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MORTON SOBELL

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The emphasis which has been placed in recent days on the desirability or necessity for control and surveillance of communist or subversive activities in Mexico has broken out publicly in two spectacular cases during the past week.

The first involved the arrest of Enrique RICART Cortes, a Spanish Republican resident of Chihuahua City, together with the seizure of his radio transmitter and receiver on charges of unauthorized operation of this radio equipment; the further inference in connection with the arrest, and it of course became much more than an inference in the newspaper headlines, was that Ricart had been active in transmitting and receiving espionage information in code. The newspapers even reported, on the basis of an interview with the Communications Inspector responsible for the raid, that certain code books had been found in Ricart's possession but no information was furnished as to the kind of messages Ricart was supposed to have been handling. The second case, which has undoubtedly received considerable attention in American newspapers, was the arrest by the Mexican police (and delivery to American authorities in Laredo) of Morton SOBELL, an American fugitive suspected of complicity in the delivery of atomic research material to Russia.

In the first instance, from what the Embassy has thus far been able to ascertain, the basis of the action appears to have been more a desire on the part of certain Mexican officials to gain notoriety than any serious evidence of espionage. As a matter of fact, after two or three days of excited treatment of the subject, the newspapers seem to have lost all interest and for the past three days there has not even been a mention of the matter in the pages of local papers. It is suspected that Ricart was simply a radio "ham" who had been operating without a license and the Communications Department inspector who handled the case, Jesus GALINDO VASQUEZ, saw in it an opportunity to make a name for himself by suggesting that Ricart was considerably

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more important than he actually is. This suspicion is supported by a conversation which

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95 and the Embassy is not even positive that Ricart has been brought to the Capital. Every effort is being made, however, to keep in close touch with developments and if it should become apparent that Ricart's activities were such as to merit further investigation the Embassy will of course undertake to obtain information available and forward it to the Department. Incidentally, a report received from the Consulate in Chihuahua on August 23 bears out the Embassy's supposition as outlined above; the Consulate describes Ricart as innocent of any subversive activities and local feeling in Chihuahua as considering that the incident is without political significance.

The second case, that of Sobell, is of considerably more significance and importance. Sobell, who arrived in Mexico with his wife and two children on June 22, actually was, as the Department is aware, a fugitive from American Justice and the Legal Attaché of the Embassy received instructions toward the end of July to endeavor to locate Sobell and to have him returned to the United States. The Legal Attaché, with the complete cooperation of the Federal Security Police, was successful in this after more than two weeks of intensive investigation. On the evening of August 15 Sobell was arrested by the police. He and his family were immediately conducted to the border by automobile and early in the morning of August 17 he was delivered to the American authorities in Laredo.

The Legal Attaché reports that Sobell apparently had no contact of any importance with other persons in Mexico and the Legal Attaché is satisfied that he probably was acting entirely on his own. There is some slight evidence that Sobell may have been in touch with the Polish Legation in an effort to obtain a visa for Poland but there is no evidence that he was given a welcome reception in either that Legation or any of the other communist or iron curtain missions. The Legal Attaché is inclined to believe that

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these missions had no interest in Sobell following his failure in maintaining the secrecy of his activities in the United States but, to the contrary, were anxious to avoid any contact with him here which might later prove embarrassing to them. There was even evidence that Sobell had visited Veracruz and perhaps Mérida with the intention of stowing away on board some outgoing ship, without benefit of passport or visa.

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For the Ambassador:

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Charles R. Burrows
Charles R. Burrows
First Secretary of Embassy

cc - Mexican Division, Department August 24, 1950.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. F. J. BAUMGARDNER *jjh*
 FROM : ✓ Mr. E. F. Lane
 SUBJECT: *REEVES INSTRUMENT COMPANY

DATE: April 4, 1951

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To advise results of a telephone call received from ASAC Whalen, New York Office, at 5:30 P.M., March 22, 1951.

DETAILS

On March 22, 1951, pursuant to your instructions, I took a call from ASAC Whalen, New York Office, at 5:30 P.M., at which time he related the following information concerning individuals working at the Reeves Instrument Company requested by the Bureau on March 21, 1951.

At the outset Mr. Whalen pointed out that any civilian contractor can hire whatever personnel he desires even though he is working on classified contracts for the armed forces and must get clearance before such individuals may work on such contracts. The procurement section of the Army, Navy, or Air Force, whichever has a contract with the facility involved, is responsible to see that security checks are made on employees who will be employed in or will have access to restricted areas.

Harry D. Belock

Belock was employed by the Reeves Company in 1944 and left in October, 1950. The records of G-2 reflect that Belock was originally cleared in 1942 as the result of an agency check. He was again cleared in 1946 based on the consent of the Secretary of War. *release per Army*

When the Bureau directed a letter to the New York Office in 1948 with regard to the Procli Program on this particular concern, the New York Office contacted the president and the general manager at which time the jurisdiction of the FBI was explained to them. Mr. Whalen pointed out that the company was eligible for contracts and whether they had them or not did not concern the office at that time as we did nothing more than explain the FBI's jurisdiction to them.

SAC Letter No. 62 dated August 31, 1950, regarding plant informants advised that all of our contacts in the Procli Program should be made plant informants.

No indices check was necessary at that time and even though a check had been made there was no derogatory information concerning Belock himself.

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New York submitted a report on July 3, 1943, concerning this subject. A request was received for information from the Navy in 1947 and also from G-2 in the same year. Available information at that time was furnished to the Navy and G-2. It was pointed out by Mr. Whalen that information was made available to the interested agencies during the time Meyler was employed at the Reeves Company. In addition, Mr. Whalen pointed out that an investigative report had been received from the Navy in 1948 from the Third Naval District. He also stated that an LGE investigation was instituted on April 4, 1949, but was discontinued on April 21, 1949.

Lewis Reese

Reese was sales representative for the Reeves Company and the subject of a security investigation. Reports of our investigation were disseminated locally to ONI, OSI, and G-2.

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Reese was employed by the Reeves Company in April of 1948 and resigned February 23, 1951. The Army, Navy, and Air Force were aware of the fact that the FBI had a pending case on Reese and were alerted to the derogatory information available in the DIO files which had been previously disseminated by the Bureau. Reese was never given clearance. Reese was never authorized to have access to classified contracts because the Navy had not cleared him.

Morton Sobell

MRS. MORTON SOBELL

Clearance was issued for Sobell in 1949. However, a certificate of denial was later issued. Sobell appealed the issuance of this certificate and his case was brought before a three-man board in Washington, D. C. He subsequently received clearance.

The records of G-2 reflect that Sobell was investigated in 1947 at which time G-2 performed a local agency check. No derogatory information was indicated at that time. On February 16, 1948, the G-2 file reflected derogatory information concerning Helen Gurewitz, Sobell's wife's name by a previous marriage.

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The Navy actually wrote a letter to the admiral in charge of ONI making a particular protest of Sobell's case. Commander Lenhardt was particularly interested in Sobell's case. Mr. Whalen pointed out that the Bureau is in good shape with regard to Sobell inasmuch as the other intelligence agencies were furnished with pertinent information in this regard. The Navy is also "in the clear" inasmuch as they had made several protests regarding Sobell.

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REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE 5/29, 6/3, 8, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16/51	REPORT MADE BY REGINALD C. VINCENT
TITLE HARRY DAVID BELOCK		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950 EMBEZZLEMENT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

Records Signal Corps Procurement Agency indicate Amendment No. 1, SCL 2116 may have been returned from Reeves Instrument Corp. but cannot be located in files. Records Mail and Records Section, Evans Signal Lab. reflect Specification No. SCL-1137 and Block Diagram ES-E-72784-A forwarded by Signal Corps to Reeves 8/29/47 and have not been returned. No record in M and R Section reflecting return of Spec. SCL-2112 or Spec. SCL-2116. Records Radar Branch ESL failed to disclose any of above four documents. Records Fort Monmouth indicate a number of visits by Russian Nationals to Fort Monmouth during World War II with access to information classified to "secret". No indication subject officially connected with visits. Associates of BELOCK during employment CESL advise he was "dynamic personality", well liked, and highly regarded as an engineer, taking a number of CESL employees to Reeves with him when he left. All believe him to be trustworthy and loyal. No indication of contact with Russian visitors or in influencing contracts. Records SCPA reflect letting of contracts to McGlynn-Hays Co. during BELOCK'S Army employment but none for plotting board equipment.

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The following documents were reported missing from the files of the Reeves Instrument Corporation, N.Y.C.:

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With regard to ANDREW SOORIN, Newark T-1 advised that his records reflect only that ANDREW J. SOORIN, associate engineer, (radio P-3) was employed at Fort Monmouth, being transferred to the Air Force Laboratories, Eatontown, N.J. 2/1/45. The exact date of employment at Fort Monmouth was not indicated but clearance was requested on 10/9/42 indicating that he had been employed shortly prior to that time. His residence was shown as Box 20, RFD, Long Branch, N.J. and his birthplace as Kazan, Russia. The records indicate that both of his parents had also been born in Russia. His father was listed as deceased.

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The records bore the notation "First Lieutenant, Artillery Corps, 4 1/2 years, disorganized Russian White Army at end of war".

In connection with the name SOORIN, it is noted that a review of MORTIN SOBELL'S personal directory located among his personal effects contained the name believed to be SOORIN together with the telephone number Eatontown 3-0600 and a notation of the name "Watson Laboratory". It was ascertained that this telephone number was that of the Watson Laboratory Air Materiel Command, Eatontown, N.J.

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PETE ROZIMOSKY
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The current, New Jersey Bell Telephone Company Directory covering Monmouth County, New Jersey, reflects that Telephone Number Asbury Park 2-5618 is listed for PETE ROZIMOSKY, 108 Second Avenue, Bradley Beach, N.J.

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The files of Newark Confidential Informant T-3, another Government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, reflect that ROZIMOSKY, an Electronic Engineer, employed at the Squier Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N.J., was an associate of HANS FELIX INSLEMAN, JACOB KAPLAN, JACK OKUN and AARON COLEMAN.

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HANS FELIX INSLEMAN in a Personal History Statement submitted in connection with his employment at Fort Monmouth, N.J., indicated he is a brother of FELIX INSLEMAN.

WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, a self-admitted former Soviet espionage agent, has identified FELIX INSLEMAN as the individual known to him as "FELIX," who was a photographer for a Communist Party underground apparatus in 1937 and 1938.

The files of Newark T-3, mentioned above, reflect that during May 1941 it was determined that CHARLOTTE KAPLAN, wife of JACOB KAPLAN was a Communist.

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The records of Newark Confidential Informant T-4, a representative of another Government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, indicate that JACK OKUN while employed at the Watson Laboratories, an Air Force facility, formerly located at Red Bank, N.J., was an active member of the United Federal Workers of America - CIO which organization was later known as the United Public Workers of America - CIO. The files of Newark T-4 reflect that OKUN was editor of the aforementioned union's monthly news letter.

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According to Newark Confidential Informant T-5, a representative of another Government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, the United Public Workers of America - CIO in the Fort Monmouth, N.J. area was dominated by members of the Communist Party.

JOE WEINSTEIN
Red Bank 6-4283J

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The 1950-1951 issue of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company Directory for Monmouth County, N.J., reflects that Telephone No. Red Bank 6-4283J is listed for JOSEPH WEINSTEIN, 76 Throckmorton Ave., Red Bank, N.J.

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On September 6, 1949, Newark T-3, previously mentioned, advised that during 1943 JOHN T. FREEMAN, an Army officer stationed at Fort Monmouth, N.J., had stated that JOSEPH WEINSTEIN had declared that he, WEINSTEIN, could not secure a Civil Service position in the State of New York due to his "connection with Communism."

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JOSEPH LEVITSKY

GREENBLUM's association with LEVITSKY has been described previously, [REDACTED]

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Evans Signal Laboratory, advised that this event took place May 3-6,
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MILTON KLEIN

GREENELUM's personnel file at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. indicates that KLEIN was one of subject's supervisors during 1948.

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The New Jersey Bell Telephone Company Information Service advised that telephone number Red Bank 6-0862M is listed for WILLIAM MITTELMAN, 54 Francis Street, Shrewsbury, N.J.

The records of Newark Confidential Informant T-1, mentioned previously, reflect that WILLIAM MITTELMAN is currently employed in the Radar Division, Evans Signal Laboratory, Ft. Monmouth, N.J. and has accompanied subject on travel duty on several occasions in connection with Signal Corps business.

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The New Jersey Bell Telephone Company Information Service advised that the above telephone number is listed for the New York and Long Branch Railroad Station, Allenhurst, N.J.

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The New Jersey Bell Telephone Company Information Service advised that the foregoing telephone number is listed for E. H. TAGGART, 1216 Walnut Ave., Manamassa, N.J. The files of the Newark Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reflect no information identifiable with E. H. TAGGART.

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BEN BOOKBINDER
504 High Street
Long Branch, N.J.

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On 11/6/50, BOOKBINDER advised

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SAS LOUIS G. TURNER and REGINALD C. VINCENT that he and MORTON SOBELL, who is mentioned previously, were childhood friends and that he had continuous contacts with SOBELL while employed at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. BOOKENDER further advised that he had no knowledge of SOBELL's espionage activities. In a Personnel History Statement, submitted by BOOKENDER, in connection with his employment at Ft. Monmouth, BOOKENDER listed BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN, 1302 Turner Ave., Wanamassa, N.J. as a reference.

The records of Newark Confidential Informant T-1, mentioned above, reflect that BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN advised a representative of that agency on 1/3/51, that he was a former classmate of MORTON SOBELL at CCNY, that he had been friendly with SOBELL until the latter's arrest on espionage charges, and that SOBELL had stayed at his home at Wanamassa, N.J. during SOBELL's visits to the Watson Laboratories, Red Bank, N.J. The Watson Laboratories have been mentioned previously as a facility of the Department of the Air Force, formerly located at Red Bank, N.J.

HORACE C. WILSON, JR.

Subject's personnel file maintained at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. reflects that captioned individual was one of GREENBLUM's co-workers prior to subject's employment at that installation. It is set forth subsequently in this report that WILSON was a member of a 1940 Signal Corps Training class at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. which was also attended by JULIUS ROSENBERG and JOSEPH LEVITSKY and CARL GREENBLUM.

MORTON SOBELL

SOBELL is mentioned previously in this report as having been convicted in federal court on a charge of conspiring to commit espionage.

On 11/4/50, SAS THOMAS KELLY and CARLTON C. LENZ interviewed [REDACTED] in reference to other matters. [REDACTED] advised that he graduated from CCNY a half year after SOBELL and knew SOBELL only casually. [REDACTED] stated that as far as his association with SOBELL was concerned during his school years, there was none and that the extent of his acquaintance with SOBELL on a social basis since that time has been having lunch with him on two or three occasions. [REDACTED] declared that his luncheon engagements with SOBELL occurred during the time SOBELL was employed by the Reeves Instrument Company in New York, while [REDACTED]

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REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE 4/28/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/18,19,24;12/3, 18,24,31/53;1/27, 2/1,10,15-18,3/1, 12,31;4/1,2,5-9, 12-15/54	REPORT MADE BY HARVEY N. JOHNSON, JR. hf
TITLE CHANGED CARL GREENBLUM, Aka Charles Greenblum Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No Co. examination - until com. pages received - 1/21 Birth records, Brooklyn, N.Y., reflect subject born CHARLES GREENBLUM, 11/30/16. Barnard Aviation, former employer, not located in Newark, N.J. Current business publications reflect no reference to Trans Corporation of America and Air Communications, Inc. Subject's contacts include individuals whose relatives or associates possess CP affiliation. Records of Evans Signal Laboratory reflect no classified documents presently charged to GREENBLUM. Subject's intimate knowledge of Project Lincoln, key U.S. defense project, described. Identity of students in 1940 Signal Corps Class at Fort Monmouth, N.J., set out. Individuals			
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T-1 G-2, Ft. Monmouth, N.J.	Employment status.	3/31/54	H.N. JOHNSON	instant
	1940 Training Classes at Ft. Monmouth, NJ.	4/7/52	"	"
T-2 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			NK 121-2636
T-3 108th CIC Detachment, NY, NY.	Documentation of PETER ROSMOVSKI, JACOB KAPLAN.	9/53 9/53		NK 121-426 NK 121-1227
T-4 ALBERT BUSE, Provost Marshall's Office, Watson Labs. Red Bank, NJ.	Documentation of JACK OKUN <i>release FBI</i>			NK 121-1329
T-5 ANDREW J. REID, G-2, Ft. Monmouth, NJ.	Documentation UPWA-CIO. <i>release per Army</i>			NK 121-1329
T-6 LOUIS WIGDORTZ, Postmaster, Asbury Park, NJ.	Mail cover results. 12/24/53		H. JOHNSON	instant
T-7 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			instant b2b7c b7D
T-8 [REDACTED] (by own request)	[REDACTED]			NK 65-4558-250 b7c b7D
T-9 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			instant b7c b7D

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TITLE CARL GREENBLUM			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R Classified by 3042 fnt-DK Declassify on: DATE 6-17/87 pgs. 1-5,15

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subjects contacts identified. They include acquaintances of JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL and Fort Monmouth, N. J. employees suspended for security reasons, or presently under investigation. Business firms and institutions visited by GREENBLUM on travel duty listed. Review of Property Removal Passes at Evans Signal Laboratory disclosed GREENBLUM authorized to remove unclassified documents on three occasions. Investigation at RCA, Camden, N. J., disclosed no pertinent information. Subject's notes regarding Canadian Electronic Project evaluated by additional Signal Corps supervisory personnel. Possession of notes proper, but content would not be valuable in following project. Inquiry at subject's 1940 residence disclosed no information. Naturalization of subject's wife verified. Informant and identification record checks negative.

cc: **ONI, OSI, G-2, REC**
12-27-53 by routing slip

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DETAILS: I IDENTIFICATION OF SUBJECT'S CONTACTS

The following information pertains to individuals or business firms whose names and/or addresses and telephone numbers were listed in material furnished by subject during an interview by SAs ROBERT F. ROYAL and EDWARD J. CAHILL on 10/17/53:

B. DUNDEE
FO 4-1855

In 1947 one BEN DUNDEE, aka Ben Federman, was investigated under provisions of the Atomic Energy Act. This individual was born 12/9/15 at London, England.

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Newark Confidential Informant T-1, a representative of another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised that LEON MILLER has been suspended from his employment at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., for "security reasons". Newark T-1 stated that from 1928 to 1940 MILLER resided in an apartment development at 2800 Bronx Park East, Bronx, N. Y., and that this apartment development was reportedly controlled by a committee composed of Communist Party members.

~~BEN BOOKBINDER~~
504 High St.
Long Branch, N. J.

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o/s [REDACTED] b7D
The records of the County Clerk, Monmouth County, Freehold, N. J., reflect that BENJAMIN and GERTRUDE BOOKBINDER were witnesses to the petition for naturalization of subject's wife.

On 11/6/50 BOOKBINDER advised SAs LOUIS G. TURNER and REGINALD C. VINCENT that he and MORTON SOBELL were childhood friends. He also stated that while he was employed by the General Electric Corporation he saw SOBELL and had additional contacts with him during his employment at Fort Monmouth, N. J. BOOKBINDER advised further that he knew nothing of SOBELL's espionage activities. BOOKBINDER is presently being investigated under the provisions of Executive Order 10450 in connection with his employment at the Evans Signal Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N. J.

~~A. COLEMAN~~
42 Branchport Ave.
Long Branch, N. J.

o/s [REDACTED] b7D
Newark T-1, previously mentioned, advised that AARON HYMAN COLEMAN, 42 Branchport Ave., Long Branch, N. J., is under suspension from employment at Fort Monmouth, N. J., as a "security risk". Newark T-1 also noted that during COLEMAN's employment at Fort Monmouth, N. J.,

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1941 to 1951. SHEFTELMAN was investigated under the provisions of Executive Order 9835, and a recommendation for termination of his employment with the U. S. Government was made by the agency represented by Newark T-1. This recommendation, based upon U. S. Army Circular #100, providing for the removal of suspected subversive personnel, was overruled by the Department of the Army. SHEFTELMAN resigned his employment at Fort Monmouth, N. J., on 6/22/51. *release per army*

During the aforementioned investigation of SHEFTELMAN, [REDACTED] *b7C/D*

[REDACTED] Newark Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that ADELE WALDMAN was a member of the John Brown Branch of the Communist Party of N. J. According to Newark Confidential Informant T-3 of known reliability [REDACTED] *b1*

o/s The Communist Party has been designated by the Attorney General of the U. S. pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The records of Newark Confidential Informant T-4, another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, reflect that SHEFTELMAN and AARON H. COLEMAN, mentioned above, were classmates at Brooklyn Polytechnical Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y., during 1946. *release per army*

CHARLES GROSSMAN
AL 3-3333J
(Deal 7-9311R)

ds [The 1953-1954 N. J. Bell Telephone Co. Directory for Monmouth County, N. J., reflects that AL 3-3383J is listed for CHARLES GROSSMAN, Franklin Ave., West Deal, N. J. [REDACTED] *b7C b7D*

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T-1 - ANDREW J. REID, G-2, Ft. Monmouth, N. J.

Employment status of
LEON MILLER, AARON H.
COLEMAN, EUGENE
SHEFTLEMAN, JACK SILVERSTEIN

Documentation

Security Violations of
AARON H. COLEMAN

Association of BENJAMIN
ZUCKERMAN and MORTON SOBELL

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T-2 - Anonymous

T-3

T-4 - 108th CIC
Detachment, NYC

Documentation of EUGENE
SHEFTLEMAN, LOUIS ANTELL,
HAROLD DUCORE, ALFRED C.
WALKER

T-5

Newark Confidential Informants who are mentioned in this report as being generally familiar with CP activities in N. J. are described as follows:

InformantDate of ContactContacting Agent

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI.
FROM : SAC, New York.

DATE: 8-23-48

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
SECURITY MATTER - C

Communist Party, USA. Dist #3

Information has recently been received from the District Intelligence Officer, Third Naval District, Brooklyn, New York, to the effect that MORTON SOBELL employed as an engineer by the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, 215 East 91st Street, New York, N.Y., is reported to have been active in the American Peace Mobilization and the American Youth Congress.

SOBELL is alleged to have signed a Communist Party Petition for ISIDORE BEGUN August 8, 1939 and at one time was employed at Camp Unity at Wingdale, New York.

This information is being furnished the Bureau for indexing purposes.

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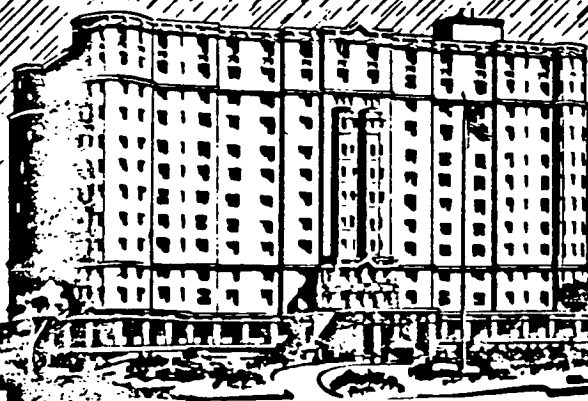
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WIS 24 Jan 1952, No. 4

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An appeal of the case of five attorneys convicted of Contempt of Court following their defense of the 11 convicted Communist leaders is now before the United States Supreme Court. All received jail sentences from Federal District Judge Harold R. Medina, who accused them of deliberately misbehaving in his New York Court in an attempt to disrupt the Government's case and cause a mistrial. The attorneys are:

Harry ~~SACHER~~, New York, cited on 23 counts, sentenced to six months in jail
Richard ~~GLADSTEIN~~, San Francisco, 18 counts, sentenced to six months in jail
George ~~CROCKETT~~, Detroit Negro, 9 counts, sentenced to four months in jail
Abraham J. ~~ISSERMAN~~, Newark, N.J., 7 counts, sentenced to four months in jail
Louis F. ~~MCCABE~~, Philadelphia, 6 counts, sentenced to 30 days in jail

Eugene ~~DENNIS~~ of New York, one of the 11 Communists who acted as his own defense attorney, also drew a six-month sentence on five Contempt counts.

The appeal of Julius and Ethel ~~ROSENBERG~~, convicted atomic bomb spies under death sentence, is now before the United States Court of Appeals in New York City. The defense contention is that they are being given "cruel and unusual punishment" and that they have been convicted for political non-conformity. The appeal of another of the atom bomb spies, Morton ~~SOBELL~~, sentenced to 30 years, is also before the Court. Because of the importance of the case, it is expected that the Court will take at least 30 days for its consideration.

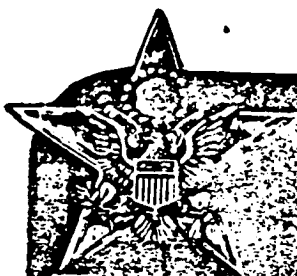
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In the case of the ~~ROSENBERGS~~, a ~~NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR THE ROSENBERGS~~ has been established with headquarters at 246 Fifth Avenue, New York City. Its purpose is to solicit funds and to prepare nationwide protests through the circulation of literature, a tour of speakers in their behalf, and the organization of public meetings. (~~NATIONAL GUARDIAN~~, 16 January)(1)

The passport of the negro Communist, William ~~PATTERSON~~, Executive-Secretary of the ~~CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (CRC)~~ was seized by U.S. Immigration authorities on his return to New York from Europe. ~~PATTERSON~~ was in Paris to present a petition to the United Nations entitled, "~~WE CHARGE GENOCIDE~~", accusing the United States of exercising a policy of genocide against American Negroes.

(1) Official paper of the ~~PROGRESSIVE PARTY (PP)~~.

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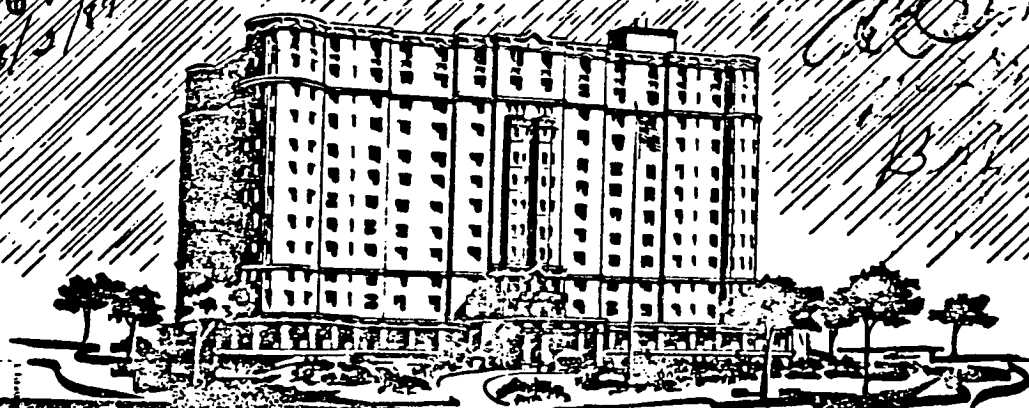


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WIS 28 Feb 1952, NO. 9

OK [Elmer BENSON, one of the national co-chairmen of the PROGRESSIVE PARTY (PP), a Communist and former governor of Minnesota, has been named by the PP of Pennsylvania as its choice for Presidential candidate.

A U.S. Court of Appeals has upheld the death penalty imposed on atom spies Julius and Ethel ROSENBERG and the 20-year prison term given to Morton SOBELL. (See WIS No. 6, '52, p. 13 & No. 5, '52 pp 10-11)

O/S [The LOS ANGELES COMMUNIST PARTY has reportedly prepared 500 copies of a statement for use by Party members saying that Anna Louise STRONG was expelled from the USSR as a spy and is currently "an enemy agent" who is guilty of "rotten liberalism." The statement also called her an "enemy of the peace policies of the Soviet Union and of the peace program of our party". (Source, HQ Sixth Army DI Summary No. 2, 31 January 1952)

COMMENT: The exact position of Anna Louise STRONG has been a moot question since her return (See WIS No. 11, '50 p. 5 & No. 49, '51, p. 9) to the United States after many years of residence in Russia where she was known as an outstanding protagonist of the Communist system. She has actually or ostensible broken with the COMMUNIST PARTY. The source says that she is rumored to have become a Trotskyite. (1)

The Chicago Tribune, 23 February, carried a picture of the North-lake (Illinois) Crime Commission. Shown in the picture was an Air Force sergeant who was identified as Ed HORAN.

COMMENT: Although not identified as the same individual, an Ed HORAN, aka Edward PALAGA, aka Edward LASKEY, has been reliably reported to be a Communist. He is a member of the ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE and was present at a birthday ball given by the organization in 1942. At that time he was employed as a machinist and chief inspector in a defense plant.

A pro-Communist Negro attorney, Earl B. DICKERSON, was recently named a member of a semi-permanent civic organization to combat crime in Chicago. (See WIS No. 8, '52, pp 4-5)

(1) The SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY is the Trotskyite organization in the U.S.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Director, FBI (100-52537)

DATE:

8/29/63

FROM : Legal Attache, Bonn (100-847)

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SUBJECT: SIMON WILLIAM GERSON
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Reference Bonn letter 7/15/63.

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Writer states:
"In respect to the Rosenberg children: unfortunately there is little to add to what I wrote about them a few years ago. They are, so to speak, 'out of sight' and living under a different name. They do not welcome publicity. The real story today is about the fight for the freedom of MORTON SOBELL, serving a 30-year sentence."

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REPORTING OFFICE LOS ANGELES	OFFICE OF ORIGIN LOS ANGELES	DATE 3/11/64	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/23/63 - 3/10/64
TITLE OF CASE PAULINE G. SCHINDLER, aka		REPORTED BY ROY ANDREW PETERS	TYPED BY 18m
		CHARACTER OF CASE SM-0	

REFERENCES Report of SA LLOYD D. JOHNSON dated 3/11/63 at Los Angeles.
Los Angeles letter and letterhead memorandum to the Bureau dated 1/31/64.

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The Agent observing the automobile registered to subject was SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN, JR.

Inasmuch as there is no indication that subject plans to travel abroad in the immediate future, this case is being placed in a closed status.

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MORTON SOBELL was convicted in Federal Court, New York City, charged with having committed espionage on behalf of Soviet Russia and was sentenced to a 30-year term. ^{b7D}

LA T-7 [REDACTED] ^{b7D}

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A Special Agent of the FBI on the evening of June 28, 1963, observed California license MGT 445, a 1961 Chevrolet Corvair, registered to PAULINE G. SCHINDLER, 835 North Kings Road, Los Angeles, parked in the vicinity of 14078 Davana Terrace, Sherman Oaks.

LA T-8 [REDACTED] (c) b1 per Army

LA T-8, a confidential source abroad, advised

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LA T-9 [REDACTED] (c) b1

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LA T-10 [REDACTED] ^{b7D}

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 8, 1950

FROM : SAC, Newark

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
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and incl. 11/3/87

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Re Bureau letter August 30, 1950, Newark teletypes August 23, 1950, and September 7, 1950, and reports of SA HARVEY N. JOHNSON, JR., Newark April 19, and May 3, 1949, entitled "AARON HYMAN COLEMAN, Radio Engineer, Department of the Army, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, LGE."

Referenced report, in addition to Personal History Data, set forth the following information concerning COLEMAN:

1. Opinions allegedly expressed by COLEMAN considered closely allied with the Communist trend of thought.
2. COLEMAN'S activity in connection with the YCL while a student at CCNY, 1939-40.
3. Details of two violations of Fort Monmouth, United States Army Signal Corps Regulations while an employee at Fort Monmouth.
4. Results of search of COLEMAN'S home and finding of 1948 Army, Navy, and Air Corps classified documents therein.
5. Information regarding COLEMAN'S furnishing films and literature concerning guided missile project to one ALAN JOSEPH LOVENSTEIN, another worker at Fort Monmouth.
6. COLEMAN'S membership in the AVC.

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Regarding the search of COLEMAN'S home in 1946 by SID, Fort Monmouth, it is noted that COLEMAN, at that time, occupied an apartment at 108 Second Avenue, Bradley Beach, New Jersey, with one JACK OKUN. OKUN since February 1, 1945, had been an employee of the Air Force Watson Laboratory, Red Bank, New Jersey. It is noted that one of the classified documents found was a Watson Laboratory publication.

JACK OKUN, aka Jacob Okun, was the subject of an LGE investigation, the results of which were furnished in the report of SA JOHN M. MASTERSON, Newark, 12/14/48, entitled "JACK OKUN, aka Jacob Okun, Coordinator, Watson

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Director, FBI
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The Register of Visitors to Evans Signal Laboratory, which is a subdivision of the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, and is physically located at Belmar, New Jersey, reflects that one M. X. SOBELL, representing the Reeves Instrument Company of New York, visited COLEMAN on June 26, 1947.

o/s [A check of the records of the Signal Corps Procurement Agency, Fort Monmouth, reflects that the Reeves Company, then known as the Reeves Sound Laboratories, Inc., received their first contract on May 24, 1944, from the Signal Corps.

Mr. A. J. DALTON, Chief of the Agency, advised that there had been continuous contracts with Reeves since that time and a conservative estimate would be that their value exceeds \$1,000,000.

Captain WILLIAM PETERSON, Security Office, Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory, advised that his office is charged with obtaining clearances on representatives of civilian contracting companies so that they might have access to classified information when consulting with Signal Corps employees. He advised that numerous persons had been cleared by the Army for this purpose. With reference to the Reeves Instrument Company, he advised that MORTON SOBELL is not mentioned in his file at all. *Reeves per Army*

With regard to SOBELL'S visit, PETERSON further advised that notwithstanding the lack of clearance, SOBELL could have visited the Laboratory and obtained visitor's passes as a representative of Reeves or as a plain civilian visiting an associate.

A further review of visitors' records fails to reflect any additional visits by SOBELL, although from 1944 there have been numerous visits by representatives of the Reeves Company.

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DETAILS:

BASIS FOR INVESTIGATION

Investigation in this matter was predicated upon the fact that MORTON SOBELL, in completing his Personnel Security Questionnaire at the Reeves Instrument Corporation, New York City, listed one AARON COLEMAN, Vreeland Place, Port-au-Peck, New Jersey, as a reference whom he had known for twelve years.

o/s AARON H. COLEMAN, in connection with his employment with the United States Army Signal Corps, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, listed the address of Vreeland Place, Port-au-Peck, New Jersey, as his residence from April to October, 1947.

MORTON SOBELL was arrested by Special Agents of the FBI on August 18, 1950, at Laredo, Texas.

A complaint had previously been filed in the Southern District of New York on August 3, 1950, charging SOBELL with violation of Title 50, Section 34, United States Code (1946 Edition).

Confidential Informant Newark T-1, a representative of another Government Agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised that COLEMAN originally came to the attention of his agency during 1942 when it was reported that COLEMAN had attended several meetings of the Young Communist League while a student at the City College of New York, and that he approved of the Young Communist League theories. Newark T-1 advised that he had also received reports alleging that COLEMAN had expressed opinions which were closely allied with the Communist trend of thought.

The Young Communist League is one of the organizations cited by the Attorney General of the United States as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

Newark T-1 further advised that COLEMAN had violated Security Regulations upon two occasions by non-compliance with the instructions concerning the handling of classified documents. Newark T-1 said that these violations occurred while COLEMAN was a civilian employee of the Signal Corps at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He related that during the fall of 1946 COLEMAN was observed to drop a large manila envelope from beneath his coat shortly after leaving the premises of the Evans Signal Laboratory, Belmar, New Jersey.

o/s Newark T-1 further advised that this instance was noted by a member of the Laboratory Guard Force who had checked COLEMAN out of the

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[On August 23, 1950, Newark T-1 advised that he had caused an examination of the visitors' passes of the Evans Signal Laboratory to be made and that the examination reflected that on June 26, 1947 one M. SOBELL had registered as a representative of the Reeves Instrument Corporation, New York City, to visit AARON COLEMAN. Newark T-1 explained that AARON COLEMAN is now and was during 1947 a civilian employee in the Radar Branch at Evans Signal Laboratory.

3/5 [Mr. A. J. DALTON, Chief, Signal Corps Procurement Agency, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, advised that the Reeves Instrument Corporation, originally known as the Reeves Sound Laboratories, Inc., New York City, was first awarded contracts with the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories at Fort Monmouth on May 24, 1944. He added that since that time they have been engaged in the performance of work on Signal Corps contracts.

[With reference to the contracts held by the Reeves Instrument Corporation, Newark T-1 advised that a search of the records of his agency failed to reflect that MORTON SOBELL had been cleared as a representative of the Reeves Instrument Corporation for access to classified information in connection with visits by the Reeves Corporation representatives to the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory.] He explained that when a civilian company entered a contract to perform work for the Signal Corps they submitted the names of these men who would confer with the Signal Corps personnel on problems and technical difficulties arising from the work covered by the contracts. He stated that an investigation is made of these individuals by the Signal Corps to determine if these individuals have backgrounds that would permit their having access to classified information of the Army.

[Newark T-1 further advised that, although SOBELL's name was not among those receiving such clearance, he and any other representative of the Reeves Corporation would be permitted to enter the Laboratories in connection with the contracts; however, it would then be up to the employee visited to prohibit the visitor from having access to any classified information.]

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BACKGROUND

8/5 [In connection with AARON COLEMAN's employment by the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, he completed a Personal History Statement on July 27, 1948. The following background information is contained therein:

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LOVENSTEIN as an Evans employee had access to the information contained in the library there and that it was no infraction of security regulations for COLEMAN to make literature and films from this library available to another employee. During the course of the LOE investigation concerning LOVENSTEIN, the following background information was ascertained:

LOVENSTEIN was born May 5, 1922 at Chicago, Illinois; graduated from the City College of New York August, 1943, and served in the United States Army July 24, 1943 to February 13, 1946. He was appointed to his position as radio engineer, Radar Branch, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, on November 17, 1947.

The investigation was based on the fact that while LOVENSTEIN was employed at the Fairchild Engine and Aircraft Company, Farmingdale, Long Island, he had been a member of Local 231, FAECT-CIO, which was reportedly headed by known Communists. Investigation in the Newark Office reflected no derogatory information concerning LOVENSTEIN. The source of the basis was MID, Washington, D.C.

o/s In further regard to LOVENSTEIN, Newark T-1 advised that on June 25, 1950, an informant of his office had reported to him that on that day LOVENSTEIN and one DANIEL GOLDENBERG, another Evans employee, on entering a room at the Laboratory, began a discussion as to the possibility of civil uprising in New York City. Informant, who had been in a position where LOVENSTEIN and GOLDENBERG could not see him, made his presence known and the conversation was immediately switched to speculation as to whether there would be looting, etc. of New York City under Communist direction if and when the city was bombed or in case of a like emergency. Informant had previously advised Newark T-1 that GOLDENBERG had during a conversation at Evans seemed proud of the fact that his brother, HERBERT WILLIAM GOLDENBERG, age 30, 1350 Shakespeare Avenue, New York City, had turned down an offer of the Air Force to become a meteorological officer.

In an effort to ascertain if there had been any further connection between LOVENSTEIN and COLEMAN or between LOVENSTEIN or MORTON SOBELL, a check of the visitors' register at Evans Signal Laboratory was made for the period which LOVENSTEIN has been employed there. No such contact or association was indicated therein.

o/s [Newark T-1 advised that he was unaware of any additional association between COLEMAN and LOVENSTEIN.

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o/s A review of travel vouchers maintained in the Finance Office, Fort Monmouth, reflects that DOLEMAN averages three or four trips each month to various points throughout the United States, the greater number of which are made to New York City, Baltimore, Washington, D. C. and other northeast coast cities. He has also made trips to England, Fort Bliss, Texas, Alamogordo, New Mexico, numerous points in California, and New England. A file of travel orders issued to civilian employees at Fort Monmouth is maintained there. It will be reviewed inasmuch as it contains information as to the individuals and companies visited on each of these trips, together with the hours of official duty and the names of other civilian employees accompanying the subject on these trips.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING THE REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION

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o/s In this regard, a review was made of the Reeves Instrument Corporation file as maintained by SID of Fort Monmouth. It contained a memorandum dated April 27, 1948 from Mr. A. J. REID, Chief Investigator (designated as Newark T-1 in this report), reflecting an interview with Confidential Informant D-22, who advised as follows:

o/s Informant's wife prior to her marriage had been employed as a receptionist for the Claude Neon Holding Company, 42d Street, New York City, the owners of the Reeves Instrument Company located at 215 East 91st Street, New York City. During January, 1948, while visiting his intended wife, he

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heavy contracts and, further, that AARON COLEMAN was a frequent visitor to the office of the Reeves Instrument Corporation of New York, reportedly on Signal Corps business.

REID advised that the identity of D-24 is no longer available.

The background of [REDACTED] mentioned above, will be more fully developed with a view toward requesting the Bureau's authority to interview him in connection with instant investigation.

By teletype dated August 6, 1950, authority to interview one RALPH DUNN was requested of the Bureau. The interview was indicated inasmuch as the above-mentioned [REDACTED]

Bureau authority was authorized to interview DUNN by teletype September 7, 1950.

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TITLE FRED JOSEPH KITTY			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On 12/28/50 subject visited Evans Signal Laboratory, Belmer, N.J., as a representative of the Bendix Radio Corp., Baltimore, Md. Visit was in connection with existing contract between Bendix and U.S. Army Signal Corp.



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DETAILS:

VISIT TO EVANS SIGNAL LABORATORY, DECEMBER 28, 1950

On December 28, 1950 Special Agent LOUIS G. TURNER and the writer observed the subject arrive by car at 10:15 a.m. and enter the Administrative Building of Evans Signal Laboratory. They departed at 11:30 a.m. on the same date.

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ANDREW SOORIN

The records of the Security and Intelligence Division, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, were checked concerning the above mentioned individuals.

0/5 The only record concerning ~~ANDY~~ SOORIN was an index card for an ANDREW J. SOORIN, Associate Engineer (Radio), P-3, \$3200 per annum. The card indicated that a request for clearance was submitted by SID on 10/9/42 indicating that SOORIN had been employed shortly before that time. The card also indicated that SOORIN was transferred to the Army Air Force's Laboratories, Eatontown, New Jersey on February 1, 1945. His residence is shown as Box 20, R.F.D., Long Branch, New Jersey. His birthplace was recorded as Kozan, Russia, and the card indicated that both his parents were also born in Russia. His father is listed as deceased. The card also bears the notation "First Lieutenant, Artillery Corp, four and one half years, disorganized Russian White Army at end of war."

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In connection with SOORIN it is noted that the New York Office by letter dated September 19, 1950 advised that a review of MORTON SOBEL's personal directory located among his personal effects contained the name S. TINOFF followed by the word "approval" and Camp Evans together with an illegible name believed to be SOORIN was also listed with the telephone number Easton 3-0600 and a notation and the name "Watson Laboratory."

0/5 It was ascertained that this telephone number is the number of the Watson Laboratory, Air Materiel Command, located at Eatontown, New Jersey with the mailing address of Redbank, New Jersey.

The "Camp Evans" undoubtedly refers to Evans Signal Laboratory which during the World War II was known as Camp Evans and was then as now a sub-division of Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

Mr. ALBERT W. BUSH, Office of the Air Provost Marshal, Watson Laboratories, made available the only record he had of an individual named SOORIN. This consisted of an index card in the name of ANDREW J. SOORIN, Engineer, Radio Radar Laboratory, Watson Laboratories.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT WASHINGTON FIELD

FILE NO. 100-23316

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 4-5-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/16, 19, 24, 26, 27; 3/12/51	REPORT MADE BY OWEN B. CHANEY OBC:MET
TITLE ESTHER SURDUELL aka, Esther Shaick NCC			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER-C
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Subject and husband, ABE, presently living 1102 46th Street, S.E. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] Employment set out in details. T-1 described subject and husband as members of Navy Department Communist Party Cell. T-2 advised [REDACTED] ABE interviewed 8/28/50, denied he or wife members of the Communist Party; admitted membership in Washington Bookshop 1942-1946. Admitted attending AYC in 1940 or 1941. T-3 stated [REDACTED] T-4 advised ABE, while employed at Navy Department, described by a fellow employee as having Communistic leanings. Reliable informants, WFO, stated subject unknown to them. Neighborhood investigation favorable. [REDACTED] records negative as well as HCUA records.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-PENDING-</p>			
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and her husband, ABE, were at one time members of the Navy Department Cell of the Communist Party in Washington, D. C. ABE was active in the Communist Party from 1942 or 1943 until 1948, at which time he left the Navy Department and moved to New York City. OK

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised [REDACTED] b7D

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, stated [REDACTED] b7D

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised that ABE SUROVELL, while employed as an engineer draftsman at the Navy Department, was described by [REDACTED] a fellow employee, as being against capitalism and from her conversations with him stated he had Communistic leanings. b7D
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On August 28, 1950, ABRAHAM J. SUROVELL of 1102 146th Street, S.E., Washington, D. C., was interviewed by Special Agent ROBERT SMELTZER and LOUIS GLENN regarding MORTON SOBELL who is to be tried on espionage charges at New York City. SUROVELL denied knowing SOBELL and stated that he never has been and is not now a member of the Communist Party and that his wife, ESTHER, has never been a member of the Communist Party. He did state, however, that he was a member of the Washington Bookshop from 1942 until 1946 but that when he read in the newspapers that the Bookshop was a Communist front organization, he requested that his name be removed from the membership list. He also stated that he had attended a meeting of the American Youth Congress sometime in 1940 or 1941. He stated that he was invited and did not participate as an official or a member. At the time of the interview, a statement was taken by the interviewing agents but SUROVELL refused to sign it.

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~~MEMORANDUM~~ for Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
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Attn: Liaison Section

Subj: Helen Land JACOBS

Ref: (a) DNI conf memo to FBI ser 0237P32 dtd 16 Oct 53, same subj

Encl: (1) DIO-3ND conf inv rpt dtd 18 Sep 53, same subj

1. Reference (a) forwarded information on JACOBS developed by Naval Intelligence. Enclosure (1), which contains additional information on JACOBS, is forwarded herewith for retention.

William Abbott

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
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DATE: 10 September 1953

SUBJECT JACOBS, Helen Land, Communist Suspect

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Possible Subversive Activities

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IO-COMNAVMAIANAS - 46 - 3

SYNOPSIS

Subject born 3 February 1912, New York, N.Y., presently under investigation for possible subversive activities on Guam, Marianas Islands; pursuant to request, neighborhood investigation at 35 Fort Washington Avenue, New York, N.Y., reflects F. (Fannie) Wolf to be ex-lessee to Subject's father Jacob Land, now deceased voting check negative on Wolf; local law enforcement agencies negative as to Wolf and Jacobs; FBI (NY) reflects information concerning Subject's illicit relationship with Lewis G. Haas Jr., a suspected Communist Party member; reported membership in Young Communist League; cohabitation with Negroes, and associations at Camp Unity, Wingdale, New York.

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Mr. Jacob Greenspan, Assistant to the Superintendent, SeaView Hospital, New York, N.Y., indicated that one Jacob Land, 35 F. Washington Avenue, New York, N.Y., had been admitted on 24 March 1953, suffering from Tuberculosis and had expired on 30 March 1953. Land had listed one Dr. M. Cantor, 21 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, N.Y., a nephew by marriage, as his next of kin. He made no mention of Helen Land or Helen Land Jacobs in his hospital history statement. 66511

VOTING CHECK: A check of the Board of Elections, New York County, N.Y., does not reveal a registration for Fannie Wolf from 1950-1952, but does show Meyer Wolf as registered in one of the two major political parties for that period.

A Local Agency Check, including, New York (NY) Police (14 July 1953); USAF (OSI) 2d District (13 July 1953); G-2 1st. Army (16 July 1953) and FBI (NY) (10 July 1953) and DIO-3ND revealed no identifiable derogatory information concerning Fannie or Meyer Wolf. Files of FBI (NY) do reflect that FBI on 26 October 1948, conducted a full field investigation on JACOBS who was employed at Guam Air Force Base. It was revealed that one Lewis G. Haas, Jr., was a full time New York Communist Party functionary who lived with Subject as a common law husband. FBI laboratory having examined a signature on Communist Party Nominating Petition for "Brotsky, Amter and Santiago", which was signed in New York in 1941, believed signature to be that of Haas. In 1937-1941, Haas registered with the American Labor Party, and was known to be an ardent Communist Party Member by neighbors and associates. Subject supposed to have been member of the Young Communist League. Neighbors described her as being of low morals having lived with negroes. JACOB's former address was 643 Hudson St., New York, N.Y., where she lived since October 1941. Haas, on 29 December 1948 was listed as Westchester County State Committeeman for the Communist Party, also known as an active worker in the Communist Party. Subject was supposed to have been active in Camp Unity, Wingdale, N.Y., which she listed as a residence in 1942.

Files of DIO-3ND contain complete case file on Morton Sobell, convicted atom spy and ex-associate of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, convicted atom spies, executed 18 June 1953 dated 25 November 1941. This case file indicates that Miss Helen Land, now Mrs. JACOBS, of 643 Hudson St., New York, N.Y., was described as a "rabid communist" and a possible associate of Morton Sobell, by Linton Weil, Subject's former employer at Weil's Camp, Wingdale, N.Y.

Said files further reflect that the Young Communist League has been cited by the U. S. Attorney General as a Communist Organization; that the American Labor Party has been cited as Communist dominated by the California Committee on Un-American Activities and that Camp Unity is one of several camps and training schools in New York State either operated by the Communist Party or catering to Communists.

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ESTHER MARSH, JASIE WALKER 2/25/32
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 Jasie, Esther & O Harwood 3042 1st St.

Subject presently resides at 67-18J 195 Lane, Flushing, Long Island, New York, and is a housewife. The subject is sister of SIMON W. GERSON. Subject interviewed by Bureau Agents on 7/16/54. Denied being a member of the CP, but admitted attending CP meetings. Subject admitted contact with MORTON SOBELL in 1940.

BACKGROUND

During October, 1952, Mrs. LOUISE WIESINGER, Personnel Division, Bureau of Census, Washington, D.C., advised that according to ESTHER R. GERSHON'S personnel record with the Bureau of Census she was born [redacted] at New York City.

On October 17, 1952, Mrs. LOUISE WIESINGER, Personnel Division, Bureau of Census, Washington, D.C., stated that, according to the subject's record with the Bureau of Census, he was a "Black" from 1948 to 1950, and a "White" from 1950 to 1952.

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TITLE HAROLD BERNARD NOVEMBER Assistant Social Science Analyst, Farm Security Administration, Department of Agriculture			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY HATCH ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>HAROLD BERNARD NOVEMBER employed as Assistant Social Science Analyst, Farm Security Administration. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] His wife, the former MARGARET OSTROV, described by informants as a Communist and was discharged January 17, 1941, from the War Department employment for alleged Communist activities. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] Informants state that HAROLD NOVEMBER was member of, and active in, Washington Book Shop and National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. Another informant stated he was carried on active indices of the American League for Peace and Democracy as member, and one informant saw him at meetings thereof. NOVEMBER's name carried on list of Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, as a member of the American League for Peace and Democracy. Neighborhood investigation negative. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>			
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"The drivers of two automobiles who communicated with persons living at 1821 M Street (D. C. tags 176-698) (Maryland 1940 77-883) were found to be held under the names of MORTON SOBEL of 4925 - 7th Street, N. W., and Dr. SAMUEL R. BERANBERG, whose wife goes by the name of MINNIE RADNER. SOBEL's car was seen on the night of September 13, 1940, in front of Turner's Arena where it discharged passengers going to an anti-conscription rally there that night. It was learned that Mrs. NOVEMBER is secretary of the Washington Youth Council and is in correspondence with the Washington Committee for Democratic Action and the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties."

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It was also learned from the files of T-5 that MARGARET OSTROV NOVEMBER was discharged on January 17, 1941, from the position of Junior Clerk Typist, Chief of Engineers, War Department, because of alleged Communist activities.

T-21 advised that the name of MARGARET OSTROV appeared on the active indices of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties, T-22 advised that her name appeared on the active indices of the Washington Book Shop, and T-23 stated that the active indices of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action carried the name of MARGARET OSTROV.

As will be noted from the records of T-5, it was indicated that the NOVEMBERS were visited in 1940 by MORTON SOBEL and Dr. SAMUEL BERANBERG, or his wife, MINNIE RADNER.

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T-19 advised that the name of MORTON SOBEL appeared on the active indices of the American Peace Mobilization and T-20 advised that his name appeared on the active indices of the American Youth Congress.

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T-19 advised that the active indices of the American Peace Mobilization carried the name of MINNIE RADNER, and T-22 advised that the active indices of the Washington Book Shop lists her name thereon. T-23 furnished information that the name of MINNIE RADNER appeared on the active indices of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action.

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] - b7C
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ReBulet 4/6/67 and WFOlet 5/3/67.

On 3/29/67, Secret Service Agent [REDACTED] advised SA ROBERT J. LAWSON, of the NYO, that Secret Service, New York, has [REDACTED]

Rebulet and accompanying LHM reflected that [REDACTED] It is to be noted that the records of the Passport Office contain no information that the subject has applied for or that his passport has been validated for travel to Communist China. b7D

The Bureau's attention is directed to Bufile 105-68146, NY file 105-28734, captioned [REDACTED], was; IS - R." As reflected in this file, [REDACTED]

On 6/27/58, Internal Security Division, U. S. Department of Justice, advised there was not a suitable basis for prosecutive action against the subject for wilfully and falsely furnishing information to the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee regarding [REDACTED]

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Date: 2/11/57

To: Director, FBI

From: Legat, Mexico (100-743G)

Subject: *X* MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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CONSTITUTIONAL CENTENNIAL (Page 2): Celebrations commemorating centennial of Mexican Constitution held throughout Republic February 5, last. Anti-clerical provisions of Constitution given emphasis by Communists and so-called "liberals," thus tending to revive intensity of feeling on Church versus State issue.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES (Page 2): Mexican President desires political speculation concerning 1958 elections be stilled until PRI convention next October. Nevertheless, covert political maneuvering growing in intensity. RAYMUNDO FLORES FUENTES, identified with "CARDENAS Feftism," elected to head peasants' organization, CNC, which is part of PRI organization.

POLITICAL OPPOSITION (Page 4): There is no political opposition of any consequence although leaders of PRI desire public to believe opposition forces do exist.

MEXICAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCM) (Page 5): Party in financial difficulties and its paper may cease to issue as a daily. New membership cards to be issued. Communist controlled peace assembly called for April, next.

DEATH OF MIGUEL COVARRUBIAS (Page 7): COVARRUBIAS, a relatively well-known Mexican Marxist painter, died February 4, last.

FOREIGN TRAVEL & VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDANO (Page 8): LOMBARDO TOLEDANO departed Mexico for Czechoslovakia January 26, last, and returned February 5, last.

PARTIDO POPULAR (POPULAR PARTY) (PP) (Page 8): Meetings of National Committee of PP held during January, 1957, and featured clash between leadership of LOMBARDO TOLEDANO and group of ENRIQUE RAMIREZ RAMIREZ with former emerging victoriously as PP leader.

ACTIVITIES IN MEXICO CONCERNING MORTON SOBELL CASE (Page 9): LUIS SANCHEZ PONTON, Mexican Attorney who was formerly Mexican Ambassador to Russia, working in Mexico to secure evidence in support of new trial for SOBELL. SANCHEZ PONTON applied for visa to attend New York court hearing of case.

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ds [It appears obvious that RAMIREZ Y RAMIREZ would like to direct the affairs of the PP and have more stature within the Party. It appears just as certain that LOMBARDO has no intention of giving up any of his own authority or leadership of the Party.

ACTION TAKEN: Will be disseminated in next report submitted on PP.

ACTIVITIES IN MEXICO CONCERNING MORTON SOBELL CASE

On February 1, 1957, LUIS SANCHEZ PONTON, a Mexican attorney who was formerly Mexican Ambassador to Russia, appeared at the U. S. Embassy and requested a visa to travel to the United States, stating that the purpose of his trip was "pleasure" and that he wanted to consult an oculist there and visit with a "colleague." He was informed by the Visa Section of the Embassy that a visa could not be immediately issued to him and that an investigation would have to be conducted. The Office of the Legal Attache had been previously advised that LUIS SANCHEZ PONTON had been retained by individuals who were attempting to secure a new trial for MORTON SOBELL in attempting to secure evidence on which a new trial could be based. It also had received information that members of the American Communist Group in Mexico were collecting funds to send an attorney to the United States in connection with this affair.

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On February 2 and 3, 1957, Mexico City newspapers carried stories emanating from New York in which Mrs. MORTON SOBELL claimed that SANCHEZ PONTON had been denied a visa because he was going to testify in defense of her husband.

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ACTION TAKEN: None. Information is known to [REDACTED] and Embassy.

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To: Director, FBI

From: Legat, Mexico (100-743G)

Subject: MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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COMMUNIST-INSPIRED DEMONSTRATION VS. U. S. INTERVENTION IN LEBANON (page 2): On 7/29/58 150 students and hangers-on demonstrated against the entry of U. S. armed forces into Lebanon. They carried placards and shouted anti-U. S. slogans in front of the U. S. Embassy, but inflicted no damage on U. S. property. COMMUNIST PARTY OF MEXICO (PCM) (page 3): PCM-POCM sponsored candidates for Mexican national elections held 7/6/58 unsuccessful. However, VALENTIN CAMPA, PCOM leader, successful in organizing rival railroad union group of officials which called strike of railroad workers. Strike terminated 8/7/58 and Mexican Government capitulated to VALENTIN CAMPA's PCM-POCM sponsored rival group. PARTIDO POPULAR (POPULAR PARTY) (PP) (page 5): Available returns indicate complete defeat for PP in the national elections of 7/6/58. PP held XI National Council 7/28-31/58, at which it resolved not to participate in Electoral College or to accept any seats in Congress in view of alleged elections frauds. Also resolved to work for release of JACINTO LOPEZ and others arrested in connection with land invasions in Cananea and of NICANDRO MENDOZA and other PP student leaders imprisoned since 9/27/56. VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDANO (page 6): LOMBARDO directed XI National Council of PP and maneuvered adoption of resolutions favored by him. [REDACTED] (page 6): [REDACTED]

COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO (CGM) (page 7): [REDACTED]

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TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH

DATE: 7/31/51

FROM : SAC, NEWARK

SUBJECT: JOSEPH LAURENCE DANIELS - TM - 7032
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Rebulet to New York City 5/27, 51 and New York letter to Bureau 7/18/51.

The applicant was interviewed in the New York Office on 2/16/51 concerning WORTON SOBELL, ESPIONAGE-R. At this time he stated that he met SOBELL at the General Electric Plant in Schenectady in 1943 when he commenced employment there and at this time SOBELL was already employed there. He became very friendly with SOBELL and invited him to his home to dinner on one occasion. He later recommended SOBELL to ALBERT CEZAR, a New York manufacturer, but SOBELL turned down the job. SOBELL listed the applicant as a reference when he started working for Reeves Instrument Company.

The pending investigation disclosed that the applicant is residing with another woman, identity unknown.

Investigation disclosed that SOBELL listed the applicant as a reference on his application at General Electric, Schenectady. The Albany office is requested to verify this, as the applicant claims SOBELL was already working there.

ONI records at New York reflect that the applicant filled out a Personnel Security Questionnaire at the Avion Instrument Company, claiming he had never before filled one out. In fact, he had filled one out at the Reeves Company.

CIC records at New York reflect that the applicant was denied clearance by the Army for confidential work at Reeves.

CIC files further reflect that Dr. C. M. BLACK, Assistant Director, Electronics Reserved Division, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Bloomfield, N. J., stated that the applicant was requested to resign as:

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1. He was not trusted being inordinately curious about all types of research being carried on.

2. He would not follow instructions exactly.

3. His personality, described as snotty, was a constant irritant to his co-workers. He also failed to turn in his badge and the company had difficulty obtaining it.

SLACK is presently Assistant Manager, Atomic Power Division, Westinghouse Electric Corporation. Interview SLACK at Westinghouse, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Associates at Reeves Instrument Co., [REDACTED] do not recommend stating he refuses to conform to routine, has loose morals and runs around with other women. [REDACTED] does not think he is married to the woman with whom he is now living. [REDACTED] at Reeves alleged that a former official of the company hired a group including SOBELL and the applicant who had reputations in the company as Communists.

Investigation also disclosed that the applicant had resigned under pressure from the Avion Instrument Company. It was alleged that he approached others with the proposition of developing an instrument on their own for private exploitation. The company was a sub-contractor for the development of this instrument for the Navy and the project was classified confidential.

Ended 6/16/51.

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TITLE DAVID H. PESSIN aka Dave Pessin, David Harold Pessin, Electrical Engineer New York Naval Shipyard Department of the Navy Brooklyn, New York		CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p><i>rel. loss per navy</i></p> <p><i>95</i></p> <p><i>4-23-87</i></p> <p><i>3042 PWT-JAR</i></p> <p><i>Apr 1, + 18 were removed for classification & declassification</i></p> </div> <div style="width: 50%;"> <p>Files of C.I. NYC T-1 reflect former apartment superintendent advises appointee favored Communism. [REDACTED]</p> <p>Another neighbor considers PESSIN "liberal"; other neighbors at past and present residences consider PESSIN loyal. Navy Yard file reflects PESSIN was former member F.A.E.C.T. Fellow employees recall F.A.E.C.T. membership but consider loyal. No disloyal information at CCNY or NYU. Birth verified. Not known to local ND informants. No [REDACTED] record, NYC. Personal history set forth [REDACTED]</p> <p><i>b7D</i></p> <p><i>no action met</i></p> <p><i>June 1951</i></p> </div> </div>			
REFERENCE: Bureau letter, 1/27/51. Teletype to Bureau, 2/10/51.			
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SUBJECT: ELMA HOPE ASHTON
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New York files reflect that DORIT KAMIL aka, DORIT ELSA KAMIL, DORIT DEVORA KAMIL, and DWORA DORIT KAMIL, was born in Kossow, Poland, on 6/17/12, and entered the U. S. on the M. S. Batory, 5/16/47, destined for employment at the U. N. She is a Polish citizen. She is known to have re-entered the U. S. on 10/19/49, at N. Y.; 3/20/50 at Miami, Florida; and apparently sometime in December, 1950, at San Antonio, Texas. INS records reflect that at the time of her last entry, she gave her address as 150-51 Village Road, Jamaica, L. I. and indicated that her nearest friend was Mrs. D. E. MITCHELL, 45 Redcliffe Square, S.W. 10 London, England. Miss KAMIL'S name appeared on a list of persons who are believed to have attended a reception or dinner, on an unknown date, given by MIODRAG MARKOVIC, Yugoslav Consul General at N. Y. Investigation in the case entitled, YAKOV ABRAMOVICH, WAS. ESPIONAGE - R, (Bufile 100-356962) reflected that ABRAMOVICH'S sister, LILLY GROSS, stated that she had been called by, or contacted by, DORIT KAMIL in New York. It is noted that [REDACTED]

New York files reflect that CHARLES H. ALSPACH was a friend of HENRY HILL COLLINS, Jr., a subject in the Gregory case, and for a period of time in 1946, resided in COLLINS'S residence at Lanham, Maryland. ALSPACH is known to have received correspondence from the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. In 1941, ALSPACH was a contributor to the League of American Writers. In December, 1946, ALSPACH is known to have received a letter from JOSEPH SCHRANK in whose home SAM KARR, a Soviet espionage agent, lived in the early part of 1949. It is noted that SCHRANK was interviewed by Bureau agents and was not very cooperative. ALSPACH'S name also appeared on the list of persons who are believed to have attended a reception or dinner given by MARKOVIC, Yugoslav Consul General in New York. Investigation in the case entitled, SALLY LIEBERMAN, WAS. Et Al, INTERNAL SECURITY - R, (Bufile 100-346290) reflected that ALSPACH was in correspondence with the LIEBERMANS in January and March, 1948.

Allegations have been received that the LIEBERMANS are Communists. Although possibly of no significance, it is worthy of note that EDITH SYLVIA LEVITOV, sister-in-law of MORTON SOBELL, who has been convicted in New York on espionage charges, was employed as a secretary in the Social Activities Section of the Department of Social Affairs, U. N. on 12/5/49 and submitted her resignation from the U. N. on 2/16/50 to CHARLES ALSPACH.

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TITLE ANNA HELEN ROBBIN, nee Morowitz aka. Mrs. Meyer Rosenberg, Mrs. Barney Robbin, Anna Helen Moore Secretary - Appointee Rural Electrification Administration Department of Agriculture Washington, D. C.			CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Personal history set forth. Basis--appointee listed WILLIAM DANZIGER as reference on application for Federal employment. DANZIGER and wife both reported to be Communist Party members. Appointee's divorced husband advised T-4 in 1944 he suspected their son of having previously engaged in Communist Party activities and also suspected his former wife of same activities.			
<div style="background-color: black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> <p>which he admits having met MORTON SOBELL, convicted espionage agent, in 1939. Employments verified and favorable regarding loyalty. All neighborhood investigations favorable re loyalty except one who stated he considered appointee favored Communism. Appropriate Government agencies contacted and no additional information developed. No disloyal information found in check of</p> <div style="background-color: black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <p style="text-align: right;">Unknown to</p> <p>Confidential Informants.</p>			
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Reurlet January 19, 1953.

The records of G-2, Central Records Facility, Dossier Number X7121443, reflect a summary of information dated December 31, 1940 from an MID report of SA H. D. WISE, JR. for the period October 10, 1940 to December 30, 1940 intermittently, copies of which are unavailable. Said report stated:

"An unidentified Mrs. RYAN telephoned the office of Civilian Personnel in the War Department on August 1, 1940, and stated that Mrs. MARGARET OSTROW NOVEMBER is a Communist (Ex. 1).

The records of the War Department (Ex. 4) and the Civil Service Commission (Ex. 5) show that Mrs. NOVEMBER was born on April 12, 1912, in Duluth, Minnesota, and that she is married to HAROLD NOVEMBER, who was born in Newark, New Jersey. (His father was born in Austria and his mother in Russia. His father was naturalized in 1924, when son, HAROLD, was 13 years old (Ex. 7).) These records further show that her father was born in Russia (Naturalized in 1921 when daughter, MARGARET, was 8 years old (Ex. 6),) and her mother in Lithuania. The records of the War Department also show that Mrs. NOVEMBER, during the past five years, has been connected with the Washington Youth Council, the American League for Peace and Democracy, and the Stenographers, Typists and Bookkeepers Union, American Federation of Labor.

Mrs. NOVEMBER lived for ten months in a boarding house at 1736 P Street, N. W., where the interest of her landlady was aroused by frequent meetings of Jewish girls in her room (Ex. 8). Later, her mailing address became 1410 H. Street, N. W., a business building (Ex. 9) where her address coincided with that of the American Youth Congress (Ex. 23). Mrs. NOVEMBER subsequently

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lived at 2106 F Street, N. W., from which place she was evicted because she insisted upon holding mixed meetings of colored and white people in her apartment. (Exs. 11 & 13). From this address she went to 2316 F Street, N. W., where she lived for ten months. At this apartment she was apparently living with an unidentified man and she and the people living with her were generally considered to be Communists, holding mixed meetings of white and colored people, distributing handbills, and possessing Communist literature (Exs. 13-17). After this Mrs. NOVEMBER lived in a small apartment at 5410 3rd Street., N. W. The mail carrier for that address delivered Communist literature to her and the two other girls with whom she lived and considered them to be Communists (Ex. 20). Former neighbors stated that they disapproved of ^{the} three unmarried girls living there with three men but had no other complaint. (Ex. 21).

o/s Mrs. NOVEMBER next lived in Chevy Chase, Maryland, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. KENNETH DECKER. Mr. DECKER's name was listed by the Dies Committee as a member of the American League for Peace and Democracy. (Exs. 64 & 66). She later lived at 1818 Riggs Place, N. W. (Ex. 22). In December, 1939, Mr. and Mrs. NOVEMBER moved to their present address at 1821 M Street, N. W. Their present rental agent knows nothing about them but has received no complaints against them (Ex. 23). Most of her present neighbors who were questioned did not know of her but one reported that often groups of people come from her apartment late at night (Ex. 31).

Surveillance maintained at 1821 M Street, N. W., furnished the information that apparently one of Mrs. NOVEMBER's associates is one MORTON SOBELL, whose car has been seen discharging passengers at anti-conscription meetings (Exs. 37 & 38).

o/s A mail cover maintained at Mrs. NOVEMBER's residence disclosed that she is apparently Secretary of the Washington Youth Council and is in correspondence with the Washington Committee for Democratic Action and the National Federal for Constitutional Liberties (Ex. 47).

Two of the persons given by Mrs. NOVEMBER as references have stated they believe her to be loyal to this country, but both

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