co. located at 42 West St., Red Bank, N. J. Subject's race is white.
- (2) Subject is married to one EDITH/PERLSON/ZICKERMAN. Information to date indicates Subject's wife to be engaged as a housewife at Subject's home.
- No evidence exists of CP membership on the part of the Subject. He has been associated with MORTON SOBELL in 1938, 1943 or 1944, 1948, and 1949. During his years of Government employment, the Subject was associated with persons of questionable loyalty.
- (4) No evidence of CP affiliation on the part of Subject's wife.
- (5) No evidence of CP affiliation on the part of Subject's relatives.
- No evidence of present sympathy on the part of the Subject, or his wife, toward the CP.

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(7) If authorization is obtained, the Subject will be reinterviewed (previous interviews of Subject conducted by New York office on 10/13/50 and 1/6/51) to ascertain his present knowledge of CP activities in the New Jersey Shore area; his knowledge of subversive activity or Communist influence at Fort Monmouth up until his employment at Fort Monmouth was terminated; and to determine Subject's sympathies toward the FBI.

If the Subject is cooperative and indicates that he possesses information of value, no affirmative steps will be taken during the initial interview to direct his activities, but a separate communication will be directed to the Bureau setting forth the results of the interview and requesting authority to recontact the Subject as a potential security informant or a source of information.

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TO \* DIRECTOR FBI (100-405752)

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FROM : SAC NEWARK (100-38462)

SUBJECT: RYNJAMIN ŽUCKERMAN, was. SECURITY MATTER - C

Re Newark letter to the Director dated 12/29/53. .

The subject was interviewed on 1/28/54 by SA HARVEY N. JOHNSON and SA JAMES A. MATLEY, Jr. The subject stated at this time that he was willing to cooperate in any way that he could with the FBI. He stated that he felt it was his responsibility to answer any questions and to freely supply any information in his possession which would help the Government and excressely the TBI in the defense of the United States.

The subject, however, stated that he felt he had received a "bad break" because of his association with MORTON SOBELL, MAX ELITCHER and others.

He stated that the only thing he felt that was actually held against him was his membership in/the Civil Liberties Union. He stated that he himself, had listed his membership in the Civil Liberties Union on his pag when applying for a Government mosition. He said that he never knew MAZ/FLITCHER, NORTON SORELL, AARON NOVIKOFF or WILLIAM DANZINGER as members of the CP.

He stated that if he knew that they were CP members he would never have lived with them in Washington, D.C.

Ty subject stated that he knew ATROX COLFMAN of Long Branch, N. J. and HFNRY JASCIK. New York City. He stated he mentioned these names because he has seen them in the paper and that there have been allegations that they are members of the CP. He stated that he does not know them as members of the CT and that he never had any discussions with them concerning the CT or any political discussions of any sort.

The subject stated that he had been suspended from the 3151st Electronic Group, Griffiss /ir Force Base, Rome, New York in October 1952. He stated that his letter of suspension which he exhibited to the interviewing Agents stated that he was being suspended for security reasons and that he was not being suspended because of any doubt as to his loyalty.

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The subject said that he is appealing the suspension. The subject stated AUG 14 19 The subject said the is appearing the factority responsibilities and that at this time he recognized the Government's security responsibilities and nersonally feels that the Government had a right in this case to suspend him on security grounds if the Government considered his associations a security

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He stated, however, that he is angealing the case on the grounds that many believe him to have been let so because of a doubt as to his loyalty. The subject stated that at this time he was never a CP member and was never interested in the CP.

He stated that he knows of no activity concerning the CP at Fort Monmouth and that he knows of no present activity on the part of the CP or any other subversive organization.

The subject stated at this time that he had agreered on two occasions before the "MC CARTHY Committee in New York City He stated that although he had a "rough time" on the first occasion, the Committee was very friendly to him on his second visit and he feels that they believed everything which he told them which was just a repetition of what he has already told the FBI.

The subject reiterated that he would be willing at any time to discuss his past activities with the representatives of the FBI but that he feels he has no real knowledge which would be of any benefit to the FBI.

The subject stated at this time that he is presently under Doctor's care and that because of his appearance of MC CARTHY Committee hearings and his suspension from his position at Rome, New York he has become afflicted with an ulcerous condition.

He said, however, that he would be willing to answer any specific questions but to him if it were necessary to the security of the country.

It is noted that the subject appeared at all times friendly and willing to cooperate with the FBI in every way that he could. It was also apparent that the subject was sincere and that he was trying his best to tell the facts as he saw them.

Unless advised to the contrary the subject will be recontacted as the no d arises for specific information concerning any of his associates or any other persons concerning whom he may have some information. Report follows.

## Office Memorandum • United STATES GOVERNMENT

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-405752)

DATE: 3/3/54

SAC, NEWARK

(100-38462)

BUBJECT: BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN, Was.

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Re report of SA JAMES A. HARLEY, JR., 3/3/54, Newark, 5 copies of which are enclosed.

The subject was interviewed 1/28/54 at which time he was very cooperative and willing to be contacted again if the need arose.

It is felt that the subject has no possibilities as a Potential Security Informant of the Newark Office because of the notoriety that he received as a witness at the Senate Investigating Committee Hearings held by Senator JOSEPH MC CARTHY in New York City. Subject, although cooperative, stated that he knows of no CP activity at Fort Monmouth and that, although associated with persons who have since been declared CP members, he did not know them as CP members and knows nothing of their present activities.

The subject also stated in this interview that he was in poor health and under a doctor's care because of his appearance before the MC CARTHY hearing.

This case is being placed in a closed status in the Nemark Office, and unless advised to the contrary, the subject will be contacted on specific instances on which he may possibly supply information as the need arises.

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SUBJECT: Zuckerman, Benj.

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In connection with the Semontel Case, CIC dossiers maintained by G-2, First Army, New York, were reviewed on a total of 667 individuals who are former or present employees or associates of former or present employees of the Army Signal Corps, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, and the Federal Telecommunications Laboratories, Nutley, New Jersey. Upon completion of the review of these CIC dossiers, the files of the Bureau and the Newark and New York offices were reviewed on each of the 667 individuals. These file reviews were completed on 10-12-53 and based on the results thereof, action was taken by the Bureau on a number of individuals involved, including the above-captioned subject. action taken relative to the captioned subject is indicated below by an "X":

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### ACTION:

This is for record purposes and should be filed in the subject's main file. A copy is being placed in the Semontel control file.

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ReBulet to New York, 3/12/57, captioned WUNDER-WOOD CORPORATION, Possible Communist Infiltration of Electronic Computer Division; INFORMATION CONCERNING

the Underwood Corporation, dated 12/1/54, reflected his permanent address as 111 Murray Drive, Westbury, New York.

SA ROBERT W. RENNEDY,
elicited the information that
the subject resided at the aforementioned address.

New York, New York, telephonically advised SA HERBERT

DARYLL CLOUGH, Jr., that as of 3/19/57, the subject's employ-

ment with the Electronic Computer Division was terminated.

Newark Office has furnished all pertinent information contained in its files regarding the subject to NYO, and has submitted an FD 128 to the Bureau changing the OO to NYO.

Since the subject's employment with the Electronic Computer Division has been terminated, and since the subject was cooperative when interviewed by the Newark Office on 1/28/54, and as there is no basis for conducting an investigation no further action is being taken by the NYO,

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SACs, Newark (140-1958) New York (140-6309) From: Director, FBI (140-13730) ABOV. BAN MESSIN WESSINGS PRINCIPLE Reductivel 2-20-50 and Newark airtel 2-28-58. New York is authorized to interview Louis Antell and Benjamin Zuckernen in accordance with referenced Howark sirtel. Interviews should be handled by experienced personnel. Control of the state of the sta ec: 1 - 140-1732 (Louis Antell) (7) - 121-27371 (Benjamin Zuckerman) (1) - 100-405752 (Benjamin Zuckerman) HOTE: Newark requested authority for New York to Interview Antell and Zuckerman who were formerly acquainted with Carl Greenblum. Purpose of interviews is to determine extent of association and contact between the employee and his wife, Sylvia, with Carl Greenblum. Antell was interviewed by Bureau agents 12-22-53 and Zuckerman was interviewed by Bureau agents 1-28-54. Both were cooperative during interviews. Antell employed in 1954 by Department of the Army, New York, New York, and CSC advised 11-8-54.

Antell "retained." Zuckerman employed in 1955 by Air Porce and OSC advised 4-15-55 that "favorable determination" eached in Zuckerman's case. No information located in ureau files that would make interviews inadvicable. 76 MAR 191958 NOT RECORDE DUPLICATE MAR - 4 1958 18 1958 87 MAR MAIL ROOM E MAILED