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NOTE ON YELLOW ONLY

This report has been reviewed by Supervisor and is believed to contain sufficient evidence of a violation of the Smith Act to warrant its presentation to the Department for a prosecutive opinion. A copy of this report has previously been made available to

Assistant Attorney General James W. Wolnerney

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New York submitted a proposed press release on Claudia Jones prior to her arrest June 20, 1951, That memorandum stated that she was born February 25, 1916. On the day prior to the arrest, I reviewed that memorandum for the purpose of checking its accuracy and changed the statement regarding her birth to reflect that she claimed to have been born February 21, 1915.

Claudia Jones was born in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, and it has not been possible to secure documentary evidence of her true birth date. Her file reflects several birth dates varying from 1915 to 1917. The dates which appear most frequently, however, are February 25, 1916, which appeared on her record of Junior High School #136, New York City, and February 21, 1915, which appeared on her record at Wadleigh High School, New York City, and on her alien registration form and fingerprint card executed in 1940. She has referred to both dates in her own admissions as to her birth date. Either date, therefore, is proper for use for/release purposes. I felt there was more weight behind the February 21, 1915, date.

RECOMMENDATION:

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Because both dates are backed up by admissions of the subject and as no birth certificate is available, I feel that either date could have been used properly. (EXCERPT * * * * *)

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report of Special Agent dated August 23, 1951, at New York, in the captioned matter.

Scholnick was indicted in New York City en June 20, 1951, for violation of the Smith Act.

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Inasmuch as informants are being re-contacted for additional information the supplemental prosecutive summary report in this matter will be delayed.

It is expected a report will be submitted to reach the Bureau by 11/9/51.

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The testimony furnished by SA reflected on Page 13 and 57 of rerep can also be obtained from "Daily Worker" articles and from testimony of as reflected in the enclosed report. Subject's participation in the 1950 and 1951 May Day Parades can be verified by an article in the "Daily Worker" and

It is noted that all material considered as pertinent and legally admissable evidence contained in subject's file and office indices since the initial report have been included in the enclosed.

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II. COMMUNIST PARTY CONNECTIONS

A. Circumstances Surrounding Admission to the Party

The July 1, 1951, issue of "The Worker", Harlem Edition, on page 4, columns 1 - 4, contained an article entitled "Negro Victims of FBI Raids Fought Brilliantly for Rights of Their People". The article contained biographical sketches of JAMES L. JACKSON, PETTIS LERY and CLAUDIA JONES. That part of the article concerning JONES read as follows:

"Miss JONES, 34, was born in the British Caribbean colony of Trinidad and came to New York with her parents at the age of eight. She attended Harlem public schools and Hunter College, leaving school in the midst of the depression after a brilliant scholastic record.

"As a part of the so-called 'Lost Generation' of depression, Miss Jones refused to despair. She witnessed young people fighting for the right to jobs and life on the New Deal work probram. She was stirred by the cries of 'Free the Scottsboro Boys!' She was encouraged by organizations of the youth which fought against Negro discrimination and she was convinced that victories could be won when she became part of the joyous throng who greet four of the freed Scottsboro defendants in 1937. She became a Communist, a builder of youth, of the Negro people and America.

"Miss Jones edited The Champion, the newspaper of the Young Communist League and was active in the American Youth Congress. James carey, now the arch-red-baiter of the CIO hierarchy, was then the chairman of the Youth Congress."

Exhibit #1: "The Worker", Harlem

Edition, July 1, 1951

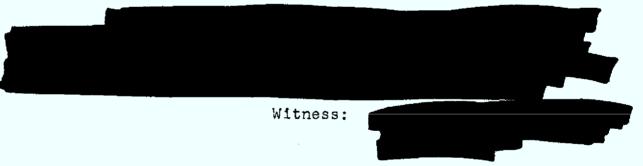
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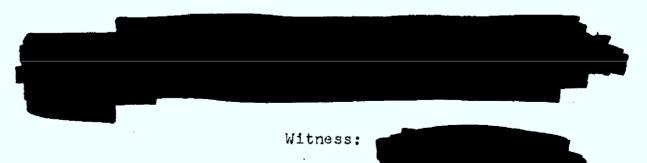
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The January 1, 1951 issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 1, column 1 contained an article which reflected that JONES was one of the nine alternate members of the Communist Party National Committee elected at the recent Communist Party National Convention. JONES was also described in the article as Secretary of the National Women's Commission.

Exhibite #2: "Daily Worker"

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The June 17, 1951 issue of "The Worker", the Sunday edition of the "Daily Wroker", in Section 2 contained an article also reflecting the information stated in the January 1, 1951 issue of the "Daily Worker".

Exhibit #3: "The Worker"

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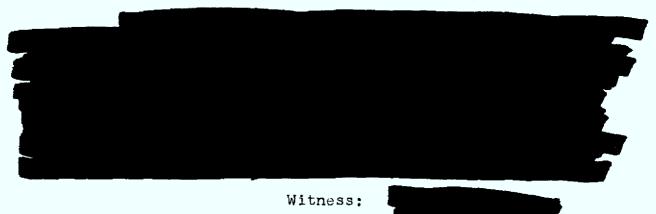
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The August 16, 1951, issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 1, column 2 to 5 and on page 6, column 3, contains an account of the above described "Mother BLOOR's" funeral services.

Exhibit //4: "Daily Worker"

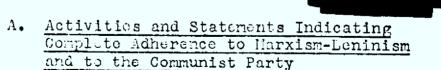
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The March 17, 1946 issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 13, columns 4 and 5 contained an announcement of a rally to be held at the Golden Gate Ballroom, Lenox Avenue and 104th Street, New York City. The rally was under the auspices of the Communist Party of Harlem and the "Daily Worker". JONES was listed as a speaker.

Exhibit #5: "Daily Worker"

March 17, 1946

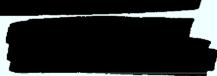
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The April 15, 1949 issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 5, column 4 contained an invitation from ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and CLAUDIA JONES to attend a reception to honor the wives of the eleven Communist Party leaders who were then on trial in New York City for violation of the Smith Act. The announcement stated that the affair was to be held on April 25, 1949 at the Hotel McAlpin in New York City under the sponsorship of the Women's Civil Rights Commission.

Exhibit #6:

"Daily Worker"

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The March 19, 1950 issue of the "Daily Worker", Harlem Edition, on page 14, column 2 contained a report of a meeting of the Harlem Regional Committee of the Communist Party held at the United Mutual Auditorium, 310 Lenox Avenue, New York City. The article listed CLAUDIA JONES as a speaker and described her as "Secretary of the National Women's Commission".

Exhibit #7: "Daily Worker"

March 19, 1950

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The May 2, 1951 issue of the "Daily Worker" contained an article concerning the May Day Parade held May 1, 1951 in New York City under the sponsorship of the United May Day Committee. The article stated that JONES along with other members of the National Committee of the Communist Party reviewed the parade.

Exhibit #8: "Daily Worker"

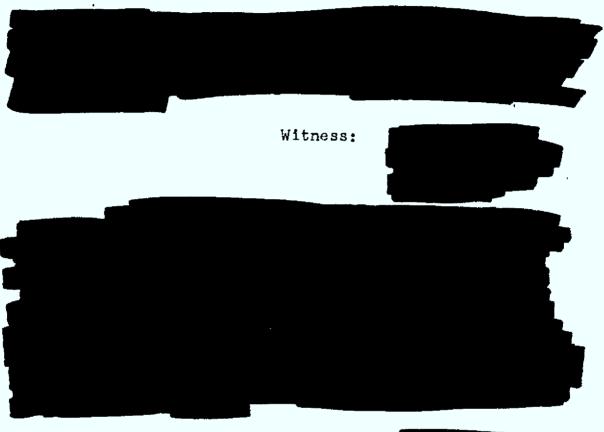
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Witness:



The September 19, 1951 issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 3, columns 1 and 2 announced the above mentioned rally and listed JONES as a speaker.

Exhibit #9:

"Daily Worker" September 19, 1951

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The September 24, 1951 issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 3, column 5 also announced the above rally. The article listed JONES as a speaker and described her as an alternate member of the National Committee.

Exhibit #10: "Daily Worker"

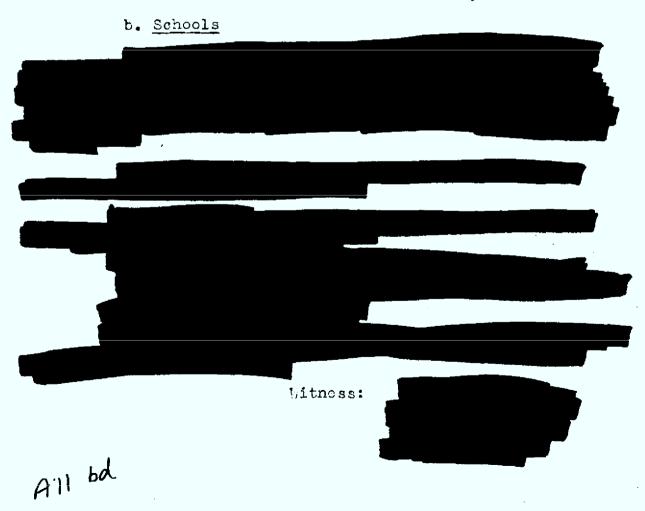
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VI. APPENDIX I - EXHIBITS

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"The Worker", Exhibit π 1: Harlem Edition, July l, 1951. Referred to 2 on page: "Daily Worker" Exhibit #2: January 1, 1951 Referred to on page: 3 Exhibit #3: "The Worker" June 17, 1951. Referred to on page: 3 Exhibit #4: "Daily Worker" August 16, 1951 Referred to 5 on page: Exhibit #5: "Daily Worker" March 17, 1946 Referred to 7 on pare: Exhibit 6: "Daily Worker" April 18, 1949 Referred to on page: 7 Exhibit #7: "Daily Worker" March 19, 1950 Referred to

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Reference the prosecutive summary report of Special Agent dated August 23, 1951, and the supplemental prosecutive summary report of Special Agent dated November 23, 1951, in the captioned matter.

A review of rereps reflects that Scholnick was formerly the editor of the "ICL Review" and the American Youth for Democracy publication "Spotlight." The issues of these publications, published while Scholnick was editor. should be reviewed for material showing adherence to the principles of Marxism-Leninism. Even though the articles were not written by the subject, they will be of value in showing that she had knowledge of the illegal aims and purpose of the Communist Party.

It is also noted that the subject was for a time = the National Education Director of the ICL. An attempt : should be made to develope information concerning the classes held, texts used, outlines prepared, etc. by the ICL during this period. While information reflecting the subject's active participation in such a program would be desirable, information concerning the program itself might be used to show knowledge on her part of the illegal aims and purposes of the Communist Party.

The Bureau files reflect that the subject is the uthor of the following pamphlets:

(1) "Jim Crow in Uniform" - New Age Publishers.

(2) "Lift Every Voice for Victory" - New Age Prolishers, June, 1942.

(3) WAn Engitaithe Neglect of the Problems of the Negro Woman" - reproduced from

"Pofithed Affairs," June 1949. (4) "For New Approaches to our Work Among Women" reprint from "Political Affairs." August, 1948.

If you have not already done so, you should eview the above pamphlets for information pertinent to this trial.

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Agent The following changes in the report of Special were made at the Bureau.

In view of the imminence of the trial of the subject, your additional investigation should be conducted immediately and a supplemental prosecutive summary report should be submitted to reach the Bureau by January 5, 1952.

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To : Director FBI (100-72999)

DATE: Nov. 26, 1951

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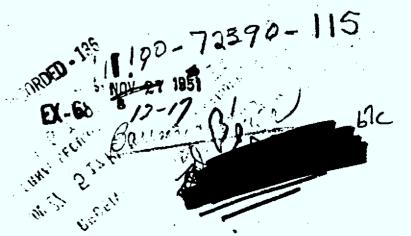
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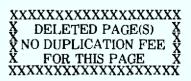
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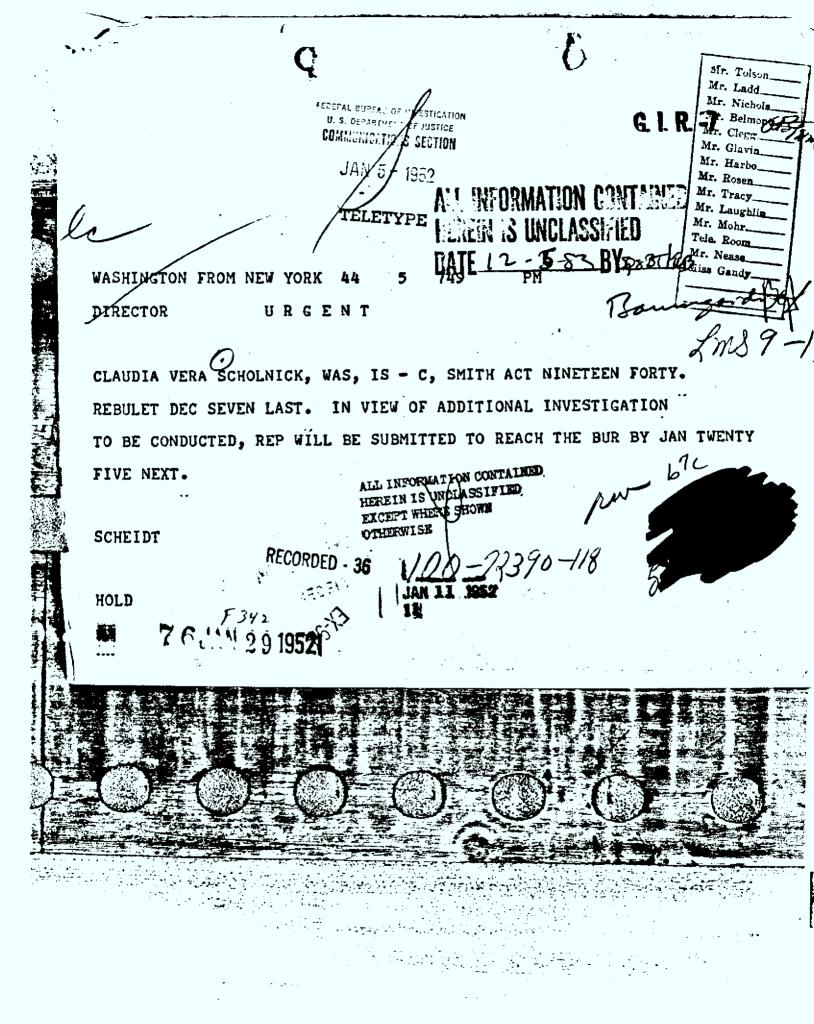


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There is being enclosed herewith six (6) copies of the Supplemental Prosecutive Summary Report dated 2/7/52 at New York, New York.

It is noted that relet requests a review of the American Youth for Democracy "Spotlight" and of the Young Communist League "Review" during the years G.I.R.-6

Special Assistant to the Attorney General JAMES V. RYAN advised he was desirous of obtaining a copy of every writing attributed to the subject. This request is presently being complied with. However, Mr. RYAN was of the opinion that articles by other individuals appearing in the above publications, unless they were extremely revolutionary, would not be sufficiently strong evidence to use in the case against the subject.

The list of writings set forth in relet were located. The articles and a summary of their content is set forth in the enclosed report.

It is noted that two articles from "Political Affairs" which were also published in pamphlet form were not located in the pamphlet form. However, a summary of the article "For New Approaches to our Work Among Women" appearing in the August, 1948 issue of "Political Affairs" is set forth in the summary report of SA dated August 23, 1951.

A summary of the article, "An End to the Neglect of the Problems of the Negro Woman" appearing in the June, 1949 issue of "Political Affairs" is set forth in the enclosed report.

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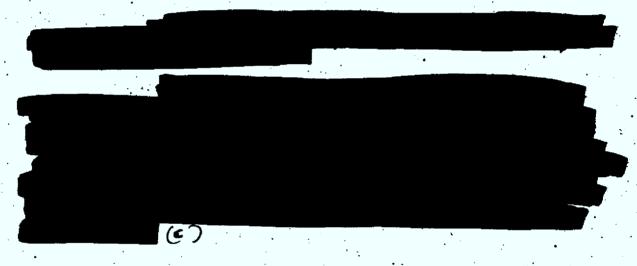
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It is noted that in the enclosed report information is set forth that CLAUDIA JONES was at one time a Young Communist League organizer in the Middle West. The Bureau is requested to furnish this office with any information which would tend to prove the subject's position as organizer.

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the enclosed report are as follows:



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I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONTINUE VIAL

E. Chronological History of Residence

The subject resided at the following addresses up to June, 1935:

112 West 128th Street New York City

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252 St. Nicholas Avenue New York City

404 St. Nicholas Avenue New York City

145 West 117th Street New York City

239 West 148th Street New York City

20 East 117th Street New York City

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Exhibit #1: Records of Public School number 136, New York City School.

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II. COMMUNIST PARTY CONNECTIONS

B. History of Communist Party Activities and Positions Held

The April 30, 1937 issue of the "Daily Worker," page 6, columns 4 and 5 contained a photograph of CLAUDIA JONES describing her as a New York member of the Young Communist League.

Exhibit #2:

"Daily Worker" April 30, 1937, page 6, columns

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CLAUDIA JONES was a member of the National Executive Committee of the Young Communist League.

Exhibit #3:

"Baily Worker"

September 15, 1937

page 5.

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CLAUDIA JONES was Educational Director of the New York State Young Communist League.

Exhibit #4:

"Daily Worker"
January 4, 1941,
page 4, columns

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CLAUDIA JONES was the National Educational Director of the Young Communist League.

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"Daily Worker"
July 21, 1941,
page 2, columns
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CLAUDIA JONES was the Harlem Organizer and the Mid-west Organizer of the Young Communist League.

Exhibit #6: "Daily Worker"

December 28, 1951 page 4, column 1

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On September 13, 1948, CLAUDIA JONES was afforded a hearing at the Office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, before the Honorable W. J. WYRSCH, Presiding Inspector, and EDWARD P. MANUEL, the Examining Inspector.

The hearing accepted in evidence Alien Registration Form AR-2 number 5826629 executed by JONES on December 24, 1940 at Brooklyn, New York. On this form JONES listed her employer as the Young Communist League, 35 East 12th Street, New York City and stated that the business of the Young Communist League was "educational activities of young people."

Under Item 10 on this form which states,
"I am or have been within the past five years engaged in
or intended to be engaged in the following activities,"
JONES stated, "Young Communist League, 35 East 12th
Street, New York, New York."

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On a supplemental sheet of AR-2 also executed on December 24, 1940 and referred to as form AR-2-A in a continuation of Item number 10 above, JONES lists additional information concerning her association with the Young Communist League. She stated that she was a member from 1936 to the present, she was presently State Educational Director, she was formerly State Chairman and that she was a member of the National Council of the Young Communist League.

JONES was also given a hearing at the Office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City on February 16, 1950.

Exhibit #7: Records of INS,

United States
Department of
Justice.

Witness to Introduce:

Commissioner, INS, US Department of Justice

The April, 1938 issue of the Young Communist "Review" listed the following article concerning education of the Young Communist League. The article was captioned "Our Twelve Week Course of Study." The article states as follows:

"In some places the theory actually developed that the Young Communist League as a non-Party organization should not teach Marxism-Leninism."

The article then spoke of the criticism of the National Board of the Young Communist League toward such tendencies and states, "The teaching of Marxism-Leninism is the main function of the Young Communist League as an educational organization. The problem is not where we shall teach Marxism, but how shall we teach it."

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The article states, "The basic task that confronts us today is the education of the youth and the spirit of Marxism-Leninism during the birth and growth of the democratic front as the transitional stage to the People's front."

The article explains that the National Board has prepared a twelve week course which every advanced member is expected to take. The article states that "only a thorough mastery of the sciences of Marxism-Leninism can enable us to find our bearings in the broad movement and help us to guide it on the road towards socialism."

Exhibit #8: Young Communist

League "Review" April, 1938, pages

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III. KNOWLEDGE OF THE ILLEGAL OBJECTIVE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY

A. Evidence Showing Subject's Adherence to Advocacy of the Principles of Marxism-Leninism

The January 4, 1941 issue of the "Daily Worker" page four, column three, stated "'Young Communist League Leader Lauds Workers School Value as Educational,' by CLAUDIA JONES, Educational Director, Young Communist League, New York State."

The article reads as follows:

"All of us in the Young Communist League are deeply conscious of the fundamental purpose of our organization to build character and educate youth in the spirit of socialism, as Comrade BROWDER has so beautifully expressed it."

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The article goes on "you don't have to depend for our education entirely upon our own efforts. The Workers School provide us with an established, well functioning institution, a staff of experienced Marxist teachers, and a tradition of seventeen years activity in the field of workers education.

"Two special classes for young people of special importance to YCL'ers have been arranged for Tuesday evenings. One will be a class on trade unionism to be taught by RICHARD ALLEN. The other will be a thorough study of the history of the Communist Party, Soviet Union, to be taught by JOE KLARK.

"A six months course of two terms in 'Political Economy' and a course in 'Imperialism and World politics' are invaluable for understanding the economic causes underlying the present imperialist war. Four courses in American history and a thorough and comprehensive course on the Negro question presenting a Marxist analysis of our great American traditions and throw light on the most burning problems confronting our country today. Other courses deal with special aspects of Marxism-Leninism theory, trade unionism, public speaking, English, mimeographing technique and the like.

"Of special importance to new members of the Young Communist League is a course on 'Principles of Communism'which offers something of a hird's eye view of Communist theory, and thus serves as a guide to further study."

Exhibit #4: "Daily Worker"

January 4, 1941 Page 4, column 3

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IV. OVERT ACTS COMMITTED BY THE SUBJECT IN FURTHERANCE OF THE AIMS OF THE CONSPIRACY

A. General Activity

The September 15, 1937 issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 5, contained numerous articles and photographs of the 18th Anniversary of the Communist Party held at Madison Square Garden (September 13, 1937). One photograph was captioned "CLAUDIA JONES, Young Negro Member of the National Executive Committee of the Young Communist League."

An article appearing on instant page captioned, "Old Glory, Hammer and Sickle Raised High as Communist Party Marks its 18th Anniversary," contained the following concerning JONES' participation at the rally:

"CLAUDIA JONES, tall Negro girl, brought the audience greetings from the youth of America and especially the Young Communist League of New York State. The youth she said can be grateful to the Communist Party for its activity in supporting the passage of social legislation which would help the young unemployed and students. It has been a great factor in organizing the youth in the trade unions. The Communist Party has been the champion of the Negro young people against the evils of segregation, lynching and discrimination.

Exhibit #3

"Daily Worker" September 15, 1937 page 5

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The January 15, 1941 issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 5 contained photographs of various individuals and the page carried a top caption of

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"20,000 Mark Lenin Anniversary at Madison Square Garden Meeting. Hear Browder Condemn War Makers in America." Among these photographs is one of JONES, ISRAEL AMTER and EARL BROWDER. These photographs were captioned, "Photographs Show Featured Speakers at Huge Communist Party Mass Meeting at Madison Square Garden Monday Night" (January 13, 1941)

Exhibit #10:

"Daily Worker" January 15, 1941

page 5

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The July 21, 1941 issue of the "Daily Worker" page 2, columns 2-4, contain an article captioned "Young Communists Launch Drive for National Unity Against Hitlerism." The article read as follows:

"Calling for 'national unity in defense of the national existence of the country against Hitlerism' Robert Miner, Acting General Secretary of the Communist Party, addressed the National Council of the Young Communist League meeting held over the weekend.

"The two day session heard a number of detailed reports on various aspects of the key problem of building a national front of youth in defense of America against Hitler, as analyzed in the opening speech of MAX WEISS, Young Communist League National President."

The article states, "CLAUDIA JONES outlined the league's new program of education." Concerning the educational drive, the article states, "The plan of action calls for conferences of the League and mobilization of all its members. Mass quantities of educational literature, including the Party's manifesto, Stalin's speech, MAX WEISS' report, and new popular pamphlets will be distributed

"and the radio and forum used to clarify the crutial issues for youth.

"A campaign for constantly and continual increasing circulation of the Young Communist League's news magazine, 'The Review', to be issued weekly beginning August 20, will be conducted as well as to build the 'Daily' and 'Sunday Worker.' Several measures to strengthen the League's educational work and to extend it were adopted and plans for sustained and increased League building developed, especially among Negro and industrial youth.

Exhibit #11:

"Daily Worker" July 21, 1941, page 2, columns

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В. Writings

Young Communist League "Review"

CLAUDIA JONES was author of an article entitled, "Recent Trends Among Negro Youth," which sets C

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forth activity of various groups across the country working to assist the Negro. The article concludes, "These movements of the Negro youth with their advanced programs for citizenship, the right to vote, abolition of poll tax laws, for job security, and for peace puts them in line with the developing Democratic Front."

Exhibit #12:

Young Communist League "Review" July, 1938, page

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CLAUDIA JONES maintained a column entitled, "Quiz" beginning with the August 26, 1941 issue of the Young Communist League "Review" and extending to the December 9, 1941 issue with the exception of the issues of October 21, 1941, November 25, 1941 and December 2, 1941. This article proposed a question which was answered by JONES.

The August 26, 1941 issue on page 6 proposed the question, "How is Morale in America's Army?" answere as follows:

"The American people love liberty. They have shown the highest type of morale necessary in a just They are interested in seeing a strengthened army for the defense of our nation."

She continued, "The struggle for the military defeat of Hitler and Hitlerism is the just cause of the peoples of the entire world."

Exhibit #13:

Young Communist League "Review"

August 26, 1941

page 6

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The September 2, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 12, states the question, "Is Socialiam the Issue in this War?" JONES writes as follows:

"Both the great Socialist state of the Soviet Union and all other states including the imperialist states as well are faced with a common enemy - Hitler fæcism. Hence, the great issue facing them is the defeat of facism, if they are to remain independent states."

She continues, "Finally all struggles that are developing today must be based first and foremost on the defeat of Hitler, because only thru the defeat of Hitler can the national liberation of all nations and people be achieved. However, these struggles will not, as in the 19th century lead to a new high in capitalism. This is because these struggles take place in a period of full capitalist development in which this society is unable to solve the manifold problems of the people due to its very structure. That is why these struggles can lead only to the creations of the pre-conditions for mankind's advancement to Socialism. Only then will Socialism be placed on the order of the day as an immediate and dominant issue."

> Exhibit #14: Young Communist

League "Review" September 2, 1941

page 12

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The September 6, 1941 issue asked the question, "Since Great Britain and the United States are Imperialist Powers, How Can we Support them in this War?" JONES writes as follows:

"Unless the Hitler monster is crushed completely, mankind, all oppressed peoples, face a return



"to the era of barbarism. Why is this so? Because Hitler's attack on the Soviet Union represents a bid for world conquest which, if achieved, would decide the issue of world power in favor of Hitler and fascism. It would destroy the USA's independence."

Later JONES writes, "Yes, it is true that imperialists are still imperialists and that they retain their unjust aims. But the unjest aims present in the situation all subjective factors. The dominant character of the war is that it is a just war. There are no 'pure' wars. In the unjust, imperialist war, prior to the attack upon the Soviet Union, there were many just causes the just fight of the Ethiopian, Grecian and Yugoslav peoples."

Exhibit #15:

Young Communist League "Review" September 16. 1941

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The Setember 30, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 13 proposes the question, "How Much are the Workers Expected to Sacrifice to Beat Hitler?" She writes as follows:

"Therefore at the same time that we call for greater production of planes and tanks and ships and guns we must guard against the attempts of selfish industrialists and monopolists to use the present crisis for their private enrichment. We call upon the workers to expose the monopolists like the aluminum trust and the steel trust which deliberately held up plant expansion thus depriving the nation of the means of defense because their first concern was private profit.

Exhibit #16: Young Communist.

League "Review" September 30, 1941

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The October 7, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 14, proposes the question, "Why do we support conscription of women today when just a few months ago the progressive youth movement opposed such a step?"

She writes, "The Nazi attack against the Soviet Union represented not only a bid for the destruction of the land of socialism. It also created an immediate threat to the existence of our own country, the United States."

She states further, "The conscription of women today would mobilize the tremendous strength and skill and talent of millions of young women for the defense of the United States."

Exhibit #17: Young Communist League "Review" October 7, 1941

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The October 14, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 14, proposes the question, "Since the Red Army is putting up such a strong fight against Hitler why do we call for American and military action in the war against Hitler?"

The entire article is a quote from "a recent speech delivered by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER at Washington." The article states as follows:

"But it is not necessary for Hitler actually to defeat the USSR in order to put Great Britain in grave peril of invasion. Merely to weaken the Red Army would do it."

Later, she further states, "All this makes it clear that it would be a deadly mistake for the American people to assume that the valiant fight of the Red Army has ended the menace of Nazi Germany."

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Young Communist League "Review" October 14, 1941

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The October 28, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 13, proposes the question, "How will the revision of the Neutrality Act aid the United States." She writes as follows:

"The revision of the Neutrality Act is not alone vital to guarantee aid to the Soviet Union and Great Britain, but it is vital to the defense of America."

Later she states, "Our country by popular will and determination is committed to the destruction of Hitler. But the Neutrality Act remains a barrier to this end."

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Exhibit #19:

Young Communist League "Review" October 28, 1941

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The November 4, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 14, proposes the question, "Does your support of the National front mean an end to the struggle against capitalism?" JONES writes as follows:

"Our support of the National front against Hitler does not put an end to the capitalist system. Therefore the exploitation of the worker by the capitalist continues and therefore the century old struggle of the worker against capitalism continues. However, today, the achievement of that century old struggle of the working class for better conditions, for greater democracy and ultimately for socialism is endangered by the Nazi drive for world domination."

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Exhibit #20:

Young Communist League "Review" November 4, 1941

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The November 11, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 12 proposes the question, "The Polish Government was so reactionary in the past. How can we support it today? The article states as follows:

"In 1939, the Polish Government refused to sign an agreement with the Soviet Union to stop Hitler. Obviously, the government was playing a reactionary role."

Later she goes on to state, "Today the Polish Government is fighting for the national existence of its people against Hitlerism. It has signed an official alliance with the Soviet Union."

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Young Communist League "Review" November 11, 1941

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The November 18, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 13, proposes the question, "Is not the question of the struggle for Negro rights equally an important issue as the defeat of Hitler." The answer is as follows:

"When Communists and anti-fascists proclaim that the main issue today is the defeat of Hitler, they state what corresponds to facts. In saying this however, we Communists have never and do not now deny the important struggle for the rights of the Negro people."



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She states the main threat today is Hitler and that "Hitler victorious would exterminate the Negro people."

Exhibit #22:

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League "Review"
November 18, 1941

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The December9, 1941 issue of the "Review" on page 14, proposes the question, "Wasn't the Bourgeois democracy of the British during the Imperialist war better that Hitler's fascism? Why didn't we support the British then?"

The article states that prior to Hitler's attack on the Soviet Union bourgeois democracy versus fascism was not the issue during the imperialist war." She states, :The war was then a predatory war of two rival imperialist groups of powers." She states, "With Hitler's attack upon the Soviet Union, five months ago, the character of the war changed to a people's war for national liberation and national independence."

Exhibit #23:

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League "Review" December 9, 1941

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2. American Youth for Democracy
"Spotlight"

CLAUDIA JONES was editor of the American Youth for Democracy magazine "Spotlight" beginning with the magazine's first issue December, 1943.

Exhibit #24:

American Youth for Democracy "Spotlight", December, 1943

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The magazine "Spotlight," during the time that CLAUDIA JONES was editor, contained an article captioned, "From the Editor" by CLAUDIA JONES.

CLAUDIA JONES resigned her post as editor of "Spotlight" to take over a greater responsibility in the national leadership of the American Youth for Democracy.

Exhibit #25: American Youth for

Democracy "Spotlight", February, 1945, page 26

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3. Pamphlets

A pamphlet entitled, "JIM-CROW in Uniform" by CLAUDIA JONES, was published July, 1940 by the New Age Publishers.

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JONES refers to World War II as an imperialist war and that Germany and Great Britain "are out to have a showdown as to who can exploit and enslave more people, small nations as well."

In speaking of colonial people, the author states that the colonies should not adopt the attitude of "if one side must win it is better for Negroes to support British imperialism in this conflict." Concerning this point, the author writes as follows:

"Besides, it is also a false premise, when it is assumed that either side must win. For the everpresent desire for liberty on the part of Negro colonials will never be achieved through a change of masters, both of whom are interested not in the freedom, but in the further enslavement of them. Only through organization, education, and struggle against reaction, against war-profits, against reaction's drive on civil liberties, under the guise of war emergencies, can this new threat to the ultimate freedom of the colonial peoples be met. Only the abolition of imperialism, of the whole system of the wat makers, will guarantee peace and security for the peoples."

In discussing the theory of "White Man's War" the author states:

"The False Theory of a White Man's War

"Prof. Rayford Logan of Howard University and Elmer Carter of Opportunity are bearers of a theory of ill-repute, the theory of the 'white man's war.' The fact remains that Negroes comprise a good bit of the cannon fodder for Europe's war makers.

"In our own communities, since the war, the bubble of the false theory of a 'white man's war' quickly explodes amidst the rising cost of living, the corresponding lowering of income, as a result of the Roosevelt war and



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"hunger budget. The Negro population are delivered not only as cannon fodder, but the acute brunt of the war crisis is first felt by them. The falsification of actual fact as shown here is for one main purpose: to weaken the domestic front of Negro and white unity, to lull the Negro population against fighting the imperialist war, and to slander the white working population who want and have no part in this war. The theory must be fought against, for it is both anti-Negro and anti-working class."

The author states that Fresldent FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT and the Administration offer neither peace or security to the people of America and armament problem should not be substituted for the security of the WPA, NYA, PWA for the people.

The author states the United States desires to enter the war and that it calls "peace lovers, and fighters for democracy--'fifth columnists.'" In this regard the author writes as follows:

"But Negroes cannot agree to such a program, for the Negro people want peace, want to keep America out of war. The Negro people want jobs, economic security, civil liberties, passage of social legislation, such as the Anti-Lynching Bill.

"No, the answer 1s not in a return to support of either of these parties. The answer lies in independent political action of the people in 1940, aligned with labor, as expressed recently by Earl Browder, when he called for a People's Platform for Jobs, Peace, Civil Liberties.

"Such independent action will make the people's answer clear against the war and hunger budget of the Roosevelt Administration, against the policies of the Republicans who in effect give support to his policies."

In connection with the war between Finland and Russia, the author states as follows:



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"The recent historical analogy is 'Little Finland.' Remember the headlines. For months the typewriter generals in Helsinki issued thousands of collars' worth of ink, paper and type, in an eort to create the impression that here was a moral cause to be rightfully defended. Roosevelt and Hoover urged its defense with loans, with arms, with a huge 'Relief' campaign.

"Today there is peace in Finland. Today, the same press which threw you off your balance candidly admits its lies. Why the lies? Why the fakery?

"It was because the newspapers spoke the aims of the imperialists whom Roosevelt leads, who would drag America into war. There is peace in Finland because of the peace policy of the Soviet Union, which aims to defend its own borders, which aims to limit the sphere of World War, and establish peace. There is peace because the Finnish generals have become convinced that they were being used as pawns of the Allies against Germany."

The author states that in 1917 a Negro soldier was mistreated while in uniform and that Negroes did not want war. She states, "Among the outstanding present-day leaders who protested against the injustices was James W. Ford, now an outstanding leader of the Communist Party, its present candidate for Vice-President of the United States, then with the 8th Brigade of the 92nd Division in France, in 1918. And foremost against the imperialist war was Earl Browder, now general secretary of the Communist Party of United States, and its candidate for President who went to Leavenworth prison because he spoke against the war."

JONES expresses her views as follows:

"We believe that our ideals can best be achieved by socialism, by establishing a new social order in which the working people will own and control all the vast natural resources and means of production, and use them for the benefit of all the people, instead of the few."



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The author concludes her article by stating:

"Look here, fellows and girls, this system called capitalism, with all of its talk of free enterprise is free, all right, but for the bankers and Wall Street, for the German bankers, for the Bank of England, for the French bankers. Can you dream what it would mean to have the worry of a job eliminated? What if it was law that your security, your job, was guaranteed? Then you could finish high school, college. Then you could marry, raise a family, get that coat, that radio, that library you always wanted. This is what the youth of the Soviet Union have because they live in a socialist society. That is why the bankers want to take it away from them.

"All roads are open to youth of the Soviet Union.

"There is no national or racial oppression in the Soviet Union and in the U.S.S.R. people of all nationalities, all colors, live as free and equal peoples.

"All young people are guaranteed free education in the U.S.S.R. to the age of 18. Equal opportunity exists for all.

"For millions of us darker peoples, for oppressed peoples throughout the world, the Soviet Union stands as a beacon of light, hope, truth!

"While the majority of people in America today are not for socialism, they are willing to work in common with those who similarly desire such things as jobs, security, democracy and peace. That is why we Young Communists stand together with the majority of American youth--Negro and white, who desire above all PEACE, so that they can pursue the American Gream of 'life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.'

"Negro American remembers the false promises of the last war. They are saying The Yanks Are Not Coming.

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"The Gream we mentioned earlier, can become a reality. In the course of the struggle for these thing, we will learn that these can only be achieved and kept in a more permanent society--Socialism.

"We support no dreams of war abroad. We go to the wars at home. For jobs and civil liberties. For democracy and freedom!

"Jesse Clipper, Negro hero, died believing he was doing his share to make the world safe for democracy. If Jesse Clipper were alive today, he would again fight for democracy. He would do it, however, not by following the loans of Wall Street to another Flanders Field, but by fighting for jobs, for relief, better housing, better health conditions—security for the people. We must make the world safe for democracy by making democracy safe for America. This is Jesse Clipper's dream now. We, the living, take our stand today on the side of Life and Peace!"

Exhibit #26:

"JIM-CROW in Uniform" by CLAUDIA JONES

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An article by JOHN GATES captioned, "A Mcssage to all Review Readers," states "We have in CLAUDIA JONES' pamphlet (above) a powerful instrument for the welding of the unity of Negro and white against the imperialist war and for the demands of the Negro people. Our state Young Communist League has the task of selling 25,000 of these pamphlets."

Exhibit #27:

Young Communist League "Review" September 16, 1940, page 13

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CLAUDIA JONES authored a pamphlet entitled, "Lift Every Voice for Victory," published by the New Age Publishers, June, 1942.

At the end of the article, CLAUDIA JONES is described as the author of the pamplhet, a young Negro woman leader of the Young Communist League, and editor of the popular anti-fascist youth magazine the weekly "Review."

The pamphlet begins with a description of the JCE LOUIS - MAX SCHAELING heavy weight championship fight on June 22, 1938. Concerning this fight, the author states:

"It symbolized the fight and hatred of people everywhere against fascism."

Under the caption of "What Are You Fighting For, Joe?" she states, "The stakes in this fight overshadow by far the Louis-Schmeling bout of '38. For the stakes are the freedom, progress and advancement of all humanity. We fight an enemy who is out to conquer the entire world, to destroy the freedom and independence of all nations and peoples, to enslave and, as stated in Mein Kampf, to wipe out such peoples as the Negroes and Jews."

Later she writes, "Yes, there are 'things wrong with America.' The existence of poll-tax laws, lynchings, discriminatory practices, are shameful blots on our democracy. But the opportunity to fight to abolish these things and to win victories by so ding is a part of our democracy today."

The author writes, "How ridiculous to call this a 'white man's war,' and how dangerous! This is our war. Joe's war. Your war and mine. It is a people's war to preserve the integrity and independence of our nation."

She goes on to state, "Joe is the answer to our enemies, within and without who claim that Negro Americans do not have an all out stake in this war and are not out to win it."



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Under the capital of "Thouse Who Fight For Victory," the author writes as follows:

"The best and truest friends of the Negro people are the labor movement, and all patriotic citizens who want to win the war. All patriotic Americans must now more than ever, while rallying to their country's defense, take up the cudgels against the sowers of race prejudice, strengthen the unity of Negro and white, champion every just and necessary demand of the Negro people. Thus the anti-Hitler forces of America will advance the fight for full democracy to Negro citizens as part of the fight for victory.

"Among those in the forefront of the fight are the Communists. The Party of Earl Browder and James W. Ford, and the Young Communist League are fulfilling their pledge to give their 'full energy, devotion, their last drop of blood, their lives' for victory in this war. By fighting today for full participation of the Negro people in the war effort, the Communists are continuing the historic struggle for full equality of the Negro people, exemplified in the Scottsboro and Herndon cases. We Young Communists believe in and practice full equality for the Negro youth. Our organization flights for and serves the nation in every phase of the war effort. part of the fight for victory this pamphlet is addressed to all youth, Negro and white. Every young man and woman must heighten participation in the war effort so that we can win victory, which is possible this year, 1942. By buying war stamps and bonds, by participation in the salvage campaigns, in the blood-donor drive of the Red Cross, the U.S.O., by raising food for victory -- in short by doing all the things that help strengthen morale and speed victory."

An article by LILLIAN ROSS captioned, "New Pamphlet Carries that Victory Punch," is contained in the June 23, 1942 issue of the weekly 'Review." Above the article was a photograph of a pamphlet entitled, "Lift Every Voice for Victory," by CLAUDIA JONES.

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Exhibit #28:

"Weekly Review"
June 23, 1942
page 13, Columns

Witness to Introduce:

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4. "Political Affairs"

CLAUDIA JONES authored an article entitled, "End Neglect of Problems of the Negro Women." The article begins, "An outstanding feature of the present stage of the Negro liberation movement is the growth of the militant participation of Negro women in all aspects of the struggle for peace, civil rights and economic security."

Later she states, "This growth of militancy among Negro women has profound meaning both for the Negro liberation movement and for the emerging anti-fascist, anti-imperialist coalition."

The article is presented in various subheadings. It is concerned with the Negro women as workers and members of organizations. The article concludes as follows:

"Our Party, based on its Marxist-Leninist principles, stands foursquare on a program of full economic, political, and social equality for the Negro people, and of equal rights for women. Who, more than the Negro woman, the most exploited and oppressed, belongs in our Party? Negro woman can and must make an enormous contribution to the daily life and work of the Party. Concretely, this means prime responsibility lies with white men and women comrades. Negro men comrades, however, must participate in this task. Negro communist women everywhere now take their rightful place in Party leadership on all levels.

"The strong capacities, militancy and organizational talents of Negro women, can, if well utilized



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"by our Party, be a powerful lever for bringing forward Negro workers - men and women - as the leading forces of the Negro's people liberation movement, for cementing Negro and white unity in the struggle against Wall Street Imperialism, and for the rooting the Party among the most exploited and oppressed sections of the working class and its allies.

"In our Party clubs, we must conduct an intensive discussion of the role of the Negro women, ao as to equip our Party membership with clear understanding for undertaking the necessary struggles in the shops and communities. We must end the practice, in which many Negro women who join our Party, and who, in their churches, communities, and fraternal groups are leaders of masses, with an invaluable mass experience to give our Farty, suddenly find themselves viewed in our clubs, not as leaders, but as people who have 'to get their feet wet' organizationally. We must end their failure to create an atmosphere in our clubs in which new recruits -- in this case Negro women -- are confronted with the 'silent treatment' or with attempts to 'blueprint' them into a In addition to the white chauvinist implications in such approaches, these practices confuse the basic needed for Marxist-Leninist understanding which our Party gives to all workers, and which entrances their political understanding with chauvinist disdain for the organizational talents of new Negro members, or for the necessity to promote them into leadership.

"To win the Negro women for full participation in the anti-fascist, anti-imperialist coalition, to bring her militancy and participation to even greater heights in the current and future struggles against Hall Street imperialism, progressives must acquire political consciousness as regards her special oppressed status.

"It is this consciousness, accelerated by struggles, that will convince increasing thousands that



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"only the Communist Party, as the vanguard of the working class, with its ultimate perspective of Socialism, can achieve for the Negro women-for the entire Negro people-the full equality and dignity of their stature in a Socialist Society in which contributions to society are measured, not by national origin, or by color, but society in which men and women contribute according to ability, and ultimately under Communism receive according to their needs.

Exhibit #29:

"Political Affairs"

June, 1949

Witness to Introduce:

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VI. APPENDIX I -EXHIBITS

Exhibit #1:

Records of Public School

#136, New York City

Witness to Introduce:

Superintendent or designated

representative, New York City

Public Schools

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The witness to introduce the following exhibits is the Librarian, New York Public Library:

Exhibit #2:

"Daily Worker,"

April 30, 1937

Referred to on page:

Exhibit #3:

"Daily Worker,"

September 15, 1937

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Exhibit #4:

"Daily Worker,"

January 4, 1941

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Exhibit #5:

"Daily Worker,"

July 21, 1941

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Exhibit #6:

"Daily Worker,"

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"Daily Worker"

January 15, 1941

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Exhibit #11:

"Daily Worker"

July 21, 1941

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Exhibit #26:

"JIM-CROW in Uniform"

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The witness to introduce the following exhibits is the Librarian, Library of Congress:

Exhibit #8:

Young Communist League "Review"

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Young Communist League "Review"

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Exhibit #13:

Young Communist League "Review"

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Exhibit #15: Young Communist League "Review"

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Exhibit #16: Young Communist League "Review"

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Exhibit #17: Young Communist League "Review"

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Exhibit #19: Young Communist League "Review"

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Exhibit #21: Young Communist League "Review"

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Exhibit #23: Young Communist League "Review"

December 9, 1941

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Exhibit #24:

American Youth for Democracy

"Spotlight"

December, 1943

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Exhibit #25:

American Youth for Democracy

"Spotlight"

February, 1945

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Exhibit #27:

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September 16, 1940

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Exhibit #28:

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June 23, 1942

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"Political Affairs,"

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Exhibit #7

Records of Immigration and

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Witness to Introduce: Commissioner, Immigration and

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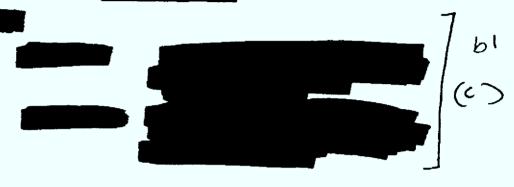
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Director, FBI (100-72390)

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Reference is made to the supplemental Mc sunnary report of Special Agent rebruary 7, 1952, at Hew York, New York, concerning the captioned individual. A copy of this report has been made available to the Criminal Division of the Department.

The Bureau file number should have been set forth as 100-72390 and not 72999. The Bureau has corrected its copies and the New York Office should do likewise.

Reference is also made to the gover letter dated rebruary 7, 1952, which transmitted the summary report. In that letter the Bureau was requested as follows: is noted that in the enclosed report information is set forth that Claudia Jones was at onetime a roung Communist League Organizer in the middle west. The Bureau is requested to furnish this office with any information which would tend to prove the subject's position as Organizer." Hen York Office is office of origin in the investigation of Claudia Jones and the New York Office also was office of origin in the investigation of the Young Communist League while it was in existence. It is believed that the New York Office has all pertinent information in its. files concerning the top officials in the Young Communist League. The New York Office should, therefore, review its files in this connection. If after a careful review the New York Office is unable to ascertain the information desired then the Bureau should be requested to make a review of its files. In making this request the Bureau should be advised as to the approximate year when Claudia Jones was reported to be a Young Communist League organizer in the middle west.

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Re New York tel February 18, 1952, which requested the following publications for use in the guith Aut of the suptioned individuals of the state of

"New Masses" - May 16, 1939.

"Young Communist League Review" - October 1938. rebruary 3, 1942, and January 28, 1949.

"AYB Spotlight" - December 1943.

The requested publications are enclosed herewith These publications should be promptly returned to the Bureau if they are not introduced into evidence ar as soon as they are no longer necessary to the USAs

The Bureau's files do not contain a copy of the August 4, 1941, issue of the "Young Communist League Review."
The Fro and the New York Office should attempt to locate a certified photostatic copy of this issue from the Congressional Library or the New York Public Library for utilization at the trial.

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As indicated in the Bureau's letter of March

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The following additional publications are being requested from the Bureau for use in the SMITH ACT trial of the captioned individual.

Young Communist League "Review"

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Reference is/made to New York letter dated March Id 🗈 1952, which requested the Aureou to furnish the Bem Fork Office 16 teaues of the Young Communist League "Review" and one of the American Youth for Denogracy "Spotlight,"

As the New York Office is aware, the Bureau does a desire to strip its publications files of the last copy of a particular publication. The New York Office letter does not indicate that the New York Office has made a diligent effort to locate the requested issues within the Hew York Office or in the Public Library or other sources available to the New York Office. The New York Office is also aware that copies in the Bureau files are often underlined and mutilated in one way or another. Therefore, from an evidentiary standpoint it would be desirable for the New York Office to locate the publications elsewhere so that there will be no difficulty in having the publications introduced in evidence.

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The Bureau has only one copy of the April 1938 Young Communist League "Review" and the New York Office should attempt to locate a copy of this publication in its files, in the New York Public Library or through other sources.

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The Bureau, of course, stands ready to assist the New York Office in obtaining documents to be introduced at the trial and if no copy can be obtained and it is a necessary document for introduction, the Bureau will photostat the only copy it has in its files and forward the original to the New York Office.



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Any pertinent information contained in the attached photostatic material should be incorporated in the next investigative report or prosecutive summary report concerning the captioned individual.

The attention of the New York Office to also direct to the article appearing in the February, 1952, teeue of "Political Afaire," written by Claudia Jones, entitled "The Struggle for Peace in the United States." A copy of this issue of "Political Affairs" should be furnished the United States Attorney, SDNY, in connection with the prosecution of the captioned individual.

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COLEMAN YOUNG, ARTHUR MCPHAUL and JERRY HOYD. BOYD is an official of the Detroit Chapter of the National Negro Labor Council, and has been a candidate for public office on Communist Party ticket.

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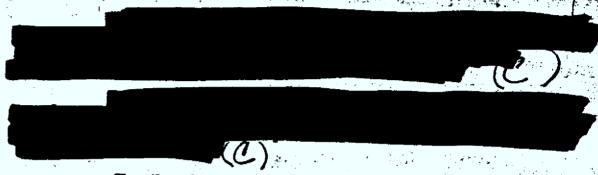


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The "Daily Norker" of November 13, 1952, reveals that the Board of Innigration Appeals has issued a final order of depertation for Betty Gannett, also one of the New York Smith Act defendants. The order was issued on November 7, 1952. The "Daily Norker" further matt "legal experts note the order cannot become operative while the Smith Act trial is under way."

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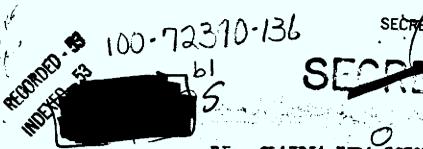
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Claudia Jones has listed two different birthplaces, February 25, 1916, at Port of Spain, Trinidad, British Yest Indies, and February 21, 1915, at Port of Spain, Trinidad, West Indies. Her father's name is Charles Cumberbatch and her mother's maiden name was Sybil Logan. Both parents were born in Trinidad. Claudia Jones entered the United States Ast New York under the name of Claude Cumberbatch aboard the S. S. Voltairs on February 9, 1924. Claudia Jones was graduated from Wadleigh High School in New York City in June of 1935. Claudia Jones, under the name of Claudia Cumberbatch, married Abraham Scholnick en September 15, 1940, in Brooklyn, New York. Claudia Jones presently resides at 504 West 143rd Street, Apartment 6A, New York City.

Claudia Jones became active in the Communist Party as a recruit to the Young Communist League ranks in about She remained active in the Young Communist League until it went out of existence in 1943. She was considered one of

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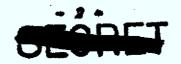
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the oblect young Communities in America. Claudic Jones was elected Editor of the "Spotlight" publication of the American Touth for Democracy, which organization succeeded the Young Communist League. In 1945, Claudic Jones attended the National Convention of the Communist Party, USA, on July 28-29, 1945, at which time she was elected to membership on the National Conmittee of the Communist Party, USA. At the fifteenth National Convention of the Communist Party which was held in New York City December 28-21, 1950, Slaudic Jones was elected a member of the mine-member Alternate National Committee of the Communist Party, USA. Claudic Jones, through her position as Secretary of the National Tomen's Commission of the Communist Party, USA, has devoted much of her activities toward Communist propagands designed to reach the women in America.

Claudia Jones was arrested on January 20, 1948, on a warrant issued by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. This warrant indicated that Claudia Jones had been found to be in violation of the act of October 18, 1918, as amended in that she was found to have been, after entry into the United States, a member of the following class, set forth in Section 2 of said act: An alien who believes in, advecates and teaches the overthrow, by force and violence, of the Government of the United States.

Claudia Jones was arrested a second time by the Immigration and Naturalization Service on October 23, 1950, as an alien Communist in violation of Section 20 of the 1917 act as amended by the Internal Security Act of 1950. She was ordered to be deported to her native country, Trinidad, British West Indies, on the completion of her hearing by the Immigration and Naturalization Service in New York City on December 21, 1950.

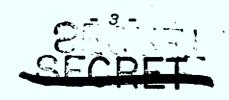
The "Daily Worker," an east coast Communist newspaper, on Movember 10, 1952, carried an atticle stating that the Immigration and Naturalization Service had issued a surrender order for Claudia Jones to deliver herself to Ellis Island on Hovember 19, 1952, for sailing to Trinidad. It was later learned that the Immigration and Naturalization Service in New York City





took steps to cancel the surrender order inasmuch as Claudia to Jones is presently on trial in New York City for conspiring to violate the Smith Act. Apparently, the deportation order against Claudia Jones will be held in abeyance pending the outcome of the Smith Act base against her.

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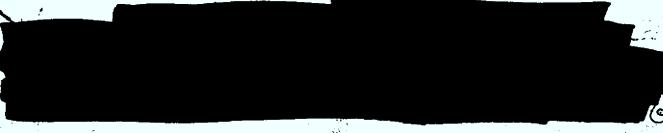
The November 10, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker", on page 3, column 2, contained an article concerning the subject reflecting the subject's position as Secretary, National Women's Commission, Communist Party, USA.

It is noted that the "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist daily newspaper.

IMMIGRATION STATUS

The November 10, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker", page 3, column 2, contained an article reflecting that the Immigration and Naturalization Service had issued a suprender or CLAUDIA JONES to deliver herself to Ellis Island on November 19, 1952, for sailing to Trinidad.

It is noted that on this date Mr. PHILIP FORMAN, Chief, Detention, Deportation and Parole Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Ellis Island, advised that the surrander order for the subject had been cancelled.



It is noted that JAMES FORD was Communist Vice Presidential candidate for the United States in 1936 and 1940.

JAMES JACKSON was indicted in the Southern District of New York under the Smith Act and his whereabouts are presently unknown.

The American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born is an organization cited by the Attorney General under Executive Order 9835.

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The November 14, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 4, column 5, contained an article concerning the Justice Department's cancellation of the subject's surrendersorder.

According to the article the announcement of the cancellation was made by the American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born.

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advised that at the above rally CLAUDIA JONES in her speech stated "It is because our Party is correct; because its faith is the faith of the development of human society; because the aim it has set itself is inscribed in actuality, that we are feared so by reaction. It is because we have faith in the great masses of people, and in the first place, the working class, that we express donfidence that the people, through organization and unity, will so mount their strength, that they will reject the TRUMAN bipartisan model for a full fledged police state, will nulify the Smith Act, and restore to its honored place - the Eill of Rights."

The February 14, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 3, columns 1 and 2, contained an article captioned "Smith Act Victims Raise Funds to Aid Defense". The article stated that each defendant had pledged to raise \$1,000.00 for the \$100,000.00 emergency fund for the defense of the New York and Pittsburgh "Smith Act Victims". The article stated that CLAUDIA JONES had brought in \$190.50.

The March 2, 1952, issue of "The Worker", page 6, column 1, section 1, announced an "International Women's Day Tribute" to be held under the auspices of the "Ramilies of the Smith Act Victims" on March 8, 1952, at Yugoslav Hall, 105 West 41 Street. Among the guests of honor listed was CLAUDIA JONES.

The June 11, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker", page 1, column 5, contained an article and a photograph of CLAUDIA JONES stating that the Communist Party trial had been postponed because of the subject's illness. The article stated that the court had appointed Dr. KERMIT L. PINES to examine her and he reported her illness would require her absence from court for three days. According to the article JOHN J. MC TERNAN, JONES' attorney, had earlier presented a report to the court from the subject's physician stating that she was suffering from a bronchial infection.

The June 20, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 3, column 5, contained another article concerning the subject's 11lness stating that the trial had been postponed until June 23, 1952, and that the subject's physician was Dr. LOU MILLER.



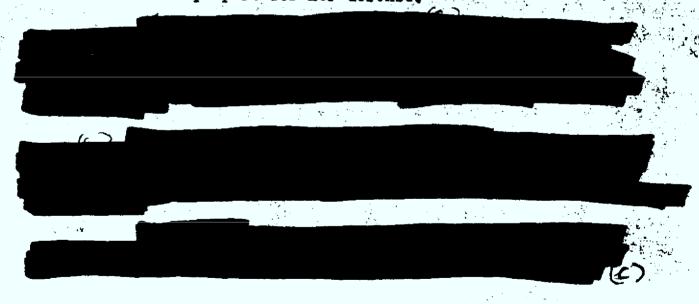
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advised that on June 20, 1952, a testimonial dinner was held to pay tribute to four women leaders on trial under the Smith Act. The dinner was held at the New Terrace Garden, 181 Street and Boston Road, Bronx, under the sponsorship of the Bronx Committee for the Repeal of the Smith Act. The four women leaders, according to the informant, were ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, BETTY GANNETT, MARION BACKRACH and the subject, all of whom were defendants in the Communist Party trial. The informant advised that FLYNN and GANNETT were the only two present.

TRIP TO DETROIT

The March 19, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker" on page 3, columns 2 and 3, contained an article reflecting that the subject had been granted permission by the court to travel to Detroit from March 25 through 29, 1952, to interview witnesses and to prepare for her defense.



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