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1. To declare that Mr. and Mrs. MORTON SOBELL were completely behind the actions of instant NCSJREC, and that they would sanction any attorney selected by instant committee who might work in conjunction with MORTON SOBELL's own attorney. (u)

2. To institute appropriate inquiry or investigation of the United States State Department, relative to delaying tactics relative to inquiries regarding the Rosenberg-Sobell Case. (u)

3. To effect transfer of SOBELL from Alcatraz to a place more convenient for consultation with attorneys. (u)

4. To educate the public on the reasons behind SOBELL's imprisonment. (u)

5. To seek a new trial for SOBELL. (u)

6. To take a definite stand that all efforts in behalf of SOBELL would be directed toward vindication of the ROSENBERGS. (u)

Informant advised that Mrs. MORTON SOBELL spoke from the rostrum confirming that she and her husband both sanctioned the actions of instant committee and advised that any efforts in her husband's behalf would be completely sanctioned by both her and her husband and would tend to serve toward the goal of complete vindication of the deceased ROSENBERGS. (u)

Informant advised that he noted that at instant conference the salutation comrades was not used, and instead, the salutations brothers and sisters were used by the majority of the speakers of instant conference. (u)

DON ROTHENBERG, Washington, D. C., was the next speaker who was introduced as a man who did much work for the ROSENBERGS. He said we learned many errors in the Rosenberg Case from which we will benefit in the future. One thing they learned was that any senator can be approached. The democrats, who were supposedly the liberals, were a little more difficult to approach than the republicans. Now that the republicans are in power, it might be the other way around. There were many senators who were sympathetic to the ROSENBERGS, but did not dare to speak up because they did not get enough mail from the public. (u)

He stated that the following points were some of the reasons why senators were sympathetic toward the ROSENBERGS: (u)

They were impressed by: (u)

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1. Individual delegations which came to them. (u)
 2. The literature which was given to them to read. (u)
 3. The letters they received from the constituents. (u)
 4. Statements by various scientists, particularly, (u)
Dr. HAROLD C. UREY.
 5. The international ramifications. (u)
 6. The fact that only three Supreme Court Justices
read the record of the Rosenberg Case. (u)
 7. The new evidence that came up later.
 8. The excessiveness of punishment in the Rosenberg
Case as many of their constituents voiced objections (u)
to capital punishment as such.
 9. The demonstration in front of the White House. (u)
 10. The fact that SIDNEY SILVERMAN was denied entrance
into the United States due to his sympathies in the (u)
Rosenberg Case.

On the other hand, Mr. ROTHENBERG said that failure in defense of the (u)
ROSENBERGS and SOBEIL resulted mostly from:

1. The way the case was handled. (u)
2. Certain senators' misbelief that the ROSENBERGS (u)
were being executed for treason.
3. The general public belief that the ROSENBERGS (u)
had had their day in court.
4. Pressure group tactics engaged in by certain
veterans' organizations in seeking the death (u)
penalty for the ROSENBERGS.
5. Lack of mail protesting the persecution of the (u)
ROSENBERGS.
6. Pressure that was put on by the Department of (u)
Justice.

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7. Contempt of the opinions of our allies due to allegations of pro-Communist infiltration in some of the governments of the aforementioned allies. (u)

EMILY ALMAN then spoke from the floor during an open forum, and she sanctioned all the points enumerated by ROTHENBERG and emphasized the importance of investigating the Department of Justice. She said, "We are not interested just in freeing SOBELL, but we are interested in making a better place to live in." (u)

Mrs. STEINGARD (ph) also spoke in favor of the adoption of the points stated. (u)

Miss STEIN of Denver, who spoke from the floor, also concurred with the points enumerated by the speaker. (u)


Informant advised that an oral vote was taken, and that all of the points mentioned by ROTHENBERG were completely sanctioned by all of the members in attendance. (u)

Dr. TUSHNAK (ph) then addressed the group, stating that \$60,000 would have to be collected in the near future for the Sobell Defense. The chairman, who is from Los Angeles, California, was the only dissenter due to the large amount required for Sobell's defense. (u)

DAVID ALMAN said the difficulty does not lie in obtaining or getting the money, but in underestimating our ability to do so. He said, "We are like an iceberg with just the top showing, but we do not know how many are below us. Therefore, we must get the money, we must investigate the Department of Justice, we must go through with our whole program, and we will do it." (u)

Informant advised that the following co-chairmen were elected unopposed by unanimous opinion:

1. JOSEPH BRAININ, Eastern Chairman;
2. DANIEL MARSHALL, who was not there, a West Coast Attorney and leader of the Catholic layment, elected chairman of the West Coast;
3. Midwest Chairman unnamed;
4. Executive Secretary, who is the only paid member of instant committee, EMILY ALMAN;
5. National Treasurer, not paid, Dr. TUSHNAK (ph). (u)

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Then informant advised that SARA LICHTENBERG gave a financial report on the profits realized from a certain publication. (u)

Informant advised that YURI SUHL then gave a talk on the trust fund for the ROSENBERG children. He said that the executives of the trust fund were EMMANUEL BLOCK, NORMA ARONSON, Mrs. DU BOIS, MALCOLM SHARP, and YURI SUHL. (u)

The meeting was closed by the reading by Mrs. SOBELL of a letter which she received from her husband in Alcatraz putting his faith and hope in the people and saying that he himself is willing to spend the rest of his life there as long as the cause for which he has been fighting is known all over the world, and it should not happen again. (u)

Informant also furnished ten items of literature obtained by him while in attendance at above conference at Chicago, Illinois, on October 11, 1953, which are herewith being forwarded to the New York Office for their use and information. (u)

1. Six page mimeographed financial report on the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, dated October 7, 1953, which was composed by the M. Harbus & Co., Certified Public Accountants. (u)
2. One page mimeographed report covering financial activities from the Rosenberg Book Committee. (u)
3. Eight page pamphlet, entitled "Did the Rosenbergs Have Full Measure of Justice?" (u)
4. September, 1953 issue of the "Progressive". (u)
5. Yellow flyer entitled "America's Conscience Speaks On the Rosenberg Execution." (u)
6. Five page mimeographed treatise entitled "Analysis of Case Against MORTON SOBELL" Made By Professor STEPHEN S. LOVE, and read at the National Rosenberg-Sobell Conference, Chicago October 10." (u)
7. Fifteen page pamphlet entitled "New Evidence in the Rosenberg Case." (u)

8. Three page mimeographed deposition addressed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second District, setting forth the United States of America as Appellee against MORTON SOBELL, Appellant.

9. Glossy, printed, picture laden pamphlet, entitled, "Never Losing Faith..." "For Julius and Ethel Rosenberg."

10. The page mimeographed open letter put out by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, bearing mimeographed name of JOSEPH BRANIN as chairman.

"Sat eve at 8:00 p.m. they had a money raising scheme to raise money. Mr. Block was the key note speaker, an others.

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"They collected \$783.00 from 350 people, plus some pledges of \$607.00 (u)
which was a total of \$1,390.00.

"The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg and Sobell
Case adjourned at 3:15 P.M. on Sunday Oct. 10th with a Thank's to all (u)
who took part in the meeting from Helen Sobell."

The foregoing is set forth for the information of the interested (u)
offices. RUC.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark

FROM : SAC, New York (100-13446)

SUBJECT : R. OLKIN
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DATE: 12/10/53

Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [REDACTED] of known reliability, dated 10/19/53. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on 11/6/53. In this report, informant gave an account of a recent meeting of Branch 228, JFFO, Lakewood, N.J. in honor of R. OLKIN.

[REDACTED]

The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside the Bureau unless it is paraphrased to protect the informant.

The original report is filed as serial 287 of [REDACTED] in the New York Office.

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1- [REDACTED]
1- 100- (JFFO)
1- 100- (National Committee to
Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case)
1- 100- (National Farmers Union)
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED]
1- NY [REDACTED]
1- NY [REDACTED]
1- NY 100- [REDACTED]
1- NY 100-107111 (National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case)
1- NY 100-37158 (SOPELL)
1- NY [REDACTED]
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M. Olkin "Cultural"
Affair in Lakewood, N.J.

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The chairlady of the evening was Rose Nemtsov. About 75 people were present at this affair. H. Katz was the main speaker. He gave an analysis of the political situation in the U.S. and in the world underlining that the progressive movement on a world scale is gaining; that "with the coming of the Eisenhower era in the U.S. reaction and Mc Carthyism in general gained ground" but "as long as we have in this country such men as Olkin, who always was and still is one of the important leaders of different mass organizations-we will eventually win our fight against reaction and our country will join the rest of the world in the march to freedom and peace".

Olkin underlined in his speech that "although it is important to look into the history of the individual but it is more important to find out at which side an individual is fighting today. Olkin declared that from the days of his youth, today and until the last day of his life he will fight for the victory of the working class and for peace."



Letters of congratulations to Olkin came from P. Movick, J. Levin, Chaim Suller, Sholom Levine, (former official of Ambidjan) Baitin (of the N.F.) and others.

Fanny Litwin asked the people to concentrate on the fight for the winning of a new trial for Sobell.

H. Mandel, New Jersey manager of the Morning Freiheit made an appeal for funds for the N.F. The collection brought in \$315.00 and 2 new subscribers to the Morning Freiheit.

SAC, New York

12/11/53

JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA (100-107111)

ROSENBERG-SOBELL COMMITTEE
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Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [REDACTED] of known reliability, dated 11/27/53. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on 12/2/53. In this report, informant gave an account of activities of the above committee in Canada.

The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside the Bureau unless it is paraphrased to protect the informant.

The original report is filed as serial 294 of [REDACTED]

1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - 100-37158 (MORTON SOBELL)
1 - 100-99876 (EMANUEL BLOCH)

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Report

Nov. 27, 1953
New York

Rosenberg-Sobell Case
Activities

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According to [REDACTED] the main aim of the Block tour in Canada was to raise funds for the children of the executed spies Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. Another talk [REDACTED] his [REDACTED] Block was to line up public opinion in Canada for the fight now being waged for getting a new trial for Morton Sobell. [REDACTED] at one meeting in Toronto, Canada, which took place on Nov. 15th, 1953, 1,700 people were present. Emmanuel Block, who is the chief guardian for the Rosenberg children, told the people about "the life and the suffering of the two martyrs." Block spoke on the McCarthy reactionary movement in the United. He gave assurance to the Canadian people that "The McCarthys are not representing the real America; that the democratic forces in the U.S. are getting stronger; that these forces will defeat reaction."

Block pictured the Rosenbergs as poor, honest people who "loved the working class and fought for freedom and democracy"; that "the Rosenbergs were offered their life if they will talk, but they chose to die then to betray innocent people." Block also told the audience about "the suffering of the Rosenberg children who are being persecuted by the dark forces of reaction in the United States." Block also spoke about "the innocent martyr, Morton Sobell," asking the people of Canada to take part in the struggle for his freedom. \$1,700 was raised at the Toronto meeting for the Rosenberg children. Block also spoke at meetings in Montreal, Windsor, Hamilton and Wayland.

Altogether at these meetings was raised a sum of over \$4,000 for the Rosenberg children.

Sobell group asks Senators probe Atty. General office

A group of 25 men and women, including the Sobell family, have written a letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee asking it to probe the conduct of the U. S. Attorney General's office in the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The 25-page letter, with 100 signatures, was headed by Chairman William Langer of the Senate Judiciary Committee. It was sent to the Senate Judiciary Committee in New York City.

The letter, which was signed by the Sobell family and other friends, asked the committee to probe the conduct of the U. S. Attorney General's office in the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

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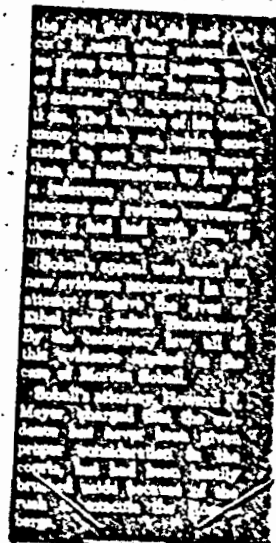
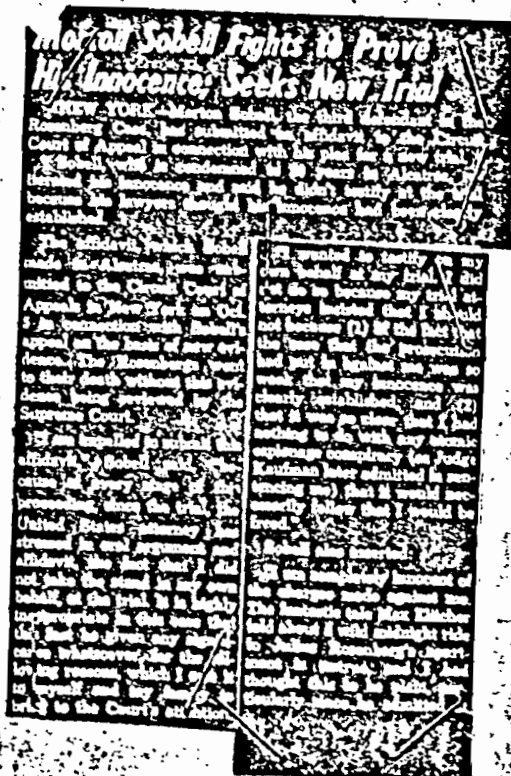
DATE: November 13, 1953

FROM : JHM
Om SAC, DetroitSUBJECT: "GLOS LUDOWY"
(People's Voice)
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

The October 24, 1953 issue of "GLOS LUDOWY" (People's Voice, which has been described by ~~as~~ as a Communist dominated Polish-English language weekly newspaper published in Detroit) in Column 4-5, Page 2, of the English section contained an article which contains information pertaining to individuals or organizations within your jurisdiction.

A photostatic copy of the article is being furnished for informational purposes and for any action you deem necessary.

A copy of this communication ~~(is)~~ (is not) being retained by this office.



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JACK H. LUPTON, SA (100-115053)

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[REDACTED] submitted a written report dated 12/6/53 which was received at the Kingston Resident Agency on 12/9/53, concerning a meeting held at the above captioned place on Saturday December 5, 1953.

The informant stated that admission was \$2.50 and the money was used to help the "Rosenberg Children" and a portion of the money went to help MORTON SOBELL obtain a new trial.

The informant also indicated that the majority of people came from [REDACTED] NY and were not known to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] also stated that there were very few introductions and [REDACTED] therefore was unable to obtain additional names of individuals in attendance. It is noted that [REDACTED] who also attended this meeting, indicated orally on 12/7/53 that people at these meetings seem to frown on introductions and it is therefore very difficult to obtain names of people in attendance.

[REDACTED] furnished the names of the following individuals who attended the meetings:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
1 - 100-116118
1 - [REDACTED] (JULIUS SIPPEN)
1 - 100-115954
1 - 100-111646
1 - 100-106582 (ALEXANDER CHAIT)
1 - 100-
1 - 100-97483
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED] (MRS. BARALL GOLDBERG)
1 - 65- (MORTON SOBELL)
1 - [REDACTED] (P&C)
1 - [REDACTED] (P&C)
1 - 100-115864
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[REDACTED]

The informant indicated that JULIUS SIPKIN gave a short talk on conducting a campaign to help MORTON SOBEL raise money to obtain a new trial. Mrs. BARALL GOLDBERG also spoke on this matter and explained how SOBEL had been kidnapped in Mexico and brought back to the States and put in jail. GOLDBERG also indicated that Mrs. SOBEL is anxious to go anywhere and give talks for the benefit of her husband.

The informant also indicated that a recording of Senator McCARTHY was played on his questioning of one MARDELL. It is noted that [REDACTED] indicated orally on 12/7/53 that this recording contained inserts by MARDELL in which he would explain his reason for using the Fifth Amendment in answer to McCARTHY's questions. He indicated that if he denied that he was a Communist, McCARTHY would have someone testify that he was a Communist and they would have him thrown in jail for perjury.

The informant indicated that at the close of the meeting everyone was asked to have house parties for the benefit of MORTON SOBEL. [REDACTED] stated that over \$200.00 was raised for the ROSENBERG children and about \$50 for MORTON SOBEL.

The original report is filed as serial 28 of [REDACTED]

C O P Y

Dec. 6, 53

Dear Jack,

[redacted] went to a benefit dinner at the Chateau Dec. 5 the admission was \$2.50 per person. The purpose was to raise money for the Rosenberg children.

Most of the people were from [redacted] and the towns around there. The only ones I knew where [redacted]

[redacted] were also there.

After dinner Jewly Sippin gave a short talk on conducting a campaign to get Martin Sobell out of Alcatraz by another trial. Peopel were asked to try to raise \$30 donations to be put into a fund for Sobell. After that Harall Goldberg a fairly well know violinist gave a report on a rally in N.Y.C. where Mrs. Sobell had spoken. Mrs. Goldberg told how Mr. Sobell had been (kidnaped) in Mexico and brout up to the States and put in jail. Mrs. Sobell is willing to go any wher and give talks at benefits for her husband.

After the speakes ther was a recording of Macarthy cross examining Mandell.

The only new person I met was [redacted]. [redacted] No one seemed to want to be introduced.

At the close of the evening every one was supos to try to get a house party going some wher to raise money for Sobell.

They made a littel over \$200.00 for the Rosenberg children and got about \$50 for Sobell.

Yours truly,

SAC, New York

12/29/53

JACK H. LUTON, SA (100-116118)

MRS. BERNIS PAUER

[REDACTED] was contacted by SA HAROLD CATS and the writer on 12/14/53 at which time she advised that the husband of the above mentioned subject is now [REDACTED] in Long Island. The informant added that her husband was formerly in the textile business in Kingston. The informant indicated that she does not know the name of [REDACTED] in which PARKER is [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] stated that the subject is a very close friend of Mr. and Mrs. JULIUS SIPPEN and attends most of the "CP functions" with the SIPPENS.

[REDACTED]

The informant also advised that HARRY STREIFER is teaching at the VJH School in Kingston and his wife EVELYN and he used to attend ALP study groups.

- 1-3 [REDACTED] (P & C)
- 1-NY [REDACTED]-116105 (HARRY STREIFER)
- 1-NY [REDACTED]-115754 (JULIUS SIPPEN)
- 1-NY [REDACTED]-115862 [REDACTED]
- 1-NY 100-97483 [REDACTED]
- 1-NY 100- [REDACTED] (MONTY SIBEL)
- 1-NY 100-26603 Sub Ch14 (WID-HUDSON CP, USA)

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JACK R. LUTTON, SA (100-87483)

DOROTHY WILSON

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The informant also indicated that EUGENE LA CASSE is working part time as a carpenter for ABRAHAM SCHLIMOWITZ of Pearsville, NY. He also mentioned that Mr. and Mrs. JAMES TURNBULL are going to Florida for about one month.

The informant concluded by saying that WILSON informed him that there would be no more meetings until after Christmas.

- 1 - 100-115262 ([REDACTED])
- 1 - 100-115263 (EUGENE LA CASSE)
- 1 - 100-113526 (BERNICE SCHLIMOWITZ)
- 1 - 100-116247 (Mrs. PETER TURNBULL)
- 1 - 100-116248 (JAMES TURNBULL)
- 1 - 100- (MORTON SOBELL)
- 1 - (P & C)

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For Morton Sobel's Freedom

Indeed, it is this thing that we must do:—
We cannot bring to life the murdered ones,
Their life has been extinguished by the crew
Who howl like madmen when they see new suns
On the horizon where brave men have wrought
More tender ways for living; by the ghouls
Who burned Hiroshima, by the men whose thought's
For shedding blood in yet still greater pools. . .
They're dead; they're dead; the Rosenbergs we loved
and love, and shall hold ever in our hearts;
By all the earth in starlit heavens gloved
And by the pain borne on injustice's darts,
This we can do in answer to Truth's plea:
We can and must set Morton Sobel free.

—A. S.

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Sobell Lashes McCarthy's Attempt To Scare Scientists Who Knew Him

By STEVE MURDOCK

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—From behind the bars of Alcatraz prison Morton Sobell last week lashed back at Sen. Joseph McCarthy's efforts to use "the charge of association with me as a threat

against other scientists."

In a statement issued through his wife, Mrs. Helen Sobell, he declared the same "regard for truth and the welfare of my country" that has maintained him "in my fight to prove my innocence of espionage or conspiracy . . . impels me to say that any attempt to implicate anyone for association with me is just another frameup."

Sobell, a co-defendant of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, was referring specifically to McCarthy's highly publicized Fort Monmouth "spy" investigation in which the Wisconsin Republican sought to exploit the fact that some of the employes knew Sobell or went to college with him.

Mrs. Sobell who is here for one of the monthly visits she is permitted with her husband, made his sentiments known at a press conference in the office of Sobell's attorney, Benjamin Dreyfus, where she made public excerpts of a letter written her by Sobell.

The 36-year-old electrical en-

gineer, who has an appeal for a new trial pending before the Supreme Court, said:

"Even three and one-half years in prison have not shaken my faith that I was right in telling the truth of my innocence, even if it meant being sent to Alcatraz.

"As soon as the American people understand that the same methods which are now being so vigorously denounced were used to bring about my unjust conviction, I will be vindicated."

Sobell, who received a 30 year sentence for "conspiracy" to commit espionage, challenged McCarthy directly.

"I have heard from my attorneys and read in the magazines (I am not allowed to read newspapers here)," he wrote, "that Senator McCarthy is using the charge of association with me as a threat against other scientists.

"The same methods and personnel are now being used by Senator McCarthy as were used by the Attorney General's office to bring about my conviction.

"This continuation and broadening out of the spy scare can only result in the same terrible consequences to other innocent people as it has already had for me."

Underlining his fear of what McCarthyism holds, Sobell said, "I see in the Fort Monmouth situation those continuing pressures which can only result in more scientists being forced either to give up their work or suppress any creative thought they might have under threat of prison and dishonor."

Mrs. Sobell amplified her husband's remarks for reporters by explaining he felt "the least he could do" from prison was to speak out against the McCarthy attack.

She said, "The whole scientific work of our country is being destroyed by these attacks on scientists."

Scientists, she said, "want to leave fields where they are subjected to these kind of investiga-

tions." McCarthy probes, she declared, are "sending present research a very sterile kind of thing."

She noted, "This whole idea of the secret of the atombomb has been exploded by very authoritative spokesmen—and yet it persists."

She described her husband as being in good health and encouraged by the growth of the campaign being developed on his behalf.



MRS. SOBELL

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JACK H. LUPTON, SA (100-97483)

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[redacted] submitted a written report dated 1/2/54 which was received by the writer at the Kingston RA on 1/5/54. This report concerned the meeting which is to be held at the home of [redacted] who resides in the vicinity of [redacted] N.Y. The meeting is to be held on [redacted] and Mrs. MORTON SOBEL will be the main speaker. It is a benefit for the defense of MORTON SOBEL.

The informant also mentioned that a meeting had previously been planned to discuss new membership in the CP but indicated in this report that the meeting was called off. The informant also advised that [redacted] attended some type of a meeting at the home of [redacted] in [redacted] NY, but did not know the purpose of this meeting or if it was actually a CP meeting. The informant indicated orally on 1/4/54 that [redacted] would attempt to obtain further information concerning A.A. STEIN.

The informant also mentioned that JULIUS SIPPEN indicated that the members around Kingston, NY do not have the money to hold such a meeting in this vicinity.

The informant's report is being filed as serial 3/ in [redacted]

1- 100-115954 (JULIUS SIPPEN)
1- 100- ([redacted])
1- 100- ([redacted])
1- 100- (MORTON SOBEL)
1- 100- (Mrs. MORTON SOBEL)
1- [redacted] (P & C)
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Harvey [signature]

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Dear Jack,

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We have been reading (The Nature of Capitalism) by Anna Rochester
and (Political Economy) by A. Leontieff.

SOBELL PLEA FOR REVIEW FILED WITH SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 - An appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court for a review of the new evidence in the case of Morton Sobell was submitted yesterday by Howard N. Meyer, attorney for Sobell, convicted with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg of conspiracy to commit espionage, and sentenced to 30 years in Alcatraz, swears he is innocent.

The brief, charging perjury by major prosecution witnesses, declared the charge of "espionage" was being used to "divert public opinion from governmental inadequacy of error" and to suppress political dissent.

Among the new evidence are memoranda which apparently are from the law firm of O. John Rogge, attorney for David and Ruth Greenglass, chief prosecution witness. They reveal negotiations between the prosecution and the Rogge firm for the Greenglass testimony, statements of the Greenglasses in conflict with their trial testimony, and a statement by Ruth Greenglass that her husband had a "tendency to hysteria" and was an habitual liar.

The evidence also includes an affidavit quoting David Greenglass as admitting he stole uranium from Los Alamos. This information was not revealed by Greenglass at the trial.

CONSOLE TABLE

There is also an affidavit proving that the console table, which the prosecution had contended was an expensive one hollowed out for microfilm development and given the Rosenbergs by the Russians, was actually an ordinary, inexpensive table bought at a New York department store.

While the Greenglass testimony pertained to the Rosenbergs, the conspiracy nature of the indictment resulted in the automatic application of the testimony to Sobell.

Only one witness linked Sobell to alleged espionage activities. The witness was Max Elitcher, who admitted on the witness stand that he had perjured himself in another

matter and feared a perjury indictment.

The National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case pointed out yesterday that the Supreme Court has never reviewed the Rosenberg-Sobell Case. It urged that the Supreme Court now reestablish the reputation of the American courts in the eyes of the world by granting Sobell's appeal.

The committee has requested the Senate Judiciary Committee to investigate the conduct of the U. S. Attorney General's Office in the case.

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Sobell Case brunch

Sunday, Jan. 24

A brunch in tribute to the fight for justice being waged for Morton Sobell will be held at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, at Hotel Manhattan Towers, Bway. at 76th St. Reservations for the brunch are being made for persons who contribute or raise \$30 for the Sobell defense — \$1 for each of the 30 years of Sobell's prison sentence, said the sponsor, the Natl. Comm. to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case.

"Morton Sobell — the Man and His Case," a dramatic presentation portraying Sobell through his wife, mother, relatives, and friends, will be featured, along with a special message from Sobell. A separate program and box lunches will be provided for children.

Sobell's appeal for a new trial is now before the U. S. Supreme Court.

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[REDACTED] submitted a written report dated [REDACTED] concerning [REDACTED] contact with the above subject on that date. The report was received at the Kingston RA by the writer on 1/11/54.

The informant indicated that [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that the meeting which is to be held in [REDACTED] will be an effort to raise money for the defense of MORTON SOBEL and his wife will be the main speaker. The informant did not know who is having the meeting.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The informant added that the meeting would definitely take place at a later date and [REDACTED] would advise.

The informant's original report is being filed in [REDACTED] as serial [REDACTED].

1- [REDACTED]
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W. H. Lupton

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Dear Jack,

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The arrangements are
to hear Mrs. Sobel

will go along, and

SAC, New York

1/21/54

JACK H. LUPTON, SA (100-97483)

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[redacted] was contacted on this date and [redacted] advised that the above mentioned subject visited [redacted] at [redacted] on [redacted]. At that time according to the informant the subject mentioned that the Sobel Meeting which was postponed due to adverse weather conditions was to be held at [redacted] in [redacted], N.Y.

The informant mentioned that this is the individual [redacted] reported [redacted] as being at the Sobel Meeting held at [redacted] in [redacted], N.Y. [redacted] stated that in connection with that meeting [redacted] reported [redacted] name as [redacted]

According to the informant [redacted] also told [redacted] that if the meeting had taken place at [redacted] [redacted] would have asked Mrs. SOBEL to stay in Kingston and have another meeting in this area. [redacted] did not indicate, however, who would have the meeting.

It is noted that the informant has previously reported that Mrs. SOBEL had planned to speak at the meeting referred to above to help raise funds for the defense of her husband MORTON SOBEL.

[redacted] also told the informant that the meeting would take place as soon as weather conditions permit.

1- NY [redacted] (P&C)
1- NY 100- [redacted] ([redacted] previously reported [redacted])
1- NY 100-115053 ([redacted])
1- NY 100 (Mrs. MORTON SOBEL)
①- NY 100 (MORTON SOBEL)

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ROSENBERGS' SONS LIVING IN SUBURBAN COMMUNITY

The two sons of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, Michael, 10, and Robert, 6, are "beginning to be absorbed in their new surroundings and activities," it was stated yesterday by attorney Emanuel H. Bloch who inherited their care when the Rosenbergs were executed in Sing Sing.

Bloch, said the two children lived in a suburban community.

What these children need most

now is anonymity," Bloch said. "They are using the name Rosenberg, but few of their new little friends know who they are and I hope the world soon forgets. They have suffered enough, and we can only hope their wounds are not permanent."

Bloch said \$50,000 has been raised for the children's welfare, and education, and the drive for funds would end this month.

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Morton Sobell Concert to Be Held in Bronx.

A concert featuring a new ballad about Morton Sobell, the young scientist in Alcatraz, will be held at Hunts Point Palace, the Bronx, on Saturday Feb. 6 at 8:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Bronx Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case, the concert will feature "A Ballad of Morton Sobell," written by Irwin Silber.

Performing artists will include Earl Robinson, Leon Bibb, Betty Sanders, All Mo'k, Beulah Richardson, Dave Sear, Lillian Goodman and Elizabeth Knight.

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On 1/22/54 [REDACTED] advised meeting for benefit of MORTON SOBELL which was to be held [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED], was called off because of bad weather. [REDACTED] explained, however, that plans are being made to have Mrs. SOBELL speak to a Kingston group sometime in the near future.

[REDACTED]

- 1 - NY [REDACTED] (P&C)
- 1 - NY 100-26603 (MID-HUDSON CP, USA)
- 1 - NY 100- (MORTON SOBELL)
- 1 - NY 100- (Mrs. MORTON SOBELL)

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Urey, Many Other Notables Sign Brief for Sobell



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Dr. H. E. Armus, Detroit, physi-
cian; David Newman, New York,
accountant; Dr. Emery W. Bakluf,
Chicago, educator; Dr. Eleanor
Yachnes, Brooklyn, physician;
Charles Hartshorne, Chicago, edu-
cator; Giles C. Evans, Sedro-
wooley, Wash., unionist.

Also Dr. Leonard Pockman, San
Francisco, physicist; Dr. James
McBurney, Chicago, educator;
Don W. Harlan, Detroit, attorney;
Anthony Toney, New York, artist;
Dr. Frank C. Kracek, Chevy
Chase, Md., physician; Bernard
Davidson, Brooklyn, New York,
scientist; Mrs. Clara Hanchett,
San Francisco, librarian; Dr. H.
David Hammond, Philadelphia,
botanist; Hassel W. Smith, San
Francisco, teacher.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Dr. Harold C. Urey and Dr. Linus Pauling, scientists and Nobel Prize winners, and Dr. Bernard M. Loomer, Dean of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, are among the

prominent Americans who joined in a "Friends of the Court" brief submitted this afternoon in the chief clerk of the Supreme Court in behalf of a new trial for Morton Sobell, it was announced today by the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg case.

Their appeal was submitted as part of an amicus brief in support of Sobell's appeal to the High Court on grounds of new evidence that major prosecution witnesses committed perjury. Sobell, a young scientist who maintains he is innocent, was convicted in the trial with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and sentenced to 30 years in Alcatraz.

The brief was filed by Royal W. France, attorney, of New York City.

The appeal follows:

"The arrest, indictment, and trial of Morton Sobell, upon the charge of conspiracy to commit espionage and the resulting sentence of 30 years in Alcatraz in an atmosphere of hysteria induced by transient political and social passions, lacked guarantees of fairness which all Americans have a right to expect under the Constitution.

"Morton Sobell is requesting the Supreme Court to review his case on the basis of new evidence connected with his joint trial with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. This new evidence, never presented to the Supreme Court for the Rosenbergs, very seriously challenges the credibility of the major prosecution witnesses.

"We believe that the standards of American justice require a new trial for Morton Sobell in an atmosphere free of hysteria.

"In the light of the extraordinary circumstances, which from the very beginning have surrounded the Rosenberg-Sobell case, we authorize the inclusion of our names in an Amicus Brief to the Supreme Court of the United States, petitioning that the verdict be set aside, and that a new trial for

Morton Sobell be ordered based on constitutional guarantees of fairness and equality under the law, in accordance with the best traditions of American justice."

Among the signers of the appeal were Dr. Mary Church Terrell, Washington, educator; Prof. Phillip Morrison, Ithaca, N. Y., physicist; Prof. Ephraim Cross, New York, educator; Prof. George Sarton, Cambridge, Mass., historian; Leon Beverly, Chicago, trade union official; A. Eustace Haydon, Chicago, clergyman; Dr. Leo Mayer, New York, orthopedist; Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, Brooklyn, N. Y., historian; Dr. Irving E. Putnam, Minneapolis, clergyman; Bertha C. Reynolds, Stoughton, Mass., social worker.

Also Vincent Castiglione, Newark, N. J., trade unionist; Alvina Seckar, Pompton Lakes, N. J., artist and writer; Dr. Arnold Danawa, New York, doctor of dentistry; Dr. W. A. Hulton, New York, educator; Annette T. Rubinstein, New York, educator; Henry Schmidt, San Francisco, union official; Rabbi S. Burr Yampul, Chicago, clergyman; Dr. Hans Freistadt, Newark, physicist; Philip Eden, San Francisco, economist; Dr. Dorothy Brewster, New York, educator; Eugene Eagle, San Francisco, optometrist; Dr. Murray Abowitz, Los Angeles, physician; Rev. John M. Miles, Detroit, clergyman; Rev. Clarence D. Herriott, Berkeley, Cal., clergyman; Dr. E. Winograd, Brooklyn, physician; James M. Evans, Arab, Ala., justice; Rev. C. B. Heack, Detroit, Mich., clergyman; Dr. Stanley M. Friedman, New York, scientist.

Also Dr. David Telson, Brooklyn, physician; Dr. William Wells Denton, Tucson, Ariz., educator; Mitchell Schnaar, Detroit, attorney; Albert Maltz, Mexico, writer; Dr. Hyman J. Hirschfeld, Chicago, physician; Prof. Serge Chermayeff, Cambridge, Mass., educator; Harold Morris, Detroit, attorney; Prof. Frankie C. Merson, Keuka Park, N. Y., educator; Bernard Probe, Detroit, Mich., attorney; I. M. Solteff, Minneapolis, scientist.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : SA THOMAS J. McANDREWS

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
ESP. R.

DATE: 2/1/54

At 2:45 P.M., 2/1/54, I advised Mr. William Brannigan, Bureau, in the absence of Inspector Carl Hennrich, that this office had ascertained from AUSA James B. Kilsheimer, III, SDNY, that the Supreme Court had, on this date, denied certiorari.

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Rosenberg Pal Loses 3rd Plea

By the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2—The Supreme Court yesterday refused for a third time to review conviction of Morton Sobell, now serving a 30-year prison term for conspiracy to commit wartime espionage.

Sobell was convicted with Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, who were executed for atomic espionage last June 19.

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Rosenberg Pal Sobell Loses New Trial Plea

From THE NEWS Bureau

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—The Supreme Court today denied a review for a new trial to Morton Sobell, convicted co-conspirator of executed atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. Sobell is serving a 30-year sentence in Alcatraz.

In another ruling, the court held that companies violate the Taft-Hartley Act in denying approved union benefits to non-union workers. The case involved retroactive wage hikes denied to non-union employees of the Gaynor News Co. of New York after the signing of a contract with the Newspaper and Mail Deliverers Union in 1948.

The court held in the same 7-2 decision that unions violate T-H when they deny work to members as a means of imposing union discipline.

the cause was not apparent, police that "I can't go on." The death said she had written her attorney was listed as apparent suicide.

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Deny Review To Atom Spy

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (AP). —Morton Sobell, convicted as a co-conspirator of atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, Monday was denied a Supreme Court review of his unsuccessful attempt to get a new trial.

Sobell is in Alcatraz Prison, serving a 30-year sentence for conspiracy to commit wartime espionage. The Rosenbergs were executed last June 19 in Sing Sing Prison.

IN HIS NEW appeal, Sobell said "newly discovered evidence" tended to show "fabrications and pre-trial inconsistencies by two indispensable prosecution witnesses."

The Supreme Court previously had refused to review Sobell's trial. In the latest action it also refused to permit Dr. Harold C. Urey, Chicago scientist, and 57 other persons to file a brief in support of Sobell's new appeal.

In another ruling, the court held that unions violate the Taft-Hartley Act when they deny work to members as a means of discipline.

BY THE SAME 7-2 vote, the court held that a company violates the law by granting benefits to union employees while denying them to non-union workers. The benefits were a retroactive wage increase and vacation payments, made after a new contract was signed in 1948 by the Gaynor News Co., of New York, and the Newspaper and Mail Deliverers' Union.

The union discipline ruling was given in two appeals involving AFL unions.

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Sobell Loses In Appeal to High Court

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (U.P.)—Morton Sobell, convicted as a co-conspirator of atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, today was denied a Supreme Court review of his unsuccessful attempt to get a new trial.

Sobell is in Alcatraz Prison, Calif., serving a thirty-year sentence for conspiracy to commit war-time espionage. The Rosenbergs were executed June 19 in Sing Sing Prison, N. Y.

In his new appeal, Sobell claimed "newly discovered evidence" tended to show "fabrications and pre-trial inconsistencies by two indispensable prosecution witnesses." The Supreme Court previously had refused to review Sobell's trial.

Rejects Brief

The court today also refused to permit Dr. Harold G. Urey, Chicago scientist, and fifty-seven other persons to file a brief in support of Sobell's latest appeal.

In other actions today the high court:

1. Ruled 7-2 that illegal evidence may be introduced into Federal court trials to show untruthfulness by the defendant and thus upheld the 1951 conviction of Sam Walder, of Kansas City, on charges that he made four illegal sales of heroin.

2. Decided unanimously the Civil Aeronautics Board erred in refusing to cut the pay of Delta Air Lines for carrying mail on its international division, as the Post Office Department had proposed, because of profits made by Delta's domestic division.

Swindle Case

3. Upheld the conviction of Victor E. Pereira and Eugene H. Brading on charges of swindling Mrs. Gertrude J. Joyce, of Roswell, N. M., of some 35,000.

4. Cited the decision of Chief Justice John Marshall in the early 1800s that priority of statutory liens should be determined by the principle of "the first in time is the first in right."

The court told the Connecticut Supreme Court of Errors to find out whether the United States or New Britain, Conn., got its claim in first to tax money owed by a foreclosed laundry firm. There wasn't enough left to pay all tax claims.

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NEW TRIAL ON NEW EVIDENCE WAS SOUGHT

Second Sobell plea for review turned down by Supreme Court

FOR a second time, the U.S. Supreme Court last week refused to review the conviction and 30-year sentence against Morton Sobell who was tried with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and is now in Alcatraz, the government's toughest prison. The ruling blocked a new trial sought upon new evidence that David and Ruth Greenglass, principal government witnesses, had lied. The government, in opposing a new trial, admitted that there were a number of "discrepancies between the story [Greenglass] told his lawyer that he had told the FBI, and his testimony at the trial" and that the evidence showed "facts from which it might be inferred that" the Greenglasses had lied, but argued that the lies were "not incon-

the resulting sentence of 30 years in Alcatraz in an atmosphere of hysteria induced by transient political and social passions, lacked guarantees of fairness which all Americans have a right to expect under the constitution. Sobell is requesting the Supreme Court to review his case on the basis of new evidence connected with his joint trial with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. This new evidence, never presented to the Supreme Court for the Rosenbergs, very seriously challenges the credibility of the major prosecution witnesses. We believe the standards of American justice require a new trial for Sobell in an atmosphere free of hysteria."

SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN: In New York a nation-wide campaign was launched by the Natl. Committee to Secure Justice for Sobell in the Rosenberg Case, for signatures on an appeal to chairman William Langer of the Senate Judiciary Committee to investigate the circumstances of Sobell's imprisonment in Alcatraz, "America's Devil's Island, used exclusively for hardened criminals with long records of violence." The appeal adds:

"Mr. Sobell, about whose case there is a world-wide doubt, was absolved by the court of any connection with atomic spying. While appealing for a new trial to prove his innocence, he was suddenly shipped to Alcatraz, 3,000 miles away from his wife, children and defense attorney. The office of the U.S. Atty. Gen. violated all precedent in this vindictive action."

NEW YEAR'S MEETING: Mrs. Helen Sobell, whose Thanksgiving Day visit to her husband she described in the *GUARDIAN* (11/30), journeyed to Alcatraz again to see him on "the fourth New Year's Eve that Mort has spent in prison, the second in Alcatraz." She wrote to the *GUARDIAN*:

"I could not bring food, or anything which he might see or smell or taste, but I had with me a wealth of good wishes and hopes and deeds—the daily deeds of so many all over the land who are fighting for justice."

Vetenskapsmannen på Alcatraz

Stockholm's *Ny Dag* (Jan. 8) gave a full page to translation of Helen Sobell's *GUARDIAN* account of her last Alcatraz visit. This was the headline.

sistent with the central aspects of the Greenglass' testimony."

In his brief in reply to this contention, Howard N. Meyer, attorney for Sobell, argued vainly that "if one views as 'central' the inculpation of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, and the proof of a 'conspiracy' to which petitioner [Sobell] was claimed to belong, the keystone of the arch is surely gone. At every crucial point . . . the 'central' aspects of the Greenglass story are destroyed or impaired."

The court also refused to accept a "friend of the court" brief filed Jan. 28 and signed by scores of prominent persons including Nobel Prize scientists Linus Pauling and Harold Urey, physicist Philip Morrison and Harvard Prof. Serge Charneyeff:

"The arrest, indictment and trial of Morton Sobell upon the charge of conspiracy to commit espionage, and

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"So New Year's Eve in Alcatraz was a little brighter for him. When the last gate clanged shut behind me, and I rushed to my station at the wall, leaning over to see if by some chance Mort was already on his side of the wall—there he was bending over, looking through the glass for me. He wrote me later: 'I can't explain why I laughed. I guess I just wanted to laugh, especially laugh with you.' We talked of the children, and then about Fort Monmouth, and he said: 'I chose to come to Alcatraz rather than let myself be used against other

innocent people. I won't lie even now, even here, even by being quiet. I never spied with anyone. Anybody they smear with my name is innocent.'

"He said he was sending me \$100, his 'salary' at 15c an hour for the work he has done at Alcatraz. At the end he said: 'We are moving into a new era. It must be an era of peace of great learning. I want to be part of it, not a prisoner in my mind or in my body.' I knew more surely than ever before that you cannot take the golden dream of science as Mort saw it, and bury it in Alcatraz."

SAC, New York

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JACK E. LUTON, SA (100-115062)

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"fighting inflation" referring specifically to the coffee prices and promoting meetings in connection with raising money for the "Rosenberg Children" and MORTEN SOBEL.

The informant also mentioned that [redacted] attended a meeting of [redacted] which is made up of a number of CP members [redacted] and the [redacted] that they have the [redacted] [redacted] to do.

"Tooling Up for Mass Repression" by LAURENCE S. [redacted] received a letter from the National Committee to Repeal The McCarran Acts, which made the suggestion that the article be purchased and distributed. [redacted]

The letter [redacted] from the National Committee to Repeal the McCarran Acts dated 1/28/54 and furnished by [redacted] on 2/9/54 is being filed in [redacted] 163

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [REDACTED] of known reliability, dated 2/1/54. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on 2/16/54. In this report, informant furnished information about a luncheon sponsored by captioned committee at Manhattan Towers Hotel, NYC, on 1/24/54.

The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside the Bureau unless it is paraphrased to protect the informant.

The original report is filed as serial 424 of [REDACTED]

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"National Committee to Secure Justice
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case" activities.

[REDACTED] attended a luncheon of
the "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the
Rosenberg case."

The luncheon was held on January 24th, 1954 at the Manhattan
Towers Hotel in New York.

[REDACTED] each one present at this luncheon donated a
minimum of \$30.00 for "the fight of the National Committee to free Morton
Sobell."

300 people were present at this luncheon, "which marked the begining
of a National Campaign which the Sobell national committee is starting in
its fight for the freedom of Morton Sobell." The begining of this campaign,
[REDACTED] will be the collecting of signatures on a petition to
the Senate Judiciary Committee to investigate the imprisonment of Sobell
at Alcatraz.

Mrs. Olman, executive secretary of the Sobell National Committee,
reported at the above mentioned luncheon that Senator Langer, chairman of
the Senate Judiciary Committee "is very much interested in the case of
Morton Sobell and he promised to take up the Sobell case with his committee.
Mrs. Olman characterized the Sobell case as a 'brutal act of persecution.'"

[REDACTED] Most of this money he
collected among the members "of my so called former branch of the Jewish
Peoples Fraternal Order." He said that the Sobell National Committee is
planning to hold mass meetings throughout the country the aim of which
will be "to arouse the interest and the sympathy of the masses for Morton
Sobell who is a victim of an F.B.I. conspiracy."

OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: 2/24/54

FROM : JACK H. LUPTON, SA (100-115053)

SUBJECT: CHAIT'S FARM
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A written report was received from [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] by the writer concerning his activities on [REDACTED]. The report was dated [REDACTED].

The informant stated that he attended a meeting which was held at CHAIT'S FARM in Accord, NY on [REDACTED] for the benefit of MORTON SOBEL. The meeting was held to raise funds for SOBEL'S new trial.

The informant indicated that the following individuals were in attendance at this meeting:

[REDACTED]

1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]

(1) - 100- (MORTON SOBEL)

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The informant stated that there were about 70 people at the meeting and they raised about \$170. He explained that many of the people were from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] he did not obtain any of their names inasmuch as they seem to frown on introductions at these meetings. This has been corroborated by [REDACTED]

The informant stated that RALPH KRICKER played a recording of Senator MC CARTHY questioning MANDELL and this record contained inserts by MANDELL explaining why he used the Fifth Amendment. According to the informant MANDELL indicated that if he denied being a Communist McCARTHY would bring in a witness who would say that MANDELL was a CP member and he would then be thrown in jail.

The informant also advised that JULIUS SIPPEN made a speech in behalf of MORTON SOBEL and indicated that further meetings should be held for his benefit.

The informant was contacted orally on 12/7/54 at which time he advised that the names mentioned in his report as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were actually [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

The informant's original report is being filed in [REDACTED] serial 114.

C O P Y

[REDACTED]

Dear Jack,

We went to Chates' Saturday night as planned.

[REDACTED]

There were 70 people there for dinner.

There were Mr. & Mrs. Kricker from Woodstock who played a recording of McCarthy's questioning Mandell. When Mr. Mandell used the 5th Amendment he would explain seperately on the recorder why he wouldn't answer the questions.

Everything was donated for the dinner. The full amount they took in was \$170.00.

[REDACTED]

Out of the 70 people there, about 60 were Jewish.

They didn't have an special speakers, because they didn't expect half the turn out they had.

Most of the people came from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Mr. Sippin made a speech for the benefit of Morton Sobell. They are going to raise money to get him a new trial, and Mrs. Morton Sobell will come from New York to any little group of 20 people or more to raise money to help gain his release.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] He was very pleased with the outcome of his
dinner. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

There is one group in Sullivan County that plan
to have Mrs. Sobell up in the near future.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

I believe things are going to come along
better from now on.

SAC, New York

3/4/54

LEO H. FRUTKIN, SA (100-66040)

MARJORIE VIOLA VIEMEISTER

[REDACTED]

This information should not be disseminated without paraphrasing to protect the informant.

The original report is filed as serial 35 of [REDACTED]

1- [REDACTED] (P & C)
1- 65- (MORTON SOBELL)

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TO : SAC, New York

FROM : LEO H. FRUTKIN, SA (65-)

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
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DATE: 4/22/54

On 4/13/54 [REDACTED] furnished SA LEO H. FRUTKIN a written report dated 4/7/54 concerning his attendance at a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The original report will be found as serial [REDACTED] of [REDACTED]. It should be paraphrased to protect the informant.

The admission was \$1.50 and the affair was run by the Nassau Committee to secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in the Rosenberg case. Among the speakers were:

1. EMILY OLSON (phonetic)
 2. Mrs. MORTON SOBELL
 3. GENE GREAR (phonetic)
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

1 - [REDACTED] ALMAN
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]

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LEO H. FRUTKIN, SA (65-)

MORTON SOBELL
ESPIONAGE - R

On 4/13/54 [REDACTED] furnished SA LEO H. FRUTKIN
a written report dated 4/7/54 concerning his attendance at a
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The original report will be found as serial
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 2. Mrs. MORTON SOBELL
 3. GENE GREAR (phonetic)
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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J. G. Harrington

SOBELL SEES OPPENHEIMER CASE AS HYSTERIA PRODUCT

SAN FRANCISCO, April 28.—Mrs. Morton Sobell last week made her Easter visit to her husband in Alcatraz, Morton Sobell, the scientist sentenced to 30 years in prison. Mrs. Sobell travels the 3,000 miles from her home in New York to visit her husband. Her last trip to Alcatraz was on New Year's Eve. Her visits are made when her two children are on school holidays.

"We discussed the present Oppenheimer security case," Mrs. Sobell said. She recalled that her husband was not surprised that this kind of attack was occurring.

As far back as October, 1953, Sobell had written, "It is for each of us to conform, or else be labeled a traitor."

In a letter dated Oct. 7, 1953, Morton Sobell wrote:

"I was thinking, many eminent people have already pointed out that the loyalty oath was not designed to weed out the 'disloyal' and it's so apparent too. Rather it was calculated to put a terrible fear in the hearts of men, almost a fear of some unknown, with ever-changing standards, to suit the day-to-day needs of the witch hunters. Under such conditions only absolute conformity can guarantee



HELEN SOBELL

the safety of a scientist.

"This is why today we do not hear any real debate on the question of the morality of strategic bombing. The air force has set up its own standards, and it is for each of us to conform, or be labeled a traitor."

Mrs. Sobell said after her visit to Alcatraz: "Almost four years in prison, more than a year in Alcatraz, are beginning to leave signs of strain. Mort is working and studying, but he is beginning to wonder how long it will be before the truth is uncovered. He wants to come home to me and to the children a free man, and a vindicated one."

Further legal action in the Sobell case is being prepared both on the question of a new trial and on transfer from Alcatraz.

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ROBERT E. GILICK, SA (100-93553)

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS
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Attached herewith is the original and one photostatic copy of a newsletter, 1/25/54, issued by the Science and Technology Division of the New York Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions. The above literature was obtained at the headquarters of the NCASP, 35 W. 64th St., NYC, by [REDACTED] on 1/29/54 and furnished the writer on 2/5/54.

Attached newsletter concerns the arrest, trial, and conviction of MORTON SOBELL, presently serving a 30 year sentence in Alcatraz.

The original copy of the attached newsletter is to be retained as serial 10471 of the bulky exhibits of 100-93553 and the photostatic copy is to be retained as serial 10219 of the bulky exhibits of 100-37158 (MORTON SOBELL).

1-New York ([REDACTED]) (PLC)

1-New York (100-37158) (MORTON SOBELL)

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Division of Investigation

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (100-37667)

FROM : SA ROBERT D. AMO

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG - SOBEL CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: MAR 22 1954

On [REDACTED] of known reliability furnished SA CARLTON WOLFARTH and the writer a one page typewritten report which is maintained as an exhibit in [REDACTED] Sub A-70.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The report is set forth verbatim below:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

RDA:JTF

cc: 3 New York (REGISTERED MAIL)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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65-4331 (DAVID GREENGLASS)

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said one of the best methods for raising money in New York was by adopting the slogan "thirty dollars for thirty years", a dollar for each year of SOBELL'S sentence. This money should be raised by early April when the committee will have a large city-wide affair with possibly Prof. LOVE or a Mr. LOOPER as speakers. There should also be a prominent local man to speak to help draw more people. Everyone agreed that the affair in itself would not draw as many people as the prominent names that would be present. The Progressive Party affair was an example, HUGH WILSON attracting people, also ALLEN RAHILL attracting people from the Friend's organization who would have not ordinarily come. No prominent names could be thought of so the subject was put aside for the time being.

[REDACTED] said that SOBELL was put in Alcatraz in an attempt to break him and make him confess. She said this was the brainchild of Attorney General BROWNELL and EISENHOWER. The Government knows that its case against SOBELL is very weak at best, if they have any case at all, and if he confesses it will whitewash the frameup which the government has perpetrated against the ROSENBERGS and SOBELL. In its last rejection of an

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appeal for SOBELL the govt. (or the court) admitted that perhaps GREENGLASS did lie but that it didn't change the over-all nature of the case. Future actions will be based upon this and other points. She said it is a very complicated legal question which could very easily affect the civil rights angle in a national manner. She said the matter of several thousand dollars being given to employees of the office of JOHN ROGGE will also be looked into.

[REDACTED] She said these facts must be gotten to the people. She said if we can get 100 people to collect \$30 apiece that would be \$3,000.

[REDACTED] The committee will contact scientists, members of clergy and any other prominent men who will speak up or who will give statements which will be used by committee to contact and interest other prominent people."

TO: SAC ([REDACTED]) DATE: 6/29/54

FROM: SA CHARLIE E. GUNTER, JR.

SUBJ: INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED]
RE BALTIMORE ROSENBERG - SOBELL COMMITTEE

The documentation for the information furnished by informant is as follows:

IDENTITY OF SOURCE	DATE OF ACTIVITY AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF INFORMATION	DATE FURNISHED	AGENT TO WHOM FURNISHED	LOCATION
[REDACTED]	6/20/54	6/21/54	CHARLIE E. GUNTER, JR.	[REDACTED]-81

CARE SHOULD BE USED IN REPORTING THIS INFORMATION IN ORDER TO PROTECT FULLY THE IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT.

The text of the informant's statement is as follows:

"Baltimore, Md.
June 20, 1954

"I attended a memorial for the Rosenbergs given at the Little Folks Theatre on Saturday night June 19. Those present I knew were [REDACTED]

CEG:pla

cc 100-15241 Baltimore Rosenberg - Sobell Committee

3 New York (RM)

MORTON SOBELL

National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee

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BA [REDACTED]

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"Every one had to pay 35¢ at the door and were given a card written to the United States Senate asking for another trial for Martin Sobell. We were asked to sign our names and return the card.

"There was a mixed chorus from Washington who sang several selections. The chorus consisted of 9 person_.

"Mrs. Boyer was the chair lady for the night and two poems were read that were written by her.

"Gloria Agrin was the guest speaker and spoke principally on the Rosenbergs.


[REDACTED]

"There were at least 125 people present and quit a bit of money was donated, but the total amount was not stated."

This statement has been compared with the original and found to be accurate. [REDACTED]

Informant received through the mail on June 14, 1954, a printed announcement of the meeting described above. This announcement reflected that GLORIA AGRIN, Attorney, legal associate of the late EMANUEL BLOCH, Attorney for the ROSENBERGS, would be the guest speaker. This invitation reflected that the meeting would be held under the sponsorship of the Baltimore Rosenberg - Sobell Committee.

The following literature was obtained by the informant at this meeting;

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1. A 35 page booklet entitled "A request to the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate". Submitted by: The National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York City 18, New York.
 2. A two page printed leaflet entitled "New Evidence in the Rosenberg-Sobell Case" issued by the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee.
 3. A seven page mimeographed leaflet entitled "What Next for Morton Sobell?" issued by Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18.
 4. A reprint from the Columbia Law Review, Volume 54, Page 219, No. 2, (February, 1954) entitled "The Rosenberg Case: Some Reflections on Federal Criminal Law."
 5. A printed leaflet containing a poem "If We Die" by ETHEL ROSENBERG.
 6. A Book entitled "The Rosenberg Story" by VIRGINIA GARDNER. In this book GARDNER is described as a staff writer for the "Daily Worker."

All of the above literature may be located in Baltimore file
