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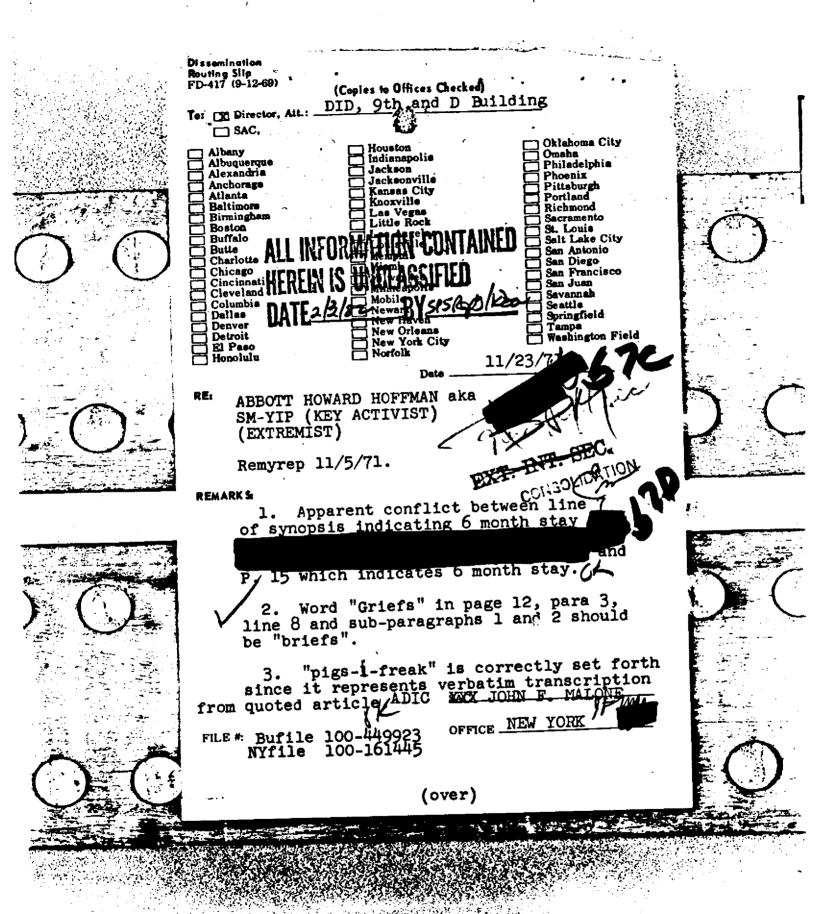
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Individuals and organizations mentioned in this report were characterized where information was available and suitable to characterize the individuals and where Bureau approved characterizations were available to characterize the organizations.

The subject is the subject of an Anti-Riot Laws case in which Chicago is the Office of Origin.

The subject is also the subject of an Anti-Riot Laws case in which Washington Field is the Office of Origin.

Einstein Hospital, 1825 Eastchester Road, Bronx, NY, furnished information to SA on 8/3/71.

that the nature of the hospital records is confidential and that no information contained therein can be disclosed without first obtaining an appropriate release from the patient concerned or upon the issuance of a subpoena for the specific information from a court having jurisdiction over the particular matter.

On 10/1/71. USA JOEL D. SACKS, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, advised SA that according to Title 14, Virgin Islands Code, Section 742, sub-section 2, HOFFMAN's impersonation as Frank Edward Crosetti constituted a felony under that section. After conferring with Departmental officials, Mr. SACKS advised that it was not in the best interests of the U.S. Government to bring charges against HOFFMAN under that statute at this time.

The files of the SJ and NY Offices contain no information identifiable with Mr. and Mrs. DAN LEVINSON.

The CG Office did not furnish the identities of the employees who received information from AUSA JAMES BREEN on 8/24/71, 8/30/71, 9/8/71, 9/16/71, 10/18/71, and 10/19/71.

SA compared to the information from Departmental Attorney JOSEPH TAFE on 7/21/71 and 9/20/71.

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SA btained the information from Pan Am, 200 Park Avenue, NYC, on 9/24/71, and 10/15/71.

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The information received from the was received by SA The SJ Office did not furnish the date that this information was received.

Department of Public Safety, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, on 9/28/71.

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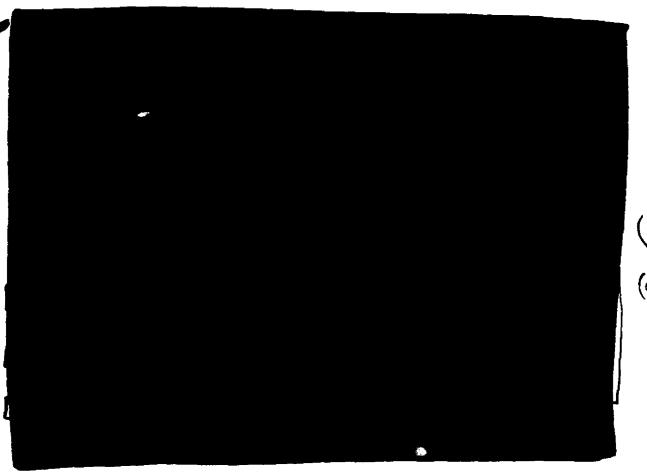


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LEADS:

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will follow and report on the status of the subject's appeals in the 7th Circuit in connection with his conviction of the Anti-Riot Statute on 2/18/70, and his contempt of court citations.

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AT ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Will verify subject's residence and follow and report upon his activities at St. Thomas.

WASHINGTON FIELD

and report on the subject's trial in Washington, D.C., in connection with his indictment by the Federal Grand Jury in Washington, D.C., on 5/13/71, for violation of the Anti-Riot Statute.

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will follow and report upon the subject's activities in the NYC area.

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	2. The data appearing on the Security Index Card are current.
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	been changed.
	4. Changes on the Security Index Card are necessary and Form FD-122 submitted
	to the Bureau.
	5. X A suitable photograph X is is is not available. Date photograph was taken 7/2/68
	6. Subject is employed in a key facility and is
	charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are
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	8. X Subject previously interviewed (dates) 9/6/68
	X Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) when previously interviewed,
	he was evasive and made it clear he was on the opposite side of "things" to the FBI. In addition, he falsely claimed in a press
	conference, on 9/18/68, that Agents visited him every third day
	in NYC, to obtain information concerning his activities and
	laughed at him when he asked why they did not investigatie police
	brutality in Chicago. Additional attempts to interview subject
	could possibly result in embarrassment to the Bureau.
	9. This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a
	letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation. 10. [文] This case has been reevaluated in the light of the Security Index
	criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason)
	his philosophy and activities portray him as an individual who
	would constitute a threat to the national defense of the country
	in time of a national emergency (Instant Report).
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	11. X Subject's SI card is tabbed X Priority I Priority II Priority III.
	Subject's activities warrant such tabbing because (state reasons)
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	X Submitted 10/16/68 Placed X Yes No
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File No. Bufile 100-449923 November 5, 1971

Director

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United States Secret Service

Department of the Treasury

Washington, D. C. 20220

Re:

Abbott Howard Hoffman

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

- Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee. including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
- 2. That attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
- 3. X Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U.S.
- 4. TU. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
- 5. X Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) [X] Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior:
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) [X] Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.

6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

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Very truly yours,

Director

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SECURITY MATTER - YOUTH INTERNATIONAL PARTY

ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN, while in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Synopsis: Islands, during the period 9/27/71 - 10/1/71, utilized the name FRANK EDWARD CROSETTI. Subject maintains his residence in the roof apartment located at 114-116 East 13th Street, NYC, and is self-employed as a writer from his residence. $\sqrt{0}$ n 10/22/71, subject departed NYC, via Pan American Airways, for St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, where he plans to stay for a period of 6 months at 1441 Frenchman's Bay. General activities reported. Appearance of subject at various institutions of learning set out. The 9/1/71 issue of "Win" magazine contained an article by the subject entitled "I Quit", in which the subject states that he is retiring from the New Left Movement. SUBJECT SHOULDER ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONCERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONCERNMENT ADMINISTRAT SUBJECT SHOULD

BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

BACKGROUND

Residence

time, the subject and his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN, continue to maintain their residence in the roof apartment located at 114-116 East 13th Street, New York, New York.

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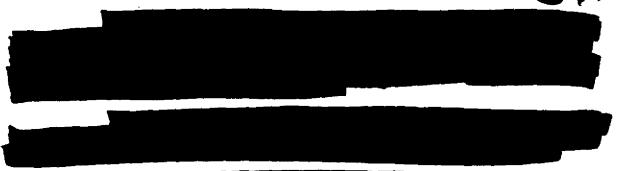
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at that time, ANITA HOFFMAN was among those individuals comprising the Youth International Party (YIP), also known as Yippies, staff.

The YIP is a loosely-knit anti-establishment revolutionary youth organization formed in NYC, in January, 1968.

B. Employment

that at the present time, the subject is self-employed as a writer from his residence.

C. Business Venture

"The East Village Other", a weekly NYC newspaper, in its July 21-28, 1971 issue on Page 18, contained an article by REX WEINER, entitled Pirate Editions Report", which stated in part as follows:

"Contrary to popular myth, ABBIE HOFFMAN just ain't rich. I happen to know because I am manager of the mail order end of HOFFMAN's unique venture in publishing, Pirate Editions. ABBIE formed Pirate Editions when none of the establishment publishers would publish his newest book, STEAL THIS BOOK. And despite the fact that STEAL is doing well (even in the face of real repression - the book is banned again in Canada), HOFFMAN's maney situation is nowhere near as affluent as many jealous mythmakers and cynical rumor-mongers would have it.

"Some financial date: in order to publish his own book, HOFFMAN's total investment amounted to something in the vicinity of forty thousand dollars. Grove Press picked up the nineteen thousand printing cost in return of rights to sole distribution of the book. ABBIE raised the other twenty-one grand himself, some out of his own pocket, but mostly in loans form friends. So far, eleven grand has come back from the book sales, but he's still in the hole for nine thousand.

"So that's pretty much how it stands, gang. I sit up in the Pirate Editions office at 640 Broadway for a few hours every day, opening up the mail and sending out the books, while CAROLE_RAMER takes care of the paper work. A lot of books go out free to servicemen, prisoners, and people who write significantly crazy letters. I give special wholesale rates to Movement bookstores who want to carry STEAL THIS BOOK. I personally answer all inquiries about Pirate Editions."

The July 7, 1971 issue of "The East Village Other" listed REX WEINER in its masthead as one of the staff writers of this publication.

that CAROL RAMER is employed at the Law Commune, 640 Broadway, NYC, as york, 114 the subject's secretary.

ANN CARFINKLE, WILLIAM CRAIN, FREDERICK COHN, STEPHEN SANDLER, GERALD LEFCOURT, VERONIKA KRAFT, and MARTIN STOLAR, is also known as the Law Commune and is located on the sixth floor at 640 Broadway, NYC.

the National Lawyers Guild (NIG) Banquet, held on April 11, 1969, in the Grand Ballroom of the New York Hilton Hotel, 53rd Street and Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York.

GARFINKLE stated. among other things, that "we are a group of young lawyers who have banded together into communes as a way to change society in America and the concept of monetary commerce. We don't live together. We take as much money as we need out of the business while we work hard to destroy the present system. In our functioning, we are constantly joining with others to expound and explore the system today on a legal We are part of the Lawyer's Guild. The brutality at Columbia illustrated how far it would go. The Black Panther has been greatly wounded. These people need our help so our people are made aware of what kind of treatment America gives."

The NLG is a communist front organization of lawyers and law students dedicated to Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA), and New Left ideals for radical change of the social, economic, and judicial systems in the United States.

The Black Panther Party (BPP) is a black extremist organization started in Oakland, California, in December, 1966. It advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics to bring about the overthrow of the United States Government.

"The Daily World", an east coast communist newspaper, in its edition of June 7, 1969, page 9, column 2, reported that two committees of the NYC Chapter of the NIG, the Committee on Racism and the Committee on Education, addressed letters to the (NYC) Board of Higher Education to approve the administration-faculty-student agreement at City College, which would allow half the freshman class to be enrolled for ghetto schools without regard to grade standings.

Two individuals from the Committee on Racism signed the letters as well as two other individuals, who were identified by name only; among the latter two was CAROL LEFCOURT.

The "Columbia Daily Spectator", a Columbia University student newspaper, in its issue of March 13, 1968, identified WILLIAM CRAIN as Chairman of the NLG Draft Committee.

advised that STEPHEN SANDLER is the Executive Secretary of the NYC Chapter of the NLC.

The March, 1969, issue of "Rights", self-described as a publication of the National Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (NECLC), on page 12, reported that on February 1, (1969), the NECLC welcomed GERALD LEFCOURT to its staff as Legislative Director.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" of December 1, 1961, by the Committee on Un-American Activities stated the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC) was established in 1951, and "although representing itself as a non-communist group, actually operates as a front for the Communist Party." The ECLC changed its name in 1968 to the NECLC to "develop a vital civil liberties organization in all 50 states as rapidly as possible."

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that the NECLC held their annual Bill of Rights Dinner on December 12, 1969, in the Imperial Ballroom, Hotel Americana, 7th Avenue at 53rd Street, NYC.

Among those seated on the dais was one MARTIN ROBERT STOLAR.

The Committee to Defend the Panther 21 is an organization formed to raise money for and lend support to the BPP defendants who were arrested by the NYC Police Department in April, 1969, on charges of conspiracy to commit arson and murder in NYC.

A review of the records of the New York County Clerk's Office, Supreme Court Building, Foley Square, NYC, on October 21, 1971, reflected that Certificate of Incorporation Number 882615 for the year 1971, was filed with the Department of State, State of New York, on January 18, 1971, by the law firm of LEFCOURT, GARFINKLE, CRAIN, COHN, SANDLER, LEFCOURT, KRAFT, and STOLAR, 640 Broadway, NYC, for Pirate Editions, Incorporated.

This Certificate of Incorporation discloses that the incorporator was GUSTIN L. REICHBACH, 640 Broadway, NYC; that the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the corporation served upon him to GUSTIN L. REICHBACH, 640 Broadway, NYC, and that the purposes for which the corporation was formed are as follows:

"To conduct a business of designing, compiling, writing, preparing, doing research, editing, buying, selling, dealing in and with books, pamphlets, circulars, posters, newspapers, magazines, literature, music, letters and any and all

"other forms of literature and communications and/or graphic media of all kinds and forms and any and all copyrights and intellectual properties of any kind.

"To conduct a business of designing, manufacturing, buying, selling, and dealing in and with printing, printing presses, printing equipment, binding, publishing materials and services, inks, paper, rollers, types, type faces, and other supplies.

"To organize, create, operate, deal in and with franchises, franchise agencies, franchise services, franchise products and any and all other efforts, things, campaigns, products, notions or other matter generally associated with franchises, franchise markets and or franchise efforts, whether independently or for other firms or organizations.

"To design, manufacture, buy, sell, deal in and with printing devices, impressions, stamps, stamping devices, and any and all other devices for stamping letters, numbers, words, or forms.

"To conduct a publishing business in all its phases, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, printing, bookbinding, designing, engraving, photoengraving, lithographing, duplicating or offsetting, facsimile and image, color, line, word, shadow and other reproduction and dealing in paper and stationery, and editing, preparing, designing, creating, publishing, printing, binding, buying, selling, copyrighting, licensing the use of importing, exporting, franchising, marketing, syndicating, distributing, making, manufacturing, and generally dealing in or with respect to, any and all kinds of written or oral matter (whether or not printed or reproduced), including, without limitation, books, magazines, pamphlets, publications, stories, articles, features, columns, and other items of interest to men, women, and children, and in any and all equipment, machinery, plants, facilities and properties (whether real, personal or mixed, improved or unimproved), and materials and supplies in connection with the foregoing: and to anything necessary or convenient in furtherance thereof.

"To conduct a business of rendering services, assistance and guidance in the fields of research, development, financing, production, distribution, marketing, searching for and recruiting products, companies, firms and specialists in industry and other forms of endeavor.

"To conduct a business of assembling, manufacturing, buying, selling and trading in and with every manner of product, service, business, business entity, or division thereof.

"To create, assemble, operate, buy, sell, deal in and with, sales agencies, sales organizations, buying agencies, buying organizations, sales campaign organizations, product development companies, packaging companies and other types of organization or firm devoted to development and/or operation of sales efforts, promotion efforts, purchasing and manufacturing efforts, for business, industry, and otherwise.

"To design, develop, manufacture, seek out, buy, sell, deal in and with games, toys, contests, articles, products and each and every other device or thing in connection therewith or otherwise, for children and adults and all parts and accessories thereof.

"To organize, operate, deal in and with premium trading stamps, redemption certificates, notions, premium products, sales advertisements, sales devices and any other thing, product, or item used in premiums, promotions, and sales efforts, or otherwise."

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The "Village Voice", a weekly newspaper published in NYC, in its edition of May 1, 1969, page 12, column 1, contained an article entitled, "Lawyers of the Left: A Crises of Identity."

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GERALD LEFCOURT was identified as the attorney for GUS REICHBACH, described as a Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) militant and "object of a dramatic series of Columbia disciplinary hearings---".

The SDS was founded during June, 1962, at Port Huron, Michigan, and in the 1960's functioned as the leading New Left campusbased student organization in the "nited States. From a stance of "participatory democracy," the SDS moved to a radical-revolutionary position. It maintained a national office at 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, until February, 1970. Internal factionalism during 1969 produced three main factions: Weatherman, Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM), and Worker Student Alliance (WSA). The Weatherman and RYM no longer consider themselves associated with the SDS. The WSA faction continues to use the name SDS.

D. Status of Health

The "New York Post", a NYC daily newspaper, in its July 12, 1971, issue on Page 28, contained an article by JAY LEVIN entitled, "Abbie Gets His Nose Fixed" which stated in part as follows:

"As ABBIE HOFFMAN puts it, his nose happened to hit a cop's nightstick during the Mayday demonstrations while the rest of his face was busy beating up the poor stick. His nose got scrunched by its efforts, and so like any good Jewish Yippie leader, he's getting it fixed.

"As ABBIE tells it from his bed at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine's hospital in the Bronx, it isn't beauty he seeks but breath. 'I had a slipped disk and I had 20 stitches taken in my head and I had a broken nose', he said nasaly recalling the fight with the nightstick. 'And in the past two

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"months I've been to doctors. So I just had an operation. Deviated septum job. I couldn't breathe through my nose so well so I could operate. It was all el smasho.

"'Also, I did develop an infection. One more step...' His voice trailed off ominously, and the heart of the FBI man tapping on the phone skipped a hopeful beat.

"ABBIE claims he interfered with the officer in the same way his nose beat up the stick. 'He tackled me from behind, rolled me over and hit me five or six times in the face with a club. That's the last that I remember.'

"His lawyers have considered a countersuit which would seek to wring from the government more than the price of a nose job. But someone has stolen the evidence and J. EDGAR's men aren't known to be investigating the theft.

"'We had six photos of me getting clubbed,' ABBIE said. 'They were at the People Peace Treaty office and some kids from Long Island ran off with them as souveniers.'

"A nose job being a six-day affair, the patient says he's killing time by working on a new book. 'I'm doing a sequel to "Steal This Book", "Bankrobbery Made Easy". 'No kidding," he kidded, 'I've all these interviews with bank-robbers.'

"Time for a closing line. 'Listen, man, I gotto go. I gotta watch "The FBI". They're looking for a personal friend in this episode'".

Albert Einstein Hospital, 1825 Eastchester hoad, Bronx, New York, advised that according to the records of the hospital, ABBIE HOFFMAN was admitted to that institution on July 8, 1971, and discharged on July 13, 1971.

E. Family Status

"The New York Times", a NYC daily newspaper, in its July 21, 1971 issue on Page 31, contained an item reflecting that a son was born to ANITA and ABBIE HOFFMAN at Mount Sinai

Hospital in NYC on July 20, 1971.

The item further reflected that the son had been named "AMERIKA".

On October 20, 1971, SC reviewed the records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Manhattan, New York, which reflected that Certificate Number 22264 for the year 1971 records the birth of AMERICA HOFFMAN on July 20, 1971.

F. Arrests

1. Federal Indictment, Chicago, Illinois

On March 20, 1969, ABBOTT HOFFMAN was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury (FGJ), Chicago, Illinois, charged with a violation of the Antiriot Laws (ARL), Title 18, United States Code (USC), Sections 2101 and 371. HOFFMAN was charged with conspiring with others, and himself traveling in interstate commerce from outside Illinois, to Chicago, Illinois, with intent to incite, organize, promote and encourage, a riot and thereafter, on or about August 26, 1968, at Lincoln Park, Chicago, Illinois, and on or about August 27, 1968, at Lincoln Park, Chicago, Illinois, and on or about August 29, 1968, at Grant Park, Chicago, Illinois, he did speak to assemblages of persons for the purposes of inciting, organizing, promoting, and encouraging a riot.

Trial in this matter commenced in Chicago, Illinois, on September 24, 1969, and on February 18, 1970, HOFFMAN was found by a jury to be guilty of Section 2101 of the above statute, as related to his own travel interstate for the purposes as noted. On February 20, 1970, he was sentenced by United States District Court (USDC) Judge JULIUS J. HOFFMAN, trial judge in this case, to five years in the custody of the Attorney General (AG), fined \$5,000.00 and court costs.

In addition, as a result of his conduct and statements in court during this trial, HOFFMAN was found by USDC Judge HOFFMAN to be clearly a dangerous individual and on

February 14, 1970, was sentenced to a total of eight months and fourteen days in the custody of the AG for twenty-four separate instances of summary contempt of court. Bond was denied on both the contempt and ARL convictions.

On February 28, 1970, the United States Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, Chicago, Illinois, ordered ABBOTT HOFFMAN and those convicted with him admitted to bail, with the provision that he not travel outside the state of his residence (New York), without notifying the United States Marshal (USM), Chicago, Illinois, further that he was not to travel outside the continental United States without the express approval of the Court of Appeals.

On August 24, 1971, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) JAMES BREEN, Northern District of Illinois (NDI), Chicago, Illinois, made available to the Chicago Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) a copy of an order of the United States Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, Chicago, Illinois, dated August 18, 1971, containing the following schedule fixed by the Court for the filing of appeal briefs and hearing of oralarguments with regard to the subject's appeals in connection with his conviction in the USDC, Chicago, Illinois, in February, 1970, for violating the ARL and contempt of court sentence in connection with his ARL trial.

- 1. On or before November 30, 1971, the Government must file its briefs.
- 2. On or before January 4, 1972, the appellant may file reply briefs.
- 3. On February 8 and 9, 1972, oral arguments will be argued by the Government and the appellant.
- 2. Anti-Riot Law Violation in Washington D.C. (WDC)

On July 21, 1971, JOSEPH TAFE, Departmenta Attorney, United States Department of Justice (USDJ), WDC, advised that GERALD LEFCOURT and PHILIP J. HIRSCHKOP, attorneys for the subject, appeared before Judge J. LOUIS SMITH, USDC, for the

District of Columbia, WDC, on that date for the purpose of obtaining rulings by Judge SMITH on motions brought before him during the subject's arraignment on June 2, 1971, in connection with the subject's indictment by the FGJ in WDC, on May 13, 1971, charging him with violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2101, 231(A)(3) (interstate travel with intent to organize, promote, encourage, and participate in a riot; obstructing, impeding, and interfering with a law enforcement officer during the commission of a civil disorder).

The motions and rulings were as follows:

A defense motion to dismiss the indictment against HOFFMAN on the grounds that the statutes (18 United States Code 2101, 231 (A) (3), (Interstate Travel with intent to organize, promote, encourage and participate in a riot; obstructing, impeding, and interfering with a law enforcement officer during the commission of a civil disorder,) under which the indictment was returned, were unconstitutional. Motion denied.

A defense motion to dismiss the indictment for failure to state an offense. Denied.

A defense motion for indefinite continuance of the HOFFMAN case. Denied.

A defense motion to have the Government file a bill of particulars. Denied.

A defense motion concerning voir dire (Defense wanted to conduct the proceedings which concern jury selection). Denied. Judge SMITH said the Court will ask the voir dire questions but that parties may submit specific questions to him, which they may want asked of the jury, and that he will then act on these requests.

Motions by both Government and Defense for discovery and inspection. Order to follow, no ruling as yet.

Defense motion to dismiss indictment for bias on the part of the Grand Jury. Informally denied.

JOSEPH TAFE said that HOFFMAN was not present at Court on this occasion, due to the fact that his wife had just given birth to a child. Subject's bail continued to be set at \$20,000.

No further dates were, at that time, set for future proceedings in this case $\underline{\mbox{\tiny 45}}$

On September 20, 1971, JOSEPH TAFE, supra, advised that the motions, above mentioned, remain in a pending status. There have been no further Court proceedings nor have there been any dates set for future proceedings, according to TAFE.

II. FOREIGN TRAVEL

On August 30, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN, NDI, Chicago, Illinois, made available to the Chicago Division of the FBI a copy of a motion filed on August 27, 1971, with the United States Court of Appeals (USCA), Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, by THOMAS M. HANEY, Chicago Counsel, acting for the subject requesting permission of the USCA for the subject to travel to Jamaica during the last week in September, 1971, and again for the period November, 1971, through February, 1972.

In the motion the subject stated that he intended to travel to Jamaica during the last week of September, 1971, in order to locate a place of residence for himself and his family for the period from November, 1971 through February, 1972.

In the motion the subject also stated that he intended to reside in Jamaica during the period November, 1971, through February, 1972, with his family for the purpose of recovering his health from physical injuries he sustained in the past several months and to write a new book.

On September 8, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN, NDI, Chicago, Illinois, made available a copy of a supplemental motion filed on September 7, 1971, with the USCA, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the subject. The motion stated that the subject

desired to travel to the United States (U.S.) Virgin Islands during the last week of September, 1971, and to reside there from November, 1971, through approximately April, 1972. This represented a change in his plans as set forth in his August 27, 1971, motion, to the USCA, in that he then had no plans to go to Jamaica.

In the supplemental motion, the subject regretted any inconvenience caused either to the U.S. Government or the USCA by this change in plans, and that the purposes for which he desired to make this travel were the same as those set forth in the August 27, 1971, motion with regard to Jamaica.

On September 16, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN, NDI, Chicago, Illinois, made available a copy of an order from the USCA, Chicago, Illinois, dated September 13, 1971, relative to the subject's request to travel to and subsequently reside in the US. Virgin Islands. This order granted the subject permission to travel to the U.S. Virgin Islands in the periods of the last week of September, 1971 and from November, 1971 through April, 1972.

On September 24, 1971,

Pan American Airways (Pan Am), 200 Park Avenue,

Nic, advised that according to records of Pan Am, Mr. A.

HOFFMAN was booked with Pan Am to leave NYC for St. Thomas,

U.S. Virgin Islands on Pan Am Flight 269 at 10:15 a.m. on

September 27, 1971. This flight was scheduled to arrive at

St. Thomas & 1:50 p.m. on September 27, 1971.

that ABBOTT HOFFMAN

had an open return ticket.

On September 27, 1971, Special Agents (SAs) of the FBI observed ABBOTT HOFFMAN board Pan Am Flight 269 at 9:45 a.m. alone, at John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFKIA), Queens, New York. This flight departed New York at 10:15 a.m. and was scheduled to arrive at St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, at 1:50 p.m.

On September 27, 1971, the SAS of the FBI reviewed the records of Pan Am at the Pan Am Departure Terminal, JFKIA, Queens, New York, which disclosed that "Mr. A. HOFFMAN" boarded Pan Am Flight 269 en route to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, departing at 10:15 a.m. on September 27, 1971. HOFFMAN utilized Pan Am Ticket Number 026291355658, Coupon Number 1, which had been purchased through Travel Horizons Unlimited in NYC on September 23, 1971. The return portion of the ticket disclosed that HOFFMAN had an open return ticket.

On September 27, 1971,
Am, Harry S. Truman Airport, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, advised an SA of the FBI that Pan Am Flight 269, from New York, New York, to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, had arrived with passenger A. HOFFMAN on board at 12:30 p.m., September 27, 1971.

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Special Agent (SA person, identified from a procedular as ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN, near the Baggage Claim area of the Harry S. Truman Airport Terminal, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, at approximately 1:40 p.m., September 27, 1971. This person was accompanied by a white male, approximately 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, 150 to 160 pounds, black hair, full black beard, wearing glasses, dressed in dark trousers and white shirt.

HOFFMAN and his companion proceeded to the Avis Rent-a-Car counter in the terminal building and HOFFMAN had conversation with the counter representative and was observed to sign what was assumed to be a rental agreement. He and his companion departed the terminal together and later left the area in a yellow Toyota sedan, Virgin Islands license number T-18055.

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Car, Harry S. Truman Airport, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands,: was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and he furnished the following information:

His last customer, prior to interview, was FRANK EDWARD CROSETTI, 1218 Madrone Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. He exhibited Avis Rental Agreement 19393580 which contained information that CROSETTI, driver's license 524-31-8867, local contact, Crown and Hawk 2A; telephone number 4-4426, had rented Avis car number 749648, license number T-18055, a Toyota, at 2:02 p.m., September 27, 1971 and would return it on September 30, 1971.

CROSETTÍ had obtained a temporary driver's license and had exhibited his Movada driver's license from which had copied the information onto the rental agreement. Completed the rental agreement except for the customer's signature and where the customer initialed the blocks indicating his acceptance of additional insurance on the car.

CROSETTI was accompanied by a taller white male who had a full face beard.

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of DAN LEVINSON, East Crown and Hawk, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. No other information regarding LEVINSON could be located.

Virgin Islands, advised an SA of the FBI on September 28, 1971, that a Mrs. DAN LEVINSON, age 25, Crown and Hawk 2A, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, had registered a 1970 blue Volkswagen sedan, serial number EB 6053398 on January 28, 1971, and was issued Virgin Islands license number T-9637. No other information could be located.

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furnished the follow-

ing information:

On September 28, 1971, he observed a person, name unknown, who had been pointed out to him by Special Agent (SA) Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), walk from the U.S. Post Office Building, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, to the public telephone booths adjacent to the office of the United States Attorney, where this person made at least one telephone call. The person then proceeded on foot to the office of Sid Bard Real Estate Agency, Barclay's Building, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, where he remained for approximately a half hour and then this person left the area in a blue Toyota sedan, Virgin Islands license number T-18060.

He identified a photograph of ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN as being identical to the person mentioned above.

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Rent-A-Car, Lindberg Boy, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and he furnished the following information:

During the early evening hours of September 27, 1971, he had proceeded to the Crown Mountain area of St. Thomas with an Avis Rent-A-Car, a blue Toyota sedan, Virgin Islands license number T-18050, which he exchanged with an Avis customer for a yellow Toyota sedan, Virgin Islands license T-18055. This exchange was made at the LEVINSON residence and the customer's name on the rental agreement was FRANK EDWARD CROSETTI. The person, with whom he spoke and believed to be CROSETTI, said that he had trouble starting T-18055 and wanted to exchange it for another car.

As far as he could determine, there was nothing wrong with T-18055.

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Agent, furnished the following information:

On October 1, 1971, he observed ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN, identified from a photograph, approach a blue Toyota sedan, Virgin Islands licehse T-18060, parked in front of the Pan Am Building, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, where HOFFMAN was, after some conversation with her, placed under arrest by failure to have a valid virgin Islands driver's permit.

had previously ticketed HOFFMAN's car for illegal parking.

took HOFFMAN to police headquarters where HOFFMAN identified himself by exhibiting an Avis rental agreement and a Nevada driver's license in the name of FRANK EDWARD CROSETTI.

HOFFMIN, as CROSEFFI, appeared before Municipal Court Judge CYRIL MICHAEL, who imposed a \$5 fine on the charges of illegal parking and driving without a valid license. This fine was paid by HOFFMAN.

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Avis Rent-A-Car, Lindberg Bay, St. Thomas, virgin Islands, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and he furnished the following information:



He had, about one half hour before, accepted the turn in of Avis reptal car, bearing Virgin Islands license T-18060. He recalled the individual who turned the car in and would be able to recognize him if he were seen again.

The transaction was a little amasual in that the customer reported an accident while having the car and an accident report had to be used out.

furnished the interviewing Agent a copy of Avis Rental Agreement Number 19393590; Avis accident report number 4725, partially completed by the customer, who appears on both documents as FRANK EDWARD CROSETTI, 1218 Madrona Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.

described the man as a white male, approximately 25-30 years, 5 feet 8 inches with brown hair. The man said that he was a writer.

The accident report indicated that CROSETTI had a minor accident, involving no personal injuries, and little automobile damage, on Outober 28, 1971.

The other party was identified as

CROSETTI had complete

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advised an SA of the FBI that HOFFMAN, using the name ABBIE HOFFMAN, made reservations at St. Thomas, downtown ticket office, having return flight to New York on October 1, 1971, on Pan Am Flight 262, departing St. Thomas at 1:00 p.m. He left his St. Thomas telephone number contact as 774-4426.

On October 1, 1971, HOFFMAN was observed by an SA of the FBI to board Pan Am Flight 262 at Harry S. Truman Airport. St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, which flight departed at 1:00 p.m.

On October 1, 1971, SAs of the FBI observed ABBOTT HOFFMAN arrive at the Pan Am Airways Terminal Number 2, at JFKIA, Queens, New York, at 5:40 p.m. aboard Pan Am Flight 262, from St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. HOFFMAN was alone, and he was observed departing the airport alone at 5:50 p.m. by taxicab.

On October 15, 1971 upra, advised that according to records of Pan Am, "HOFFMAN, A. and Mrs." travelling with one infant, three months old, were booked with Pan Am to leave NYC for St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, on Pan Am Flight 269, at 10:15 a.m., October 22, 1971. This flight was scheduled to arrive at St. Thomas at 1:50 p.m., on October 22, 1971.

urther advised that the subject had no return space.

On October 18, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN, NDI, Chicago, Illinois, advised the Chicago Division of the FBI that a motion had been filed with the USCA, Chicago, Illinois, on October 15, 1971, on behalf of the subject requesting permission of the USCA for the subject to travel with his family to the U.S. Virgin Islands on October 22, 1971, and to remain there through April, 1972.

The motion expressed the desire of the subject to leave earlier than originally intended, since a residence had been obtained in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The subject in the motion gave the following residence in the U.S. Virgin Islands for his stay there:

1441 Frenchman's Bay St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00801

On October 19, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN, NDI, Chicago, Illinois, advised the Chicago Division of the FBI that on October 18, 1971, the USCA, Chicago, Illinois, issued an order granting the subject permission to travel to the U.S. Virgin Islands on October 22, 1971, as requested and for the period indicated.

On October 22, 1971, SAs of the FBI observed ABBOTT HOFFMAN board Pan Am Flight 269 at 9:55 a.m. with his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN, and infant at JFKIA, Queens, New York. This flight departed New York at 10:15 a.m. and was scheduled to arrive at St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, at 1:50 p.m.

On October 22, 1971, the SAs of the FBI reviewed the records of Pan Am at the Pan Am Departure Terminal, JFKIA, Queens, New York, which disclosed that "Mr. A. HOFFMAN" boarded Pan Am Flight 269 en route to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, departing at 10:15 a.m. on October 22, 1971. HOFFMAN utilized Pan Am Ticket Number 026190292039, Coupon Number 1, a one way ticket, which had been purchased through Travel Horizons Unlimited in NYC on October 20, 1971. "Mrs. A. HOFFMAN and Infant" boarded this flight utilizing Pan Am Ticket Numbers 026190292040 and 026190292041, respectively, Coupons Number 1, one way tickets, which had also been purchased through Travel Horizons Unlimited on October 20, 1971.

III. ACTIVITIES

A. WPAX, Incorporated

The "Village Voice," a weekly New York City newspaper in its issue of February 11, 1971, on page 8 contained an article written by HOWARD SMITH under the heading "Scenes" which stated in part as follows:

"Occasionally I hear about an idea that sounds great, but just too complicated ever to come off. That was my attitude when I first heard about the formation of WPAX Radio as a way to provide GIs in Vietnam with news, music, and features totally free from Army censorship, thanks to Radio Hanoi's transmitters;

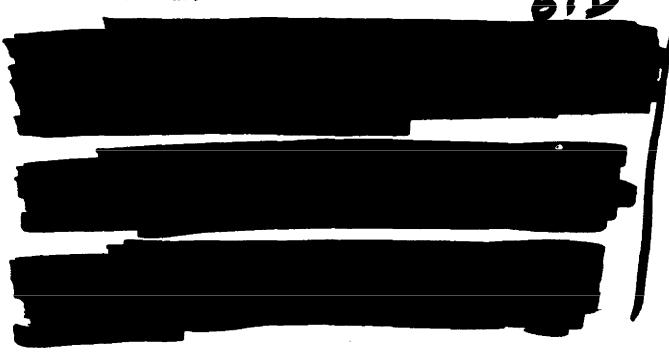
"The East Village Other," in its July 21-28, 1971 issue on page 18 contained an article by REX WEINER entitled, "Pirate Editions Report" which states in part as follows:

"Yet I keep hearing things like, 'Abbie Hoffman, he's making money off the revolution.' Well, that's pure (obscene). It's an attitude that fosters such putrid actions as the recent rip - off of WPAX equipment by tow movement sharpies from Ithaca, Paul Sandburg and David Boyd. The radical radio venture having been sabotaged by the government, Hoffman decided to recoup some of the bread he and others put into WPAX by selling the equipment. These two pigs - i - freak clothing apparently felt WPAX and Hoffman were fair game and heisted a thousand dollars worth of turntables and recording stuff. Why didn't they rip off WPLJ? (They will be dealt with by the Yippie Enforcement Team)."

B. May Day Collective (MDC)

The MDC in New York City is publicly known as an organization that participated in demonstrations in Washington, D. C. during the first week in May, 1971, sponsored by the Peoples Coalition for Peace and Justice (PCPJ).

A PCPJ press release dated March 1, 1971, described the PCPJ as being headquartered in Washington, D. C. and consisting of over 100 organizations which are using massive, non-violent, civil disobedience to combat racism, poverty, repression and war.



On February 18, 1970, RENNIE DAVIS was found guilty in the USDC, NDI, Chicago, Illinois, for violating the Anti-Riot Law Statute for travelling in interstate commerce from outside the State of Illinois with intent to incite riots in Chicago, Illinois, during the Democratic National Convention in August, 1968. On February 20, 1970, he was sentenced to five years imprisonment and fined \$5,000.00. On February 28, 1970, the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, ordered him released on \$25,000.00 bond, pending appeal of his conviction.

that on the weekend of February 5-7, 1971, a Student Youth Conference On A People's Peace was held at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Tebruary 5, 1971, at approximately 4:30 p.m. a May Day Conference was held at the University of Michigan at which plans for May Day were discussed including the taking of some kind of action toward stopping the government if the government did not stop the Vietnam War by then.

that the subject was among those individuals who attended this conference.

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with the anti-war demonstrations in WDC, a "rock show" was held at Potomac Park, WDC on April 30, 1971.

The subject appeared during the show and quietly moved among the crowd talking to individuals. He talked about the park and how the "kids" should get the feel of the youth culture before the politicians. He also felt that on the following Saturday and Sunday there should be little politics and that everyone should rest before the "big action" which would occur on the following Monday.

following the womens march, a large crowd of people had gathered on 21st Street between F and J Streets, WDC to listen to speeches given by students from Washington University.

The subject appeared during the speeches and talked to individuals in the crowd. He stated that by moving the people into the streets they were forcing the "kids" to become political and to realize that they were there not to fool around but to take action.

that on Monday, May 3, 1971, the police began arresting everyone caught in the area near the Washington Monument in WDC and took them to a detention camp located near the Washington baseball field.

the subject was there but left after a while. He had told everyone to keep cool and to keep on practicing civil non-violent action.

"The East Village Other" in its July 21-28, 1971 issue on page 18, contained an article by REX WEINER

"Another example of this attitude towards Abbie Hoffman occurred when Mayday people in Washington called Abbie and asked him to help raise funds for the defense of arrested Maydayers. 'What about my own defense?' he asks. 'They don't even mention my arrest and I face maore years and sufferred more physical injuries than any of them!' Abbie recently underwent an operation on his nose, has trouble with a slipped disc in his back, and still has to face an impending trial resulting from his indictment after Mayday. On top of all this, Anita Hoffman (at this writing) is expecting a kid any minute."

advised that during a MDC National Conference held at Atlanta, Georgia, during August 9-17, 1971, it was learned that the subject who had supported the May Day activities of the previous year was no longer affiliated with the organization and would not be supporting future May Day activities.

The "New York Post" in its August 17, 1971 issue on page 54, contained an article entitled, "A Chicago for the GOP?" which stated that the subject and three leaders of the Washington May Day demonstrations namely, TERRY TAUBE, KEN KELLEY, and MICHAEL TOLA, had called a press conference in San Francisco, California, on the preceding day at which they announced plans for massive protests at next year's Republican Convention in San Diego, California.

C. Youth International Party (YIP)

On August 22, 1971, a SA of the FBI, by means of a suitable pretext, determined that during the weekend of August 14-15, 1971, the subject resided with KATHY PEARL, self-described as the San Francisco, California Bay Area coordinator for the Yippies in San Francisco, California.

During this period the subject indicated that the YIP, which is currently based on the East Coast, was planning to move to Los Angeles, California, in either December, 1971 or January, 1972, to establish a base from which they can organize activities and demonstrations to take place during the Republican National Convention in San Diego, California, in 1972.

The subject further indicated that he was planning to go to Los Angeles, California during this period unless intervening court appearances should alter his plans.

IV. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

A. University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas September 8, 1971 67D

that on the evening of September 8, 1971, the subject spoke for the "Symposium 1972" presented by the Student Government Association at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

The subject, in his remarks, stated in part as follows:

"If you're wondering how I got here, a little yellow school bus picked me up on the other side of town about a few days ago. I was in a little fly-by-night airline, it took about two days. If I'm a little stage fright, the last time I spoke was on April 28th not too far from here in a little place called Norman, Oklahoma, at the University of Oklahoma, did about a 20-minute rap that I'm now facing five years in

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"prison and not one (obscene), five years. There's an interesting law, Section 2101, Volume 18, U. S. Penal Code; it's ah part of a civil rights law passed in April of 1968 by one of the all-time great civil rights champions, Senator STROM THURMOND. I had another experience, because being in a group of people up in Chicago in a trial a couple of years ago, did you hear about it nere? You did. We got five years for violating that law. It's a very metaphysical law. It says that it's illegal to cross a state line to organize, promote, participate or incite, not with the intention mind you, with the intentions, to organize, incite, participate, or promote a riot and a riot is defined under THURMOND's civil rights law as an act or threat of violence by one or more people in a crowd of three or more. It's a very metaphysical law and that is why up there in Chicago we were quite dazzled because not even the defendants knew whether we were innocent or guilty or not. You can see why the jury and the judge had some problems with it so it's an interesting law and no other person in history has been tried under it twice.

"If the government doesn't end the war in Vietnam we're going to end the government and there is 47 hours left. There's about three lines in a 15-minute speech so I'm a bit nervous in schools like this because right after the speech the recordings of the speech are handed over to the President of the University and he says we got it, we got the tape...

"Well, there's a very important election as y u know. We did go to Washington. Did anybody go? It was a very tactical achievement. We had about 75,000 people in the park. By the way, I come up in a plane here and something smelled very appealing. This whole state seems to smell like marijuana. What's the state flower, a marigold or some wierd little thing. It would be just my luck if they arrested me here. Well anyway, we were up in Washington, you know, we had all those people like. President NIXON goes on the boob tube

"and he says hey, there's going to be a lot of those runnynosed brats that are gonna be running around tying up traffic
here tomorrow. We know you're all committed, staunch federal
employees and we would like to ask you all to come in three
hours early for work tomorrow. So, all the organizers started
to believing and they were probably the only ones in the whole
city that believed him, so if you are a federal employee you
know, when you're going to meet traffic ties you ain't about
to head in three hours early for work. So come 5 AM in the
morning, everybody pops out from parks, and different universities,
you know, everybody tiptoeing down Madison Avenue, they look
around and say where the (obscene) are the cars. The entire
National Guard, the 7th Fleet is there and a bunch of freaks
with gas masks, you know. You know, the police picked everybody
up about 7 AM and that was it. We go sucked in, we were the
only ones that believed the federal employees would show up
that early in the morning. But we'll do better in San Diego.

"When I was there in Washington a couple of cops, ah spotted me and ah decided to help me across the street, and in the process ah took 40 stitches and some kind of back injury. The doctor prescribed cocaine for my nose when he told me what the solution was, I told him I had a better dealer. It cheers you up every once in a while when you go get out of this country. I was, ah, before the Washington bust, I was permitted to travel after I bribed the 7th District Court of Appeals in Chicago with a great amount of money. I was allowed to leave the country for a while and see other countries suffer around the world. One place I ended up, much to the government's regret, was Belfast in Northern Ireland and ah its incredible the struggle going on in Ireland is not very well understood in this country...

"I'd still be there but they got this thing called Scotland Yard on the island and the U. S. Government was kinda wondering why I was there when I'm not even allowed to travel to New Jersey without permission. I had to come back and I'm not allowed to travel anymore.

"I just gave the entire royalties of my latest book entitled Steal This Book. I gave the rights, all publishers and authors rights, for a fund for Irish political prisoners.

"The trial coming up in Washington might cost about \$30,000. The trial in Chicago and the appeal which will be decided in the next two months, cost in the neighborhood of \$400,000. I'm just a nice Jewish boy trying to work my way through prison."

B. Drew University
Madison, New Jersey
October 3, 1971

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dvised that ABBIE norrann was scheduled to speak at Baldwin Gymnasium, Drew University, on October 3, 1971, commencing at about 3:30 p.m. arrangements for HOFFMAN's lecture were made by the Student Academic Forum at the University. KEIFER could not advise as to the lecture fee demanded by HOFFMAN.

that student representatives from the University would drive by automobile to New York, pick up HOFFMAN, and after the lecture would return him by automobile to New York City.

On October 3, 1971, the scheduled lecture by ABBIE HOFFMAN at Baldwin Gymnasium, Drew University, was attended by an SA of the FBI. HOFFMAN appeared at approximately 3:30 p.m., and those in the audience numbered approximately 1,200 persons. Of that number approximately 25% appeared to be older than student age.

HOFFMAN's speech, for the most part, covered briefly many topics, including the recent prison rebellion at Attica Prison, New York, narcotics, and the racist imperialistic establishment in control in the United States.

In speaking of the Attica Prison rebellion, he described the prisoners as unfortunates justified in their acts; rebelling against the racist establishment which allegedly caused their incarceration there in the first place. He likened their revolt to the American Revolution. He further described the police officials who took part in the retaking of the prison as having committed wanton acts of murder against the black convicts.

He described the FBI as a secret police organization and questioned the American logic of revering an organization such as the FBI when, in fact, it was "a secret police organization."

HOFFMAN also stressed that the act of stealing goods from a supermarket or any other large concern was not wrong. He said that stealing from an individual would in some cases be a wrong. He further gave examples of methods where persons could easily steal from a supermarket.

He mentioned that young people had actually caused very little change in U. S. society because they spent too much time sitting and listening to rock music when they could have been active in furthering the social revolution against the establishment.

"The Star - Ledger," a daily newspaper published in Newark, New Jersey, in its October 4, 1971 issue contained an article entitled, "Abbie stages a second 'final' Jersey goodbye" which stated in part as follows:

"Youth movement superstar Abbie Hoffman visited New Jersey yesterday to announce - for the second time in the Garden State - that he is hanging up his headband, cutting his hair and leaving the campus lecture circuit.

"Hoffman, speaking to a crowd of over 1,500 at Drew University in Madison, said, 'I don't have any answers anymore. That's why I'm giving up speaking at schools, cutting my hair and going away.',

"He vowed that Drew would go down in history for hosting his last appearance, but recalled a visit last spring to Fairleigh Dickinson University where he also had announced his retirement.

"'Did any of you see me at Fairleigh Dickinson?' he asked. 'That was my last appearance too!'

"Hoffman resplendent in counterculture haute couture - sweatshirt and bell-bottom jeans - spiced his $l\frac{1}{2}$ -hour extemporaneous speech with the usual bathroom variety of four-letter Anglo-Saxonisms and barnyard epithets.

"Hoffman's remarks, delivered as he bounced around the podium, included the predictable stock, distribes against the enemies of the left: the government, the military, the Establishment.

"But he also had a few surprises, some of which may have caused his largely-sympathetic listeners to squirm a bit in their seats.

"Registering to vote he said, is a 'super idea.'
He admitted, 'Perhaps it is possible to have a socialist
revolution that supports the needs and interests of the people
and do it peacefully through electoral change.'

"He also gave the counterculture a kick in its patched pants, saying, 'Revolution is more than listening to rock music, getting stoned and putting posters on the wall.

"'All of that is meaningless unless it's tied to the struggle against U.S. imperialism around the world and against the racism that is practiced every day in this country.'

"He said that after each successive encounter with bits of counterculture music, literature, movies and luminaries he had shorn some of his frizzy locks.

"To underscore the firmness of his resolve to cut his hair in protest of the celebration of the counterculture for its own sake, Hoffman pulled out a pair of scissors and clipped a few curls.

"'All the money we get goes into paying for the trials,' Hoffman said, listing the expensive appeals involved in his running legal battle with the government.

"'I'm just a nice Jewish boy working my way through prison.'"

The "Chicago Sun Times," a Chicago, Illinois daily newspaper, in its October 5, 1971 issue on page 3, column 1, contained an article entitled, "ABBIE TRIMS HIS HAIR, URGES YOUTHS TO VOTE."

This article which is datelined "New York (AP)" stated as follows:

"Yippie leader Abbie Hoffman has cut his hair and is advising young people to register to vote.

"'Long hair has become one affectation of children of the rich rather than a form of honest social protest,' he explained Monday in an interview.

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"As for the voting, he said, 'I think kids should register so they can get on juries.'

"Hoffman, a defendant in the Chicago 7 conspiracy trial, was expanding on remarks he made to 1,500 Drew University students at Madison, N.J., on Sunday.

"In that speech, he indicated that while he still favors social and political revolution in the United States, he was finding some hope in the ballot box.

"'Perhaps it is possible to have a Socialist revolution that supports the needs and interests of the people and to do so peacefully, through electoral change,' he said in the speech. He cited as examples the radical city council elected last spring in Berkeley, Calif., and the victory of Socialist Salvadore Allende who was elected president in Chile.

"'National elections are still meaningless pap. I'm not telling kids it's worth it to go out and work for (Sen. George) McGovern or (New York Mayor John) Lindsay for President, he said Monday.

"'But in college towns, with the recent changes in laws, it makes a lot of sense to engage in electoral politics as an experiment. It's possible that radicals could win. Berkeley is a start. We should go for radical community control.'

"In general, Hoffman complained that the current hip culture had become fraudulent.

"'The rock music has gotten bad, the dope is lousy,' he said.

"'Every time I turn on the television I see movie stars with long hair....Peter Fonda, Dennis Hopper....The youth cult has been taken over by Warner Brothers.'

"As a result, Hoffman said he will be leaving the country shortly with his wife, Anita, and son america, 2 months.

"'I'm gonna spend my time diapering the baby and write a book,' he said. 'It'll be a hardcover, theoretical book - an answer to "The Greening of America."!

"That book, a best-seller by Yale Prof. Charles Reich, deals with the youth culture. So does Hoffman's current work, 'Steal This Book.'"

V. TELEVISION APPEARANCES

A. "Paul Benzaquin Show" Boston, Massachusetts July 30, 1971

On July 30, 1971, SAS of the FBI observed the subject appear on the "Paul Benzaquin Show," WNAC-TV, Channel 7, Boston, Massachusetts, a local "talk show," produced daily, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., on which show subject appeared for a period of forty minutes, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:40 a.m.

In the absence of PAUL BENZAQUIN, KEN THOMAS acted as moderator during the interview of subject, the initial part of the program having to do with the subject's recent book, "Steal This Book." Mention was also made of the subject's baby, "america." During the comments subject made concerning his recent book, "Steal This Book," he related that royalties had been signed over to the trial in Chicago and he expects to sell a million copies. Also during the interview, the subject mentioned that JERRY RUBIN and PHIL OCHS had just left for Chile for a month or two.

Approximately half of the show consisted of questions being called in by individuals identified by first name only; and, during this portion of the program, a "JOHN" (last name unknown) called in a question concerning whether or not subject believed" it has to be an armed revolution," and this portion of the program concerning this question and answer is set forth hereafter verbatim:

JOHN:

"Do you really believe it has to be an armed

revolution?"

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HOFFMAN: "Well um, ah":

JOHN:

"I mean, like, wouldn't we be just as bad as Nixon and the rest of em if we started picking up guns,

and ya know, did our thing?"

ABBIE HOFFMAN:

"Well I ah, ah, I can never equate the two because you're always talking about relatively minimal amount of violence and a very personal kind of violence. You know, if you shoot another person, or something, ah, it's a very existential kind of thing. You've got to become concerned with it but if you're engaged in an institutional violence, like in Vietnam, for example, I mean Rand Corp., ah, that Daniel Ellsberg, who is a personal hero of mine, and I think a lot of people, I think he brought out I mean the technology in this country is used on such a massive scale to commit violence in such an impersonal way. Say in Vietnam where the planting of radio detectors that sends any kind of life for a two-mile radius and then radios that information to a B-52 that's 50,000 feet above, ya know, the land and that information gets radioed

"to a computer that's in the Seventh Fleet; and thenwwithin ten minutes, a saturation bombing of a scale never before seen in history, and all this is done without people really being involved."

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THOMAS: "Yeh, I think what John was really asking though, do you believe that we have to pick up guns. I

think that's what he asked!

ABBIE

HOFFMAN: "Yes, ah, I think you should, ah, I think you should

own a gun. It's how to use guns in the book; ah, I certainly have, I mean I have a gun, I'm always

armed:

JOHN: "I do too, but---"

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THOMAS: "Yeh but, are you talking about, are you still

taling about an armed revolution? "

ABBIE HOFFMAN:

"I think eventually the only armed struggle, is the ultimate revolution. Ah, I could be wrong, and that's why Chile is so interesting, but I think, ah, I think Allende is gonna get picked off with the help of the CIA and other groups. You know, or the military because the Right Wing can always commit a coup because the army is never gonna give up their guns, you see, and until the people are armed, until you have a people's militia; that's the only thing that prevents, ah, a small elite from taking power."

On February 18, 1970, JERRY RUBIN was found guilty in the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, for violating the Anti-Riot Law Statute for travelling in interstate commerce from outside the State of Illinois with intent to incite riots in Chicago, Illinois, during the Democratic National Convention in August, 1968. On February 20, 1970, he was sentenced to five years imprisonment and fined \$5,000.00. On February 28, 1970, the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, ordered him released on \$25,000.00 bond, pending appeal of his conviction.

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On June 28, 1971, DANIEL ELLSBERG was indicted by a FGJ in Los Angeles, California, charging that within the approximate period of September-October, 1969, he had unauthorized possession, access to and control of certain documents and writings pertaining to National Defense which were originally contained in a number of volumes of xeroxed copies of a study entitled, "United States-Vietnam Relations, 1945 to 1967," all but one of which were classified "Top Secret;" and did knowingly and unlawfully convert the above documents to his own use. ELLSBERG is currently free on a \$50,000 personal surety bond.

"The Boston Globe," a Boston, Massachusetts daily newspaper, in its July 31, 1971 issue contained an article entitled, "Sticky-fingered Abbie Hoffman strikes back at booksellers," which stated in part as follows concerning the subject's appearance on the "Paul Benzaquin Show" on July 30, 1971.

"'The reviews are better than the book,' he told Ken Thomas, who interviewed him for the vacationing Paul Benzaquin. 'One reviewer said I should stick to writing on my forehead.'

"Hoffman began the interview by talking about the book, but by the time it was over, the book and its problems were long forgotten.

"Thomas: 'You' e a new father...'

"Hoffman: 'Yes. Actually, I have three kids. When I was being tried in Chicago it was a big decision as to whether I should let my kids visit me. The jury had my age pegged at about $8\frac{1}{2}$.'

"Thomas: 'The new baby's name is ...'

"Hoffman: '...' 'a. merica.' 'You don't think it sounds too Jewish, do you?'

"Thomas: 'I...'

"Hoffman: 'I have a big trial coming up in the fall. I face 10 years. I thought if I gave my kid that name they wouldn't send me to jail.'

"Thomas: 'Well...'

"Hoffman: 'There's a method to everything, you know.'"



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Weatherman, formerly a faction of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), controlled the SDS National Office from June, 1969 until its closing in February, 1970. Weatherman then entered an underground status and adopted a tactic of "strategic sabotage," with police and military installations designed as primary targets.

"Liberation" magazine, an independent monthly, is published in New York City. Since its inception in 1956, it has printed "anti-establishment" articles written by individuals supporting world-wide communism, black militants and New Left radicals. DAVE DELLINGER, leading figure in the New Left Movement, is the editor.

On February 18, 1970, DAVID DELLINGER was found guilty in the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois for violating the Anti-Riot Law Statute for travelling in interstate commerce from outside the State of Illinois with intent to incite riots in Chicago, Illinois, during the Democratic National Convention in August, 1968. On February 20, 1970, he was sentenced to five years imprisonment and fined \$5,000.00. On February 28, 1970, the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, ordered him released on \$25,000.00 bond, pending appeal of his conviction.

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The "Guardian" in its September 29, 1971 issue on page 13 contained an article entitled, "Abbie Hoffman tenders resignation from movement" which stated in part as follows:

"Abbie Hoffman is one of the better know personalities in the so-called 'counter-culture' movement of American youth. His reflections in 'Woodstock Nation' have had a strong impact on the development of that movement. In an article in the September WIN magazine, Hoffman explains why he has at least temporarily 'retired' from the movement he perhaps more than anyone else constructed-a movement he now characterizes as 'a little group of vultures.' Resisting the temptation to elaborate upon chickens-or vultures-coming home to roost, we here reprint excerpts from Hoffman's 'resignation.'"

The article then set forth excerpts from the subject's article which had appeared in the September 1, 1971 issue of "Win" Magazine.

The "Guardian" is self-described as an "independent radical news weekly" which takes a strong left position but is not identified with any organized group. It is considered to be the largest radical weekly in America.

VII. WRITINGS

"The East Village Other," in its Volume 6, Number 26 (May 21, 1971), issue on page 3, Columns 1-5 and page 16, Columns 1-5, contained an article entitled, "Revolution For The Smell Of It!, the nose knows!, Interview With Abbie Hoffman" by STEVE KRAUS, which states in part as follows:

"ABBIE HOFFMAN is alive and well, alternately by radiating sweet wiseguy goofy Jewish bright kid vibes and being (obscene) off at a system which is trying, he says, to suppress him and his latest book, rather provocatively titled 'STEAL THIS BOOK' published by PIRATE EDITIONS and distributed by GROVE PRESS. By the way, according to the overleaf of the title page, Pirate Editions, at 640 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10012 says that they are interested in helping revolutionary and radical writers publish their books.

"I went to see and interview Abbie well equipped with biggie cans of Miller's and butter flavored pretzels. The great man of the new American Revolution did not exactly refuse to be interviewed otherwise, but he did allow that the cans of Miller's would be highly welcome. So there you are, your unfaithful reporter, Abbie, his nose swollen and pudgy and taped up and he can't breathe through it, and his lady Anita, notorious aut horess, seven months pregnant, they are going to call the kid America, they have an apartment which is simply beautiful which they built themselves on the roof of a factory building not far from Union Square, they call each other Babe and seem very much in love after being together four or five years, they took each into a union you can call marriage if you wish at a ceremoney in Central Park, how about that?

"'They are trying to suppress if, he says and you can see the hurt in his voice. 'Thirty publishers turned' the book down ... even though hundreds of thousands of copies of his previous books were sold, Revolution for the Hell of It, 800,000 (figures Abbie), Woodstock Nation 200,000 and now going into a new special paper back edition. They still all turned out his book and Abbie had to publish it himself. One publishing house said 'It wasn't radical enough.' Another one complained that 'it lacked literary merit.' 'I was offered \$40,000 by one publisher if I would only take out three chapters and change the title of the book. He shows me the letters from the great liberals and the great underground stations, the New York Times, the Los Angeles Times, WCBS-FM, all refusing for one reason or another to accept ads. The radio stations gave as an excuse un-named FCC regulations. He shows me the copy for the radio commercial, a completely inoffensive little skit that any station would accept were the product a new brand of tomato juice.

"Is our hero discouraged? Not on your revolutionary bippy he ain't, even though 5,000 copies of his book were just seized on the Canadian border. 80,000 copies of STEAL THIS BOOK have been sold already and Abbie is already working on STEAL THIS BOOK No. 2. With the con-mpt that it deserves

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"he silently dismisses my suggestion that he call it SON OF STEAL THIS BOOK. Instead, taking a long and healthy pull on the beer he tells how he destroyed the copyright by writing all the 'underground' papers in the country and telling them to reprint part or all of STEAL THIS BOOK and give it away or sell it and put the money into some RIGHT ON CAUSE.

"Ask him about his indictment, yelled Allen Katzman, as I left the EVO offices to interview Abbie, so I asked him about the indictment.

"'I was indicted under section 2101 of the U.S. code Vol. 18 under a civil rights law authored by that great fighter for individual rights Strom Thurmond, ' says 'I gave this speech in Oklahoma in which I said three things for which they indicted me. I said we are going to Washington to stop the government and the war, I plugged Jerry Rubin's book "DO IT," and I said we are going to make Chicago look like a YAF convention in comparison with what we are going to do in Washington. So anyway they indicted me under Thurmond's law, which is a very metaphysical law. It's the only law ever passed which makes it a crime to cross state lines with the intention to incite a riot. In other words with a state of mind. So I don't even KNOW whether I'm guilty or not. He is beginning to get up, but not in a viscious way, he just is facing an unpleasant fact which he doesn't like. 'The government wants to put us away. We speak on campuses, we are doing everything we can to weaken the power of the Phillistines in Washington. I guess I am guilty of everything, the D. C. demonstrations, the bombing of the Capitol, the Los Angeles earthquake...actually, I break the law every time I speak. Everyone who believes in civil liberties should expand the frontiers of free speech every time they speak, everything else is just masturbation. Thave got a list of twenty laws I'm working on. Every time I speak I break about five and tickle another ten.' What about the indictment?

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"But Abbie wants to talk about his arrests and the FBI first.

"'I've been arrested four or five times, and let me tell you, the FBI used to be really nice to be arrested by, they were gentle, they would give you your rights... but here there has been a big change in the FBI recently, the last few months, they are (obscene)'cause they can't get the Weather people, they are offering \$100,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the Capitol bombers, they are mad that nobody is snitching. On his 98th birthday J. Edgar finally flipped his lid. So of late the FBI has been involved in illegal raids on communes, beatings, and intimidations of people...do you know that a week before Mayday, my phone, Dave Dellinger's phone and the phone of the Mayday Collective in Washington were all cut off! These FBI terror tactics are all part of the Justice Department's vendetta. Why, the Attorney General now even suggests that we got money from foriegn, ugh, Communist, ugh, ugh, countries. Ha!' Abbie was also Indicted for interfering with a police officer, a felony in Washington.

"'The way I interfered with that police officer,' says Abbie, 'was by running away, getting tackled and getting a broken nose, a slipped disk in my back and a lot of stitches. I was caught in the Georgetown part of Washington and I was beat up by this one really sadistic cop. Most cops in Washington on Mayday were relatively restrained, I just wound up with this really sadistic one, he asks me, aren't these your shades, then he stomped on them, he gave my gas mask away to somebody, then he beat me up. So after I got patched up by Dr. Spock at RFK stadium I got smuggled out in a garbage can, just like on Hogan's Heroes...I split since I wasn't really arrested, right, so I figured what am I doing here. I was arrested here in New York a few days ago. First they charged me with assaulting a police officer but when they saw what shape I was in they changed the charge.'

"Now it was time to split, Abbie was on his way to a clinic for a doctor to look at his noise. He can't breathe through it, he is all taped up on account of his slipped disk and in constant pain, but his spirits seem as high as ever. The global revolution seems to buoy him up, he switches from serio-comic to groans like comedy asides, to hugs with Anita to proposed laws life Presidents shouldn't be allowed to wear make-up on television. As the actress said to the bishop, we haven't seen the last of you yet."

The "Village Voice" in its June 17, 1971, issue on page 21, column 1, contained an article entitled, "Steal This Story" which stated in part as follows:

"A new street vendor was hawking his wares on the sidewalks of New York last week. Abbie Hoffman was peddling 'Steal This Book,' his latest literary effort, in front of Doubleday Books' Fifth Avenue and 57th Street branch. The site of the venture had significance in that Doubleday, along with 29 other publishing houses and many major book stores, refused to publish and will not sell the book. This counter counter-culture effort has been compounded by the refusal of 13 newspapers, including the New York Times, and all radio stations to accept advertisements for it. All the parties note the book's advocacy of illegal acts in explaining their desire to have nothing to do with it.

"'Steal This Book' is billed as a handbook for survival and warfare for the citizens of Woodstock Nation.' It tells how to eat for nothing at restaurants, shoplift food and clothes, hitch, bum rides on trains and airplanes, set up pirate radio and tv stations, get on unemployment, and obtain thousands of free goods and services. In addition, there are chapters on how to act at demonstrations, trash, make bombs, and shoot firearms, and what to do when busted for demonstrating, trashing, bombing, and shooting.

"'There's a special section on how to make it in New York,' yelled Abbie to the gathering crowd at Doubleday, a cartonful of books at his feet. 'It's called (obscene) New York.'

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"'What is it?' asked a young straight in suit, tie, and crewcut. It was not clear whether he was inquiring about Abbie or the book. Not to be outdone, Abbie flipped the pages and held up the chapter with instructions for getting on welfare. The straight walked away muttering while an elderly man yelling 'nigger lover' ran for the nearest cop.

"Abbie hadn't heard this last remark, though, as more and more books were being bought and thrust in his hands for autographs. 'Doubleday won't sell this book cause it tells you how to screw the system,' he said. And then throwing in a sales pitch: 'You know I got arrested in Washington during the Mayday demonstration. Well, if I had read this book before going to Washington I wouldn't have gotten caught.'"

FORCADE as an officer of the Underground Press Syndicate (UPS) and joined by UPS, had instituted a law suit against the subject for monies owed UPS for work performed in aiding the publishing of the subject's book entitled, "Steal This Book."

that the UPS was seeking \$5,000 for their services for the work they did.

The UPS is a New York City based organization founded in 1967 whose main functions are to aid in the initiation of underground newspapers and to aid members of its syndicate in the operations of their underground newspapers.

"The Boston Globe" in its July 31, 1971 issue contained an article entitled, "Sticky-fingered Abbie Hoffman strikes back at booksellers" which stated in part as follows:

"Abbie Hoffman, the author of 'Steal This Book,' has just stolen a book from Charles E. Lauriat Co. Inc., a bookstore at 50 Franklin st. in downtown Boston.

"The book is a handsome illustrated volume of Currier & Ives prints. It is called 'The World of Currier & Ives,' and it retails for \$15. Hoffman has picked it up while discussing with a clerk why Lauriat's is not stocking 'Steal This Book' and then to the clerk's astonishment, has walked out of the store with the book tucked under an arm.

"Not quite sure he is seeing right the clerk has followed Hoffman out of the store, staring as Hoffman saunters down the street. Hoffman turns and favors the clerk with what must be described as an 'obscene gesture.'

"The encounter is one of several highlights of a morning with Hoffman, a morning that began with an interview on 'The Paul Benzaquin Show' and closed with a frantic search for 'Steal This Book' in a back room of the Harvard Coop Society, 1400 Massachusetts av., Cambridge.

"'Where the -- do you keep it. in the safe?' said Hoffman, rummaging through an assortment of cardboard cartons while several Coop employees stood by with hands on hips, laughing nervously.

"Hoffman's interest in 'Steal This Book,' his fourth book, transcends the average author's concern with the fate of his work. It is, in fact, becoming an obsession. As the New York Times Book Review stated several weeks ago, there is what appears to be a 'conspiracy' among publishers, distributors and retail outlets to keep 'Steal This Book' off the shelves.

"The conspiracy appeared to be in full flower yesterday, when Hoffman toured four bookstores in the area, three of which (Lauriat's, the Old Corner Book Store at 50 Bromfield st., and the Paperback Booksmith, 37a Brattle st., Cambridge) had nary a copy on hand and the (The Coop) appeared to be giving it the kind of display Jack Benny usually reserves for his money.

"After swiping the Currier & Ives book, it was off to the Back Bay offices of The Phoenix, where Hoffman outlined future plans. His next book will be on how to rob banks, and he is trying to work out a scheme for a 'hustlers convention' at which Willie Sutton will be keynote speaker and the feasibility will be explored of constructing a 'Rip-off Institute.'

"Next on the agenda was the trip to Cambridge - specifically to the Coop and a confrontation with a clerk at the customers service desk.

"Hoffman: 'Do you carry 'Steal This Book'?'

"Clerk: 'Yeah.'

"Hoffman: 'Where?'

"Clerk: 'In the bosses' office.'

"'How come there's a price on it if you can steal it?' challenged a girl with heavy eye-shadow.

"'Because some people are dumb enough to pay \$2 for it,' answered the author.

"After some conversation, Hoffman managed to convince the clerks that 'Steal This Book' might do a little business if The Coop's customers were made aware there was such a book.

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"Laying his hands on some Scotch Tape and Magic-Marker, he fashioned his own homemade display, consisting of the book's cover and a sign - 'Ask for it' - with an arrow pointing to it.

"And then, over to the Paperback Booksmith around the corner for a talk with a woman behind the cash register, who although congenial, had to admit there was not a copy on the premises.

"There, as in most of the other places, Hoffman was accosted by a by-stander who thought he had come up with a question to stump Abbie Hoffman, revolutionary, conspirator and one of the few authors to admit to thinking up titles first and then dreaming up the material to go with them:

"'What would happen if someone stole something important to you? What would be your reaction then?'

"'I'd get upset, naturally,' said Hoffman. 'But then, I can't exactly go out and call the local constable, can I?'"

The "New York Post," in its August 31, 1971 issue on page 4 contained an article entitled, "Abbie's 'Steal This Book' Stole Mine: Co-Author" which stated in part as follows:

"The East Village radical listed as 'co-conspirator' on Abbie Hoffman's best selling revolutionary manual, 'Steal This Book,' has accused Hoffman of stealing the authorship, profits and rights of the book from him.

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"Izak Maber, a 22-year-old former Yippie who lived with Hoffman and his wife for two months, charges that he conceived the book, gathered 90 per cent of its research, and wrote the 700-page manuscript that Hoffman whittled down and rewrote as the printed version.

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"Hoffman, he says, first offered to give him 70 per cent of the royalties for doing most of the work, trimmed the percentages down to a 50-50 split when he realized the book's selling potential, and eventually forced him into contract negotiations that left Haber with $22\frac{1}{2}$ per cent of the royalties directly from book sales.

"'When he began to see the same vision of the book I saw and began talking that the book was worth a quarter of a million dollars, our friendship flew out the window,' Haber said.

"Branding the charge an 'unmitigrated lie,'
Hoffman says Haber's suggestion in December 1969 of writing
a book on living free of charge by 'ripping off' the system
derived from Hoffman's earlier pamphlet, '-the System,'
which he had planned to expand anyway.

"While he admits promising Haber first 70 and then 50 per cent of the profits, Hoffman says those percentages were scuttled last summer when he realized Haber's manuscript was 'essentially a collection of clippings and articles from the underground press.'

"'When I looked at this wad of notes he had given me, I told him he didn't write a thing,' Hoffman said. 'I wrote the book, it's my style, and you name me one researcher that even got 22½ per cent of the royalties of a book.'

"Billed as a 'handbook for survival and warfare for the citizens of Woodstock Nation,' 'Steal This Book' instructs readers how to make bombs, battle the police, shoplift from 'guerrilla' radio stations and underground newspapers, fly on airplanes and make long distance calls free of charge and get food, clothing and shelter free.

"While most bookstores in the country refuse to stock the paperback, more than 125,000 copies have been sold at \$1.95 each and the title has appeared on several best seller lists.

"As contractual author, Hoffman received 77½ per cent of the royalties remaining after his lawyer, Gerald Lefcourt, takes a 10 per cent cut. But as head of Pirate Editions Inc., formed after the book was rejected by numerous publishing houses. Hoffman is also the publisher and garners the publisher's six per cent share of the net gross.

"Hoffman estimates that the book has earned him about \$28,000 so far, of which he has only received \$16,000 in actual payments from the distributor, Grove Press. Haber has so far gotten one check-for \$1050.

"The irony of two collaborators battling over credit for a book with a larcenous soul did not escape either Haber or Hoffman.

"'It was a brute force rip-off,' Haber said. 'He was Abbie and it was his name that was going to sell the book. I was Izak Haber, who he thought was just a punk off the streets. But I had trusted him. I figured I was a human being and he was a human being.'

"Contending that Haber is a victim of unrequited 'hero worship,' Hoffman says he entered into the original agreement on the premise that he would have to do some minor writing and editing. Most of the information actually included in the printed version, Hoffman says, was gleaned after Haber had submitted a manuscript largely copied 'word for word' from underground sources.

"Tom Forcade, who has filed suit against Hoffman for \$8000 for allegedly falining to compensate him for editing a large part of the book and arranging its printing and distribution, said Haber's research was the most important share of the work. 'This book is a collection of ways to rip things off,' he said. 'It's not a piece of prose.'

"Maintaining that Haber's contribution was worth 'a few hundred dollars,' Lefcourt argued that Abbie merited his name on the cover as author and was also responsible for the book's success.

"'Any sales this book has had are because Abbie has spent nine hours every day promoting it,' Lefcourt said.
'He's pulled off the promotion of the century in an atmosphere of censorship.'"

"The New York Times," in its September 2, 1971 Issue on page 31, contained an article entitled, "Abbie Hoffman Accused Before 'Court' of Peers," which stated in part as follows:

"Did Abbie Hoffman steal some of the labors that went into the creation of 'Steal This Book,' his anti-Establishment best-seller that, among other things, instructs its readers on ways to thrive without working.

"That was the question yesterday before a threeman panel of Mr. Hoffman's countercultural peers, who convened at the Washington Square United Methodist Church in an attempt to settle a dispute between the Yippie leader and Tom Forcade. The latter contends he edited the book and says he has not been paid.

"'This is an experiment in justice,' explained Dr. Howard Levy, the former Army captain who was court-martialed for his refusal to help train Green Berets. He was one of the three arbiters who had been agreed upon by both Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Forcade.

"The others were Meyer Vishner, a young man active in the war-resistance movement, and Craig Karpell, an editor of Esquire magazine.

"Rex Weiner, who is on the staff of The East Village Other newspaper, served as bailiff and arranged the hearing.

"He said the idea originated four weeks ago shortly after Mr. Forcade filed suit in the courts, contending in that more conventional system that Mr. Hoffman had reneged on a contract.

"A slight procedural hurdle was posed yesterday when a reporter sought to cover the hearing. After consultation, the judges agreed that the trial would be closed, but both arbiters and the key adversaries were available for comments, made on the steps of the church on West Fourth Street.

"In one of these recesses, Mr. Forcade, who looks like a slight and dark Buffalo Bill and dresses the part, gave his view of the dispute.

"Of the book, which has chapters on stealing food, clothes, transportation and phone calls, as well as chapters on the preparation of bombs and the maintenance of weapons, Mr. Forcade said:

"'I edited and made most of the arrangements for the publication of 'Steal This Book.' I had a contract, and I've never been paid.'

"He said the contract called for him to receive 8 per cent of the retail price for the first 20,000 copies and 4 per cent for everything afterthat.

"Mr. Forcade indicated that he thought \$8,000 would be just compensation and that if the tribunal awarded him an

' amount in this area he would abide by its decision. If not, he did not preclude a reinstitution of his conventional suit in the courts.

"Mr. Hoffman summed up his side of the case this way: 'There's no doubt that Tom participated in some of the editing. The only thing we're haggling about is price.'

"He said he had suggested to the judges that 'under normal circumstances Tom would get \$1,500, if he were the only editor handling the book.' But, he charged, Mr. Forcade had done an 'inadequate job,' and he had to get another editor, Bert Cohen, who is credited on the title page as 'accessory after the fact.'

"'A group of us got the idea that the whole thing could be settled outside of the conventional legal bureaucracy,' Mr. Forcade said.

"The format, worked out by Mr. Weiner, called for both Mr. Forcade, a Washington-based correspondent for the Underground Press Service and Mr. Hoffman to have two hours to present depositions and witnesses. There was no cross-examination. No decision was panel plans to reconvene in a few days.

"One of Mr. Forcade's witnesses yesterday was Izak Haber, who also is threatening to sue Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Haber, a 22-year-old writer, who is listed in the book as 'co-conspirator,' contends that he compiled and wrote 'Steal This Book' in exchange for 22 per cent of the royalties.

"He, too, says that he has a contract. And he said yesterday that all he had received was \$1,000.

"Mr. Haber said he was about to file suit, but conventionally."

The"Village Voice," in its September 30, 1971 issue on page 53 under the heading "Scenes" contained an article which stated that both the subject and TOM FORCADE say that they feel that the decision handed down the previous week by the Revolutionary Tribunal was in their favor.

The article then stated that the subject pointed to the fact that the court only awarded TOM FORCADE \$1,000 in cash when he had asked for \$8,000 and that TOM FORCADE maintained that the 10,000 copies of the subject's book, "Steal This Book" that the judges decided he should be given at cost would eventually net him more than \$10,000.

The article continued that close sources stated that both disputants were upset with the decision and that they would have preferred to have settled on a purely cash basis.

of Liberation News Service (LNS) News Packet Number 383 dated October 15, 1971.

This News Packet on Page 12 contained an article entitled, "TO LIVE OUTSIDE THE LAW YOU MUST BE HONEST"-"ARBITRATION SETTLES DISPUTE OVER STEAL THIS BOOK".

The article which is datelined "New York (LNS) stated in part as follows:

"'Both Tom and Abbie Committed themselves to an experiment in the alternative administration of justice—with themselves as the guinea pigs,' commented the three mediators after deciding just how much money Abbie Hoffman owed Tom Forcade, a founder of the Underground Press Syndicate, for Tom's work on 'Steal This Book.'

"When 30 publishers turned down Abbie's latest book he decided to publish it himself and asked for help from Tom, who had experience on the business side of underground publishing. Tom was supposed to develop alternative distribution channels so that no commercial distributor would rake in the profits.

"But Abbie didn't like Tom's work and called off the deal. Tom spent \$300 on a lawyer and demanded \$5000 for the work he'd already done on the book. Abbie says he offered Tom \$1500 without luck.

"Then someone suggested that a panel of Movement people might provide truer justice. Tom and Abbie agreed and stated in writing that they would abide by the decision.

"They picked three people to arbitrate: Mayer Visnner, a rock musicologist and war resister; Craig Karpel, a free-lance writer who has outlined a system for informal arbitration of consumer-shopkeeper disputes; and Dr. Howard Levy, the former Army doctor who served 26 months in jail for refusing to teach dermatology to Vietnam-bound Green Berets.

"At the two-day closed hearing in New York, Tom and Abbie informally introduced witnesses. They were allowed to cross-examine and tell their own versions of the dispute.

"The straight press was soon scoffing at the whole preceding. The New York Times and its news service quoted Tom as saying that if he wasn't happy with the decision of the arbitrators he'd sue. Tom never said that, and the reporter who quoted him later apologized for his error. In fact, both Tom and Abbie had signed an agreement to go to court only to enforce the mediators' decision.

"Instead of handing down an arbitration award, the mediators decided to give Tom and Abbie a 'Karma alignment.'

"'Karma,' they explained, 'is a Sanskrit word that refers to the moral and spiritual consequences of our actions. There is a Karmic deficit here that Abbie should compensate Tom for. It is clear that at the time in question Abbie was trying to rush the book but even if this meant asking Tom to work without a signed contract. Abbie has made similar mistakes in the past and we want to encourage him not to make them again.'

"Abbie's debt to Tom: \$1000.

"Tom's request for an additional \$3500 to pay for his efforts at collecting the original \$5000 was termed 'completely unreasonable.' But in the spirit of creating counter-institutions, the panel decided that Tom could earn the balance of the \$5000 if he wanted to. The karma alignment requires Abbie to sell him up to 10,000 copies of Steal This Book at cost. Tom can then resell them through the underground channels he originally agreed to develop.

"The mediators defined an alternative distribution network as 'one which skirts the normal capitalistic hannels and puts its distribution in the hands of collectives, cooperatives, and non-profit groups committed to radical social change,' and recommended that both Tom and Abbie set their talents to the development of such a network."

The LNS is self-described as an underground news wire service, with head-quarters in New York City, which publishes news packets weekly that are sold to radical New Left underground newspapers. It was founded in 1967, and reportedly has a paid circulation over 600.



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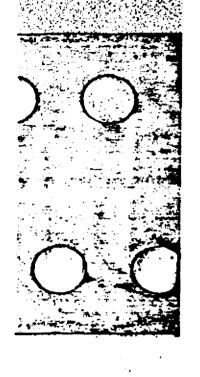
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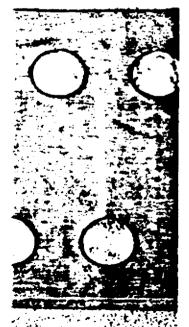
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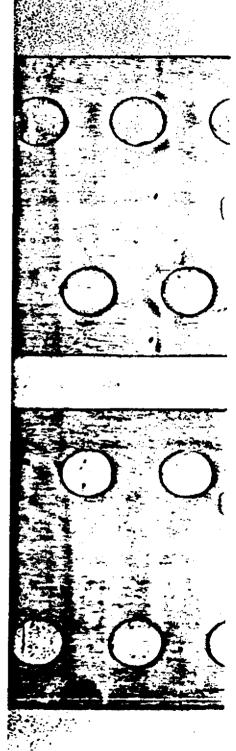
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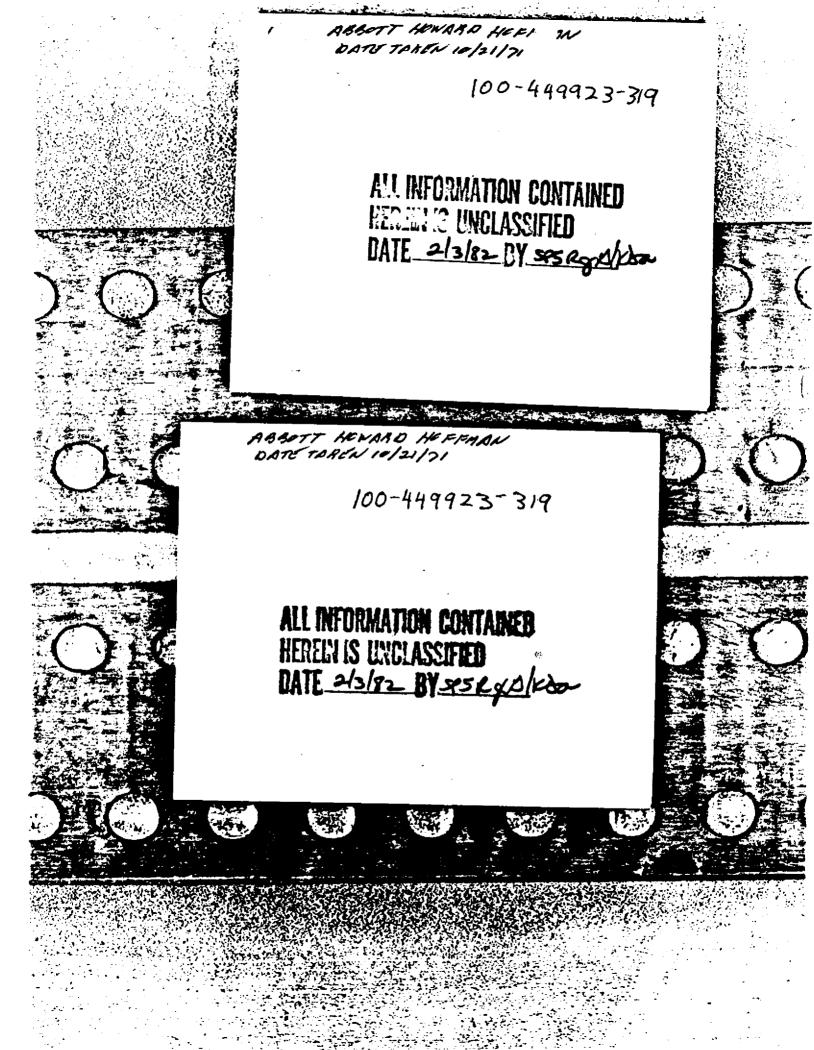
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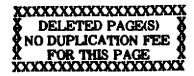


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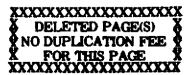
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For the information of Legats, London and Paris, Moffman is currently residing at 1441 Frenchman's Bay, St. Thomas, U. B. Virgin Islands, where he plans to stay for approximately four more months.

On 12/9/71, U. S. Court of Appeals (USCA), Chicago, Illinois, advised Moffman's request for authority to travel to various islands in the Caribbean had been approved. Moffman's request notes that "from time to time" through April, 1972, he desires to visit the British Virgin Islands, particularily Tortola and Virgin Gorda, as well as Antigua, Dominica, and the French overseas departments of Martinique and Guadeloupe.

Moffman stated that the purpose of such travel was for pleasure, sight-seeing, and relaxation. He was uncertain of the dates that travel would take place, and he anticipated spending no more than one day on each of the above islands. Moffman advised he did not know where he would be staying during such travel and may actually reside on ships during the course of his visits.

Legats are instructed to apprise liaison sources of the foregoing and advise that any information received regarding Moffman's activities, during travel to the above locations, would be appreciated by this Bureau. A letterhead memorandum is being prepared by Chicago regarding the foregoing, and will be furnished your offices upon receipt at the Bureau.

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NOTE:

Hoffman is one of the "Chicago Eight" defendants convicted of ARL violation and cited for COC. He is presently free on appeal bond from the Chicago proceedings and is also under indictment in connection with ARL violation occurring on 5/3/71 in Washington, D. C. His activities are also being followed in keeping with Key Activist Program, which looks towards rendering such individuals ineffective and thereby restricting the influence and effectiveness of the New Left Movement.