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BRYANT O. PEARCE considered unreliable by former professional associates at OSS, some believe he is mentally deficient. Successor to PEARCE as Head of Reproduction Unit, OSS, reported PEARCE during OSS employment furnished information that when "run down" reflected that "it was 100 per cent opposite to the truth." PEARCE had nothing to do with OSS Reproduction Unit after approximately May, 1942; believed PEARCE could not operate a photostat machine during OSS employment. These OSS associates have no reason to believe PEARCE has original or copies of OSS documents under his control. JAMES R. MURPHY, former Head of X2 (counter espionage) Branch, OSS, claims he would have known of any report that alleged espionage activity on part of WHITE; he first aware of such allegation after defection of IGOR GOUZENKO in Canada in September, 1945. Treasury files indicate WHITE had been appointed as representative of Treasury Department to OSS Planning Group and was to attend first meeting of Group on 2/11/43. Treasury files contain pouch letters to subject, who was then assistant to the Secretary of Treasury, from JAMES E. WOOD, Financial Attache, Lisbon, Portugal. (S-1) (S-2)

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Attache's secretary, Miss MARY ELIZABETH THOMPSON. This letter terminated this arrangement and Treasury indicated they would no longer bill OSS for these individuals expenses. (S-2) ~~(S)~~

Beginning about February, 1945, it is noted that correspondence from the Division of Monetary Research to OSS and vice versa usually was signed by or directed to HAROLD GLASSER, the Assistant Director of the Division of Monetary Research. About July, 1945, OSS reports were directed to FRANK COE, Director of the Division of Monetary Research and Treasury Department reports being referred to OSS were forwarded through COE. (S-2) ~~(S)~~

The Treasury Department file captioned "OSS" reflects that Mr. EMERSON SIGELOW was the OSS Liaison Officer with the Treasury Department. (S-1) ~~(S)~~ *James E. Wood*

Office of International Finance files captioned "Portugal" and "Letters to WOOD" reflect that JAMES E. WOOD, The Financial Attache at the American Embassy, Lisbon, Portugal, submitted letters to subject who was Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury beginning on June 12, 1943. WOOD initiated a regular series of these letters beginning on October 18, 1943, and these letters were referred to as pouch letters and are numbered from 1 to 229. These letters reflect that WOOD was furnishing the following type information to the subject who was then Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury (S-1) ~~(S)~~

1. Data concerning individuals seeking relief under U. S. exchange control regulations.
2. Foreign exchange and foreign currency rates quoted in the Lisbon market.
3. Statistics concerning steel and chemical imports at Lisbon.
4. Summaries of news gathered from the Lisbon Daily Newspapers, such summary having been prepared by the American Legation at Lisbon.

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