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Current Queens County Address Telephone Directories also reflect that FLORENCE PASTERNAK resides at 46-19 Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside, Long Island, New York.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, reports that in 1943 the subject was residing at 39-48 50 atreet, Long Island City, New York, and in 1944 moved to 41-42 atreet, Sunnyside, Long Island, New York, from which address she and her husband, MORRIS, moved to their current address.

# Employment

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, on May 21, 1951, advised that the New York Insurance Commission in contemplation of ultimate liquidation of the International Workers Order, for which liquidation legal steps were then being taken, was developing records from which the individual employees severance pay could be determined. The informant said the International Workers Order had no records dealing with employment prior to the time the Social Security Act became operative, therefore, the commission had required aifidavits from the old employees. The informant advised the commission had received an affidavit from the subject reflecting she had been an International Workers Order employee since March 10, 1932.

On Merch 11, 1952 Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised the subject had two rugs picked up for cleaning from apartment 50 41-42 Sunnyside, Long Island, New York, for delivery atter cleaning to apartment D. 46, 46-19 Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside, Long Island, New York. This would indicate the subject is still employed by the International Workers Order.

The records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department, checked by SA AUGUST J. MICEK reflect that FLORENCE GELLER, 41-42 42 Street, Long Island City, New York on March 24, 1952 was an employee of the International Workers Order, 80 5 Avenue, New York City.

On March 16, 1949 T-3 made available a list of fifty-four officers and directors or trustees of the International Workers Order who had received \$3000.00 or more during 1948 as employees of the International Workers Order. The subject was listed as having received \$3900.00.

The International Workers Order has been declared within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

# Communist Party and Related Activities

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, on October 25, 1944 advised that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, 41-42 42 street, Sunnyside, New York, was as of that date a member of the Communist Political Association, Queens County, New York.

On December 9, 1944 Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, Long Island City, was one of a group of individuals invited to hear election results at County Headquarters of the Communist Party in Queens County, New York as a result of their hard work in the election campaign. This gathering took place on November 10, 1944.

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, on September 27, 1945 advised that the subject had attended the Lenin School in Moscow. Concerning MORRIS PASTERNAK, the subject's husband, the informant advised that he was an active Communist for years and served on practically every leading committee on the state and national apparatus. He was sent to the Lenin Echool 1930-32 and on his return worked in the state office of the Communist Party as a leader. He is the brother of LOUIS PASTERNAK, manager of Camp Unity.

On October 4, 1946 Confidential Informent T-7, of known reliability, edvised that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, 41-42 42 Street, Long Island City, was then a member of the Communist Perty District Number 2, queens County.

Confidential Informant T-7 on December 12, 1946 advised that the name of the subject of 41-42 42 Street, Sunnyside, appeared on a list of names utilized in the sale of bonds at

\$50.00 each which bonds were used for the purchase of a building at 107-04 New York Boulevard, queens County, which building was to be used as the Jamaica Section Headquarters of the Communist Party.

On May 5, 1947 this informant advised the subject had received two copies of DEAN's book, "Soviet Strength" as indicated in a record of sale of literature to comrades of the Sunnyside Section of the Communist Political Association This was believed to have been in 1944.

Confidential Informant T-8, of known reliability, on October 21, 1949 made available a letter dated August 10, 1949 addressed to WINSTON signed by "a group of young workers" fifty-four in number stating they are giving all their efforts to fighting for the release of WINSTON, HALL and GREEN from jail and toward having the indictments against them thrown ... out of court.

They said through their union, the United Office and Professional Workers of America, Congress of Industrial Organizations, they were all making contributions to the defense fund. One of the signers of the letter is FLORENCE PASTERNAK, not further identified.

It is believed the WINSTON, HALL and GREEN: referred to are HENRY WINSTON, GUS HALL and GIL GREEN, three of the eleven Communists convicted for violation of the Smith Act in 1949.

The following is noted concerning the United Office and Professional Workers of America:

The "Congress of Industrial Organizations News", February 20, 1950 page 6 column 1 reported that the Congress of Industrial Organizations Executive Board had voted to expel the United Office and Professional Workers of America from the Congress of Industrial Organizations effective Harch 1, 1950. The board acted on a report filed by the triel committee appointed to hear charges against the United Office and Professional Workers of America. The committee found among

other things: "The policies and activities of the UOPWA followed and continue to follow exactly, without deviation, the program of the Communist Party... Never in the history of the UOPWA has any policy ever been adopted which in any way runs counter to the policies of the Communist Party, or to the interests of the Soviet Union, as these interests are reflected in the program of the Communist Party".

On July 8, 1949 Confidential Informant T-3 made available applications for the International Workers Order reflecting the subject recruited two individuals into the International Workers Order.

On December 12, 1949 and on December 19, 1949 this informant made available applications reflecting the subject had recruited two persons into the International Lorkers Order both being recruited on December 5, 1949.

On May 25, 1950 T-3 made available International workers Order applications reflecting the subject had recruited eight people into the International Workers Order. The applications were dated April 10, 17, 18, 19, 1950 and March 29, 1950.

On September 15, 1950 T-3 made available International Workers Order applications reflecting the subject on June 28, 1950 recruited two individuals into the International Workers Order.

Confidential Informant T-7 on July 13, 1950 advised that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, Chairman, Lodge Number 607, Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, International Workers Order, was one of a group of individuals who endorsed a request for lower bail for the elven convicted Communist leaders.

On February 1, 1952 Confidential Informant T-3 made available information reflecting that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, born in 1905 was a member of the International Workers Order and had joined in June 1933. MORRIS PASTERNAK, born in 1897 was also listed as a member and had joined in November 1932.

Both are members of International Workers Order Lodge 607, Queens County, New York. This informant reported the same information on December 23, 1947.

The "Fraternal Outlook", International Workers Order magazine, in its February 1944 issue page 25, set forth a thumb nail sketch of International Workers Order members employed for a period of ten years. The following appears under the subject's name: "Cashier, FLORENCE PASTERNAK, receives an average of \$150,000.00 a month in lodge dues and other payments. The does valuable Communist work in queens where she belongs to Lodge Mumber 607. Midway in her employment she took time out to have CAROL BARBARA, now 52 years old, then came back to the job. Her husband, MORRIS, is a machine shop worker. Before coming to the IWO, FLORENCE spent more than a year in Russia."

On August 7, 1950 T-3 made available a registration receipt dated March 13, 1950 for Camp Wo-Chi-Cha. This receipt was made out for the subject's daughter.

The following is noted concerning Camp Wo-Chi-Cha:

Camp Wo-Chi-Cha is now known as Camp Wyandot.

The April 1946 issue of "Fraternal Outlook", page 14, columns 1 and 2 states "Camp Wo-Chi-Cha is located on top of Schooley's Mountain in Port Murray, N.J. It takes care of 210 children at a time aged 9 to 16 years. Wo-Chi-Cha serves IWO and labor groups in the NY area."

On January 23, 1945, Confidential Informant T-9, of known reliability, advised that the camp is the official children's camp for members of the Communist Political Association and the International Workers Order and is for children between the ages of six to sixteen.

Confidential Informant T-10, of known reliability, on June 22, 1951 made available a list reflecting that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, 41-42 42 Street, Queens, New York, was registered as a voter with the American Labor Party.

On September 18, 1951, Confidential Informant T-3 made available information reflecting that FLORENCE GELLER FASTERNAK 41-42 42 Street, Long Island City, New York, had applied for membership in the Distributive Workers Union Credit Union. The informant advised the subject was a member of the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers of America, she was born on July 21, 1905, worked for the International Workers Order, 80 5 Avenue, and her husband is named MORRIS.

The following is noted concerning the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers of America:

Confidential Informant T-11, of known reliability, on October 6, 1950, advised there can be no doubt that the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers of America is under the complete control and domination of the Communist Farty. The informant knows that numerous officers of the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers of America are members of the Communist Party.

Confidential Informant T-12, of known reliability, on June 20, 1948, advised that the subject had attended a meeting of the Sunnyside Section Convention of the Communist Party on June 20, 1948 at 46-14 Queens Boulevard, Sunnyside, New York.

The informant stated he woes not know what the subject's present position is in the party. T-12 said the subject's husband, MOHRIS, is a chartermember of the Communist Party. He believes him to be still active in the party, but does not know in what capacity nor does he know what club if any the subject and her husband belong to.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and BETTY GANNETT are two of the Communist Party leaders indicted June 20, 1951 in United States District Court, Southern District of New York for violation of the Smith Act.

Confidential Informant T-13, of known reliability on September 26, 1952, advised that both the subject and her husband, MORRIS, are members of the Communist Party.

PASTERNAR's prother, whose name he could not recall, now runs Camp Unity. T-13 also stated that MORRIS taught in Party Schools.

# Relationship to MORTON SOBELL

MORTON SOBELL was tried in the Southern District of New York from March 6 through March 29, 1951 for conspiracy to commit espionage. On March 29, 1951 he was found guilty and sentenced to thirty years in prison.

In October 1950 WILLIAM DANZIGER was interviewed by SAS JAMES T. O'BRIEN and CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN. DANZIGER admitted receiving a letter from MORTON SOBELL about a week after SOBELL left for Mexico City. According to DANZIGER the letter arrived about June 28, 1950 and contained three enclosures. One of the enclosures wis a note in which SOBELL instructed DANZIGER to notify one PASTERNAK of 41-42 42 Street, Long Island City, New York of SOBELL's Mexico City address and also the alias that SOBELL was using in Mexico City. DANZIGER advised that he slipped a note on which he had written SOBELL's alias and Mexico City address under PASTERNAK's door sometime in the middle of July 1950.

SAS JAMES T. O'BRIEN and CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN interviewed MORRIS PASTERNAK on November 7, 1950 at his place of employment, the Liquidometer Corporation, 41-03 36 Street, Long Island City, New York.

PASTERNAK advised he was the uncle of MORTON SOBELL. However, due to a family quarrel, he had not been too friendly with SOBELL or SOBELL's wife for the past three years. He stated he did not know much about SOBELL and Turther that he did not care to know anything about him. PASTERNAK admitted receiving the note regarding SOBELL and advised he

haddestroyed it after showing it to his wife, the subject, because he realized from the contents of the note that SOBELL was in some kind of trouble and he did not want anything to do with it. PASTERNAK said he found the note under his door around the middle of July 1950.

MORRIS PASTERNAK admitted that he was formerly employed by the Communist Party at the New York Headquarters" of 12 Street for about ten years; however he claimed he resigned from the Communist Party about ten years ago. When questioned further regarding his Communist Party activities, both past and present, PASTERNAK stated he would have to consult an attorney before answering any further questions.

PASTERNAK admitted that he went to Camp Unity, Wingdele, New York with his wife, FLORENCE, the subject, during his vacation July 17 to 31, 1950. He said LOUIS PASTERNAK, his brother, is the headeof Camp Unity.

- The following is noted concerning Camp Unity:

On March 24, 1940 Confidential Informent T-14, of known reliability, who was then connected with Communist Party activities around New York City, advised that the National Training School of the Communist Party was held at Camp Unity during that year, and that in March 1940, SAM CARR, National Organizational Secretary of the Canadian Communist Party, visited the camp.

Confidential Informent T-15, of known reliability, and a member of the Communist Party, edvised that he visited Camp Unity T-15 said the camp, located at Wingdele, New York was then being operated by the Communist Political Association as a recreation camp. T-15 again attended the camp and subsequently described it as a Communist Damp.

The subject was also contacted on November 7, 1950 by SAS JAMES T. O'BRIEN and CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN at her residence 41-42 42 street, Long Island City, New York. She admitted the agents into her apartment but then stated she did not know anything about MORTON SOPELL or about his activities and further that she was not going to answer any questions the interviewing agents asked her.

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The records of the United States Marshal's Office for the Eastern District of New York, reflect that FLORENCE PARTERNAK was served with a subpoens on November 7, 1950 which subpoens was returnable November 8, 1950 at 10:30 am before the Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York.

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Confidential Informants T-16, T-17, T-18, T-19, T-20, and T-21, all of known reliability, and who are familiar with certain phases of Communist activity in the New York Area, advised they do not know the subject.

The records of the Board of Elections, Borough of theens, checked by SE WILLIAM R. EWEENEY on November 2, 1950 and October 2, 1952 reflect that FLORENCE and MORRIS PASTERNAK registered with the American Labor Party for the years 1943 through 1951.

In 1950 these records describe the subject as forty years old, married, born in Poland. She was naturalized in the Bronx County supreme Court in November 1929. She has resided in the state and city for thirty-seven years.

MORRIS PASTERNAK was described as fifty-three years old, married, born in Russia, naturalized United Ltates Supreme Court April 1917. He has resided in the state and city for forty-one years.

Concerning the American Labor Party the following is noted in the report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 79th Congress, dated March 29, 1944 and 1948, at Washington, D. C.:

"I. 'For years, the Communists have put forth
the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party
throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the
Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party
but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control\*.
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report,
March 29, 1944, p.78)

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(California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, pp.40 and 41.)

SE RICHARD F. O'HARA on September 26, 1952 checked the records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York and advised no record was located for the subject.

The records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department, checked by SA AUGUST J. MICEK reflect that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, 41-42 42 Street, Long Island City, witnessed a Communist Party Nominating Petition for Councilman BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, 1949, pages 1040 and 1045.

# Description

The following description was furnished by Confidential Informant T-1:

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The Washington Field Office will check the passport records of the United States State Department to ascertain if the

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subject obtained a passport in the early 1930's or had a passport renewed. It is noted the subject's husband, MORRIS, was issued passport number 141569 on May 15, 1929 for travel to Europe.

## NEW YORK

# At New York, New York

Will ascertain through informants if the subject is currently working for the International Workers Order. Upon - ascertaining above will recommend for Security Index.

Will report any additional information that may be contained in the files of the New York Office.

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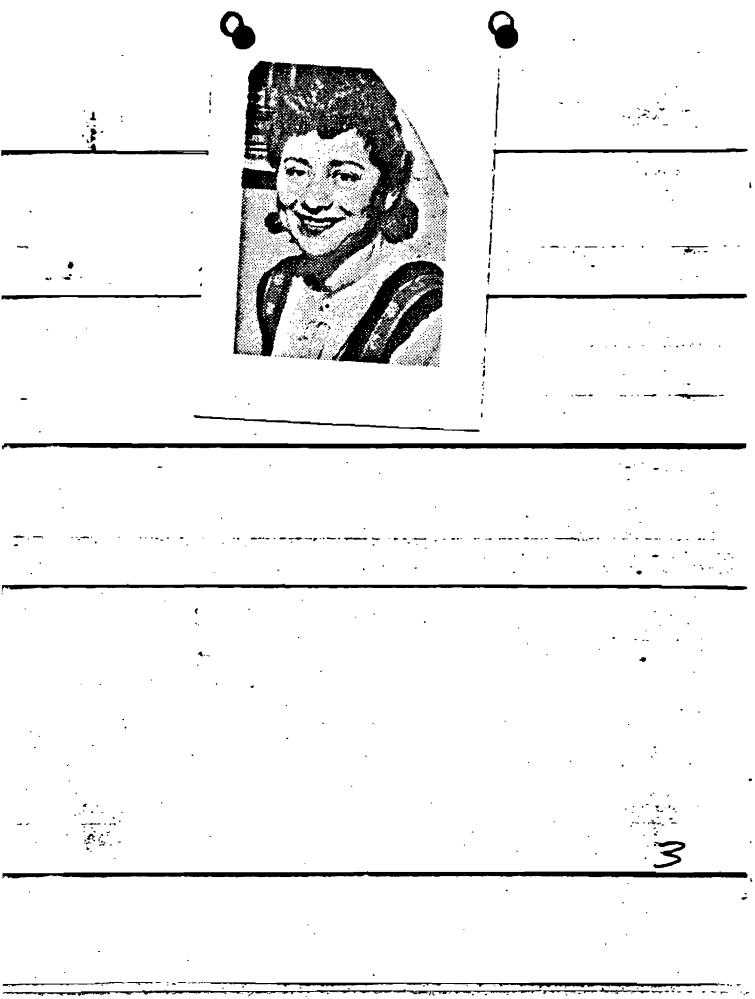
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# COMMUNICY PARTY and/or RELATED ACTIVITIES

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, on August 30, 1940 advised that FLORENCE PASTERNAK and MORRIS PASTERNAK, 1475 Jessup Avenue, Bronx, New York, had enrolled with the Communist Party in the 1936 primaries in Bronx County.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that the subject had sent a communication to Governor THOMAS E. DEWEY urging the Governor to Pardon PO RIS U. SCHAITES or to commute his sentence.

PORKIS U. SCHAPFES was a Professor at the College of the City of New York. In 1941 in connection with the Rapp-Coudert Committee investigation of Communist activities in New York schools he was convicted of perjury when his statement denying Communist Party membership was proven false.

On July 18, 1949 Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised that FLORENCE CELLER, not further identified, sent a communication to Federal Judge HAROLD R. VEDINA, United States Court House, Foley Square, New York City, protesting the trial of the Communist Party leaders in New York City. The informant was unable to advised whether the FLORENCE CELLER mentioned above was identical with the subject of this case.

In the early part of 1951 the childrens section of the International Workers Order, which was under the direction of RICHARY GROSSCUP and was charged with the responsibility of developing Youth activities in various International Workers Order Lodges, was discontinued. However, just prior to that section teing discontinued, CROSSCUP reported to Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, that FLORENCE GELLER, 50 Fifth Avenue (International Workers Order Office) Lodge 607 was responsible for Youth activities in the Queens Nassau district of the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, International Workers Order.

The Jewish Feoples Fraternal Order has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, advised that CHARLES JOSEPHOOD, who is also known as ROBERT COE, Room 1206, 36 Cortlandt Street, New York City on February 21, 1952 was in communication with FLORENCE 195TERNAK, 41-42 42nd Street, Long Island City, New York.

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On April 11, 1952 Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, advised that COE was a member of the Communist Party Fational Farm Commission.

J. DAVID WHICAKER CHANGERS, a self-confessed former espionage agent and courier for a Communist Farty underground apparatus in Mcshington, D.C. and New York City in the 1930's, interviewed by SAS THOMAS G. SPENSER and FRANCIS X. PIANT on May 10, 1949, named COE as one of the individuals who furnished information to him in connection with this espionage activity at Washington, D.C. around 1934.

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	57d	List of names and addresses of persons who enrolled for the Communist Party in the 1936 Primaries in Bronx County, NY	8/30/40	SA STAPR	1838-بلبلد-بلک 733
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T-7	6/8/50 <b>7</b>	6/8/50	Orally SA JOHN W. D'OLEY	100-7500

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# At New York, New York

Will conduct any investigation warranted as a result of leads being covered by the Washington Field Office.

Will comply with Bureau's decision regarding the recommendation made in PD 122

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject currently employed International Workers Order, 80 Fifth Avenue, NYC. Resides 46-19 Skillman Avenue, 8unnyside, L.I., New York. Subject enrolled with the . Communist Party in the 1936 primaries in Bronx.County. FLORENCE GELLER reportedly sent communication to Federal Judge HAROLD R. MEDINA protesting trial of CP leaders in NYC. Informants advise subject in 1951 was responsible for youth activities in the Queens Massau district of the JPFO, IWO, and in 1952 subject was in communication with CHARLES JOSEPH COE, member of the Communist Party National Farm Commission.

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DETAILS

At New York, New York

# EMPLOYMENT

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, has advised that the subject is currently employed as assistant to HARRY HYMER, Office Manager, by the International Workers Order at 80 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The International Workers Order has been declared within the purview of Executive Order 9835 by the Attorney General of the United States.

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Her permanent address was indicated to be 1175 Jesup Avenue, New York City, in care of ZIMMERING. The file reflected she was married on January 25, 1928, to MORRIS/PASTERNAK, and that his date of birth was March 30, 1897, Russia. He was indicated to be residing at Berlin, Germany, on the date of the application for passport. Subject indicated she wanted to travel abroad for one year in order to wisit and travel in Germany. She intended to leave the United States from New York on February 21, 1930, on a ship called the Bremen. The file reflected the following description of the subject as of 1930:

Height: 5'2½"

Hair: Brown

Ryes: Gray

Occupation: Secretary

Date of Birth: July 21, 190h,

Wolynsk, Russia.

The Passport File further reflected that her petition of naturalization indicated her address was 241 East 169th Street, New York City, and that she was living at the time of her naturalization at 313 East 13th Street, New York. The file reflected a photograph taken of the subject in 1930.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised Special Agent CRAWFORD F. WILLIAMS on March 26, 1953, that the name of the subject was familiar, but that the informant could furnish no information concerning the subject. The informant was shown a photograph of the subject taken in February, 1930, but the informant was unable to recall any information concerning the subject. The informant also stated that there was no information available concerning any possible attendance by the subject at the Lenin School.

With regard to MORRIS PASTERNAK the informant stated that MORRIS PASTERNAK has been affiliated with the New York State Communist Party for many years, and that MORRIS PASTERNAK has a brother whose first name the informant could not recall who is a Director of Camp Unity, and is connected with the Control Commission of the New York State Communist Party.

### ENCLOSURES:

### TO NEW YORK!

One negative and three photographs of FLORENCE PASTERNAK taken in February, 1930.

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March 26, 1953 CRAWFORD F.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent BLAZE J. TOMASONI, dated January 15, 1953, at New York.

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There being no remaining outstanding leads this case is being placed in a closed status by the New York Office.

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Reference

SAC letter 55-30, 1/12/55.

Succinct Resume of Case

All NY symbol informants utilized herein have furnished reliable information in the past unless otherwise stated.

Records of the Department of State, Passport Office, Washington, D. C. and INS, NYC, reflect subject born 7/21/Oh, in Wolynsk, Russia, and naturalized SDNY on 11/22/29.

NY State Insurance Commission, reliable, on 5/21/51, advised that the commission had received an affidavit from the subject reflecting she had been an IWO employee since 3/10/32.

The "Fraternal Outlook", IWO magazine, in its February, 19th issue, set forth a thumbnail sketch of IWO members employed for a period of ten years. The following appears under the subject's name: "Cashier, FIORENCE PASTERNAK, receives an average of \$150,000.00 a month in lodge dues and other payments. She does valuable Communist work in Queens where she belongs to lodge # 607. Before coming to the IWO, FLORENCE spent more than a year in Russia."

Insurance Department gaining sole supervision over the INO, all the INO functionaries were summarily dismissed as of 12/15/53. The informant stated the staff members, including the subject, were not affected but the subject refused to continue in her position and will terminate her employment at the INO as of 12/18/53.

The Alien Squad, NYCPD records reflected that the subject had registered for the 1936 elections in NYC under the emblem of the CP.

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Communist Club held at the subject's home, 39-48 50th Street, Sunnyside, LI, on The informant advised that the subject was the new Membership Director for the club. The informant advised that at a meeting of the Sunnyside Communist Club on the subject reported on her activities as Membership Director during the preceeding year of 1943.

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who has furnished reliable and unreliable information in the past, advised on 9/27/45, that the subject had attended the Lenin School in Moscow (no date stated) and that the subject's husband attended the Lenin School in 1930-32. 626

ND-301, on 10/1/16, advised the subject was then a member of the CP, District 2, Queens County, NY.

reported on 6/20/48 that the subject attended a meeting, on 6/20/48, of the Summyside Section Convention, CP at Queens County CP Headquarters. 6.7d

Subject refused to answer questions concerning MORTON SOBELL, when interviewed by Bureau Agents on 11/7/50.

The subject was subposensed before Federal Grand Jury SDNY on 11/8/50.

CSNY 125, on 9/18/51, furnished information that the subject had applied for membership in the Distributive Workers Union Credit Union. The informant advised the subject was a member of the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers of America. She was born 7/21/05 and worked for the TWO.

on 9/26/52, advised that both the subject and her husband, MORRIS, are members of the CP.

letter to Director, FBI NY 100-55306

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#### Detcom Tabbing

- 1. Subject is not presently tabled for Detoom and Comsab.
- 2. Subject has not been approved for Detcom tabbing under new criteria in SAC letter 55-12(A) of 2/10/55, and SI cards received from the Bureau have not been stamped Detcom in large red letters.
- 3. Although the subject allegedly attended the Lenin School, she is not recommended for Detcom tabbing, because she has not been active since the Spring of 1951.

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#### I. BACKGROUND

#### A. Birth Data

In 1944 SA NED A. KIMBALL reviewed the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Circle, New York City. These records revealed the subject was born July 21, 1904, in Wolynsk, Russia.

The records of the Department of State, Passport Office, Washington, D. C., as reviewed in the Spring of 1953, revealed the subject under the name FLORENCE PASTERNAK applied for a passport on Pebruary 14, 1930; and received passport number 164427 on February 15, 1930. These records revealed her date of birth as July 21, 1904, at Wolynsk, Russia.

#### B. Maturalization

The records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, previously mentioned, revealed the subject entered the United States at New York City on September 11, 1913, as a passenger aboard the SS PATRICIA and was destined at that time to ISAAC GELLER, her father, who was residing in New York City. The subject entered the country under the name PAIGE GELLER and was accompanied by her mother, her sister,... VESTHER, and her brothers, WHARRY and WATHAN.

According to the Immigration and Naturalization Service files the subject was married in New York City on January 25, 1928, to MORRIS PASTERNAK, who was naturalized in New York City on April 3, 1917. The subject was naturalized in the Southern District of New York on November 22, 1929.

#### C. Marital Status

As set forth above, the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service revealed the subject was married on January 25, 1928, to MORRIS PASTERNAK in New York City.

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#### D. Employment

on December 28, 1955, the H. Metlay Advertising Agency, 1946 Broadway, New York City, and the telephone operator for that agency advised that the subject was employed by that company, but was not at work on that day.

On June 24, 1954.

advised SA E. MARK NISWANDER that the subject was unemployed as of that time.

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T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 21, 1951, that the New York Insurance Commission in contemplation of ultimate liquidation of the International Workers Order (IWO), for which liquidation legal steps were then being taken, was developing records from which the individual employees' severance pay could be determined. The informant stated that the IWO had no records dealing with employment prior to the time the Social Security Act became operative; therefore, the Commission had required affidavits from the old employees. Informant advised that the Commission had received an affidavit from the subject reflecting she had been an IWO employee since March 10, 1932.

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on Pebruary 17, 1956, that the subject resigned her employment with the IWO on December 18, 1953. The informant further advised that the subject held the position of assistant office manager of the IWO at the time of her resignation and that her social security number was 063-05-0145.

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 16, 1953, that as a result of the New York State Insurance Department gaining sole supervision over the IWO, all IWO functionaries were summarily dismissed as of December 15, 1953. The staff members, including the subject, were not affected; however, the subject was to

terminate her employment as of December 18, 1953.

The IWO will be documented later in this report.

#### E. Residence

Previously mentioned, advised SA JOHN W. O'ROURKE on November 15, 1955, that the subject resided in Apartment D46 at 4619 Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside, Long Island, New York.

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The records of the Board of Elections, Queens County, New York, as reviewed by SE WILLIAM R. SWEENEY on February 20, 1956, revealed the subject and her husband, MORRIS PASTERNAK registered from 4916 Skillman Avenue, Queens, New York, for the years 1952, through 1955.

In 1951 they registered from 41-42 42nd Street, . Long Island City, New York.

T-2, previously mentioned, advised that as of June 1933 the subject resided at 125 Hoff Street, Brooklyn, New York; in 1936 at 1475 Jesup Avenue, Bronx, New York; in 1943 at 39-48 50th Street, Woodside, New York; and in 1946 was residing at 41-42 42nd Street, Long Island City, New York.

The records of the Passport Office, Department of State, previously mentioned, revealed the subject's address in 1930 as 1475 Jesup Avenue, New York City.

The records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, previously mentioned, revealed the subject's address in 1928 as 241 East 149th Street, New York City.

II. EVIDENCE OF COMMUNIST PARTY (CP) MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITY

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On September 30, 1952, T-4 advised

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The informant could furnish no information regarding the subject's Party position as of that date. 676

ELIZABETH GURLEY PLYNN was convicted on January 21, 1953, in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, for violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 26, 1952, that the subject and her husband, MORRIS, were CP members as of that time. The informant stated that from 1940 to early 1950 the subject and her husband frequently went to National CP Headquarters to pick up CP literature. The informant last saw the subject at CP Headquarters in early 1951.

T-4, previously mentioned, advised on June 28, 1948, that FLORENCE PASTERNACK attended the Sunnyside CP Section Convention on June 20, 1948, and was on the new Section Committee elected at that convention.

T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information on October 4, 1946, that revealed the subject was a member of the CP District 2 in Queens County, New York, as of that date.

T-7, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 25, 1944, that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, 41-42 42nd Street, was a member of the Communist Political Association (CPA) in Queens County, as of that date.

The Communist Political Association has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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member from who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on that the subject was present at a meeting of the Sunnyside CPA on

On advised that at a meeting of the Sunnyside Club, CP, it was announced that the subject had resigned as financial secretary because of her ill health.

the subject was elected financial secretary, Sunnyside Branch, CP, on

PASTERNACK was at a meeting of the assistant membership directors of the Sunnyside CP Branch on At this meeting the club ballot was displayed and PASTERNACK was listed as the sole candidate for financial accretary.

advised on that a meeting of the Sunnyside CP Club was held on and that FLORENCE PASTERNACK was present and reported on her activities for the past year as membership director of that club.

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advised on September 23, 1943, that a meeting of the Sunnyside Branch of the CP was held at the subject's apartment at 39-48 50th Street, Sunnyside, New York, on September 20, 1943. As of that date the subject was the new Sunnyside Branch, CP, membership director and the meeting was held to announce the subject's appointment to this position.

PLORENCE PASTERNICK, 39-48 50th Street, Long Island City, New York, was a member of the Sunnyside Branch of the CP as of August 2, 1943.

III. EVIDENCE OF MEMBERSHIP IN COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATION

The International Workers Order (IWO) has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-2, previously mentioned, advised on February 17, 1956, that FLORENCE PASTERNAK was issued IWO certificate number 30626 in Lodge 607JA in June 1933 under the name FLORENCE GELLER. According to the informant she continued her membership in the IWO as of August 31, 1954, at

At the time she became a member of the IWO her address was given as c/o International Workers Order, 80 5th Avenue, New York City.

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#### IV. ATTENDANCE AT COMMUNIST PARTY SCHOOLS

a self-admitted former CP member, who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is now deceased, advised on September 27, 1945, that the subject had attended the Lenin School in Moscow.

According to MORRIS PASTERNAK, the subject's husband, had been an active Communist for years and served on practically every leading committee in the state and national apparatus. He was sent to the Lenin School 1930 to 1932 and on his return worked in the State Office of the CP as a leader.

It is to be noted that as previously set out, the subject was issued a passport on February 15, 1930. According to the records of the Passport Office, previously mentioned, the subject intended to leave New York on February 21, 1930, on a ship called the BREMEN and intended to travel abroad for one year in order to visit and travel in Germany.

### V. OTHER INDICATIONS OF SYMPATHY IN THE COMMUNIST PROGRAM

On July 13, 1950, T-6, previously mentioned, advised that PLORENCE PASTERNAK, chairman, Lodge 607, Jewish Peoples Praternal Order, IWO, was one of a group of individuals who endorsed a request for lower bail for the 11 convicted Communist leaders.

The Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-8, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on August 30, 1940, advised that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, 1475 Jessup Avenue, Bronx, New York, had enrolled with the CP in the 1936 primaries in Bronx County, New York.

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The records of the Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department, checked by SA AUGUST J. MICEK, revealed that PLORENCE PASTERNAK, 41-42 42nd Street, Long Island City, New York, witnessed a CP Nominating Petition in 1949.

The records of the Board of Elections, Queens, New York, as previously mentioned, revealed that the subject and her husband, MORRIS, registered from 1951 through 1954 and indicated a preference to support the aims and purposes of the American Labor Party.

In the year 1955 the subject and her husband registered for one of the two major political parties.

The Queens County Board of Election records were reviewed by SE WILLIAM R. SWEENEY on October 2 and November 2, 1950 and revealed that the subject and her husband, MORRIS, registered for the American Labor Party in the years 1943 through 1951.

T-9, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 9, 1954, that from the time of its inception in 1936, there existed within the American Labor Party a struggle for power among three groups. These. were the Communist Party, the Socialist Party and the Social Democrats. By the early 1940s the Communist Party emerged as the controlling force within the American Labor Party in the major industrial areas in New York State. Generally these were the areas around Albany, Buffalo, Jamestown, Rochester, Schenectady, Syracuse, Troy, the Hudson River Valley, Columbia, Dutchess, Nassau and Westchester Counties and New York City, with the exception of Brooklyn. In 1942 the Communist Party was able to capture the American Labor Party in Brooklyn. T-9 knew this situation to continue up until at least 1949. The American Labor Party never developed into an organization of any real consequence in the non-industrial areas of New York State.

T-10, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 9, 1955, that the Communist Party today as in the past through its members in key positions in the American Labor Party constitutes the force that controls it. WY: 100-55806

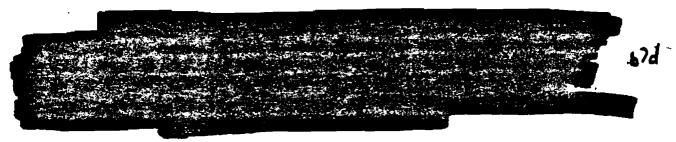
#### VI. INTERVIEW OF THE SUBJECT

On November 7, 1950, the subject was contacted by SAS JAMES T. O'BRIEN and CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN at her residence, 41-42 42nd Street, Long Island City, New York. She admitted the agents to her apartment, but refused to answer any questions the contacting agents asked her.

#### VII. MISCELLANBOUS

T-11, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information during the Spring of 1952 which revealed that CHARLES JOSEPH COE, Room 1206, 30 Cortlandt Street, New York City, was in communication with the subject on February 21, 1952.

On April 14, 1952, T-12, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that COE was a member of the CP National Farm Commission.



The "Fraternal Outlook," IWO magazine, in its February 1944 issue, page 25, set forth a thumbnail sketch of IWO members employed for a period of ten years. The following appears under the subject's name:

Cashier, FLORENCE PASTERNAK, receives an average of \$150,000.00 a month in lodge dues and other payments. She does valuable Communist work in Queens where she belongs to Lodge Number 607. Midway in her employment she took time out to have CAROL BARBARA, now 5½ years old, then came back to the job. Her husband, MORRIS, is a machine shop worker. Before coming to the IWO, FLORENCE spent more than a year in Russia."

Informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past and who have some knowledge of CP activities in the New York City area, were contacted in February 1956 but could furnish no information regarding the subject.

#### VIII. DESCRIPTION

The following description of the subject was obtained from T-2, Immigration and Naturalization Service records, and personal observation of the subject by Special Agents of the FBI on June 23, 1954:

Florence Pasternak Name Aliases Florence Geller, Mrs. Morris Pasternak, Paige Geller, Florence Pasternack Penale Sex 51 Age July 21, 1904, Wolynsk, Birth Date 5125" to 514" Height 120 Weight Med1um Build Hair Black Brown Eyes Complexion Dark Marital Status Married January 25, 1928, New York City Citizenship United States, naturalized November 22, 1929, Southern District of New York Relatives Husband - MORRIS PASTERNAK Daughter - CAROL BARBARA **LPASTERNAK** 063-05-0145 Social Security No. Apartment D46, 46-19 Skillman Residence Avenue, Sunnyside, New York H. Metlay Advertising Agency Employment

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T-2	Subject resigned IWO position 12/18/53	2/17/56	SE ROBERT E. O'TOOLE	Instant Report
	Residences, 1933, 1936, 1943 & 1946	<b>√</b> #	•	•
	Subject joined IWO Lodge 607JA 6/33, still a member 8/31/54	2/17/56	at 41	Instant - Report
T-3 67d	Subject's IWO employment to terminate 12/18/53	-12/16/53	DAMON W. PITCHER	100-55806- 39
T-4	Subject known as CP member 1947-48	±2/2/56 ~	RICHARD H. BLASSER	100-55806- 54
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***	FLORENCE PASTERNACK at Sunnyside CP Convention and elected to Section Committee, 6/20/48	6/28/48	EDWARD W. BUCKLEY	62-8400-
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T-5	Subject a CP member, 9/26/52	9/26/52	ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON	100-55806- 28 p. 8
7-6 570 Former CSNY 301-S	Subject member District 2, Queens Co. CP	10/4/46	FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM	100-26603- C41
	FLORENCE PASTERNAK sent request for lower bail for convicted CP leaders	7/13/50	JOHN E. KEARNY	100-81752- 183402
	Subject member -CPA, 10/25/44	10/25/44	-	
F-8	FLORENCE PASTERNAK, 1475 Jessup Ave., Bronx, NY, enrolled with CP, 1936	8/30/40	SA STARR	54-144- 1A38
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T-11 Trash Cover, Rm. 1206, 30 Cortlandt S			SA JOHN S. CASTLES	100-66938- 195
T-12	Used to document CHA	rles Joseph	COE	

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Other informants who were contacted during February 1956 and who could furnish no information concerning the subject are as follows:

contacted 2/3/56 by SA RICHARD H. BLASSER.

Careful consideration has been given to the sources concealed and T symbols were utilized in this report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE



The subject's Security Index card has been reviewed and form FD 122 is being submitted to add the name PLORENCE PASTERNACK as an alias and to correct her date of birth.

This case has been reviewed in light of the current Security Index criteria and has been found to meet that criteria.

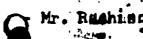
The subject's husband, MORRIS PASTERNAK, is the subject of closed NY file 100-52334, Bufile 100-236265. He is included on the SI in the MYO.

on 6/23/54 the subject was observed by SA E. MARK NISWANDER, as set out under the description heading.

REFERENCES

Report of SA NILMER H. KREBS, 5/19/53, WPO. Report of SA BLAZE J. TOMASONI, 4/9/53, NY.

Office Memorandum · UNITED STAT **GOVERNMENT** DATE: 5/3/56 Director, FBI (100-398487) SAC, New York (100-55806) Card U.T.D. 5-11-5-4 PLORENCE PASTERNAR, was. SUBJECT: It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual. X The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only) NAME \_\_\_\_ 64 ALIASES \_ Add: FLORENCE PASTERNACK NATIVE BORN\_\_\_\_\_ NATURALIZED\_\_\_\_ ALIEN\_\_ COMMUNIST\_\_\_\_\_SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY\_\_ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE\_\_\_\_ MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) TAB FOR DETCOM/ TAB FOR COMSAB RACE SEX DATE OF BIRTH 7/21/04 PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) KEY FACILITY DATA: GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER RESPONSIBILITY INTERESTED AGENCIES \_\_\_\_\_ RESIDENCE ADDRESS NOT RECORDED REGISTERED MAIL 8 MAY 4 1956 HBB:MTR 58 MAY 15 1956



April 19, 1957

Assistant Attorney General William F. Tompkins

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# Director, FBI 100-39848)

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This matter is being brought to your attention for your consideration as one for possible denaturalisation proceedings.

Enclosed is one copy of the report of Special Agent James E. Best dated April 5, 1957, at New York, concerning captioned individual.

Prior reports in this matter have previously been furnished to the Records Administration Branch of the Department. All pertinent information concerning captioned individual is likewise being furnished locally to the Immigration and Naturalization Service at New York City.

Enclosure

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2 - New York (100-55806) ATTENTION SAC, NEW YORK:

Disseminate all pertinent information concerning subject to the Immigration and Naturalization Service. COlor - tullew York City.

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Subject in SI. Subject born 7-21-04 at Wolynsk, Russia. Originally entered the United States 9-11-13 and naturalized a U. S. Citizen 11-22-29. Enclosed report reflects subject reported a CP member 1929 to 1951 and reported to have attended Lenin School in Moscow in late, 1920's or early 1930's. Subject has a long history

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39-77 46th Street, Woodside, Queens, New York, who is the superintendent of the building in which the subject resides, advised SAS ROBERT R. TAYLOR and JOSEPH R. CORCORAN that the subject resides at Apartment D 46, 46-19 Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside, Queens, New York.

#### B. Employment

On March 26, 1957, the subject's employment by the H. Metlay Advertising Agency, 1966 Broadway, New York City, was verified by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation,

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#### II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

#### A. Evidence of Communist Party (CP) Membership

The CP has been designated by the "Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 12, 1957, that

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T-2, who was in a position to furnish reliable information, on January 11, 1957, provided a photograph of an individual whom he knew to be identical with one of the people in attendance at the meeting at the Duo-Arts Academy, 107-50 Queens Boulevard, Forest Hills, New York, on that date.

On January 11, 1957, an unidentified female was observed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to leave the meeting at the Duo-Arts Academy and proceed by automobile to Skillman Avenue where she entered the apartment building at 46-19 Skillman Avenue.

On January 23, 1957,

when shown the photograph provided by T-2 of the individual in attendance at the Queens County CP Convention, positively identified the photograph as being identical with the subject, FLORENCE PASTERNAK.

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B. Evidence of Membership in or Sympathy with CP Front Organizations

#### Camp Unity

T-4, who was in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on August 31, 1953, that FLORENCE PASTERNAK, not further identified, had made a check payable to Camp Unity dated August 29, 1953, in the amount of \$112 drawn on the Mational City Bank of New York, Washington Square Branch, New York City. T-4 will provide this information only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

#### Brichl's Farm

T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on October 9, 1952

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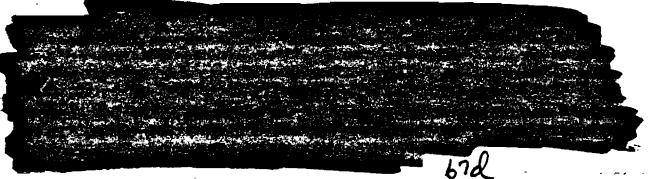
T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on May 5, 1953, provided a Payroll Allotment Authorization in which the subject authorized the IWO to make certain payroll deductions from her wages as an employee of this organization for the purpose of taking out United States Series E Savings Bonds. This deduction was effective as of the payroll date June 6, 1942.

T-6 further, on July 7, 1949, provided information to the effect that FLORENCE G. PASTERNAK, who was born in 1905, was a member of Lodge 607 of the IWO.

T-7, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on November 5, 1952, provided information which showed that FLORENCE G. PASTERNAK, born in 1905, was a member of Lodge 607 of the IWO and had been a member since June 1933. The informant further advised that PASTERNAK

T-7 on June 22, 1954, provided information which showed that FLORENCE G. PASTERNAK, 46-19 Skillman Avenue, was a member of Lodge 607J of the IWO as of late 1953rn. The informant further advised that the subject was/in 1905 had been a member of the IWO since June 1953

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C. Knowledge of the Aims and Purposes of the CP

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 3, 1956, that he knew the subject and knew her to be a CP method.

This informant further stated that from 1931

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to 1951 he had seen the subject on frequent occasions at CP meetings at the National Headquarters of the CP in New York City and at other CP functions, including CP conventions and CP plenums.

Tt should be noted that in October 1949
who furnished reliable information during his membership in the CP and thereafter stated that the subject attended the Lenin School in Moscow, Russia, during the early 1930's.

#### D. CP Associates

T-1 advised on January 12, 1957, that/the second day of the Queens County CP Convention, the meetings were held on January 12, 1957, at 24-20 Jackson Avenue, Long Island City, Queens, New York.

On January 12, 1957, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed that ROSE KRYZAK was one of the people who attended the Queens County CP Convention on that date.

On February 26, 1957, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed the subject entering the residence of ROSE/KRYZAK at 39-65 47th Street, Sunnyside, Queens, New York.

#### E. Miscellaneous Activities

T-5 on February 12 and March 21, 1957, also T-3 on February 20, 1957, advised that they could furnish no further information relative to the subject. Additional informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past, and who are familiar with some phases of CP activity in the New York area, were contacted in February 1957, concerning the subject. All stated that they did not know the subject or possess any information concerning her.

#### APPENDIX

#### Briehl's Farm

BRIEHL's Farm is located near Tillson Lake, in the town of Gardiner, Ulster County, New York, approximately 85 miles from Times Square, New York City. Its mailing address is Wallkill, New York.

In 1952, R. D. BORCHERDING, Tax Collector, Gardiner, New York, advised that BRIENL's Farm was owned by EDNA BRIENL, but has been operated by her husband, FRED BRIENL, for the past 25 years.

The "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper, in its issue of August 31, 1942, contained an announcement of the election of PRED BRIEHL to the office of Third Vice Chairman of the New York State Committee of the Communist Party.

Party from advised in advised in April. 1946, that when he had visited BRIEHL's Farm the farm had been used as a secret training school for communist Party members drawn from all over the United States.

A confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on various occasions in 1953, and as late as August 23, 1954, that well-known leaders of the Communist Party still were patronizing BRIEHL's Parm.

On January 6, 1956, Special Agents of the FBI observed EUGENE DENNIS, JOHN GATES and MAX WEISS driving into BRIEHL's Farm.

On October 14, 1949, in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, BUGENE DENNIS and JOHN GATES were convicted of conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940. They began serving a five year sentence in July, 1951.

MAX WEISS was arrested on September 9, 1955, at New York City on the basis of a Pederal warrant charging him with Violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

On January 8, 1956, Special Agents of the FBI observed MARTHA STONE and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT riding in an automobile which was entering BRIEHL's Farm.

On March 29, 1956, in the United States District Court, New Haven, Connecticut, MARTHA STORE was convicted of sonspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

In the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois in 1955, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT was convicted of violating the Smith Act of 1940.

#### APPENDIX

#### THE LENIN SCHOOL

In April, 1941, a confidential informant, who was in a position to furnish reliable information, advised that the Lenin School was founded in 1926 to train foreign Communists both politically and practically in the work of revolution. At the same time to produce a body of propagandists from foreign countries to organize and educate the Communist Party (CP) abroad.

On March 3, 1951, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the Lenin School was founded in 1926 in Russia to train an international Communist leadership which would act as one according to the discipline and in keeping with the policies of the Communist International and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

On May 19, 1954, another confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that as he recalls no persons left the United States for Russia to attend the Lenin School subsequent to 1936.

#### APPENDIX

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case (NCSJRC) maintains national headquarters in Room D, 940 Broadway, New York City, and the mailbox servicing this office is labelled "Sobell Committee."

JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENEERG and MORTON SOBELL were convicted in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, of conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union. The ROSENBERGS were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and MORTON SOBELL to 30 years imprisonment on the same date. JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953, and MORTON SOBELL is currently serving his sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz, California.

"New York Journal American," advised in January, 1952, that the NCSJRC was formed on January 2, 1952, for the purpose of obtaining a new trial for the ROSENBERGS.

A confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 9, 1956, that the NCSJRO was attempting to keep alive the ROSENBERG case and to fight. for the release of MORTON SCRELL. He stated that the Communist Party took an extremely active part in assisting the committee.

#### APPENDIX

WINGDALE LODGE, INCORPORATED Formerly known as Camp Unity

On May 27, 1953, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Camp Unity has been controlled by the Communist Party (CP) since its inception in 1929 or 1930.

The "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist daily newspaper, issue of August 6, 1953, page 8, column 1, described Camp Unity, Wingdale, New York, as an "adult interracial resort."

On March 17, 1955, another confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised he had learned that the name of Camp Unity was being changed to Wingdale Lodge with offices at 202 West 40th Street, Room 605, New York City.

- On April 27, 1956, another confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that regardless of the name it uses, the camp is always referred to as Camp Unity by the Communist Party and that captioned organization was, and still is, a joint operation of the national office of the CP and the New York State CP.

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Negative informants, contacted and set out in this report, were as follows:

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The following informants were used in the following documentations, as set out in the appendix of this report:

Wingdale Lodge, Incorporated:



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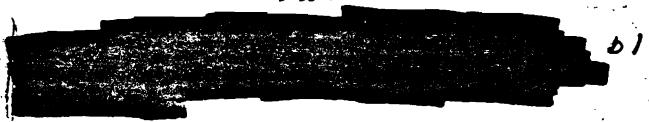
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The New York case file on the subject's husband, MORRIS PASTERNAK is NY 100-52334.



The subject's SI card is correct and up to date, and it is felt that she continues to meet the criteria as set out in SAC.letter 55-30.

Suitable photographs of the subject are available in the files of the NYO.

REFERENCE Report of SA HERBERT B. BURGESS, JR., 4/25/56, at NY.

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was made by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to the subject's residence, 49-19 Skillman Avenue. Sunnyside, Long Island, New York. an individual who professed to be FLORENCE PASTERNAK, who advised that she resided at this address and was unemployed. 47

### II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

### Evidence of Communist Party (CP) Membership

1. Attendance at Queens County CP Convention



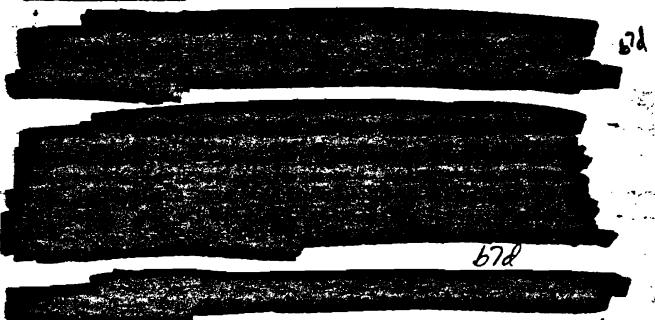
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The above-mentioned unidentified female was observed by a Special Agent of the FBI as she entered 24-20 Jackson Avenue, at 10:44 a.m. and left at 3:25 p.m. on May 5, 1957.

The above-mentioned unidentified female was also observed by Special Agents of the FBI leaving the apartment marked "PASTERNAK," at 46-19 Skillman Avenue, Long Island City, Queens, New York, on May 5, 1957.

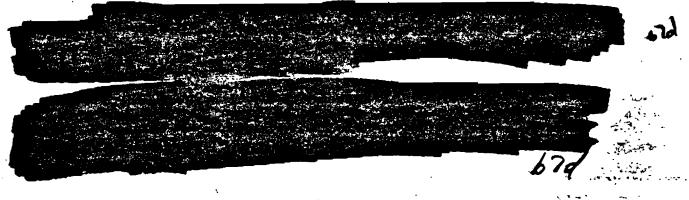
The above-mentioned photograph was identified on May 7, 1957, by a Special Agent of the FBI as being identical with FLORENCE PASTERNAK.

2. Member of County Committee, Queens County CP



advised on March 19, 1958, that as of this date, FLORENCE PASTARNAK was serving as a member of the County Committee, Queens County CP.

3. Attendance at Meetings of the Sunnyside Discussion Group (See Appendix)



The "National Guardian" issue of April 22, 1957, contained information on page 2 that KUMAR GOSHAL was editor of Foreign Affairs of the "National Guardian." (See Appendix concerning "National Guardian.")



On February 21, 1958, at 8:55 p.m., Special Agents of the FBI observed the subject enter the residence of BLANCHE HORCWITZ, 39-07 44th Street, Queens, Hew York.

On March 19, 1958, advised that BLANCHE HOROWITZ, as of this date, was co-organizer of the Sunnyside Section, Queens County CP and a member of the County Committee.



The "Daily Worker" of February 13, 1957, identified JAMES E. JACKSON as one of the 20 members at large of the National Committee of the CP, USA elected at its 16th national convention in New York City on February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" of May 6, 1957, page 3, column 1, reported that JAMES E. JACKSON was elected to the CP's National Executive Committee at a meeting of its National Committee held on April 27, and 28, 1957.



The "Daily Worker" was an east coast Communist newspaper, which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

### III. MISCELLANEOUS

Other confidential informants who are familiar with some phases of Communist activities in the New York area advised in March, 1958, that they could furnish no information concerning the subject.

### IV. APPENDIX

### NATIONAL GUARDIAN

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the "National Guardian":

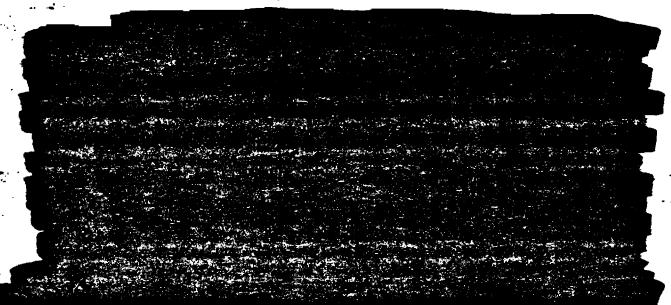
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(Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 'Trial by Treason: The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell,' August 25, 1 36, p. 12.)"

APPENDIX

SUNNYSIDE DISCUSSION GROUP



It is noted that, as previously mentioned in the details of this report, on May 25, 1957, an informant advised that WILL WEINSTONE was sorving as New York State CP Educational Director as of May 23, 1957.

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Enclosed herewith are 4 copies of the report of . SA CHARLES O. DAVIS, dated and captioned as above and 4 copies of a letterhead memorandum relating to above report.

### REFERENCE

Report of SA JAMES E. BEST, 4/5/57, at NY.

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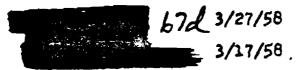
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The subject's husband, MORRIS PASTERNAK, is subject of NY file 100-523B4, Bufile 100-236265. He is on the SI.

An FD 122 is being submitted recommending the subject for Detcom in view of her position as a member of the County Committee, Queens County, CP.

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The subject was observed on 5/5/57, entering and leaving 24-20 Jackson Avenue, by SA JOHN H. CAMPBELL.

The subject was observed on Hay 5, 1957, leaving 46-19 Skillman Ave. by SAS FRANCIS E. MURPHY and ROBERT M. JUDAY.

The photograph of the subject was identified by SA RCBERT M. JUDAY.

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Subject, white female, resides 46-19 Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside, LI, NY, and presently is employed as an office worker, but employment is unknown.

also served as membership and financial director for Sunnyside Section Subject registered CP member

Certain informants with knowledge of CP activities in NYC area do not know the subject. No recent information found in records of NYCPD, BSS.

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### Details:

### I. BACKGROUND

### Residence

On April 7, 1959

a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
(FBI), it was determined that the subject resided at
46-19 Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside, Long Island, New York.

### Employment

April 7, 1959, by the Special Agent of the FBI, it was determined that the subject was gainfully employed doing office work, but her place of employment has not been determined. 675

### II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

### Evidence of Communist Party (CP) Membership

### 1. Membership, 1959

advised on April 3, 1959, that the subject was currently a registered CP member from the Sunnyside Section of the Queens County CP. 676

The CP, USA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.